

THE COMPANION BIBLE

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BEING

THE AUTHORIZED VERSION OF 1611

WITH

THE STRUCTURES

AND

NOTES, CRITICAL, EXPLANATORY
AND SUGGESTIVE

AND

WITH 198 APPENDIXES

“When thou goest, it shall lead thee ;
When thou sleepest, it shall keep thee ;
And when thou awakest, it shall talk with thee.”
(PROV. 6. 22)

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PREFACE.

THE COMPANION BIBLE is a new Edition of the English Bible. Published originally in six Parts, it is now presented in one Volume, and the description which follows shows that the Work is a self-explanatory Bible designed for the general use of all English readers throughout the world.

It has an amount of information (much of it hitherto inaccessible to the ordinary English reader) in its wide margins not to be found in any edition of the A.V. extant. Its position, in these respects, is unique.

In size and weight, and type and paper, as well as price, it will compare favourably with all existing editions.

It is called **THE COMPANION BIBLE** because its wide margin is intended to be a Companion to the Text ; and the whole is designed as the Companion of all readers of the Bible.

The human element is excluded, as far as possible, so that the reader may realize that the pervading object of the book is not merely to enable him to interpret the Bible, but to make the Bible the interpreter of God's Word, and Will, to him.

To the same end this Edition is not associated with the name of any man ; so that its usefulness may neither be influenced nor limited by any such consideration ; but that it may commend itself, on its own merits, to the whole English-speaking race.

It is NOT A NEW Translation.

It is NOT AN AMENDED Translation.

It is NOT A COMMENTARY.

THE TEXT.

The Text is that of the Authorized Version of 1611 as published by the Revisers in their "Parallel Bible" in 1886.

There are NO ALTERATIONS in the Text beyond what can be effected by a variation in the character of the TYPE. Hence, there is nothing that affects the ear when reading it aloud ; but only that which meets the eye in order to call attention to important facts and truths.

All ancient readings and new and amended renderings are confined to the margin ; which, for this purpose, extends to one-half the width of the page.

There are no minute English or Greek "superior" letters to confuse the Text ; or to perplex the reader when searching for the corresponding number or letter in the margin.

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THE TYPES EMPLOYED IN THE TEXT.

1. These distinguish ALL the Divine Names and Titles. (See Ap. 4.)
2. All pronouns used for the above have their initials indicated by capital letters.
3. The pronouns, &c., emphasized in the Original are in special type.
4. Attention is given to the capital and small letters in other cases where they affect interpretation.
5. The words spoken or cited are placed within quotation marks.
6. Where the Hebrew Text is written in separate lines, these lines are preserved by being presented in the same way in the present Edition.
7. In the Book of Psalms, the Titles will be printed so as to present the super-scriptions and sub-scriptions as brought to light and demonstrated by Dr. J. W. Thirtle.
8. In the New Testament, all *quotations* from the Old Testament will also be specially indicated.
9. Proper Names with their pronunciation, &c., are included in a special Appendix, No. 52.

The chapters and verses of the Authorized Version are retained ; but spaces are introduced to mark them off into paragraphs ; so that the advantages of both Verses and Paragraphs are retained. These paragraphs are not divided according to the usual Paragraph Bibles, but according to the Structures (see page viii), which are given in the right-hand margin ; while the corresponding Index-letters are repeated in the left-hand margin, by the side of the Text with the number of the page where they may be found ; so that the subjects of the various Paragraphs (or Members) may be seen at a glance, and be intelligently followed.

The other figures in the left-hand margin are the B.C. dates.

THE MARGIN.

A small circle (°) against a word or words in the Text calls attention to the same word or words which are REPEATED in the right-hand margin, with the number of the verse to which they belong.

In order to save repetition, and economize valuable space in the margin, words in the Text on which a note has already been given in a preceding verse in the same chapter, and to which the same note applies, are marked with the number of the verse in which such note is given.

When these words are referred to there will be found no "views" expressed, but only facts which are incontrovertible, and information which is indispensable.

Where references are given, these are not merely to PARALLEL PASSAGES, or to the same ENGLISH words, which are often as unnecessary as they are misleading ; but only to those passages which explain the words in the Original, and which throw light upon their truth and teaching.

If an amended rendering is suggested in the margin, and several references follow, then the reader knows that he has before him ALL the occurrences of such words in the Original. Where there is "&c." at the end of such references, then he will know that the Hebrew or Greek word in question occurs too many times for all the passages to be given ; but that a sufficient number is selected as evidence in favour of such amended rendering. Thus the reader will be able to judge for himself as to the accuracy of what is suggested : and the Bible becomes its own interpreter.

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THE MARGINAL NOTES.

1. In the OLD TESTAMENT all the important readings will be given¹ according to Dr. C. D. Ginsburg's *Massoretico-Critical Text* of the Hebrew Bible².
2. In the NEW TESTAMENT all the important readings will be given according to the evidence of the great textual critics, Griesbach, Lachmann, Tischendorf, Tregelles, Alford, Westcott and Hort, and the Revisers' Greek Text.
3. There are no words in Hebrew or Greek characters to burden or hinder the English reader. But a complete system of *Transliteration*, generally approved by Oriental Scholars (see p. x), will enable him readily to put back all such words into the Original characters with ease and accuracy. The Hebrew words are given not in the Inflection found in the Text, but in the root-form in which they will be looked for in Lexicons.
4. All important emendations are given—
 - (a) Whether required by the above readings,
 - (b) Or demanded for the sake of uniformity in translation,
 - (c) Or, where the current renderings are inadequate and open to amendment³: not otherwise, or merely for the sake of giving an alternative.
5. The facts and phenomena treasured up in the *Massōrah* are for the first time presented in connection with the A. V.² (see Ap. 30).
6. All Figures of Speech are noted, and their bearing on interpretation¹. These are the Holy Spirit's own markings, calling attention to what is *emphatic*, and worthy of our deepest attention (see Ap. 6).
7. The spiritual significance of Numbers is pointed out¹ (see Ap. 10).
8. The principal synonymous words in the Original are distinguished, especially those bearing on sin, atonement, and psychology.
9. The first occurrences of important words and expressions are duly noted¹.
10. The most recent Archæological discoveries in Assyria, Egypt, &c., are included.
11. Eastern manners and customs are explained, as they throw light on the Scriptures.
12. The meanings of Proper Names of persons or places are given where these are suggestive.
13. Money and Coins, Weights and Measures, are referred in every case to Appendix 51.
14. Chronology is dealt with on Biblical lines, which proceed on *durations* rather than *dates*. These are adhered to as given in the Bible itself, and are not adapted or made to conform to any system. This transforms a dry study into a subject of deepest interest. The various Charts and Tables are given in Appendix 50.
15. The Structures of the Books are given, and all their parts: which are the surest guide to their interpretation, and the strongest proof of their inspiration¹. (See p. viii.)

¹ This is the first time that these have been presented in connection with the Authorized Version.

² These were inaccessible to the past generation of Commentators and Translators.

³ By copying out the A. V., and substituting these amended renderings, the student may make *his own* new Revised Version.

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The marginal notes do not record every POSSIBLE Reading or Emendation, as these would only load the pages with a mass of needless matter. Only those new readings and renderings are given which will remove difficulties from the Text, enlighten the eyes, inform the mind, affect the conscience, instruct the head, and influence the life.

Several of the above points are, for the first time, placed within the reach of the ordinary English reader.

THE STRUCTURES

referred to on p. vii make THE COMPANION BIBLE an unique edition, and require a special notice.

They give, not a mere *Analysis* evolved from the Text by human ingenuity, but a *Symmetrical Exhibition* of the Word itself, which may be discerned by the humblest reader of the Sacred Text, and seen to be one of the most important evidences of the Divine Inspiration of its words.

For these Structures constitute a remarkable phenomenon peculiar to Divine Revelation ; and are not found outside it in any other form of known literature.

This distinguishing feature is caused by the *repetition of subjects* which reappear¹, either in alternation or introversion, or a combination of both in many divers manners.

This repetition is called "Correspondence", which may be by way of similarity or contrast ; synthetic or antithetic.

The subjects of the various Members are indicated by letters, which are quite arbitrary and are used only for convenience. The subject of one Member is marked by a letter in Roman type, while the repetition of it is marked by the same letter in Italic type. These are always in line (vertically), one with the other.

When the alphabet is exhausted, it is repeated, as often as may be necessary.

The Structure of the whole book is given at the commencement of each book ; and all the succeeding Structures are the expansion of this.

Each Structure is referred back to the page containing the larger Member, of which it is an expansion or development.

The large Members forming a telescopic view of the whole book are thus expanded, divided, and subdivided, until chapters and paragraphs, and even verses and sentences, are seen to form part of a wondrous whole, giving a microscopic view of its manifold details, and showing forth the fact, that while the works of the LORD are great and perfect, the WORD of the LORD is the greatest of His works, and is "perfect" also (Psalm 19. 7).

THE APPENDIXES

contain a large amount of information bearing on the various questions raised by the phenomena of the Sacred Text.

Those issued with each of the six volumes pertain principally to such volumes. But in this complete Edition they are all placed together at the end.

The order of the Appendixes is determined for the most part by the order in which the subjects are raised in the Text of the Bible.

¹ It is this repetition which has made possible the system of Bible-marking known by some as "Railways".

EXPLANATIONS.

REFERENCES. Where there is no name of a book in the margin, the reference is always to the same book, and all the References in the margin are to *The Companion Bible*, not to any Edition of the A. V., or R. V.

SUPERIOR FIGURES, in the Text, always refer to the verse, so numbered, in the same chapter.

The repetition of the same subject in a note is sometimes indicated by its initial (capital) letter.

The figures in the left-hand margin relate to two separate matters. Those in brackets, with a "p", refer to the number of the page on which the corresponding letter and member will be found. The number of the page so indicated holds good until another page number is given.

The other figures refer to the B. C. dates.

THE TRANSLITERATION OF HEBREW WORDS.

WITH the aid of the following Table, any English reader who knows the Hebrew alphabet can put back the English letters into the Hebrew characters, by noting the exact equivalents:—

CONSONANTS.	VOWELS.
b = ב (<i>Beth</i>).*	' = א (<i>Aleph</i>).
d = ד (<i>Daleth</i>).*	' = י (<i>Ayin</i>).
g = ג (<i>Gimel</i>).*	a = א (<i>Pathah</i>). 'a = א; 'a = י.
h = ה (<i>He</i>).	ă = א (<i>Hateph pathah</i>). 'ă = א; 'ă = י.
h = ח (<i>Cheth</i>), sometimes <i>ch</i> .	ā = א (<i>Kamez</i>). 'ā = א; 'ā = י.
k = כ (<i>Kaph</i>).* Final = ך.	e = א (<i>Segol</i>). 'e = א; 'e = י.
k = ק (<i>Koph</i>).	ě = א (<i>Hateph Segol</i>). 'ě = א; 'ě = י.
l = ל (<i>Lamed</i>).	ē = א (<i>Zerē</i>). 'ē = א; 'ē = י.
m = מ (<i>Mem</i>). Final = ם.	e = א (<i>Sh'vah</i>).
n = נ (<i>Nun</i>). Final = ן.	i = א (<i>Hirek</i>). 'i = א; 'i = י.
p = פ (<i>Pē</i>).*	ī = א (<i>Hirek</i>) long. 'ī = א; 'ī = י.
ph = פ ך Final = ף.	
r = ר (<i>Resh</i>).	
s = ס (<i>Samech</i>).	
s = ש (<i>Sin</i>).	
sh = ש (<i>Shin</i>).	
t = ט (<i>Teth</i>).	
t = ת (<i>Tau</i>).*	
th = ת ך	
v = ו (<i>Vau</i> or <i>Vav</i>).	
w = ו ך	
y = י (<i>Yod</i> or ' <i>Jot</i> ').	
z = ז (<i>Zayin</i>).	
z = צ (<i>Zaddi</i>). Final = ץ.	
	' = א (<i>Holem</i>). 'o = א; 'o = י.
	ō = א (<i>Hateph kamez</i>). 'ō = א; 'ō = י.
	ō = א (<i>Holem</i>) long.
	u = א (<i>Kibbuz</i>). 'ū = א; 'ū = י.
	ū = א (<i>Shurek</i>).

The six consonants marked with an asterisk (*) have a dot (*Dagesh*) within them, when placed at the beginning of a word; but not when they are situated in any other

TRANSLITERATION OF HEBREW WORDS (*cont.*).

part of the word (except when the letter in question is to be doubled, in which case it is doubled in the English).

As an example of the application of the above principles, the following is the first verse in the Hebrew Bible, the Hebrew being read from right to left:—

Pere'¹shith² bār'²ā 'ēlohīm³ ēth⁴ hashshām⁵ayim⁶ v'ēth⁶ hā'ārez⁷.

: בְּרֵאשִׁית בָּרָא אֱלֹהִים אֶת הַשָּׁמַיִם וְאֶת הָאָרֶץ :

All Hebrew words are given, not in the Inflection which occurs in the Text, but in the root-form which will be looked for in the Lexicon.

ABBREVIATIONS.

Abim. = Abimelech.	E. = East.
abt. = about.	Ed. or Edn. = Edition.
Acc. = Accusative Case.	Emph. = Emphasis: emphasise: emphatic.
acc. = according to, or accordingly.	Eng. = English.
Acct. = Account.	Esp. = Especially.
A. D. = Anno Domini.	fem. = feminine.
Adj. = Adjective.	Fig. = Figure of Speech.
aff. = affirmation.	folg. = following.
agst. = against.	freq. = frequently.
A. M. = Anno Mundi.	fulf. = fulfilled, or fulfilment.
Ant. = Antiquities.	Gb. = Ginsburg.
Ap. = Appendix.	Gen. = Genitive.
App. = Apposition.	genl. = general.
Appl. = Application.	Gr. = Greek.
Arab. = Arabic Version of portions of the Hebrew Old Testament about 900 A. D.	Heb. = Hebrew.
Aram. = Aramaean, or ancient Chaldee translation about 200 A. D.	Imp. = Imperative Mood.
Art. = the Definite Article "the", when emphatic.	Imperf. = Imperfect Tense.
A. S. = Anglo-Saxon.	Ind. = Indicative Mood.
A. V. = Authorized Version.	Int. = Introduction.
Bab. = Babylonian.	Jeh. = Jehovah.
B. C. = Before Christ.	Jer. = Jerome.
bec. = because.	Jon. = The Targum of Jonathan ben Uzziel; a Chaldee or Aramaean paraphrase on certain Old Testament books: not so ancient or valuable as that of Onkelos. About 30 B. C.
beg. = beginning.	
Ch. = Chapter.	Lat. = Latin.
Chald. = Chaldee language.	Lit. = Literal, literally.
cld. = could.	Marg. = Margin.
Cod. = Codex, Codices=MSS.	Masc. = Masculine.
coll. = collective.	MS. = Manuscript, or Codex.
com. = commandment.	MSS. = Manuscripts, or Codices.
comp. = compare.	
conj. = Conjunction.	
cov. = covenant.	
cp. = compare.	
diff. = different.	
Diod. Sic. = Diodorus Siculus (second half of first century A. D.).	
Div. = Divine.	

ABBREVIATIONS (*cont.*).

N.	= North.		
Neg.	= Negative.		
No.	= Number.		
N. T.	= New Testament.		
Occ.	= occurs, occurrence.		
Onk.	= The Targum of Onkelos: a Chaldee paraphrase of certain Old Testament books: older and more faithful than that of Jonathan (see "Jon." above). Date about third century B.C. in Babylonia.	Sept.	= Septuagint Version of the Hebrew Old Testament in Greek. Made in Alexandria the third or second century B.C. Valuable, because made from MSS. older than any now extant.
opp.	= opposite.	sig.	= significance.
Orth.	= Orthography.	sing.	= singular.
O. T.	= Old Testament.	Sir.	= Sirach.
		symb.	= symbolic.
p.	= page.	Syr.	= Syriac Version, made from the Hebrew for Christian use before the fourth century A. D.
par.	= particular.		
Part.	= Participle.	Targ.	= Targum.
Pent.	= Pentateuch.	Theoc.	= Theocritus.
pers.	= person.	trs.	= translate.
Phil.	= Philadelphus.		
pl.	= plural.	r.	= verse.
pos.	= positive.	cc.	= verses.
pp.	= pages.	var.	= various.
Prep.	= Preposition.	vol.	= volume.
prob.	= probably.	V. R.	= various reading.
Prof.	= Professor.	Vulg.	= The Vulgate, or Latin Version of the Bible, made by Jerome about close of fourth century A. D., and authorised by the Council of Trent, 1545-1563.
Pron.	= Pronoun.		
q.v.	= which see.	W.	= West.
R.	= reading.	wild.	= wilderness.
Rab.	= Rabbinic.	wisd.	= wisdom.
ref.	= referring to, reference.		
R.V.	= Revised Version.		
S.	= South.		
Sam.	= Samaritan Pentateuch. Very ancient. Supposed to have		

GENESIS.

THE STRUCTURE OF THE BOOK AS A WHOLE.

(Division).

A¹ | **1. 1 — 2. 3.** THE INTRODUCTION.

A² | **2. 4 — 50. 26.** THE ELEVEN "GENERATIONS" *.

Gen. **1. 1 — 2. 3.** (**A¹** above) THE INTRODUCTION.

(Alternation.)

A¹ | **A** | 1. 1. "THE WORLD THAT THEN WAS" (2 Pet. 3. 6). ITS CREATION IN ETERNITY PAST
B | 1. 2-. ITS END. RUIN.
A | 1. -2-31. "THE HEAVENS AND THE EARTH WHICH ARE NOW" (2 Pet. 3. 7). THEIR CREATION IN TIME PRESENT. (THE SIX DAYS.)
B | 2. 1-3. THEIR END. BLESSING.

Gen. **2. 4 — 50. 26.** (**A²** above) THE ELEVEN "GENERATIONS" *.

(Extended Alternation with Introversion.)

A² | **C** | **E** | "THE HEAVENS AND THE EARTH" (2. 4 — 4. 26)
F | ADAM (5. 1 — 6. 8)
G | NOAH (6. 9 — 9. 29) MANKIND IN GENERAL.
H | THE SONS OF NOAH (10. 1 — 11. -)
I | SHEM (11. 10 — 11. 26)
D | TERAH (11. 27 — 25. 11).
C | **E** | ISHMAEL (25. 12-18)
F | ISAAC (25. 19 — 35. 29)
G | ESAU (36. 1-8) THE CHOSEN PEOPLE.
H | THE SONS OF ESAU (36. 9-43)
I | JACOB (37. 1 — 50. 26)

* There are 14 altogether in the Bible :

The above in Genesis	11
The Generations of Aaron and Moses (Num. 3. 1)	1
The Generations of Pharez (Ruth 4. 18-22)	1
	-- 13
† The Book of the Generations of Jesus Christ (Matt. 1. 1)	1
	—
	<u>14</u>

† This latter needed to complete the number of spiritual perfection ($2 \times 7 = 14$). See Ap. 10.

THE ° FIRST ° BOOK OF ° MOSES,

CALLED

° GENESIS.

A₁ A
(p. 1)

1 IN the beginning ° God ° created ° the heaven and the earth.

B

2 ° And ° the earth ° was ° without form, and void; and darkness ° was upon the ° face of the deep.

A a
(p. 3)

And ° the Spirit of God moved upon the ° face of the waters.

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3 And ° God ° said, "Let there ° be light:" and there ° was light.

4 And ° God ° saw the light, that *it was* ° good: and ° God ° divided the light from the darkness.

5 And ° God ° called the light Day, and the darkness He ° called Night. And the ° evening and the morning were the ° first ° day.

b

6 And ° God ° said, "Let there be a ° firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters."

7 And ° God ° made the ° firmament, and ° divided the waters which *were* under the firmament from the waters which *were* above the firmament: and it was so.

8 And ° God ° called the ° firmament ° Heaven. And the ° evening and the morning were the second ° day.

First Book. For its relation to the other books of the Pentateuch as well as to the Hebrew Canon of O.T., see Ap. 1.

Book. See Ap. 47.

Moses. Ascribed to him, Mark 10. 2-3, &c.; see Ap. 2. **Genesis.** No part of Hebrew Title, which is simply *B'rēshith*, "in [the] beginning", because the book of all beginnings. Genesis is Greek=generation, creation. For its being complementary to the Apocalypse, see Ap. 3.

1 "THE WORLD THAT THEN WAS" (2 Pet. 3. 5, 6). See Structure, p. 1. Creation in eternity past, to which all Fossils and "Remains" belong.

God. Heb. *Elohim*, pl. First occurrence connects it with creation, and denotes, by usage, the Creator in relation to His creatures. See Ap. 4. The Heb. accent *Athnach* places the emphasis, and gives pause, on "God" as being Himself the great worker, separating the Worker from His work.

created (sing.). Occurs 6 times in this Introduction. Other acts 46 times. See Ap. 5. Perfection implied. Deut. 32. 4. 2 Sam. 22. 31. Job 38. 7. Ps. 111; 147. 3-5. Prov. 3. 19. Ecc. 3. 11-14. [Even the Greek *Cosmos* = ornament. Ex. 33. 4-6. Isa. 49. 18. Jer. 4. 30. Eze. 7. 20. 1 Pet. 3. 3.]

the heaven and the earth. With Heb. Particle *'eth* before each, emphasising the Article "the", and thus distinguishing both from 2. 1. "Heavens" in Heb. always in pl. See note on Deut. 4. 26.

2-And. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), by which, in the 34 verses of this Introduction, each one of 102 separate acts are emphasised; and the important word "God" in v. 1 is carried like a lamp through the whole of this Introduction (1. 1-2. 3). **the earth.** Fig. *Anadiplosis*. See Ap. 6. **was=became.** See Gen. 2. 7; 4. 3; 9. 15; 19. 26. Ex. 32. 1. Deut. 27. 9. 2 Sam. 7. 24, &c. Also rendered *came to pass*, Gen. 4. 14; 22. 1; 23. 1; 27. 1. Josh. 4. 1; 5. 1. 1 Kings 13. 32. Isa. 14. 24, &c. Also rendered *be* (in the sense of *become*), v. 3, &c., and where the verb "to be" is not in italic type. Hence, Ex. 3. 1, kept = *became* keeper, quit = *become* men, &c. See Ap. 7. **without form = waste.** Heb. *tohū vā bohū*. Fig. *Paronomasia*. Ap. 6. Not created *tohū* (Isa. 45. 18), but became *tohū* (Gen. 1. 2. 2 Pet. 3. 5, 6). "An enemy hath done this" (Matt. 13. 25, 28, 39. Cp. 1 Cor. 14. 33). See Ap. 8. **was.** This is in italic type, because no verb "to be" in Heb. (see Ap. 7). In like manner man became a ruin (Gen. 3. Ps. 14. 1-3; 51. 5; 53. 1-3. Ecc. 7. 20. Rom. 7. 18). **face.** Fig. *Pleonasm*. Ap. 6.

1. -2-31 (A, p. 1). "THE HEAVENS AND EARTH WHICH ARE NOW" (*Extended Alternation*).

A a	-2-5. Darkness and Light.	Night and Day	1st Day.
b	6-8. Waters.	Division between them.	2nd Day.
c	9-13. Earth.	Fruit from it.	3rd Day.
a	14-19. Day and Night.	Sun and Moon.	4th Day.
b	20-23. Waters.	Life from them.	5th Day.
c	24-31. Earth.	Life from it.	6th Day.

-2 the Spirit of God moved (see Ap. 9) = The beginning of "the heavens and earth which are now" (2 Pet. 3. 7). It is even so in the New Creation. The Spirit moves (John 3. 3-8. Rom. 8. 5, 9, 14. Gal. 4. 29. 2 Cor. 5. 17, 18). **3 God said** (occurs 10 times in Introduction). This begins each day: 3rd day twice; 6th day four times. The second act is also of God (1 Pet. 1. 23-25). Ap. 5. **be light**=become light (as in v. 2), not the verb "to be". Light not located till 4th day. **was**=became, as in v. 2. It is even so in the New Creation: His Word enters and gives light (Ps. 119. 130. 2 Cor. 4. 6). **4 saw.** Occurs 7 times in Introduction. Ap. 5. **good**=beautiful (Ecc. 3. 11). **divided.** Occurs twice. Ap. 5. Each day's work called "good", except the 2nd, because nothing created on that day: only division made. **5 called.** Occurs 5 times. Ap. 5. **evening... morning.** Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap. 6. Put for a full day. The beginning and end of anything is put for the whole of it. Cp. Ecc. 3. 11; 10. 13; 11. 6. Ps. 92. 2. Isa. 41. 4; 44. 6; 48. 12. Rev. 1. 8, 11, 17; 2. 8; 21. 6; 22. 13. **first.** For spiritual significance see Ap. 10. **first day**=day one. The word "day" may refer to a prolonged period when used without any qualifying words. But when qualified with a numeral (cardinal or ordinal) it is defined and limited by it to a day of 24 hours. It is further limited here by its boundaries "evening and morning", as well as by the 7th day. Cp. Ex. 20. 9, 11. See Ap. 11. **6 firmament**=expanse. Something spread out. **7 made.** Occurs 7 times. Ap. 5. **8 Heaven**=Heb. high, lofty.

(p. 3) 9 And ¹God ³said, "Let the waters under the heaven be gathered together unto one place, and let the dry land appear:" and it was so.

10 And ¹God ⁵called the ³dry land Earth; and the gathering together of the waters ⁵called He Seas: and ¹God ⁴saw that it was ⁴good.

11 And ¹God ³said, "Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb yielding seed, and the fruit tree yielding fruit ^oafter his kind, whose ^oseed is in itself, upon the earth:" and it was so.

12 And the earth brought forth grass, and herb yielding seed ¹¹after his kind, and the tree yielding fruit, whose seed was in itself, ¹¹after his kind: and ¹God ⁴saw that it was ⁴good.

13 And the ⁵evening and the morning were the ^othird ⁵day.

a 14 And ¹God ³said, "Let there be ^olights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for ^osigns, and for ^oseasons, and for days, and years:

15 And let them be for lights in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth:" and it was so.

16 And ¹God ⁷made ^otwo great ¹⁴lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: He made ^othe stars also.

17 And ¹God set them in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth,

18 And to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness: and ¹God ⁴saw that it was ⁴good.

19 And the ⁵evening and the morning were the ^ofourth ⁵day.

b 20 And ¹God ³said, "Let the waters bring forth abundantly the moving creature that hath ^olife, and fowl that may fly above the earth in the open firmament of heaven."

21 And ¹God ¹created great ^owhales, and every living ^ocreature that moveth, which the waters brought forth abundantly, ¹¹after their kind, and every winged fowl ¹¹after his kind: and ¹God ⁴saw that it was ⁴good.

22 And ¹God ^oblessed them, saying, "Be fruitful, and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let fowl multiply in the earth."

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c 24 And ¹God ³said, "Let the earth bring forth the living ^ocreature ¹¹after his kind, cattle, and creeping thing, and beast of the earth ¹¹after his kind:" and it was so.

25 And ¹God ⁷made the beast of the earth ¹¹after his kind, and cattle ¹¹after their kind, and every thing that creepeth upon the earth ¹¹after his kind: and ¹God ⁴saw that it was ⁴good.

26 And ¹God ³said, ^o"Let Us make ^oman in Our ^oimage, after Our likeness: ^oand let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth."

4004 27 So ^oGod ^ocreated ^oman in His ^oown ^oimage, in the ^oimage of God ^ocreated He ^ohim; male and female created He ^othem.

11 after his kind. Occurs 10 times (vv. 11, 12, 12, 21, 21, 24, 24, 25, 25, 25). See Ap. 10. Evolution has no answer to this.

seed is in itself. Heb. *seedling seed*. Fig. *Polyplydton*, Ap. 6. First the herb, then seed. First tree, then fruit.

13 third day = day three.

14 lights. Heb. *m'adot* = lightholders or luminaries (Ex. 25. 6; 27. 20; 35. 14, &c. Cp. v. 3).

signs. Heb. *'oth* = things to come (Jer. 10. 2).

seasons. Heb. *mō'ed*, appointed times (from *y'ed*, to appoint). Occurs only 3 more times in Gen. See 17. 21; 18. 14; 21. 2.

16 two = the two.

the stars also. See Ap. 12.

19 fourth day = day four. See note on v. 5.

20 life = soul. Heb. *nephesh*, as in vv. 21, 24, 30; 2. 7, 19; 9. 4, 5, 10, 12, 15, 16. Lev. 11. 46, &c. See Ap. 13.

21 whales = great sea-creatures.

creature = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Cp. v. 20 and Ap. 13.

22 blessed. See on v. 1. Note the threefold blessing at Creation (1. 22, 28; 2. 3).

23 evening . . . morning. See on v. 5.

fifth. The No. of grace (Ap. 10). No blessing till the 5th day, when there was living soul to bless.

fifth day, or "day five". See note on v. 5.

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26 Let us. The Divine purpose is here stated. The Divine act not described till 2. 7, 21-24.

man. Heb. *'ādām* (no Art.) = mankind.

image . . . likeness. Fig. *Hendiadys*, Ap. 6. One thing, not two = "In the likeness of our image", viz. of *Elohim* (not Jehovah), the 2nd person, who had taken creature form in order to create (Col. 1. 15. Heb. 1. 3. Rev. 3. 14; cp. Prov. 8. 22-31, and 1 Cor. 11. 3-11). Refers only to outward form, not to attributes. So He afterward took human form in order to redeem (John 1. 14). Cp. Rev. 4. 11 with 5. 9. In any case the "image and likeness" is physical, not moral. Man fell and is a moral ruin, but some physical likeness to *'elohim* still remains. Cp. Gen. 9. 6. 1 Cor. 11. 7. Jas. 3. 9. No indication that that similitude was ever lost. Gen. 5. 3. See note on 3. 7.

and. Note Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) here, and throughout the Introduction (see v. 2), emphasising the Divine purpose.

27 God. The Heb. accent (*Paşek*) places the emphasis on God, the Carrier-out of His purpose.

created: i.e., when He did create. The description of the act postponed till 2. 7, 21-24. See note on v. 26. The *Tosephta* (contemporary with the *Mishna*, about A.D. 200) translate *Sanhedrin*, viii. 7: "Why was man created last? That the heretics might not say there was a companion with Him in the work": i.e. lest man should have claimed a share in it.

man. Here the Heb. *'ādām* has the art., and the demonstrative Heb. *'eth*, to indicate that the man Adam created in 2. 7 was the "man" here purposed.

own. Wrongly supplied by A. V. and R. V.

image. Fig. *Anadiplosis* (Ap. 6) for emph.

him. Emphasised by Heb. accent (*Athnach*).

them. Emph. Here, in purpose. But, Gen. 2. 7, 21-24, in historical act and fact.

28 them. Emph. Fig. *Prolepsis* (Ap. 6). The actual building of Eve not till 2. 20-23.

replenish = fill, as 1. 22 and nearly every occurrence. have dominion. Cp. Ps. 8. Heb. 2. 6-8. "But now . . . not yet."

28 ² And ¹God ²²blessed ²⁷them, and ¹God ³said unto ^othem, "Be fruitful, and multiply, and ^oreplenish the earth, and subdue it: and ^ohave dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth."

29 And ¹God ³said, "Behold, I have given you every herb [°]bearing seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which is the fruit of a tree [°]yielding seed; to you it shall be [°]for meat.

30 And to every beast of the earth, and to every fowl of the air, and to every thing that creepeth upon the earth, wherein *there is* [°]life, [°]I have given every green herb for meat:" and it was so.

31 And ¹God ⁴saw every thing that He had made, and, behold, *it was very* ⁴good. And the ⁵evening and the morning were [°]the sixth ²³day.

B (p. 1) **2** Thus [°]the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them.

2 And on the [°]seventh [°]day [°]God ended His work which He had [°]made; and He [°]rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had [°]made.

3 And ²God ²²blessed the seventh ⁵day, and sanctified it: because that in it He had ²rested from all His work which God [°]created and ²made.

A (p. 5) **4** *These are* THE [°]GENERATIONS OF THE HEAVENS AND OF THE EARTH when they were created, [°]in the day that the [°]LORD God made the earth and the heavens,

5 And [°]every plant of the field before it was in the earth, and every herb of the field before it grew:

B a [°]for the ⁴LORD God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and *there was* not a man to till the ground.

b 6 [°]But there went up a [°]mist from the earth, and watered the whole face of the ground.

c 7 And the ⁴LORD God [°]formed [°]man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the [°]breath [°]of life; and [°]man became a living [°]soul.

C d 8 (And the ⁴LORD God planted a [°]garden [°]eastward in [°]Eden; and there He put ⁷the man whom He had formed.

e 9 And out of the ground made the ⁴LORD God to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food; the [°]tree of life also in the [°]midst of the garden, and the tree of [°]knowledge of [°]good and evil.

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31 the sixth day. Here, with Art. "the"; unlike the other five days. Six, the No. of man. See Ap. 10.

2. 1 the heavens and the earth = "which are now" (2 Pet. 3. 7), see Structure on p. 1. Hence without Heb. Particle 'eth. See note on 1. 1 and Deut. 4. 26.

2 seventh. Sam. and Sept. read "sixth", which is evidently correct. day. See on ch. 1. 5.

God ended. See on 1. 1 and Ap. 5.

made. See note on 1. 7.

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2. 4-4. 26 (E, p. 1). "THE GENERATIONS OF THE HEAVENS AND OF THE EARTH."

J¹ 2. 4-25. BEFORE the Fall. Man in Probation.

J² 3. 1-24. The FALL of Man.

J³ 4. 1-26. AFTER the Fall. Man in Ruin.

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B | a | -5. For the ground, no man.

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c | 7. The formation of man.

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e | 9. The Trees.

D | 10-14. The Rivers.

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c | -20-23. The formation of woman.

A | 24, 25. Man and woman for the earth.

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LORD God = First occ. See Ap. 4, and note above.

5 every plant, &c. This is an expansion of ch. 1. 11, 12, giving details.

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garden; and from thence it was parted, and became into four heads.

11 The name of the first is °Pison: that is it which °compasseth the whole land of °Havilah, where *there is* gold;

12 And the gold of that land is good: there is bdellium and the °onyx stone.

13 And the name of the second river is °Gihon: the same is it that compasseth the whole land of °Ethiopia.

14 And the name of the third river is °Hiddekel: that is it which goeth toward the east of °Assyria. And the fourth river is °Euphrates.

C d (p. 5) 15 And the °LORD God took °the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to °keep it.)

e 16 And the °LORD God commanded °the man, saying, "Of every tree of the garden thou mayest °freely eat:

17 But of the °tree of the °knowledge of °good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for °in the day that thou eatest thereof °thou shalt surely die."

B a 18 And the °LORD God said, "It is not good that °the man should be alone; I will make him an help °meet for him."

b 19 And out of the °ground the °LORD God formed every beast of the field, and every fowl of the air; and brought *them* unto Adam to see what he would call them: and whatsoever Adam called every living °creature, that was the name thereof.

20 And Adam gave names to all cattle, and to the fowl of the air, and to every beast of the field;

c but for Adam there was not found an help °meet for him.

21 And the °LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam, and he slept: and He took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead thereof;

22 And the rib, which the °LORD God had taken from °man, made He a °woman, and brought her unto the °man.

23 And Adam said, "This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called °Woman, because she was taken out of °Man."

A 24 °Therefore shall °a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh.

25 And they were both °naked, °the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.

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11 **Pison** = the river W. of the Euphrates, called *Pallukat* in reign of Nabonidos, last king of Babylonia, or the Pallakopas Canal.

compasseth. The *Pallukat* or *Pison* encircled the N. borders of the great sandy desert which stretched westward to the mountain chains of Midian and Sinai.

Havilah = the region of Sand. Indicated in 25. 18. 1 Sam. 15. 7. Shur would be the E. end of Havilah, the W. of this region. Connected with Ophir in 10. 29.

12 **onyx**. Heb. *shoham*, identified with Assy. *samtu*, from that region.

13 **Gihon** = the river E. of the Tigris. The modern *Kerkhah*, and ancient *Khoaspes*, rising in the mountains of the *Kassi*. *Kas* has been confused with the Heb. *Cush*. It is not the African Cush or Ethiopia, but the Accadian *Kas*.

14 **Hiddekel** = Accadian for the Tigris, which was *Idigla*, or *Idiglat* = "the encircling".

Assyria. Heb. *Hashshur* (*Asshur*). This is not Assyria, but the city of *Assur*, the primitive capital of Assyria (which lay E. and W. of the Tigris).

Euphrates. Heb. = *phēraṭh*. The Greek Euphrates comes from the old Persian *Ufratū*, and this from *Purat* or *Puratu* = the river. Sometimes *Pura-nun* = the great river.

15 **the man**. Heb. *'eth-hā'ādām* = this same man Adam. See Ap. 14. i.

keep = keep safe, preserve. Same Heb. as 3. 24; 17. 3, 10; 18. 19, &c.

16 **the man**. Heb. *hā'ādām* (with art.) = the man Adam. See Ap. 14. i.

freely. Heb. "Eating thou mayest eat". Fig. *Polypytōton* (Ap. 6) for emphasis (see note on 26. 28). Here rightly marked by "freely". Toned down by Eve in ch. 3. 2.

17 **tree**. Note the three trees: "Knowledge" (2. 9), man's Ruin; "the Cross" (Acts 10. 39; 5. 30. 1 Pet. 2. 24), man's Redemption; "the Tree of Life" (2. 9. Rev. 2. 7; 22. 2), man's Regeneration.

good and evil. See on "knowledge", v. 9. Obedience proving what was "good" (Deut. 6. 24), disobedience revealing what was "evil" (Rom. 3. 20).

in the day = when. See Ap. 18. Cp. 2. 4. 1 Kings 2. 37. Ezek. 36. 33, &c.

thou shalt surely die. Heb. "dying thou shalt die". Fig. *Polypytōton*, for emph. (Ap. 6). Cp. 20. 7;

26. 11. Ex. 19. 12; 21. 12, 15, 16, 17; 31. 14, 15. Lev. 20. 2, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16, 27; 24. 16, 17; 27. 29. Num. 15. 35; 26. 65; 35. 16, 17, 18, 21, 31. Judg. 13. 22; 15. 13; 21. 6. 1 Sam. 14. 39, 44; 22. 16. 2 Sam. 12. 14. 1 Kings 2. 37, 42. 2 Kings 1. 4, 6, 16; 8. 10. Jer. 26. 8, 19; 38. 16. Ezek. 3. 18; 18. 13; 33. 8, 14. See note on ch. 26. 28 for the emphasis of this Figure exhibited in other ways; and cp. esp. note on Num. 26. 65. Here marked by the word "surely", as in v. 16 by the word "freely". This certainty changed by Eve in 3. 3 into a contingency.

18 **meet** = as his counterpart.

19 **ground**: giving the details of 1. 24.

creature = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. See ch. 1. 20 and Ap. 13.

22 **woman**. Heb. *'ishah*, fem. of *'ish* (Ap. 14) = female.

23 **Man**. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. ii.

24 **Therefore**, &c., quoted Matt. 19. 5, &c. 1 Cor. 6. 16. Eph. 5. 31.

25 **naked**. Heb. *'arūm*, a Homonym. The same spelling as word rendered "subtil" in 3. 1.

3. 1-24 For Structure see next page.

1 **serpent**. Heb. *Nachash*, a shining one. See note on Num. 21. 6, 9. The old serpent (2 Cor. 11. 3) transformed as "an angel of light" (= a glorious angel, 2 Cor. 11. 14). Cp. Ezek. 28. 13, 14, 16, and contrasted with it here in v. 24. See Ap. 19. **subtil** = wise. Heb.

'arūm, a Homonym. Same as 2. 25; here - wise (as Job 5. 12; 15. 5. Prov. 12. 16, 23; 13. 16; 14. 8, 15, 18; 22. 3; 27. 12). Cp. Ezek. 28. 12, 13, 17. If the *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6. iii. 1) be supplied from the preceding context, 3. 1 will then read on from 2. 25, thus: "they were both naked (*'arūm*), the man and his wife, and [knowing only good, 2. 17] were not ashamed [before God]. But the *Nachash* was more wise (*'arūm*) than any living being of the field which Jehovah Elohim had made, and [knowing evil, and not ashamed (2. 25) to question the truth of God's word] he said unto the woman," &c. **beast** = living creature or being; same as *Zōon* in Rev. 4. 6-9; 5. 6, 8, 14, &c.

And. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) throughout this chapter emphasising each detail. **the LORD God**. See note on 2. 4.

° "Yea, hath ° God said, 'Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden'?"

2 And the woman said unto the serpent, "We ° may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden:

3 But of the fruit of the tree which *is* in the midst of the garden, ° God hath said, 'Ye shall not eat of it, ° neither shall ye touch it, ° lest ye die.'"

4 And the serpent said unto the woman, ° "Ye shall not surely die:

5 For ° God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ° ye shall be as gods, ° knowing good and evil."

F (p. 7) 6 And when the woman saw that the tree was ° good for food, and that it was ° pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to ° make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and ° gave also unto her husband ° with her; and he did eat.

G f 7 And the eyes of them both were opened, and they ° knew that they were naked;

g and they sewed ° fig leaves together, and made themselves ° aprons.

H 8 And they heard the ° voice of the ° LORD ° God walking in the garden in the ° cool of the day: and Adam and his wife ° hid themselves from the presence of the ° LORD ° God amongst the trees of the garden.

9 And the ° LORD ° God called unto Adam, and said unto him, ° "Where art thou?"

10 And he said, "I heard Thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was ° naked; and I hid myself."

11 And He said, "Who told thee that thou wast naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat?"

12 And ° the man said, ° "The woman whom ° Thou gavest to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat."

I 13 And the ° LORD ° God said unto the woman, "What is this that thou hast done?" And the woman said, ° "The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat."

K 14 And the ° LORD ° God ° said unto the serpent, "Because thou hast done this, thou art cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; ° upon thy belly shalt thou go, and ° dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life:

K 15 And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her Seed; ° It shall bruise thy ° head, and thou shalt bruise His ° heel."

I 16 Unto the woman He said, "I will ° greatly

3. 1-24 (J², p. 5). THE FALL.

(Introversion and Alternation.)

J² E | 1-5. The *Nachash*: procuring man's death, in Adam.

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G | f | 7-. Effect on both: the man and the woman.

g | -7. Human provision: man-made aprons.

H | 8-12. God's enquiry of the man.

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g | 21. Divine provision: God-made coats.

F | 22-24-. The Tree of Life. Expulsion from it.

E | -24. The *Cherubim*: preserving man's life, in Christ.

Not allegory: but literal history, emphasised by Figures of Speech.

Yea, hath God said = Can it be that God hath said. Not a Q., but Figure *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6) for emph. Opposition to God's Word is Satan's sphere of activity. This is Satan's first utterance in Scripture. God = *Elohim*. Ap. 4. 2 may eat. Misquoted from 2. 16 by not repeating the emphatic Figure *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6), and thus omitting the emph. "freely".

3 neither shall ye touch it. This sentence is added. Cp. 2. 16, 17.

lest ye die. Misquoted from 2. 16, 17, by not repeating the emphatic Figure *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6), thus changing the emph. preserved in the word "surely".

4 Ye shall not surely die = Satan's second utterance. Contradiction of God's Word in 2. 17. This has become the foundation of Spiritism and Traditional belief as to death. See note on 2. 17.

5 ye shall be as gods = be as God, Heb. *Elohim*. This is the foundation of Satan's second lie: "The immanence of God in man."

6 good for food. See 1 John 2. 16, "Lust of the flesh". Cp. Matt. 4. 3.

pleasant to the eyes. See 1 John 2. 16, "Lust of the eyes". Cp. Matt. 4. 5.

make one wise. See 1 John 2. 16, "Boastful of life". Cp. Matt. 4. 8. gave. See 1 Tim. 2. 14. with her. Therefore Adam present. Cp. "Ye", v. 4, 5.

7 knew. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subj.). Ap. 6. They knew before, but their knowledge now received a new meaning. Adam becomes "naked" by losing something of *Elohim's* glorious likeness. Rom. 8. 3 may refer to this.

fig leaves. The man-made covering contrasted, in the structure, with the God-made clothing (v. 21).

aprons. Heb. word occurs only here.

8 voice = sound. (Ecc. 7. 6 = crackling.) Here = footsteps, as in 2 Sam. 5. 24. 1 Kings 14. 6. 2 Kings 6. 32. cool. Heb. *ruach*. Ap. 9.

hid themselves. No "quest for God" in fallen man. Cp. 4. 14. Luke 15. 13. Eph. 2. 13. Jer. 23. 24.

9 Where art thou? The 1st Q. in O. T. comes from God to the sinner. Cp. 1st Q. in N. T. of the seeking sinner, "Where is He?" (Matt. 2. 2).

12 the man. Heb. *Hā'ādām* = the man Adam. Ap. 14. the woman. Characteristic of fallen man (Job 31. 33, 13 The

14 said. God asks the serpent no

upon thy belly, &c. Fig. of speech.

dust, &c. Fig. of utter defeat,

hence Deut. 18. 6).

Thou gavest. Implying blame to Jehovah as well as to his wife.

serpent. See note on v. 1 and Ap. 19; and cp. 2 Cor. 11. 3, 14.

question. There is no parley. Sentence at once pronounced.

See Ap. 19. The words imply the utmost humiliation, as in Ps. 44. 25.

as in Ps. 72. 9. See Ap. 19. 15 it, i. e. Christ. The corruption of this in the Vulgate into "she"

lies at the root of Mariolatry: the verb in sing. masc. shows that *zer'a* (seed) is here to be taken in

singular, with Sent., i. e. *Christ*; see note on Gen. 17. 7; 21. 12, and Gal. 3. 16.

head... heel. See Ap. 19.

No more literal than 1 Cor. 11. 8, or Ps. 41. 9, and John 13. 18. They denote the temporary sufferings of

the Seed, and the complete destruction of Satan and his works (Heb. 2. 14. 1 John 3. 8). Heel = lower part.

Head = vital part. This is the first great promise and prophecy. Note its position in the centre of Structure

above. 16 greatly multiply. Heb. "multiplying I will multiply". Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6). Emph.

preserved in word "greatly". Cp. v. 4, and see note on 26. 28.

multiply thy sorrow and thy conception; ° in sorrow thou shalt bring forth ° children; and thy desire *shall be* ° to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee."

II (p.7) 17 And unto Adam He said, "Because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee, saying, 'Thou shalt not eat of it:' ° cursed is the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life;

18 ° Thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth to thee; and thou shalt eat the herb of the ° field;

19 In the sweat of thy ° face shalt thou eat ° bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken: for ° dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return."

G f 20 And Adam called his wife's name ° Eve; because she was the mother of ° all living.

g 21 Unto Adam also and to his wife did the LORD God make ° coats ° of skins, and clothed them.

F 22 And ° the LORD ° God said, ° "Behold, the ° man is become as one of Us, to know ° good and evil: and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and ° live for ever:—" °

23 ° Therefore ° the LORD ° God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from whence he was taken.

24 So He ° drove out the ° man;

E and He ° placed at the east of the garden of Eden ° Cherubims, and ° a flaming sword which turned ° every way, to ° keep the way of the ° tree of life.

J³ L (p. 8) 4 And Adam knew Eve his wife; and she conceived, and bare ° Cain, and said, "I have gotten ° a man from the LORD."

2 And she again bare his brother ° Abel. And Abel was a keeper of sheep, but Cain was a tiller of the ground.

3 And ° in process of time it came to pass, that Cain brought of the fruit of the ° ground an ° offering unto ° the ° LORD.

4 And Abel, he also ° brought of the ° firstlings of his flock and of the fat thereof. And ° the LORD had ° respect unto Abel and to his ° offering:

5 But unto Cain and to his ° offering He had not respect. And Cain was very wroth, and his countenance fell.

6 And ° the LORD said unto Cain, ° "Why art thou wroth? and ° why is thy countenance fallen?"

3 in process of time. Heb. *at [the] end of days*. The time as well as place and offering probably appointed. ground. The product of the curse. Cp. 3. 17.

but his own "way" (Jude 11); but not first-fruits as Abel's. Heb. *minchah*. See Ap. 43. II. iii. LORD = Jehovah. Note, the sacrifices both brought to Jehovah as the covenant God; not to *Elohim*, the Creator. See Ap. 4.

4 brought: "by faith", Heb. 11. 4, which came by hearing the word of God (Rom. 10. 17).

firstlings . . . and the fat, &c. Fig. *Heptadys*, Ap. 6 = "the firstlings, and the fattest ones too."

respect: by accepting it by fire Divinely sent, Lev. 9. 24. Judg. 6. 21. 1 Kings 18. 38. 1 Chron. 21. 26. 2 Chron. 7. 1; and cp. Ps. 20. 3, and Heb. 11. 4.

Fig. *Antimetabole* (Ap. 6) {
had respect.
his offerings.
his offerings.
had not respect.

6 Why. . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis* for emph. (Ap. 6).

in sorrow. Cp. 1 Tim. 2. 14, 15.

children. Heb. = sons; but daughters included by context.

to = subject to.

17 cursed. Nature affected. Rom. 8. 19-23.

18 Thorns. The sign of the curse. What else was brought forth is not stated; but the word may include all kinds of noxious insects, &c., as well as poisonous weeds.

field. Not the fruit of Paradise.

19 face = whole body. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part). Ap. 6.

bread = all kinds of food. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species). Ap. 6.

dust. This is literal. See Gen. 2. 7. Ps. 103. 14. Ecc. 12. 7. 1 Cor. 15. 47. Note the emph. by *Introversion*—

{ return.
| it = (dust).
| dust.
| return.

20 Eve = Heb. *Chavvah* = Life, Life-spring. Showing that he believed God. The name "Eve" occ. 4 times: here; 4. 1; 2 Cor. 11. 3; and 1 Tim. 2. 13.

all = all who should live after her. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Genus), Ap. 6.

21 coats. Cp. the structure, p. 7, v. -7.

of skins = skin. Omitted in the Codex "Severus". See Ap. 34.

22 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6).

man. Heb. the man, Adam.

good. Heb. *tōv* = general good. Cp. Gen. 1. 4, 10, 12, 18, 21, 25; 6. 2. Deut. 1. 25; 3. 25. Judg. 8. 2. Est. 1. 11. Prov. 8. 11. Ecc. 7. 14; 11. 7. Verse ends with Fig.

Aposiopēsis = Sudden silence (Ap. 6), emphasising the result as being unspeakable.

live for ever clearly shows the nature of man.

23 Therefore: the object is self-evident.

24 drove out. Note the failure of man under every dispensation.

placed. Heb. *shākan*, to place in a tabernacle, hence to dwell. The Cherubim placed later in the tents of Shem, 9. 26, 27. Cp. 4. 3, 7, 14, 16.

Cherubim. See Ap. 41. 1 Sam. 4. 4. Ps. 80. 1; 99. 1. a = should be "the".

every way, not *nālah* (aside), *šavav* (about), *šug* (back), *pānah* (toward), but *haphuk* (every way), effectually preserving the way.

keep. See note on Gen. 2. 15 = *preserve*, so that man should not "live for ever" in his fallen condition, but only in Christ, 1 John 5. 11, 12.

tree of life. See note on 2. 9.

4. 1-26 (J³, p. 5). AFTER THE FALL. (Alternation)

J³ L | 1-16. Adam's sons: Cain and Abel.

M | 17-24. Cain's son: Enoch.

L | 25. Adam's son: Seth.

M | 26. Seth's son: Enos.

1 Cain = acquisition.

a man. Heb. *'ish*. (See Ap. 14. ii.) Lit. "a man, even Jehovah". R.V. "with the help of", in italics. Heb. *'ish 'eth Jehovah*. Cp. Luke 2. 11.

2 Abel = transitoriness.

7 If thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted? and °if thou doest not well, °sin °lieth at the door. And unto thee °shall be his desire, °and thou shalt rule over him."

8 And Cain °talked with Abel his brother: and it came to pass, when they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother, and °slew him.

9 And °the LORD said unto Cain, "Where is Abel thy brother?" And he said, "I know not: Am I my brother's keeper?"

10 And He said, "What hast thou done? the voice of thy brother's °blood crieth unto Me from the ground.

11 And now art thou cursed °from the earth, which hath opened her mouth to receive thy brother's blood from thy hand;

12 When thou tillest the ground, it shall not henceforth yield unto thee her °strength; a fugitive and a vagabond shalt thou be in the earth."

13 And Cain said unto °the LORD, "My °punishment is greater than I can bear.

14 °Behold, Thou hast driven me out this day from the face of the °earth; and from Thy face shall I be °hid; and I shall be a fugitive and a vagabond in the earth; and it shall come to pass, that °every one that findeth me shall slay me."

15 And °the LORD said unto him, "° Therefore whosoever slayeth Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold." And °the LORD set a mark upon Cain, lest any finding him should kill him.

16 And Cain went out from the °presence of °the LORD, and dwelt in the land of °Nod, on the east of Eden.

M (p. 8) 17 And Cain knew his wife; and she conceived, and bare °Enoch: and he builded a °city, and called the name of the city, after the name of his son, Enoch.

18 And unto Enoch was born °Irada; and Irada begat Mehujael: and Mehujael begat Methusael: and Methusael begat °Lamech.

19 And Lamech took unto him °two wives: the name of the one was Adah, and the name of the other Zillah.

20 And Adah bare °Jabal: he was the father of such as dwell in tents, °and of such as have cattle.

21 And his brother's name was °Jubal: he was the father of all such as handle the harp and °organ.

22 And Zillah, she also bare °Tubal-cain, an instructor of every artificer in brass and iron: and the sister of Tubal-cain was °Naamah.

23 And Lamech said unto his wives, "Adah and Zillah, °Hear my voice; Ye wives of Lamech, °hearken unto my speech: For °I have slain a man to my wounding, And a young man to my hurt.

24 If Cain shall be avenged sevenfold, Truly °Lamech seventy and sevenfold."

L 25 And Adam knew his wife again; and she bare a son, and called his name °Seth: "For °God," said she, "hath appointed me another °seed instead of Abel, whom Cain slew."

M 26 And to Seth, to him also there was born a son; and he called his name °Enos: then

7 if. The Heb. Accent (*Pashṭa*) puts the emphasis on the 1st "well" and on this 2nd "if", to mark the solemn and important alternative.

sin = sin offering. Heb. *chat'a*. See Ap. 43. v. The word "offering" is actually added in Ex. 30. 10. Lev. 4. 3; 6. 25; 8. 2. Ps. 40. 6. Cp. 2 Cor. 5. 21. Eph. 5. 2. lieth. Lieth is masc. Sin offering is fem. So that the Heb. reads "at the entrance [a male] is lying, a sin offering".

shall be. Supply "is" instead.

and thou shalt rule. Cp. 3. 16.

8 talked = said. Heb. = (*amār*) to say, which must be followed by the words spoken (not so *dābar*, which means to speak absolutely). What Cain said is preserved in the Sam. Pent., Sept., Syr., Vulg., Targ. Jer., and MSS., viz. "Let us go into the field." MSS., which have not the words, have a hiatus.

slew: 1 John 3. 12. "Religion" is and ever has been the greatest cause of blood-shedding.

10 blood. Heb. "bloods", denoting his posterity Matt. 23. 35.

11 from the earth. The Heb. accent (*athnach*) after "cursed" suggests "more than the ground" (3. 17).

12 strength = Metonymy (of the Cause). Ap. 6. Strength put for that which it produces.

13 punishment = iniquity. Heb. *aven*. See Ap. 44. iii. For "my punishment", &c., read "Is mine iniquity too great to be forgiven?" with Sept., Vulg., Syr., Arabic, Targ. of Onk., Sam. Pent., and Greek and Latin Fathers.

14 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6).

earth. Heb. ground.

hid. Cp. note on 3. 8.

every one = any one. Cp. v. 15.

15 Therefore = not so (with Sept.). This is emphasised by the Heb. accent (*Pashṭa*).

upon = set a sign for Cain, i. e. gave him a pledge; same word as 1. 14; 9. 12, 13, 17 (token). See also Ex. 4. 8, 9, 17, 28, 30; 12. 13. Ezek. 20. 12, 20.

16 presence, &c., i. e. the Tabernacle placed by God for His worship (3. 24), whither offerings were brought (4. 3, 4).

Nod = wandering. Cp. v. 12 = the *Manda* of the Cuneiform Inscriptions = the land of the Nomads.

17 Enoch = Teaching or Initiation. Cain's posterity (vv. 16-24) comes in "the Generations of the heavens and the earth" (see Structure, p. 5). See Ap. 20. This seed was begotten after the slaying of Abel.

city. A city has been discovered beneath the brick platform on which Nipur, in South Babylonia, was built.

18 Irada = city of witness.

Lamech = powerful, 7th from Adam in Cain's line.

19 two. The first polygamist.

20 Jabal = flowing.

and = the Fig. *Zeugma*. (Ap. 6.) Supplied here by the italics.

21 Jubal = joyful sound.

organ. Heb. *ūgab*. The well-known "Pan's pipe".

22 Tubal-cain = flowing from Cain.

Naamah = pleasant. See Ruth 1. 19, 20.

23 Hear... hearken. Refers to Gen. 3. 17. Lamech was in greater danger than Adam. Adam had only one wife, Lamech had two. Hear my voice, emph. on "my".

I have = continuous present. May be rendered thus:

"I can kill a man for wounding me,

And a young man for hurting me."

24 Lamech. Supply *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), "shall be avenged".

25 Seth = substituted. Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). *Sheth* (Seth)... *Sheth* (appointed).

God = Elohim.

seed = son, by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause). (Ap. 6.)

26 Enos = frail, incurable.

°began men to call upon the name of the LORD.

F A **5** This is THE °BOOK OF THE GENE-
(p. 10) RATIONS OF ADAM. °In the day that
°God created °man, in the likeness of °God
made He °him;

2 Male and female created He °them; and
blessed them, and called their name Adam, °in
the day when they were created.

B 3 And Adam lived an hundred and thirty
3874 years, and begat a son in his °own likeness,
after his image; and called his name °Seth:

4 And °the days of Adam after he had be-
gotten Seth were eight hundred years: and he
°begat sons and daughters:

5 And all the days that Adam lived were nine
hundred and thirty years: and he died.

C 6 And Seth lived an hundred and five years,
3769 and begat °Enos:

7 And Seth lived after he begat Enos eight
hundred and seven years, and begat sons and
daughters:

8 And all the days of Seth were nine hundred
and twelve years: and he died.

3679 9 And Enos lived ninety years, and begat
°Cainan:

10 And Enos lived after he begat Cainan
eight hundred and fifteen years, and begat sons
and daughters:

11 And all the days of Enos were nine hun-
dred and five years: and he died.

3609 12 And Cainan lived seventy years, and begat
°Mahalaleel:

13 And Cainan lived after he begat Maha-
laleel eight hundred and forty years, and begat
sons and daughters:

14 And all the days of Cainan were nine
hundred and ten years: and he died.

3544 15 And Mahalaleel lived sixty and five years,
and begat °Jared:

16 And Mahalaleel lived after he begat Jared
eight hundred and thirty years, and begat sons
and daughters:

17 And all the days of Mahalaleel were
eight hundred ninety and five years: and he
died.

3382 18 And Jared lived an hundred sixty and two
years, and he begat °Enoch:

19 And Jared lived after he begat Enoch eight
hundred years, and begat sons and daughters:

20 And all the days of Jared were nine hun-
dred sixty and two years: and he died.

3317 21 And Enoch lived sixty and five years, and
begat °Methuselah:

22 And Enoch °walked with °God after he
begat Methuselah three hundred years, and
begat sons and daughters:

23 And all the days of Enoch were three
hundred sixty and five years:

3017 24 And Enoch walked with °God: and he was
not; for °God °took him.

3130 25 And Methuselah lived an hundred eighty
and seven years, and begat °Lamech:

26 And Methuselah lived after he begat La-
mech seven hundred eighty and two years, and
begat sons and daughters:

began. Not began to worship: for Abel worshipped,
and others, doubtless, long before. But here: "began
to call upon [their gods] by the name of Jehovah," or
"began profanely to call upon the name of the Lord"
(see Ap. 21). Enos, though the son of Seth, is included
here because he went in "the way of Cain".

5. 1—6. 8 (F, p. 1). "THE BOOK OF THE GENE-
RATIONS OF ADAM" (*Extended Alternation*).

A | 5. 1, 2. Unfallen Adam: a "son of God" (Luke 3. 38).

B | 5. 3-5. Fallen Adam, and his years. The total
930, and the first 130.

C | 5. 6-27. The progeny of Adam, and their
deaths.

D | 5. 28-32. Noah, and his promise of "com-
fort".

A | 6. 1, 2. The fallen angels: "sons of God" (see Ap. 23).

B | 6. 3. Fallen Adam, and his years. The total 930,
and the last 120.

C | 6. 4-7. The progeny of the fallen angels, and
their threatened destruction. The *Nephilim*
(see Ap. 25).

D | 6. 8. Noah, and his possession of "grace".

1 book of the generation. Only here and Matt.
1. 1: "the second man" and "last Adam".

In the day. See ch. 2, 17 and Ap. 18. God = Elohim.
man. Art. not needed = the man Adam. Ap. 14. i.
him. Emph. reference to Adam.

2 them, i.e. Adam and Eve, going back to 1. 27; 2. 7.
3 own. Adam created in God's likeness. All his
descendants begotten in Adam's likeness, after his Fall.
See Ps. 51. 5. Rom. 5. 12-19.

Seth. Refers back to 4. 25, and develops his line.

4 the days of Adam. None of these particulars are
given of Cain's line. Not even of their deaths.

begat. If Adam begat after Seth, so doubtless others
after Cain and Abel.

6 Enos. See 4. 26.

9 Cainan = Heb. a possession.

12 Mahalaleel = praise of God.

15 Jared = descent.

18 Enoch = teaching, or initiation.

21 Methuselah = when he is dead it shall be sent,
i.e. the Deluge.

22 walked = walked to and fro; why not literally as
with Adam before the Fall? 2. 19; 3. 8.

24 took him. See Heb. 11. 5. Translated without
dying: as Elijah was, 2 Kings 2. 9. Enoch was "the
seventh from Adam" (Jude 14). He prophesied "by
faith". Therefore Divinely instructed, Rom. 10. 17.

25 Lamech (powerful).

29 Noah = rest, comfort, or consolation. 8. 21.

comfort us concerning = give us rest from.

work: should be works (with Sam., Sept., Syr., &c.).

work and toil = grievous toil, or trouble, "works"

ref. prob. to the evil deeds going on around. See 6. 3,

and cp. Ex. 23. 24. Lev. 18. 3. Mic. 6. 16. Ecc. 4. 3. Job

33. 17. Prob. Fig. *Hendiadys* (Ap. 6), for emph. = toil-

some labour.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

27 And all the days of Methuselah were nine
hundred sixty and nine years: and he died.

28 And Lamech lived an hundred eighty and
two years, and begat a son:

29 And he called his name °Noah, saying,
"This same shall °comfort us concerning our
°work and °toil of our hands, because of the
ground which °the LORD hath cursed."

30 And Lamech lived after he begat Noah five
hundred ninety and five years, and begat sons
and daughters:

31 And all the days of Lamech were seven
hundred seventy and seven years: and he
died.

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2446 32 And Noah was °five hundred years old: and Noah °begat °Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

A (p. 10) 6 And it came to pass, when °men began to multiply on the face of the °earth, and daughters were born unto °them,

2 That °the sons of °God saw the daughters of °men that °they were fair; and they took them °wives of all which they chose.

B 3 And the °LORD said, "My °spirit shall not always °strive with °man, for that °he °also °is flesh: °yet his days shall be an °hundred and twenty years."

C 4 There were °giants in the earth in °those days; and °also after that, when the 2 sons of God came in unto the daughters of men, and they bare children to them, the same became mighty men which were of old, men of °renown.

5 And °GOD saw that the °wickedness of man was °great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.

6 And it °repented the °LORD that He had made man on the earth, and it grieved Him at His heart.

7 And the °LORD said, "I will °destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth; both man, and beast, and the creeping thing, and the fowls of the air; for it °repenteth Me that I have made them."

D 8 But Noah found grace in the eyes of the °LORD.

G A (p. 11) 9 THESE are °THE GENERATIONS OF NOAH: Noah was a just °man and °perfect in °his generations, and Noah °walked with 2 God.

B 10 And Noah begat °three sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

C 11 The earth also was °corrupt before 2 God, and the earth was filled with °violence.

12 And 2 God looked upon the earth, and, behold, it was corrupt; for °all flesh had corrupted his way upon the earth.

13 And °God said unto Noah, "The end of all flesh is come before Me; for the earth is filled with violence through them; and, behold, I will destroy them with the earth.

D 14 Make thee an °ark °of gopher wood; °rooms shalt thou make in the ark, and shalt °pitch it within and without °with pitch.

15 And this is the fashion which thou shalt make it of: The length of the ark shall be three hundred °cubits, the breadth of it fifty cubits, and the height of it thirty cubits.

32 five. See chronology of Patriarchs. Ap. 22. begat. See 6. 10 below.

Shem, Ham, and Japheth. Named in inverted order. Japheth was the elder (10. 21), Shem the youngest, and, as in other cases, the youngest chosen for the blessing. Cp. the inversion of the order in 10. 1, with 2, 6, and 21, and see 11. 10 and note on 9. 24; 10. 1.

6. 1 The Chronology having been brought up to Noah's days, the History takes us back (not forward).

men = sing. with art. = the man Adam. See Ap. 14. i. earth = Heb. *h'adāmāh*, ground.

them: i. e. to Adam and Eve, as in Gen. 1. 27 and 5. 2

2 the sons of God = angels. See Ap. 23, 25, and 26. God = *ha-Elohim* = the Creator.

men: in contrast with angels. Heb. *ha-'ādhām*, sing. the man Adam. See Ap. 14. i.

they: emph. wives = women. 2. 22.

3 spirit. Heb. *ruach*. See Ap. 9.

strive = remain in, with Sept., Arab., Syr., and Vulg.; occ. only here.

man: with art., as in vv. 1 and 2 = the man Adam, Ap. 14. i.

he: emphatic, i. e. the man Adam.

also: i. e. the man Adam also, as well as the others. (Not "men"; if so, as well as—what?)

is flesh. If taken as a verb, then it = "in their erring". Heb. *shāgūg*. Ap. 44. xii. Adam had become like the others.

yet his days = yet Adam's days. See Ap. 24.

120 years: this fixes the date A.M. 930 - 120 = 810. The B.C. date being 3194, as given.

4 giants = *Nephilim*. See Ap. 25.

those days = "the days of Noah."

also after that - after their destruction by the Flood, as well as before it. There was another irruption, the result being like those "of old". See notes on 12. 6 and 13. 7; also Ap. 23 and 25.

renown. Heb. the men of name. The "heroes" of the Greek mythology. The remains of primitive truth, corrupted in transmission.

5 GOD = Jehovah. Ap. 4.

wickedness = lewdness, moral depravity. Ap. 44. viii. great = multiplied. Very emphatic.

6 repented = the Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

LORD = Jehovah, in His covenant relation with mankind.

7 destroy = wipe off, blot out.

6. 9 - 9. 29 (G, p. 1). THE GENERATIONS OF NOAH (*Introversion*).

A | 6. 9. Noah before the Flood.

B | 6. 11. Noah's Family.

C | 6. 11-13. The Earth corrupt.

D | 6. 14-22. The making of the Ark.

E | 7. 1-24. Noah entering the Ark.

E | 8. 1-19. Noah leaving the Ark.

D | 8. 20. The building of the Altar.

C | 8. 21 - 9. 17. The Earth replenished.

B | 9. 18-27. Noah's Family.

A | 9. 28, 29. Noah after the Flood.

9 the generations. Heb. *tōl'doth* = family history. man - Heb. *'ish*. See Ap. 14. ii.

perfect. Heb. *tāmīm*, without blemish as to breed or pedigree. See Ap. 26. All flesh corrupted but Noah's family. See vv. 11, 12.

his generations: his contemporaries. Heb. *dōr* (not *tōl'doth*, as at beginning of the verse). See note on 7. 1.

walked. Same as ch. 5. 22, 24. Heb. = walked

habitually. 10 three sons. See 9. 18; 10. 1; and 1 Chron. 1. 4. See note on 5. 32. 11 corrupt: destroyed by being debased. violence: the Fig. *Metonymy*. Ap. 6. 12 all flesh. Noah's family the only exception. The Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap. 6.

13 God = the Creator in connection with the two beasts for preservation (vv. 13, 22, and 7. 9). Jehovah in ch. 7. 1, in connection with the seven clean for sacrifice. See note on v. 19. 14 ark. Heb. *tēbāh* - a floating [building] (not *'ārōn*, a chest). So in Ex. 2. 2, 3.

of. Gen. of material. Ap. 17. rooms = nests. pitch it - coat it. Heb. *kāphar*, to cover: the only word for "atonement" in O.T. So that it is only atonement that can keep the waters of judgment from us. with pitch = Heb. *kopher* = resin (not "pitch" or bitumen, which is *zepheth*, Ex. 2. 3. Isa. 34. 9, 9). Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). 15 cubit. The latest approximation gives 17.5 inches. But this is the "profane" cubit. The sacred cubit was probably about 25 inches.

16 A °window shalt thou make to the ark, and in a cubit shalt thou finish it above; and the door of the ark shalt thou set in the side thereof; with lower, second, and third stories shalt thou make it.

17 And, °behold, °I, even I, do bring °a flood of waters upon the earth, to destroy °all flesh, wherein is the °breath of °life, from under heaven; and every thing that is in the earth shall °die.

18 But with thee will I establish My °covenant; °and thou shalt come into the ark, thou, and thy sons, and thy wife, and thy sons' wives with thee.

19 And of every living thing of all flesh, °two of every sort shalt thou bring into the ark, to keep them alive with thee; they shall be male and female.

20 Of fowls after their kind, and of cattle after their kind, °of every creeping thing of the °earth after his kind, two of every sort shall come unto thee, to keep them alive.

21 And take thou unto thee of all food that is eaten, and thou shalt gather it to thee; and it shall be for food for thee, and for them."

22 °Thus did Noah; according to all that °God commanded him, so did he.

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7 And the °LORD said unto Noah, "Come thou and all thy °house into the ark; for thee have I seen righteous before Me in this °generation.

2 Of every °clean beast thou shalt take to thee by sevens, the male and his female: and of beasts that are not clean by °two, the male and his female.

3 Of fowls also of the air by sevens, the male and the female; to keep seed alive upon the face of all the earth.

4 For yet °seven days, and I will cause it to rain upon the earth °forty days and forty nights; and every living substance that I have made will I °destroy from off the face of the °earth."

2348 5 And Noah did according unto all that °the LORD commanded him.

6 And Noah was six hundred years old when the flood of waters was upon the earth.

7 And Noah went in, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons' wives with him, into the ark, because of the waters of the flood.

8 Of clean beasts, and of beasts that are not clean, and of fowls, and of every thing that creepeth upon the earth,

9 There went in two and two unto Noah into the ark, the male and the female, °as God had commanded Noah.

10 And it came to pass after seven days, that the waters of the flood were upon the earth.

11 In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, the seventeenth day of the month, the same day were all the fountains of the great °deep broken up, and the °windows of heaven were opened.

12 And the rain was upon the earth forty days and forty nights.

13 In the selfsame day °entered Noah, °and Shem, and Ham, and Japheth, the sons of Noah, and Noah's wife, and the three wives of his sons with them, into the ark;

16 window. Heb. = a place for light (7. 11; 8. 6).

17 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

I, even I. Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6.

a flood. Heb. *mabbûl*. Limited to this account of the Deluge, and Ps. 29. 10, which therefore refers to it. The Babylonian tablets of the Epic of Gilgames are the traditional accounts of primitive truths, corrupted in transmission. The inspired account here corrects the imaginary accretions which had gathered round it.

all flesh. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of part), Ap. 6, put here for every kind of being.

breath. Heb. *ruach* = spirit. See Ap. 9.

life. Heb. *chaiyim*, pl. for all kinds and manifestations. die = cease to breathe, expire.

18 covenant. First occurrence of the word.

and. Note the *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) emph. the assurance given to each.

19 two. For preservation of species. In contrast with the "seven" (7. 2) clean animals, which were for sacrifice. Hence here it is *Elohim* (vv. 13, 22, and 7. 9) as the Creator; while in ch. 7 it is Jehovah in His covenant-relation. See Ap. 4.

20 of. Sam., Onk., Jon., Sept., and Syr. read "and of". earth = ground.

22 Thus. See Heb. 11. 17.

7. 1 LORD = Jehovah in His covenant-relation with Noah, and in connection with the seven clean beasts for sacrifice. See note on 6. 12, 19.

house = household. *Metonymy* (of subject). Ap. 6.

generation. Heb. *dôr*, as in 6. 9 = those who were then alive: Noah's contemporaries.

2 clean. For sacrifice Lev. 1. 2, 10, 14, &c., sevens. For propagation cp. 6. 19.

two. See note on 6. 19 and 12.

4 seven days. The number of spiritual perfection (Ap. 10). All the Flood dates are Sabbaths except one (8. 5).

forty. The number of probation (Ap. 10).

destroy = wipe out, blot out.

earth. Heb. *'adâmāh* = ground.

7 And. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in verses 7, 8, and 13, as in 6. 18.

9 as God = according as *Elohim*. Cp. 6. 13.

11 deep. Heb. *t'hôm* = the waters of the abyss, as in Gen. 1. 2; 49. 25. Deut. 33. 13. Ps. 104. 6.

windows. Not *challôn*, a small aperture (8. 6), or *zohar*, an opening for light (6. 16), but *'arubāh*, lattice or net-work, not glass. Here "floodgates". Only here, and 8. 2. 2 Kings 7. 2, 19. Ecc. 12. 3. Isa. 24. 18; 60. 8. Hos. 13. 3. Mal. 3. 10.

13 entered, i. e. the eight persons of 1 Pet. 3. 20.

14 sort. Heb. wing: put by *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for every kind.

15 breath. Heb. *ruach*. See note on 6. 17, and Ap. 9.

16 God = *Elohim*, the Creator.

LORD = Jehovah, Noah's Covenant-God. See Ap. 4.

14 They, and every beast after his kind, and all the cattle after their kind, and every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind, and every fowl after his kind, every bird of every °sort.

15 And they went in unto Noah into the ark, two and two of all flesh, wherein is the °breath of life.

16 And they that went in, went in male and female of all flesh, as °God had commanded him: and the °LORD shut him in.

17 And the flood was forty days upon the earth; and the waters increased, and bare up the ark, and it was lift up above the earth.

18 And the waters prevailed, and were increased greatly upon the earth; and the ark went upon the face of the waters.

19 °And the waters prevailed °exceedingly upon the earth; and all the high hills, that were under the whole heaven, were covered.

20 Fifteen cubits upward did the waters prevail; and the mountains were covered.

21 °And all flesh °died that moved upon the earth, both of fowl, and of cattle, and of beast, and of every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth, and every man:

22 All in whose nostrils was the °breath °of life, of all that was in the dry land, ²¹ died.

23 And every °living substance was °destroyed which was upon the face of the ground, both man, and cattle, and the creeping things, and the fowl of the heaven; and they were °destroyed from the earth: and °Noah only remained *alive*, and they that were with him in the ark.

24 And the waters prevailed upon the earth an hundred and fifty days.

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8 And °God °remembered Noah, and every living thing, and all the cattle that was with him in the ark: and °God made a °wind to pass over the earth, and the waters asswaged;

2 The fountains also of the deep and the °windows of heaven were stopped, and the rain from heaven was restrained;

3 And the waters returned from off the earth continually: and after the end of the hundred and fifty days the waters were abated.

4 And the ark °rested in the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month, upon the mountains of Ararat.

5 And the waters decreased continually until the tenth month: in the tenth month, on the first day of the month, were the tops of the mountains seen.

6 And it came to pass at the end of forty days, that Noah opened the °window of the ark which he had made:

7 And he sent forth a °raven, which went forth to and fro, until the waters were dried up from off the earth.

8 Also he sent forth a °dove from him, to see if the waters were abated from off the face of the ground;

9 But the dove found no rest for the sole of her foot, and she returned unto him into the ark, for the waters were on the face of the whole earth: then he put forth his hand, and took her, and pulled her in unto him into the ark.

10 And he stayed yet other °seven days; and again he sent forth the dove out of the ark;

11 And the dove came in to him in the evening; and, lo, in her mouth was an °olive leaf plucked off: so Noah knew that the waters were abated from off the earth.

12 And he stayed yet other °seven days; and sent forth the dove; which returned not again unto him any more.

13 And it came to pass in the °six hundredth and first year, in °the first month, the first day of the month, the waters were dried up from off the earth: and Noah removed the covering of the ark, and looked, and, behold, the face of the ground was dry.

14 And in the second month, on the °seven and twentieth day of the month, was the earth dried.

19 And the waters. Fig. *Anadiplosis* (Ap. 6) for emphasis.

exceedingly. The Flood universal. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (*greatly greatly*). See Ap. 6.

21 And. Note the *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in vv. 21-23, solemnly emphasising the complete extinction of life. Many other examples in this narrative to emph. its complete details. Heaps of animals and birds found together, mostly on hills. Bones not gnawed or exposed to the weather. There is also a break—and a fresh beginning—in Egyptian monuments. died – ceased to breathe.

22 breath - *n'shāmāh*. Ap. 16. of life. Heb. of the spirit (*ruach*, Ap. 9), of life (Heb. *chay*).

23 living substance = standing thing. destroyed. Heb. wiped out.

Noah. See 1 Pet. 3. 20. 2 Pet. 2. 5.

8, 1 God = Heb. *Ēlohim* = the Creator, because every living creature is included. Cp. 7. 16.

remembered. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. See Ap. 6. wind. Heb. *ruach*. See Ap. 9.

2 windows. Heb. *ārubbōth*. See note on 7. 11.

4 rested. Saturday, the Sabbath Day. Cp. 7. 4.

5 first day. Tuesday. (The only day named that is not a Sabbath.)

6 window. Heb. *challōn* = a small aperture. Cp. 7. 11 (not 8. 2). Same as Josh. 2. 18, 21. 1 Kings 6. 4. Ezek. 40. 16; 41. 16, 26.

7 raven: an unclean bird. Lev. 11. 15. Deut. 14. 14.

8 dove: a clean bird. Deut. 14. 11.

10 seven = the seven. Another Sabbath, 18th day of 11th month.

11 olive leaf. Heb. a newly-sprouted olive leaf.

12 seven. Saturday, 25th day of 11th month.

13 six hundredth and first year: i. e. of Noah's life.

the first month, the first day. Six such important dates in Bible: (1) Here, the drying up of the waters (8. 13); (2) The setting up of Tabernacle by Moses (Ex. 40. 2); (3) The sanctification of cleansed-up Temple by Hezekiah (2 Chron. 29. 17); (4) The going up of Ezra (7. 9); (5) The giving up of strange wives (Ezra 10. 17); (6) The offering up of a bullock in Ezekiel's future Temple (Ezek. 45. 18).

14 twenty-seventh day of second month. Completing one solar year from 7. 11.

15 God. *Ēlohim*, the Creator, speaking from without. Cp. 7. 16 and 8. 1.

16 Go forth. Heb. *z'z*. But in ch. 7. 1, Jehovah (from within), "Come thou". Heb. *b'o*. Cp. 7. 1.

17 Bring forth. *Ēlohim*, speaking from without.

20 altar. The first mentioned in Scripture.

15 And °God spake unto Noah, saying,

16 "°Go forth of the ark, thou, and thy wife, and thy sons, and thy sons' wives with thee.

17 °Bring forth with thee every living thing that is with thee, of all flesh, both of fowl, and of cattle, and of every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth; that they may breed abundantly in the earth, and be fruitful, and multiply upon the earth."

18 And Noah went forth, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons' wives with him:

19 Every beast, every creeping thing, and every fowl, and whatsoever creepeth upon the earth, after their kinds, went forth out of the ark.

20 And Noah builded an °altar unto ²¹the LORD; and took of every clean beast, and of

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every clean fowl, and ° offered ° burnt offerings on the altar.

C F (p. 14) 21 And ° the LORD ° smelled a sweet ° savour; and ° the LORD said ° in His heart, "I will not again curse the ground any more for man's sake; ° for the imagination of man's heart is evil from his youth; neither will I again smite any more every thing living, as I have done.

22 ° While the earth remaineth, seedtime ° and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease."

G a 9 And ° God blessed Noah and his sons, and said unto them, "Be fruitful, and multiply, and ° replenish the earth.

b 2 And the ° fear of you and the ° dread of you shall be upon every ° beast of the earth, and upon every fowl of the air, upon all that moveth upon the ° earth, and upon all the fishes of the sea; into your hand are they delivered.

c 3 ° Every moving thing that liveth shall be meat for you; even as the green herb have I given you ° all things.

4 But flesh with the ° life thereof, which is the ° blood thereof, shall ye not eat.

G c 5 And surely your blood ° of your ° lives will I require; at the ° hand of every ° beast will I require it, and at the hand of man; at the hand of every man's brother will I require the ° life of man.

b 6 Whoso sheddeth man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed: for in the ° image of God made He man.

a 7 And you, be ye fruitful, and multiply; bring forth abundantly in the earth, and multiply therein."

F 8 And ° God spake unto Noah, and to his sons with him, saying,

9 "And ° I, ° behold, I establish My ° covenant with you, and with your seed after you;

10 And with every living ° creature that is with you, of the fowl, of the cattle, and of every ° beast of the earth with you; from all that go out of the ark, to every beast of the earth.

11 And I will establish My covenant with you; neither shall all flesh be cut off any more by the waters of a flood; neither shall there any more be a flood to destroy the earth."

12 And ° God said, "This is the ° token of the covenant which I make between Me and you and every living ° creature that is with you, for perpetual generations:

13 I do ° set My bow in the cloud, and it shall be for a token of a covenant between Me and the earth.

14 And it shall come to pass, when I bring a cloud over the earth, ° that the bow shall be seen in the cloud:

15 And I will ° remember My covenant, which is between Me and you and every living ° creature of all flesh; and the waters shall no more become a flood to destroy all flesh.

16 And the bow shall be in the cloud; and I will look upon it, that I may ° remember the ° everlasting covenant between ° God and every living ° creature of all flesh that is upon the earth."

offered. Heb. 'ālāh. Ap. 43. I. vi.

burnt offerings. Heb. 'ōlāh. Ap. 43. II. ii.

8. 21 — 9. 17 (C. p. 11). THE EARTH REPLENISHED (Double Introversion).

C	F		8. 21, 22. God's covenant with the earth.	} God's blessing for Noah.
G	a		9. 1. Fruitfulness committed to man.	
	b		9. 2. Power committed to man.	
	c		9. 3. Change in Ordinance (nourishment).	
G	c		9. 4, 5. Change in Ordinance (punishment).	
	b		9. 6. Power committed to man.	
	a		9. 7. Fruitfulness committed to man.	
F			9. 8-17. God's covenant with Noah.	

21 the LORD = Jehovah, in covenant-relationship. smelled a sweet savour. Heb. "smelled a smell". Fig. *Polypstōton* (Ap. 6).

savour. First occ. Heb. *nihoah*, found only in this connection = rest, acquiescence.

in His heart. Fig. *Anthropopatheia* (Ap. 6), in condescension, and for emphasis.

for = although, as in Ex. 13. 17. 2 Sam. 23. 5. Ps. 49. 18. Hab. 3. 17.

22 While. Jehovah's covenant with Noah was unconditional in connection with the earth; as with Abraham, to give him the land (ch. 15), and with David, to give him the throne (2 Sam. 7).

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) seven times in this verse, to emphasise the completeness and perfection of the Covenant (Ap. 10). Eight things named in 4 pairs of opposites.

9. 1 God. Heb. 'ēlohīm, the Creator, because in connection with creation (v. 2) and the earth. replenish = fill, as in 6. 11.

2 fear . . . dread. Fig. *Synonymia* (Ap. 6).

beast — living thing, as in 3. 1.

earth. Heb. 'ādāmāh = the ground.

3 Every . . . all. Fig. *Epanadiplosis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. Same word in Heb.

4 life = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. See Ap. 13.

blood. This is the essence and foundation of the doctrine of substitution and atonement "life for life".

"The wages of sin is death" (Rom. 6. 23), and "without shedding of blood [and thus giving up the life] is no remission" (Heb. 9. 22).

5 of. Gen. of Apposition (Ap. 17) = "blood, [that is] your lives".

lives = souls. Plural of Heb. *nephesh*. See Ap. 13.

hand of every beast. Fig. *Prosopopœia* (Ap. 6).

6 image of God. Heb. image of 'ēlohīm (Ap. 4). See note on 1. 26, and 3. 7. See Ap. 15 for the Laws before Sinai.

9 I, behold, I. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6) for emphasis. behold. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6) for emphasis.

covenant. Mentioned seven times in vv. 9-17 (F).

10 creature — soul. Heb. *nephesh*. So rendered in 1. 21, 24; 2. 19; 9. 10, 12, 15, 16. Lev. 11. 46, &c. See Ap. 13.

12 token, or sign; then so associated with the bow.

13 set. Heb. grant. Not then first seen as a phenomenon, but then first assigned as a token.

14 that. Heb. = and [when]. See v. 13.

15 remember. Fig. *Anthropopatheia* (Ap. 6).

16 everlasting covenant. This expression occurs thirteen times in O.T. and once in N.T., making fourteen in all. Gen. 9. 16; 17. 13, 19. Lev. 24. 8. 2 Sam. 23. 5. 1 Chron. 16. 17. Ps. 105. 10. Isa. 24. 5; 55. 3; 61. 8. Jer. 32. 40. Ezek. 37. 26, and Heb. 13. 20.

17 And ° God said unto Noah, "This is the token of the covenant, which I have established between Me and all flesh that is upon the earth."

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18 And the sons of Noah, that went forth of the ark, were Shem, and Ham, and Japheth: and Ham is the father of Canaan.

19 These are the three sons of Noah: and of them was the whole earth overspread.

20 And Noah began to be an husbandman, and he planted a vineyard:

21 And he drank of the wine, and was drunken; and he was uncovered within his tent.

22 And Ham, the father of Canaan, saw the nakedness of his father, and told his two brethren without.

23 And Shem and Japheth took a garment, and laid it upon both their shoulders, and went backward, and covered the nakedness of their father; and their faces were backward, and they saw not their father's nakedness.

24 And Noah awoke from his wine, and knew what his younger son had done unto him.

25 And he said, "Cursed be Canaan; a servant of servants shall he be unto his brethren."

26 And he said, "Blessed be the LORD God of Shem; and Canaan shall be his servant."

27 God shall enlarge Japheth, and he shall dwell in the tents of Shem; and Canaan shall be his servant."

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28 And Noah lived after the flood three hundred and fifty years.

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29 And all the days of Noah were nine hundred and fifty years: and he died.

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10 Now these are THE GENERATIONS OF THE SONS OF NOAH, °Shem, °Ham, and °Japheth: and unto them were sons born after the flood.

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2 The sons of Japheth; °Gomer, and °Magog, and °Madai, and °Javan, and °Tubal, and °Meshech, and °Tiras.

3 And the sons of °Gomer; Ashkenaz, and Riphath, and Togarmah.

4 And the sons of Javan; °Elishah, and °Tarshish, °Kittim, and °Dodanim.

5 By these were the isles of the Gentiles divided in their lands; every one after his tongue, after their families, in their nations.

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6 And the sons of Ham; °Cush, and °Mizraim, and °Phut, and °Canaan.

7 And the sons of Cush; Seba, and Havilah, and Sabtah, and Raamah, and Sabtechah: and the sons of Raamah; Sheba, and Dedan.

8 And Cush begat °Nimrod: he began to be a mighty one in the earth.

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9 He was a mighty hunter before the LORD: wherefore it is said, "Even as Nimrod the mighty hunter before the LORD."

10 And the beginning of his kingdom was

Kittim = Kition in Cyprus. See note on Num. 24. 24, and Sept.

5 isles = coast-lands (Isa. 42. 15). in their = these were the sons of Japheth in their, &c. For these fourfold divisions cp. 10. 5, 20, 31. Rev. 5. 9; 7. 9; 10. 11; 11. 9; 13. 7; 14. 6; 17. 15; ten occurrences (Ap. 10). N.B. — In Rev. 13. 7 all critical texts add "and people". N.B. — The same divisions seen in Israel. In Gen. "families"; in Ex. "tongue"; in Num. "nation"; in Deut. the "land" (in Lev. the Sanctuary as being apart from the Earth). 6 Cush = Ethiopia, S. of Egypt. Mizraim = Egypt, became the name of Egypt = "the two Matsors". One Matsor was country of the Delta within the great wall of defence called "Shur"; the other was Egypt proper. See notes on Isa. 19. 6 and 37. 25. Phut: cp. Jer. 46. 9. Ezek. 27. 10; 30. 5; 38. 5. Nah. 3. 9. Canaan became a province of Egypt, as shown by the Tel el-Amarna tablets. 8 Nimrod: from Heb. *Marad*, to rebel. 1st pers. pl., Jussive, "We will rebel", or, "Come, let us rebel". See Ap. 28. mighty one = a hero. N.B. — From Ham; not from Shem. 9 hunter. Cp. Jer. 16. 16. it is said. A later proverb of Semitic origin, as Jehovah was not known in Babylonia. before = in defiance of (6. 11).

20 began to be = was. Heb. idiom. Cp. Luke 12. 1.

Matt. 26. 37. Mark 10. 41. Luke 3. 23. Mark 11. 15.

husbandman. Heb. *man of the ground*, i. e. giving himself to tillage. Cp. "man of war" = a soldier (Josh. 5. 4); "man of blood" = a murderer (2 Sam. 16. 7); "man of cattle" = a shepherd or grazier (Gen. 46. 32); "man of words" = eloquent (Ex. 4. 10).

21 wine: first occ. Heb. *yayin*. See Ap. 27.

24 awoke. Sept. *eknēpho*, only here 1 Sam. 25. 37. Hab. 2. 7, 19; and Joel 1. 5. In N. T. only 1 Cor. 15. 34, means very much awake, awake to wisdom.

younger = than Japheth, not Shem. See notes on 5. 32; 10. 1.

25 Cursed. Fulf. in Book of Joshua. servant of servants. Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6).

26 Blessed. Fulf. in Shem being in the line of the promised seed, and in the overthrow of Canaanites. the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4.

27 enlarge Japheth. Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). *Yapht le-yephth*. Fulf. in increase of Western nations.

dwell: as in a Tabernacle (Gen. 3. 24, q. v.), i. e. worship the God of Shem: Israel's God, Heb. *shākan*. See Ap. 40. Gentiles to be blessed in Shem. The Eunuch (Ham) Acts 8. Saul (Shem) Acts 9. Cornelius (Japheth) Acts 10. See note on Gen. 11. 9.

tents. Heb. *ohel* (Ap. 40). Prob. pl. of majesty, the Great Tent or Tabernacle of Shem, who would thus be the "Priest of the most High God". See note on 14. 18.

10. 1 — 11. 9 (H, p. 1). THE GENERATIONS OF THE SONS OF NOAH (Division).

A¹ | 10. 1–32. The Nations divided in the Earth.

A² | 11. 1–9. The Nations scattered abroad on the Earth. Chs. 10 and 11. Fig. *Hysterologia* (Ap. 6), by which the dispersion of the nations (ch. 10) is put before the cause of it (ch. 11).

10. 1–32 (A¹, above). NATIONS DIVIDED. (Introversion.)

A¹ B | 1–. Shem.

C | 1–. Ham.

D | 1–. Japheth.

D | 2–5. The sons of Japheth.

C | 6–20. The sons of Ham.

B | 21–32. The sons of Shem.

1 Shem. Note the *Asyndeton* (Ap. 6) here, and contrast the *Polysyndeton* of 7. 13. This order in 5. 32; 6. 10; 7. 13; 9. 18. 1 Chron. 1. 4.

Japheth, the eldest, 1 Chron. 1. 5. Gen. 10. 21.

Ham, second, Gen. 9. 24. "Younger" than Japheth.

Shem, the youngest. Cp. 5. 32 and 11. 10. Last here (in Introversion) because his history is to be continued. Japheth = enlargement. Ham = Heat, Black. Shem = Name or Renown.

2 Gomer. In Assyrian *Gimirra* (the Kimmerians of Herodotus). Progenitor of the Celts.

Magog. Associated with Gomer in Ezek. 38. 2, 6.

Madai. First seen on Assyrian monuments B.C. 840, and called *Amadā* = the Kurdish tribes E. of Assyria.

Javan = the Ionians of the cuneiform inscriptions, and the Tel-el-Amarna tablets. Greeks first known by this name. Tubal = the Tabali.

Meshech = the Muskā of the Assyrian Mon. E. Asia Minor. Tiras = Thracians.

4 Elishah = Egyptian *Alasia* (the Cilician coast). Tarshish is probably Tarsus.

Dodanim = Rodanim (1 Chron. 1. 7) with Sam.

in their = these were the sons of Japheth in

°Babel, and Erech, and Accad, and Calneh, in the land of °Shinar.

11 Out of that land °went forth Asshur, and buildd °Nineveh (and °the city Rehoboth) and Calah,

12 And Resen between Nineveh and Calah: the same is a °great city.

13 And °Mizraim begat °Ludim, and Ananim, and Lehabim, and Naphtuhim,

14 And Pathrusim, and Casluhim, (out of whom came °Philistim,) and Caphtorim.

15 And Canaan begat °Sidon his firstborn, and °Heth,

16 And the °Jebusite, and the Amorite, and the Girgashite,

17 And the Hivite, and the Arkite, and the Sinite,

18 And the Arvadite, and the Zemarite, and the Hamathite: and afterward were the families of the Canaanites spread abroad.

19 And the border of the Canaanites was from Sidon, as thou comest to Gerar, unto Gaza; as thou goest, unto Sodom, and Gomorrah, and Admah, and Zeboim, even unto Lasha.

20 These are the sons of Ham, after their families, after their °tongues, in their countries, and in their nations.

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21 Unto °Shem also, the father of all the children of Eber, the brother of Japheth °the elder, even to him were children born.

22 The children of Shem; °Elam, and Asshur, and Arphaxad, and Lud, and Aram.

23 And the children of Aram; °Uz, and Hul, and Gether, and Mash.

24 And Arphaxad begat Salah; and Salah begat °Eber.

25 And unto Eber were born two sons: the name of one was °Peleg; for in his days was the earth °divided; and his brother's name was Joktan.

26 And Joktan begat Almodad, and Sheleph, and Hazarmaveth, and Jerah,

27 And Hadoram, and Uzal, and Diklah,

28 And Obal, and Abimael, and Sheba,

29 And Ophir, and Havilah, and Jobab: all these were the sons of Joktan.

30 And their dwelling was from Mesha, as thou goest unto Sephar a mount of the east.

31 These are the sons of Shem, after their °families, after their tongues, in their lands, after their nations.

32 These are the families of the sons of Noah, after their generations, in their nations: and by these were the nations °divided in the earth after the flood.

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11 And the whole °earth was of one °language, and of one speech.

2 And it came to pass, as they journeyed °from the east, that they found a plain in the land of °Shinar; and they dwelt there.

3 And they °said one to another, "Go to, let us make brick, and °burn them thoroughly."

10 Babel. In Semitic Babylonian = *Bab-ili* = "the gate of the god", cp. 11. 9.

Shinar = Babylonia, and is to be distinguished from Assyria (Isa. 11. 11).

11 went forth: Targ. of Onk. says: "he [Nimrod] went forth into Asshur" (i. e. invaded it).

Nineveh. The competitor of Babylon as the capital of Assyria.

the city Rehoboth = better, "the city boulevards", in parenthesis.

12 great: i. e. the four cities Nineveh, Rehoboth, Calah, and Resen. Resen had ceased to be a great city in the time of Sennacherib.

13 Ludim = the Lydians, cp. Jer. 46. 9. Ezek. 27. 10; 30. 5.

14 Philistim: hence the name of Palestine. Cp. Amos 9. 7. Jer. 47. 4. The parenthesis in this verse should come after Caphtorim as these gave the name Philistine. The five cities of the Philistines (Gaza, Ashkelon, Ashdod, Ekron, and Gath) were on the confines of Egypt (Deut. 2. 23).

15 Sidon = the oldest Canaanite city.

Heth - the Hittites.

16 Jebusite. The founders of Jebus; afterward Jerusalem. The Citadel was afterward Zion, S. of Moriah, 2 Sam. 5. 6-9. Cp. Ezek. 16. 3, 45, which explains the connection of the Jebusite here, with the Amorite and Hittite, v. 15.

20 tongues. See v. 5.

21 Shem: comes last (acc. to the Structure, which is an Introversion) because his "Generations" occupy the rest of the book. Hence when mentioned with the other two, Shem the youngest comes first. See note 5. 32; 9. 24; 10. 1.

the elder, see 5. 32.

22 Elam = the mountainous district E. of Babylonia.

23 Uz: the country of the Sabeans and Chaldeans. See Job 1. 15, 17, and Teman near Petra (Job 2. 11).

24 Eber. Whence the name Hebrews (Gen. 14. 13) - beyond. The people coming from and beyond the "Flood", i. e. the Euphrates, to Canaan (Josh. 24. 2, 3, 14, 15).

25 Peleg = division. His generations reserved till 11. 10-27.

divided. Heb. *pālag*, to cleave. In vv. 5, 32, *pārād*, to break off. In Deut. 32. 8 it is *nāhal*, to divide for an inheritance.

31 families, &c. Note the thrice-repeated fourfold division in vv. 5, 20. See Ap. 10.

32 divided: i. e. in judgment. Cp. v. 25. Here *pārād* = disruption in judgment. God's division (v. 25) included ZION. Man's disruption included BABYLON (11. 2, 9).

11. 1-9 (A², p. 15). THE NATIONS SCATTERED. (Introversion and Alternation.)

A² E | a | 1. Unity.

b | 2. Shinar.

F | 3, 4. The Tower. Man's building.

F | 5. The Tower. God's inspection.

E | a | 6, 7. Unity.

b | 8, 9. Babel.

1 earth = people of the earth. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject). Ap. 6; "earth" put for inhabitants.

language. Heb. "lip". Fig. *Metonymy* (of cause), Ap. 6; lip put for language.

The chapter begins with man's attempt to unify mankind, and ends with God's new provision to unify all in blessing with Abraham's seed.

2 from the east - eastward.

Shinar = Babylonia.

3 said. Sin with their tongues punished in the same manner (v. 7).

burn, &c. Heb. brick bricks, and burn a burning.

Fig. *Polypytoton*. Ap. 6, emphasising their determination. Burning in fire, not waiting for sun. See note on "brick-kiln", 2 Sam. 12. 3'.

And they had brick for stone, and °slime had they for mortar.

4 And they said, "Go to, let us build us a city and a tower, whose top °may reach unto heaven; and let us make us °a name, lest we be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth."

F (p. 16) 5 And the LORD °came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of men builded.

E a 6 And the LORD said, "Behold, the people is one, and they have all one language; and this they begin to do: and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do.

7 °Go to, let Us go down, and there confound their language, that they may not understand one another's speech."

b 1946 8 So the LORD °scattered them abroad from thence upon the face of all the earth: and they left off to build the city.

9 Therefore is the name of it called °Babel; because the LORD did there confound the language of all the earth: and from thence did the LORD °scatter them abroad upon the face of all the earth.

I (p. 1) 2346 10 These are THE GENERATIONS OF SHEM: Shem was an hundred years old, and begat Arphaxad two years after the flood:

11 And °Shem lived after he begat Arphaxad five hundred years, and begat sons and daughters.

2311 12 And Arphaxad lived five and thirty years, and begat °Salah:

13 And Arphaxad lived after he begat Salah four hundred and three years, and begat sons and daughters.

2281 14 And Salah lived thirty years, and begat Eber:

15 And Salah lived after he begat Eber four hundred and three years, and begat sons and daughters.

2247 16 And °Eber lived four and thirty years, and begat °Peleg:

17 And Eber lived after he begat °Peleg four hundred and thirty years, and begat sons and daughters.

2217 18 And Peleg lived thirty years, and begat Reu:

19 And Peleg lived after he begat Reu two hundred and nine years, and begat sons and daughters.

2185 20 And Reu lived two and thirty years, and begat °Serug:

21 And Reu lived after he begat Serug two hundred and seven years, and begat sons and daughters.

2155 22 And Serug lived thirty years, and begat Nahor:

23 And Serug lived after he begat Nahor two hundred years, and begat sons and daughters.

2126 24 And Nahor lived nine and twenty years, and begat °Terah:

25 And Nahor lived after he begat Terah an hundred and nineteen years, and begat sons and daughters.

slime = bitumen. So tenacious to-day that detachment almost impossible. Cp. the slime of Babel with the jewels of Zion (Rev. 21. 19).

4 may reach. No *Ellipsis* here. Heb. "and its top with the heavens", i. e. with the Zodiac depicted on it, as in ancient temples of Denderah and Esneh in Egypt. a name. Manifesting independence of God. Nimrod being the rebel leader. See 10. 8-10, and cp. 12. 2.

5 came down. Fig. *Anthropopatheia* (Ap. 6).

7 Go to, let Us go down. This is always in judgment (cp. 18. 21. Ex. 3. 8). Here in contrast with v. 4, to man's "Go to, let us go up". Fig. *Anthropopatheia*, Ap. 6. See v. 5.

8 scattered. Sept. same word as in Acts 8. 1 (Isa. 8. 9). This was to preserve the revelation contained in the Zodiac and the constellations.

9 Babel. Heb. = confusion. Cp. Job 5. 12, another application of the Hebrew word.

scatter. Sept. same word as in Acts 8. 1. Result of which was the conversion of the Ethiopian (Acts 8. 26), of HAM. Saul (Acts 9), of SHEM. Cornelius (Acts 10), of JAPHETH.

Tongues confounded in judgment (Gen. 11. 9). Given in grace (Acts 2. 4). United in glory (Rev. 7. 9).

11. 10-26 (I, p. 1). THE GENERATIONS OF SHEM.

11 Shem. A return to the main purpose of the Book. See note on 5. 32.

12 Salah. Luke 3. 36 says Cainan, but this was probably a gloss from Sept., and crept into the text. No second Cainan in Heb. text here or elsewhere. Cp. 1 Chron. 1. 18.

16 Eber. See above, 10. 24.

Peleg born (10. 25) 14 years before v. 9.

17 Peleg. See above, 10. 25 (Luke 3. 35, Phalec).

20 Serug born (Luke 3. 35, Saruch).

24 Terah. Name prob. - traveller.

11. 27-25. 11 (D, p. 1). THE GENERATIONS OF TERAH. Introduction (11. 27-30). See Ap. 29. (Repeated Alternation.)

A¹ | 11. 31-22. 19. Abram's history: From his Call, to his Trial. (Isaac's birth.)

B¹ | 22. 20-24. The Posterity of Nahor.

A² | 23, 24. Abram's history. His old age. (Isaac's marriage.)

B² | 25. 1-4. The Posterity of Keturah.

A³ | 25. 5-11. Abram's history. Death. (Isaac's inheritance.)

27 Generations of Terah. The centre of the eleven. See page 1 and Ap. 29.

Abram the youngest comes first (born 1996). Cp. Shem (10. 21), Jacob (25. 23; 27. 15), Ephraim (48. 20).

28 before his father. The first death so recorded. Ur - the *Uru* or "city" of the cuneiform texts. Now = Mugheir on W. bank of Euphrates.

29 Iscah. See Ap. 29.

26 And 24 Terah lived seventy years, and begat Abram, Nahor, and Haran.

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27 Now these are THE °GENERATIONS OF TERAH: Terah begat °Abram, Nahor, and Haran; and Haran begat Lot.

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28 And Haran died °before his father Terah in the land of his nativity, in °Ur of the Chaldees.

29 And Abram and Nahor took them wives: the name of Abram's wife was Sarai; and the name of Nahor's wife, Milcah, the daughter of Haran, the father of Milcah, and the father of °Iscah.

30 But Sarai was barren; she had no child.

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31 And °Terah took Abram his son, and Lot the son of Haran his son's son, and Sarai his °daughter in law, his son Abram's wife; and °they went forth with them from °Ur of the Chaldees, to go into the land of Canaan; and they came unto °Haran, and °dwelt there.

1921 32 And the days of Terah were two hundred and five years: and Terah °died in °Haran.

12 Now the °LORD had said unto Abram, "Get thee out of thy country, and from thy °kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will °shew thee:

2 °And °I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing:

3 And I will bless him that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in °thee shall all families of the earth be blessed."

D 4 So Abram departed, as °the LORD had spoken unto him; and Lot went with him: and Abram was °seventy and five years old when he departed out of Haran.

5 And Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother's son, and all their substance that they had gathered, and the °souls that they had gotten in Haran; and they went forth to go into the land of Canaan; and into the land of Canaan °they came.

6 And Abram passed through the land unto the place of °Sichem, unto the plain of Moreh. (And the °Canaanite °was °then in the land.)

7 And °the LORD appeared unto Abram, and said, "Unto thy seed will I give this land:" and there builded he an °altar unto °the LORD, Who appeared unto him.

8 And he removed from thence unto a mountain on the east of °Beth-el, and pitched his tent, having Beth-el on the west, and Hai on the east: and there he builded an °altar unto °the LORD, and called upon the name of °the LORD.

9 And Abram journeyed, going on still toward the °south.

E a 10 And there was a °famine in the land: and Abram went °down into Egypt to sojourn there; for the famine was grievous in the land.

11. 31 — 22. 19 (A¹, p. 17). ABRAM'S HISTORY. (Call to Trial). (Introversions and Alternations.)

A¹ C | 11. 31 — 12. 3. Abram's Call. Promise of Seed.
D | 12. 4-9. Sojourn in Canaan.

E a | 12. 10-20. Sojourn in Egypt. Denial of Sarai.

b | c | 13. 1-13. Separation of Lot.

d | 13. 14-18. Manifestation of the Land.

F | 14. 1-24. War on Sodom. Rescue of Lot by Abram.

G e¹ | 15. Covenant made.

f¹ | 16. Sarai's Policy.

e² | 17. 1-14. Covenant repeated.

f² | 17. 15-27. Sarai's blessing.

e³ | 18. 1-15. Covenant renewed.

F | 18. 16-19. 38. Destruction of Sodom. Rescue of Lot by angels.

E a | 20. 1-18. Sojourn in Gerar. Denial of Sarai.

b | d | 21. 1-8. Manifestation of the Seed.

c | 21. 9-21. Separation of Ishmael.

D | 21. 22-34. Sojourn in Gerar.

C | 22. 1-19. Abraham's Trial. Blessing of Seed.

31 Terah took. Terah being 200 and Abram 70. Cp. 15. 7. Josh. 24. 3. Neh. 9. 7. Acts 7. 2-4. Heb. 11. 8. daughter in law = daughter by another wife. See Ap. 29.

they. Others beside those named. Cp. 24. 10, 15; 29. 10.

Ur - a city of great pretensions. Recent excavations show luxury and attainments. Abraham no nomad. See note on 11. 28.

Haran. Not the Haran of v. 26 above; but Charran (Acts 7. 2, 4), the frontier town of Bab. Empire, devoted to the worship of the Moon-god.

dwelt. Till he died (v. 32).

32 died in Haran (Charran). With this Acts 7. 4 agrees. Not seeing this, the Massorites wrongly marked v. 32 with an inverted Nun (:) as being a dislocation of the Text.

12. 1 LORD = Jehovah, "The God of Glory" of Acts 7. 2. Fig. Enallage - The Glorious God, in contrast with idols (Josh. 24. 2).

Get thee out - Go for thyself, i. e. whatever others may do. Death had broken the link of nature's

kindred. Leaving Nahor and his family (except Lot),

tie, which hindered Abram's obedience. 24. 4, 10-15; 25. 20; 28. 7-10. shew. See Heb. 11. 8.

I will. Note this sevenfold promise with the sevenfold blessing in Ex. 6. 4-8 (Ap. 10).

4 seventy and five. The Law was 430 years "after" this (Ex. 12. 40. Gal. 3. 17). Abram 100 when Isaac born, and 105 when Isaac recognised as his "seed" (Gen. 21. 12). This 25 + 5 explains the 400 years of Gen. 15. 13 and Acts 7. 6. See note on 15. 13.

5 souls. Heb. pl. of *nephesh* = souls. See Ap. 13. they came. This time: not when they had started from Chaldea (11. 31).

6 Sichem. The place of Abram's first altar and Christ's first mission (John 4). Also of Jacob's altar (33. 18).

Canaanite... then in the land. It is evident that from Terah's and Abraham's call, Satan knew the line by which "the seed of the woman" (3. 15) was coming into the world. In ch. 6 he aimed at the whole human race. Now he aims at Abraham and his land. Here is the second explanation of the words "after that" in 6. 4. He pre-occupies the territory ready to dispute the advance. The Canaanite "was then" = "being already" there (cp. 13. 7). The progeny of the later attempt to corrupt the race had to be destroyed by the sword of Israel, as those "in the days of Noah" had been by the Flood. See Ap. 23 and 25. was = being. then = already.

7 altar. See note on Sichem, v. 6. 8 Beth-el. An ancient Canaanite sacred pillar, doubtless here from previous times, called Luz (28. 19; 35. 6; 48. 3. Josh. 16. 2; 18. 13. Judg. 1. 23). Cp. Judg. 1. 26. When Moses wrote he used the later name.

altar. Between Beth-el and Ai would probably be Gerizim and Ebal, which were already or thus became sacred places. Cp. Deut. 27. 2, 12 and Josh. 8. 9, 30.

9 south. Heb. the *Negeb* or hill country S. of Judah (cp. 13. 1, 3). The Egyptian texts mention the Negeb. Towns taken by Shishak are mentioned as being there, e. g. Jerahmeel, Gerar, Kadesh, and Gaza.

10 famine. Satan's attempt (thus early) to destroy Abraham's seed, through Sarai. See Ap. 23. Thirteen (Ap. 10) famines recorded, 12. 10; 26. 1; 41. 54. Ruth 1. 1. 2 Sam. 21. 1. 1 Kings 18. 2. 2 Kings 4. 38; 7. 4; 25. 3. Neh. 5. 3. Jer. 14. 1. Luke 15. 14. Acts 11. 28. down. Always "down" to Egypt! Cp. Isa. 30. 2; 31. 1.

11 And it came to pass, when he was come near to enter into Egypt, that he said unto Sarai his wife, "Behold now, I know that thou *art* a fair woman to look upon :

12 Therefore it shall come to pass, when the Egyptians shall °see thee, that they shall say, 'This is his wife:' and they will °kill me, but they will save thee alive.

13 Say, I pray thee, thou *art* my °sister: that it may be well with me for thy sake; and °my soul shall live because of thee."

14 And it came to pass, that, when Abram was come into Egypt, the Egyptians beheld the woman that she was very fair.

15 The princes also of °Pharaoh saw her, and commended her before Pharaoh: and the woman was taken into Pharaoh's house.

16 And he entreated Abram well for her sake: °and he had °sheep, and oxen, and he asses, and menservants, and maidservants, and she asses, and camels.

17 And the °LORD plagued Pharaoh and his house with great plagues because of Sarai Abram's wife.

18 And Pharaoh called Abram, and said, °"What is this that thou hast done unto me? °why didst thou not tell me that she was thy wife?"

19 °Why saidst thou, 'She is my °sister?' so I might have taken her to me to wife: now therefore behold thy wife, take her, and go thy way."

20 °And Pharaoh commanded his men concerning him: and they sent him away, and his wife, and all that he had.

13 And Abram went °up out of Egypt, he, and his wife, and all that he had, and Lot with him, into the °south.

2 And Abram was very rich in cattle, in °silver, and in gold.

3 And he went on his journeys from the °south even to Beth-el, unto the place where his °tent had been °at the beginning, °between Beth-el and Hai;

4 Unto the place of the °altar, which he had made there °at the first: and there Abram called on the name of °the LORD.

5 And Lot also, which went with Abram, had flocks, and herds, and °tents.

6 And the land was not able to bear °them, that they might dwell together: for their substance was great, so that they could not dwell together.

7 And there was a °strife between the herdmen of Abram's cattle and the herdmen of Lot's cattle: (and the °Canaanite and the °Perizzite °dwelled °then °in the land).

8 And Abram said unto Lot, "Let there be no strife, I pray thee, between me and thee, and between my herdmen and thy herdmen; for we be °brethren.

9 °Is not the whole land before thee? separate thyself, I pray thee, from me: if °thou wilt take the left hand, then I will go to the right; or if thou depart to the right hand, then I will go to the left."

10 And Lot lifted up his eyes, and beheld all the plain of Jordan, that it was °well watered every where, before °the LORD destroyed °Sodom and °Gomorrah, even as the garden

12 see thee. In Egypt the women went unveiled. kill me. Satan's next assault, working on Abraham's fear. If God had not interfered (v. 17), where would His promise have been? (3. 15; 12. 7; 13. 15, &c.). See Ap. 23 and 25.

13 sister. See note on 20. 12 and Ap. 29. my soul = I, myself. Heb. *nephesh*. See Ap. 13. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6.

15 Pharaoh = the official title of all kings of Egypt, like Kaiser, Czar, &c.

16 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton*. See Ap. 6, emph. each class of property. All these pictured on the Monuments in Egypt.

sheep, &c. No horses in Egypt till 18th Dynasty.

17 LORD. Divine intervention necessary. Ap. 23, 25.

18 What? Why? Fig. *Erotasis*. Ap. 6.

20 And. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton*. See Ap. 6.

13. 1 up = Palestine an ascent from Egypt. south = Heb. *the Negeb*, S. of Judea, N. from Egypt. Cp. 11. 9.

2 silver, and in gold: scarce in Palestine, but plentiful in Egypt.

3 tent: shows him a stranger.

at the beginning: very significant. No altar for Abram in Egypt.

between Beth-el and Hai. Prob Ebal or Gerizim. See note on 12. 8.

4 altar: shows him to be a worshipper.

at the first. No worship in Egypt. See note v. 3.

5 tents. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject): "tents" put for the dwellers therein.

6 them. Those two. For signification of the No. 2, see Ap. 10.

7 strife. The first step in Lot's downward course. Note Lot's six downward steps: v. 7, "strife"; v. 10, "beheld"; v. 11, "chose"; v. 12, "pitched toward"; ch. 14. 12, "dwelt in"; 19. 1, "sat in its gate", as a ruler and citizen. See Ap. 10.

Canaanite and Perizzite. See on 12. 6. These were the *Nephilim*. See Ap. 23, 25.

dwelled. Heb. were dwelling.

then = already. See note on 12. 6.

in the land. Occupying it in advance, and spreading later to "the giant cities of Bashan".

8 brethren. Put by *Synecdoche* (of Species), for relatives. Ap. 6.

9 Is not the whole land, &c. Fig. *Erotasis*. Ap. 6.

thou wilt take. Fig. *Complex Ellipsis*. See Ap. 6.

10 well watered. Great contrast with Palestine after the famine; and likeness to the fertility of Egypt. the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4.

Sodom = flaming, burning.

Gomorrah = people of fear: already mixed up in the sins of the *Nephilim*. 2 Pet. 2. 4. Jude 6.

11 chose. Lot lifted up his own eyes (v. 10), and made his own choice. Cp. Abram, v. 14.

12 cities = one of the cities. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Whole). See Ap. 6. Or "among the cities". Cp. v. 18. toward Sodom. See note on v. 7.

of °the LORD, like the land of Egypt, as thou comest unto Zoar.

11 Then Lot °chose him all the plain of Jordan; and Lot journeyed east: and they separated themselves the one from the other.

12 Abram dwelled in the land of Canaan, and Lot dwelled in the °cities of the plain, and pitched his tent °toward Sodom.

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13 (But the men of Sodom were ° wicked and sinners before ° the LORD exceedingly.)

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14 And ° the LORD said unto Abram, after that Lot was separated from him, ° "Lift up now thine eyes, and ° look from the place where thou art northward, and southward, and eastward, and westward:

15 For all the land which thou seest, ° to thee will I give it, and to thy seed ° for ever.

16 And I will make thy seed as the ° dust of the earth: so that if a man can number the dust of the earth, then shall thy seed also be numbered.

17 Arise, walk through the land in the length of it and in the breadth of it; for I will give it unto ° thee."

18 Then Abram removed his tent, and came and dwelt in the ° plain of Mamre, which is in ° Hebron, and built there an altar unto ° the LORD.

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14 And it ° came to pass ° in the days of ° Amraphel king of Shinar, ° Arioch king of Ellasar, ° Chedorlaomer king of Elam, and ° Tidal king of ° nations;

2 That these made war with Bera king of Sodom, and with Birsha king of Gomorrah, Shinab king of Admah, and Shemeber king of Zeboim, and the king of Bela, which is ° Zoar.

3 All these were joined together in the ° vale of ° Siddim, which is the salt sea.

4 ° Twelve years they ° served Chedorlaomer, and in the ° thirteenth year they rebelled.

5 And in the fourteenth year came Chedorlaomer, and the kings that were with him, and smote the ° Rephaims in Ashteroth Karnaim, and the ° Zuzims in Ham, and the ° Emims in Shaveh Kiriathaim,

6 And the ° Horites in their mount Seir, unto El-paran, which is by the wilderness.

7 And they returned, and came to ° En-mishpat, which is Kadesh, and smote ° all the country of the Amalekites, and also the Amorites, that dwelt in Hazezon-tamar.

8 And there went out the king of Sodom, and the king of Gomorrah, and the king of Admah, and the king of Zeboim, and the king of Bela (the same is ° Zoar); and they joined battle with them in the ° vale of ° Siddim;

9 With ° Chedorlaomer the king of Elam, and with Tidal king of nations, and Amraphel king of Shinar, and Arioch king of Ellasar; ° four kings with five.

10 And the vale of ° Siddim was full of ° slime-pits; and the kings of Sodom and Gomorrah fled, and fell there; and they that remained fled to the mountain.

11 And they took all the goods of Sodom and Gomorrah, and all their victuals, and went their way.

12 And they took Lot, Abram's brother's son, ° who dwelt in Sodom, and his goods, and departed.

13 And there came one that had escaped, and told Abram the ° Hebrew; for ° he dwelt in the plain of Mamre the Amorite, brother of Eshcol, and brother of Aner: and ° these were confederate with Abram.

13 A parenthetical statement to show the nature of Lot's choice. Fig. *Parenthesis*. Ap. 6.

wicked and sinners = very wicked sinners. Fig. *Hendiadys*. See Ap. 6, and Ap. 44, viii and xiii.

14 Lift up. God chose for Abraham; strictly topographical. See note v. 11.

look. Note Abraham's four "looks": 13. 14 (earth); 15. 5 (heaven); 18. 2 (Jehovah); 22. 13 (a substitute).

15 to thee. Repeated to Isaac (26. 3), and to Jacob (28. 13; 35. 12). See note on 50. 24.

for ever. Hence Israel is "the everlasting nation", Isa. 44. 7. "To thee" ensures resurrection. Cp. Ex. 3. 6 and Matt. 22. 23-33.

16 dust. Fig. *Paræmia*. Ap. 6. In ch. 15. 5, as the "stars", marking the two parties in Israel: the earthly and heavenly (Heb. 11. 9-16); *partakers of* "the heavenly calling" (Heb. 3. 1).

17 thee. See note on 50. 24.

18 plain = among the oaks belonging to Mamre, brother of Eshcol and Aner (14. 13).

Hebron, a later name used here. See notes on 23. 2 and Num. 13. 22.

14. 1 came to pass in the days of. Heb. *v'yahî bēmei*: occurs 6 times (see Ap. 10); always marks a time of trouble ending in blessing. Cp. Ruth 1. 1. Isa. 7. 1. Jer. 1. 3. Est. 1. 1. 2 Sam. 21. 1 (cp. v. 14).

in the days. Dated in the reign of a king of Babylon: the united forces led by a king of Elam. The Assyrian tablets show that Elam had conquered and overrun Babylonia. Amraphel reigned in N. (Shinar); Eri-Aku (Arioch), an Elamite prince, in the S. at Larsa (Ellasar). All the names here are found on one tablet.

Amraphel - *Khammurabi* of the Tablets. Ammurapi is Amraphel transliterated.

Arioch - *Eri-aku* of the Tablets, in which it is found that his mother was sister to Chedorlaomer.

Chedorlaomer = the *Kudur-Lahgumal* of the Tablets. Tidal = the *Tudghula* of the Tablets.

nations. The Tablet says "he assembled the *Umman-manda*", or the barbarian tribes of the Kurdish mountains, and that he "did evil" to the land of Bel. The Assyrian tablets are therefore shown to be correct by their agreement with Genesis.

2 Zoar. Cp. v. 8 and 19. 22.

3 vale. Afterward, the Salt (or Dead Sea), when Moses wrote.

Siddim - the Siddim.

4 Twelve. The No. of Government. See Ap. 10.

served - had served. v. 4 goes back to the events leading up to the present war with Sodom.

thirteenth. The first occ. Hence the No. of Rebellion. See Ap. 10.

5 Rephaim = a branch of the *Nephilim*. See Ap. 25. Superhuman beings, so called after one Rapha: as the *Anakim* after Anak. See 15. 20. Deut. 2. 11, 20, 21; 3. 11, 13. Josh. 12. 4; 13. 12; 15. 8; 17. 15; 18. 16. See notes on 6. 4; 12. 6; 13. 7; 14. 5; 15. 20, 21.

Zuzims in Ham, same as Zam-zummim in Cuneiform writing. Cp. Deut. 2. 20.

Emim. Cp. Deut. 2. 10.

6 Horites. Deut. 2. 12.

7 En-mishpat = the spring of judgment. Not yet Kadesh - the Sanctuary.

all the country. Heb. "the whole field", put by *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap. 6, for country.

8 takes up the present war with Sodom.

Zoar. Cp. v. 2 and 19. 22.

9 four kings with five. See the No. 9, the number of Judgment. See Ap. 10.

10 slimepits = pits of bitumen, still a feature of the shores of the Dead Sea.

12 who dwelt: emph. to call attention to ch. 13. 12. See note. Heb. *HE* (Lot), *being a dweller in Sodom*.

13 Hebrew. So called from 'Eber (11. 14. Cp. 10. 21; 39. 14; 41. 12. Num. 24. 24), from 'ābar, "to pass on" = "he who passed over from beyond" (Gr. *hyper*), i. e. beyond the Euphrates (Josh. 24. 2). he: emph. in contrast with Lot. these: emph. = these also having a covenant with Abram. See 13. 17.

14 And when Abram heard that his brother was taken captive, he armed his °trained servants, born in his own house, °three hundred and eighteen, and pursued them unto °Dan.

15 And he divided himself against them, °he and his servants, by night, and smote them, and pursued them unto Hobah, which is on the left hand of Damascus.

16 And he brought back all the goods, °and also brought again his brother Lot, and his goods, and the women also, and the people.

17 And the king of Sodom went out to meet him after his return from the slaughter of Chedorlaomer, and of the kings that were with him, at the valley of Shaveh, which is the °king's dale.

(18 And °Melchizedek king of °Salem brought forth bread and °wine: and he was the °priest of the °MOST HIGH GOD.

19 And he blessed him, and said, "Blessed be Abram of the 18MOST HIGH GOD, possessor of heaven and earth:

20 And blessed be the 18MOST HIGH GOD, Which hath delivered thine enemies into thy hand." And °he gave °him tithes of all.)

21 And the king of Sodom said unto Abram, "Give me the °persons, and take the goods to thyself."

22 And Abram said to the king of Sodom, "I have °lift up mine hand unto the LORD, the 18MOST HIGH GOD, the possessor of heaven and earth,

23 That °I will not take from a thread even to a shoelatchet, and that I will not take any thing that is thine, lest thou shouldest say, 'I have made Abram rich:'

24 Save only that which the young men have eaten, and the portion of the men which went with me, Aner, Eshcol, and Mamre; let them take their portion."

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15 After these things °the word of the LORD came unto Abram in °a vision, saying, "Fear not, Abram: °I am thy shield, and thy exceeding great reward."

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2 And Abram said, °"Lord GOD, what wilt Thou give me, seeing I °go childless, and the steward of my house is this Eliezer of Damascus?"

3 And Abram said, °"Behold, to me Thou hast given no seed: and, °lo, one born in my house is mine °heir."

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4 And, °behold, the word of °the LORD came unto him, saying, "This shall not be thine heir; but he that shall come forth out of thine own bowels shall be thine heir."

5 And He brought him forth abroad, and said, °"Look °now toward heaven, and tell the °stars, if thou be able to °number them:" and He said unto him, "So shall thy seed be."

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6 And he °believed in °the LORD; and He °counted it to him for °righteousness.

14 trained = initiated or instructed, prob. in the worship of Jehovah. Cp. 12. 5; 15. 2; 18. 19; 24. 12-29; and Prov. 22. 6 (same word).

318 = a multiple of 6, the No. of "man". See Ap. 10.

Dan. Not the Dan of Judges 18. 29, but a city in N. of Palestine long before the Danites changed the name of Laish.

15 he and his servants. Note the emphasis on "he".

16 and. Note the Fig. Polysyndeton. See Ap. 6.

17 king's dale = the king of Salem mentioned in next verse. The name still retained in 2 Sam. 18. 18.

18 Note the parenthetical clause (18-20, which interrupts in order to interpret.

Melchizedek = King of righteousness, or by Fig. Enallage (Ap. 6), righteous king. In History, Gen. 14. In Prophecy, Ps. 110. In Fulfilment, Heb. 7. This might be Shem in type, Christ in antitype.

Salem. Called, on the bricks of the ruins of an ancient city in S. of Palestine, Uru-Salim = the city of Salim. The Tablets show that Palestine was at this time in possession of Egypt, and the Tablets are letters to the Pharaohs Amenophis III and IV. One is from Ebed-Tob, the successor of Melchizedek. Three times he says "not my father, not my mother installed me in this place but the Mighty King" (cp. Heb. 7. 1-4), i. e. he did not inherit by succession, but by the gift and "the arm of the Mighty King" (the deity).

wine. Same as 9. 20-24. See Ap. 27. i.

priest. Yet no sacrifices. Hence a type of Him to Whom all shall bow (Ps. 110. 4), and pay their tithes and bring their gifts (Ps. 72). See note on 9. 27.

MOST HIGH GOD. Heb. El Elyon, so vv. 19, 20, 22. See Ap. 4. First occ. of this title. Cp. 1st occ. in N.T. (Luke 1. 76) "Highest", in relation to the earth. See also Deut. 32. 8 (cp. Acts 17. 26). Ps. 8; 9. 18, 27; and note on Num. 24. 16.

20 he. Fig. Ellipsis = Abram (see Ap. 6).

him = Melchizedek.

21 persons = Heb. nephesh, souls. Ap. 13. Fig. Synecdoche (of the Part). See Ap. 6.

22 lift up mine hand = I swear. Cp. Ex. 6. 8. Ps. 106. 26. Isa. 3. 7 margin. Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct). See Ap. 6.

23 I will not take. The blessing of Melchizedek, and the bread and wine, prepared him for this great renunciation.

15. 1-21 (G e¹, p. 18). THE COVENANT MADE.

The Seed and The Land.

[For Structure see next page.]

1 the word of the LORD. First occ. of this expression is with the prep. 'el, unto, implying action of a person; or, at least, articulate speech.

a vision = the vision. Occurs only 4 times (here, Num. 24. 4, 16; Ezra 13. 7).

I am thy shield. Manifested in 14. 13-16 and 17-24. Cp. John 8. 56. The Incarnate Christ is Faith's shield (Eph. 6. 16).

2 Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See Ap. 4. First occ., relating to blessing in the earth.

go = am going on.

3 Behold . . . lo. Fig. Asterismos (Ap. 6).

heir. Heb. inherits me. Fig. Metonymy (of Subject). See Ap. 6. This was strictly in accordance with § 191 of the Code of Khammurabi. See Ap. 15.

5 Look. See note on 13. 14.

now = steadfastly. stars. See on 13. 16 = the heavenly calling in Israel (Heb. 3. 1; 11. 9-16). Fig. Paræmia. Ap. 6. number them. Hence Joab's objection in 2 Sam. 24. 3. 6 believed: i. e. believed Jehovah = believed what he "heard" (Rom. 10. 17). counted = reckoned or imputed. righteousness. No art. = as righteousness. This was positive imputed righteousness (because he believed concerning Christ). It was more than forensic righteousness, which was negative or non-imputation of sin (Ps. 32. 1, 2). This was the consequence of the Gospel preached to Abram. (Cp. Gal. 3. 8, and read Rom. 4 and Gal. 3).

^g₂₂ 7 And He said unto him, "I am the LORD That brought thee out of Ur of the Chaldees, to give thee this land to inherit it."

^h₃ 8 And he said, "Lord GOD, whereby shall I know that I shall inherit it?"

^g₄ 9 And He said unto him, "Take Me an heifer of three years old, and a she goat of three years old, and a ram of three years old, and a turtledove, and a young pigeon."

10 And he took unto him all these, and divided them in the midst, and laid each piece one against another: but the birds divided he not.

11 And when the fowls came down upon the carcases, Abram drove them away.

^h₄ 12 And when the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram; and, lo, an horror of great darkness fell upon him.

13 And He said unto Abram, "Know of a surety that thy seed shall be a stranger in a land that is not theirs, and shall serve them; and they shall afflict them four hundred years;

14 And also that nation, whom they shall serve, will I judge: and afterward shall they come out with great substance.

15 And thou shalt go to thy fathers in peace; thou shalt be buried in a good old age.

16 But in the fourth generation they shall come hither again: for the iniquity of the Amorites is not yet full."

^g₅ 17 And it came to pass, that, when the sun went down, and it was dark, behold a smoking furnace, and a burning lamp that passed between those pieces.

18 In the same day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, "Unto thy seed have I given this land, from the river of Egypt unto the great river, the river Euphrates:

19 The Kenites, and the Kenizzites, and the Kadmonites,

20 And the Hittites, and the Perizzites, and the Rephaims,

21 And the Amorites, and the Canaanites, and the Girgashites, and the Jebusites."

^g_{f1} (p. 18) 16 Now Sarai Abram's wife bare him no children: and she had an handmaid, an Egyptian, whose name was Hagar.

2 And Sarai said unto Abram, "Behold now, the LORD hath restrained me from bearing: I pray thee, go in unto my maid; it may be that I may obtain children by her." And Abram hearkened to the voice of Sarai.

3 And Sarai Abram's wife took Hagar her maid the Egyptian, after Abram had dwelt ten years in the land of Canaan, and gave her to her husband Abram to be his wife.

4 And he went in unto Hagar, and she conceived: and when she saw that she had conceived, her mistress was despised in her eyes.

5 And Sarai said unto Abram, "My wrong be upon thee: I have given my maid into thy bosom; and when she saw that she had conceived, I was despised in her eyes: the LORD judge between me and thee."

6 But Abram said unto Sarai, "Behold, thy maid is in thy hand; do to her as it pleaseth

15. 1-21 (^g_{e1}, p. 18). THE COVENANT MADE. The Seed and The Land. (Repeated Alternation.)

^{e1} _{g1}	1. The Covenant Maker. (The Word of Jehovah.)	The Seed The Land
^{h1}	2, 3. Enquiry. "What wilt Thou give?"	
^{g2}	4, 5. The Covenant. Announced. (The Seed.)	
^{h2}	6. Belief.	
^{g3}	7. The Covenant Maker. (Jehovah.)	
^{h3}	8. Enquiry. "Whereby shall I know?"	
^{g4}	9-11. The Covenant. Prepared.	
^{h4}	12-16. Answer. "Know of a surety."	
^{g5}	17-21. The Covenant. Solemnized.	

8 Lord GOD. Heb. *Adonai Jehovah*. See v. 2 and Ap. 4.

9 Take me - take for me: i. e. an offering for me, heifer. See Ap. 15.

10 these. Five, the No. of Grace, because Covenant was unconditional. See Ap. 10.

divided. So Covenants were made (Jer. 34. 18-20). midst, i. e. in half.

12 Abram. Put to sleep so that he should have no part in it, and that the Covenant should be unconditional, in which "God was the one" and only contracting party (Gal. 3. 20). Cp. v. 17. Contrast "both", ch. 21. 27.

10. Fig. *Asterismos*. See Ap. 6.

13 Know of a surety. Heb. *knowing thou shalt know*. Fig. *Polypytoton*. See Ap. 6, and note on 26. 28. thy seed, i. e. Isaac. See note on 21. 12. The 400 years date from Isaac's birth (Acts 7. 6). The 430 from the "promise" or Covenant here made (cp. Gal. 3. 17), and include the whole "sojourning" (Ex. 12. 40).

and shall serve, &c. Fig. *Epitrechon*. See Ap. 6. This is shown by the Structure (*Introversion*).

a | Thy seed shall be a stranger, &c.

b | and shall serve them

b | and they shall afflict them

a | four hundred years.

In a and a we have the whole sojourning and duration. In b and b the servitude in Egypt (215 years).

14 judge. Put by *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for punish.

15 go to thy fathers = die and be buried. Abram's fathers were idolaters. Josh. 24. 2. Fig. *Euphemism* (Ap. 6).

16 fourth. Levi, Kohath, Amram, Moses; (or Levi), Jochebed (born in Egypt).

iniquity. Heb. *avon*. See Ap. 44. iii.

not yet. Another mark of the corruption of the Canaanite nations through the Nephilim and Rephaim.

17 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. See Ap. 6.

furnace. Symbolic of the affliction of Israel (Deut. 4. 20. 1 Kings 8. 51. Isa. 31. 9. Ezek. 22. 18-22. Jer. 11. 4).

lamp. Symbolic of Israel's deliverance (1 Kings 11. 36; 15. 4. Isa. 62. 1. 2 Sam. 21. 17).

18 the LORD. Not Abram (Gal. 3. 17). See note on v. 12.

have. Before this it was "I will". From now it is "I have".

this land. Never yet possessed with these boundaries.

20 Hittites. First occ. See Ex. 32. 2. Josh. 3. 10, &c. Rephaim. Another link in the chain from 6. 4.

Cp. 12. 6; 13. 7; 14. 5; and see Ap. 23, 25.

19, 20, 21 Ten nations. See Ap. 10.

16. 1 handmaid. Not necessarily a slave. Cp. 1 Sam. 25. 41.

Hagar - Heb. *Flight*. See v. 3.

3 ten. These 10 years to be taken into account in any calculations.

wife. This was strictly in accordance with the enactment of Khammurabi (§ 146) which Abram had brought from Ur. See Ap. 15.

5 thee. Should be "her". See Ap. 31.

thee." And when Sarai °dealt hardly with her, she fled from her face.

7 And the °angel of °the LORD found her by a fountain of water in the wilderness, by the fountain in the way to °Shur.

8 And He said, "Hagar, Sarai's maid, whence camest thou? and whither wilt thou go?" And she said, "I flee from the °face of my mistress Sarai."

9 And the angel of °the LORD said unto her, "Return to thy mistress, and submit thyself under her hands."

10 And the angel of °the LORD said unto her, "I will multiply thy seed exceedingly, that it shall not be numbered for multitude."

11 And the angel of °the LORD said unto her, "Behold, thou art with child, and shalt bear a son, and shalt call his name Ishmael; because the LORD hath heard thy affliction."

12 And he will be a wild man; his hand will be °against every man, and every man's hand against him; and he shall dwell in the °presence of all his °brethren."

13 And she called the name of °the LORD that spake unto her, Thou °GOD seest me: for she °said, "Have I also here °looked after Him That seeth me?"

14 Wherefore the well was called °Beer-lahai-roi; behold, it is between Kadesh and Bered.

15 And °Hagar bare Abram a son; and Abram called his son's name, which Hagar bare, Ishmael.

16 And Abram was fourscore and six years old, when Hagar bare Ishmael to Abram.

17 And when Abram was ninety years old and nine, °the LORD appeared to Abram, and said unto him, "I am the °Almighty GOD; °walk before Me, and be thou perfect."

2 And I will make My covenant between Me and thee, and will multiply thee °exceedingly."

3 And Abram °fell on his face:

and °God talked with him, saying,

4 "As for thee, behold, My covenant is with thee, and thou shalt be a father of °many nations."

5 Neither shall thy name any more be called Abram, but thy name shall be °Abraham; for a father of °many nations have I made thee.

6 And I will make thee °exceeding fruitful, and I will make °nations of thee, and kings shall come out of thee.

7 And I will establish My °covenant between Me and thee and °thy seed after thee in their generations for an °everlasting °covenant, to be a °God unto thee, and to °thy seed after thee.

8 And I will give unto thee, and to thy seed after thee, the °land wherein thou art a stranger, all the land of Canaan, for an °everlasting possession; and I will be their °God."

9 And God said unto Abraham, "Thou shalt keep My covenant therefore, thou, and °thy seed after thee in their generations."

10 This is My covenant, which ye shall keep, between Me and you and thy seed after thee; Every man child among you shall be circumcised.

6 dealt hardly. Heb. afflicted her. The Code of Khammurabi (§ 119) forbade her being sold. Sarah could only lay tasks on her. See Ap. 15.

7 angel of the LORD. First occ. = messenger = 2nd Person, as being sent. Elohim - as being commissioned by oath. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

Shur = wall. The nearest way to her native land. Shur was the name of the great fortified wall shutting Egypt off from Palestine, with its Migdol or Fort.

8 face = presence. Fig. Pleonasm. See Ap. 6.

12 against. True to-day and for over 3,000 years. Cp. 21. 20. Isa. 21. 13. Jer. 3. 2. Ezra 8. 31. Ps. 10. 8, 9. presence = face, i. e. on the face of the same country. brethren. Esp. with the Midianites (37. 28), Midian being his half-brother, by Keturah (cp. Judg. 8. 22, 24). Cp. the fulfilment in 25. 18.

13 GOD. Heb. 'El. See Ap. 4.

said. Translate: "Do I see, here, even after the Vision?" i. e. "Do I live, after seeing God?"

looked = Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct), implying living as well as looking. Cp. 32. 30. Judg. 13. 22.

14 Beer-lahai-roi = the well of living after seeing.

15 Hagar bare. Through infirmity of Sarah's faith. So the Law (parenthetically) "because of transgression" (Gal. 3. 19). Levitical Law given, as Ishmael was, until Christ the antitype of Isaac should be born (Gal. 4. 1-6, 19, 31).

17. 1-27 (17. 1-14 and 17. 15-27) (e² and f², p. 18). THE COVENANT REPEATED AND SARAH'S BLESSING (Alternation and Introversion).

e² i | k¹ | 1, 2. Promise of seed to Abram.
1 | 3-. Prostration of Abram, and reverence.
k² | -3-8. God's talk with Abram. His seed.
j | 9-14. Circumcision. Command.
f² i | k³ | 15, 16. Promise of seed to Sarah.
i | 17. Prostration of Abraham, and joy.
k⁴ | 18-22. God's talk with Abraham. Sarah's seed.
j | 23-27. Circumcision. Obedience.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

Almighty GOD = El Shaddai. First occ. See Ap. 4. This title assures Abram that He Who had called him was almighty to supply all his need. Cp. first occ. in N.T. (2 Cor. 6. 18), which assures us of the same supply. walk = continue to walk.

2 exceedingly. Fig. Epizeuxis (greatly greatly). Ap. 6.
3 fell. Cp. Mary (John 11. 32) and contrast Martha (John 11. 21).

God = Elohim, Creator. Used in this ch. (vv. 3, 9, 15, 18, 22, 23) because He creates new names (vv. 5, 15), a new Sign of Covenant (vv. 9-14), and a new thing, from one as good as dead (Heb. 11. 12).

4 many. Emph. Fig. Antimeria (of Noun), for emphasis. Ap. 6.

5 Abraham. The fifth letter of Heb. alphabet (א = H), put in middle of his name = No. 5, Grace. See Ap. 10. Abram = exalted father; Abraham = father of a multitude.

6 exceeding. Fig. Epizeuxis (greatly greatly). Ap. 6. nations. Abraham was the progenitor not only of Israel, but of Ishmaelites, Midianites, Arabians, &c.

7 covenant: unconditional.

thy seed. Here, the coll. noun zer'a is shown to be plural by the words "after thee" (cp. vv. 8, 9), and by the pl. pron. "their generations" (vv. 7, 9). This is not the verse referred to in Gal. 3. 16, but Gen. 21. 12. See note on 21. 12, where "seed" must be in the sing. because of the verb.

everlasting. Hence Israel so called. Isa. 44. 7 margin.

8 land . . . stranger. Heb. land of thy sojournings.

9 thy seed. Still practised by Ishmaelites and others. Non-circumcision was the "reproach" of Egypt (Josh. 5. 9).

11 And ye shall circumcise the flesh of your foreskin; and it shall be a token of the covenant betwixt Me and you.

12 And he that is °eight days old shall be circumcised among you, every man child in your generations, he that is born in the house, or bought with money of any stranger, which is not of thy seed.

13 He that is born in thy house, and he that is bought with thy money, must needs be circumcised: and My covenant shall be in your °flesh for an everlasting covenant.

14 And the uncircumcised man child whose flesh of his foreskin is not circumcised, that °soul shall be cut off from his people; he hath broken My covenant."

k³ (p. 23) 15 And °God said unto Abraham, "As for Sarai thy wife, thou shalt not call her name Sarai, but °Sarah shall her name be.

16 And I will bless her, and give thee a son also of her: yea, I will bless her, and she shall be a mother of nations; °kings of people shall be of her."

17 Then Abraham °fell upon his face, and °laughed, and said in his heart, ° "Shall a child be born unto him that is an hundred years old? and shall Sarah, that is ninety years old, bear?"

k⁴ 18 And Abraham said unto °God, "O that Ishmael °might live before Thee!"

19 And °God said, "Sarah thy wife shall bear thee a son indeed; and thou shalt call his name Isaac: and I will establish My covenant with him for an everlasting covenant, °and with his seed after him.

20 And as for Ishmael, °I have heard thee: Behold, I have blessed him, and will make him fruitful, and will multiply him °exceedingly; twelve princes shall he beget, and I will make him a great nation.

21 But My covenant will I establish with °Isaac, which Sarah shall bear unto thee at this °set time in the next year."

22 And he left off talking with him, and °God went up from Abraham.

j 23 And Abraham took Ishmael his son, and all that were born in his house, and all that were bought with his money, every male among the °men of Abraham's house; and °circumcised the flesh of their foreskin in the selfsame day, as °God had said unto him.

24 And Abraham was ninety years old and nine, when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin.

25 And Ishmael his son was °thirteen years old, when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin.

26 In the selfsame day was Abraham circumcised, and Ishmael his son.

27 And all the men of his house, born in the house, and bought with money of the stranger, were circumcised with him.

e³ m (p. 24) 18 And °the LORD appeared unto him in the °plains of Mamre: and he °sat in the tent door in the heat of the day;

2 And he lift up his eyes and °looked, and, °lo, °three men stood by him: and when he

12 eight = the number of Resurrection (Ap. 10); associated here with circumcision, the sign of death.

13 flesh. Fig. *Synecdoche*, for the whole person. Ap. 6.

14 soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. Fig. *Synecdoche*, for person. Ap. 6.

15 Sarah. The addition of the 5th letter (◊ = H) of Heb. alphabet (the No. of Grace, Ap. 10) as in Abraham's case (v. 5) and Joshua's (Num. 13. 16). The letter ◊ (H) is common to both the names of Jehovah and Elohim. Sarai = *princely*; Sarah = *princess*.

16 kings. Sam., Onk., Jon., Sept., and Syr. read "and kings".

17 laughed: for joy. Heb. *was joyful*. Cp. John 8. 56, "rejoiced to see my day . . . and was glad." The laughter of faith, Rom. 4. 19. Sarah did not fall down as Abraham did, v. 3.

Shall, &c. Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. (Cp. Heb. 11. 12).

18 might live, as though he thought Ishmael was to die: showing his faith in Isaac's birth. This is proved from v. 20.

19 and. Sam., Onk., Jon., Sept., Syr. read this "and" in the text.

20 I have heard. Showing the subject of Abraham's prayer.

exceedingly. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (*greatly greatly*). Ap. 6.

21 Isaac. Heb. *laughter*.

set time. See note on 1. 14.

23 men. Heb. pl. of 'ish, or 'enosh. See Ap. 14.

circumcised. Hence Ishmaelites and kindred nations still practise the rite.

25 thirteen. Symbolic; and in contrast with Isaac on eighth day. See Ap. 10. Ishmaelites and Arabians still circumcise in the 13th year.

18. 1-16 (G e³, p. 18). THE COVENANT RENEWED (*Introversion*).

e³ m | 1, 2. Appearance of Jehovah. (Three men.)

n | 3-8. Their reception by Abraham.

n | 9-15. Their conference with Abraham.

m | 16-. Departure of Jehovah. (Three men.)

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

plains = among the oaks of Mamre. Cp. 13. 18; 14. 13; and 18. 8. sat = was sitting.

2 looked. See note on 13. 14.

lo. The Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

three men. Elohim (Ap. 4) and two angels called men (Heb. 'ish, pl., Ap. 14) here, and vv. 16, 22: but in 19. 1, 15 the two are called "angels". Three the No. of Divine perfection (see Ap. 10). When two departed, Elohim (the Divine Presence) remained (vv. 16, 22).

3 LORD = Jehovah, not Adonai. See Ap. 32. But plural throughout ch. 19 of the two.

4 wash your feet. A common practice to this day; needed from use of sandals and bare feet; cp. 24. 32; 43. 24.

5 bread. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), Ap. 6, put for food in general.

saw them, he ran to meet them from the tent door, and bowed himself toward the ground,

3 And said, "My °LORD", if now I have found n (p. 24) favour in Thy sight, pass not away, I pray Thee, from Thy servant:

4 Let a little water, I pray you, be fetched, and °wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree:

5 And I will fetch a morsel of °bread, and comfort ye your hearts; after that ye shall pass on: for therefore are ye come to your servant." And they said, "So do, as thou hast said."

6 And Abraham hastened into the tent unto

Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly °three measures of fine meal, knead *it*, and make °cakes upon the hearth."

7 And Abraham °ran unto the herd, and fetcht a calf tender and good, and gave *it* unto a young man; and he hasted to dress it.

8 And he took butter, and milk, and the calf which he had dressed, and set *it* before them; and he stood by them under the °tree, and they did °eat.

n (p. 24) 9 And they said unto him, °"Where *is* Sarah thy wife?" And he said, °"Behold, in the tent."

10 And He said, "I will °certainly return unto thee according to the time of life; and, °lo, Sarah thy wife shall have a son." And Sarah °heard *it* in the tent door, which *was* behind him.

11 Now Abraham and Sarah *were* °old and well stricken in age; and it ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women.

12 Therefore Sarah °laughed within herself, saying, °"After I am waxed old shall I have pleasure, °my lord being old also?"

13 And °the LORD said unto Abraham, °"Wherefore did Sarah laugh, saying, 'Shall I of a surety bear a child, which am old?'"

14 °Is any thing too °hard for °the LORD? At the °time appointed I will return unto thee, according to the time of life, and Sarah shall have a son."

15 Then Sarah denied, saying, "I laughed not;" for she was afraid. And He said, "Nay; but thou didst laugh."

m 16 And the °men rose up from thence, and °looked toward Sodom:

o *q*¹ (p. 25) and Abraham went with them to bring them on the way.

r 17 And °the LORD said, °"Shall I hide from Abraham that thing which I do;

18 Seeing that Abraham °shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the °nations of the earth shall be blessed in him?"

19 For I know him, °that he will °command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of °the LORD, to do justice and judgment; that °the LORD may bring upon Abraham that which He hath spoken of him."

20 And °the LORD said, "Because the °cry of Sodom and Gomorrah is great, and because their sin is very grievous;

21 °I will go down now, and see whether they have done altogether according to °the cry of it, which is come unto Me; and if not, °I will know."

*q*² 22 And °the men turned their faces from thence, and went toward Sodom: but °Abraham stood yet before °the LORD.

r 23 And Abraham drew near, and said, "Wilt Thou °also destroy the righteous with the °wicked?"

24 °Peradventure there be fifty righteous within the city: wilt Thou also destroy and not spare the place for the fifty righteous that are therein?

25 That be far from Thee to do after this manner, to slay the righteous with the °wicked: and that the righteous should be as

6 three measures. Note the No. 3. See v. 2 and Ap. 10.

cakes. Evidently unleavened.

7 ran. Such speedy hospitality common in the East.

8 tree. See v. 1.

eat. We do not understand this mystery. But we read of "angels' food" (Ps. 78. 25); and that Christ ate after His resurrection (Luke 24. 30, 43. Acts 10. 41).

9 Where, &c. Translate "And as to Sarah thy wife . . . and he [interrupting] said, Lo! [she is] in the tent". See Ap. 31.

10 certainly return. Fig. *Polyptoton* (returning I will return) for emphasis. Ap. 6 and note on 26. 28. lo! Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

heard. Heb. was listening.

11 old. This explains how Rebekah, a granddaughter of Abraham's brother, should be old enough to marry Isaac, Abraham's son.

12 laughed. See note on 17. 17.

After. Fig. *Erotasis*. Ap. 6.

my lord. Heb. *Adon*. See Ap. 4 and cp. 1 Pet. 3. 6.

13 Wherefore? Fig. *Erotasis*. Ap. 6.

14 Is any thing? Fig. *Erotasis*. Ap. 6.

hard = wonderful. A similar question and same Fig. used in Luke 1. 37.

time appointed. See note on 1. 14.

16 men. Heb. pl. of 'ish, or 'enosh. See Ap. 14.

looked - looked down upon. Heb. *shakaph*. 1st occ.

18. -16-19. 38 (F, p. 18). DESTRUCTION OF SODOM. (*Alternation*.)

F | *o* | 18. -16-33. Abraham and Jehovah.

| *p* | 19. 1-26. Lot and the Angels.

| *o* | 19. 27-29. Abraham and Jehovah.

| *p* | 19. 30-38. Lot and his daughters.

18. -16-33 (*o*, above). ABRAHAM AND JEHOVAH. (*Repeated alternation*.)

o | *q*¹ | -16. Abraham before Jehovah.

| *r* | 17-21. Announcement of Sodom's destruction.

| *q*² | 22. Jehovah before Abraham (see note).

| *r* | 23-32. Intercession for Sodom's preservation.

| *q*³ | 33. Jehovah's departure. Abraham's return.

17 Shall I hide? Fig. *Erotasis*. Ap. 6. Cp. Amos 3. 7.

18 shall surely become. Heb. "being shall be". Fig. *Polyptoton* (Ap. 6). See note on 26. 28.

nations. Another proof that the mystery (Eph. 3) means more than Gentile blessing. Cp. 22. 18.

19 that = how that.

command. Cp. Ps. 78. 1-8.

20 cry. Fig. *Prosopopeia*. Ap. 6.

21 I will go down = let us now go down. See Gen. 11. 7. Ex. 3. 8, all times of judgment.

the cry. Should be *their outcry*: with Sept., Onk., and ancient reading in MSS. called *Sevir*. See Ap. 34.

I will know. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

22 the men. Prob. the two of 19. 1.

Abraham stood yet before the LORD. The primitive text read "Jehovah stood yet before Abraham."

One of the 18 emendations of the Sopherim. See Ap. 33.

23 also = even, or really. Note the 6 petitions in Abraham's prayer, vv. 24-32. See Ap. 10.

wicked. Heb. *rasha'*. Ap. 44. x.

24 Peradventure = perhaps.

25 earth. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject). Ap. 6. "Earth" put for its inhabitants.

the °wicked, that be far from Thee: Shall not the Judge of all the °earth do right?"

26 And °the LORD said, "If I find in Sodom fifty righteous within the city, then I will spare all the place for their sakes."

27 And Abraham answered and said, "Be-

hold now, I have taken upon me to speak unto ³the °LORD*, which *am but* °dust and ashes:

28 Peradventure there shall lack five of the fifty righteous: wilt Thou destroy all the city for lack of five?" And He said, "If I find there forty and five, I will not destroy it."

29 And he spake unto Him yet again, and said, "Peradventure there shall be forty found there." And He said, "I will not do it for forty's sake."

30 And he said unto Him, "Oh let not the ²⁷LORD* be angry, and I will speak: Peradventure there shall thirty be found there." And He said, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there."

31 And he said, "Behold now, I have taken upon me to speak unto the ²⁷LORD*: Peradventure there shall be twenty found there." And He said, "I will not destroy it for twenty's sake."

32 And he said, "Oh let not the ²⁷LORD* be angry, and I will speak yet but this once: Peradventure ten shall be found there." And He said, "I will not destroy it for ten's sake."

q³ (p. 25) 33 And ³the LORD ° went His way, as soon as He had left communing with Abraham: and Abraham returned unto his place.

p s¹ (p. 26) 19 And there came °two angels to °Sodom at °even; and Lot sat in the °gate of Sodom: and Lot seeing *them* rose up to meet them; and he bowed himself with his face toward the ground;

2 And he said, "Behold now, °my lords, turn in, I pray you, into your servant's house, and tarry all night, and wash your feet, and ye shall rise up early, and go on your ways." And they said, "Nay; but we will abide °in the street all night."

3 And he pressed upon them greatly; and they turned in unto him, and entered into his house; and he made them a feast, and did bake unleavened bread, and they did °eat.

4 But before they lay down, the °men of the city, *even* the men of Sodom, compassed the house round, both old and young, all the people from every quarter:

5 And they called unto Lot, and said unto him, "Where *are* the °men which came in to thee this night? bring them out unto us, that we may °know *them*."

t¹ 6 And Lot went out at the door unto them, and shut the door after him,

7 And said, "I pray you, brethren, do not so °wickedly.

8 Behold now, I have two daughters which have not °known °man; let me, I pray you, bring *them* out unto you, and do ye to them as *is* good in your eyes: only unto °these °men do nothing; for therefore came they under the shadow of my °roof."

9 And they said, "Stand back." And they said *again*, "This one *fellow* came in to sojourn, and he will needs be a °judge: now will we deal °worse with thee, than with them." And they pressed sore upon the man, *even* Lot, and came near to °break the door.

s 10 But the men put forth their hand, and

27 LORD*. One of the 134 places where the Primitive Text was Jehovah, and the Sopherim changed it to Adonai. These are distinguished in the text by an asterisk, and printed LORD*. See list, Ap. 32.

dust and ashes. Fig. *Meiosis*. Ap. 6. Also *Paronomasia* (*v'ephar 'aphar*). Ap. 6.

dust. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause). Ap. 6.

33 went His way. The same as the one who came in *vv.* 1, 2.

19. 1-26 ("p", p. 25). LOT AND THE ANGELS. (Repeated Alternation.)

p s¹ | 1-5. *Even*. The Angels. Reception by Lot.
t¹ | 6-9. Lot's remonstrance with Sodomites.
s² | 10-13. *Night*. The Angels. Protection of Lot. Announcement of the destruction of Sodom.
t² | 14. Lot's remonstrance with his family.
s³ | 15-17. *Dawn*. Jehovah merciful to Lot.
t³ | 18-20. Lot's remonstrance with Jehovah.
s⁴ | 21-26. *Sunrise*. Jehovah's acquiescence with Lot. Destruction of Sodom.

1 two. Heb. the two. With art., viz. two of the three, 18. 16.

Sodom = *flaming, burning*.

even. Note emph. on notes of time in the Structure. gate. The seat of judgment, showing that Lot was a real citizen, *v.* 9; 23. 10, 18; 34. 20, 24. Ruth 4. 1.

2 my lords. Pl. of *Adon*. See Ap. 4.

in the street. Fig. *Peristasis*. Ap. 6.

3 eat. See 18. 8.

4 men. Heb. pl. of *'enosh*. Ap. 14. iii.

5 know. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause). Ap. 6.

7 wickedly. Heb. *ra'*. Ap. 44. viii.

8 known. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause). Ap. 6.

man. Heb. *'ish*. See Ap. 14. ii.

these. Archaic pron. showing antiquity of Pent.

roof. Fig. *Metalepsis*. Ap. 6. Roof put for house, and house put for protection.

9 judge. See *v.* 1. He sat in Sodom's gate, the seat of the judges. See note on 18. 7.

worse. Heb. *ra'*. Ap. 44. viii.

break = break open, shiver.

11 blindness. Produced by dazzlings of light. Fig. *Heterosis* (of Noun). Ap. 6. Pl. put for sing. only here and 2 Kings 6. 18. 9 instances of people so smitten (see Ap. 10). See 19. 11; 27. 1; 48. 10. Judg. 16. 21. 1 Sam. 4. 15. 1 Kings 14. 4. 2 Kings 6. 18; 25. 7. Acts 13. 11.

12 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton*. Ap. 6.

13 will destroy = are about to destroy.

face. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

14 the LORD. Cp. the "we" of *v.* 13. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

pulled Lot into the house to them, and shut to the door.

11 And they smote the men that *were* at the door of the house with °blindness, both small and great: so that they wearied themselves to find the door.

12 And the men said unto Lot, "Hast thou here any besides? son in law, °and thy sons, and thy daughters, and whatsoever thou hast in the city, bring *them* out of this place:

13 For *we* °will destroy this place, because the cry of them is waxen great before the °face of °the LORD; and °the LORD hath sent us to destroy it."

14 And Lot went out, and spake unto his sons in law, which married his daughters, and said, "Up, get you out of this place; for °the LORD

t² (p. 26)

will destroy this city." But he seemed as °one that mocked unto his sons in law.

^s³ 15 And when the morning arose, then the angels hastened Lot, saying, "Arise, take thy wife, and thy two daughters, which are here; lest thou be consumed in the °iniquity of the city."

16 And while he °lingered, the men laid hold upon his hand, and upon the hand of his wife, and upon the hand of his two daughters; ¹⁴the LORD being merciful unto him: and they brought him forth, and set him without the city.

17 And it came to pass, when they had brought them forth abroad, that °He said, "Escape for thy °life; °look not behind thee, neither stay thou in all the plain; escape to the mountain, lest thou be consumed."

^t³ 18 And Lot said unto them, "Oh, not so, my °LORD*:

19 Behold now, Thy servant hath found grace in Thy sight, and Thou hast magnified Thy mercy, which Thou hast shewed unto me in saving my ¹⁷life; and I cannot escape to the mountain, lest some evil take me, and I die:

20 Behold now, this city is near to flee unto, and it is a little one: Oh, let me escape thither, °(is it not a little one?) and °my soul shall live."

^s⁴ 21 And He said unto him, "See, I have accepted °thee concerning this thing °also, that I will not overthrow this city, for the which thou hast spoken.

22 Haste thee, escape thither; for I cannot do any thing till thou be come thither." Therefore the name of the city was called °Zoar.

23 The sun was risen upon the earth when Lot entered into Zoar.

24 Then °the LORD rained upon Sodom and upon Gomorrah °brimstone and fire from °the LORD out of heaven;

25 And He °overthrew those cities, and all the plain, and all the inhabitants of the cities, and that which grew upon the ground.

26 But his °wife °looked back from behind him, and she °became a pillar of salt.

^F^o (p. 25) 27 And Abraham gat up early in the morning to the place where he °stood before ¹⁴the LORD:

28 And he °looked toward Sodom and Gomorrah, and toward all the land of the plain, and beheld, and, °lo, the °smoke of the country went up as the smoke of a furnace.

29 And it came to pass, when °God destroyed the cities of the plain, that °God °remembered Abraham, and sent Lot out of the midst of the overthrow, when He overthrew the °cities in the which Lot dwelt.

^p 30 And Lot went up out of Zoar, and dwelt in the mountain, and his two daughters with him; for he feared to dwell in Zoar: and he dwelt in a cave, he and his two daughters.

31 And the firstborn said unto the younger, "Our father is old, and there is not a °man in the earth to come in unto us after the manner of all the earth:

32 Come, let us make our father drink °wine, and we will lie with him, that we may preserve seed of our father."

one that mocked = talked nonsense. He had looked, and pitched his tent toward Sodom, had dwelt and made his home there, and married his daughters, and sat in its gate as a judge. No wonder he seemed as one that mocked. He chose Sodom (13. 11), and "lingered" in the place of his choice (v. 16). See note, 13. 7.

15 iniquity. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause). Ap. 6. Cause put for effect = judgment. Cp. Ps. 7. 16. See Ap. 44. iii.

16 lingered. See v. 14.

17 He. Sept. reads "they".

life = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. See Ap. 13.

look, &c. Fig. *Asyndeton*. Ap. 6. (No ands, but climax.)

18 LORD*. See note on 18. 27.

20 is it not a little one? Fig. *Epitrichon*. Ap. 6. my soul = myself. Heb. *my nephesh*. Ap. 13.

21 thee. Heb. *thy face*. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part). Ap. 6.

also. Omitted in A.V. 1611.

22 Zoar = little, or smallness. Cp. 14. 2, 8.

24 the LORD . . . from the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Repetition very emphatic. Cp. "we", v. 13.

brimstone and fire. Fig. *Hendiadys* (Ap. 6) = burning brimstone. Referred to in Deut. 29 23. Isa. 13. 19. Jer. 49. 18. Zeph. 2. 9. Matt. 10. 15. 2 Pet. 2. 6. Jude 7.

25 overthrew. These cities are not in the Dead Sea, but their ruins have been discovered by M. de Sauley (called to-day *Kharbet-Goumrán*), about 4 miles square (*Journey round the Dead Sea*, vol. ii, pp. 42-46).

Note the parallelism (*Alternation*).

a | cities.

b | plain.

a | cities (inhabitants).

b | plain (produce).

26 wife. Cp. Luke 17. 32.

looked back: i. e. curiously. Cp. Isa. 63. 5 and v. 28. Same word as in v. 17.

became. Same word as 1. 2, "the earth became."

27 stood. Cp. note on 18. 22.

28 looked toward. A different word from v. 27. Abraham bent forward and looked with awe and grief.

lo. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

smoke. It does not say he saw the cities, but only the smoke.

29 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4.

remembered. Lot's deliverance due to Abraham's prayer. Fig. *Anthropopathia*. Ap. 6.

cities = the city. Fig. *Heterosis* (of Number). Ap. 6.

31 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. ii.

32 wine. Heb. *yayin*. See Ap. 27. i.

33, 35 nor = but. This clause is one marked with the "fifteen extraordinary points" calling attention to the ancient reading = "he *did know* when she arose." See Ap. 81.

33 And they made their father drink ³²wine that night: and the firstborn went in, and lay with her father; and he perceived not when she lay down, °nor when she arose.

34 And it came to pass on the morrow, that the firstborn said unto the younger, "Behold, I lay yesternight with my father: let us make him drink wine this night also; and go thou in, and lie with him, that we may preserve seed of our father."

35 And they made their father drink ³²wine that night also: and the younger arose, and lay with him; and he perceived not when she lay down, °nor when she arose.

36 Thus were both the daughters of Lot with child by their father.

37 And the firstborn bare a son, and called his name °Moab: the same *is* the father of the Moabites unto this day.

38 And the younger, *she* also bare a son, and called his name °Ben-ammi: the same *is* the father of the children of Ammon unto this day.

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(p. 28)

20 And Abraham journeyed from thence toward the °south country, and dwelled between Kadesh and Shur, and sojourned in Gerar.

2 And Abraham °said of Sarah his wife, “*She is* °my sister:”

H² and °Abimelech king of Gerar sent, and °took Sarah.

u 3 But ¹⁷God came to Abimelech in a °dream by night, and said to him, “Behold, thou *art* but a dead °man, for the woman which thou hast taken; for *she is* a man’s wife.”

4 But Abimelech had not come near her: and he said, “LORD*, wilt Thou slay °also a righteous °nation?”

5 Said *he* not unto me, ‘*She is* my sister?’ and *she*, even *she* herself said, ‘*He is* my brother:’ in the integrity of my heart and innocency of my hands have I done this.”

6 And ¹⁷God said unto him in a dream, “Yea, I know that thou didst this in the integrity of thy heart; for °I also withheld thee from °sinning against Me: therefore suffered I thee not to touch her.

v 7 Now therefore restore the °man *his* wife;

w for *he is* a °prophet, and he shall pray for thee, and thou shalt live: and if thou restore *her* not, know thou that thou shalt surely die, thou, and all that *are* thine.”

u 8 Therefore Abimelech rose early in the morning, and called all his servants, and told all these things in their ears: and the °men were sore afraid.

9 Then Abimelech called Abraham, and said unto him, “What hast thou done unto us? and what have I offended thee, that thou hast brought on me and on my kingdom a great °sin? thou hast done deeds unto me that ought not to be done.”

10 And Abimelech said unto Abraham, “What °sawest thou, that thou hast done this thing?”

11 And Abraham said, “Because I °thought, Surely the fear of ¹⁷God *is* not in this place; and they will °slay me for my wife’s sake.

12 And yet indeed *she is* my °sister; *she is* the daughter of my father, but not the daughter of my mother; and she became my wife.

13 And it came to pass, when ¹⁷God °caused me to wander from my father’s house, that I said unto her, ‘This *is* thy °kindness which thou shalt shew unto me; at every place whither we shall come, say of me, “*He is* my brother.”’”

v 14 And Abimelech took sheep, °and oxen, and menservants, and womenservants, and gave *them* unto Abraham, and restored him Sarah his wife.

15 And Abimelech said, “Behold, my land *is* before thee: dwell where it pleaseth thee.”

16 And unto Sarah he said, “Behold, I have given thy °brother a thousand pieces of silver:

37 Moab. Heb. *from a father*.

38 Ben-ammi. Heb. *son of Ammi* = “the god Am”. See on 14. 5 and Deut. 2. 20. Begotten in shame, both had a shameful history. Deut. 23. 3, 4. Cp. Judg. 10. 10; 11. 4, 15. Num. 21. 29. Deut. 2. 19; 3. 16. 2 Chron. 20. 1. Zeph. 2. 8.

20. 1-18 (E a, p. 18). ABRAHAM'S SOJOURN IN GERAR.

Introduction { H¹ | Expedient, vv. 1, 2-
 { H² | Consequences, v. 2-
 (Extended Alternation.)

a | *u* | 3-6. Dream, &c.
 v | 7-. Restoration commanded.
 w | -7. Prayer.
u | 8-13. Dream, &c.
 v | 14-16. Restoration effected.
 w | 17, 18. Prayer.

1 south = the *Negeb*. See 12. 9; 13. 1.

2 said. Abraham’s expedient = the next assault on Abraham in the Great Conflict for the destruction of the promised seed of the woman (Gen. 3. 15). See Ap. 23. God had to intervene (v. 3), for man could know nothing of it. Abraham’s fear shown in v. 11.

my sister = half-sister. See note on v. 12 and Ap. 29. Abimelech. Heb. *Father-king*. The official title of the kings of Gerar (cp. 26. 1), like Pharaoh in Egypt. took. See note on 21. 7. In Sarah’s conception God must have renewed her youth, for she nursed Isaac (21. 7).

3 dream. 20 recorded in Scripture (see Ap. 10). 20. 3; 28. 12; 31. 10, 24; 37. 5, 9; 40. 5, 5; 41. 1, 5, 5. Judg. 7. 13. 1 Kings 3. 5. Dan. 2. 3; 4. 5; 7. 1. Matt. 1. 20; 2. 12, 13, 19; 27. 19.

Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6. man . . . for. Fig. *Aposiopesis*, or “sudden silence”. Ap. 6. We must supply “If thou dost not restore her”; or “I will slay thee”. See vv. 4 and 7.

4 LORD* = Jehovah. One of the 134 emendations of the Sopherim. See Ap. 32.

also, i. e. as well as Sodom and Gomorrah, ch. 19. nation. Abimelech evidently expected God to slay the whole nation.

6 I also withheld. Divine intervention needed. Cp. v. 2. Note the emphatic pronouns. See Ap. 23. sinning. See Ap. 44. i.

7 man. Heb. *ish*. See Ap. 14. ii. prophet. First occ., showing that prediction is only a small part of its meaning = God’s spokesman. Here, it is *prayer* (cp. Ex. 4. 16 and 7. 1), and prayer is associated with prophesying, i. e. *witnessing* (1 Cor. 11. 5).

8 men. Heb. pl. of *enosh*. Ap. 14. iii.

9 What. Fig. *Aganactesis*. Ap. 6.

sin. Heb. *chāt’a*. See Ap. 44. i.

10 sawest thou = hadst thou seen.

11 thought. Heb. *said*: i. e. said [to myself].

slay me. Showing how his fears were worked upon by the enemy. See v. 2.

12 sister. The daughter of Terah by another wife (than Abraham’s mother): therefore, Abraham’s half-sister. See Ap. 29.

13 caused. The verb *is* in the plural. kindness. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause). Ap. 6. Kindness put for the kind *deeds* caused by it.

14 and. Fig. *Polysyndeton*. Ap. 6.

15 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

16 brother. Fig. *Irony*. Ap. 6.

covering, &c. Fig. *Periphrasis*. Ap. 6. Having called Abraham her “brother”, he uses this beautiful Figure for her husband. Cp. 24. 65. 1 Cor. 11. 5, &c. reproved, i. e. by the Irony.

behold, *he is* to thee a °covering of the eyes, unto all that *are* with thee, and with all *other*” thus *she* was °reproved.

v 17 So Abraham prayed unto °God: and God
(p. 28) healed Abimelech, and his wife, and his maid-
servants; and they bare *children*.

18 For °the LORD had fast closed up all the
wombs of the house of Abimelech, because of
Sarah Abraham's wife.

E b d x **21** And °the LORD visited Sarah °as He had
(p. 29) °said, and °the LORD did unto Sarah as
He had °spoken.

2 For Sarah conceived, and bare Abraham a
son in his old age, at the °set time of which
°God had spoken to him.

3 And Abraham called the name of his son
that was born unto him, whom Sarah bare to
him, °Isaac.

y 4 And Abraham circumcised his son Isaac
being °eight days old, as God had commanded
him.

1896 5 And Abraham was an °hundred years old,
when his son Isaac was born unto him.

x 6 And Sarah said, 2 "God hath made me to
laugh, so that all that hear will laugh with
me."

7 And she said, "Who would have said unto
Abraham, that Sarah should have given
children °suck? for I have born *him* a son
in his old age."

y 8 And the child °grew, and was weaned: and
Abraham made a great feast the *same* day
that Isaac was weaned.

c z 9 And Sarah saw the son of Hagar the
Egyptian, which she had born unto Abraham,
°mocking.

1891 10 Wherefore she said unto Abraham, ° "Cast
out this bondwoman and her son: for the son
of this bondwoman shall not be heir ° with my
son, *even* with Isaac."

a 11 And the °thing was very grievous in Abra-
ham's sight because of his son.

b 12 And God said unto Abraham, "Let it not
be grievous in thy sight because of the lad, and
because of thy bondwoman; in all that Sarah
hath said unto thee, hearken unto her voice;
for in ° Isaac shall ° thy seed be called.

13 And also of the son of the bondwoman will
I make a nation, because *he is* thy seed."

c 14 And Abraham rose up early in the morn-
ing, and took bread, and a ° bottle of water,
and gave *it* unto Hagar, putting *it* on her
shoulder, and the child, and sent her away:
and she departed, and wandered in the wilder-
ness of Beer-sheba.

z 15 And the water was spent in the bottle, and
she cast the child under one of the shrubs.

a 16 And she went, and sat her down over
against *him* a good way off, ° as it were a bow-
shot: for she said, "Let me ° not see the death
of the child." And she sat over against *him*,
and ° lift up her voice, and wept.

b 17 And 2 God ° heard the voice of the lad; and
the angel of 2 God called to Hagar out of heaven,
and said unto her, ° "What aileth thee, Hagar?
fear not; for 2 God hath ° heard the voice of the
lad where *he is*.

17 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4.

18 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4.

21. 1-8 (*E b d*, p. 18). MANIFESTATION OF SEED.
(*Alternation*.)

d | *x* | 1-3. Isaac's birth and naming.

y | 4, 5. Circumcision.

x | 6, 7. Cause of Isaac's naming.

y | 8. Weaning.

1 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4.

as = according as.

said. Emphasis on "said" for our faith.

spoken. Fig. *Pleonasm* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

2 set time = exact time.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. Note change of title here,
till v. 32, because it is Creator and creature. In v. 33,
Jehovah, where it is Covenant relation. In *Mary's*
song both titles united (Luke 1. 46, 47 and cp. vv. 37, 38).

3 Isaac. Heb. *Let him laugh*. Cp. 17. 17; 18. 12, 13, 15;
21. 6, 9; 26. 8.

4 eight. The Dominical No. See Ap. 10. Cp.
Ishmael, 13th year. 5 hundred. See Ap. 10.

7 suck. A proof that "God", the Creator, had re-
newed her youth, showing why Abimelech should have
taken her (20. 2). Sarah's Magnificat may be compared
with Mary's. The scenes of both near to each other.
Mary's words (Luke 1. 54, 55) connect her "mercy"
with that shown to "Abraham and his seed".

8 grew. Cp. Luke 2. 40.

21. 9-21 (*E b c*, p. 18). SEPARATION OF ISHMAEL.
(*Extended Alternation*.)

c | *z* | 9, 10. Hagar and Ishmael, in house.

a | 11. Abraham's suffering.

b | 12, 13. God's intervention.

c | 14. Hagar and Ishmael. Wilderness of
Beer-sheba.

z | 15. Hagar and Ishmael, out of house.

a | 16. Hagar's suffering.

b | 17-19. God's intervention.

c | 20, 21. Hagar and Ishmael. Wilderness
of Paran.

9 mocking. Heb. "laughing" or "chaffing", or
"mocking again" (as we say).

10 Cast out, &c. See the Divine interpretation.
Gal. 3. 6-29; 4. 22-31; 5. 1-12.

with my son, &c. Heb. idiom "with my son—with
Isaac". Cp. Num. 12. 8.

11 thing. Heb. *word*.

12 Isaac . . . thy seed. Here *zer'a* is in the sing.
sense, because of the word "Isaac", and because of the
sing. verb "it shall be called." *Zer'a* is a collective noun
(like Eng. "sheep"), but the context must determine
whether it is sing. or pl. It is to this verse Gal. 3. 16
refers; not to 12. 7, where it is indefinite; or 17. 7 where
the verb and pronouns show it is plural. See note
there, and on Gal. 3. 16; and cp. Rom. 9. 7. Heb. 11. 18.
"Thy seed" is therefore "Christ". The difference of
the 30 years comes in here: 430 to the Exodus (12. 40)
from Gen. 12. 4, when Abraham was 75: 25 thence to
Isaac's birth: and now, 5 to his recognition as the
seed = 30 years.

14 bottle. Cp. man's provision (a bottle) with God's
(a well) (v. 19).

16 as it were, &c. Fig. *Epitheton*. Ap. 6.

not see, &c. Fig. *Tapeinosis*. Ap. 6.

lift up her voice = the boy lifted up his voice and wept.
So Sept. (see v. 17).

17 heard. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

What, &c. Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

heard. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

18 Arise, lift up the lad, and hold him in thine
hand; for I will make him a great nation."

19 And 2 God opened her eyes, and she saw a

well of water; and she went, and filled the bottle with water, and gave the lad drink.

^c (p. 29) 20 And ²God was with the lad; and he grew, and dwelt in the wilderness, and became an archer.

21 And he dwelt in the wilderness of Paran: and his mother took him a wife out of the land of Egypt.

^{D d} (p. 30) 22 And it came to pass at that time, that Abimelech and Phichol the chief captain of his host spake unto Abraham, saying, ²“God is with thee in all that thou doest:

23 Now therefore swear unto me here by God that thou wilt not deal falsely with me, nor with my son, nor with my son's son: *but* according to the ^okindness that I have done unto thee, thou shalt do unto me, and to the land wherein thou hast sojourned.”

24 And Abraham said, “³ I will swear.”

^e 25 And Abraham reproved Abimelech because of a well of water, which Abimelech's servants had ^oviolently taken away.

26 And Abimelech said, “I ^owot not who hath done this thing: neither didst thou tell me, neither yet heard ³ of it, but to day.”

^f 27 And Abraham took sheep and oxen, and gave them unto Abimelech; and ^oboth of them ^omade a covenant.

^{x e} 28 And Abraham set seven ewe lambs of the flock by themselves.

29 And Abimelech said unto Abraham, “What mean these seven ewe lambs which thou hast set by themselves?”

30 And he said, “For *these* seven ewe lambs shalt thou take of my hand, that they may be a witness unto me, that I have digged this well.”

31 Wherefore he called that place ^oBeer-sheba; because there they sware both of them.

^J 32 Thus they made a covenant at Beer-sheba: then Abimelech rose up, and Phichol the chief captain of his host, and they returned into the land of the Philistines.

33 And Abraham planted a ^ogrove in Beer-sheba, and called there on the name of ¹the LORD, ^othe everlasting GOD.

^d 34 And Abraham sojourned in the Philistines' land many days.

^{C g¹} 22 And it came to pass ^oafter these things, that ^oGod did ^otempt Abraham, and said unto him, “Abraham:” and he said, ^o“Behold, *here I am.*”

abt. 1871 or 1863 2 And He said, “Take now thy son, thine only son Isaac, whom thou ^olovest, and get thee into the land of ^oMoriah; and ^ooffer him there for a ^oburnt offering upon one of the mountains which I will tell thee of.”

^{h¹} 3 ^oAnd Abraham rose up early in the morning, ^oand saddled his ass, ^oand took two of his young men with him, ^oand Isaac his son, ^oand clave the wood for the burnt offering, ^oand rose up, ^oand went unto the place of which ¹God had told him.

4 Then on ^othe third day Abraham lifted up his eyes, and saw the place afar off.

19 well. Heb. *b^eer*, a well (digged): not *'ayin*, a spring or fountain; or *b^or*, a cistern (hewn).

21. 22-34 (*D*, p. 18). SOJOURN IN GERAR.
(*Introversion and Alternation.*)

D | *d* | 22-24. Sojourning. Commencement.

x | *e* | 25, 26. The well taken.

f | 27. Covenant.

x | *e* | 28-31. The well digged.

f | 32, 33. Covenant.

d | 34. Sojourning. Continued.

23 kindness. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause). Ap. 6. See 20. 13.

25 violently, &c. Cp. 26. 19, 20. Ex. 2. 17. Judg. 5. 11. This explains Ex. 17. 8, “Then came Amalek”, because of *vr.* 1-7.

26 wot not = know not. O. Eng. idiom.

27 both. Not one party as in 15. 10-18. Cp. Gal 3. 20. made. Heb. *cut*, because of the dividing of the sacrifice. Cp. 15. 10. Jer. 34. 18-20. Eng. concluded or solemnised.

31 Beer-sheba = Heb. *well of the oath*.

33 grove. Heb. *'eshel* = trees, not *'asherah* (Ap. 42), but the wood for 22. 3 about twenty years later. the everlasting GOD. This is the Divine definition of Jehovah (LORD), Heb. *'olam* = duration, secret and hidden from man. Cp. Ps. 90. 2.

22. 1-19 (*C*, p. 18). ABRAHAM'S TRIAL.
(*Repeated Alternation.*)

C | *g¹* | 1, 2. Jehovah. Command.

h¹ | 3-10. Abraham. Journey.

g² | 11, 12. Jehovah. 1st call.

h² | 13, 14. Abraham. The offering.

g³ | 15-18. Jehovah. 2nd call.

h³ | 19. Abraham. Return.

1 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4.

after, i.e. after 40 or 50 years in Canaan.

tempt. Heb. *prove*, so Ex. 15. 25; 16. 4; 20. 20. Deut. 8. 2, 16. Judg. 2. 22; 3. 1, 4. Ecc. 2. 1; 7. 23. 1 Sam. 17. 39. 1 Kings 10. 1. 2 Chron. 9. 1; 33. 31. Ps. 26. 2. Cp. Deut. 4. 34 (assayed). In later usage trial meant *trouble*. Wisd. 3. 5; 11. 10. Sir. 2. 1. Judith 8. 24-27. Luke 8. 13 (cp. Matt. 13. 21). Acts 20. 19. Heb. 2. 18. 1 Pet. 1. 6.

Behold, &c. = behold me.

2 lovest. Note the reference to the Antitype.

Moriah. Heb. = shown or provided by Jah. Cp. 1 Chron. 21. 22; 22. 1. 2 Chron. 3. 1. Christ crucified also on one of these mountains. Matt. 27. 33.

offer. Heb. *'alah*. See Ap. 43. I. vi.

burnt offering. Heb. *'olah*. See Ap. 43. II. ii.

3 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), emphasising the calmness of Abraham's deliberate faith. Each “and” is to be noted, and each act weighed.

4 the third day. No. 3. Symb. of resurrection (Ap. 10). Cp. v. 5, “Come again,” 1st pers. pl. Exactly 3 days journey from Beer-sheba to Moriah. Gerizim is 2 days' further.

5 I and the lad. This is polite Hebrew, while “the lad and I” would be polite English.

yonder. Heb. *as far as there* (as though pointing). come again. This was proof of Abraham's faith. 1st pers. plural, “We will come again.”

6 laid. Cp. John 19. 17.

fire. Without doubt fire from Abraham's own altar (12. 7; 13. 4, 18; and see note on 21. 33), for God accepted a sacrifice only by fire from heaven. See on 4. 4.

5 And Abraham said unto his young men, “Abide ye here with the ass; and ^o3 and the lad will go ^oyonder and worship, and ^ocome again to you.”

6 And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering, and ^olaid it upon Isaac his son; and he took the ^ofire in his hand,

and a knife; and they went ° both of them together.

7 And Isaac spake unto Abraham his father, and said, "My father:" and he said, "Here *am* I, my son." And he said, "Behold the fire and the wood: but where *is* the lamb for a burnt offering?"

8 And Abraham said, "My son, ° God will ° provide ° Himself ° a lamb for a burnt offering:" so they went ° both of them together.

9 ° And they came to the place which ° God had told him of; and Abraham built ° an altar there, and laid the wood in order, and bound Isaac his son, and laid him on the altar upon the wood.

10 And Abraham stretched forth his hand, and took the knife to slay his son.

^{g²} (p. 30) 11 And the angel of ° the LORD called unto him out of heaven, and said, "Abraham, Abraham:" and he said, "Here *am* I."

12 And He said, "Lay not thine hand upon the lad, neither do thou any thing unto him: for ° now I know that thou fearest ° God, seeing thou hast not withheld thy son, thine only son from Me."

^{h²} 13 And Abraham ° lifted up his eyes, and ° looked, and ° behold behind him ° a ram caught in ° a thicket by his horns: and Abraham went and took the ram, and ° offered him up for a ° burnt offering ° in the stead of his son.

14 And Abraham called the name of that place ° Jehovah-jireh: as it is said to this day, "In the mount of ° the LORD ° it shall be seen."

^{g³} 15 And the angel of ° the LORD called unto Abraham out of heaven ° the second time,

16 And said, "By Myself have I ° sworn, saith ° the LORD, for because thou hast done this thing, and hast not withheld thy son, thine only son:

17 That in ° blessing I will bless thee, and in multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the ° stars of the heaven, and as the ° sand which is upon the sea shore; and thy seed shall possess ° the gate of his enemies;

18 And in thy seed shall ° all the nations of the earth be blessed; because thou hast obeyed My voice."

^{h³} 19 So Abraham returned unto his young men, and they rose up and went together to Beer-sheba; and Abraham dwelt at Beer-sheba.

^{B¹} (p. 17) 20 And it came to pass after these things, that it was told Abraham, saying, "Behold, Milcah, *she* hath also born children unto thy brother Nahor;

21 Huz his firstborn, and Buz his brother, and Kemuel the father of Aram,

22 And Chesed, and Hazo, and Pildash, and Jidlaph, and Bethuel."

23 And Bethuel begat Rebekah: ° these eight Milcah did bear to Nahor, Abraham's brother.

24 And his concubine, whose name was Reumah, *she* bare also Tebah, and Gaham, and Thahash, and ° Maachah.

both of them together. Cp. the Father and the Son in the antitype. Emph. by repetition in v. 8. John 10. 30; 14. 10, 11; 16. 33. The sinner is not seen in the type; his part is subsequent to this, viz. to believe what the Father and the Son have done for him in substitution. See also Rom. 8. 32. 2 Cor. 5. 19.

7 Here, &c. Heb. Behold me, my son.

8 provide. Heb. *yireh* = God will see or look out. Himself - for Himself.

a lamb. Heb. the lamb.

9, 10 and. Each act is emph. by the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), and is to be dwelt upon and considered.

9 an altar. Heb. the altar.

11 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

Abraham, Abraham. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6), for emph. Cp. the 10 Duplications: (1) Seven used by God to men: 22. 11; 46. 2. Ex. 3. 4. 1 Sam. 3. 10. Luke 10. 41; 22. 31. Acts 9. 4; (2) Three under other circumstances: Matt. 7. 21, 22 (Luke 6. 46; 13. 25). Matt. 23. 37 (Luke 13. 34). Mark 15. 34 (Matt. 27. 46. Ps. 22. 1).

12 now I know. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

13 lifted up his eyes. Fig. *Pleonasm*, for emph. (Ap. 6).

looked. See note on 13. 14.

behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

a ram. Some Cod. (with Sam., Jon., Sept., and Syr.) read "one ram", i. e. a solitary ram.

a thicket. Heb. the thicket.

in the stead. Here is the doctrine of substitution, clearly stated.

14 Jehovah-jireh. Heb. *Jehovah will see*, or provide, as in v. 8. See Ap. 4.

In the mount, &c. Fig. *Paræmia*. Ap. 6.

it shall be seen: it will be provided, or "in the mount Jehovah will be seen". So it was in 2 Sam. 24. 25. 1 Chron. 21. 26. 2 Chron. 7. 1-3.

15 the second time. Heb. a second time; the first time was for substitution; the second was for revelation.

16 sworn. This oath is the foundation of Israel's blessings (24. 7; 26. 3; 50. 24. Ex. 13. 5, 11; 33. 1). David's "sure mercies" all grounded on it (Ps. 89. 35; 132. 11. Cp. Luke 1. 73).

17 blessing I will bless = I will surely bless; or, I will richly bless. Fig. *Polypytoton* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. stars . . . sand, &c. Fig. *Paræmia*. Ap. 6. See note on 13. 16.

the gate. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap. 6. "Gate" put for the cities.

18 all the nations. Proof that the "Mystery" does not mean blessing of Gentiles as such: but the secret concerning Christ and the church (Eph. 5. 32).

22. 20-24 (B¹, p. 17). THE POSTERITY OF NAHOR.

Introduced here to lead up to Rebekah, the future wife of Isaac. Not proceeding further with Nahor's posterity. See (p. 17) how Abraham's history is broken up into three portions by two posterities, just as Isaac's and Jacob's histories are broken up. See p. 52, and Ap. 29.

23 these eight. Nahor had 12 in all, as Ishmael had (25. 13-16), and as Jacob had (35. 23-27).

24 Maachah. See Deut. 3. 14. Josh. 12. 5. 2 Sam. 10. 6.

23. 1-24. 67 (A², p. 17). ABRAHAM'S HISTORY. (OLD AGE.)

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1 Sarah. The only woman whose age is mentioned in the Bible. In 22. 23 Rebekah is mentioned: one sun rising before the other sets.

2 Kirjath-arba. See notes on Num. 13. 22, and Ap. 25.

23 And ° Sarah was an hundred and seven and twenty years old: *these were* the years of the life of Sarah.

2 And Sarah died in ° Kirjath-arba; the same

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is °Hebron in the land of Canaan: and Abraham came to mourn for Sarah, and to weep for her.

k 1¹ (p. 32) 3 And Abraham stood up from °before his dead, and spake unto the sons of Heth, saying, 4 °“*I am a °stranger and a sojourner with you: give me a possession of a buryingplace with you, that I may bury my dead out of my sight.*”

m¹ 5 And the °children of Heth answered Abraham, saying unto him,

6 “Hear us, my lord: *thou art* a °mighty prince among us: in the choice of our sepulchres bury thy dead; none of us shall withhold from thee his sepulchre, but that thou mayest bury thy dead.”

1² 7 And Abraham stood up, and bowed himself to the people of the land, *even* to the children of Heth.

8 And he communed with them, saying, “If it be your °mind that I should bury my dead out of my sight; hear me, and intreat for me to Ephron the son of Zohar,

9 That he may give me the cave of Machpelah, which he hath, which *is* in the end of his field; for as much °money as it is worth he shall give it me for a possession of a °buryingplace amongst you.”

m² 10 And Ephron °dwelt among the children of Heth: and Ephron the Hittite answered Abraham in the audience of the children of Heth, *even* of all that went in at the gate of his city, saying,

11 “Nay, my lord, hear me: the field °give I thee, and the cave that *is* therein, I give it thee; in the presence of the sons of my people give I it thee: bury thy dead.”

1³ 12 And Abraham bowed down himself before the people of the land.

13 And he spake unto Ephron in the audience of the people of the land, saying, “But if *thou* °wilt give it, I pray thee, hear me: I will give thee money for the field; take *it* of me, and I will bury my dead there.”

m³ 14 And Ephron answered Abraham, saying unto him,

15 “My lord, hearken unto me: the land *is* worth four hundred shekels of silver; °what *is* that betwixt me and thee? bury therefore thy dead.”

16 And Abraham hearkened unto Ephron; and Abraham weighed to Ephron the silver, which he had named in the audience of the sons of Heth, four hundred shekels of silver, current money with the merchant.

17 And the field of Ephron, which *was* in Machpelah, which *was* before Mamre, the field, and the cave which *was* therein, and all the trees that *were* in the field, that *were* in all the borders round about, were made sure

18 Unto °Abraham for a possession in the presence of the children of Heth, °before all that went in at the gate of his city.

i 19 And after this, Abraham buried Sarah his wife in the cave of the field of Machpelah before Mamre: the same *is* Hebron in the land of Canaan.

Hebron. See note on Num. 13. 22.

23. 1—24. 67 (A², p. 17). ABRAHAM'S HISTORY. (OLD AGE). (*Division.*)

A² | X¹ | 23. 1-20. Death of Sarah.
| X² | 24. 1-67. Marriage of Isaac.

23. 1-20 (X¹, above). THE DEATH OF SARAH. (*Alternation.*)

X¹ | i | 23. 1, 2. Death of Sarah.
| k | 3-18. Abraham's Treaty for buryingplace.
| i | 19. Burial of Sarah.
| k | 20. Ratification of Treaty.

23. 3-18 (k, above). ABRAHAM'S TREATY. (*Repeated Alternation.*)

k | 1¹ | 3, 4. Request.
| m¹ | 5, 6. Grant.
1² | 7 9. Request.
| m² | 10, 11. Grant.
1³ | 12, 13. Request.
| m³ | 14-18. Purchase.

3 before his dead. Heb. leaning over the face of his dead. Fig. *Pleonasm*. Ap. 6.

4 I am. Cp. “thou art”, v. 6.
stranger and a sojourner. Cp. 1 Pet. 2. 11. Ps. 39. 12.
5 children. Heb. *sons*, and so elsewhere.

6 mighty prince. Heb. *prince of El*. Gen. of relation (Ap. 17), for Adjective. Cp. Ps. 36. 7; 80. 10.

8 mind. *soul*. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

9 money. Heb. silver.

buryingplace. What Jacob bought (33. 19, 20) was for an altar.

10 dwelt. Heb. was sitting there.

11 give I. Heb. have I given. Fig. *Antimeria* (of Verb), past for present, Ap. 6.

13 wilt give. Fig. *Ellipsis*. Ap. 6. Supply “hast given” from v. 11.

15 what is that. Fig. *Erolésis*. Ap. 6.

18 Abraham. This is not the purchase referred to in 33. 19 and Acts 7. 16. 80 years between this purchase and Jacob's. See note on Acts 7. 16.

before all. Some Cod. with Sam. have “even before all”.

20 made sure. This was all strictly in conformity with the commercial enactments of the Code of Khammurabi. See Ap. 15.

buryingplace. All that Abraham possessed; but in the faith and hope of resurrection.

24 (X², above). THE MARRIAGE OF ISAAC.

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1 old. About 140 years old.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

2 eldest servant. Prob. Eleazar of Damascus. 15. 2. thigh. According to the Midrash and ancient Jewish expositors, a *Euphemism* (Ap. 6) for the organs of generation, as most sacred. According to Ibn Ezra and present Indian custom, *on* the thigh is a token of subjection.
3 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4.

20 And the field, and the cave that *is* therein, were °made sure unto Abraham for a possession of a °buryingplace by the sons of Heth.

24 And Abraham was °old, and well stricken in age: and °the LORD had blessed Abraham in all things.

2 And Abraham said unto his °eldest servant of his house, that ruled over all that he had, “Put, I pray thee, thy hand under my °thigh; 3 And I will make thee swear by °the LORD,

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the ° God of heaven, and the ° God of the earth, that thou shalt not take a wife unto my son of the daughters of the °Canaanites, among whom °I dwell:

4 But thou shalt go unto my country, and to °my kindred, and take a wife unto my son Isaac."

5 And the servant said unto him, "Peradventure the woman will not be willing to follow me unto this land: must I needs bring thy son again unto the land from whence thou camest?"

6 And Abraham said unto him, "Beware thou that thou bring not my son °thither again.

7 ¹The LORD ° God of ° heaven, Which took me from my ° father's house, and from the land of my kindred, and Which spake unto me, and That sware unto me, saying, 'Unto thy seed will I give this land;' ²He shall send His angel before thee, and thou shalt take a wife unto my son from thence.

8 And if the woman will not be willing to follow thee, then thou shalt be clear from this my oath: only bring not my son °thither again."

9 And the servant put his hand under the thigh of Abraham his master, and sware to him concerning that matter.

q (p. 33) 10 And the servant took ten camels of the camels of his master, and departed; for all the goods of his master were in his hand: and he °arose, and went to °Mesopotamia, unto the city of Nahor.

11 And he made his camels to kneel down without the city by a well of water at the time of the evening, even the time that women go out to draw water.

r 12 And he said, "O ¹LORD ° God of my master Abraham, I pray Thee, send me good speed this day, and shew kindness unto my master Abraham.

13 °Behold, I stand here by the °well of water; and the daughters of the °men of the city °come out to draw water:

14 And let it come to pass, that the damsel to whom I shall say, 'Let down thy °pitcher, I pray thee, that I may drink;' and she shall say, 'Drink, and °I will give thy camels drink also:' let the same be she that Thou hast appointed for Thy servant Isaac; and thereby shall I know that Thou hast shewed kindness unto my master."

15 And it came to pass, °before he had done speaking, that, ¹³behold, °Rebekah came out, who was °born to °Bethuel, son of Milcah, the wife of Nahor, Abraham's brother, with her pitcher upon her shoulder.

16 And the damsel was very fair to look upon, a °virgin, neither had any °man known her: and she went down to the ¹³well, and filled her pitcher, and came up.

17 And the servant ran to meet her, and said, "Let me, I pray thee, drink a little water of thy pitcher."

18 And she said, "Drink, my lord:" and she hasted, and let down her pitcher upon her hand, and gave him drink.

19 And when she had done giving him drink, she said, "I will draw water for thy camels also, until they have done drinking."

24. 1-67 (X², p. 32). THE MARRIAGE OF ISAAC. (Division.)

X² | n¹ | 1-54-. Eleazar's mission and his progress.
| n² | -54-67. Eleazar's mission and his return.

24. 1-54- (n¹, above). ELEAZAR'S MISSION IN PROGRESS. (Extended Alternation.)

n¹ o | 1. Abraham's blessing and prosperity.
p | 2-9. Eleazar's oath and commission.
q | 10, 11. Journey of Eleazar.
r | 12-21. Prayer of Eleazar. Ans. 15-21.
s | 22-25. His conference with Rebekah.
t | 26. His worship of Jehovah.
u | 27-32. Reception of Eleazar.
v | 33. Entertainment. Declined.
o | 34-36. Abraham's blessings and prosperity.
p | 37-41. Eleazar's oath and commission.
q | 42-. Journey of Eleazar.
r | -42-45-. Prayer of Eleazar. Ans. 45-.
s | 45-47. His conference with Rebekah.
t | 48. His worship of Jehovah.
u | 49-53. Reception of Eleazar's message.
v | 54-. Entertainment. Accepted.

3 Canaanites. Mixed with the *Nephilim*. Ap. 23, 25. I. Emph. in contrast with the Canaanites. Hence Abraham's horror of mixing the holy seed with that of the *Nephilim*.

4 my kindred. Gentiles thus expressly excluded from this chapter, if regarded as a type. Cp. vv. 3, 4, 7, 37, 38. See also 26 35; 27. 46; 28. 1, 8.

6 thither. Cp. Heb. 11. 15.

7 heaven. The Sept. reads: "heaven, and God of the earth." See Ap. 4.

father's house, and from the land of my kindred. The Severus Codex reads: "from my house and from my country," as in v. 4. See Ap. 34.

10 arose = mounted.

Mesopotamia Heb. *Aram-naharaim*, i. e. Aram of the two rivers (the Tigris and Euphrates). The country of Haran. 11. 31.

13 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

well spring. Heb. *'ayin*. See note on 21. 19.

men. Heb. pl. of *'ish* or *'enosh*. Ap. 14.

come out. Heb. are coming out.

14 pitcher. Still used in Palestine as in John 4. 28. I will give. A sign requested contrary to the custom. Cp. 29. 10.

15 before he had done speaking. Cp. Isa. 65. 24. Rebekah. Heb. captivating.

born to Bethuel. See Ap. 29.

Bethuel. Heb. separated of God.

16 virgin. Heb. *bethulah*. Cp. v. 43. See note on v. 43. man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. ii.

21 wondering: or eagerly watching her. to wit to know.

22 golden. Heb. of gold. Gen. of material. Ap. 17. earring. Prob. a nose (or "face") ring. See v. 47.

20 And she hasted, and emptied her pitcher into the trough, and ran again unto the well to draw water, and drew for all his camels.

21 And the ¹⁶man °wondering at her held his peace, °to wit whether ¹the LORD had made his journey prosperous or not.

22 And it came to pass, as the camels had done drinking, that the man took a °golden °earring of half a shekel weight, and two bracelets for her hands of ten *shekels* weight of gold;

23 And said, "Whose daughter art thou? tell me, I pray thee: is there room in thy father's house for us to lodge in?"

24 And she said unto him, "I am the daughter

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of ¹⁵ Bethuel the son of Milcah, which she bare unto ^o Nahor."

25 She said moreover unto him, "We have both straw and provender enough, and room to lodge in."

t (p. 33) 26 And the ^o man bowed down his head, and worshipped ¹ the LORD.

u 27 And he said, "Blessed be ⁷ the LORD God of my master Abraham, Who hath not left destitute my master of His mercy and His truth: ³ *being* in the way, ¹ the LORD led me to the house of my master's brethren."

28 And the damsel ran, and told *them* of her mother's house these things.

29 And Rebekah had a brother, and his name was ^o Laban: and Laban ran out unto the ²⁶ man, unto the ¹³ well.

30 And it came to pass, ^o when he saw the ²² earring and bracelets upon his sister's hands, and when he heard the words of Rebekah his sister, saying, "Thus spake the ²⁶ man unto me;" that he came unto the ²⁶ man; and, behold, he stood by the camels at the ¹³ well.

31 And ^o he said, "Come in, thou blessed of ¹ the LORD; wherefore standest thou without? for ³ have prepared the house, and room for the camels."

32 And the ²⁶ man came into the house: and ^o he ungirded his camels, and gave straw and provender for the camels, and water to wash his feet, and the ^o men's feet that *were* with him.

v 33 And there was set *meat* before him to eat: but he said, "I will not eat, until I have told mine errand." And he said, "Speak on."

o 34 And he said, "³ *am* Abraham's servant.

35 ^o And ¹ the LORD hath blessed my master greatly; and he is become great: and He hath given him flocks, and herds, and silver, and gold, and menservants, and maidservants, and camels, and asses.

36 And Sarah my master's wife bare a son to my master when she was old: and unto him hath he given all that he hath.

p 37 And my master made me swear, saying, 'Thou shalt not take a wife to my son of the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land ³ dwell:

38 But thou shalt go unto my father's house, and to my kindred, and take a wife unto my son.'

39 And I said unto my master, 'Peradventure the woman will not follow me.'

40 And he said unto me, ¹ 'The LORD, before Whom ^o I walk, will send His angel with thee, and prosper thy way; and thou shalt take a wife for my son of my kindred, and of my father's house:

41 Then shalt thou be clear from *this* my oath, when thou comest to my kindred; and if they give not thee *one*, thou shalt be clear from my oath.'

q 42 And I came this day unto the ¹³ well, and ^o said,

r 'O ⁷ LORD God of my master Abraham, if now Thou do prosper my way which ³ go:

24 Nahor. See Ap. 29. Rebekah his granddaughter; but old enough to marry Isaac, because Sarah was "well stricken in years" when Isaac was born (18. 11, 12). Cp. 24. 36.

26 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. ii.

29 Laban. See Ap. 29.

30 when he saw. Characteristic of Laban. Rebekah showed kindness before she saw.

31, 32 he, i. e. Laban.

32 men. Heb. pl. of 'ish, or 'enosh. Ap. 14.

35 And. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton*, Ap. 6, to emphasise all the items which went to make up Abraham's wealth. Twelve "ands" (3 x 4 = 12) = abundance of earthly wealth. See Ap. 10.

40 I walk = I walk habitually. Heb. verb in *Hithpael*.

42 said. Eleazar repeats his prayer from memory, but inexactly. Who could have written the actual words (vv. 12-21) but the Holy Inspiring Spirit? He records both the prayer itself and Eleazar's remembrance of it.

43 virgin. Heb. 'almah. Every *bethulah* is an 'almah, but every 'almah is not a *bethulah*: 'almah occ. 7 times, 24. 43 (first occ.). Ex. 2. 8. Ps. 68. 25. Prov. 30. 19. Song, 1. 3; 6. 8. Isa. 7. 14. *Bethulah* occ. 49 times (Ap. 10.).

47 face or nose. Cp. v. 22.

48 led me in the right way. Cp. Ps. 107. 7.

daughter. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Species), Ap. 6, daughter put for granddaughter.

51 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

as the LORD hath spoken = according as Jehovah, &c. Laban regards Jehovah as arranging all.

43 Behold, ³ stand by the ¹³ well of water; and it shall come to pass, that when the ^o virgin cometh forth to draw *water*, and I say to her, "Give me, I pray thee, a little water of thy pitcher to drink;"

44 And she say to me, "Both drink thou, and I will also draw for thy camels:" *let* the same be the woman whom the LORD hath appointed out for my master's son.'

45 And before ³ had done speaking in mine heart, behold, Rebekah came forth with her pitcher on her shoulder; and she went down unto the ¹³ well, and drew *water*:

and I said unto her, 'Let me drink, I pray thee.'

46 And she made haste, and let down her pitcher from her *shoulder*, and said, 'Drink, and I will give thy camels drink also:' so I drank, and she made the camels drink also.

47 And I asked her, and said, 'Whose daughter *art* thou?' And she said, 'The daughter of Bethuel, Nahor's son, whom Milcah bare unto him:' and I put the earring upon her ^o face, and the bracelets upon her hands.

48 And I bowed down my head, and worshipped the LORD, and blessed the LORD God of my master Abraham, Which had ^o led me in the right way to take my master's brother's ^o daughter unto his son.

49 And now if ye will deal kindly and truly with my master, tell me: and if not, tell me; that I may turn to the right hand, or to the left."

50 Then Laban and Bethuel answered and said, "The thing proceedeth from the LORD: we cannot speak unto thee bad or good.

51 ^o Behold, Rebekah *is* before thee, take *her*, and go, and let her be thy master's son's wife, ^o as the LORD hath spoken."

52 And it came to pass, that, when Abraham's servant heard their words, he wor-

shipped ¹the LORD, *bowing himself* to the earth.

53 And the servant brought forth jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and ^oraiment, and gave *them* to Rebekah: he gave also to her brother and to her mother precious things.

^v (p. 33) 54 And they did eat and drink, ^h and the ^omen that *were* with him, and tarried all night;

^{n² w} (p. 35) and they rose up in the morning, and he said,
^{x y} "Send me away unto my master."

^z 55 And her brother and her mother said, "Let the damsel abide with us *a few days*, at the least ^oten; after that she shall go."

^{x y} 56 And he said unto them, "Hinder *me* not, seeing ¹the LORD hath prospered my way; send me away that I may go to my master."

^z 57 And they said, "We will call the damsel, and enquire at her mouth."

58 And they called Rebekah, and said unto her, "Wilt thou go with this ^oman?" And she said, "I will go."

59 And they sent away Rebekah their sister, and her nurse, and Abraham's servant, and his men.

60 And they blessed Rebekah, and said unto her, "*Thou art* our sister, be thou *the mother* of thousands of millions, and let thy seed possess the gate of those which hate them."

^w 61 And Rebekah arose, and her damsels, and they rode upon the camels, and followed the man: and the servant took Rebekah, and went his way.

62 And Isaac came from the way of the ^owell Lahai-roi; for he dwelt in the south country.

63 And Isaac went out to ^omeditate in the field at the eventide: and he lifted up his eyes, and saw, and, ^obehold, the camels *were* coming.

64 And Rebekah lifted up her eyes, and when she saw Isaac, she ^olighted off the camel.

65 For she *had* said unto the servant, "What ^oman is this that walketh in the field to meet us?" And the servant *had* said, "It is my master:" therefore she took a vail, and covered herself.

66 And the servant told Isaac all things that he had done.

1856 67 And Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent, and took Rebekah, and she became his wife; and he loved her: and Isaac was ^ocomforted after his mother's *death*.

^{B²} (p. 17) 25 Then again Abraham took ^oa wife, and her name *was* Keturah.

1846 2 And she bare him Zimran, and Jokshan, and ^oMedan, and ^oMidian, and Ishbak, and Shuah.

3 And Jokshan begat Sheba, and Dedan. And the sons of Dedan were Asshurim, and Letushim, and Leummim.

4 And the sons of Midian; Ephah, and Ephraim, and Hanoth, and Abidah, and Eldaah. All ^othese *were* the children of Keturah.

^{A³} 5 And Abraham gave all that he had unto Isaac.

53 raiment: or garments; i. e. changes of raiment.

54 men. Heb. pl. of *'ish* or *'enosh*. Ap. 14. iii.

24. -54-67 (n², p. 33). ELEAZAR'S MISSION AND RETURN. (*Introversion and Alternation*).

n² w | -54-. The return desired.

x | y | -54. Request for departure made.

z | 55. Departure hindered.

x | y | 56. Request for departure renewed.

z | 57-60. Departure expedited.

w | 61-67. The return consummated.

55 ten. Seven days=a week, but ten or a *decad* ($\frac{1}{3}$ of a month) sometimes reckoned as a longer, but strictly defined period. Cp. Ex. 12. 3. Lev. 16. 29.

58 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. ii.

62 well=spring. Heb. *b'er*. See note on 21. 19.

Lahai-roi. Heb. *the well of life and vision*.

63 meditate. Refers back to the historical context, 23. 19, the death and burial of Sarah, his mother. What follows this digression (of which Isaac as yet knew nothing) in 24. 1-67 shows that Isaac went out, not to "meditate", or "to pray" (A. V. marg.), or "take a walk" (Syr.), or "muster the flocks" (Gesenius), but to *mourn*. This is the meaning of the Heb. *saach* in Ps. 44. 25. Lam. 3. 20.

behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

64 lighted off. Heb. *fell*, or alighted hastily.

65 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. ii.

67 comforted after, or consoled himself for.

25. 1-4 (B², p. 17). THE POSTERITY OF KETURAH.

1 This genealogy, and Abraham's death recorded here, because no more is to be said about Abraham. Abraham, however, lived till Jacob was 15. Shem died 1846.

a wife=another, instead of "again".

2 Medan and Midian were half-brothers with Ishmael, and they were mixed up together in their dealings. See note on 37. 25, 28, and cp. 16. 12; 17. 20.

4 these=the tares, sown after Isaac, the good seed.

7 175 years. Therefore a sojourner 100 years. Cp. 12. 4.

8 full of. Heb. "satisfied with". Supply "days" (not "years"), with Sam., Onk., Jon., Sept., and Syr. gathered to his people, an idiomatic *Euphemism* (Ap. 6) for death and burial. Abraham's "people" were idolaters (Josh. 24. 2). See note on 2 Sam. 12. 23.

9 Machpelah. Cp. 23. 9.

10 purchased. Cp. 23. 16.

11 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4.

well. Heb. *b'er*. See note on 21. 19.

Lahai-roi. Cp. 16. 14; 24. 62.

6 But unto the sons of the concubines, which Abraham had, Abraham gave gifts, and sent them away from Isaac his son, while he yet lived, eastward, unto the east country.

7 And these *are* the days of the years of Abraham's life which he lived, an ^ohundred threescore and fifteen years.

8 Then Abraham gave up the ghost, and died in a good old age, an old man, and ^ofull of years; and was ^ogathered to his people.

9 And his sons Isaac and Ishmael buried him in the cave of ^oMachpelah, in the field of Ephron the son of Zohar the Hittite, which is before Mamre;

10 The field which Abraham ^opurchased of the sons of Heth: there was Abraham buried, and Sarah his wife.

11 And it came to pass after the death of Abraham, that ^oGod blessed his son Isaac; and Isaac dwelt by the ^owell ^oLahai-roi.

C (p. 1) 12 Now these *are* THE GENERATIONS OF ISHMAEL, Abraham's son, whom Hagar the Egyptian, Sarah's handmaid, bare unto Abraham:

13 And these *are* the names of the °sons of Ishmael, by their names, according to their generations: the firstborn of Ishmael, Nebajoth; and Kedar, and Adbeel, and Mibsam,

14 And Mishma, and Dumah, and Massa,

15 Hadar, and Tema, Jetur, Naphish, and Kedemah:

16 These *are* the sons of Ishmael, and these *are* their names, by their towns, and by their castles; twelve princes according to their nations.

1773 17 And these *are* the years of the life of Ishmael, an hundred and thirty and seven years; and he gave up the ghost and died; and was °gathered unto his people.

18 And they dwelt from Havilah unto Shur, that *is* before Egypt, as thou goest toward Assyria: and he °died in the presence of all his brethren.

F A (p. 36) 19 And these *are* THE GENERATIONS OF ISAAC, Abraham's son: Abraham °begat Isaac:

B a 1856 20 And Isaac was forty years old when he took Rebekah to wife, the daughter of Bethuel the Syrian of Padan-aram, the sister to Laban the Syrian.

21 And Isaac intreated °the LORD for his wife, because *she* was barren: and the LORD was intreated of him, and Rebekah his wife conceived.

22 And the children struggled together within her; and she said, "If *it* be so, why *am* I thus?" And she went to enquire of °the LORD.

b 23 And °the LORD said unto her, "Two nations *are* in thy womb, and two manner of people shall be separated from thy bowels; and *the* one people shall be stronger than *the* other people; and the elder shall serve the younger."

24 And when her days to be delivered were fulfilled, behold, *there were* twins in her womb.

25 And the first came out red, all over like an hairy garment; and they called his name Esau.

26 And after that came his brother out, and his hand took hold on Esau's °heel; and his name was called Jacob: and Isaac was three-score years old when she bare *them*.

1836 27 And the boys grew: and Esau was a °cunning hunter, °a man of the field; and Jacob was a °plain man, dwelling in tents.

28 And Isaac loved Esau, because he did eat of *his* °venison: but Rebekah loved Jacob.

C 29 And Jacob °sod °pottage: and Esau came from the field, and *he* was faint:

30 And Esau said to Jacob, "Feed me, I pray thee, with that same °red °pottage; for I *am* faint:" therefore was his name called °Edom.

31 And Jacob said, "Sell me °this day thy °birthright."

32 And Esau said, "Behold, I *am* at the point to die: and what profit shall this °birthright do to °me?"

25. 12-18 (**C**, p. 1). THE GENERATIONS OF ISHMAEL.
(*Alternation.*)

C | A | 12. Ishmael. Birth.
| B | 13-16. His sons. Names and dwelling.
| A | 17. Ishmael. Death.
| B | 18. His sons. Their dwelling.

18 died = had inheritance. Heb. *nāphal*, to fall, esp. as a lot, giving inheritance (Judg. 18. 1. 1 Chron. 1. 20; 26. 14. 2 Chron. 15. 9. Ps. 16. 6 (cp. Josh. 23. 4. Heb. caused the lot to fall). Hence, to dwell with, as in Prov. 1. 14. Cp. Judg. 7. 12, to encamp, *lying along* the ground. Ishmael was to dwell in the presence (Heb. "on the face") of his brethren, i.e. mixed up with them (16. 12). See 37. 25, 28, 36; 39. 1, and cp. Judg. 8. 24 (Midian, being his half-brother (15. 11, 12). *Nāphal* never rendered "die" elsewhere.

25. 19-35. 29 (**F**, p. 1). THE GENERATIONS OF ISAAC (*Introversion and Alternation*).

F | A | 25. 19. The birth of Isaac.
| B | a | 25. 20-22. Marriage with Rebekah.
| | b | 25. 23-28. Isaac's two sons.
| C | 25. 29-34. Esau and Jacob.
| D | E | 26. 1. Journey to Gerar.
| | F | 26. 2-5. Appearance of Jehovah.
| | G | c | 26. 6-11. Isaac's wife.
| | | d | 26. 12-22. Sep. from Abim.
| D | E | 26. 23. Journey to Beersheba.
| | F | 26. 24, 25. Appearance of Jehovah.
| | G | d | 26. 26-33. Cov. with Abim.
| | | c | 26. 34, 35. Esau's wives.
| C | 27. 1-35. 15. Esau and Jacob.
| B | a | 35. 16-20. Death of Rachel.
| | b | 35. 21-26. Israel's twelve sons.
| A | 35. 27-29. The death of Isaac.

19 begat. The same form of the verb as in ch. 5, used of the godly seed.

21 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

26 heel. Heb. *yakob*, whence the name Jacob (*yakob*) heel-catcher: hence, contender.

27 cunning knowing or skilled in.

a man of the field. "The field is the world."

plain - upright or pure. Job 1. 1, 8; 2. 3, &c.

28 venison. Heb. *hunting*. Fig. *Metonymy* (of the Cause), Ap. 6, hunting put for what was caught. Eating was strong in Esau too (v. 34). It was "the will of the flesh" which Isaac's faith overcame in ch. 27, for he wished to bless Esau, and he loved his savoury meat. See note on 27. 3, 4. Cp. Heb. 11. 20.

29 sod. Part. of O. Eng. verb *seethe*, to boil. pottage = anything cooked in a pot.

30 red. Heb. red red. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6). (No superlative in Heb.) Fig. = *that delicious red* [food]. Lentiles. See v. 34.

Edom = Heb. *red, ruddy*. A reference also to v. 25.

31 this day. Heb. "as on this very day." Fig. *Simile*. Ap. 6. Cp. Luke 23. 43.

birthright. Included (1) the Father's blessing and supremacy (which went to Jacob, ch. 27, and Judah, 49. 8. 1 Chron. 5. 1, 2); (2) a double portion (which went to Joseph, ch. 48. 1 Chron. 5. 1, 2); and (3) the Domestic Priesthood (which after going to the first-born of each family was vested in Levi for the whole nation, Num. 3. 6, 12. Cp. Num. 16. 1-3).

32 me. Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) = *Brachyology*. The words to be supplied are "I will sell it". A famine accounts for the sale. See 26. 1.

33 And Jacob said, "Swear to me ³¹this day;" and he swore unto him: and he sold his ^obirthright unto Jacob.

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34 Then Jacob gave Esau bread and pottage of lentiles; ^oand he did eat and drink, and rose up, and went his way: thus Esau ^odespised his ³¹birthright.

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26 And there was a ^ofamine in the land, beside the ^ofirst famine that was in the days of Abraham. And Isaac went unto ^oAbimelech king of the Philistines unto Gerar.

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2 And ^othe LORD appeared unto him, and said, ^o"Go not down into Egypt; dwell in the land which I shall tell thee of:

3 Sojourn in this land, and I will be with thee, and will bless thee; for ^ounto thee, and unto thy seed, I will give all these countries, and I will perform the oath which I swore unto Abraham thy father;

4 And I will make thy seed to multiply as the ^ostars of heaven, and will give unto thy seed all these countries; and in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed;

5 Because that Abraham obeyed ^oMy ^ovoice, and kept My ^ocharge, My ^ocommandments, My ^ostatutes, and My ^olaws."

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6 And Isaac dwelt in Gerar:

7 And the ^omen of the place asked *him* of his wife; and ^ohe said, "*She is my ^osister:*" for he feared to say, "*She is my wife;*" "*lest,*" said he, "*the ^omen of the place should kill me for Rebekah;*" because *she was fair to look upon.*

8 And it came to pass, when he had been there a long time, that Abimelech king of the Philistines looked out at a window, and saw, and, behold, Isaac was ^osporting with Rebekah his wife.

9 And Abimelech called Isaac, and said, ^o"Behold, of a surety *she is thy wife:* and ^ohow saidst thou, '*She is my sister?*'" And Isaac said unto him, "Because I said, '*Lest I die for her.*'"

10 And Abimelech said, ^o"What *is* this thou hast done unto us? one of the people might lightly have lien with thy wife, and thou shouldest have brought ^oguiltiness upon us."

11 And Abimelech charged all *his* people, ^osaying, "He that toucheth this man or his wife shall surely be put to death."

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12 Then Isaac sowed in that land, and ^oreceived in the same year an hundredfold: and ²the LORD blessed him.

13 And the man waxed great, and went forward, and grew until he became very great:

14 For he had possession of flocks, and possession of herds, and great ^ostore of servants: and the Philistines envied him.

15 For all the wells which his father's servants had digged in the days of Abraham his father, the Philistines had stopped them, and filled them with earth.

16 And Abimelech said unto Isaac, "Go from us; for thou art much mightier than we."

17 And Isaac departed thence, and pitched his tent in ^othe valley of Gerar, and dwelt there.

18 And Isaac digged again the wells of water, which they had digged ^oin the days of Abraham his father; for the Philistines had stopped

33 day. Fig. *Brachyology*. Ap. 6. Supply "that thou wilt sell it".

birthright. The Severus Codex here reads "ware", i. e. Esau treated his birthright as merchandise. See Ap. 34.

34 and. Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6). Four "ands" marking the deliberateness of Esau's acts, and their solemn significance. He despised *grace*. See Ap. 10. despised. Hence in Heb. 12. 16 he is called "a profane person".

26 (D E, p. 36). ISAAC'S JOURNEY TO GERAR.

1 famine. Accounts for Esau's despair of living, and hence selling his birthright. 25. 29-34.

first. One of the thirteen famines. See note on 12. 10. Abimelech = official name. Not the same as ch. 20. 2.

2 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

Go not down (as Abraham did, ch. 12. 10).

3 unto thee. So to each Patriarch: Abraham (13. 15), Jacob (28. 13, &c.), involving resurrection. See note on 50. 24, and cp. Ex. 3. 6 and Matt. 22. 23-33.

4 stars. Fig. *Paræmia*. Ap. 6.

5 My. Repeated 5 times for emph. The No. of Grace. See Ap. 10 and note on John 1. 17.

voice, to be heard and believed (Rom. 10. 17).

charge, to be observed.

commandments, to be obeyed.

statutes, i. e. decrees, to be acknowledged.

laws, i. e. instructions to be followed.

7 men. Heb. pl. of 'ish, or 'enosh. Ap. 14.

he said. As Abraham had said (12. 13; 20. 2, 12).

sister. See note on 20. 12.

8 sporting with, or caressing.

9 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

how...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

10 What...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

guiltiness. See Ap. 15 and 44. ii.

11 saying. One of the Laws given and observed before Moses. See Ap. 15.

12 received. Heb. found. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Species). Ap. 6. Cp. 6. 8. Rom. 4. 1.

14 store - body.

17 the valley. Some distance from the city.

18 in the days of Abraham his father. Isaac a placid character: shown by his obedience (22. 6, 8), his meekness in betrothal (24), his mourning for his mother (24. 63-67; cp. note on v. 63), his following in his father's steps to Gerar (20. 1) in denying his wife there (20), his finding an Abimelech and Phicol there, and digging wells there, renewing the oath and renaming the well.

their names. Cp. the four names below and their special meaning.

19 well. Heb. 'ayin. See note on 21. 19.

springing. Heb. living. See note on 21. 19.

20 Esek. Heb. strife or contention.

21 Sitnah. Heb. opposition.

22 Rehoboth. Heb. roominess.

them after the death of Abraham: and he called ^otheir names after the names by which his father had called them.

19 And Isaac's servants digged in the valley, and found there a ^owell of ^ospringing water.

20 And the herdmen of Gerar did strive with Isaac's herdmen, saying, "The water *is* ours:" and he called the name of the well ^oEsek; because they strove with him.

21 And they digged another well, and strove for that also: and he called the name of it ^oSitnah.

22 And he removed from thence, and digged another well; and for that they strove not: and he called the name of it ^oRehoboth; and

he said, "For now ²the LORD hath made room for us, and we shall be fruitful in the land."

D E (p. 36) 23 And he went up from thence to °Beer-sheba.

F 24 And ²the LORD appeared unto him the same night, and said, "I am the °God of Abraham thy father: fear not, for I am with thee, and will bless thee, and multiply thy seed for My servant Abraham's sake."

25 And he builded an altar there, and called upon the name of ²the LORD, and pitched his tent there: and there Isaac's servants digged a well.

G d 26 Then Abimelech went to him from Gerar, and Ahuzzath one of his friends, and °Phichol the chief captain of his army.

27 And Isaac said unto them, "Wherefore come ye to me, seeing ye hate me, and have sent me away from you?"

28 And they said, "We °saw certainly that ²the LORD was with thee: and we said, 'Let there be now an oath betwixt us, even betwixt us and thee, and let us make a covenant with thee';

29 That thou wilt do us no hurt, as we have not °touched thee, and as we have done unto thee nothing but good, and have sent thee away in peace: thou art now the blessed of ²the LORD."

30 And he made them a feast, and they did eat and drink.

31 And they rose up betimes in the morning, and sware one to another: and Isaac sent them away, and they departed from him in peace.

32 And it came to pass the same day, that Isaac's servants came, and told him concerning the well which they had digged, and said unto him, "We have found water."

33 And he called it °Shebah: °therefore the name of the city is Beer-sheba unto this day.

c 34 And Esau was forty years old when he took to wife °Judith the daughter of °Beeri the °Hittite, and °Bashemath the daughter of Elon the Hittite:

1796 35 Which were a °grief of °mind unto Isaac and to Rebekah.

C J e (p. 38) 1759 27 And it came to pass, that when Isaac was °old, and his eyes were dim, so that he could not see, he called Esau his eldest son, and said unto him, "My son:" and he said unto him, "Behold, here am I."

2 And he said, "Behold now, I am old, I know not the day of my death:

3 Now therefore take, I pray thee, thy weapons, thy quiver and thy bow, and go out to the field, and °take me some venison;

4 And make me savoury meat, °such as I love, and bring it to me, that I may eat; that °my soul may °bless thee before I die."

5 And Rebekah °heard when Isaac °spake to Esau his son. And Esau went to the field to hunt for ³venison, and to bring it.

6 And Rebekah spake unto Jacob her son, saying, "Behold, I heard thy father speak unto Esau thy brother, saying,

7 'Bring me ³venison, and make me savoury

23 Beer-sheba. Heb. the well of the oath.

24 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4.

26 Phichol. Prob. an official military title. Cp. 21. 22.

28 saw certainly. Fig. *Polypytōton* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. Heb. "seeing we saw". Cp. 2. 16 "freely eat"; 27. 30 "scarce gone out"; 43. 3 "solemnly protest"; 43. 7 "asked us straitly", "could we certainly know"; 43. 20 "came indeed down"; Ex. 5. 23 "not delivered us at all"; 18. 18 "wilt surely wear away"; 21. 5 "shall plainly say"; Job 37. 2 "hear attentively"; Num. 22. 17, 37 "promote thee to very great honour" = honouring I will honour thee; 24. 10 "altogether blessed", Heb. "blessing thou hast blessed". Num. 26. 65; 30. 12 "utterly destroyed"; 23. 11; 24. 10 "altogether blessed". 29 touched. Fig. *Tapeinosis*. Ap. 6. Emphasising the fact that so far from injuring him in any way they had shown him favour.

33 Shebah. Heb. an oath.

therefore. Same name given by Abraham (21. 31). Names were sometimes reimposed for a new reason. Cp. Bethel (28. 18, 19 with 35. 6, 7) and Israel (32. 28 with 35. 10).

34 These names exhibit the Fig. *Polymymia*. Ap. 6. Judith. She had a second name, Aholibamah (36. 5, 14, 25).

Beeri. His name was also Anah, but he had acquired the name "Beeri" (or the spring-man) from his having discovered the hot springs. See on 36. 24.

Hittite—the general name. See note on 1 Kings 10. 29.

Bashemath had a second name, Adah. The name Bashemath dropped in 36. 2 to avoid confusion with the daughter of Ishmael. In ch. 26 we have general history, but in 36 precise genealogy.

35 grief. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6, grief put for that which caused it. No wonder it caused "bitterness of spirit" when we remember who the Canaanites were. mind = spirit. Heb. *ryach*. See Ap. 9.

27. 1—35. 15 (C, p. 36). ESAU AND JACOB. (*Introversion and Alternation*.)

C | H | J | e | 27. 1—40. Deception of father and brother by Jacob and Rebekah.

f | 27. 41. Hatred of Esau.

K | 27. 42—28. 5. Departure of Jacob to Padan-aram.

I | g | 28. 6—9. Esau's wives.

h | 28. 10—22. Jacob's Vision at Bethel.

I | g | 29. 1—31. 55. Jacob's wives.

h | 32. 1, 2. Jacob's Vision at Mahanaim.

H | J | f | 32. 3—33. 17. Reconciliation of Esau.

e | 33. 18—34. 31. Deception of Shechemites by Jacob's sons.

K | 35. 1—15. Return of Jacob to Padan-aram.

1 old. About 137 years (same age as his brother Ishmael died at). He recovered and lived 43 years longer (cp. 35. 28).

Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

3 take me some venison. Heb. hunt me some hunting. Fig. *Polypytōton*, Ap. 6, and *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, by which venison, the result of hunting, is put for the hunting itself (from Lat. *venatio*, a hunting). In ch. 25. 29 Esau missed his venison and lost his birthright. Was he now to miss it again and lose his blessing?

4 such as I love. See vv. 9, 14 and 25. 28.

my soul = myself. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

bless thee. He must have heard that he was to bless Jacob, for it was "by faith" he ultimately did so (Heb. 11. 20); and it came "by hearing" (Rom. 10. 17).

"The will of the flesh" made him wish to bless Esau (cp. v. 4 with 25. 28). But his faith in the end overcame "the will of the flesh" in him.

5 heard. Heb. was listening.

spake. Heb. was speaking.

meat, that I may eat, and bless thee before °the LORD before my death.'

8 Now therefore, my son, obey my voice according to that which I command thee.

9 Go now to the flock, and fetch me from thence two good kids of the goats; and I will make them savoury meat for thy father, 'such as he loveth:

10 And thou shalt bring it to thy father, that he may eat, and that he may bless thee before his death."

11 And Jacob said to Rebekah his mother, "Behold, Esau my brother is a hairy °man, and I am a smooth °man:

12 My father peradventure will feel me, and I shall seem to him as a deceiver; and I shall bring a curse upon me, and not a blessing."

13 And his mother said unto him, "Upon me be thy curse, my son: only obey my voice, and go fetch me them."

14 And he went, and fetched, and brought them to his mother: and his mother made savoury meat, 'such as his father loved.

15 And Rebekah took °goodly °raiment of her eldest son Esau, which were with her in the house, and put them upon Jacob her younger son:

16 And she put the skins of the kids of the goats upon his hands, and upon the smooth of his neck:

17 And she gave the savoury meat and the bread, which she had prepared, into the hand of her son Jacob.

18 And he came unto his father, and said, "My father:" and he said, "Here am I; who art thou, my son?"

19 And Jacob said unto his father, "I am Esau thy firstborn; I have done according as thou badest me: arise, I pray thee, sit and eat of my venison, that °thy soul may bless me."

20 And Isaac said unto his son, "How is it that thou hast found it so quickly, my son?" And he said, "Because °the LORD thy °God brought it to me."

21 And Isaac said unto Jacob, "Come near, I pray thee, that I may feel thee, my son, whether thou be my very son Esau or not."

22 And Jacob went near unto Isaac his father; and he felt him, and said, "The voice is Jacob's voice, but the hands are the hands of Esau."

23 And he discerned him not, because his hands were hairy, as his brother Esau's hands: so he blessed him.

24 And he said, "Art thou my very son Esau?" And he said, "I am."

25 And he said, "Bring it near to me, and I will eat of my son's °venison, that °my soul may bless thee." And he brought it near to him, and he did eat: and he brought him °wine, and he drank.

26 And his father Isaac said unto him, "Come near °now, and kiss me, my son."

27 And he came near, and kissed him: and he smelled the smell of his °raiment, and blessed him, and said, "See, the smell of my son is as the smell of a field which °the LORD hath blessed:

28 Therefore °God give thee of the dew of heaven, and the fatness of the earth, and plenty of °corn and °wine:

29 Let °people serve thee, and nations bow

7 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

11 man. Heb. 'ish. See Ap. 14. ii.

12 seem. He shrinks, not from the fraud, but from its detection.

15 goodly. Heb. desires. Fig. Metonymy (of the Adjunct), Ap. 6, put for the things desired or coveted (2 Chron. 36. 10. Isa. 64. 11. Lam. 1. 10).

raiment. All raiment in the East to this day marks the social rank and position of the wearer. Among the Bedouins, the chief and his eldest son wear a distinctive garment. This accounts for Jacob's desire here, and his act with Joseph (37. 3). Being the garment of the firstborn it doubtless denoted also his official and priestly position. Here, Heb. *beqed* (cp. Ex. 28. 2, 4; 35. 19. Lev. 10. 6; 21. 10), used of sacred things. Not the word rendered clothes in Deut. 29. 5. No wonder Esau is called "profane" when he sold this his birthright (Heb. 12. 16).

19 I am. Said perhaps because he had bought the birthright.

thy soul = thou. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

20 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4.

25 wine = Heb. *yayin*. See Ap. 27. i.

26 now. Not an adv. of time, but an expletive in command, emphasising the solemnity of the command. It must have been at this point that Isaac's faith overcame "the will of the flesh", and made him resolve to bless Jacob, in spite of it.

28 corn. Put by Metonymy (of the Cause), Ap. 6, for bread and solid food generally. Cp. Lam. 2. 12.

wine. Heb. *tirōsh*. See Ap. 27. ii. Usually combined with "corn", as put by Metonymy (of the Cause) for all liquids. Ap. 6.

29 people. Heb. peoples.

30 scarce gone out. Heb. "going was gone". Fig. *Polyptōton*, for emph.; well represented by the word "scarce". See note on 26. 28.

32 thy firstborn. Esau still claims what he had sold.

33 trembled very exceedingly. The Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6) is thus beautifully rendered. Heb. "trembled a great trembling greatly." See note on 26. 28. This trembling was not from doubt, or from the discovery (now made, vv. 26, 27), but on account of the difficulty into which it had brought him with a man of Esau's temperament.

down to thee: be lord over thy brethren, and let thy mother's sons bow down to thee: cursed be every one that curseth thee, and blessed be he that blesseth thee."

30 And it came to pass, as soon as Isaac had made an end of blessing Jacob, and Jacob was yet °scarce gone out from the presence of Isaac his father, that Esau his brother came in from his hunting.

31 And he also had made savoury meat, and brought it unto his father, and said unto his father, "Let my father arise, and eat of his son's venison, that °thy soul may bless me."

32 And Isaac his father said unto him, "Who art thou?" And he said, "I am thy son, °thy firstborn Esau."

33 And Isaac °trembled very exceedingly, and said, "Who? where is he that hath taken venison, and brought it me, and I have eaten of all before thou camest, and have blessed him? yea, and he shall be blessed."

34 And when Esau heard the words of his father, he cried with a great and exceeding bitter cry, and said unto his father, "Bless me, even me also, O my father."

35 And he said, "Thy brother came with subtilty, and hath taken away thy blessing."

36 And he said, "Is not he rightly named

°Jacob? for he hath °supplanted me these two times: he took away my birthright; and, behold, now he hath taken away my °blessing." And he said, "Hast thou not reserved a blessing for me?"

37 And Isaac answered and said unto Esau, °"Behold, I have made him °thy lord, and all his brethren have I given to him for servants; and with corn and °wine have I sustained him: and what shall I do now unto thee, my son?"

38 And Esau said unto his father, "Hast thou but one blessing, my father? bless me, *even* me also, O my father." And Esau lifted up his voice, and °wept.

39 And Isaac his father answered and said unto him, °"Behold, thy dwelling shall be °the fatness of the earth, and of the dew of heaven from above;

40 And by thy sword shalt thou live, and shalt °serve thy brother; and it shall come to pass when thou shalt have the dominion, that °thou shalt break his yoke from off thy neck."

f (p. 38) 41 And Esau hated Jacob because of the blessing wherewith his father blessed him: and Esau said in his heart, "The days of mourning for my father are °at hand; then will I slay my brother Jacob."

K 42 And these words of Esau her elder son were told to Rebekah: and she sent and called Jacob her younger son, and said unto him, °"Behold, thy brother Esau, as touching thee, doth comfort himself, *purposing* to kill thee.

43 Now therefore, my son, obey my voice; and arise, °flee thou to Laban my brother to °Haran;

44 And tarry with him °a few days, °until thy brother's fury turn away;

45 "Until thy brother's anger turn away from thee, and he forget *that* which thou hast done to him: then I will send, and fetch thee from thence: °why should I be deprived also of you °both in one day?"

46 And Rebekah said to Isaac, "I am weary of my life because of the °daughters of Heth: if Jacob take a wife of the daughters of Heth, such as these *which are* of the daughters of the land, °what good shall my life do me?"

28 And Isaac called Jacob, and °blessed him, and charged him, and said unto him, °"Thou shalt not take a wife of the daughters of Canaan.

2 Arise, go to °Padan-aram, to the house of Bethuel thy mother's father; and take thee a wife from thence of the daughters of Laban thy mother's brother.

3 °And °GOD ALMIGHTY bless thee, and make thee fruitful, and multiply thee, that thou mayest be a °multitude of °people;

4 And give thee the blessing of Abraham, to thee, and to thy seed with thee; that thou mayest inherit the land °wherein thou art a stranger, which °God gave unto Abraham."

5 And Isaac sent away Jacob: and he went to °Padan-aram unto Laban, son of Bethuel the Syrian, the brother of Rebekah, Jacob's and Esau's mother.

I g 6 When Esau saw that Isaac had blessed Jacob, °and sent him away to Padan-aram, to

Jacob. See on 25. 26.

supplanted. Jacobed or over-reached me. See note on 25. 26 and 32. 28.

blessing. This "blessing" is the "it" of Heb. 12. 17.

37 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

thy lord a mighty man unto thee. See Ap. 14. iv. Fulfilled in 2 Sam. 8. 14.

wine. See note on v. 28 above.

38 wept. See Heb. 12. 17, but could not change his father's mind.

39 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

the fatness of the earth, and of. Heb. of the fatness, &c. The "of", which is omitted in the first clause, is the prep. *o*, which means "from". R.V. marg. *away from*. Cp. Isa. 22. 3. Jer. 48. 33. Lam. 4. 9. Should be "Far from the fatness of the earth shall be thy dwelling, and far from the dew of the heavens," &c. Jacob had already received the blessing "of" the fatness of the earth or the land (v. 28). Esau's was to be far from it, in the desert; and so it was.

40 serve. See 1 Sam. 14. 47. 2 Sam. 8. 14. 2 Kings 8. 20, and cp. 1 Kings 22. 47.

thou shalt break. Fulfilled in 2 Kings 8. 20, 22. 2 Chron. 21. 8-10.

41 at hand. Isaac mistaken, vv. 1, 2. Esau mistaken here.

42 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

43 flee thou. Heb. flee for thyself.

Haran. See 11. 31.

44 a few days. Rebekah mistaken, for he was there 20 years. until. Fig. *Synonymia*. Ap. 6.

45 why...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

both. Jacob by Esau's hand, and Esau by the avenger of blood. 9. 6.

46 daughters of Heth. Refers to Esau's wives. 26. 34, 35.

what good. Fig. *Erotēsis*, and Fig. *Aposiopēsis*, Ap. 6. Lit. "Wherefore to me life?" Eng. Idiom, "What good would my life be to me?"

28 1 blessed. This blessing God endorses (vv. 13-15), by sending Jacob to Haran, as he had blessed Abraham to bring him from Haran (12. 1-3).

Thou shalt not take. See 24. 3.

2 Padan-aram. the plain of Syria.

3 And. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* in vv. 3 & 4 (Ap. 6), marking 4 items in blessing. See Ap. 10.

GOD ALMIGHTY. *El Shaddai*. See Ap. 4.

multitude: or convocation. Heb. *kāhal*. First occ. Occurs 123 times: rendered "multitude" 3, "assembly" 17, "congregation" 86, "company" 17. Cp. 49. 6. Ps. 22. 22, 25.

people. Heb. peoples.

4 wherein thou art a stranger. Heb. of thy sojournings.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4.

6 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), emphasising (vv. 6-8) the effort of Esau to note what would please his parents.

Canaan. Cp. 24. 3, and remember who these Canaanites were. See note on 12. 6.

8 pleased not. Cp. 26. 35.

9 Mahalath. She had a second name, Bashemath. See ch. 36. 3.

take him a wife from thence; °and that as he blessed him he gave him a charge, saying, "Thou shalt not take a wife of the daughters of °Canaan;"

7 And that Jacob obeyed his father and his mother, and was gone to Padan-aram;

8 And Esau seeing that the daughters of °Canaan °pleased not Isaac his father;

9 Then went Esau unto Ishmael, and took unto the wives which he had °Mahalath the

daughter of Ishmael Abraham's son, the sister of Nebajoth, to be his wife.

h (p. 38) 10 °And Jacob went out from Beer-sheba, and went toward Haran.

11 And he lighted upon a certain place, and tarried there all night, because the sun was set; and he took °of the stones of that place, and put *them* for his pillows, and lay down in that place to sleep.

12 And he dreamed, and °behold a °ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven: and behold the angels of God ascending and descending on it.

13 And, ¹²behold, °the LORD stood °above it, and said, "I am the LORD God of Abraham thy father, and the God of Isaac: the land whereon thou liest, °to thee °will I give it, and to thy seed;

14 And thy seed shall be as the °dust of the earth, and thou shalt spread abroad to the west, and to the east, and to the north, and to the south: and °in thee and in thy seed shall °all the families of the earth be blessed.

15 And, ¹²behold, I am with thee, and will keep thee in all places whither thou goest, and will bring thee again into this land; for °I will not leave thee, until I have done *that* which I have spoken to thee of."

16 And Jacob awaked out of his sleep, and he said, "Surely ¹³the LORD is in °this place; and I knew it not."

17 And he was afraid, and said, "How dreadful is this place! this is none other but °the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven."

18 And Jacob rose up early in the morning, and took °the stone that he had put for his pillows, and set it up for a °pillar, and °poured oil upon the top of it.

19 And he called the name of that place °Beth-el: but the name of that city was called Luz at the first.

20 And Jacob °vowed a vow, saying, "If God will be with me, and will keep me in this way that I go, and will give me bread to eat, and raiment to put on,

21 So that I come again to my father's house in peace; then shall ¹³the LORD be my God:

22 And °this stone, which I have set for a ¹³pillar, shall be °God's house: and of all that Thou shalt give me I will surely give the °tenth unto Thee."

I g i¹ (p. 41) 29 Then Jacob °went on his journey, and came into the land of the people of the east.

2 And he looked, and °behold a °well in the field, and, lo, there were °three flocks of sheep lying by it; for out of that °well they watered the flocks: and a great stone was upon the well's mouth.

3 And thither were all the flocks gathered: and they rolled the stone from the °well's mouth, and watered the sheep, and put the stone again upon the well's mouth in his place.

4 And Jacob said unto them, "My brethren, whence be ye?" And they said, "Of Haran are we."

5 And he said unto them, "Know ye Laban

10 And. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), emphasizing the items in vv. 10-15.

11 of the stones. Heb. from; i. e. one from among them. Cp. vv. 18, 22.

12 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6. ladder. Heb. *sullam*, from *salal*, to pile up like terraces; a way cast up, stairway. Occurs only here. Cp. Isa. 35. 8-10; 57. 14; 62. 10.

13 the LORD = Jehovah (Ap. 4). above it. The Heb. accent (*zark'ā*) emphasizes this as meaning "beside him" (cp. 18. 2, where 'al is rendered "by"). It is not the angels, but the Divine faithfulness and promise, which mark "this place" (vv. 16, 17) and make it "the house of God".

to thee. As He had said to Abraham (13. 15) and to Isaac (26. 3). See note on 5v. 24.

will I. Note the "shalls" and "wills" in this and all these repetitions of Jehovah's covenant.

14 dust . . . &c. Fig. *Paræmia*. Ap. 6. See on 15. 5. in thee. Mark the personal gift, and see note on 17. 7 and 50. 24.

all. This can be fulfilled only in Christ.

I will not leave thee. This promise first made, here, to Jacob for covenant grace; to the People, for journey (Deut. 31. 6); to Joshua, for conflict (Josh. 1. 5, 8); to Solomon, for work (1 Chron. 28. 20); to us, for daily provision (Heb. 13. 5, 6).

16 Surely. Fig. *Ecphonēsis*. Ap. 6.

this place. See on the word "above", v. 13.

17 the house of God. This "house" is the place where God meets the unworthy in grace. It was so with David (1 Chron. 22. 1). It is so for us. Our "place of worship" is where God manifests Himself to us in grace. "The God of all grace" is emphatically "the God of Jacob" (Ps. 146. 5).

18 the stone. See v. 11. Not the so-called "Coronation stone" in London: inasmuch as the heads of the "Geological Survey of Great Britain" unanimously declared that "no stone of that kind was to be found in any part of the Holy Land whence it traditionally comes". Prof. Ramsay also pronounced it as being "not known to occur in Egypt or in the rocks around Bethel".

pillar. Afterwards forbidden. Lev. 26. 1. Deut. 16. 22. poured oil. A law before Moses. See Ap. 15.

19 Beth-el. Heb. the house of El.

20 vowed a vow = made a solemn vow. Fig. *Polyp-tōton*. Ap. 6. The first recorded vow.

22 this stone. See vv. 11, 18.

God's house. Heb. *Beth-elohim*, not Beth-el.

tenth. See Ap. 15 and cp. 14. 20.

29. 1-31. 55 (g, p. 38). JACOB'S WIVES. (Repeated Alternation.)

g i¹ | 29. 1-14. Arrival at Padan-aram.

k¹ | 29. 15-30. 24. Servitude.

i² | 30. 25, 26. Return desired.

k² | 30. 27-31. 16. Service.

i³ | 31. 17-55. Return effected.

1 went, &c. = lifted up his feet. Heb. *Idiom*, Ap. 6.

2 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

well. Heb. *ʿēṣ*. See note on 21. 19.

three flocks. Cp. v. 8.

5 son. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), Ap. 6, put for grandson. Cp. 24. 15. In v. 12 Jacob calls himself the "brother" of Laban by the same Fig.

6 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

the °son of Nahor?" And they said, "We know *him*."

6 And he said unto them, "Is he well?" And they said, "He is well: and, °behold, Rachel his daughter cometh with the sheep."

7 And he said, "Lo, it is yet high day, neither is it time that the cattle should be gathered together: water ye the sheep, and go and feed them."

8 And they said, "We cannot, until all the flocks be gathered together, and till they roll the stone from the well's mouth; then we water the sheep."

9 And while he yet spake with them, Rachel came with her father's sheep: for she kept them.

10 And it came to pass, when Jacob saw Rachel the daughter of Laban his mother's brother, and the sheep of Laban his mother's brother, that Jacob went near, and rolled the stone from the well's mouth, and watered the flock of Laban his mother's brother.

11 And Jacob kissed Rachel, and lifted up his voice, and wept.

12 And Jacob told Rachel that she was her father's brother, and that she was Rebekah's son: and she ran and told her father.

13 And it came to pass, when Laban heard the tidings of Jacob his sister's son, that he ran to meet him, and embraced him, and kissed him, and brought him to his house. And he told Laban all these things.

1759 14 And Laban said to him, "Surely thou art my bone and my flesh." And he abode with him the space of a month.

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(p. 41) 15 And Laban said unto Jacob, "Because thou art my brother, shouldest thou therefore serve me for nought? tell me, what shall thy wages be?"

16 And Laban had two daughters: the name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel.

17 Leah was tender eyed; but Rachel was beautiful and well favoured.

18 And Jacob loved Rachel; and said, "I will serve thee seven years for Rachel thy younger daughter."

19 And Laban said, "It is better that I give her to thee, than that I should give her to another man: abide with me."

20 And Jacob served seven years for Rachel; and they seemed unto him but a few days, for the love he had to her.

21 And Jacob said unto Laban, "Give me my wife, for my days are fulfilled, that I may go in unto her."

22 And Laban gathered together all the men of the place, and made a feast.

23 And it came to pass in the evening, that he took Leah his daughter, and brought her to him; and he went in unto her.

24 And Laban gave unto his daughter Leah Zilpah his maid for an handmaid.

25 And it came to pass, that in the morning, behold, it was Leah: and he said to Laban, "What is this thou hast done unto me? did not I serve with thee for Rachel? wherefore then hast thou beguiled me?"

26 And Laban said, "It must not be so done in our country, to give the younger before the firstborn."

27 Fulfil her week, and we will give thee this also for the service which thou shalt serve with me yet seven other years."

28 And Jacob did so, and fulfilled her week;

7 Lo. Fig. *Asterismos*, Ap. 6, giving life to the scene. 9 her father's sheep. Shepherds usually slaves, younger sons, or daughters. Cp. David, 1 Sam. 17. 13-15. Ex. 2. 16, 17. Note exception, Gen. 37. 14, and reason.

11 kissed. The Eastern greeting.

12 brother. See on v. 5 and Ap. 29.

13 heard the tidings. Fig. *Polyptōton*. Ap. 6. "Heard the hearing."

and. Fig. *Polysyndeton*, Ap. 6, for emphasis.

14 space of a month. Heb. a month of days, i. e., by Fig. *Hypallage* (Ap. 6), the days of a month. Cp. Num. 11. 20.

16 Leah. Heb. weary. Rachel. Heb. a ewe.

17 tender = weak.

beautiful = comely in form. Cp. 39. 6.

well favoured = comely in countenance.

20 served. Cp. Hos. 12. 12.

24 Zilpah. See on v. 29.

25 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6. To call attention to the fact that he was deceived, as he had deceived Isaac (ch. 27).

27 we, i. e. I, by Fig. *Heterosis* (of Number). Ap. 6.

28 her, i. e. Leah's week.

he gave him Rachel. A popular mistake to suppose that Jacob did not marry Rachel till the end of the second seven years, for in the first seven were born seven sons: Reuben, Simeon, Levi, Judah, Dan, Naphtali, and Joseph. In the second seven: Gad, Asher, Issachar, Zebulun, and Dinah.

29 Bilhah. This was strictly in accordance with the Code of Khammurabi, § 145. See Ap. 15.

31 LORD. Jehovah used with the five sons (29. 31-35 and 30. 24). Elohim is used with six (30. 2, 6, 17, 18, 20, 23). No title used with Benjamin (35. 16-18). All were in pairs. Two pairs from Leah, one pair from Bilhah, one from Zilpah, one from Leah, one from Rachel.

hated. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, by which love and hate are put for the esteem or neglect, caused by love and hate = less loved, Deut. 21. 15. Matt. 6. 24. Luke 14. 26.

32 Reuben. Heb. *behold a son*. For the various orders of the 12 tribes, see Ap. 45.

33 heard. Heb. *shām'a* (heard).

Simeon. Heb. *Shim'ōn* (hearing). Fig. *Paronomasia*, Ap. 6.

34 joined. Heb. *yillaveh* (joined).

was his name called. Heb. she called his name, with Sam. and Sept. Error due to neglected abbreviation in primitive Heb. text. Fig. *Paronomasia*. Ap. 6. Levi. Heb. *Lēvī* (joiner).

and he gave him Rachel his daughter to wife also.

29 And Laban gave to Rachel his daughter Bilhah his handmaid to be her maid.

30 And he went in also unto Rachel, and he loved also Rachel more than Leah, and served with him yet seven other years.

31 And when the LORD saw that Leah was hated, He opened her womb: but Rachel was barren.

32 And Leah conceived, and bare a son, and she called his name Reuben: for she said, "Surely the LORD hath looked upon my affliction; now therefore my husband will love me." 1751

33 And she conceived again, and bare a son; and said, "Because the LORD hath heard that I was hated, He hath therefore given me this son also:" and she called his name Simeon. 1750

34 And she conceived again, and bare a son; and said, "Now this time will my husband be joined unto me, because I have born him three sons:" therefore was his name called Levi. 1749

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35 And she conceived again, and bare a son: and she said, "Now will I °praise the ³¹ LORD:" therefore she called his name Judah; and °left bearing.

30 And when Rachel saw that she bare Jacob no °children, Rachel envied her sister; and said unto Jacob, "Give me °children, or else I die."

2 And Jacob's anger was kindled against Rachel: and he said, "Am I in °God's stead, Who hath withheld from thee the fruit of the womb?"

3 And she said, "Behold my maid °Bilhah, go in unto her; and she shall bear upon my knees, that I may also °have children by her."

4 And she gave him Bilhah her handmaid to wife: and Jacob went in unto her.

5 And Bilhah conceived, and bare Jacob a son.

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6 And Rachel said, "God hath °judged me, and hath also heard my voice, and hath given me a son:" therefore called she his name °Dan.

7 And Bilhah Rachel's maid conceived again, and bare Jacob a second son.

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8 °And Rachel said, "With °great wrestlings have I wrestled with my sister, and I have prevailed:" and she called his name °Naphtali.

9 When Leah saw that she had left bearing, she took °Zilpah her maid, and gave her Jacob to °wife.

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10 And Zilpah Leah's maid bare Jacob a son. 11 And Leah said, "°A troop cometh:" and she called his name °Gad.

12 And Zilpah Leah's maid bare Jacob a second son.

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13 And Leah said, "°Happy am I, for the daughters °will call me blessed:" and she called his name °Asher.

14 And Reuben went in the days of wheat harvest, and found °mandrakes in the field, and brought them unto his mother Leah. Then Rachel said to Leah, "Give me, I pray thee, of thy son's mandrakes."

15 And she said unto her, "Is it a small matter that thou hast taken my husband? and wouldest thou take away my son's ¹⁴mandrakes also?" And Rachel said, "Therefore he shall lie with thee to night for thy son's mandrakes."

16 And Jacob came out of the field in the evening, and Leah went out to meet him, and said, "Thou must come in unto me; for surely I have hired thee with my son's ¹⁴mandrakes." And he lay with her that night.

17 And God hearkened unto Leah, and she conceived, and bare Jacob the fifth son.

18 And Leah said, "God hath given me my °hire, because I have given my maiden to my husband:" and she called his name °Issachar.

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19 And Leah conceived again, and bare Jacob the sixth son.

20 And Leah said, "God hath endued me with a good °dowry; now will my husband dwell with me, because I have born him six sons:" and she called his name °Zebulun.

21 And afterwards she bare a °daughter, and called her name °Dinah.

22 And °God remembered Rachel, and God hearkened to her, and opened her womb.

35 praise. Heb. 'odeh (I shall, or, Let me *praise*); y^hudah (he shall be praised). Cp. Gen. 49. 8. Fig. *Paronomasia*. Ap. 6. left: i. e. for a time.

30 1 children. Heb. sons.

2 God's. See note on 29. 31.

3 Bilhah. This was strictly in accordance with the Code of Khammurabi, § 145. See Ap. 15. Cp. 29. 29, have children. Heb. be builded up. See note above, and cp. 16. 1 3.

6 judged. Heb. dānannī (judged).

Dan. Heb. judge. Fig. *Paronomasia*. Ap. 6.

8 And. Fig. *Polysyndeton*, for emphasis. Ap. 6.

great wrestlings have I wrestled. Heb. with wrestlings of El (= GOD) i. e. mighty wrestlings. Fig. *Polyptoton*, and *Paronomasia*. Ap. 6.

Naphtali. Heb. my wrestling.

9 Zilpah . . . wife. This was strictly in accordance with the Code of Khammurabi, § 145. Cp. 16. 1-3; 30. 3, 4. See Ap. 15.

11 A troop. Heb. over-run, or, have victory; so the Sept., Syr., Arab., Onk., Vulg.

Gad = Jupiter (of the Babylonians). See Isa. 65. 11 marg., and Josh. 11. 17; 12. 7, where Baal-Gad = the God-Jupiter.

13 Happy. Heb. bē'āshrī (happy).

will call, &c. Heb. 'ishshrūnī (sure to call me).

Asher. Heb. Asher (happy). Cp. Deut. 33. 24. Fig. *Paronomasia*. Ap. 6.

14 mandrakes. Sept. *mandragora*, the root easily formed, by pinching it, into the shape of a man. Hence its name; also supposed to be and used as a "love-philtre". Arab. "apples of Satan".

18 hire. Heb. sēkārī (hire). Fig. *Paronomasia*. (Ap. 6), with Issachar.

Issachar. Heb. there is hire, or, he is wages.

20 dowry God hath dowered me with a good dowry. Fig. *Polyptoton*. Ap. 6.

Zebulun. Heb. dwelling, or habitation. An Assyrian word, to honour, brought out of Ur.

21 daughter. Jacob may have had other daughters not named.

Dinah. Heb. prob. vindication, or, judgment.

22 God remembered. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

22-24 Fig. *Hysterologia*, Ap. 6, for Joseph born after Naphtali, not after Dinah. This Fig. is used to keep Leah's children together.

24 Joseph. Heb. yōsēph, may He add.

The LORD. Note the occurrence of Jehovah here in connection with Joseph.

shall add. Heb. yōsēph, is adding. Fig. *Paronomasia*. Ap. 6.

27 tarry: for. Fig. *Ellipsis*, Ap. 6. i. d, which requires some such supply.

experience by divination. Heb. niḥashtī, from naḥash (Gen. 3. 1).

23 And she conceived, and bare a son; and said, "God hath taken away my reproach:"

24 And she called his name °Joseph; and said, "°The LORD °shall add to me another son."

25 And it came to pass, when Rachel had born Joseph, that Jacob said unto Laban, "Send me away, that I may go unto mine own place, and to my country."

26 Give me my wives and my children, for whom I have served thee, and let me go: for thou knowest my service which I have done thee."

27 And Laban said unto him, "I pray thee, if I have found favour in thine eyes, °tarry: for I have learned by °experience that °the LORD hath blessed me for thy sake."

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28 And he said, "Appoint me thy wages, and I will give it."

29 And he said unto him, "Thou knowest how I have served thee, and how thy cattle was with me."

30 For *it was* little which thou hadst before I came, and it is now increased unto a multitude; and ²⁴the LORD hath blessed thee since my coming: and now when shall I °provide for mine own °house also?"

31 And he said, "What shall I give thee?" And Jacob said, "Thou shalt not give me any thing: if thou wilt do this thing for me, I will again feed *and* keep thy flock."

32 I will pass through all thy flock to day, removing from thence all the speckled and spotted cattle, and all the brown cattle among the sheep, and the spotted and speckled among the goats: and *of such* shall be my hire.

33 So shall my righteousness °answer for me °in time to come, when it shall come for my hire before thy face: every one that is not speckled and spotted among the goats, and brown among the sheep, that shall be counted stolen with me."

34 And Laban said, "Behold, I would it might be according to thy word."

35 And he removed that day the he goats that were ringstraked and spotted, and all the she goats that were speckled and spotted, and every one that had *some* white in it, and all the brown among the sheep, and gave *them* into the hand of his sons.

36 And he set three days' journey betwixt himself and Jacob: and Jacob fed the rest of Laban's flocks.

37 And Jacob took him rods of green poplar, and of the hazel and chesnut tree; and pilled white strakes in them, and made the white appear which was in the rods.

38 And he set the rods which he had pilled before the flocks in the gutters in the watering troughs when the flocks came to drink, that they should conceive when they came to drink.

39 And the flocks conceived before the rods, and brought forth cattle ringstraked, speckled, and spotted.

40 And Jacob did separate the lambs, and set the faces of the flocks toward the ringstraked, and all the brown in the flock of Laban; and he put his own flocks by themselves, and put them not unto Laban's cattle.

41 And it came to pass, whensoever the stronger cattle did conceive, that Jacob laid the rods before the eyes of the cattle in the gutters, that they might conceive among the rods.

42 But when the cattle were feeble, he put *them* not in: so the feebler were Laban's, and the stronger Jacob's.

43 And °the man increased °exceedingly, and had much cattle, and maidservants, and menservants, and camels, and asses.

31 And he heard the words of Laban's sons, saying, "Jacob hath taken away all that was our father's; and of *that* which was our father's hath he gotten all this °glory."

2 And Jacob beheld the countenance of Laban, and, °behold, it was not toward him °as before.

3 And °the LORD said unto Jacob, "Return

30 provide. Heb. the verb *to do*, which by *Metonymy* (of the Cause), Ap. 6, means to provide, or, do for. house. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, by which "house" is put for all who dwell in it.

33 answer. By the Fig. *Prosopopœia*, Ap. 6, righteousness is personified.

in time to come. Heb. *to-morrow*. Fig. *Antimereia* (of Adverb), Ap. 6 - some future day.

43 the man. Heb. *ha-ish*. Ap. 14. ii.

exceedingly. Heb. *m'ôd m'ôd* = greatly greatly. Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6.

31. 1 glory. Heb. weight. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6 = wealth, the effect (i. e. the burden or weight) being put for that which caused it.

2 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

as before. Heb. yesterday and the day before. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap. 6 = aforetime.

3 the LORD = Jehovah (Ap. 4).

6 your father: repeated at beginning of next verse by the Fig. *Anadiplosis*. Ap. 6.

7 suffered him not. Fig. *Idioma*. Ap. 6. Heb. did not give him to do me evil.

hurt. Heb. *râ'â*. See Ap. 44. viii.

11 angel of God (Heb. *Elohim*). In v. 13 called by Himself, "I am the God of Beth-el", El of Beth-el. Cp. 28. 12, 13, and 48. 16.

12 cattle. Cp. Ps. 50. 10.

13 GOD. Heb. 'El. See Ap. 4.

vowedst a vow. Fig. *Polyptoton*, Ap. 6 = madest a solemn vow.

14 Is there yet, &c. ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

15 Are we not, &c. ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

unto the land of thy fathers, and to thy kindred; and I will be with thee."

4 And Jacob sent and called Rachel and Leah to the field unto his flock,

5 And said unto them, "I see your father's countenance, that it is not toward me as before; but the God of my father hath been with me."

6 And *ye* know that with all my power I have served °your father.

7 And your father hath deceived me, and changed my wages ten times; but God °suffered him not to °hurt me.

8 If he said thus, 'The speckled shall be thy wages;' then all the cattle bare speckled: and if he said thus, 'The ringstraked shall be thy hire;' then bare all the cattle ringstraked.

9 Thus God hath taken away the cattle of your father, and given *them* to me.

10 And it came to pass at the time that the cattle conceived, that I lifted up mine eyes, and saw in a dream, and, °behold, the rams which leaped upon the cattle were ringstraked, speckled, and grised.

11 And the °angel of God spake unto me in a dream, saying, 'Jacob: ' And I said, 'Here am I.'

12 And he said, 'Lift up now thine eyes, and see, all the rams which leap upon the °cattle are ringstraked, speckled, and grised: for I have seen all that Laban doeth unto thee.'

13 I am the °GOD of Beth-el, where thou anointedst the pillar, and where thou °vowedst a vow unto Me: now arise, get thee out from this land, and return unto the land of thy kindred."

14 And Rachel and Leah answered and said unto him, "Is there yet any portion or inheritance for us in our father's house?"

15 °Are we not counted of him strangers? for he hath sold us, and hath quite devoured also our money.

16 For all the riches which God hath taken from our father, that is ours, and our children's: now then, whatsoever God hath said unto thee, do."

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(p. 41) 17 Then Jacob rose up, and set his sons and his wives upon camels;

18 And he carried away all his cattle, and all his goods which he had gotten, the cattle of his getting, which he had gotten in Padan-aram, for to go to Isaac his father in the land of Canaan.

19 And Laban went to shear his sheep: and Rachel had stolen the °images that were her father's.

20 And Jacob stole away °unawares to Laban the Syrian, in that he told him not that he fled.

1739 21 So he fled with all that he had; and he rose up, and passed over °the river, and set his face toward the mount °Gilead.

22 And it was told Laban on the third day that Jacob was fled.

23 And he took his °brethren with him, and pursued after him seven days' journey; and they overtook him in the mount Gilead.

24 And God came to Laban the Syrian in a dream by night, and said unto him, "Take heed that thou speak not to Jacob either °good or bad."

25 Then Laban overtook Jacob. Now Jacob had pitched his tent in the mount: and Laban with his brethren pitched in the mount of Gilead.

26 And Laban said to Jacob, °"What hast thou done, that thou hast stolen away 20 unawares to me, and carried away my daughters, as captives taken with the sword?"

27 °Wherefore didst thou flee away secretly, and steal away from me; and didst not tell me, that I might have sent thee away °with mirth, and with songs, with tabret, and with harp?"

28 And hast not suffered me to kiss my °sons and my daughters? thou hast now done foolishly in so doing.

29 It is in the power of my °hand to do °you hurt: but the °God of °your father spake unto me yesternight, saying, 'Take thou heed that thou speak not to Jacob either good or bad.'

30 And now, though thou wouldest needs be gone, because thou °sore longedst after thy father's house, yet wherefore hast thou stolen °my gods?"

31 And Jacob answered and said to Laban, "Because I was afraid: for I said, Peradventure thou wouldest take by force thy daughters from me.

32 With whomsoever thou findest thy gods, °let him not live: before our brethren discern thou what is thine with me, and take it to thee." For Jacob knew not that Rachel had stolen them.

33 And Laban went into Jacob's tent, and into Leah's tent, and into the two maid-servants' tents; but he found them not. Then went he out of Leah's tent, and entered into °Rachel's tent.

34 Now °Rachel had taken the 19 images, and put them in the camel's °furniture, and sat upon them. And Laban °searched all the tent, but found them not.

35 And she said to her father, "Let it not

19 images. Heb. *teraphim*, a kind of household gods, showing that the idolatry of Babylonia still clung to Laban's family, in spite of his protestations in v. 29; 30. 27. Cp. v. 30; 35. 2.

20 unawares to Laban. Heb. stole the heart. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap. 6, heart being put for knowledge. Cp. v. 27. Rachel stole Laban's idols; and Jacob stole Laban's heart.

21 the river = the Euphrates. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Genus). Ap. 6.

Gilead = perpetual fountain. Cp. Num. 32. 1, 39. Deut. 3. 12-16; 34. 1.

23 brethren. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), Ap. 6, one relationship put for a general one.

24 good or bad. Heb. from good to bad.

26 What . . . ? Figs. *Erotēsis* and *Aganactēsis*. Ap. 6.

27 Wherefore . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis* (of Expostulation). Ap. 6.

with mirth. Laban adds hypocrisy, covetousness, and avarice, to idolatry.

28 sons. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Species), Ap. 6, sons put for grandsons, &c. Cp. v. 55.

29 hand. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap. 6, hand put for the whole person, "in my power".

you and your are plural.

God of your father. In ch. 30. 27, 30, Laban had spoken of the Lord Jehovah; now he has sunk so low as to say "your" God, and calls the *teraphim* "my gods".

30 sore longedst. Heb. with longing thou hast longed. Fig. *Polyptōton*. Ap. 6.

my gods. Cp. on v. 29.

32 let him not live. This was in strict accordance with the Code of Khammurabi (§ 9), but in contrast with the Mosaic law. See Ap. 15.

33, 34 Rachel. Repeated by the Fig. *Anadiplōsis*. Ap. 6. Heb. "tent of Rachel, and Rachel had taken."

furniture = saddle.

searched = felt [with his hands].

35 my lord. Heb. the eyes of my lord. Fig. *Proso-*

popaia. Ap. 6.

custom. Laban's deceit begets deceit.

38 twenty. The No. of disappointed expectancy.

See Ap. 10.

39 my hand. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap. 6, hand put for "me". Cp. v. 29.

40 Thus I was. Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) = "Thus (wherever) I was".

drought = heat. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6, effect put for the burning heat which caused it. Contrast with cold produced by the frost.

my sleep. The Eastern shepherd often away from home for weeks at a time.

displease °my lord that I cannot rise up before thee; for the °custom of women is upon me." And he searched, but found not the 19 images.

36 And Jacob was wroth, and chode with Laban: and Jacob answered and said to Laban, "What is my trespass? what is my sin, that thou hast so hotly pursued after me?"

37 Whereas thou hast 34 searched all my stuff, what hast thou found of all thy household stuff? set it here before my brethren and thy brethren, that they may judge betwixt us both.

38 This °twenty years have I been with thee; thy ewes and thy she goats have not cast their young, and the rams of thy flock have I not eaten.

39 That which was torn of beasts I brought not unto thee; I bare the loss of it; of °my hand didst thou require it, whether stolen by day, or stolen by night.

40 °Thus I was; in the day the °drought consumed me, and the frost by night; and °my sleep departed from mine eyes.

41 Thus have I been ³⁸twenty years in thy house; I served thee fourteen years for thy two daughters, and six years for thy cattle: and thou hast changed my wages ten times.

42 Except the God of my father, the God of Abraham, and °the fear of Isaac, had been °with me, surely thou hadst sent me away now empty. God hath seen mine affliction and the labour of my hands, and rebuked thee yesternight."

43 And Laban answered and said unto Jacob, "These daughters are my daughters, and these children are my children, and these cattle are my cattle, and all that thou seest is mine: and what can I do this day unto these my daughters, or unto their children which they have born?"

44 Now therefore come thou, let us °make a covenant, I and thou; and let it be for a witness between me and thee."

45 And Jacob took a stone, and set it up for a °pillar.

46 And Jacob said unto his brethren, "Gather stones;" and they took stones, and made an heap: and they did °eat there upon the heap.

47 And Laban called it °Jegar-sahadutha: but Jacob called it °Galeed.

48 And Laban said, "This heap is a witness between me and thee this day." Therefore was the name of it called Galeed;

49 And °Mizpah; for °he said, °"The LORD watch between me and thee, when we are °absent one from another.

50 If thou shalt afflict my daughters, or if thou shalt take °other wives beside my daughters, no °man is with us; see, God is witness betwixt me and thee."

51 And Laban said to Jacob, °"Behold this heap, and °behold this °pillar, which I have cast betwixt me and thee;

52 This heap be witness, and this pillar be witness, that I will not pass over this heap to thee, and that thou shalt not pass over this heap and this pillar unto me, for harm.

53 The God of Abraham, and the God of Nahor, the God of their father, judge betwixt us." And Jacob sware by °the fear of his father Isaac.

54 Then Jacob °offered sacrifice upon the mount, and called his brethren to eat bread: and they did eat bread, and tarried all night in the mount.

55 And early in the morning Laban rose up, and kissed his °sons and his °daughters, and blessed them: and Laban departed, and returned unto his place.

n (p. 38) **32** And Jacob °went on his way, and the °angels of God met him.

2 And when Jacob saw them, he said, "This is God's °host:" and he called the name of that place °Mahanaim.

J f 1 (p. 46) 3 And Jacob sent messengers before him to Esau his brother unto the land of Seir, the country of Edom.

4 And he commanded them, saying, "Thus shall ye speak unto my lord Esau; 'Thy servant Jacob saith thus, 'I have sojourned with Laban, and stayed there until now:

5 And I have oxen, and asses, flocks, and menservants, and womenservants: and I have

42 the fear. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, fear put for the God Whom Jacob worshipped.

with me = on my side. Ps. 118. 6, 7.

44 make. Heb. cut (Cp. 15. 10, 18) = solemnize.

45 pillar. Cp. 28. 18.

46 eat: i.e. of the covenant sacrifices. Cp. 26. 30. Ex. 24. 5, 11.

47 Jegar-sahadutha. Chaldaic = witness-heap.

Galeed. Heb. same meaning.

49 Mizpah. Heb. watch-tower.

he, i.e. Laban. So that he knew Heb. as well as Chaldee.

the LORD. Laban also uses the name Jehovah. It is used by all the speakers in Gen. except the *Nachash* (ch. 3), Abimelech (when speaking to Abram, not to Isaac), the sons of Heth, Pharaoh, Joseph's brethren, and Joseph himself.

absent. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6 = Heb. hidden, put for absent.

50 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. ii.

51 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

pillar. Distinct from the "heap". Cp. v. 45, 46.

54 offered sacrifice = killed beasts. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct). Ap. 6. Cp. Ap. 43. I. iv.

55 sons. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part). Ap. 6. Put for grandsons as well.

daughters. Also for granddaughters.

32. 1, 2. JACOB'S VISION AT MAHANAIM.

The second vision, corresponding with that of Bethel: see 28. 10-22. See the structure on p. 32.

1 went on his way. S. from Galeed and Mizpah, angels of God. Cp. Ps. 34. 7, to assure him of God's presence with him, and of His protection.

2 host = camp. Heb. *mahāneh* as in vv. 8, 21. Cp. Deut. 33. 2. Josh. 5. 14, 15. Ps. 27. 3; 78. 28; 106. 16. Mahanaim = two camps.

32. 3-33. 17 (f, p. 32). THE RECONCILIATION OF ESAU (*Introversion and Alternation*).

f | 32. 3-5. Reconciliation desired.

m | 32. 6. Approach of Esau announced.

n | *o* | 32. 7, 8. The Present resolved on.

p | 32. 9-12. Prayer.

n | *o* | 32. 13-23. The Present prepared.

p | 32. 24-32. Prayer.

m | 33. 1-. Approach of Esau seen.

l | 33. -1-17. Reconciliation effected.

7 In *n* and *n* (vv. 7-32) note that Jacob alternately uses means as though there were no such thing as prayer; and then prays as though there were no such things as means. We may use means, but not trust in them.

and. The Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) shows the care with which he prepared.

two bands = two camps. Same word (and perhaps idea) as in v. 2. See note.

sent to tell my lord, that I may find grace in thy sight."

6 And the messengers returned to Jacob, saying, "We came to thy brother Esau, and also he cometh to meet thee, and four hundred men with him."

7 Then Jacob was greatly afraid °and distressed: and he divided the people that was with him, and the flocks, and herds, and the camels, into °two bands;

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8 And said, "If Esau come to the one ² company, and smite it, then the other ² company which is left shall escape."

P (p. 46) 9 And Jacob said, "O God of my father Abraham, and God of my father Isaac, the LORD Which ^o saidst unto me, 'Return unto thy country, and to thy kindred, and I will deal well with thee:'

10 ^o I am not worthy of the least of all the ^o mercies, and of all the truth, which Thou hast shewed unto Thy servant; for with ^o my staff I passed over this Jordan; and now I am become two bands.

11 Deliver me, I pray Thee, from the hand of my brother, from the hand of Esau: for I fear him, lest he will come and smite me, and the mother ^o with the children.

12 And Thou ^o saidst, 'I will surely do thee good, and make thy seed ^o as the sand of the sea, which cannot be numbered for multitude.'

o 13 And he lodged there that same night; and took of that which came to his hand a ^o present for Esau his brother;

14 Two hundred she goats, and twenty he goats, two hundred ewes, and twenty rams,

15 Thirty milch camels with their colts, forty kine, and ten bulls, twenty she asses, and ten foals.

16 And he delivered them into the hand of his servants, every drove by themselves; and said unto his servants, "Pass over before me, and put a space betwixt drove and drove."

17 And he commanded the foremost, saying, "When Esau my brother meeteth thee, and asketh thee, saying, 'Whose art thou? and whither goest thou? and whose are these before thee?'

18 Then thou shalt say, 'They be thy servant Jacob's; it is a present sent unto my lord Esau: and, ^o behold, also he is behind us.'

19 And so commanded he the second, and the third, and all that followed the droves, saying, "On this manner shall ye speak unto Esau, when ye find him.

20 And say ye moreover, ¹⁸ 'Behold, thy servant Jacob is behind us.' For he said, "I ^o will appease him with the ¹³ present that goeth before me, and afterward I will see his face; peradventure he will accept ^o of me."

21 So went the present over before him: and himself lodged that night in the ² company.

22 And he rose up that night, and took his two wives, and his two womenservants, and his eleven sons, and passed over the ford ^o Jabbok.

23 And he took them, and sent them over the brook, and sent over that he had.

p 24 And Jacob was left alone; and there wrestled ^o a Man with him until the ^o breaking of the day.

25 And when He saw that He prevailed not against him, He touched the hollow of his thigh; and the hollow of Jacob's thigh was out of joint, as He wrestled with him.

26 And He said, "Let Me go, for the ^o day breaketh." And he said, "I will not let Thee go, except Thou bless me."

9 Jacob's first prayer acknowledges both Elohim and Jehovah.

saidst. Cp. v. 12 and 31. 13.

10 I am not worthy. Heb. I have proved unworthy. Fig. *Heterosis* (of Tense), Ap. 6. = I have been and am unworthy.

mercies. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause). Ap. 6. First occ. of pl.

my staff. Having nothing and deserving nothing but chastisement. Hence, the God who met him there (the God of Bethel) is "the God of Jacob", and is "the God of all grace" (1 Pet. 5. 10): cp. Ps. 146. 5.

11 with. Heb. upon. As though sons slain first and mothers falling on them.

12 saidst. Cp. v. 9 and 28. 13-15.

as the sand. Fig. *Paræmia*. Ap. 6. See note on 13. 16.

13 present. See Ap. 43. II, iii.

18 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

20 will appease him. Heb. "cover his face", i. e. hide my offence from him: "face" being put by *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap. 6, for himself.

of me. Heb. my face. *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap. 6.

22 Jabbok. Heb. pouring out, or emptying.

24 a Man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. ii. Called "God" (vv. 28, 30), an "Angel", and Jehovah Elohim, Hos. 12. 4, 5.

breaking. Heb. going up. Fig. *Antimereia* (of Verb Part. for noun). Ap. 6.

26 day breaketh. Heb. dawn hath ascended.

27 What is thy name? Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. For He knew his name.

28 Jacob = contender (25. 22). Used of the natural Jacob and his natural seed.

Israel - "God commands, orders or rules". Man attempts it but always, in the end, fails. Out of some forty Hebrew names compounded with "El" or "Jah", God is always the doer of what the verb means (cp. *Daniel*, God judges).

prince = commander, orderer. Here used not to dignify but to reproach. Cp. Gen. 12. 15, princes (courtiers); 26. 26, chief of soldiers; 39. 1, officer; 40. 2, chief; 3. 3, jailor; 47. 6, herdsman; Ex. 1. 11, taskmasters, &c.

hast thou power = hast thou contended. Jacob had contended with Esau in the womb, and thus got his name Jacob, which is referred to here in reproach, not in eulogy.

men. Heb. pl. of *'ish*, or *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14.

prevailed = succeeded. He had contended for the birthright and succeeded (25. 29-34). He had contended for the blessing and succeeded (27). He had contended with Laban and succeeded (31). He had contended with "men" and succeeded. Now he contends with God - and fails. Hence his name was changed to *Isra-el*, God commands, to teach him the greatly needed lesson of dependence upon God.

30 Peniel - Heb. God's face.

seen. Cp. 16. 13.

life = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. See Ap. 13.

27 And He said unto him, ^o "What is thy name?" And he said, "Jacob."

28 And He said, "Thy name shall be called no more ^o Jacob, but ^o Israel: for as a ^o prince hast thou power with God and with ^o men, and hast ^o prevailed."

29 And Jacob asked Him, and said, "Tell me, I pray Thee, Thy name." And He said, "Wherefore is it that thou dost ask after My name?" And He blessed him there.

30 And Jacob called the name of the place ^o Peniel: "for I have ^o seen God face to face, and my ^o life is preserved."

31 And as he passed over Penue! the sun rose upon him, and ^{he} halted upon his thigh.

32 Therefore the children of Israel eat not of the sinew which shrank, which is upon the hollow of the thigh, unto this day: because He touched the hollow of Jacob's thigh in the ^{sinew} that shrank.

^m (p. 46) **33** And Jacob lifted up his eyes, and looked, and, behold, Esau came, and with him four hundred ^{men}.

^l And he divided the children unto Leah, and unto Rachel, and unto the two handmaids.

2 And he put the handmaids and their children foremost, and Leah and her children after, and Rachel and Joseph hindermost.

3 And ^{he} passed over before them, and bowed himself to the ground seven times, until he came near to his brother.

4 And Esau ran to meet him, and embraced him, and fell on his neck, ^{and} kissed him: and they wept.

5 And he lifted up his eyes, and saw the women and the children; and said, "Who are those with thee?" And he said, "The children which God hath graciously given thy servant."

6 Then the handmaidens came near, ^{they} and their children, and they bowed themselves.

7 And Leah also with her children came near, and bowed themselves: and after came Joseph near and Rachel, and they bowed themselves.

8 And he said, "What *meanest* thou by all this drove which I met?" And he said, "These are to find grace in the sight of my lord."

9 And Esau said, "I have ^{enough}, my brother; keep that thou hast unto thyself."

10 And ^{Jacob} said, "Nay, I pray thee, if now I have found grace in thy sight, then receive my present at my hand: for therefore I have seen thy face, as though I had seen the face of God, and thou wast pleased with me."

11 Take, I pray thee, my blessing that is brought to thee; because God hath dealt graciously with me, and because I have ^{enough}. And he urged him, and he took it.

12 And he said, "Let us take our journey, and let us go, and I will go before thee."

13 And he said unto him, "My lord knoweth that the children are tender, and the flocks and herds with young are with me: and if ^{men} should overdrive them one day, all the flock will die."

14 Let my lord, I pray thee, pass over before his servant: and I will lead on softly, according as the cattle that goeth before me and the children be able to endure, until I come unto my lord unto Seir."

15 And Esau said, "Let me now leave with thee *some* of the folk that are with me." And he said, "What needeth it? let me find grace in the sight of my lord."

16 So Esau returned that day on his way unto Seir.

1737 17 And Jacob journeyed to Succoth, and built him an ^{house}, and made ^{booths} for his cattle: therefore the name of the place is called Succoth.

^{J e} (p. 38) 18 And Jacob came to Shalem, a city of

31 he. Emph. to call attention to the fact that he was not only late, but limping.

halted=limped. The sign that it is God who commands, and has real power to overcome. Typical of the national humiliation required before entering on the blessing.

32 sinew = the ligament of the hip joint.

33. 1 men = Heb. sing. 'ish (Ap. 14), as we use the expression "400 foot". When pl., used only of angels.

4 and kissed him. This is one of the Heb. words with "extraordinary points", to show that the Massorites thought it should be omitted. See Ap. 31. It should read, "and fell on his neck and wept"; without kissing. This is the custom in Genesis. Cp. 45. 14; 46. 29.

9 enough = abundance, plenty.

10 Jacob said. Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6. ii b). Ellipsis should be supplied thus: "Jacob [refused, and] said."

13 men. Sam. and Sept. read "I".

15 What needeth it? Heb. What for? or Why so? Fig. *Erotēsis* and *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) = Why [have] anything?

17 house. The first we read of a house in connection with the Patriarchs.

booths. Heb. *succoth*. Hence the name. First occ.

18 came to Shalem, a city of Shechem: read, came in peace to the city of Shechem; the Heb. *Shalem* means peace.

19 Hamor. Probably a title, like Abimelech and Pharaoh.

20 El-elohe-Israel—"GOD—the God-of-Israel", but not the place for this altar. Cp. 35. 1.

34. 1—37. 36. JACOB'S TROUBLE IN THE LAND.

At Shechem, Dinah's disgrace, 34. Three burials: Deborah, 35. 8; Rachel (v. 20); and Isaac (35. 29). Joseph sold, 37.

34. 1 daughter of Leah. Cp. 30. 21, and own sister of Simeon and Levi, 29. 33, 34.

2 defiled. Heb. humbled.

3 his soul = himself. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part). Ap. 6. Heb. *nephesh*.

kindly. Heb. on her heart (as though making an impression on it).

Shechem, which is in the land of Canaan, when he came from Padan-aram; and pitched his tent before the city.

19 And he bought a parcel of a field, where he had spread his tent, at the hand of the children of Hamor, Shechem's father, for an hundred pieces of money.

20 And he erected there an altar, and called it El-elohe-Israel.

34 And Dinah the ^{daughter} of Leah, which she bare unto Jacob, went out to see the daughters of the land.

2 And when Shechem the son of Hamor the Hivite, prince of the country, saw her, he took her, and lay with her, and ^{defiled} her.

3 And ^{his} soul clave unto Dinah the daughter of Jacob, and he loved the damsel, and spake ^{kindly} unto the damsel.

4 And Shechem spake unto his father Hamor, saying, "Get me this damsel to wife."

5 And Jacob heard that he had defiled Dinah his daughter: now his sons were with his cattle in the field: and Jacob held his peace until they were come.

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6 And Hamor the father of Shechem went out unto Jacob to commune with him.

7 And the sons of ¹Jacob came out of the field when they heard *it*: and the °men were grieved, and they were very wroth, because he had wrought folly in °Israel in lying with Jacob's daughter; which thing ought not to be done.

8 And Hamor communed with them, saying, "The °soul of my son Shechem longeth for your daughter: I pray you give her him to wife.

9 And make ye marriages with us, *and* give your daughters unto us, and take our daughters unto you.

10 And ye shall dwell with us: and the land shall be before you; dwell and trade ye therein, and get you possessions therein."

11 And Shechem said unto her father and unto her brethren, "Let me find grace in your eyes, and what ye shall say unto me I will give.

12 Ask me never so much dowry and °gift, and I will give according as ye shall say unto me: but give me the damsel to wife."

13 And the sons of Jacob answered Shechem and Hamor his father °deceitfully, and said, because he had defiled Dinah their sister:

14 And they said unto them, "We cannot do this thing, to give our sister to one that is uncircumcised; for that were a reproach unto us:

15 But in this will we consent unto you: If ye will be as we be, that every male of you be circumcised;

16 Then will we give our daughters unto you, and we will take your daughters to us, and we will dwell with you, and we will become one people.

17 But if ye will not hearken unto us, to be circumcised; then will we take our daughter, and we will be gone."

18 And their words pleased Hamor, and Shechem Hamor's son.

19 And the young man deferred not to do the thing, because he had delight in Jacob's daughter: and he was more honourable than all the house of his father.

20 And Hamor and Shechem his son came unto the gate of their city, and communed with the ⁷men of their city, saying,

21 "These ⁷men are peaceable with us; therefore let them dwell in the land, and trade therein; for the land, °behold, *it is* large enough for them; let us take their daughters to us for wives, and let us give them our daughters.

22 Only herein will the ⁷men consent unto us for to dwell with us, to be one people, if every male among us be circumcised, as they are circumcised.

23 °Shall not their cattle and their substance and every beast of theirs be ours? only let us consent unto them, and they will dwell with us."

24 And unto Hamor and unto Shechem his son hearkened all that went out of the gate of his city; and every male was circumcised, all that went out of the gate of his city.

25 And it came to pass on the third day, when they were sore, that two of the sons of Jacob, Simeon and Levi, Dinah's brethren, took each °man his sword, and came upon the city boldly, and slew all the males.

7 men. Heb. pl. of 'ish or 'ēnōsh. See Ap. 14. iii. Israel. The first occ. in a collective sense.

8 soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part) and *Pleonasm* (Ap. 6), to emphasise the intensity of the longing.

12 gift. The noun put by *Metonymy* for the verb = ask me to give, &c. See Ap. 6.

13 deceitfully. Jacob's character his own scourge. The first and only occ. in Gen.

21 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

23 Shall not, &c. Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

25 man. Heb. 'ish. See Ap. 14. ii.

26 edge. Heb. mouth. Fig. *Pleonasm*. Ap. 6.

The acts of Jacob and his sons at Shechem may be contrasted with those of Abraham (12. 6), and of Joshua (Josh. 24. 1-27), and of Christ (John 4. 5).

27 The sons. Some MSS. read "And the sons".

28 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton*, Ap. 6, to emphasise each item, in vv. 28, 29.

29 wealth. Heb. strength. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct). Ap. 6. Strength put for the wealth which it acquires.

30 Canaanites. Descendants of the *Nephilim*. See 12. 6 and Ap. 23 and 25.

I . . . I. Fig. *Repetitio*, Ap. 6, to emphasise Jacob's perturbation.

31 Should he . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

35. 1 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4.

Jacob. See notes on 32. 28; 43. 8; 45. 26, 28.

Beth-el. House of GOD. Heb. *El*. Ap. 4 (28. 19). when. Cp. 27. 43.

2 Put away. Purification necessary in going up to Beth-el = the house of God.

strange gods. Doubtless part of the spoils taken from the houses of the Shechemites. Cp. v. 4, and see 34. 28, 29. and. Fig. *Polysyndeton*. Ap. 6.

be clean. First occ. Here and always used of ceremonial cleansing.

3 with me. Cp. 28. 20; 31. 3, 42.

26 And they slew Hamor and Shechem his son with the °edge of the sword, and took Dinah out of Shechem's house, and went out.

27 °The sons of ¹Jacob came upon the slain, and spoiled the city, because they had defiled their sister.

28 They took their sheep, °and their oxen, and their asses, and that which *was* in the city, and that which *was* in the field,

29 And all their °wealth, and all their little ones, and their wives took they captive, and spoiled even all that *was* in the house.

30 And ¹Jacob said to Simeon and Levi, "Ye have troubled me to make me to stink among the inhabitants of the land, among the °Canaanites and the Perizzites: and ³ *being* few in number, they shall gather themselves together against me, and slay me; and °I shall be destroyed, °³ and my house."

31 And they said, °"Should he deal with our sister as with an harlot?"

35 And °God said unto °Jacob, "Arise, go up to °Beth-el, and dwell there: and make there an altar unto °GOD. That appeared unto thee °when thou fleddest from the face of Esau thy brother."

2 Then Jacob said unto his household, and to all that *were* with him, °"Put away the °strange gods that *are* among you, °and °be clean, °and change your garments:

3 And let us arise, and go up to Beth-el; and I will make there an altar unto GOD, Who answered me in the day of my distress, and was °with me in the way which I went."

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4 And they gave unto °Jacob all the °strange gods which were in their hand, and all their °earrings which were in their ears; and °Jacob hid them under the oak which was by Shechem.

5 And they journeyed: and the terror of °God was upon the cities that were round about them, and they did not pursue after the sons of Jacob.

6 So °Jacob came to °Luz, which is in the land of Canaan, that is, Beth-el, he and all the people that were with him.

7 And he built there an altar, and called the place °El-Beth-el: because there °God °appeared unto him, when he fled from the face of °his brother.

8 But °Deborah Rebekah's nurse died, and she was buried beneath Beth-el under an oak: and the name of it was called °Allon-bachuth.

9 And °God appeared unto °Jacob again, when he came out of Padan-aram, and blessed him.

10 And °God said unto him, "Thy name is °Jacob: thy name shall not be called any more Jacob, but °Israel shall be thy name:" and He called his name °Israel.

11 And °God said unto him, "I am °GOD ALMIGHTY: be fruitful and multiply; a nation and a company of nations shall be of thee, and °kings shall come out of thy loins;

12 And the land which °I gave Abraham and Isaac, to thee I will give it, and to thy seed after thee will I give the land."

13 And °God °went up from him in the place where °He talked with him.

14 And °Jacob °set up a pillar in the place where He talked with him, even a pillar of stone: and he °poured a drink offering thereon, and he poured oil thereon.

15 And °Jacob called the name of the place where °God spake with him, Beth-el.

B a (p. 36) 16 And they journeyed from Beth-el; and there was but a little way to come to °Ephrath: and Rachel travailed, and she had hard labour.

17 And it came to pass, when she was in hard labour, that the midwife said unto her, "Fear not; thou shalt have this son also."

18 And it came to pass, as °her soul was °in departing, (for she died) that she called his name °Ben-oni: but his father called him °Benjamin.

1728 19 And Rachel died, and was buried in the way to Ephrath, which is °Beth-lehem.

20 And °Jacob °set a pillar upon her °grave: that is the pillar of Rachel's grave °unto this day.

b 21 And °Israel journeyed, and spread his tent beyond the tower of Edar.

1728 22 And it came to pass, when °Israel dwelt in that land, that Reuben went and °lay with Bilhah his father's concubine: and Israel heard it.

Now the sons of Jacob were °twelve:

23 The sons of Leah; Reuben, Jacob's first-born, and Simeon, and Levi, and Judah, and Issachar, and Zebulun:

24 The sons of Rachel; Joseph, and Benjamin:

25 And the sons of Bilhah, Rachel's hand-maid; Dan, and Naphtali:

26 And the sons of Zilpah, Leah's hand-

4 Jacob=Supplanter, or Contender. See on 32. 28; 43. 8; 45. 26, 28.

earrings. Showing that the "strange gods" were part of the booty: probably of precious metals.

5 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4.

6 Luz. Cp. 28. 19.

7 El-Beth-el = GOD of the House of GOD.

appeared: or revealed Himself.

his brother. Some MSS., with Sam., Jon., Sept., Syr., read "Esau his brother".

8 Deborah Rebekah's nurse. We hear no more of Rebekah from the time Jacob left home (27. 45), not even of her death! Deborah may have come with a message, or she may, on Rebekah's death, have joined his household.

Allon-bachuth. Heb. The oak of weeping.

10 Israel=GOD rules. See note on 32. 28.

11 GOD ALMIGHTY = Heb. *El-Shaddai*, GOD—the all-bountiful or all-sufficient. The title which best accords with the promise here given. Cp. 15. 1.

kings. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect). Ap. 6.

12 I gave. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject). Ap. 6. = which I promised to give.

13 went up...talked. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. He. i.e. God.

14 set up a pillar=Heb. pillared a pillar. Fig. *Polyptoton*. Ap. 6.

poured a drink offering. See Ap. 15. First occurrence of "drink offering": afterward provided for in Lev. 23. 13, 18, 37, and in Num. 15. 5-10. Always "poured out," never drunk. 16 Ephrath. Heb. fertility.

18 her soul=her life. Heb. *nephesh* (Ap. 13), rendered "life" in 1. 20, 30; 9. 4, 5; 19. 17, 19; 32. 30; 44. 30.

in departing = ebbing away, or failing (42. 28. Song 5. 6); or ending (Ex. 23. 16). In Ezek. 7. 10 rendered "gone forth"; Ex. 23. 26. In Ezek. 26. 18 rendered "departure". Ben-oni = Son of my sorrow.

Benjamin = Son of my right hand. The word rendered "sorrow" (*āvon*) is a *Homonym*, the other meaning being "strength", and is so rendered in Gen. 49. 3. Deut. 21. 17. Job 18. 7, 12 &c. It is rendered "mourning" in Deut. 26. 14. Hos. 9. 4. This *Homonym* is the basis of Jacob's change of Benjamin's name. The A.V. and R.V. both recognize this *Homonym*.

19 Beth-lehem = House of bread.

20 grave. Heb. *keber*, first occ. 23. 4. = A sepulchre, from *kabar* to bury. Not *sheol*, which = THE grave. Cp. Ap. 35.

unto this day. Well-known in the days of Samuel. See 1 Sam. 10. 2.

22 lay with. Cp. 49. 4. twelve. The number of governmental perfection. See Ap. 10. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Whole), Ap. 6. For the various orders of the twelve tribes, see Ap. 45.

27-29 (A, p. 36). The Death of Isaac.

27 came. It does not follow that Jacob did not often see Isaac. As soon as Isaac was married, Abraham disappears from the history. It is the same with Isaac when Jacob married: and the same with Jacob when Joseph comes into prominence. They do not appear together in the history: but Abraham is described as "dwelling in tabernacles with Isaac and Jacob" (Heb. 11. 9).

29 and died. Fig. *Synonymia*, Ap. 6, for great emphasis. They all mean the same thing, repeated in other words, to add solemnity to the event.

was gathered. See note on 49. 33. 2 Sam. 12. 23.

maid; Gad, and Asher: these are the sons of Jacob, which were born to him in Padan-aram.

27 And °Jacob °came unto Isaac his father unto Mamre, unto the city of Arbah, which is Hebron, where Abraham and Isaac sojourned.

28 And the days of Isaac were an hundred and fourscore years.

29 And Isaac gave up the ghost, °and died, and °was gathered unto his people, being old

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and full of days: and his sons Esau and Jacob buried him.

G A (p. 51) **36** Now these are THE °GENERATIONS OF ESAU, who is Edom.

B a 2 Esau took his wives of the daughters of Canaan; °Adah the daughter of Elon the Hittite, and °Aholibamah the daughter of Anah the °daughter of Zibeon the Hivite;

c 3 And °Bashemath Ishmael's daughter, sister of Nebajoth.

B a 4 And Adah bare to Esau Eliphaz;

c and Bashemath bare Reuel;

b 5 And Aholibamah bare Jeush, and Jaalam, and Korah: these are the sons of Esau, which were born unto him in the land of Canaan.

A 6 And Esau took his wives, °and his sons, and his daughters, and all the °persons of his house, and his cattle, and all his beasts, and all his substance, which he had got in the land of °Canaan; and went into the country from the face of his brother °Jacob.

7 For their riches were more than that they might dwell together; and the land wherein they were strangers could not bear them because of their cattle.

8 Thus dwelt Esau in mount Seir: °Esau is Edom.

H A 9 °And these are THE GENERATIONS OF ESAU the father of the Edomites IN MOUNT SEIR:

B a¹ 10 These are the names of Esau's sons; Eliphaz the son of Adah the wife of Esau,

b¹ Reuel the son of Bashemath the wife of Esau.

a² 11 And the sons of Eliphaz were °Teman, Omar, Zepho, and Gatam, and Kenaz.

12 And Timna was concubine to Eliphaz Esau's son; and she bare to Eliphaz °Amalek: these were the °sons of Adah Esau's wife.

b² 13 And these are the sons of Reuel; Nahath, and Zerah, Shammah, and Mizzah: these were the sons of Bashemath Esau's wife.

C 14 And these were the sons of Aholibamah, the daughter of Anah the °daughter of Zibeon, Esau's wife: and she bare to Esau Jeush, and Jaalam, and Korah.

B a³ 15 These were °dukes of the sons of Esau: the sons of Eliphaz the firstborn son of Esau; duke Teman, duke Omar, duke Zepho, duke Kenaz,

16 Duke Korah, duke Gatam, and duke Amalek: these are the dukes that came of Eliphaz in the land of Edom; these were the sons of Adah.

b³ 17 And these are the sons of Reuel Esau's son; duke Nahath, duke Zerah, duke Shammah, duke Mizzah: these are the dukes that came of Reuel in the land of Edom; these are the sons of Bashemath Esau's wife.

C 18 And these are the sons of Aholibamah Esau's wife; duke Jeush, duke Jaalam, duke Korah: these were the dukes that came of

36. 1-8 (G, p. 1). THE GENERATIONS OF ESAU (IN CANAAN).

(Introversion and Extended Alternation.)

G A | 1. Esau. In Canaan.
B | a | 2-. Adah.
b | -2. Aholibamah.
c | 3. Bashemath.
B | a | 4-. Adah's son, Eliphaz.
c | -4. Bashemath's son, Reuel.
b | 5. Aholibamah's sons, Jeush, &c.
A | 6 8 Esau. Removal from Canaan.

1 generations. Given here, as no more is to be said about him.

2 Adah. Her second name was Bashemath, 26. 34. Aholibamah. Her second name was Judith, 26. 34; and her father, Anah, got a second name also from his discovery of the hot springs (see note on "mules", 36. 24). In 26. 34, called Hittite, because Hittite included Hivite.

3 Bashemath also had a second name, Mahalath, 28. 9. 6 and. Note the Fig. Polysyndeton, Ap. 6, pointing with emphasis to each item.

persons souls, Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

Canaan. Esau's sons, born in the land went out of it. Jacob's sons, all born out of it and went into it.

Jacob. "Unto Seir" should be added, according to Gb. Heb. Text.

8 Esau is Edom. Should be "Esau, he is Edom".

9 And these. See p. 45.

36. 9-43 (H, p. 1). THE GENERATIONS OF ESAU (IN MOUNT SEIR).

(Introversion and Repeated Alternation.)

H A | 9. Sons of Esau (Edom).
B | a¹ | 10-. Eliphaz, Adah's son.
b¹ | -10. Reuel, Bashemath's son.
a² | 11, 12. Sons of Eliphaz.
b² | 13. Sons of Reuel.
C | 14. Jeush, &c., Aholibamah's sons.
B | a³ | 15, 16. Dukes of Eliphaz (Adah).
b³ | 17. Dukes of Reuel (Bashemath).
C | 18. Dukes of Jeush (Aholibamah).
A | 20-43. Dukes of Edom, &c.

11 Teman. Whence came Eliphaz the Temanite. Job 2. 11; 15. 1.

12 Amalek. One of Israel's bitterest foes, with whom Jehovah has perpetual war, Ex. 17. 8, 14. Cp. Num. 24. 20. Deut. 25. 17-19. The land of A. so-called by Fig. Prolepsis (Ap. 6.), in Gen. 14. 7.

sons. The "sons" of Adah are her son and grandsons.

15 dukes. Heb. chiefs, or, chieftains.

20 who inhabited, &c. The Horites were a branch of the *Nephilim*. See Ap. 23 and 25.

22 children -- sons.

Timna. Cp. v. 12.

24 both. Some codices, with Sam., Sept., and Syr., omit "both".

Aholibamah the daughter of Anah, Esau's wife.

19 These are the sons of Esau, who is Edom, and these are their dukes.

20 These are the sons of Seir the Horite, °who inhabited the land; Lotan, and Shobal, and Zibeon, and Anah,

21 And Dishon, and Ezer, and Dishan: these are the dukes of the Horites, the children of Seir in the land of Edom.

22 And the °children of Lotan were Hori and Hemam; and Lotan's sister was °Timna.

23 And the children of Shobal were these; Alvan, and Manahath, and Ebal, Shepho, and Onam.

24 And these are the children of Zibeon; °both Ajah, and Anah: this was that Anah

that ° found the ° mules in the wilderness, as he fed the asses of Zibeon his father.

25 And the children of Anah were these; Dishon, and Aholibamah the daughter of Anah.

26 And these are the children of Dishon; Hemdan, and Eshban, and Ithran, and Cheran.

27 The children of Ezer are these; Bilhan, and Zaavan, and Akan.

28 The children of Dishan are these; Uz, and Aran.

29 These are the dukes that came of the Horites; duke Lotan, duke Shobal, duke Zibeon, duke Anah,

30 Duke Dishon, duke Ezer, duke Dishan: these are the dukes that came of Hori, among their dukes in the land of Seir.

31 And these are the kings that reigned in the land of Edom, ° before there reigned any king over the children of Israel.

32 And Bela the son of Beor reigned in Edom: and the name of his city was Dinhabah.

33 And Bela died, and Jobab the son of Zerah of Bozrah reigned in his stead.

34 And Jobab died, and Husham of the land of Temani reigned in his stead.

35 And Husham died, and Hadad the son of Bedad, who smote Midian in the field of Moab, reigned in his stead: and the name of his city was Avith.

36 And Hadad died, and Samlah of Masrekah reigned in his stead.

37 And Samlah died, and Saul of Rehoboth by ° the river reigned in his stead.

38 And Saul died, and Baal-hanan the son of Achbor reigned in his stead.

39 And Baal-hanan the son of Achbor died, and Hadar reigned in his stead: and the name of his city was Pau; and his wife's name was Mehetabel, the daughter of Matred, the daughter of Mezahab.

40 And these are the names of the dukes that came of Esau, according to their families, after their places, by their names; duke Timnah, duke Alvah, duke Jetheth,

41 Duke Aholibamah, duke Elah, duke Pinon,

42 Duke Kenaz, duke Teman, duke Mibzar,

43 Duke Magdiel, duke Iram: these be the dukes of Edom, according to their habitations in the land of their possession: he is Esau the father of the Edomites.

A¹ (p. 52) ° 37 And ° Jacob dwelt in the land ° wherein his father was a stranger, in the land of Canaan.

B¹ C a 1727 2 These are the generations of ¹ Jacob. Joseph, being seventeen years old, was feeding the flock with his brethren; and the lad was with the sons of ° Bilhah, and with the sons of ° Zilpah, his father's wives: and Joseph brought unto ° his father their evil report.

3 Now Israel loved Joseph more than all his children, because he was the son of his old age: and he made him a ° coat of many ° colours.

4 And when his brethren saw that their father loved him more than all his ° brethren, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably unto him.

b 5 And Joseph ° dreamed a dream, and he told it his brethren: and they hated him yet the more.

found. Heb. *māzā*, to happen on, discover (not invent); to find (not find out).

mules. Heb. *hayyēmim*, hot springs (with Vulg. and Syr.), hence Anah got the name of Beeri from Beer, a well, cp. 26. 34; and to distinguish him from the Anah of v. 20.

31 before there reigned. The ref. is to 17. 6 and 35. 11. Deut. 17. 14-20.

37 the river. i.e. the Euphrates.

37. The whole chapter, Fig. *Hysterologia*. Ap. 6.
The last of the eleven Toledoth.

37. 1-50. 26 (I, p. 1). THE GENERATIONS OF JACOB (*Repeated Alternation*).

I	A ¹	37. 1. JACOB in Canaan.
	B ¹	37. 2-45. 28. Sons of Jacob. Posterity (Joseph and brethren).
	A ²	46. 1-7. JACOB. Removal to Egypt.
	B ²	46. 8-27. Sons of Jacob. (Posterity.)
	A ³	46. 28-50. 14. JACOB. Settlement and death in Egypt. Removal to Canaan.
	B ³	50. 15-26. Sons of Jacob. Posterity (Joseph and brethren).

37. 2-45. 28 (B¹, above). THE SONS OF JACOB: Joseph and his brethren (*Alternation*).

B ¹	C	37. 2-36. Joseph in Canaan.
	D	38. 1, 30. His brother (Judah).
	C	39. 1-41. 57. Joseph in Egypt.
	D	42. 1-45. 28. His brethren.

37. 2-36 (C, above). JOSEPH IN CANAAN. (*Alternation*.)

C	a	1-4. With his brethren.
	b	5-11. His dreams (communicated).
	a	12-17. Seeking his brethren.
	b	18-36. His dreams (counteracted).

1 Jacob. See notes on 32. 28; 43. 8; 45. 26, 28.

wherein = of his father's sojournings.

2 Bilhah. i.e. Dan and Naphtali, 30. 6-8.

Zilpah. i.e. Gad and Asher, 30. 10-13.

his. Heb. their.

3 coat: with long sleeves, worn only by the chief and his heir. This the first cause of brothers' enmity. See note on 27. 15 and 25. 31.

colours. Not "pieces". Marking it as priestly or royal. Ex. 28. 4, 39; 39. 1. 2 Sam. 13. 18, 19. Ps. 45. 14.

4 brethren. Heb. sons.

5 dreamed a dream. Fig. *Polyptōton*. Ap. 6. For emphasis = had a significant dream.

7 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

in the field = in the midst of the field.

stood upright. Heb. took its stand, or was set upright.

8 shalt thou, &c. Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Cp. the rejection of Moses, Ex. 2. 14; and of Christ, Luke 19. 14.

6 And he said unto them, "Hear, I pray you, this dream which I have dreamed:

7 For, ° behold, we were binding sheaves ° in the field, and, lo, my sheaf arose, and also ° stood upright; and, behold, your sheaves stood round about, and made obeisance to my sheaf."

8 And his brethren said to him, ° "Shalt thou indeed reign over us? or shalt thou indeed have dominion over us?" And they hated him yet the more for his dreams, and for his words.

9 And he dreamed yet another dream, and told it his brethren, and said, ° "Behold, I have dreamed a dream more; and, ° behold, the sun

and the moon and the °eleven stars °made obeisance to me."

10 And he told *it* to his father, and to his brethren: and his father rebuked him, and said unto him, "What *is* this dream that thou hast dreamed? Shall I and thy mother and thy brethren indeed come to bow down ourselves to thee to the earth?"

11 And his brethren envied him; but his father observed the saying.

a 12 And his brethren went to feed °their father's flock in Shechem.

13 And Israel said unto Joseph, "Do not thy brethren feed °the flock in °Shechem? come, and I will send thee unto them." And he said to him, "Here *am* I."

14 And he said to him, "Go, I pray thee, see whether it be well with thy brethren, and well with the flocks; and bring me word again." So he sent him out of the vale of Hebron, and he came to Shechem.

15 And a certain °man found him, and, behold, *he was* wandering in the field: and the man asked him, saying, "What seekest thou?"

16 And he said, "I seek my brethren: tell me, I pray thee, where they feed °their flocks."

17 And the man said, "They are departed hence; for I heard them say, 'Let us go to °Dothan.'" And Joseph went after his brethren, and found them in °Dothan.

b 18 And when they saw him afar off, even before he came near unto them, they °conspired against him to slay him.

19 And they said one to another, "Behold, this °dreamer cometh.

20 Come now therefore, °and let us slay him, and cast him into some pit, and we will say, 'Some evil beast hath devoured him: ' and we shall see what will become of his dreams."

21 And Reuben heard *it*, and he delivered him out of their hands; and said, "Let us not kill °him."

22 And Reuben said unto them, "Shed no blood, *but* cast him into this pit that *is* in the wilderness, and lay no hand upon him;" (°that he might rid him out of their hands, to deliver him to his father again).

23 And it came to pass, when Joseph was come unto his brethren, that they stript Joseph out of his coat, °his coat of many colours that was on him;

24 And they took him, and cast him into a pit: and the pit was empty, *there was* no water in it.

25 And they °sat down to eat bread: and they lifted up their eyes and looked, and, °behold, a °company of °Ishmeelites came from Gilead with their camels bearing spicery and balm and myrrh, going to carry *it* down to Egypt.

26 And Judah said unto his brethren, "What profit *is it* if we slay our brother, and conceal his blood?

27 Come, and let us °sell him to the °Ishmeelites, and let not our hand be upon him; for *he is* our brother *and* our flesh." And his brethren °were content.

1727 28 Then there passed by °Midianites merchantmen; and °they drew and lifted up Joseph out of the pit, and sold Joseph to the

9 eleven stars = the eleven signs of the Zodiac, Joseph being the twelfth. See note on Num. 2. 2. made obeisance. Cp. 42. 6; 43. 26; 44. 14.

12 their father's flock. One of the fifteen expressions with the extraordinary points (see Ap. 31), indicating a doubtful reading, and suggesting that they had gone to feed themselves and make merry.

13 the flock. With the omission in v. 12 these words are unnecessary.

Shechem. Was Jacob afraid after 34. 25-30?

15 man. Heb. 'ish. See Ap. 14. ii.

17 Dothan. On the high road to Egypt for caravans from the East.

18 conspired. Cp. Matt. 27. 1.

19 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

dreamer. Heb. master (or lord, *Baal*) of dreams.

20 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), emphasising the deliberateness of their actions.

21 him = his soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

22 that he might rid him, &c. Fig. *Parenthesis* (Ap. 6), by way of explanation.

23 his coat. See on v. 3.

25 sat down. Showing their indifference. Cp. 42. 21 and Matt. 27. 36.

behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

company = caravan. There was a well-organized trade in sixteenth dynasty.

Ishmeelites. So 39. 1. In vv. 28 and 36 called Midianites. Ishmael was the son of Abraham by Hagar (16. 11, 12); Midian the son of Abraham by Keturah (25. 2). See Judg. 8. 24, 25, where they were mixed together, and were distinguished only by their nose-rings. (Cp. 24. 47; 35. 4. Ex. 32. 2, &c.)

27 sell him. A Judas sold Joseph, and a Judas sold Christ. Slaves were in great demand in Egypt.

were content = hearkened.

28 Midianites. See note on v. 25.

they, i. e. Joseph's brethren.

twenty. The number of disappointed expectancy. See Ap. 10.

30 whither. Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

go = go in, as though to hide himself.

31 killed. Heb. *shahath*. See Ap. 42. i, v.

33 And. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), in vv. 33, 34, to emphasise the successive steps in Jacob's grief.

without doubt. Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6), "tearing he has been torn". Deceived by the blood of a kid, as he had deceived his father with the skin of a kid, 27. 16.

35 all his daughters. See on 30. 21, or it may be *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap. 6, put for all his female relatives and granddaughters.

25 Ishmeelites for °twenty *pieces* of silver: and they brought Joseph into Egypt.

29 And Reuben returned unto the pit; and, 25 behold, Joseph was not in the pit; and he rent his clothes.

30 And he returned unto his brethren, and said, "The child *is* not; and I, °whither shall I °go?"

31 And they took Joseph's coat, and °killed a kid of the goats, and dipped the coat in the blood;

32 And they sent the coat of many colours, and they brought *it* to their father; and said, "This have we found: know now whether it be thy son's coat or no."

33 °And he knew it, and said, "It is my son's coat; an evil beast hath devoured him; Joseph is °without doubt rent in pieces."

34 33 And Jacob rent his clothes, and put sackcloth upon his loins, and mourned for his son many days.

35 33 And all his sons 34 and °all his daughters

rose up to comfort him; but he refused to be comforted; and he said, "For I will go down into the °grave unto my son mourning." Thus his father wept for him.

36 And the ²⁸ Midianites sold him into Egypt unto °Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh's, and °captain of the guard.

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° 38 And it came to pass at that time, that Judah went down from his brethren, and turned in to a °certain Adullamite, whose name was Hirah.

2 And Judah saw there a daughter of a certain °Canaanite, whose name was Shuah; and he took her, and went in unto her.

3 And she conceived, and bare a son; and °he called his name Er.

4 And she conceived again, and bare a son; and she called his name Onan.

5 And she yet again conceived, and bare a son; and called his name Shelah: and °he was at Chezib, when she bare him.

6 And Judah took a wife for Er his firstborn, whose name was Tamar.

7 And Er, Judah's firstborn, was wicked in the °sight of the LORD; and the LORD slew him.

8 And Judah said unto Onan, "Go in unto thy brother's wife, and marry her, and °raise up seed to thy brother."

9 And Onan knew that the seed should not be his; and it came to pass, when he went in unto his brother's wife, that he spilled it on the ground, lest that he should give seed to his brother.

10 And the thing which he did °displeased the LORD: wherefore He slew him also.

11 Then said Judah to Tamar his daughter in law, "Remain a widow at thy father's house, till Shelah my son be grown:" for he said, "Lest peradventure °he die also, as his brethren did." And Tamar went and dwelt in her father's house.

12 And in process of time the daughter of Shuah Judah's wife died; and Judah was comforted, and went up unto his sheepshearers to Timnath, he and his friend Hirah the Adullamite.

13 And it was told Tamar, saying, "Behold thy father in law goeth up to Timnath to shear his sheep."

14 °And she put her widow's garments off from her, and covered her with a vail, and wrapped herself, and sat °in an open place, which is by the way to Timnath; for she saw that Shelah was grown, and she was not given unto him to wife.

15 When Judah saw her, he thought her to be an harlot; because she had covered her face.

16 And he turned unto her by the way, and said, "Go to, I pray thee, let me come in unto thee;" (for he knew not that she was his daughter in law.) And she said, "What wilt thou give me, that thou mayest come in unto me?"

17 And he said, "I will send thee a kid from the flock." And she said, "Wilt thou give me a pledge, till thou send it?"

18 And he said, "What pledge shall I give thee?" And she said, "Thy signet, °and thy bracelets, and thy staff that is in thine hand."

grave. Heb. *Sheöl*, first occ. of word. See Ap. 35.

36 Potiphar = consecrated to Ra: one of the gods of lower Egypt.

captain of the guard. Cp. 2 Kings 25. 8, 11, 20: had charge of police, as well as military duties.

38. 1-30 (D, p. 52). JOSEPH'S BROTHER: JUDAH.

The whole Chapter is the Fig. *Parecbasis* (Ap. 6).

1 certain, &c = a man, an Adullamite. Heb. *'ish*. See Ap. 14. ii.

2 Canaanite. In this was Judah's sin. Cp. 24. 3; 26. 35; 27. 46; 28. 1. Ex. 34. 16. Dent. 7. 3. A warning, and a revelation of the human heart. Note who these Canaanites were! Ap. 23, 25.

3 he, should be "she", with Sept.

7 sight. Heb. eyes. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

8 raise up seed, &c. = a law before Sinai. See Ap. 15. Cp. Dent. 25. 5-9. Ruth 4. 10. Matt. 22. 24. An old and present Eastern law. See Ap. 15.

10 displeased. Heb. was evil in the eyes of Jehovah. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

11 he die also. Judah, an unnatural brother, is punished in his own children.

13 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

14 And. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) emphasising the deliberateness of each action.

in an open place. Heb. "in the entrance to Enaim".

18 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in vv. 18 and 19 marking each act.

19 widowhood. Nine widows mentioned. See Ap. 10 for significance. Tamar, here. Tekoah, 2 Sam. 14. 6. Hiram's mother, 1 Kings 7. 14. Zeruah, 1 Kings 11. 26. Widow of Zarephath, 1 Kings 17. 9. Poor widow, Mark 12. 42. Anna, Luke 2. 37. Widow of Nain, Luke 7. 12. Unfortunate, Luke 18. 3.

21 men. Heb. pl. of *'ish*, or, *'enōsh*. See Ap. 14. iii. openly. Heb. "at Enaim".

24 burnt. This was strictly in accordance with the Code of Khammurabi (§ 157), which was then in force throughout Canaan. See Ap. 15.

25 man. Heb. *'ish*. See Ap. 14. ii.

And he gave it her, and came in unto her, and she conceived by him.

19 And she arose, and went away, and laid by her vail from her, and put on the garments of her °widowhood.

20 And Judah sent the kid by the hand of his friend the Adullamite, to receive his pledge from the woman's hand: but he found her not.

21 Then he asked the °men of that place, saying, "Where is the harlot, that was °openly by the way side?" And they said, "There was no harlot in this place."

22 And he returned to Judah, and said, "I cannot find her; and also the men of the place said, that there was no harlot in this place."

23 And Judah said, "Let her take it to her, lest we be shamed: °behold, I sent this kid, and thou hast not found her."

24 And it came to pass about three months after, that it was told Judah, saying, "Tamar thy daughter in law hath played the harlot; and also, behold, she is with child by whoredom." And Judah said, "Bring her forth, and let her be °burnt."

25 When she was brought forth, she sent to her father in law, saying, "By the °man, whose these are, am I with child:" and she said, "Discern, I pray thee, whose are these, the signet, and bracelets, and staff."

26 And Judah acknowledged them, and said, "She hath been more righteous than I; because

that I gave her not to Shelah my son." And he knew her again °no more.

27 And it came to pass in the time of her travail, that, ¹³ behold, twins were in her womb.

28 And it came to pass, when she travailed, that the one put out his hand: and the midwife took and bound upon his hand a scarlet thread, saying, "This came out first."

29 And it came to pass, as he drew back his hand, that, ¹³ behold, his brother came out: and she said, "How hast thou broken forth? this breach be upon thee:" therefore his name was called °Pharez.

30 And afterward came out his brother, that had the scarlet thread upon his hand: and his name was called °Zarah.

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39 And Joseph was brought down to Egypt; and °Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh, captain of the °guard, an °Egyptian, bought him of the hands of the °Ishmeelites, which had brought him down thither.

2 And the LORD was with Joseph, and he °was a prosperous man; and he was in the house of his master the °Egyptian.

d 3 And his master saw that the LORD was with him, and that the LORD made all that he did to prosper in his hand.

4 And Joseph found grace in his sight, and he °served him: and he made him overseer over his house, and all that he had he put into his °hand.

5 And it came to pass from the time that he had made him overseer in his house, and over all that he had, that the LORD blessed the °Egyptian's house for Joseph's sake; and the blessing of the LORD was upon all that he had °in the house, and in the field.

6 And °he °left all that he had in Joseph's hand; and °he °knew not ought he had, save the °bread which he did °eat.

e f And Joseph °was a °goodly person, and well favoured.

7 And it came to pass after these things, that his master's °wife cast her eyes upon Joseph; and she said, "Lie with me."

g 8 But °he refused, and said unto his master's wife, °"Behold, my master °wotteth not what is with me in the house, and he hath committed all that he hath to my °hand;

9 There is none greater in this house than I; neither hath he kept back any thing from me but thee, because thou art his wife: how then can I do this great °wickedness, and °sin against God?"

10 And it came to pass, as she spake to Joseph day by day, that he hearkened not unto her, to lie by her, or to be with her.

f 11 And it came to pass about this time, that Joseph °went into the house to do his business; and there was none of the °men of the house there within.

12 And she caught him by his °garment, saying, "Lie with me:"

g and he left his garment in her hand, and fled, and got him out.

13 And it came to pass, when she saw that he

26 no more. But God remembered her (Matt. 1. 3).
29 Pharez = "breach".

30 Zarah = "a rising of light", "Offspring", or "Dawn". Both Pharez and Zarah, together with their mother Tamar, are in the genealogy of Christ (Matt. 1. 3). This is why this parenthetical chapter is inserted here. It is here by the Fig. *Parecbasis* (Ap. 6). It comes, historically, before chapter 37.

39. 1-41. 57 (C, p. 52). JOSEPH IN EGYPT.

C | E¹ | 39. 1-40. 23. His humiliation.

E² | 41. 1-57. His exaltation.

39. 1-40. 23 (E¹, above). JOSEPH'S HUMILIATION (*Extended Alternation*).

E¹ | c | 39. 1, 2. In Potiphar's house.

d | 39. 3-6-. Confidence of Potiphar.

e | 39. -6-18. Chastity of Joseph.

c | 39. 19, 20. In Prison.

d | 39. 21-23. Confidence of Jailor.

e | 40. 1-23. Wisdom of Joseph.

39. 1 Potiphar. See note on 37. 36. guard = executioners.

Egyptian. This is emphasised three times (vv. 1, 2, 5); because recent discoveries show that Egypt was at this time under a new dynasty; and emphasis is put on the fact that Potiphar, though an "Egyptian", was retained in high position.

Ishmeelites. See note on chapter 37. 25.

2 was = came to be. See Gen. 1. 2.

4 served = became his personal servant.

hand. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause). Ap. 6. Hand put for care which it takes.

5 in the house, &c. = at home or abroad.

6 he = Potiphar. Fig. *Ellipsis*. Ap. 6. i. a.

left. Heb. *'azab*, a *Homonym*. Its other meaning is "to help". See note on Ex. 23. 5.

knew. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause). Ap. 6. Knowing put for caring for.

bread. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species). Ap. 6. Bread put for all kinds of food.

eat. He knew and cared for that, as the Egyptians might not eat with Hebrews (43. 32).

39. -6-18 (e, above). THE CHASTITY OF JOSEPH. (*Alternation*).

e | f | 6, 7. Potiphar's wife. Request.

g | 8-10. Joseph's Refusal, and Reason.

f | 11, 12-. Potiphar's wife. Request repeated.

g | -12-20. Joseph's Flight, and consequences.

goodly, &c. Exactly what is said of his mother, 29. 17.
7 wife. Egyptian women were not secluded as the Syrian women were. This is shown by the Egyptian paintings of the period.

8 he refused. Joseph (now reckoned the first-born, 1 Ch. 5. 2): thus by his chastity shames the unchastity of Reuben the first-born before.

Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

wotteth not = knoweth not. O. Eng. *Idiom*.

9 wickedness. Heb. *r'ā'a*. See Ap. 44. viii.

sin. Heb. *chāt'ā*. See Ap. 44. i.

11 went into the house. Pictures of an Egyptian house are extant which show the store-room at the back of the house.

men. Heb. pl. of *'ish* or *'enōsh*. Ap. 14.

12 garment. Heb. *beḡed*. Cp. 37. 31, 32. That, to cover the sin of his brethren; this, to cover the sin of Potiphar's wife.

14 See. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

had left his garment in her hand, and was fled forth.

14 That she called unto the men of her house, and spake unto them, saying, °"See, he hath brought in an Hebrew unto us to mock us; he

came in unto me to lie with me, and I cried with a loud voice:

15 And it came to pass, when he heard that I lifted up my voice and cried, that he left his ¹²garment with me, and fled, and got him out."

16 And she laid up his ¹²garment by her, until his lord came home.

17 And she spake unto him according to these words, saying, "The Hebrew servant, which thou hast brought unto us, came in unto me to mock me:

18 And it came to pass, as I lifted up my voice and cried, that he left his ¹²garment with me, and fled out."

19 And it came to pass, when his master heard the words of his wife, which she spake unto him, saying, "After this manner did thy servant to me;" that his wrath was kindied.

20 And Joseph's master took him, and put him into the °prison, a place where the king's prisoners were bound: and he was there in the °prison.

21 But the LORD was with Joseph, and shewed him °mercy, and gave him favour in the sight of the keeper of the prison.

22 And the °keeper of the prison committed to Joseph's hand all the prisoners that were in the prison; and whatsoever they did there, he was the doer of it.

23 The ²²keeper of the prison looked not to any thing that was under his hand; because the LORD was with him, and that which he did, the LORD made it to prosper.

40 And it came to pass after these things, that the °butler of the king of Egypt and his °baker had offended their lord the king of Egypt.

2 And Pharaoh was wroth against two of his officers, against the chief of the butlers, and against the chief of the bakers.

3 And he put them in ward in the house of the captain of the guard, into the prison, the place where Joseph was bound.

4 And the captain of the guard charged Joseph with them, and he served them: and they continued a °season in ward.

5 And they °dreamed a dream both of them, each man his dream in one night, each man according to the interpretation of his dream, the ¹butler and the ¹baker of the king of Egypt, which were bound in the prison.

6 And Joseph came in unto them in the morning, and looked upon them, and, °behold, they were sad.

7 And he asked Pharaoh's officers that were with him in the ward of his lord's house, saying, "Wherefore look ye so sadly to day?"

8 And they said unto him, "We have °dreamed a dream, and there is no interpreter of it." And Joseph said unto them, "Do not interpretations belong to God? tell me them, I pray you."

9 And the chief ¹butler told his dream to Joseph, and said to him, "In my dream, °behold, a vine was before me;

10 And in the vine were three branches: and it was as though it budded, and her blossoms

19 After this manner = According to these words.

20 prison = the house of the fortress.

21 mercy = kindness.

22 keeper = governor.

40. 1-23 (e, p. 55). THE WISDOM OF JOSEPH. (Alternations.)

h Introd. 1-8. His fellow-prisoners and their dreams.

e i | 1 | 9-11. The Butler's dream.
m | 12, 13. Its Interpretation.
k | 14, 15. Joseph's request (made).
i | l | 16, 17. The Baker's dream.
m | 18-22. Its Interpretation.
k | 23. Joseph's request (forgotten).

1 butler = the cupbearer. Neh. 1. 11.

baker. A Papyrus, in the National Library, Paris (nineteenth dynasty), gives the name of a similar officer (Djadja), the chief; and mentions "114,064 loaves made in the white fortress". (See *Records of the Past*, vol. ii, p. 126.)

4 season. Heb. days (Gen. 4. 3) = either "some days" (4. 3), or, perhaps, a year.

5 dreamed a dream. Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6), i. e. had a significant or important dream.

6 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

11 pressed, &c. A religious ceremony, connected with the worship of *Horus*, portrayed in Egyptian paintings. Existence of vines in Egypt has been denied by critics; but now they are seen depicted in paintings. In the cup was honey, or some other liquid, with which the grape juice was mixed.

12 are. Should be "they [are]".

13 lift up thine head = uplift thee, i. e. restore thee to favour. For this was the highest honour that the cupbearer could have.

14 think on me, &c. Cp. Luke 23. 42.

16 white, or, wicker.

shot forth; and the clusters thereof brought forth ripe grapes:

11 And Pharaoh's cup was in my hand: and I took the grapes, and °pressed them into Pharaoh's cup, and I gave the cup into Pharaoh's hand."

12 And Joseph said unto him, "This is the interpretation of it: The three branches °are three days:

13 Yet within three days shall Pharaoh °lift up thine head, and restore thee unto thy place: and thou shalt deliver Pharaoh's cup into his hand, after the former manner when thou wast his butler.

14 But °think on me when it shall be well with thee, and shew kindness, I pray thee, unto me, and make mention of me unto Pharaoh, and bring me out of this house:

15 For indeed I was stolen away out of the land of the Hebrews: and here also have I done nothing that they should put me into the dungeon."

16 When the chief ¹baker saw that the interpretation was good, he said unto Joseph, "3 also was in my dream, and, behold, I had three °white baskets on my head:

17 And in the uppermost basket there was of all manner of bakemeats for Pharaoh; and the birds did eat them out of the basket upon my head."

18 And Joseph answered and said, "This is m

the interpretation thereof: The three baskets ° are three days:

19 Yet within three days shall Pharaoh lift up thy head ° from off thee, and shall hang thee on a tree; and the birds shall eat thy flesh ° from off thee."

20 And it came to pass the third day, which was Pharaoh's ° birthday, that he made a feast unto all his servants: and he lifted up the head of the chief butler and of the chief ° baker among his servants.

21 And he ° restored the chief butler unto his butlership again; and he gave the cup into Pharaoh's hand:

22 But he ° hanged the chief baker: ° as Joseph had interpreted to them.

k (p. 56) 23 Yet did not the chief butler remember Joseph, ° but forgot him.

n¹ o (p. 57) 1715 41 And it came to pass at the end of two full years, that Pharaoh dreamed: and, ° behold, he stood by ° the river.

2 And, ° behold, there came up out of the river ° seven well favoured kine and fatfleshed; and they fed ° in a meadow.

3 And, ° behold, seven other kine came up after them out of the ° river, ill favoured and leanfleshed; and stood by the ° other kine upon the brink of the ° river.

4 And the ill favoured and leanfleshed kine did eat up the seven well favoured and fat kine. So Pharaoh awoke.

p 5 And he slept and dreamed the second time: and, ° behold, ° seven ears of corn came up upon one stalk, ° rank and good.

6 And, ° behold, seven thin ears and blasted with the ° east wind sprung up after them.

7 And the seven thin ears devoured the seven rank and full ears. And Pharaoh awoke, and, behold, it was a dream.

q 8 And it came to pass in the morning that his ° spirit was troubled; and he sent and called for all the ° magicians of Egypt, and all the wise men thereof: and Pharaoh told them his dream; but there was none that could interpret them unto Pharaoh.

9 Then spake the chief butler unto Pharaoh, saying, "I do ° remember my faults this day:

10 Pharaoh was wroth with his servants, and put me in ward in the captain of the guard's house, both me and the chief baker:

11 And we dreamed a dream in one night, I and he; we dreamed each ° man according to the interpretation of his dream.

12 And there was there with us a young man, an Hebrew, servant to the captain of the guard; and we told him, and he interpreted to us our dreams; to each man according to his dream he did interpret.

13 And it came to pass, ° as he interpreted to us, so it was; me ° he restored unto mine office, and him ° he hanged."

14 Then Pharaoh sent and called Joseph, and they ° brought him hastily out of the dungeon: and he ° shaved himself, and changed his raiment, and came in unto Pharaoh.

15 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, "I have ° dreamed a dream, and there is none that can interpret it: and I have heard say of thee, that

18 are = "they [are]."

19 from off thee. Contrast this with v. 13.

20 birthday. These were observed with great ceremony and state. Critics have supposed it to be only a Persian custom. The Rosetta stone contains a decree concerning the keeping of the birthday feast of Ptolemy Epiphanes. Other evidence is also forthcoming.

21 restored. Cp. v. 13, and see 41. 13.

22 hanged. Cp. v. 19, and see 41. 13.

as = according as.

23 but forgot him. Fig. Pleonasm. Ap. 6. Used for great emphasis. Cp. Amos 6. 6.

41. 1-57 (E², p. 55). JOSEPH'S EXALTATION.

| n¹ | 1-36 Prediction.

| n² | 37-57. Fulfilment.

41. 1-36 (n¹, above). PREDICTION
(Extended Alternation.)

n¹ o | 1-4. Dream of the kine } dreamt.

p | 5-7. Dream of the ears } related.

q | 8-16. Interpretation sought.

o | 17-21. Dream of the kine } related.

p | 21-24. Dream of the ears } related.

q | 25-36. Interpretation given.

1 behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

the river: i.e. the Nile.

2 seven . . . kine. The cow was the emblem of Isis. In the Egyptian "Book of the Dead", Osiris is represented as a bull, accompanied by seven cows. (British Museum.) This was the basis of the dream, and gave it such significance and mystery.

in a meadow—among the rushes, or reeds. 'āhū, probably an Egyptian word.

3 seven ears. Unknown to us; but common in Egypt with the *Triticum compositum*. rank = fat.

6 east wind. In Egypt the prevailing winds are N. and S.: in Palestine E. and W. The wind here is the *Chamsin* (Heb. *kadim*), which is S.E., and is a blighting wind. Hebrews had only the four quarters. Had it said here S., it would have meant nothing, but E. conveys the nature of the wind, especially as evil was supposed to come from the E. and good from the W., as in other countries.

8 spirit. Heb. *ruach*. See Ap. 9.

magicians. Priests were divided into four classes; and five priests chosen from them were the king's councillors.

9 remember = bring to [Pharaoh's] remembrance.

11 man. Heb. 'ish. See Ap. 14. ii.

13 as = according as.

he restored: he = Joseph. Fig. Metonymy (of Subject). Ap. 6. i.e. he declared I should be restored.

he hanged: he = Joseph. Fig. Metonymy (of Subject). Ap. 6. = declared he would be hanged.

14 brought him hastily out. Heb. made him run. shaved. The beard was a disgrace in Egypt; shaving a disgrace in Palestine. Cp. 2 Sam. 10. 4.

15 dreamed a dream. Fig. Polypytoton. Ap. 6. = I have had a significant dream.

16 God. Heb. Elohim (Ap. 4).

17 the river = the Nile.

thou canst understand a dream to interpret it."

16 And Joseph answered Pharaoh, saying, "It is not in me: ° God shall give Pharaoh an answer of peace."

17 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, "In my dream, behold, I stood upon the bank of ° the river:

18 And, ° behold, there came up out of the river ° seven kine, fatfleshed and well favoured; and they fed ° in a meadow:

19 And, ° behold, seven other kine came up after them, poor and very ill favoured and lean-

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fleshed, such as I never saw in all the land of Egypt for badness:

20 And the lean and the ill favoured kine did eat up the first seven fat kine:

21 And when they had eaten them up, it could not be known that they had eaten them; but they were still ill favoured, as at the beginning.

So I awoke.

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22 And I saw in my dream, and, ¹ behold, seven ears came up in one stalk, full and good:

23 And, ¹ behold, seven ears, withered, thin, and blasted with the east wind, sprung up after them:

24 And the thin ears devoured the seven good ears: and I told *this* unto the magicians; but there was none that could declare it to me."

25 And Joseph said unto Pharaoh, "The dream of Pharaoh ^o is one: ¹⁶ God hath shewed Pharaoh what He *is* about to do.

26 The seven good kine ^o are seven years; and the seven good ears *are* seven years: the dream *is* one.

27 And the seven thin and ill favoured kine that came up after them *are* seven years; and the seven empty ears blasted with the ^o east wind shall be seven years of famine.

28 *This is* the thing which I have spoken unto Pharaoh: What ¹⁶ God *is* about to do He sheweth unto Pharaoh.

29 ^o Behold, there come seven years of great plenty throughout all the land of Egypt:

30 And there shall arise after them ^o seven years of famine; and all the plenty shall be forgotten in the land of Egypt; and the famine shall consume ^o the land;

31 And the plenty shall not be known in the land by reason of that famine following; for it *shall be* very grievous.

32 And for that the dream was ^o doubled unto Pharaoh ^o twice; *it is* because the thing *is* established by ¹⁶ God, and ¹⁶ God will shortly bring it to pass.

33 Now therefore let Pharaoh look out a ^o man discreet and wise, and set him over the land of Egypt.

34 Let Pharaoh ^o do *this*, and let him appoint officers over the land, and take up the fifth part of the land of Egypt in the seven plentiful years.

35 And let them gather all the food of those good years that come, and lay up corn under the hand of Pharaoh, and let them keep food in the cities.

36 And that food shall be for store to the land against the seven years of famine, which shall be in the land of Egypt; that the ³⁰ land perish not through the famine."

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37 And the thing was good in the eyes of Pharaoh, and in the eyes of all his servants.

38 And Pharaoh said unto his servants, "Can we find *such a one* as this *is*, a ³³ man in whom ^o the spirit of ¹⁶ God *is*?"

39 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, "Forasmuch as ¹⁶ God hath shewed *thee* all this, *there is* none so discreet and wise as thou *art*:"

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40 Thou shalt be over my house, and according unto thy ^o word shall all my people ^o be ruled: only in the throne will I be ^o greater than thou."

25 *is*. Heb. "it [is]".

26 *are*. Heb. "they [are]".

30 seven years. This explains and confirms the hieroglyphic inscription discovered by Wilbour at Sehêl (first cataract). It is referred to in another inscription in the tomb of Baba, at El-Kab, translated by Brugsch (*History of Egypt*, i, 304). In July 1908, Brugsch Bey discovered inscriptions which tell how "for seven successive years the Nile did not overflow, and vegetation withered and failed; that the land was devoid of crops, and that during these years, famine and misery devastated the land of Egypt". The date is given as 1700 B.C., which cannot be earlier, therefore, than the last year of the famine. The last year of the seven years of plenty was in B.C. 1708, according to Ussher (Gen. 41. 53), with which the inscription agrees. See further, Ap. 37. the land. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject). Ap. 6. i.e. the people in the land.

32 doubled. To denote its establishment by God. Cp. Isa. 40. 2; 61. 7. Jer. 16. 18; 17. 18. Zech. 9. 12. Rev. 18. 6.

twice. Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) = "[and sent] twice."

33 man. Heb. ¹⁸sh. Ap. 14. ii.

34 do this = take action.

41. 37-56 (n², p. 57). FULFILMENT. (Repeated Alternation.)

n² r¹ | 37-46. Joseph's Exaltation.
s¹ | 47-49. Dream of ears fulfilled.
r² | 50-52. Joseph's Fruitfulness.
s² | 53-56-. Dream of kine fulfilled.
r³ | -56, 57. Joseph's Authority.

38 the spirit. Heb. *ruach*. Ap. 9. No art. = a Divine spirit or inspiration. Pharaoh knew nothing of Biblical Psychology.

40 word. Heb. mouth. *Metonymy* (of Cause). Ap. 6. Mouth is put for the commands uttered by it. be ruled. Heb. *nashak*, to bend (as a bow). Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct). Ap. 6. = bend put for submit. See v. 43, below, "Bow the knee", and note on "kiss", Ps. 2. 12.

greater. Cp. 45. 8.

41 all. Apepi only recently ruled over all. Before this he had reigned with his father and grandfather. So the Monuments.

42 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in vv. 42 and 43, emphasising each act.

43 they. Some codices, with Sam., Sept., and Syr., read "one".

Bow the knee. This is not Heb. "tender father", as A.V. marg., but Egyptian. *Abrek* = bend or bow the knee. See v. 40 above, and Ps. 2. 12. Cp. 45. 8, and John 8. 8 in Coptic N.T. ("stooped down"). A command still used in Egypt to make camels kneel ("Abrok"). According to Sayce, *Abrek* is a Sumerian title = "The Seer". This would demand prostration.

45 Zaphnath-paaneah. This, too, is not Heb., but Egyptian. *Zap* = abundance; *nt* (*nath*) = of; *pa* = the; *aneh* = life. The whole name = abundance of life, or, of food for the living.

41 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, "See, I have set thee over ^o all the land of Egypt."

42 And Pharaoh took off his ring from his hand, ^o and put it upon Joseph's hand, and arrayed him in vestures of fine linen, and put a gold chain about his neck;

43 And he made him to ride in the second chariot which he had; and ^o they cried before him, ^o "Bow the knee:" and he made him ruler over all the land of Egypt.

44 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, "*I am* Pharaoh, and without thee shall no man lift up his hand or foot in all the land of Egypt."

45 And Pharaoh called Joseph's name ^o Zaphnath-paaneah; and he gave him to wife

°Asenath the daughter of °Poti-pherah priest of On. And Joseph went out over *all* the land of Egypt.

46 And Joseph *was* thirty years old when he stood before Pharaoh king of Egypt. And Joseph went out from the presence of Pharaoh, and went throughout all the land of Egypt.

^{s1} (p. 58) 47 And in the seven plenteous years the earth brought forth by handfuls.

48 And he gathered up °all the food of the seven years, °which were in the land of Egypt, and laid up the food in the cities: the food of the field, which *was* round about every city, laid he up in the same.

49 And Joseph gathered corn as the °sand of the sea, very much, until he left numbering; for *it was* without number.

^{r2} 50 And unto Joseph were born two sons before the years of famine came, which Asenath the daughter of Poti-pherah priest of On bare unto him.

51 And Joseph called the °name of the first-born °Manasseh: "For ¹⁶ God," said he, "hath made me °forget all my °toil, and all my father's house."

52 And the name of the second called he °Ephraim: "For ¹⁶ God hath caused me °to be fruitful in the land of my affliction."

^{s2} 53 And the seven years of plenteousness, that °was in the land of Egypt, were ended.

1707 to 1701 54 And the seven years of °dearth began to come, according ³⁰ as Joseph had said: and the dearth was in all lands; but in all the land of Egypt there was bread.

55 And when all the land of Egypt was famished, the people cried to Pharaoh for bread: and Pharaoh said unto all the Egyptians, "Go unto Joseph; what he saith to you, do."

56 And the famine was over all the face of the earth:

^{r3} And Joseph opened all the storehouses, and sold unto the Egyptians; and the famine waxed sore in the land of Egypt.

57 And °all countries came into Egypt to Joseph for to buy corn; because that the famine was so sore in °all lands.

^{D F t} (p. 59) 42 Now when Jacob saw that there was corn in Egypt, Jacob said unto his sons, °"Why do ye look one upon another?"

2 And he said, °"Behold, I have heard that there is corn in Egypt: get you down thither, and buy for us from thence; that we may live, °and not die."

^{u z} 3 And Joseph's ten brethren went down to buy corn °in Egypt.

^a 4 But Benjamin, Joseph's brother, Jacob sent not with his brethren; for he said, "Lest peradventure mischief befall him."

^v 5 And the sons of Israel came to buy corn among those that came: for the famine was in the land of Canaan.

^w 6 And Joseph °was the governor over the land, and *he it was* that sold to all the people of the land: and Joseph's brethren came, and

Asenath = an Egyptian name.

Poti-pherah. The Egyptian priest of On = "City of the Sun", called in Heb. *Aven* and *Bethshemesh* (Jer. 43. 13), and in Greek *Heliopolis*. It was the university of Old Egypt.

48 all the food. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Whole), food put for corn. (Ap. 6).

which were. Sam. and Sept. read "in which there was plenty".

49 sand, &c. Fig. *Parœmia* (Ap. 6).

51 name. Fig. *Pleonasm* (Ap. 6).

Manasseh . . . forget. Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). Heb. *Manash-sheh* . . . *nashshani*.

toil. Heb. *'amal*. Ap. 44. v.

52 Ephraim . . . to be fruitful. Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). *Ephraim* . . . *hiphrani*.

53 was = came to pass. See note on 1. 2.

54 dearth. One of 13 famines. See note on 12. 10.

57 all countries. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject). Ap. 6. i.e. people from all countries.

all lands. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Whole). Ap. 6. i.e. all neighbouring lands.

42. 1—45. 28 (D, p. 52). JOSEPH'S BRETHREN. (Extended Alternation, with Introversion.)

D	F	t		42. 1, 2.	Commission to buy corn.
	u		z		3. Journey.
		a		4.	Benjamin left.
		v		5.	Arrival.
		w		6-24.	Meeting with Joseph.
		x		25, 26.	Dismissal.
		y		27-38.	Return.
F	t		43. 1, 2.	Commission to buy corn.	
	u		a		3-15-. Benjamin taken.
		z		-15-. Journey.	
		v		-15.	Arrival.
		w		16-34.	Meeting with Joseph.
		x		44. 1—45. 24.	Dismissal.
		y		45. 25-28.	Return.

42. 1 Why . . . ? &c. Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. That is what we all too often do when in trouble or difficulty.

2 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

and not die. Fig. *Pleonasm*. Ap. 6, for emphasis.

3 in Egypt. Some Codices read "from the Egyptians".

6 was. Heb. "he [was]".

bowed down. Cp. 37. 7, 8.

7 roughly. Each step in Joseph's treatment must be noted, all tending to one end: viz.: to bring them back to the pit at Dothan, convict them of their sin, and compel their confession of it. That climax is not reached till verse 21. Judah's words voice it, 44. 18-34.

9 remembered. Cp. 37. 5, 9.

nakedness. Fig. *Proscopœia*. Ap. 6.

11 We are, &c. Heb. "all of us the sons of one man [are] we".

man's. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. ii.

°bowed down themselves before him *with* their faces to the earth.

7 And Joseph saw his brethren, and he knew them, but made himself strange unto them, and spake °roughly unto them; and he said unto them, "Whence come ye?" And they said, "From the land of Canaan to buy food."

8 And Joseph knew his brethren, but they knew not him.

9 And Joseph °remembered the dreams which he dreamed of them, and said unto them, "Ye are spies; to see the °nakedness of the land ye are come."

10 And they said unto him, "Nay, my lord, but to buy food are thy servants come."

11 We are all one °man's sons; we are true men, thy servants are no spies."

12 And he said unto them, "Nay, but to see the nakedness of the land ye are come."

13 And they said, "Thy servants are twelve brethren, the sons of one man in the land of Canaan; and, behold, the youngest is this day with our father, and one is not."

14 And Joseph said unto them, "That is it that I spake unto you, saying, 'Ye are spies:'"

15 Hereby ye shall be proved: By the life of Pharaoh ye shall not go forth hence, except your youngest brother come hither.

16 Send one of you, and let him fetch your brother, and ye shall be kept in prison, that your words may be proved, whether there be any truth in you: or else by the life of Pharaoh surely ye are spies."

17 And he put them all together into ward three days.

18 And Joseph said unto them the third day, "This do, and live; for I fear God:

19 If ye be true men, let one of your brethren be bound in the house of your prison: go ye, carry corn for the famine of your houses:

20 But bring your youngest brother unto me; so shall your words be verified, and ye shall not die." And they did so.

21 And they said one to another, "We are verily guilty concerning our brother, in that we saw the anguish of his soul, when he besought us, and we would not hear; therefore is this distress come upon us."

22 And Reuben answered them, saying, "Spake I not unto you, saying, 'Do not sin against the child;' and ye would not hear? therefore, behold, also his blood is required."

23 And they knew not that Joseph understood them; for he spake unto them by an interpreter.

24 And he turned himself about from them, and wept; and returned to them again, and communed with them, and took from them Simeon, and bound him before their eyes.

x (p. 59) 25 Then Joseph commanded to fill their sacks with corn, and to restore every man's money into his sack, and to give them provision for the way: and thus did he unto them.

26 And they laded their asses with the corn, and departed thence.

y 27 And as one of them opened his sack to give his ass provender in the inn, he espied his money; for, behold, it was in his sack's mouth.

28 And he said unto his brethren, "My money is restored; and, lo, it is even in my sack:" and their heart failed them, and they were afraid, saying one to another, "What is this that God hath done unto us?"

29 And they came unto Jacob their father unto the land of Canaan, and told him all that befell unto them; saying,

30 "The man, who is the lord of the land, spake roughly to us, and took us for spies of the country.

31 And we said unto him, 'We are true men; we are no spies:

32 We be twelve brethren, sons of our father; one is not, and the youngest is this day with our father in the land of Canaan.'

33 And the man, the lord of the country, said unto us, 'Hereby shall I know that ye are true

13 the sons. Heb "we [are]". See note on v. 11.

15 proved. Joseph, from his high position, could make very strict inquiry.

17 put them . . . into ward. Second step: to alarm.

18 live. Fig. *Heterosis* (of Mood). Ap. 6. Heb. "this do and ye shall live". Imp. for Ind.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4.

21 guilty. The treatment begins to take effect. his soul. Heb. *nephesh* (Ap. 13). His anguish emphasised.

22 Reuben. See 37. 21.

Spake. Cp. 37. 21. Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

sin. Heb. *chatah*. See Ap. 44. i.

23 understood. Heb. was listening.

he spake, &c.=for the interpreter was between them.

24 Simeon. Probably because his cruel nature (34. 25, cp. 49. 5) made him the deviser of the evil.

25 man's. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. ii. The third step.

28 lo. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

failed them. Heb. "went out". Fig. *Hyperbole* (Ap. 6).

What . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

30 roughly. Cp. v. 7.

took us for. Or; set us down as.

31 are no spies. Heb. have never proved spies.

32 one is not. Some codices, with Sam. and Syr., read "but the one is not". And this is all they have to say of Gen. 37. 28!

33 food. Aram. and Sept. read "corn".

34 so will I, &c. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "and your brother will I deliver up to you".

36 of my children. No *Ellipsis*. These italics unnecessary.

38 then, &c. Fig. *Euphemismos* (Ap. 6), for "then shall ye kill me".

bring down. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), i.e. ye will be the cause of it. Ap. 6.

my gray hairs. Fig. *Metonymy* (of the Adjunct). Ap. 6. i.e. "me in my old age".

the grave. Heb. *Sheol*. See note on 37. 35 and Ap. 35.

men; leave one of your brethren here with me, and take food for the famine of your households, and be gone:

34 And bring your youngest brother unto me: then shall I know that ye are no spies, but that ye are true men: so will I deliver you your brother, and ye shall traffick in the land."

35 And it came to pass as they emptied their sacks, that, behold, every man's bundle of money was in his sack: and when both they and their father saw the bundles of money, they were afraid.

36 And Jacob their father said unto them, "We have ye bereaved of my children: Joseph is not, and Simeon is not, and ye will take Benjamin away: all these things are against me."

37 And Reuben spake unto his father, saying, "Slay my two sons, if I bring him not to thee: deliver him into my hand, and I will bring him to thee again."

38 And he said, "My son shall not go down with you; for his brother is dead, and he is left alone: if mischief befall him by the way in the which ye go, then shall ye bring down my gray hairs with sorrow to the grave."

43 And the famine was sore in the land. 2 And it came to pass, when they had eaten up the corn which they had brought out

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of Egypt, their father said unto them, "Go again, buy us a little food."

u a 3 And Judah spake unto him, saying, "The
(p. 59) °man °did solemnly protest unto us, saying,
'Ye shall not see my face, except your brother
be with you.'

4 If thou wilt send our brother with us, we will go down and buy thee food:

5 But if thou wilt not send *him*, we will not go down: for the °man said unto us, 'Ye shall not see my face, except your brother be with you.'"

6 And °Israel said, "Wherefore dealt ye so °ill with me, as to tell the °man whether ye had yet a brother?"

7 And they said, "The °man °asked us straitly of our state, and of our kindred, saying, 'Is your father yet alive? have ye another brother?' and we told him according to the °tenor of these words: °could we certainly know that he would say, 'Bring your brother down?'"

8 °And Judah said unto °Israel his father, "Send the lad with me, and we will arise and go; that we may live, and not die, both we, and thou, and also our little ones.

9 I will be surety for him; of my hand shalt thou require him: if I bring him not unto thee, and set him before thee, then let me bear the blame °for ever:

10 For except we had lingered, surely now we had returned this second time."

11 And their father °Israel said unto them, "If it must be so now, do this; take of the °best fruits in the land in your vessels, and carry down the °man a present, a little balm, and a little honey, spices, and myrrh, nuts, and almonds:

12 And take double money in your hand; and the money that was brought again in the mouth of your sacks, carry it again in your hand; peradventure it was an oversight:

13 Take also your brother, and arise, go again unto the °man:

14 And °GOD ALMIGHTY give you °mercy before the °man, that he may send away your other brother, and Benjamin. If I be bereaved of my children, I am bereaved."

15 And the °men took that present, °and they took double money in their hand, and Benjamin;

u z and rose up, and went down to Egypt,

v and stood before Joseph.

w 16 And when Joseph saw Benjamin with them, he said to the ruler of his °house, "Bring these °men home, and °slay, and make ready; for these men shall dine with me at noon."

17 And the °man did °as Joseph bade; and the °man brought the °men into Joseph's house.

18 And the °men were afraid, because they were brought into Joseph's house; and they said, "Because of the money that was returned in our sacks at the first time are we brought in; that he may seek occasion against us, and fall upon us, and take us for bondmen, and our asses."

19 And they came near to the steward of Joseph's house, and they communed with him at the door of the house,

43. 3-5. Note the *Introversion* in this Colloquy.

a | 3. Judah's words.

b | 4. Jacob's act.

b | 5. Jacob's act.

a | -5. Joseph's words.

3 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. ii.

did solemnly protest. Heb. "protesting he protested". Fig. *Polyptoton* (Ap. 6). See note on 26. 28.

6 Israel. Note the name. Jacob is used of his weakness (42. 36, &c.), Israel of his resignation to God's will. In this use of the names Jacob and Israel, men might well invent a Jacobite and Israelite authorship, as well as an Elohist and Jehovist theory!

ill. Heb. R'a'a. See Ap. 44. viii.

7 asked us straitly. Heb. "asking he asked us". Fig. *Polyptoton* (Ap. 6). See note on v. 3 above, and 26. 28.

t nor. Heb. mouth. Fig. *Pleonasm*. Ap. 6.

could we certainly know. Heb. "knowing could we know". Fig. *Polyptoton* (Ap. 6). See note on 26. 28.

8 And. Note the *Polysyndeton* in this verse.

9 for ever. Heb. "all the days".

11 best fruits in the land. Heb. "the praise of the land". Fig. *Metonymy* (of the Cause). Ap. 6. "Praise" put for the choice fruits which called forth the praise.

14 God Almighty. Heb. *El Shaddai*. Ap. 4. VII.

mercy. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause). Ap. 6. Mercy put for the favours shown.

15 men. Heb. pl. of 'ish, or 'enosh. Ap. 14. iii.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in v. 15.

16 house. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject). Ap. 6. House put for the servants of it.

slay. Heb. "slay a slaying". Fig. *Polyptoton*. Ap. 6. - slay abundantly.

17 as - according as.

20 we came indeed. Heb. "coming down we came down". Fig. *Polyptoton*. Ap. 6. See note on 26. 28.

23 Peace. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species). Ap. 6. Peace put for all its blessings.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4.

treasure - hidden or secret treasure.

25 bread. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species). Ap. 6. Bread put for all kinds of food.

26 bowed themselves. Some codices, with Sept. and Vulg., add "with their faces". Cp. 37. 7, 8.

20 And said, "O sir, °we came indeed down at the first time to buy food:

21 And it came to pass, when we came to the inn, that we opened our sacks, and, behold, every man's money was in the mouth of his sack; our money in full weight: and we have brought it again in our hand.

22 And other money have we brought down in our hands to buy food: we cannot tell who put our money in our sacks."

23 And he said, °"Peace be to you, fear not: your °God, and the °God of your father, hath given you °treasure in your sacks: I had your money." And he brought Simeon out unto them.

24 And the °man brought the °men into Joseph's house, and gave them water, and they washed their feet; and he gave their asses provender.

25 And they made ready the present against Joseph came at noon: for they heard that they should eat °bread there.

26 And when Joseph came home, they brought him the present which was in their hand into the house, and °bowed themselves to him to the earth.

27 And he asked them of their welfare, and

said, "Is ° your father well, the old man of whom ye spake? Is he yet alive?"

28 And they answered, "Thy servant our father is in good health, he is yet alive." And they ° bowed down their heads, and made obeisance.

29 And he lifted up his eyes, and saw his brother ° Benjamin, his mother's son, and said, "Is this your younger brother, of whom ye spake unto me?" And he said, ²³ "God be gracious unto thee, my son."

30 And Joseph made haste; for his bowels did yearn upon his brother: and he sought where to weep; and he entered into his chamber, and ° wept there.

31 And he washed his face, and went out, and refrained himself, and said, "Set on ²⁵ bread."

32 And they set on for him by himself, and for them by themselves, and for the Egyptians, which did eat with him, by themselves: because the Egyptians might not eat bread with the Hebrews; for that is an abomination unto the Egyptians.

33 And ° they sat before him, the ° firstborn according to his birthright, and the ° youngest according to his youth: and the ° men ° marvelled one at another.

34 And he ° took and sent messes unto them from before him: but Benjamin's mess was ° five times so much as any of theirs. And they drank, and ° were merry with him.

x b d (p. 59) **44** And he commanded the steward of his house, saying, "Fill the ° men's sacks with food, as much as they can carry, and put every man's money in his sack's mouth.

2 And put my ° cup, the silver cup, in the sack's mouth of the ° youngest, and his corn money." And he did according to the word that Joseph had spoken.

e 3 As soon as the morning was light, the men were sent away, they and their asses.

d 4 And when they were gone out of the city, and not yet far off, Joseph said unto his steward, "Up, follow after the ° men; and when thou dost overtake them, say unto them, ° 'Wherefore have ye rewarded evil for good?'

5 Is not this it in which my lord drinketh, and whereby indeed he ° divineth? ye have done ° evil in so doing."

6 And he overtook them, and he spake unto them these same words.

7 And they said unto him, "Wherefore saith my lord these words? ° God forbid that thy servants should do according to this thing:

8 ° Behold, the money, which we found in our sacks' mouths, we brought again unto thee out of the land of Canaan: how then should we steal out of thy lord's house silver or gold?

9 With whomsoever of thy servants it be found, both ° let him die, and we also will be my lord's bondmen."

10 And he said, "Now also let it be according unto your words: he with whom it is found shall be my servant; and ye shall be blameless."

11 Then they speedily took down every ° man his sack to the ground, and opened every ° man his sack.

12 And he searched, and began at the eldest,

27 your father . . . the old man = your aged father. 28 bowed down, &c. Cp. ch. 37. 7-10.

29 Benjamin. Now twenty-two, and father of ten sons. Cp. 46. 21.

30 wept. See note on 42. 24.

31 they sat. Egyptian pictures show that it was the custom to sit at meals.

firstborn. Joseph thus showing that he knew their ages and order, and causing them to marvel.

youngest, &c. This was to try them, and see whether they were still "moved with envy". Cp. 37. 4, 8, 11, 18. It was also a type of the coming day, when the true Joseph will be able to do for the scattered and mingled tribes what was done here for the tribal heads. Cp. Zech. 12. 9-14.

men. Heb. pl. of 'ish, or 'enosh. Ap. 14. iii. marvelled [and looked] at one another. Fig. Ellipsis (Ap. 6), thus supplied.

34 took and sent, &c. Heb. "lifted liftings". Fig. Polypotton (Ap. 6), for emphasis = sent choice portions. five times. The number of grace. See Ap. 10, and cp. 41. 34; 45. 22; 47. 2, 24.

were merry. Heb. drank abundantly. Cp. Hag. 1. 6. John 2. 10.

44. 1-45. 20 (Fx, p. 59). THE DISMISSAL OF JOSEPH'S BRETHREN (Introversion).

x | b | 44. 1-13. Feigned Dismissal.
c | 44. 14-34. Brethren's explanation to Joseph.
c | 45. 1-16. Joseph's explanation to Brethren.
b | 45. 17-24. Actual Dismissal.

1-14 (b, above). FEIGNED DISMISSAL (Alternation).

b | d | 1, 2. The Cup concealed.
e | 3. The sending away.
d | 4-12. The Cup found.
e | 13, 14. The return.

15-34 (c, above). THE CUP SOUGHT (Alternation).

c | f | 15. Joseph.
g | 16. Judah.
f | 17. Joseph.
g | 18-34. Judah.
1 men. Heb. pl. of 'ish, or 'enosh. Ap. 14. iii.
2 cup. Heb. g'bi'a, out of which wine was poured: distinguishing from the smaller cups from which it was drunk. Jer. 35. 5.
youngest. This was the fourth step to try them, and to prove whether they were the same brethren still, and would treat Benjamin as they had treated Joseph.
4 Wherefore. Fig. Erotēsis. Ap. 6. Sept. and Syr. insert "Wherefore then have ye the silver cup?"
5 divineth. This was to confirm their belief that Joseph was an Egyptian. Emphasised by Fig. Polypotton (Ap. 6). Heb. divining he divineth.
evil. Heb. R'a'a. See Ap. 44. viii.
7 God forbid. No word for "God" here. Heb. = Far be it from thy servants.
8 Behold. Fig. Asterismos (Ap. 6).
9 let him die. This was the penalty in the Code of Khammurabi, with which they were acquainted in Canaan (§ 6); death for stealing from a palace. Property more sacred than life.
11 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. ii.

and left at the youngest: and the ° cup was found in Benjamin's sack.

13 Then they rent their clothes, and laded every man his ass, and returned to the city.

14 And Judah and his brethren came to Joseph's house; for ye was yet there: and they fell before him on the ground.

15 And Joseph said unto them, "What deed

c f (p. 62)

is this that ye have done? wot ye not that such a man as I can certainly divine?"

g (p. 62) 16 And Judah said, "What shall we say unto my lord? what shall we speak? or how shall we clear ourselves? ° God hath found out the ° iniquity of thy servants: behold, we *are* my lord's servants, both *we*, and *he* also with whom the cup is found."

f 17 And he said, "God forbid that I should do so: *but* the man in whose hand the cup is found, *he* shall be my servant; and as for *you*, get you up in peace unto your father."

g 18 Then ° Judah came near unto him, and said, "Oh my lord, let thy servant, I pray thee, speak a word in my lord's ears, and let not thine anger burn against thy servant: for thou *art* even as Pharaoh."

19 My lord asked his servants, saying, 'Have ye a father, or a brother?'

20 And we said unto my lord, 'We have a father, an old man, and a child of his old age, a little one; and his brother is dead, and *he* alone is left of his mother, and his father loveth him.'

21 And thou saidst unto thy servants, 'Bring him down unto me, that I may set mine eyes upon him.'

22 And we said unto my lord, 'The lad cannot leave his father: for *if* he should leave his father, *his father* would die.'

23 And thou saidst unto thy servants, 'Except your youngest brother come down with you, ye shall see my face no more.'

24 And it came to pass when we came up unto thy servant my father, we told him the words of my lord.

25 And our father said, 'Go again, *and* buy us a little food.'

26 And we said, 'We cannot go down: if our youngest brother be with us, then will we go down: for we may not see the man's face, except our youngest brother *be* with us.'

27 And thy servant my father said unto us, 'Ye know that my wife bare me two *sons*:'

28 And the one went out from me, and ° I said, 'Surely he is torn in pieces;' and I saw him not since:

29 And if ye take this also from me, and mischief befall him, ye shall bring down ° my gray hairs with sorrow to ° the grave.'

30 Now therefore when I come to thy servant my father, and the lad *be* not with us; seeing that his ° life is bound up in the lad's ° life;

31 It shall come to pass, when he seeth that the lad *is* not ° with us, that he will die: and thy servants shall bring down ° the gray hairs of thy servant our father with sorrow to ° the grave.

32 For thy servant became surety for the lad unto my father, saying, 'If I bring him not unto thee, then I shall bear the blame to my father for ever.'

33 Now therefore, I pray thee, let thy servant abide instead of the lad a bondman to my lord; and let the lad go up with his brethren.

34 For how shall I go up to my father, and the lad *be* not with me? lest peradventure I ° see the evil that shall ° come on my father."

16 What . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6).

God hath found out. This confession was what Joseph had been labouring to procure. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4.

iniquity. Heb. 'avōn. See Ap. 44. iii.

18 Judah. He who proposed to sell Joseph and save his life (37. 26, 27), now proposes to remain a bondman for Benjamin. He had already become surety for his safety (43. 8, 9).

28 I said. Here Joseph learned what happened after they had sold him; and how they had deceived their father (37. 31, 32).

29 my gray hairs. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct). Ap. 6. — "me, in my old age".

the grave. Heb. *Sheōl*. See note on 37. 35, and Ap. 35. The whole phrase is a *Euphemism* (Ap. 6) for "ye will kill me"; so v. 31, "he will die".

30 life — soul. Heb. *nephesh*. See Ap. 13.

31 with us. Sam., Sept., and Syr. have the words in the text.

34 see. Put by *Metonymy* (of Cause) (Ap. 6) for the feelings produced by seeing them. Note the *Ellipsis* "see [and grieve over] the evil," &c. See Ap. 6.

come. Heb. find. Evil is thus personified, by Fig. *Prosopopœia* (Ap. 6).

45. 1-16 (c, p. 63). THE CUP DISCOVERED. (Extended Alternation.)

c	h	1.	Joseph affected.
	i	2-.	Weeping.
	k	-2.	Pharaoh and his house.
h	3-13.		Joseph revealed.
i	14, 15.		Weeping.
	k	16.	Pharaoh and his house.

3-13 (h, above). Joseph revealed (*Introversion*).

h	1	3, 4.	Declaration.
	m	5.	Overruling by God.
	n	6.	Famine.
	m	7, 8.	Overruling by God
i	9-13.		Invitation.

1 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. ii.

2 wept aloud. Heb. gave [forth] his voice in weeping, showing the intensity of feeling. See note on 42. 24.

3 I am Joseph. So the true Joseph will one day reveal Himself, and His brethren will then be troubled indeed, Rev. 1. 7. Matt. 24. 30. Zech. 12. 9-14. doth, &c. Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6). For he had just been informed of the fact (43. 28).

4 whom ye sold. Words adopted by Stephen (Acts 7. 9).

5 be not grieved, &c. Cp. Acts 3. 17.

nor angry, &c. Heb. "let not anger kindle in your eyes". Fig. *Prosopopœia*. Ap. 6.

45 Then Joseph could not refrain himself before all them that stood by him; and he cried, "Cause every ° man to go out from me." And there stood no man with him, while Joseph made himself known unto his brethren.

2 And he ° wept aloud:

and the Egyptians and the house of Pharaoh heard.

3 And Joseph said unto his brethren, "° I am Joseph; ° doth my father yet live?" And his brethren could not answer him; for they were troubled at his presence.

4 And Joseph said unto his brethren, "Come near to me, I pray you." And they came near. And he said, "° I am Joseph your brother, ° whom ye sold into Egypt."

5 Now therefore ° be not grieved, ° nor angry

with yourselves, that ye sold me hither: for ° God did send me before you to ° preserve life.

n (p. 63) 6 For these two years *hath* the famine *been* in the land: and yet *there are* five years, in the which *there shall* neither be ° earing nor harvest.

m 7 And ° God sent me before you to ° preserve you a posterity in the earth, and to save your lives by a great deliverance.

8 So now *it was* not you *that* sent me hither, but ° God: and He hath ° made me ° a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house, and a ruler throughout all the land of Egypt.

l 9 Haste ye, and go up to my father, and say unto him, 'Thus saith thy son Joseph, ° God hath made me lord of all Egypt: come down unto me, tarry not:

10 ° And thou shalt dwell in the land of Goshen and thou shalt be near unto me, thou, and thy ° children, and thy ° children's ° children and thy flocks, and thy herds, and all that thou hast:

11 And there will I nourish thee; for yet *there are* five years of famine; lest thou, and thy household, and all that thou hast, come to poverty.'

12 And, ° behold, your eyes see, and the eyes of my brother Benjamin, ° that *it is* my mouth that speaketh unto you.

13 And ye shall tell my father of all my glory in Egypt, and of all that ye have seen; and ye shall haste and bring down my father hither."

i 14 And he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck, and ° wept; and Benjamin wept upon his neck.

15 Moreover he kissed all his brethren, and ° wept upon them: and after that his brethren talked with him.

k 16 And the fame thereof was heard in Pharaoh's house, saying, "Joseph's brethren are come:" and it pleased Pharaoh well, and his servants.

b (p. 62) 17 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, "Say unto thy brethren, 'This do ye; lade your beasts, and go, get you unto the land of Canaan;

18 And take your father and your households, and come unto me: and I will give you the good of the land of Egypt, and ° ye shall eat the fat of the land.'

19 ° Now thou art commanded, this do ye; take you ° wagons out of the land of Egypt for your little ones, and for your wives, and bring your father, and come.

20 Also ° regard not your stuff; for the good of all the land of Egypt *is* yours."

21 And the ° children of Israel did so: and Joseph gave them ° wagons, according to the ° commandment of Pharaoh, and gave them provision for the way.

22 To all of them he gave each ° man changes of raiment; but to Benjamin ° he gave three hundred *pieces* of silver, and five changes of raiment.

23 And to his father he sent after this *manner*; ten asses laden with the good things of Egypt, and ten she asses laden with corn and bread and meat for his father by the way.

God did send. So, v. 7; 50. 20. Ps. 105. 17. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4.

preserve life. i. e. to preserve you a posterity in the earth (v. 7), and hence, to ensure the birth of the true Joseph, and all who have life eternal in Him.

6 earing = ploughing (Anglo-Saxon).

8 God. Heb. *ha Elohim* (with definite article) for emphasis = the Triune God Himself.

made me. The Severus Codex reads "lent me". See Ap. 34.

a father to Pharaoh. This is not the Hebrew *Ab*, "father"; but *Ab en Perao* is an Egyptian title of high office of state. See on 41. 43 = first minister of Pharaoh's household.

10 And. Note the *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in this verse. children = sons. And so throughout.

12 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

that. Heb. because, showing the *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6, i. e. *Brachyology*); read "Benjamin; because my own mouth is speaking unto you [I cannot speak of all my glory], but ye shall tell my father of all my glory".

19 Now thou art commanded. Sept. and Vulg. read "Thou, therefore, command them".

wagons. Not yet used in Canaan. Those in Egypt depicted as having two wheels.

20 regard not your stuff. Heb. let not your eye pity. Fig. *Prosopopœia*. Ap. 6.

21 commandment. Heb. mouth, put by *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for command given by it.

22 he gave. Cp. 43. 34.

26 Jacob's. Heb. his. Cp. v. 28.

fainted = began to cease beating. Cp. Jacob's fainting, with Israel's "strength", v. 28.

27 spirit. Heb. *ruach*, put by *Metonymy* (or Cause), Ap. 6, for its manifestations. See Ap. 9.

Jacob. Note this name connected with unbelief (v. 26) and weakness, and

28 Israel, which is used in connection with his strength of faith, and act, 46. 1. Cp. Israel's strength, with Jacob's fainting, v. 26.

46. 1-7 (A², p. 52). JACOB'S REMOVAL TO EGYPT (*Introversion*).

A² | G | 1. Departure to Beer-sheba and Egypt.

H | 2-. Divine Manifestation and Call.

I | -2. Jacob's response.

H | 3, 4. Divine Manifestation and Promise.

G | 5-7. Arrival in Egypt from Beer-sheba.

1 offered sacrifices. Heb. *zabach*. Ap. 43. i, iv. God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4.

24 So he sent his brethren away, and they departed: and he said unto them, "See that ye fall not out by the way."

25 And they went up out of Egypt, and came into the land of Canaan unto Jacob their father,

26 And told him, saying, "Joseph *is* yet alive, and *he is* governor over all the land of Egypt." And ° Jacob's heart ° fainted, for he believed them not.

27 And they told him all the words of Joseph, which he had said unto them: and when he saw the ° wagons which Joseph had sent to carry him, the ° spirit of ° Jacob their father revived:

28 And ° Israel said, "It *is* enough; Joseph my son *is* yet alive: I will go and see him before I die."

46 And ° Israel took his journey with all that he had, and came to Beer-sheba, and ° offered sacrifices unto the ° God of his father Isaac.

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A² G (p. 64)

II (p. 64) 2 And °God spake unto °Israel in the visions of the night, and said, °“Jacob, Jacob.”

I And he said, “Here *am* I.”

II 3 And He said, “*I am* °GOD, the 2 God of thy father: °fear not to go down into Egypt; for I will there make of thee a great nation:

4 *I* will go down with thee into Egypt; and *I* will also °surely bring thee up *again*: and Joseph shall °put his hand upon thine eyes.”

G 1706 5 And 2 Jacob rose up from Beer-sheba: and the °sons of 2 Israel carried 2 Jacob their father, and their little ones, and their wives, in the °wagons which Pharaoh had sent to carry him.

6 And they took their cattle, and their goods, which they had gotten in the land of Canaan, and came into Egypt, 2 Jacob, and all his seed with him:

7 His sons, and his sons' sons with him, his °daughters, and his sons' daughters, and all his seed brought he with him into Egypt.

K¹ L (p. 65) 8 And these *are* °the names of the children of Israel, which came into Egypt, 2 Jacob and his sons: Reuben, Jacob's firstborn.

9 And the sons of Reuben; Hanoch, and Phallu, and Hezron, and Carmi.

10 And the sons of Simeon; Jemuel, and Jamin, and Ohad, and Jachin, and Zohar, and Shaul the son of a Canaanitish woman.

11 And the sons of Levi; Gershon, Kohath, and °Merari.

12 And the sons of Judah; Er, and Onan, and Shelah, and Pharez, and Zarah: °but Er and Onan died in the land of Canaan. And the sons of Pharez were °Hezron and Hamul.

13 And the sons of Issachar; Tola, and Phuvah, and Job, and Shimron.

14 And the sons of Zebulun; Seread, and Elon, and Jahleel.

15 These *be* the sons of Leah, which she bare unto Jacob in Padan-aram, with his daughter Dinah: all the °souls of his sons and his daughters *were* thirty and three.

M 16 And the sons of Gad; Ziphion, and Haggi, Shuni, and Ezbon, Eri, and Arodi, and Areli.

17 And the sons of Asher; Jimnah, and Ishuah, and Isui, and Beriah, and Serah their sister: and the sons of Beriah; Heber, and Malchiel.

18 These *are* the sons of Zilpah, whom Laban gave to Leah his daughter, and these she bare unto Jacob, *even* sixteen 15 souls.

L 19 The sons of Rachel Jacob's wife; Joseph, and Benjamin.

20 And unto Joseph in the land of Egypt were born Manasseh and Ephraim, which Asenath the daughter of Poti-pherah priest of On bare unto him.

21 And the sons of Benjamin *were* Belah, and Becher, and Ashbel, Gera, and Naaman, Ehi, and Rosh, Muphim, and Huphim, and Ard.

22 These *are* the sons of Rachel, which °were born to Jacob: all the 15 souls *were* fourteen.

M 23 And the °sons of Dan; Hushim.

24 And the sons of Naphtali; Jahzeel, and Guni, and Jezer, and Shilleem.

25 These *are* the sons of Bilhah, which Laban gave unto Rachel his daughter, and

2 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4.

Israel. See note on 32. 28; 43. 8; 45. 26, 28.

Jacob, Jacob. Fig. *Epizeuxis*, Ap. 6, for emphasis. To remind him of what he was and had been, in contrast to what God would make him. See note on 22. 11.

3 GOD. Heb. *El*. Ap. 4.

fear not, &c. Though Isaac forbidden to go (26. 2), and Abraham warned (15. 13, 14), no need to fear where God goes with Jacob and us.

4 surely bring thee up. Fig. *Polyptoton*. Ap. 6. Cp. 15. 14.

put his hand, &c. i.e. shall close thine eyes in peace. 5 sons of Israel carried Jacob. They now take the ground of faith.

wagons. See note on 45. 19.

7 daughters. Cp. 31. 55 and 46. 15 and 17.

46. 8-27 (B², p. 52). THE SONS OF JACOB. POSTERITY.

B² | K¹ | 8-25. Severally.
| K² | 26, 27. Collectively.

8-25 (K¹, above). THE NAMES. SEVERALLY. (Alternation.)

K¹ | L | 8-15. Leah 33 = 32 + 1 (Num. 26. 59).
| M | 16-18. Zilpah 16 = 16
| L | 19-22. Rachel 14 = 11 + 3 (v. 27).
| M | 23-25. Bilhah 7 = 7

70 = 66 + 4

8 the names. Cp. the above order with that of 49. 3-27, and see Ap. 45.

11 Merari. Jochebed is to be added, for she “came into” Egypt in her mother (Num. 26. 59).

12 but Er and Onan. These are not to be reckoned. Hezron and Hamul. These grandsons take their place.

15 souls of his sons. Heb. *nephesh*. Souls put by *Synecdoche* (of the Part) for the persons (Ap. 6). And “of” = the Gen. of Apposition: i.e. “the souls, that is to say, his sons,” &c. (Ap. 17).

22 were born. Some codices, with Sam., Onk., Sept., and Syr., read “whom she bare”.

23 sons. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species). Ap. 6. Only one mentioned; some codices read “son”.

26, 27 (K², above). THE NAMES. COLLECTIVELY. (Introversion.)

K² | N | 26. The Total that “came into” = 66 (above).

O | 27-. Born and in Egypt 4

N | -27. The Total of both 70

26 out of his loins. This is said in order to distinguish the numbers sixty-six and seventy from Stephen's seventy-five, in Acts 7. 14, which includes Jacob as well as “all his *kindred*” (which are not included in the direct descendants of this verse).

These extra nine are made up in part by the five in 1 Ch. 7. 14-20 (Machir, Gilead, Shuthelah, Tahath, Eden, as in Sept.: also here).

threescore and six. See note on 46. 8.

she bare these unto Jacob: all the 15 souls *were* seven.

26 All the 15 souls that came with Jacob into Egypt, (which came °out of his loins), besides Jacob's sons' wives, all the 15 souls *were* °threescore and six;

27 And the sons of Joseph, which were born

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him in Egypt, *were* two ¹⁵ souls: all the ¹⁵ souls of the house of ² Jacob, which came into Egypt, *were* ° threescore and ten.

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28 And he sent ° Judah before him unto Joseph, to direct his face unto ° Goshen; and they came into the land of Goshen.

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29 And Joseph made ready his chariot, and went up to meet ² Israel his father, to Goshen, and presented himself unto him; and he fell on his neck, and wept on his neck a good while.

30 And ² Israel said unto Joseph, "Now let me die, since I have seen thy face, because thou *art* yet alive."

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31 And Joseph said unto his brethren, and unto his father's house, "I will go up, and shew Pharaoh, and say unto him, 'My brethren, and my father's house, which *were* in the land of Canaan, are come unto me;

32 And the ° men *are* ° shepherds, for their trade hath been to feed cattle; and they have brought their flocks, and their herds, and all that they have.'

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33 And it shall come to pass, when Pharaoh shall call you, and shall say, 'What is your occupation?'

34 That ye shall say, 'Thy servants' trade hath been about cattle from our youth even until now, both *we*, and also our fathers: that ye may dwell in the land of ²⁸ Goshen; for every shepherd *is* an ° abomination unto the Egyptians."

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47 Then Joseph came and told Pharaoh, and said, "My father and my brethren, and their flocks, and their herds, and all that they have, are come out of the land of Canaan; and, behold, they *are* in the land of ° Goshen."

T o

2 And he took some of ° his brethren, *even* ° five ° men, and presented them unto Pharaoh.

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3 And Pharaoh said unto his brethren, "What is your occupation?" And they said unto Pharaoh, "Thy servants *are* shepherds, both *we*, and also our fathers."

4 They said moreover unto Pharaoh, "For to sojourn in the land are we come; for thy servants have no pasture for their flocks; for the famine *is* sore in the land of Canaan: now therefore, we pray thee, let thy servants dwell in the land of ¹ Goshen."

5 And Pharaoh spake unto Joseph, saying, "Thy father and thy brethren are come unto thee:

6 The land of Egypt *is* before thee; in the best of the land make thy father and brethren to dwell; in the land of ¹ Goshen let them dwell: and if thou knowest *any* ² men of activity among them, then make them rulers over my cattle."

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7 And Joseph brought in ° Jacob his father, and set him before Pharaoh: and Jacob blessed Pharaoh.

8 And Pharaoh said unto ⁷ Jacob, "How old *art* thou?"

9 And ⁷ Jacob said unto Pharaoh, "The ° days of the years of my ° pilgrimage *are* ° an hun-

27 threescore and ten. 7 × 10. See Ap. 10.

These seventy (Ex. 1. 5. Ruth 4. 11) are in contrast with the seventy nations of Gen. 10, and in correspondence with the seventy elders (Ex. 24. 1. Num. 11. 16).

46. 28—50. 13 (A³, p. 52). JACOB IN EGYPT. (*Introversion*.)

A³ | P | 46. 28—47. 12. Israelites.
Q | 47. 13—26. Egyptians.
P | 47. 27—50. 13. Israelites.

46. 28—47. 12 (P, above). ISRAELITES.

P | R¹ | 46. 28. Jacob's arrival in Goshen accomplished.
X¹ | S | 46. 29, 30. Jacob's meeting with Joseph.
T | o | 46. 31, 32. Presentation planned.
p | 46. 33, 34. Directions given.
R² | 47. 1. Jacob's arrival in Goshen announced.
X² | T | o | 47. 2. Presentation made.
p | 47. 3—6. Directions followed.
S | 47. 7—10. Jacob's meeting with Pharaoh.
R³ | 47. 11, 12. Jacob's settlement in Rameses.

28 Judah. See 44. 18 and cp. 37. 26.

Goshen. The land east of Memphis, suitable for grazing, called "the field of Zoan". Zoan (or Tanis) mentioned in the Inscriptions as containing non-Egyptian inhabitants and Semites.

32 men. Heb. pl. of 'ish, or 'enosh. Ap. 14. iii. shepherds. See on v. 34.

34 abomination. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct). Ap. 6. --an abominable person.

Apepi, the Pharaoh of Joseph, was one of the Hyksos, or shepherd kings. Joseph's advice would commend his brethren to Pharaoh (47. 6), and keep them separate from the Egyptians. It was a *race* prejudice, not a *class* prejudice.

47. 1 Goshen. See on 46. 28.

2 his brethren. Sam., Jon., Sept., Syr. read "the brethren of Joseph".

five. The number of *grace*. See Ap. 10.

men. Heb. pl. of 'ish, or 'enosh. Ap. 14. iii.

7 Jacob. See notes on 32. 28; 43. 8; 45. 26, 28.

8 How old...? Heb. How many are the days? The first question asked in the East to-day.

9 days. Joined with years = Fig. *Pleonasm*. Ap. 6. pilgrimage = sojournings.

an hundred and thirty years. Joseph being 39; Reuben 46; Simeon 45; Levi 44; Judah 43. Two hundred and fifteen years from Abram's call from Chaldea.

10 Jacob blessed Pharaoh. "The less is blessed of the better" (Heb. 7. 7). Cp. v. 2.

11 Rameses. Later name of Goshen. See Ex. 1. 11. as = according as.

dred and thirty years: few and evil have the days of the years of my life been, and have not attained unto the days of the years of the life of my fathers in the days of their pilgrimage."

10 And ° Jacob blessed Pharaoh, and went out from before Pharaoh.

11 And Joseph placed his father and his brethren, and gave them a possession in the land of Egypt, in the best of the land, in the land of ° Rameses, ° as Pharaoh had commanded.

12 And Joseph nourished his father, and his brethren, and all his father's household, with bread, according to *their* families.

13 And *there was* no bread in all the land; for the famine *was* very sore, so that the land

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of Egypt and *all* the land of Canaan °fainted by reason of the famine.

14 And Joseph °gathered up all the money that was found in the land of Egypt, and in the land of Canaan, for the corn which they bought: and Joseph brought the money into Pharaoh's house.

15 And when money failed in the land of Egypt, and in the land of Canaan, °all the Egyptians came unto Joseph, and said, "Give us bread: for °why should we die in thy presence? for the money faileth."

16 And Joseph said, "Give your cattle; and I will give °you for your cattle, if money fail."

17 And they brought their cattle unto Joseph: and Joseph gave them bread *in exchange* for horses, and for the flocks, and for the cattle of the herds, and for the asses: and he fed them with bread for all their cattle for that year.

18 When that year was ended, they came unto him the second year, and said unto him, "We will not hide *it* from my lord, how that our money is spent; my lord also hath our herds of cattle; there is not ought left in the sight of my lord, but our bodies, and our lands:

19 ¹⁵ Wherefore shall we die before thine eyes, both *we* and °our land? buy us and our land for bread, and *we* and our land will be servants unto Pharaoh: and give us seed, that we may °live, and not die, that the land be not desolate."

20 And Joseph bought all the land of Egypt for Pharaoh; for the Egyptians sold every °man his field, because the famine prevailed over them: so the land became Pharaoh's.

21 And as for the people, he °removed them to cities from *one* end of the borders of Egypt even to the *other* end thereof.

22 Only the land of the priests bought he not; for the priests had a °portion *assigned* them of Pharaoh, and did eat their °portion which Pharaoh gave them: wherefore they °sold not their lands.

23 Then Joseph said unto the people, °"Behold, I have bought you this day and your land for Pharaoh: °lo, *here* is seed for you, and ye shall sow the land.

24 And it shall come to pass in the increase, that ye shall give the °fifth *part* unto Pharaoh, and four parts shall be your own, for seed of the field, and for your food, and for them of your households, and for food for your little ones."

25 And they said, "Thou hast saved our lives: let us find grace in the sight of my lord, and we will be Pharaoh's servants."

26 And Joseph made it °a law over the land of Egypt unto this day, *that* Pharaoh should have the fifth *part*; except the land of the priests only, *which* became not Pharaoh's.

U (p. 67) 27 And °Israel dwelt in the land of Egypt, in the country of Goshen; and they had possessions therein, and °grew, and multiplied exceedingly.

V 28 And ⁷Jacob lived in the land of Egypt seventeen years: so °the whole age of ⁷Jacob was an hundred forty and seven years.

W X 29 And the time drew nigh that °Israel must

13 fainted. Fig. *Prosopopœia*. Ap. 6.

14 gathered up: i. e. caused it to be gathered up. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause). Ap. 6.

15 all the Egyptians. Heb. all Egypt. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject). Ap. 6.

why should we die? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

16 you. Sam., Jon., and Sept. add "bread".

19 our land. Fig. *Prosopopœia*. Ap. 6.

live, and not die. Fig. *Pleonasm*. Ap. 6.

20 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. ii.

21 removed them to cities. Sam., Pent., and Vulg. read, "made them serve as servants"; or, "made them bondmen".

22 portion. Heb. "statute". Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Genus). Ap. 6. Statute is put for the portion allowed by it.

sold not. The reference of Herodotus to this is thus proved to be correct.

23 Behold . . . lo. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

24 fifth part. This is the Turkish law in Palestine to-day, if the landlord supplies cattle and seed. So the terms would not be too onerous.

26 a law. Heb. *chok*, decree.

27 See Structure below.

47. 27—50. 13 (P, p. 66). ISRAELITES. (Alternation and Introversion.)

P | Q | U | 47. 27. Jacob's dwelling in Egypt.
V | 47. 28. Years of life (147); and dwelling (17).
W | 47. 29—49. 32. Charges.

Q | U | 49. 33—50. 2. Jacob's death in Egypt.
V | 50. 3-14. Days of mourning.

27 Israel. Used here, for the first time, of the nation. grew, and multiplied, &c. Fulfilling 46. 3, and preparing for Ex. 1. 7 and 12. 37.

28 the whole age. Heb. the days of the years of his life. Fig. *Pleonasm*. Ap. 6.

47. 29—49. 32 (W, above). Jacob's Charges.

W | X | 47. 29-31. Charge to Joseph, *re* burial.
Y | 48. 1-20. Blessing of Joseph and his sons.
Z | 48. 21, 22. Assurance of return.
Y | 49. 1-28. Blessing of all his sons.
X | 49. 29-32. Charge to all his sons, *re* burial.

This charge concerning his burial to be distinguished from the charge to all his sons.

29 Israel. Used here of the man Jacob. See notes on v. 27; 43. 8; 45. 26, 28.

30 as according as.

31 Israel bowed himself. Much confusion caused by supposing Heb. 11. 21 refers to this. Mistake made by Ancient Versions and modern commentators. Heb. 11. 21 refers to his blessing of Joseph's sons. This refers to the charge concerning his burial.

It may or may not be bed, or staff.

die: and he called his son Joseph, and said unto him,

"If now I have found grace in thy sight, put, I pray thee, thy hand under my thigh, and deal kindly and truly with me; bury me not, I pray thee, in Egypt:

30 But I will lie with my fathers, and thou shalt carry me out of Egypt, and bury me in their buryingplace." And he said, "I will do °as thou hast said."

31 And he said, "Swear unto me." And he sware unto him. And °Israel bowed himself upon the bed's head.

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48 And it came to pass °after these things, that *one* told Joseph, "Behold, thy father is sick : " and he took with him his two sons, Manasseh and Ephraim.

2 And *one* told °Jacob, and said, "Behold, thy son Joseph cometh unto thee : " and °Israel strengthened himself, and °sat upon the bed.

r 3 And 2 Jacob said unto Joseph, °"GOD ALMIGHTY appeared unto me at °Luz in the land of Canaan, and blessed me.

4 And said unto me, °"Behold, I will make thee fruitful, °and multiply thee, and I will make of thee a multitude of people; and will give this land to thy seed after thee *for* an everlasting possession."

s 5 And now thy two sons, Ephraim and Manasseh, which were born unto thee in the land of Egypt before I came unto thee into Egypt, °are mine; as Reuben and Simeon, they shall be mine.

6 And thy issue, which thou begetteth after them, shall be thine, *and* shall be called after the name of their brethren in their inheritance.

7 And as for me, when I came from Padan, °Rachel died by me in the land of Canaan in the way, when yet *there was* but a little way to come unto Ephrath: and I buried her there in the way of Ephrath; the same *is* Beth-lehem."

q 8 And 2 Israel beheld Joseph's sons, and said, "Who *are* these ? "

9 And Joseph said unto his father, "They *are* my sons, whom °God hath given me in this place." And he said, "Bring them, I pray thee, unto me, and I will bless them."

10 Now the eyes of 2 Israel were dim for age, so *that* he could not see. And he brought them near unto him; and he kissed them, and embraced them.

11 And 2 Israel said unto Joseph, "I had not thought to see thy face: and, °lo, °God hath shewed me also thy seed."

12 And Joseph brought them out from between his knees, and °he bowed himself with his face to the earth.

r 13 And Joseph took them both, Ephraim in his right hand toward 2 Israel's left hand, and Manasseh in his left hand toward 2 Israel's right hand, and brought them near unto him.

14 And 2 Israel stretched out his right hand, and laid it upon Ephraim's head, *who was* the younger, and his left hand upon Manasseh's head, °guiding his hands wittingly; for Manasseh was the firstborn.

15 And he blessed Joseph, and said, °"God, before Whom my fathers Abraham and Isaac did °walk, the °God Which fed me all my life long unto this day,

16 °The Angel Which °redeemed me from all evil, bless the lads; and let my name be named on them, and the name of my fathers Abraham and Isaac; and let them °grow into a multitude in the midst of the °earth."

s 17 And when Joseph saw that his father laid his right hand upon the head of Ephraim, it °displeased him: and he held up his father's

48. 1-20 (Y, p. 67). BLESSING OF JOSEPH AND HIS SONS (*Extended Alternation*).

Y | q | 1, 2. Joseph's sons brought.
r | 3, 4. Blessing of Jacob.
s | 5-7. United preference.
q | 8-12. Joseph's sons presented.
r | 13-16. Blessing by Jacob.
s | 17-20. Inverted preference.

1 after these things. The blessing of Joseph's sons took place after Jacob's charge concerning his burial.

2 Jacob... Israel. See note on use of these names, 32. 28; 43. 8; 45. 26, 28.

sat upon the bed. This is neither leaning on it nor worshipping. Cp. v. 12.

3 GOD ALMIGHTY. Heb. 'El Shaddai. See Ap. 4. Luz. Cp. 28. 13, 19; 35. 6.

4 Behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

and. Note the Fig. Polysyndeton (Ap. 6), to emphasise the four parts of the blessing.

5 are. Heb. *hēh* [are] mine. The united preference of Joseph's two sons.

7 Rachel died. Cp. 35. 19.

9 God. Heb. *Elohim*, with art. = God Himself.

11 lo. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

12 he bowed himself. i. e. Jacob worshipped; and, as we know from the Divine addition in Heb. 11. 21, he leaned on his staff = sitting on the (Egyptian) bed (v. 2).

14 guiding his hands wittingly (i. e. knowingly). Fig. Prosopopœia (Ap. 6). Heb. "making his hands to understand".

15 walk = walk habitually (Heb. *Hithpael*).

16 Note the three titles in vv. 15, 16.

The Angel = the creature form of the second person as the messenger of Jehovah (*Elohim* as consecrated by oath). This form not assumed for the occasion, but for permanent communion with His creatures (Gen. 3. 8; 15. 1; 17. 1; 18. 1, 2; 28. 13; 32. 24, 30. Ex. 23. 20, 21. Num. 22. 21. Josh. 5. 13-15. Prov. 8. 22-31. Mal. 3. 1. Col. 1. 15. Rev. 3. 14).

redeemed. Heb. *g'āal* = to redeem (by payment of charge). See note on Ex. 6. 6.

grow = swarm as fishes.

earth, or the land.

17 displeased. Heb. was evil in his eyes.

18 Not so, &c. This was Joseph's "will", which Jacob's faith overcame.

19 refused. This is Jacob's faith overcoming "the will of man" (Heb. 11. 21), as Isaac's faith overcame "the will of the flesh", Gen. 27. Heb. 11. 20.

greater. Fulfilled. Cp. Num. 1. 32-35; 2. 18-20. Deut. 33. 17.

multitude = assembly, or convocation. Heb. *kahal*, to call, or muster.

hand, to remove it from Ephraim's head unto Manasseh's head.

18 And Joseph said unto his father, °"Not so, my father: for this *is* the firstborn; put thy right hand upon his head."

19 And his father °refused, and said, "I know it, my son, I know it: he also shall become a people, and he also shall be great: but truly his younger brother shall be °greater than he, and his seed shall become a °multitude of nations."

20 And he blessed them that day, saying, "In thee shall 2 Israel bless, saying, °"God make thee as Ephraim and as Manasseh: " and he set Ephraim before Manasseh.

21 And 2 Israel said unto Joseph, °"Behold, I die: but °God shall be with you, and bring you again unto the land of your fathers.

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22 Moreover ³ have given to thee one ° portion ° above thy brethren, which I took out of the hand of the Amorite with my sword and with my bow."

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49 And ° Jacob called unto his sons, and said, "Gather yourselves together, that I may tell you *that* ° which shall befall you in ° the last days.

2 Gather yourselves together, and hear, ye sons of ¹ Jacob; and hearken unto ° Israel your father.

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3 ° Reuben, thou *art* my firstborn, my might, and the beginning of my strength, the excellency of dignity, and the excellency of power:

4 ° Unstable as ° water, ° thou shalt not excel; because thou wentest up to thy father's bed; then defilest thou *it*: he went up to my couch.

5 Simeon and Levi *are* brethren; instruments of cruelty *are* in their habitations.

6 O ° my soul, come not thou into their ° secret; ° unto their ° assembly, mine honour, be not thou united: for in their anger they slew a ° man, and in their selfwill they ° digged down a wall.

7 Cursed *be* their anger, for *it was* fierce; and their wrath, for it was cruel: I will ° divide them in ° Jacob, and scatter them in ° Israel.

8 ° Judah, thou *art* he whom thy brethren shall praise: thy hand *shall be* in the neck of thine enemies; thy father's children shall ° bow down before thee.

9 Judah ° *is* a lion's whelp: from the prey, my son, thou *art* gone up: he stooped down, he couched as a ° lion, and as an old lion; who shall rouse him up?

10 The ° sceptre shall not depart from Judah, nor a ° lawgiver ° from between his feet, ° until Shiloh come; and unto Him *shall* the ° gathering of the people *be*.

11 Binding his foal unto the ° vine, and his ass's colt unto the choice vine; he washed his garments in ° wine, and his clothes in the blood of grapes:

12 His eyes *shall be* red with ¹¹ wine, and his teeth white with milk.

13 Zebulun shall dwell at the haven of the sea; and *he shall be* for an haven of ships; and his border *shall be* unto Zidon.

14 ° Issachar *is* a strong ass couching down between two burdens:

15 And he saw that rest *was* good, and the land that *it was* pleasant; and bowed his shoulder to bear, and became a servant unto tribute.

10 sceptre. First occ. Put by *Metonymy* (of Adjunct) for Him Who holds it (Ap. 6). Sept. and Targ. read "ruler". See Num. 24. 17. Ps. 45. 6. Zech. 10. 11. **lawgiver.** First occ. Cp. Num. 21. 18. Deut. 33. 21. Ps. 60. 7; 108. 8. Isa. 33. 22. from between his feet = from his posterity. Put by Fig. *Euphemy* (Ap. 6). Sept. and Onk. read "from his thighs", i.e. "his seed". Cp. Deut. 28. 57. until Shiloh come = until He, Shiloh, comes. So Aq., Sym., Syr. Note the six Pentateuch titles: "Seed" (3. 15), "Shiloh" (49. 10), "Sceptre" (49. 10), "Shepherd" and "Stone" (49. 24), "Star" (Num. 24. 17). **gather-**ing. Heb. *yikhāh* = obedience, submission (not *kābāz*, as in Jer. 31. 10).

Note the Structure of this verse (*Alternation*).

a | The Sceptre shall not depart from Judah,
b | Nor a Lawgiver from his seed,

a | Until He, Shiloh, come [Whose right it is, Ez. 21. 27]
b | And [until] to Him, [the Lawgiver, shall be] the obedience of the peoples.

11 vine. So plentiful in Judah, that people were without care in such matters. **wine.** Heb. *yayin* (Ap. 27). There was more than enough to lavish. **14, 15 Issachar.** Original Orth. = he bringeth reward; referring to birth, 30. 18 (cp. Ps. 24. 5. Ecc. 5. 18. Est. 2. 9, &c.). But here = a hireling. The prophecy is: "The hireling is the ass (or saddle-bearer) of strangers, | When he saw rest that it was good, | And the land that it was pleasant:" &c. He preferred to pay tribute to the Canaanites rather than engage in the struggle to expel them.

22 portion. Heb. *Shechem*, Gr. *Sychar*, see John 4. 6. Both Abraham and Jacob bought property at Shechem, 23. 18, 19; 33. 18, 19; and here supplemental history tells how Jacob recovered it out of the hand of the Amorite who must have seized it. Fig. *Hysteresis*. Ap. 6. above: i.e. the double portion of the firstborn, which Reuben forfeited. Cp. Deut. 21. 17. Cp. 1 Chron. 5. 2. Ezek. 47. 13.

49. 1-28 (Y, p. 67). JACOB'S BLESSING OF ALL HIS SONS (*Introversion*).

Y | t | 1, 2. Collectively.
u | 3-27. Separately. The order of the names.
t | 28. Collectively.

1 Jacob. See notes on 32. 28; 43. 8; 45. 26, 28. which shall befall you. This blessing (v. 28) is therefore direct prophecy.

the last days. First occ. of fourteen: Gen. 49. 1. Num. 24. 14. Deut. 4. 30; 31. 29. Isa. 2. 2. Jer. 23. 20; 30. 24; 48. 47; 49. 39. Ezek. 38. 16. Dan. 2. 28; 10. 14. Hos. 3. 5. Mic. 4. 1. In ten of these rendered "latter days". A study of these will show that the prophecy (v. 1) and "blessing" (v. 28) extends to, and embraces the days of Messiah, and His first and second advents.

2 Israel. See notes on 32. 28; 43. 8; 45. 26, 28.

49. 3-27 (u, above). THE ORDER OF THE NAMES. Ap. 45 (*Introversion*).

u | v | 3-15. Leah's six sons. Wife's offspring.
w | 16-18. Bilhah's son (Dan). } Slave
x | 19, 20. Zilpah's two sons. } offspring.
w | 21. Bilhah's son (Naphtali). }
v | 22-27. Rachel's two sons. Wife's offspring.

3 Reuben. See v. 28, cp. 46. 8-25, and Ap. 45.

4 Unstable as water. Fig. *Simile*. Ap. 6. Cp. Num. 16. 1, 2; 32. 1.

water . . . thou. Fig. *Ellipsis* here (Ap. 6. ii b). The word "unstable" = to flow down, and requires the *Ellipsis* to be filled up thus: "Flowing down as water [passes away, so] thou shalt not excel". What thus would pass away is set forth in v. 3, and so it came to pass (1 Chron. 5. 1).

6 my soul = myself. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. secret = council.

unto. Sam., Jon., Sept., and Syr. insert "and" = "and into".

assembly. Heb. *kahal* = Gr. *ecclesia*. See 28. 3. man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. ii.

digged down a wall. Sam. and Sept. read "hamstrung an ox". Cp. 34. 26.

7 divide. Fulfilled, Josh. 19. 1. 1 Chron. 4. 39-43. Lev. 25. 32-34. Levi's turned to blessing later, Ex. 32. 26-29. Deut. 10. 8, 9.

Jacob. First occ. as used of the whole nation.

Israel. See note on 34. 7. Cp. 47. 27.

8 Judah = Praise. Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). "*Jehuda, Joducha*".

bow down. Cp. 2 Sam. 5. 1-8 and Ps. 72. 11. Phil. 2. 10.

9 is. Fig. *Metaphor*. Ap. 6. Rest of verse is *Allegory*. Ap. 6. lion. See note on Num. 2. 32.

w 16 ° Dan shall judge his people, as one of the
(p. 69) ° tribes of Israel.

17 Dan shall be ° a serpent by the way, an
adder in the path, that biteth the horse ° heels,
so that his rider shall fall backward.

18 (I have waited for Thy ° salvation, O
° LORD).

x 19 ° Gad, a troop shall ° overcome him: but
he shall ° overcome at the last.

20 ° Out of Asher his ° bread shall be fat, and
he shall yield royal dainties.

w 21 Naphtali is a hind ° let loose: ° he giveth
° goodly words.

v 22 ° Joseph is a fruitful bough, even a fruitful
bough by a well; ° whose branches run over the
wall:

23 The archers have ° sorely grieved him, and
shot at him, and hated him:

24 But his bow abode in strength, and the
arms of his hands were made strong by the
hands of the mighty ° God of Jacob; (from
thence is the Shepherd, the Stone of Israel:)

25 Even by the ° GOD of thy father, Who shall
help thee; and by ° the ALMIGHTY, Who shall
bless thee with blessings of heaven above,
blessings of the deep that lieth under, blessings
of the breasts, and of the womb:

26 The blessings of thy father have prevailed
above the blessings of my progenitors unto the
utmost bound of the everlasting hills: they
shall be on the head of Joseph, and on the
crown of the head of him that was ° separate
from his brethren.

27 Benjamin shall ° ravin as a wolf: in the
morning he shall devour the prey, and at night
he shall divide the spoil."

t 28 All these are the twelve tribes of Israel:
and this is it that their father spake unto them,
and blessed them; every one according to his
blessing he blessed them.

x 29 And he charged them, and said unto them,
(p. 67) "I am to be ° gathered unto my people: bury
me ° with my fathers in the cave that is in the
field of Ephron the Hittite,

30 In the cave that is in the field of Mach-
pelah, which is before Mamre, in the land of
Canaan, which Abraham ° bought with the
field of Ephron the Hittite for a possession of
a buryingplace.

31 There they buried ° Abraham and Sarah
his wife; there they buried Isaac and Rebekah
his wife; and there I buried Leah.

32 The purchase of the field and of the cave
that is therein was from the children of Heth."

U 33 And when ° Jacob had made an end of com-
manding his sons, he gathered up his feet into
the bed, and ° yielded up the ghost, and was
° gathered unto his people.

1689 50 And Joseph fell upon his father's face,
and ° wept upon him, and kissed him.

2 And Joseph commanded his servants the
physicians to embalm his father: and the phy-
sicians embalmed ° Israel.

V 3 And forty days were fulfilled for him; ° (for
so are fulfilled the days of those which are

16 Dan shall judge. Fig. *Paronomasia*. Ap. 6. *Dan*
Jadin, cp. 30. 6. Fulfilled in Judg. 15. 20.

tribes. Heb. sceptres (v. 10). Fig. *Metonymy* (of Ad-
junct). Ap. 6. Put for ruler.

17 a serpent. Beguiling to idolatry. The first tribe
to do so. See note on Judg. 18. 30. Hence omitted in
Rev. 7. 4 (cp. Deut. 29. 18-21. Lev. 24. 10-16. 1 Kings
12. 30. 2 Kings 10. 29).

heels. Cp. 3. 15. Jer. 8. 16, 17.

18 salvation. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect). Ap. 6. Put
for Him Who brings deliverance from all the works of
the old serpent (Isa. 25. 8, 9. Matt. 24. 13). See Ap. 36.
LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4.

19 Gad. Heb. *Gād gedūd*. Fig. *Paronomasia*. Ap. 6.
overcome him = "shall troop (or press) upon him, but
he shall press upon their heel".

20 Out of. The Heb. letter "m", which should end
v. 19, making it "upon their heels", has been wrongly
prefixed to the next word, "Asher", v. 20, thus making
"Asher" begin "Out of", unlike all the others. It
should read:

"He shall press upon their heels,
Asher, his bread shall be," &c.

The R.V. rightly keeps the Heb. letter "m" at end of
v. 19, but repeats it at beginning of v. 20, thus trans-
lating it twice!

bread. Put for all food. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species).
Ap. 6.

21 let loose. Emphasis on freedom.

he giveth = he it is that giveth.

goodly words = song of Deborah. Judg. 5. 18.

22 Joseph. Cp. Deut. 33. 13-17.

whose branches run over the wall = branches [it
hath] each hath overclimbed a wall.

23 sorely grieved. Cp. Amos 6. 6.

24 God = One.

25 GOD. Heb. 'el. Ap. 4.

the. Should be 'El = GOD (with Sam., Sept., and Syr.).
26 separate = or set apart. Heb. *nazir*, the conse-
crated one.

27 ravin, &c. Cp. the Benjamites, Judg. 3. 15.
1 Sam. 11. 6-11; 14. 13 48. Acts 7. 58; 8. 1, 3; 9. 13,
14, 21; 22. 4-8. 1 Tim. 1. 13.

28 The sons collectively. See Ap. 45.

29 gathered unto my people. Fig. *Euphemy*.
Put for "death and burial". See v. 33. Ap. 6. See
note on v. 33.

with my fathers. Cp. 23. 9, 10; 47. 30.

30 bought. Cp. 23. 16.

31 Abraham. The five previously buried there form
an acrostic of the sixth. Isaac, Sarah, Rebekah,
Abraham, Leah = Israel (Heb. 11. 13).

32 yielded up the ghost. The spirit going to God
who gave it (Ecc. 12. 7. Num. 16. 22; 27. 16).

gathered unto his people. Refers to body, as the
previous gathering (v. 33) refers to his feet. See on
v. 29. He was aged 147.

50. 1 wept. See note on 42. 24.

2 Israel. See notes on 32. 28; 43. 8; 45. 26, 28.

3 for so, &c. Israelites never embalmed. Hence the
need of this *parenthetical* explanation. See Ap. 6.

4 Joseph spake. He could not speak before, for, in
mourning, Egyptians never shaved, and Joseph, there-
fore, was not presentable. See on 41. 14.

5 Lo. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

digged. Hence, probably rock-hewn.

embalmed): and the Egyptians mourned for
him threescore and ten days.

4 And when the days of his mourning were
past, ° Joseph spake unto the house of Pharaoh,
saying, "If now I have found grace in your eyes,
speak, I pray you, in the ears of Pharaoh, saying,

5 'My father made me swear, saying, ° 'Lo, I
die: in my grave which I have ° digged for me

in the land of Canaan, there shalt thou bury me.' Now therefore let me go up, I pray thee, and bury my father, and I will come again."

6 And Pharaoh said, "Go up, and bury thy father, according as he made thee swear."

7 ° And Joseph went up to bury his father: and with him went up all the servants of Pharaoh, the elders of his house, and all the elders of the land of Egypt,

8 And all the house of Joseph, and his brethren, and his father's house: (only their little ones, and their flocks, and their herds, they left in the land of Goshen).

9 And there went up with him both chariots and horsemen: and it was a very great company.

10 And they came to the threshingfloor of Atad, which is beyond Jordan, and there they mourned with a great and very sore lamentation: and he made a mourning for his father seven days.

11 And when the inhabitants of the land, the Canaanites, saw the mourning in the floor of ° Atad, they said, "This is a grievous mourning to the Egyptians:" wherefore the name of it was called ° Abel-mizraim, which is beyond Jordan.

12 And his sons did unto him according as he commanded them:

13 For ° his sons carried him into the land of Canaan, and ° buried him in the cave of the field of Machpelah, which Abraham ° bought with the field for a possession of a buryingplace of Ephron the Hittite, before Mamre.

14 And Joseph returned into Egypt, he, and his brethren, and all that went up with him to bury his father, after he had buried his father.

B³ A (p. 71) 15 And when Joseph's brethren saw that their father was dead, they said, "Joseph will peradventure hate us, and will certainly requite us all the evil which we did unto him."

16 And they sent a messenger unto Joseph, saying, "Thy father did command before he died, saying,

17 'So shall ye say unto Joseph, 'Forgive, I pray thee now, the trespass of thy brethren, and their sin; for they did unto thee evil:' and now, we pray thee, forgive the trespass of the servants of the ° God of thy father.'" And ° Joseph wept when they spake unto him.

18 And his brethren also went and ° fell down before his face; and they said, ° "Behold, we be thy servants."

19 And Joseph said unto them, "Fear not: for ° am I in the place of ° God?"

20 But as for you, ye thought evil against me; but ° God meant it unto good, to bring to pass, as it is this day, to save much people ° alive.

21 Now therefore fear ye not: I will nourish you, and your little ones." And he comforted them, and spake ° kindly unto them.

B 22 And Joseph dwelt in Egypt, he, and his father's house: and Joseph lived an hundred and ten years.

23 And Joseph saw Ephraim's children of the third generation: the children also of ° Machir the son of Manasseh were ° brought up upon Joseph's knees.

7-10 And. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), emphasising each party.

11 Atad. Probably named after the owner, as 2 Sam. 6. 6, "Nachon's"; 2 Sam. 24. 16, "Araunah's".

Abel-mizraim = the mourning of the Egyptians.

13 his sons... buried him. See note on Acts 7. 16. bought. Cp. 23. 16.

15 The final section of Genesis.

50. 15-26 (B³, p. 52). THE SONS OF JACOB. Joseph and his brethren (*Introversion*).

B³ A | 15-21. Brethren after Jacob's death.
B | 22, 23. Joseph's living in Egypt, and age.
C | 24, 25. Charges.
B | 26-. Joseph's death in Egypt, and age.
A | -26. Brethren after Joseph's death.

17 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4.

Joseph wept. See note on 42. 24.

18 fell down. Cp. 37. 7-10.

Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

19 am I, &c. Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6). Sept. reads "I am in the place of God". The Syr. and Arab. read "I fear God".

20 God meant it, &c. Cp. Ps. 105. 17. Heb. Elohim, Ap. 4.
alive. See on 45. 5.

21 kindly. Heb. spake unto their hearts.

23 Machir. Cp. Num. 26. 29; 32. 39. Josh. 17. 1.
brought up, &c. Heb. born. See 30. 3: i.e., were adopted by him as soon as they were born.

24, 25 (C, above). JOSEPH'S CHARGES. (*Introversion and Alternation*).

C D | 24-. Death approaching.
E | y | -24. Assurance of return to Canaan.
z | 25-. Oath.
E | y | -25-. Assurance of return to Canaan.
z | -25. Oath.
D | 26. Death experienced.

24 surely visit you. (Ex. 3. 16.) Fig. *Polyptōton*. Ap. 6. Heb. "visiting will visit you"; used for great emphasis. See note on 26. 28. This was the faith of Joseph referred to in Heb. 11. 22. He had "heard" (Rom. 10. 17) and believed what God had said to

Abraham. Gen. 12. 7; 15. 18; 13. 14, 15;

Isaac. 26. 3, 4;

Jacob. 28. 13; 35. 12; 48. 1-4.

All three names are united and discriminated in Ex. 2. 24; 3. 6. Ps. 105. 9, 10. And cp. Ex. 6. 3, 4. Deut. 11. 21. Luke 1. 72, 73, &c.

25 carry up my bones from hence. Which they did. See Ex. 13. 19. Josh. 24. 32. So Jacob had charged them, Gen. 49. 29, 30, and so they had done, Gen. 50. 7-13. hence. Some codices, with Sam., Sept., Syr., and one printed edition (1494), add "with you".

26 a coffin. Thus the book of Genesis begins with God, and ends with man. It begins with the creation of the heavens above, and ends with "a coffin in Egypt".

24 And Joseph said unto his brethren, "I die: and ° God will ° surely visit you, and bring you out of this land unto the land which He sware to ° Abraham, to ° Isaac, and to ° Jacob."

25 And Joseph took an oath of the children of Israel, saying, ° "God will ° surely visit you, and ye shall ° carry up my bones from hence."

26 So Joseph died, being an hundred and ten years old:

and they embalmed him, and he was put in ° a coffin in Egypt.

EXODUS.

THE STRUCTURE OF THE BOOK AS A WHOLE.

(Alternation.)

A | 1. 1—2. 10. THE BONDAGE OF ISRAEL BEGUN.

B | 2. 11—14 31. FREEDOM EFFECTED.

A | 15. 1—21. THE BONDAGE OF ISRAEL ENDED.

B | 15. 22—40. 38. FREEDOM USED

THE SECOND BOOK OF °MOSES,

CALLED

°EXODUS.

A A¹
(p. 73)

1 ° Now these are the ° names of the ° children of Israel, which ° came into Egypt; every ° man and his household came with Jacob.
2 ° Reuben, Simeon, Levi, and Judah,
3 Issachar, Zebulun, and Benjamin,
4 Dan, and Naphtali, Gad, and Asher.
5 And all the ° souls that came out of the loins of Jacob were ° seventy ° souls: for Joseph was in Egypt *already*.

1635 **6** And Joseph died, and ° all his brethren, and all that generation.

7 ° And the ¹ children of Israel were ° fruitful, and ° increased abundantly, and ° multiplied, and waxed ° exceeding mighty; and the land was filled with them.

B¹ **8** Now there ° arose up a ° new king over Egypt, which knew not Joseph.

9 And he said unto his people, "Behold, the people of ¹ the children of Israel are more and mightier than we:

10 Come on, let us ° deal wisely with them; lest they multiply, and it come to pass, that, when there ° falleth out any war, they join also unto our enemies, and fight against us, and so get them up out of the land."

11 Therefore they did set over them ° taskmasters to afflict them with their burdens. And they built for Pharaoh ° treasure cities, ° Pithom and ° Raamses.

A² **12** But the more they afflicted them, the more they ° multiplied and grew. And they were ° grieved because of the ¹ children of Israel.

B² **13** And the Egyptians made the ¹ children of Israel to serve ° with rigour:

14 And they made their lives bitter with hard bondage, in mortar, and in brick, and in all manner of service in the field: all their service,

TITLE, Moses. See Ap. 2.

Exodus. Greek, *The way out, or going out.* Heb. *v'alleh sh'mōth* = "these are the names". It is the book of *Redemption* (Ex. 6. 6; 15. 13). Hence the work of redemption is called "Exodus" (Gr. Luke 9. 31, "decease"), and its types are types of Redemption. JAH, the name of the Redeemer, occurs first in Ex. 15. 2, and in the Psalms, in the Exodus book (Ps. 68. 4).

1. 1—2. 10 (A, p. 72). THE BONDAGE OF ISRAEL BEGUN (*Repeated Alternation*).

A A¹ | 1. 1-7. Israel's sons. Their increase.
B¹ | 1. 8-10. Pharaoh's policy.
A² | 1. 12. Israel's sons. Their increase.
B² | 1. 13-22. Pharaoh's policy.
A³ | 2. 1-10. | Israel's sons. Birth of Moses.

1 Now. The conj. "now" = "and"; thus connecting Ex. closely with Gen.: Lev., Num., and Deut. begin in the same way. Thus the Pentateuch is one book. For the relation of Exodus to the other books of the Pentateuch, see Ap. 1.

names. Thus Redemption is connected with names. Cp. 1. 1-4 with 39. 6, 7, 8-14.

The Name of the Redeemer is published throughout.

He reveals His name: 3. 14, 15; 6. 3; 33. 19; 34. 5-7.

Moses speaks to Pharaoh in His name: 5. 23.

Pharaoh raised up to add glory to it: 9. 16.

Law given in the name of Jehovah: 20. 2.

His name in the Angel: 23. 21.

God knows Moses by his name: 33. 12, 17.

Bezaleel and Aholiab, &c.: 31. 26; 35. 30, 34.

Names of Israel's sons: 1. 1-4; and 28. 9-12, 15-21; 39. 6, 7, 8-14.

children = sons; and so throughout O. T.

came into Egypt. Cp. Gen. 46.

man. Heb. *'ish*. See Ap. 14. ii.

2 Reuben. The order is the six sons of Leah, one of Rachel, two of Bilhah, and two of Zilpah. Note the Introversion of these four.

5 souls. Heb. *nephesh* (Ap. 13).

seventy. See on Gen. 46. 26, Deut. 10. 22, and Acts 7. 14.

6 all. Levi survived him about twenty-three years. Cp. Gen. 50. 26 and Ex. 6. 16. **7** And. Note

the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), greatly emphasising each particular. Note *five* "ands", the number of grace. See Ap. 10. **fruitful**; as trees. **increased.** Heb. *swarmed*, as fishes. **multiplied.**

Cp. Gen. 1. 28. **exceeding.** Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6), repeated for emphasis. Heb. *exceedingly*. Fig.

Epizeuxis (Ap. 6). Note the Fig. *Synonymia* (Ap. 6). **8** arose. Heb. *kūm*, stood up. Always

denotes a standing up in the place of another whom he removed. See Dan. 2. 31, 39, 44; 3. 24. **new**

king = a fresh dynasty. "New" here is used in the sense of being quite different from what preceded.

See Deut. 32. 17. Judg. 5. 8, and cp. *heteros* in Acts 7. 18, "another" of a *different* kind [not *allos*, another

of the same kind]. This Pharaoh was of a different race and dynasty, as shown by Josephus, who says "the

crown being come into another family" (*Ant.* ii, 9). He was the Assyrian of Isa. 52. 4. See Ap. 37.

10 deal wisely = diplomatically. The wisdom of Egypt ended in Pharaoh having to bring up, educate,

and prepare the very man who was to accomplish what he feared. Cp. Job 5. 13. Prov. 19. 21; 21. 30.

Ps. 33. 10, 11. Zoan was the capital of Egypt, and noted for wisdom. But cp. God's comment in

Isa. 19. 11, 13; and Ps. 78. 12, 13. **falleth out.** Aram., Sam., and Sept. read "befall us."

11 taskmasters. Heb. *sārei mīssim* is Egyptian for *chiefs of tribute*, allotters and exactors of labour.

treasure cities = store cities. All now known and named. **Pithom** is the Egyptian *Pa-Tum*, the

abode of the god *Tum* = the Greek *Herōpolis* = city of the store-houses. **Raamses.** Said to be so

called because built by Ramases II, but not certain. **12** multiplied and grew = increasingly multiplied.

Fig. *Hendiadys* (Ap. 6). **grieved** = filled with alarm. **13** with rigour = crushingly.

wherein they made them serve, was ¹³ with rigour.

15 And °the king of Egypt spake to the Hebrew midwives, of which the name of the one was Shiprah, and the name of the other Puah:

16 And he said, "When ye do the office of a midwife to the Hebrew women, and see °them upon the °stools; if it be a son, then ye shall °kill him: but if it be a daughter, then she shall live."

17 But the midwives feared °God, and did not °as ¹⁵ the king of Egypt commanded them, but °saved the men children alive.

18 And ¹⁶ the king of Egypt called for the midwives, and said unto them, "Why have ye done this thing, and have saved the men children alive?"

19 And the midwives said unto Pharaoh, "Because the Hebrew women are not as the Egyptian women; for they are lively, and are delivered ere the midwives come in unto them."

20 Therefore °God dealt well with the midwives: and the people multiplied, and waxed very mighty.

21 And it came to pass, because the midwives feared °God, that He made them °houses.

22 And Pharaoh charged all his people, saying, "Every son that is °born ye shall cast into the river, and every daughter ye shall °save alive."

A³ c (p. 74) 1571

2 And there went °a man of the °house of °Levi, and took to wife a daughter of Levi. 2 And the woman conceived, and bare °a son: and when she saw him that he was a °goodly child, she °hid him three months.

3 And when she could not longer hide him, she took for him an °ark of °bulrushes, and daubed it with slime and with pitch, and put the child therein; and she laid it in the °flags by the river's brink.

d 4 And his °sister stood afar off, °to wit what would be done to him.

c 5 And the daughter of Pharaoh came down to wash herself at the river; and her maidens walked along by the river's side; and when she saw the ark among the flags, she sent her maid to fetch it.

6 And when she had opened it, she saw the child: and, behold, °the babe wept. And she had °compassion on him, and said, "This is one of the Hebrews' children."

d 7 Then said his sister to Pharaoh's daughter, "Shall I go and call to thee a nurse of the Hebrew women, that she may nurse the child for thee?"

8 And Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Go." And the maid went and called the child's mother.

9 And Pharaoh's daughter said unto her, "Take this child away, and nurse it for me, and I will give thee thy wages." And the woman took the child, and nursed it.

10 And the child grew, and she brought him unto Pharaoh's daughter, and he became °her son. And she called his name °Moses: and she said, "Because I drew him out of the water."

B E¹ 11 And it came to pass in those days, when

15 the king of Egypt. See Ap. 37.

16 them: i.e. the children.

stools. Heb. "two stones". Probably the stone bath in which the children were bathed.

kill him. This was another assault of Satan, to destroy the male children, and so prevent "the seed of the woman" from coming into the world. See Ap. 23. But God intervened by providing the Hebrew midwives, and preserving and preparing Moses.

17 God. Heb. *Eth ha'Elohim*, very emphatic for the true or triune God.

as = according as.

saved = suffered . . . to live.

20 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4.

21 houses = families or progeny. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject). Ap. 6.

22 born. Sam., Onk., Jon., and Vulg. add "to the Hebrews."

save alive = suffer to live.

2. 1-10 (A³, p. 73). ISRAEL'S SONS, MOSES. (Alternation.)

A³ | c | 1-3. The child concealed.

d | 4. The sister watching.

c | 5, 6. The child discovered.

d | 7-10. The sister interposing.

1 a man. Heb. *'ish*, Ap. 14. ii. = Amram, 6. 16-20.

house = lineage. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6.

Levi. For Genealogy see Ap. 29.

2 a son. Moses was the seventh from Abraham, Abraham the seventh from Heber, Enoch the seventh from Adam. Miriam already born (v. 4. Num. 26. 59). Also Aaron (7. 7).

goodly. Heb. *tiv*. Sept. and Acts 7. 20, Heb. 11. 23, *asteios to Theō*, "beautiful to God" = divinely fair.

hid him. This was "by faith" (Heb. 11. 23). Therefore she must have "heard" from God (Rom. 10. 17 and Heb. 11. 7), or it would have been through affection or fancy. All the steps taken (vv. 2-4) were the result of believing what she had heard from God.

3 ark. Cp. Gen. 6. 14.

bulrushes = papyrus, made by the same Divine instructions as Noah's (Rom. 10. 17).

flags = reeds. Cp. Isa. 18. 2.

4 sister = Miriam. to wit = to know.

6 the babe wept. Heb. a babe weeping.

compassion. In that tear lay the defeat of the enemy, the preservation of the Nation, the faithfulness of Jehovah's word, the bringing to naught "the wisdom of Egypt", and the coming of "the seed of the woman", Gen. 3. 15. Cp. 1. 10 and Job 5. 12, 13. (See Ap. 23.)

10 her son - as her son.

Moses, prob. Egyptian *water-saved*, or Heb. drawn out of the water. No record of his Hebrew name.

2. 11 - 14. 31 (B, p. 72). FREEDOM EFFECTED. (Repeated Alternation.)

[For Structure see next page.]

11 grown; and learned in all the wisdom of Egypt, but not yet of God.

unto his brethren. Acts 7. 23, "it came into his heart".

looked on: more than merely saw = regarded with lively sympathy.

an Egyptian = a man (*'ish*), an Egyptian (Ap. 14. ii).

an Hebrew = a man (*'ish*), a Hebrew (Ap. 14. ii).

12 he saw that there was no man: i.e. to help. Cp. same words in Is. 59. 16; 63. 5, and context there.

Moses was °grown, that he went out °unto his brethren, and °looked on their burdens: and he spied °an Egyptian smiting °an Hebrew, one of his brethren.

12 And he looked this way and that way, and when °he saw that there was no °man, he slew the Egyptian, and hid him in the sand.

13 And when he went out the second day, behold, two °men of the Hebrews °stroved together: and °he said to him that did the °wrong, "Wherefore smitest thou thy fellow?"

14 And he said, ° "Who made thee ° a prince and a judge over us? intendest thou to kill me, as thou killedst the Egyptian?" And Moses °feared, and said, "Surely this thing is known."

1531 15 Now when Pharaoh heard this thing, he sought to slay Moses. But Moses fled from ° the face of Pharaoh, and dwelt in the land of Midian: and he sat down by ° a well.

16 Now the ° priest of Midian had seven daughters: and they came and drew water, and filled the troughs to water their father's flock.

17 And the shepherds came and °drove them away: but Moses stood up and °helped them, and watered their flock.

18 And when they came to ° Reuel their father, he said, "How is it that ye are come so soon to day?"

19 And they said, ° "An Egyptian delivered us out of the hand of the shepherds, and also drew water enough for us, and watered the flock."

20 And he said unto his daughters, "And ° where is he? why is it that ye have left the man? call him, that he may eat bread."

21 And Moses was ° content to dwell with the man: and he gave Moses Zipporah his daughter.

22 And she bare him a son, and ° he called his name ° Gershom: for he said, "I have been a stranger in a strange land."

F¹ (P. 75) 23 And it came to pass in process of time, that ° the king of Egypt died: and the ° children of Israel ° sighed by reason of the bondage, and they ° cried, and their ° cry came up unto ° God by reason of the bondage.

24 And ° God ° heard their ° groaning, and ° God ° remembered His covenant ° with Abraham, ° with Isaac, and ° with Jacob.

25 And ° God ° looked upon the ° children of Israel, and ° God ° had respect unto them.

E² 3 Now Moses ° kept the flock of ° Jethro his father in law, the priest of ° Midian: and he led the flock to the ° backside of the desert, and came to the mountain of ° God, even to ° Horeb.

F² g¹ (p. 76) 1491 2 And the ° Angel of ° the LORD ° appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the ° bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed.

h¹ 3 And Moses said, "I will now turn aside, and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt."

g² 4 And when ° the LORD saw that he turned

2. 11—14. 31 (B, p. 72). FREEDOM EFFECTED. (Repeated Alternation.)

B E¹ | 2. 11-22. Moses self-sent. Failure and flight.
F¹ | 2. 23-25. Interposition of Jehovah.
E² | 3. 1. Moses in Midian.
F² | 3. 2—4. 17. Interposition of Jehovah.
E³ | 4. 18-20. Moses' departure from Midian.
F³ | 4. 21-23. Jehovah's commission to Moses.
E⁴ | 4. 24-26. Moses at Horeb.
F⁴ | 4. 27, 28. Jehovah's commission to Aaron.
E⁵ | 4. 29—6. 1. Moses and Aaron in Egypt.
F⁵ | 6. 2-8. Jehovah's revelation of Himself.
E⁶ | 6. 9—12. 30. Moses and Aaron in Egypt.
F⁶ | 12. 31—14. 31. Jehovah's deliverance of Israel.

13 men. Heb. pl. of 'ish, or 'enōsh. Ap. 14. strove = striving.

he said. Supposing they would have understood. "But they understood not," Acts 7. 25. wrong. Heb. rāsh'ā, Ap. 44. x.

14 Who made thee . . . ? Fig. Erotēsis (Ap. 6) for emphasis. Spoken by a Hebrew; cp. Gen. 37. 8. Luke 19. 14.

a prince. Heb., "a man ('ish), a prince". feared. The "not fearing," in Heb. 11. 27 refers to Ex. 10. 28, 29.

15 the face of. Fig. Pleonasm (Ap. 6). a well. Heb. b'ēr. See note on Gen. 21. 19. The well, i.e. of Jethro.

16 priest: or chieftain exercising priestly functions, as Job and Melchizedec. Jethro (3. 1) is called Reuel (v. 18).

17 drove them away. Probably the only well (v. 15); hence cause of contention. Cp. Gen. 21. 25; 26. 15, 18, 20, 21, 22.

helped. Cp. Gen. 29. 10.

18 Reuel. Heb. = friend of God. A true worshipper, 18. 12. Same as Raguel, Num. 10. 29.

19 An Egyptian. Heb. a man ('ish), an Egyptian (Ap. 14. ii).

20 where? . . . why? Fig. Erotēsis (Ap. 6).

21 content = well pleased.

22 he. Many codices and a special reading called sevir (Ap. 34), read "she"

Gershom. Heb. "a stranger here".

23 the king of Egypt. See Ap. 37.

children = sons.

sighed. Heb. 'ānach, under pressure of evil.

cried. Heb. z'ak: with a loud voice, from sorrow or fear.

cry. Heb. shāv'a, for help in distress. Note the Fig. Synonymia (Ap. 6), to emphasise the greatness of the distress; see also vv. 24 and 25.

Can it be that (according to Lightfoot II, 22, Pitman) Pss. 88 and 89 come in here? If so, the latter is a wondrous prophecy, containing "Maschil" = instruction. For Heman and Ethan, see note on 1 Chron. 6. 44, and cp. 1 Kings 4. 31.

God = Elohim the Creator in heaven, not yet revealed to them as the Covenant Jehovah.

24 groaning. Heb. nā'ak, denoting heaviest affliction. Note the Fig. Synonymia: heard . . . remembered . . . looked . . . had respect. Anaphora: with . . . with . . . with; see note, Gen. 50. 24, not yet revealed to them as Jehovah. Fig. Repetitio. Ap. 6.

God, repeated five times. Also the Fig. Anthropopatheia (Ap. 6).

3. 1 kept the flock. Forty years, Acts 7. 30. Jethro = Reuel, 2. 18. Midian. A descendant of Abraham, by Keturah. Moses was called in this land (Arabia); Mahomet also arose there. backside. Would be the West side, very fertile. First mention of Desert of Sinai is in connection with feeding a flock! God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. Horeb. Never used in New Testament. There "the wisdom of Egypt" had to be unlearned and God made known, Isa. 50. 4.

3. 2—4. 17. [For Structure see next page.]

2 Angel of the LORD. Heb. Jehovah (Ap. 4). Gen. of App. (Ap. 17): i.e. Jehovah Himself, v. 4, then "God" (v. 4). Cp. Gen. 18. 1, 13, 17, 20, 22, 33; 19. 1, 24; and cp. Gen. 32. 24, 30 with Hos. 12. 3, 4. appeared. Forty years after. bush burned. Same lesson as the "furnace" of Gen. 15. 17.

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aside to see, ° God called unto him out of the midst of the bush, and said, ° “Moses, Moses.” And he said, “Here am I.”

5 And ° He said, “Draw not nigh hither: put off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest ° is ° holy ground.”

6 Moreover ° He said, ° “*I am* the ° God of thy father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.” And Moses hid his face; for he was ° afraid to look upon God.

7 And ° the LORD said, ° “I have surely seen the affliction of My People which *are* in Egypt, and have heard their cry by reason of their taskmasters; for I know their sorrows;

8 And I am come down to ° deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land unto a ° good land and a large, unto a land flowing with ° milk and honey; unto the place of the ° Canaanites, ° and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites.

9 Now therefore, behold, the cry of the ° children of Israel is come unto Me: and I have also seen the oppression wherewith the Egyptians oppress them.

10 Come now therefore, and ° I will send thee unto ° Pharaoh, that thou mayest bring forth My People the ° children of Israel out of Egypt.”

h² (p. 76) 11 And Moses said unto ° God, ° “Who am *I*, that I should go unto Pharaoh, and that I should bring forth the ° children of Israel out of Egypt?”

g³ 12 And ° He said, “Certainly ° I will be with thee; and this *shall be* a token unto thee, that *I* have sent thee: When thou hast brought forth the people out of Egypt, ye shall serve ° God upon this mountain.”

h³ 13 And Moses said unto ° God, “Behold, *when I* come unto the ° children of Israel, and shall say unto them, ‘The ° God of your fathers hath sent me unto you;’ and they shall say to me, ‘What *is* His name?’ what shall I say unto them?”

g⁴ 14 And ° God said unto Moses, ° “I AM THAT I AM:” and ° He said, “Thus shalt thou say unto the ° children of Israel, ° ‘I AM hath sent me unto you.’”

15 And ° God said moreover unto Moses, “Thus shalt thou say unto the ° children of Israel, ° ‘The LORD ° God of your fathers, the ° God of Abraham, the ° God of Isaac, and the ° God of Jacob, hath sent me unto you:’ this *is* My name ° for ever, and this *is* My memorial unto all generations.

good. Five-fold description of the land: good, large, milk, honey, place of the nations. See Ap. 10. milk and honey. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species). Ap. 6. Canaanites. Six nations named. The number of man (see Ap. 10). and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6). 9 children – sons. 10 I will send. Cp. Acts 7. 23. Pharaoh. See Ap. 37. 11 Who am I. ? Fig. *Erotēsis*, in expostulation (Ap. 6) for emphasis. Occupation with self is the cause of all distrust. Note these four instances. Cp. 4. 1, 10–12, 13. Very different from the Moses of 2. 11–14. 12 I will be with thee. Here the meaning of name “Jehovah” is anticipated. God. Heb. *eth ha 'Elohim*, very emphatic. God Himself = the Triune God. Cp. “deliver”, v. 8. 14 God [°Elohim] said. This expression occurs twice in Ex., only here in vv. 14 and 15. I AM THAT I AM. Heb. *'ehyeh 'asher 'ehyeh*. I will be what I will be (or become). Ap. 48. I AM. Heb. *'ehyeh* = I will be (speaking of Himself). 15 The LORD. Heb. Jehovah = He will be, spoken of by others. See Ap. 4 and cp. Rev. 1. 4, “which is” = continuance in time present; “which was” = continuance in time past; “which is to come” = continuance for ever. The French, “The Eternal”, is a much better rendering than LORD, which = Master and Owner. What He will be is left to be filled up according to the needs of those with whom He is in covenant – He Who becometh Saviour, Redeemer, Deliverer, Strengtheners, Comforter, &c. for ever. He changeth not. Mal. 3. 6. He is therefore Israel's God to-day, as then.

3. 2–4. 17 (F², p. 75). INTERPOSITION OF JEHOVAH (*Repeated Alternation*).

- e² g¹ | 3. 2. Vision of the Burning Bush.
h¹ | 3. 3. Moses' curiosity.
g² | 3. 4–10. Divine revelation and commission.
h² | 3. 11. Moses' inquiry “Who am I?”
g³ | 3. 12. Divine assurance.
h³ | 3. 13. Moses' inquiry “Who art Thou?”
g⁴ | 3. 14–22. Divine commission.
h⁴ | 4. 1. Moses' doubt.
g⁵ | 4. 2–9. Divine assurance.
h⁵ | 4. 10. Moses' inefficiency.
g⁶ | 4. 11, 12. Divine power and inspiration.
h⁶ | 4. 13. Moses' request.
g⁷ | 4. 14–17. Divine anger and provision.

4 God called. Only here in Exodus. See note on 19. 3. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4.

Moses, Moses. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6). Cp. Gen. 22. 11.

5 He [God = *Elohim*] said. Occ. four times in Ex. (3. 5, 6, 12, 14). is. Heb. “it [is]”.

holy. – Separated, or set apart [for God]. Always the rendering of Heb. *kodesh* (first occ. here) except Ps. 42. 4, where it is *hagag* – holy day; and De. 33. 8, Ps. 16. 2; 86. 2; 89. 19; 145. 17, where it is *hasid* = favour, or grace. *Kodesh* must have one identical meaning (as above) in all passages; and does not imply moral quality except when used of God Himself. It is rendered “consecrated”, “dedicated”, “hallowed”, “holiness”, “saint”, and “sanctuary”, which are distinguished in the notes under their respective occurrences. 6 I. Pronoun emphatic.

God = *Elohim*, the Creator. Note the five-fold repetition. (Ap. 10). Christ founds the doctrine of Resurrection on this verse. See note on Matt. 22. 31, 32. afraid. Cp. Acts 7. 32.

7 the LORD said – Jehovah said (Heb. *'amar*, requiring the words spoken). This expression occurs forty-five “sundry times” in Exodus, and in ten “divers manners” (see Ap. 10), and cp. Lev. 1. 1; 5. 14. Num. 3. 40, and see note on 6. 10:—

- (1) The LORD said, 3. 7; 33. 21.
- (2) To Moses (or to “him”), 4. 2, 4, 6, 11, 19; 6. 1; 7. 1, 14; 9. 22; 10. 1, 12, 21; 11. 1, 9; 14. 26; 16. 4, 28; 17. 5; 19. 9, 10, 24; 24. 12; 32. 7, 9, 33; 33. 1. 17; 34. 1, 27.
- (3) To Moses to say unto Aaron, 8. 16.
- (4) To Moses to say unto Pharaoh, 4. 21 (cp. 22); 8. 20; 9. 1, 13.
- (5) To Moses to rehearse to Joshua, 17. 14.
- (6) To Moses to charge the people, 19. 21.
- (7) To Moses to speak to the people, 11. 1 (cp. 2).
- (8) To Moses to say to the children of Israel, 14. 15; 20. 22; 33. 5.
- (9) To Moses and unto Aaron, 9. 8; 12. 43.
- (10) To Aaron, 4. 27.

I have surely seen. Heb. “seeing I have seen”. Fig. *Polyptoton* (Ap. 6); see note on Gen. 26. 28. All begins with God. All is of His grace. Note the five statements in vv. 7, 8; and “My People”. Cp. Dent. 32. 8, 9. 8 deliver. Connect this with “serve” in v. 12; and connect both with 1 Thess. 1. 9, 10.

1491 16 Go, and gather the elders of Israel together, and say unto them, ²The LORD ¹God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, appeared unto me, saying, 'I have ³surely visited you, and ⁴seen that which is done to you in Egypt :

17 And I have said, 'I will bring you up out of the affliction of Egypt unto the land of the ⁸Canaanites, ⁸and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites, unto a land flowing with ⁸milk and honey.'"

18 And they shall hearken to thy voice: and thou shalt come, thou and the elders of Israel, unto the king of Egypt, and ye shall say unto him, 'The ²LORD ¹God of the Hebrews hath met with us: and now let us go, we beseech thee, three days' journey into the wilderness, that we may ⁵sacrifice to ²the LORD our ¹God.'

19 And I am sure that the king of Egypt will not let you go, ⁵no, not by a mighty hand.

20 And I will stretch out My hand, and smite Egypt with all My wonders which I will do in the midst thereof: and after that he will let you go.

21 And I will give this people favour in the sight of the Egyptians: and it shall come to pass, that, when ye go, ye shall not go empty:

22 But every woman shall ⁵borrow of her neighbour, and of her that sojourneth in her house, ⁵jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and raiment: and ye shall put *them* upon your sons, and upon your daughters; and ye shall spoil the Egyptians."

h' (p. 76) 4 And Moses answered and said, "But, ⁵behold, ⁵they will not believe me, nor hearken unto my voice: for they will say, ⁵'The LORD hath not appeared unto thee.'"

g⁵ 2 And ⁵the LORD said unto him, "What *is* that in thine hand?" And he said, "A rod."

3 And ⁵He said, "Cast it on the ground." And he cast it on the ground, and it became a serpent; and Moses fled from before it.

4 And ¹the LORD said unto Moses, "Put forth thine hand, and take it by the tail." And he put forth his hand, and ⁵caught it, and it became a rod in his hand:

5 "That they may believe that ¹the LORD ⁵God of their fathers, the ⁵God of Abraham, the ⁵God of Isaac, and the ⁵God of Jacob, hath appeared unto thee."

6 And ¹the LORD said furthermore unto him, "Put now thine hand into thy bosom." And he put his hand into his bosom: and when he took it out, behold, his hand *was* ⁵leprous as snow.

7 And ³He said, "Put thine hand into thy bosom again." And he put his hand into his bosom again; and plucked it out of his bosom, and, behold, it was turned again as his *other* flesh.

8 "And it shall come to pass, if they will not believe thee, neither hearken to the ⁵voice of the first sign, that they will believe the ⁵voice of the latter sign.

16 surely visited you. Fig. *Polyptōton*, "visiting I have visited you" (Ap. 6). Gen. 50. 24, 25.

seen. Ellipsis of the second verb. Fig. *Zeugma* (*Protozeugma*). Ap. 6.

18 sacrifice. Heb. *zabach*. See Ap. 43. I, iv.

19 no, not, &c. Fig. *Epitasis* (Ap. 6).

22 borrow. This is a most unfortunate rendering Heb. *shā'al*, to ask. Out of 168 occurrences, only six times "borrow", but 162 ask, beg, require, &c. Cp. 11 2; 12. 35, 36. Ps. 2. 8. 1 Sam. 1. 20; 8. 10. Gen. 24. 47, 57; 32. 17; 43. 7. 1 Kings 3. 11.

Jewels: or articles. Cp. Gen. 15. 14 and v. 21 above.

4. 1 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

they will not - suppose they will not.

The LORD (Heb. *Jehovah*). Ap. 4.

2 the LORD said. See note on 3. 7, and cp. note on 6. 10.

3 He [*Jehovah*] said. Occurs nine times in Exodus: 4. 3, 7, 14; 15. 26; 24. 1; 33. 14, 19, 20; 34. 10. Cp. notes on 3. 7 and 6. 10.

4 caught it stiffened it. Same word as "hardened" Pharaoh's heart.

5 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4.

6 leprous. First occ. Nine so afflicted: Ex. 4. 6. Num. 12. 10. 2 Kings 5. 1, 27; 7. 3; 15. 5. (2 Chron. 26. 20). Matt. 8. 2; 26. 6. Luke 17. 12. (Ninth case, 21 individuals. Ap. 10.)

8 voice. Fig. *Prosopopœia* (Ap. 6), by which the "sign" is personified.

9 these two signs. See note on 7. 17.

10 my LORD. Should be "*Jehovah*". One of the 134 places where "*Jehovah*" in the Primitive Text was altered to "*Adonai*". Ap. 32.

not eloquent. Heb. "not a man of words" (Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. ii). Supposed to contradict Acts 7. 22, but eloquence is no necessary part of "wisdom". With "all the wisdom of the Egyptians" he had not the wisdom needed for his work. The latter had to be learned at "the backside of the desert".

slow. But "mighty". Cp. Acts 7. 22.

11 Who hath made, &c. Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

man = Heb. *adam*. Ap. 14. i.

12 I will be. Heb. *'ehyeh*. See on 3. 14, 15.

14 Is not Aaron, &c. Fig. *Erotēsis* in Negative affirmation. Ap. 6.

9 And it shall come to pass, if they will not believe also ⁵these two signs, neither hearken unto thy voice, that thou shalt take of the water of the river, and pour *it* upon the dry land: and the water which thou takest out of the river shall become blood upon the dry land."

10 And Moses said unto ¹the LORD, "O ⁵my LORD*, I *am* ⁵not eloquent, neither heretofore, nor since Thou hast spoken unto Thy servant: but I *am* ⁵slow of speech, and of a ⁵slow tongue."

11 And ²the LORD said unto him, ⁵"Who hath made ⁵man's mouth? or Who maketh the dumb, or deaf, or the seeing, or the blind? have not I ¹the LORD?"

12 Now therefore go, and ⁵I will be with thy mouth, and teach thee what thou shalt say."

13 And he said, "O ¹⁰my LORD*, send, I pray Thee, by the hand of *Him Whom* Thou wilt send."

14 And the anger of ¹the LORD was kindled against Moses, and ³He said, ⁵"Is not Aaron

- 1491 °the Levite thy brother? I know that he can speak well. And also, behold, he cometh forth to meet thee: and when he seeth thee, he will be glad in his heart.
- 15 And thou shalt speak unto him, and °put words in his mouth: and °I will be with thy mouth, and with his mouth, and will teach you what ye shall do.
- 16 And °he shall be °thy spokesman unto the People: and °he shall be, *even* he shall be to thee instead of a mouth, and thou shalt be to him instead of °God.
- 17 And thou shalt take this rod in thine hand, wherewith thou shalt do signs."
- E³ 18 And Moses went and returned to Jethro his father in law, and said unto him, "Let me go, I pray thee, and return unto my brethren which *are* in Egypt, and see whether they be yet alive." And Jethro said to Moses, "Go in peace."
- (p. 75) 19 And °the LORD °said unto Moses in Midian, "Go, return into Egypt: for °all the men °are dead which sought °thy life."
- 20 And Moses took his wife and his °sons, and set them °upon an ass, and he returned to the land of Egypt: and Moses took the °rod of °God in his hand.
- F³ 21 And 19 the LORD said unto Moses, "When thou goest to return into Egypt, see that thou do all those wonders before Pharaoh, which I have put in thine hand: but °I will harden his heart, that he shall not let the People go.
- 22 And thou shalt say unto Pharaoh, °'Thus saith 1 the LORD, 'Israel is °My son, *even* My firstborn:
- 23 And I say unto thee, 'Let My son go, that he may serve Me:' and if thou refuse to let him go, behold, I will slay thy son, *even* thy firstborn."
- E⁴ 24 And it came to pass °by the way in the inn, that 1 the LORD met him, and sought to kill °him.
- 25 Then Zipporah took a sharp °stone, and cut off the foreskin of her °son, and cast it at his feet, and said, "Surely a °bloody husband art thou to me."
- 26 So °He let °him go: then she said, "A bloody husband *thou art*, because of the circumcision."
- F⁴ 27 And 1 the LORD said to °Aaron, "Go into the wilderness to meet Moses." And he went, and °met him in the mount of °God, and kissed him.
- 28 And Moses told Aaron all the words of 1 the LORD Who had sent him, and all the signs which He had commanded him.
- E⁵ G 29 And Moses and Aaron went and gathered together all the elders of the °children of Israel: (p. 79) 30 And Aaron spake all the words which 1 the LORD had spoken unto Moses, and did the signs in the sight of the People.
- H 31 And °the People believed: and when they heard that 1 the LORD had °visited the 29 children of Israel, and that He had looked upon their affliction, then they bowed their heads and worshipped.
- the Levite. Why this? Was not Moses a Levite? Is it not to indicate that He whom He would send (v. 13) would be of the tribe of Judah?
- 15 put words (Heb. "the words") in his mouth. Cp. Num. 23. 5, 16; 22. 35. Deut. 18. 18. John 17. 8. This is a definition of Divine inspiration.
- I will be. Heb. 'ehyeh. See on 3. 14, 15.
- 16 he shall be. Fig. *Repetitio* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. thy spokesman. In ch. 7. 1 = "thy prophet": hence God's prophet is God's spokesman, "the man of God" (Deut. 33. 1. Ps. 90, Title), "God's man" who spoke for God. Qualified only by God's Spirit (Num. 11. 29), and God's Word (2 Tim. 3. 16-4. 4), and by God's making known what is to be spoken (Num. 12. 6).
- 19 the LORD said. See note on 3. 7, and cp. note on 6. 10.
- all. Not merely Pharaoh, but all the court faction. are dead. The counterpart to Matt. 2. 15 and 20. thy life = thy soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.
- 20 sons = Gershom and Eliezer. See on 2. 1. upon an ass. Still young. So that Moses married after many years in Midian.
- rod of God. His own rod is now thus dignified.
- 21 I will harden = I will embolden. By Heb. idiom active verbs of doing are used of suffering or permitting a thing to be done. Cp. Gen. 31. 7: e.g. Heb. "God did not give him to do me evil". Cp. A.V. Ex. 5. 22. Ps. 16. 10 (give = suffer); Jer. 4. 10 (deceived = suffered to be deceived). So Ezek. 14. 9; 20. 25. Matt. 6. 13; 11. 25 (hid = not revealed); 13. 11. Acts 13. 29 (took him down = permitted). Rom. 9. 18 (hardeneth = suffereth to be). Used six times by Jehovah (9. 12; 10. 1, 20, 27; 11. 10; 14. 8), but not till Pharaoh had done it seven times. Three words used for "harden":—
- (1) *hāzak* = to brace or tighten up (opp. to relax). Cp. 4. 21; 7. 13, 22; 8. 19; 9. 12, 35; 10. 20, 27; 11. 10; 14. 4, 8, 17 (and once of the Egyptians, 12. 33), thirteen times in all.
- (2) *kāshah* = to make sharp, hard, severe, cruel. Used twice, 7. 3; 13. 15 (cp. Gen. 49. 7).
- (3) *kābēd* = to become heavy (7. 14; 8. 15, 32; 9. 7, 34; 10. 1), six times.
- It was in each case God's clemency and forbearing goodness which produced the hardening. That goodness which "leadeth to repentance" (Rom. 2. 4): just as the same sun which softens the wax hardens the clay.
- 22 Thus saith the LORD [Jehovah]. Occurs in Ex. three times, 4. 22; 7. 17; 9. 1. Lit. "hath said"; as elsewhere.
- My son. Cp. Matt. 2. 15.
- 24 by the way in the inn. A further lesson, not learnt in Egypt or at Horeb. A secret in Moses' life, known only to himself. Moses had neglected to circumcise Eliezer. To save the child's life, Zipporah now performs the rite herself.
- him = the son (v. 23). Cp. Gen. 17. 14.
- 25 stone, or knife.
- son = Eliezer. Cp. v. 20.
- bloody husband. Heb. "a husband of bloods" = Gen. of relation, i.e. with rites of blood; alluding to circumcision, which she had tried to evade and avoid.
- 26 He: i.e., Jehovah.
- him = Moses' son Eliezer. Cp. v. 24. Gen. 17. 14.
- 27 Aaron, "Go, &c. Aaron apparently brought up in Pharaoh's house. See 1 Sam. 2. 27, 28.
- met him. Cp. the parting at mount Hor, Num. 20. 22-29.
- 29 children = sons.
- 31 the People believed. Cp. 4. 1, 8; 3. 18. visited. See Gen. 50. 24, 25 and Ex. 2. 24, 25. Cp. 6. 6, "redeem", with Luke 1. 68.

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5 And afterward Moses and Aaron went in, and told Pharaoh, "Thussaith the LORD God of Israel, 'Let My People go, that they may hold a feast unto Me in the wilderness.'"
2 And Pharaoh said, "Who is the LORD, that I should obey His voice to let Israel go? I know not the LORD, neither will I let Israel go."

3 And they said, "The God of the Hebrews hath met with us: let us go, we pray thee, three days' journey into the desert, and sacrifice unto the LORD our God; lest He fall upon us with pestilence, or with the sword."

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4 And the king of Egypt said unto them, "Wherefore do ye, Moses and Aaron, let the people from their works? get you unto your burdens."

5 And Pharaoh said, "Behold, the People of the land now are many, and ye make them rest from their burdens."

6 And Pharaoh commanded the same day the taskmasters of the People, and their officers, saying,

7 "Ye shall no more give the people straw to make brick, as heretofore: let them go and gather straw for themselves."

8 And the tale of the bricks, which they did make heretofore, ye shall lay upon them; ye shall not diminish ought thereof: for they be idle; therefore they cry, saying, 'Let us go and sacrifice to our God.'

9 Let there more work be laid upon the men, that they may labour therein; and let them not regard vain words."

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10 And the taskmasters of the people went out, and their officers, and they spake to the People, saying, "Thus saith Pharaoh, 'I will not give you straw.'

11 Go ye, get you straw where ye can find it: yet not ought of your work shall be diminished."

12 So the People were scattered abroad throughout all the land of Egypt to gather stubble instead of straw."

13 And the taskmasters hastened them, saying, "Fulfil your works, your daily tasks, as when there was straw."

14 And the officers of the children of Israel, which Pharaoh's taskmasters had set over them, were beaten, and demanded, "Wherefore have ye not fulfilled your task in making brick both yesterday and to day, as heretofore?"

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15 Then the officers of the children of Israel came and cried unto Pharaoh, saying, "Wherefore dealest thou thus with thy servants?"

16 There is no straw given unto thy servants, and they say to us, 'Make brick:' and, behold, thy servants are beaten; but the fault is in thine own people."

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17 But he said, "Ye are idle, ye are idle: therefore ye say, 'Let us go and do sacrifice to the LORD.'"

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18 Go therefore now, and work; for there shall no straw be given you, yet shall ye deliver the tale of bricks."

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19 And the officers of the children of Israel did see that they were in evil case, after it was

4. 29—6. 1 (E⁵, p. 75). MOSES AND AARON IN EGYPT (Alternation).

E⁵ | G | 4. 29, 30. Communication to the elders.
H | 4. 31. Result—belief and worship.
G | 5. 1-3. Communication to Pharaoh.
H | 5. 4—6. 1. Result—unbelief and oppression.

5. 1 told Pharaoh. This was in Zoan (cp. Ps. 78. 12, 43), where Pharaoh had made his palace. It could not have been written in Babylon, for there the kings were not seen, and were hidden behind their ministers. Here, in Egypt, the king was his own minister, and could be easily approached. Cp. 3. 10 and Ap. 37. Note Jehovah's sixfold (Ap. 10) demand and Pharaoh's sixfold objection:—

- I. "Thus saith Jehovah Elohim" (5. 1).
(1) "Who is Jehovah?" (5. 2). Q. occ. only here.
- II. "Let My People go" (5. 1).
(2) "Go. Sacrifice in the Land" (8. 25).
- III. "We will go three days' journey into the wilderness" (8. 27).
(3) "Go", only "not very far away" (8. 28).
- IV. "Let My People go" (10. 3).
(4) "Who are they that shall go?" (10. 8).
- V. All must go (10. 9).
(5) Not so. Men, but not children or flocks (10. 11).
(6) Go. Children, but not flocks (10. 24).
- VI. Flocks too: for "we know not . . . till", &c. (10. 25, 26).

2 Who is the LORD? Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6). Note the repetition of Pharaoh's "I", answered by Jehovah's "I" eighteen times in ch. 6. 1-8.

voice. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause). Ap. 6. Voice put for commands uttered by it.

Israel. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct). Ap. 6.

3 met with us. Cp. 3. 2-10.

sacrifice. Heb. *zabach*. See Ap. 43. I. iv.

sword. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause). Ap. 6.

5. 4—6. 1 (H, above). RESULT: UNBELIEF AND OPPRESSION (Extended Alternation).

- H | I | 5. 4-9. Pharaoh's order given.
K | 5. 10-14. Evil case.
L | 5. 15, 16. Complaint: To Pharaoh.
M | 5. 17. Answer.
I | 5. 18. Pharaoh's order repeated.
K | 5. 19. Evil case.
L | 5. 20-23. Complaints: To Moses, 20, 21. By Moses, 22, 23.
M | 6. 1. Answer.

4 the king of Egypt. See on v. 1, and Ap. 37.

Wherefore. Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

let. A.S. to hinder.

6 taskmasters. Cp. 1. 11, Egyptian.

officers: an Egyptian title, scribes, who kept account of work done.

7 straw. *Tēbn*, an Egyptian word for chaff, or chopped straw; not our Eng. stubble.

8 tale. A.S. *talū*, a number.

thereof. The suffix is Masc. and refers to the people, "diminish [your exactions] from them."

and. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Onk., and Sept., read "that we may".

9 vain words. Man's estimate of Divine revelation.

10 officers. See on v. 6, Hebrews.

12 stubble. Heb. *gash* = reeds. Shown in Egyptian pictures on the monuments.

14 children = sons.

17 Ye are idle. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6) for emphasis.

said, "Ye shall not minish ought from your bricks of your daily task."

20 And they met Moses and Aaron, who stood in the way, as they came forth from Pharaoh:

21 And they said unto them, "The LORD look upon you, and judge; because ye have made

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our savour to be °abhorred in the eyes of Pharaoh, and in the eyes of his servants, to put a sword in their hand to slay us."

22 And Moses returned unto ¹the LORD, and said, "°LORD * ° wherefore hast Thou so °evil entreated this People? ° why is it that Thou hast sent me?"

23 For since I came to Pharaoh to speak in Thy name, he hath done ²²evil to this People; neither hast Thou °delivered Thy People at all."

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6 Then °the LORD °said unto Moses, "Now shalt thou see what I will do to Pharaoh: for with a strong hand shall he let them go, and with a strong hand shall he drive them out of his land."

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2 And °God °spake unto Moses, and said unto him, "°am °the LORD:

3 And I appeared unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob, by the name of GOD ALMIGHTY, but by My name JEHOVAH was I not °known to them.

4 And °I have also established My covenant with them, to give °them the land of Canaan, the land of their °pilgrimage, wherein they were strangers.

5 And °I have °also heard the groaning of the °children of Israel, whom the Egyptians keep in bondage; and °I have °remembered My covenant.

6 Wherefore say unto the °children of Israel, "°am °the LORD, °and °I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will rid you out of their bondage, and I will °redeem you with a stretched out arm, and with great judgments:

7 And I will take you to Me for a People, and I will be to you a °God: and ye shall know that °am °the LORD your °God, which bringeth you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians.

8 And I will bring you in unto the land, concerning the which I did °swear to give it to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob; and I will give it you for an heritage: °am °the LORD."

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9 And Moses spake so unto the °children of Israel: but they hearkened not unto Moses for anguish of °spirit, and for cruel bondage.

10 And °the LORD °spake unto Moses, saying, 11 "Go in, speak unto Pharaoh king of Egypt, that he let the °children of Israel go out of his land."

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12 And Moses spake before °the LORD, saying, "Behold, the °children of Israel have not hearkened unto me;

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how then shall Pharaoh hear me, who am of uncircumcised lips?"

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13 And °the LORD °spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, and gave them a charge unto the °children of Israel, and unto Pharaoh king of

21 abhorred, &c. Heb. "stink in the eyes". Fig. *Catachresis* (Ap. 6) for emphasis.

22 LORD. One of the 134 places where Jehovah in the Primitive Text was altered to Adonai. See Ap. 32.

wherefore...? why...? Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6). We, like Moses, are full of similar questions, to our sin and sorrow. evil entreated. Heb. Idiom = suffered to be evil entreated. Heb. *Ra'a*. Ap. 44. viii. See note on 4. 21.

23 delivered Thy People at all. Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6). Heb. "delivering Thou hast not delivered Thy People". Fig. used for great emphasis. See Gen. 26. 28.

6. 1 the LORD (Heb. Jehovah) said. See note on 3. 7, and cp. note on v. 10, and see Ap. 4.

2 God spake. Occurs only twice in Exodus: here, and 20. 1. See notes on 3. 7 and 6. 10.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4.

the LORD = Jehovah. Note the repetition five times in this revelation, vv. 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, and see Ap. 10.

3 known. Heb. = perceived or understood. The name Jehovah was known as the covenant name; but was not known so as to be understood. The Ellipsis may be better supplied "in [the character of] *El Shaddai*." Cp. 7. 5.

4 I have. Note the three repetitions in vv. 4, 5. See Ap. 10.

them = individually (see on Gen. 50. 24). This is why this revelation of Jehovah as "the God of the living" ensures their resurrection. See on ch. 3. 6, and cp. Deut. 11. 21.

pilgrimage. They "sojourned" in Canaan, and they "dwelt" in Egypt.

5 also. Read "I also have:" i.e. as well as thou. children = sons.

remembered My covenant. All Israel's blessings based on this. See 2. 24.

6 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in vv. 6-8, to emphasise every detail. Cp. Deut. 7. 8.

I will. Note the sevenfold blessing in vv. 6-8 and cp. the sevenfold promise in Gen. 12. 2, 3. See Ap. 10.

redeem. Heb. *g'āl* = to redeem (from charge, by payment). First occ. in connection with Israel. Not *pādāh*. See note on 13. 13.

8 swear. Heb. "I lifted up mine hand". Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct). Ap. 6. Act put for the thing accompanying it: rightly rendered "swear". The Fig. *Anthropopatheia* is also involved in it.

6. 9-12. 30 (E⁶ p. 75). MOSES AND AARON IN EGYPT (*Repeated Alternation*).

E⁶ N¹ | 6. 9-13. Commission and first results.

O¹ | 6. 14-27. Moses and Aaron. Gathering the "heads".

N² | 6. 28-7. 5. Commission repeated.

O² | 7. 6, 7. Moses and Aaron. Obedience and age.

N³ | 7. 8-13. Commission and credentials.

O³ | 7. 14-10. 29. Moses and Aaron. Nine plagues ineffectual.

N⁴ | 11. 1-12. 30. Commission. Tenth plague effectual.

6. 9-13 (N¹, above). COMMISSION AND FIRST RESULTS (*Introversion*).

N¹ | a | 9-11. Mission.

b | 12-. Failure, alleged.

b | -12. Failure, anticipated.

a | 13. Mission.

9 spirit. Heb. *ruach*. See Ap. 9.

10 the LORD spake = Jehovah spake (Heb. *dāvar*). This expression occurs in Ex. twenty "sundry times" and in seven "divers manners" (see Ap. 10). Cp. note on 3. 7. Lev. 1. 1. Num. 1. 1:—

(1) To Moses alone, 18. 1; 30. 11, 17, 22, 34; 31. 1; 33. 11; 40. 1.

(2) To Moses to speak to Aaron, 7. 19; 8. 5.

(3) To Moses to speak to the children of Israel, 14. 1; 16. 11 (cp. v. 12); 25. 1; 31. 12.

(4) To Moses to speak to Pharaoh, 6. 10 (cp. v. 11), 29; 8. 1.

(5) To Moses and unto Aaron, 7. 8.

(6) To Moses and Aaron to speak to the congregation of Israel, 12. 1.

(7) To Moses and Aaron to give a charge to the children of Israel, and unto Pharaoh, 6. 13.

1491 Egypt, to bring the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt.

O¹ 14 These *be* the heads of their fathers' houses: (p. 81) The sons of Reuben the firstborn of Israel; Hanoch, and Pallu, Hezron, and Carmi: these *be* the families of Reuben.

15 And the sons of Simeon; Jemuel, and Jamin, and Ohad, and Jachin, and Zohar, and Shaul the son of a Canaanitish woman: these *are* the families of Simeon.

1612 16 And these *are* the names of the sons of Levi according to their generations; Gershon, and Kohath, and Merari: and the years of the life of °Levi *were* an hundred thirty and seven years.

17 The sons of Gershon; Libni, and Shimi, according to their families.

18 And the sons of Kohath; Amram, and Izhar, and Hebron, and Uzziel: and the years of the life of Kohath *were* an hundred thirty and three years.

19 And the sons of Merari; Mahali and Mushi: these *are* the families of Levi according to their generations.

20 And Amram took him °Jochebed his father's sister to wife; and she bare him Aaron and Moses: and the years of the life of Amram *were* an hundred and thirty and seven years.

21 And the sons of Izhar; Korah, and Nepheg, and Zichri.

22 And the sons of Uzziel; Mishael, and Elzaphan, and Zithri.

23 And Aaron took him Elisheba, daughter of Amminadab, sister of Naashon, to wife; and she bare him Nadab, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.

24 And the sons of Korah; Assir, and °Elkanah, and Abiasaph: these *are* the families of the Korhites.

25 And Eleazar Aaron's son took him *one* of the daughters of Putiel to wife; and she bare him Phinehas: these *are* the heads of the fathers of the Levites according to their families.

26 These *are* that °Aaron and Moses, to whom ¹ the LORD said, "Bring out the children of Israel from the land of Egypt according to their armies."

27 ~~These~~ *are* they which spake to °Pharaoh king of Egypt, to bring out the children of Israel from Egypt: these *are* that °Moses and Aaron.

N² c 28 And it came to pass on the day *when* ² the LORD spake unto Moses in the land of Egypt, 29 That °the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, "I *am* ² the LORD: speak thou unto Pharaoh king of Egypt all that I say unto thee."

d 30 And Moses said before ² the LORD, "Behold, I *am* of uncircumcised lips, and how shall Pharaoh hearken unto me?"

c 7 And °the LORD said unto Moses, "See, I have °made thee a °god to Pharaoh: and Aaron thy brother shall be thy °prophet.

2 Thou shalt speak all that I command thee: and Aaron thy brother shall speak unto Pharaoh, that he send the °children of Israel out of his land.

3 And I will °harden Pharaoh's heart, and

6. 14-27 (O¹, p. 80). MOSES AND AARON: GENEALOGY.

(Choosing the "heads" to speak to Pharaoh.)

O¹ 14-16. Sons of Israel (Reuben, Simeon, Levi). 17-19. Sons of Levi (Gershon, Kohath, Merari). 20-27. Sons of Kohath.

14 Moses and Aaron shown to be the crown of the previous pedigrees. They gather the "heads" who are to speak to Pharaoh, v. 27.

16 Levi died twenty-three years after Joseph, forty-one years before Moses.

20 Jochebed. See note on Num. 26. 59.

24 Elkanah. The ancestor of Samuel. Cp. 1 Sam. 1. 1. 24 and Num. 26. 11, &c.

26 Aaron and Moses. The order according to age and genealogy. Cp. v. 27.

27 Pharaoh king of Egypt. See Ap. 37.

Moses and Aaron. The order according to God's choice. Cp. v. 26.

6. 28-7. 5 (N², p. 80). COMMISSION REPEATED (Introversion).

N² c | 6. 28, 29. Mission.

d | 6. 30. Excuse—ineloquence.

c | 7. 1-5. Mission.

29 the LORD (Heb. Jehovah) spake. See note on v. 10, and cp. note on 3. 7.

7. 1 the LORD (Heb. Jehovah) said. See note on 3. 7, and cp. note on 6. 10.

made—given (as in Eph. 4. 11) as such.

god. i. e. in God's stead. *Elohim* = one appointed by oath. *Elohim* is thus used of those so given and appointed. Ps. 82. 1, 6. John 10. 34, 35.

prophet. See on 4. 16.

2 children = sons.

3 harden. See note on 4. 21.

4 armies = hosts.

and. No "and" required.

5 shall know: i. e. by a great experience. That was the great object of all these ten plagues; as it will be in the coming day of the judgments described in the Apocalypse. Rev. 16. 5-7.

6 as = according as.

7 Pharaoh. See Ap. 37.

7. 8-13 (N³, p. 80). COMMISSION AND CREDENTIALS (Alternation).

N³ e | 8. 9. Command for miracle.

f | 10. Result. Obedience.

e | 11, 12. Imitation of miracle.

f | 13. Result. Obduracy.

8 the LORD (Heb. Jehovah) spake. See note on 6. 10, and cp. note on 3. 7.

multiply My signs and My wonders in the land of Egypt.

4 But Pharaoh shall not hearken unto you, that I may lay My hand upon Egypt, and bring forth Mine °armies, °and My People the children of Israel, out of the land of Egypt by great judgments.

5 And the Egyptians °shall know that I *am* ² the LORD, when I stretch forth Mine hand upon Egypt, and bring out the children of Israel from among them."

6 And Moses and Aaron did °as ² the LORD commanded them, so did they.

7 And Moses *was* fourscore years old, and Aaron fourscore and three years old, when they spake unto °Pharaoh.

8 And °the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying,

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9 "When Pharaoh shall speak unto you, saying, 'Shew a miracle for you:' then thou shalt say unto Aaron, 'Take thy rod, and cast it before Pharaoh,' and it shall become a serpent."

10 And Moses and Aaron went in unto Pharaoh, and they did so as the LORD had commanded: and Aaron cast down his rod before Pharaoh, and before his servants, and it became a serpent.

11 Then Pharaoh also called the wise men and the sorcerers: now the magicians of Egypt, they also did in like manner with their enchantments.

12 For they cast down every man his rod, and they became serpents: but Aaron's rod swallowed up their rods.

13 And He hardened Pharaoh's heart, that he hearkened not unto them; as the LORD had said.

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(p. 82)

14 And the LORD said unto Moses, "Pharaoh's heart is hardened, he refuseth to let the People go.

15 Get thee unto Pharaoh in the morning; lo, he goeth out unto the water; and thou shalt stand by the river's brink against he come; and the rod which was turned to a serpent shalt thou take in thine hand.

16 And thou shalt say unto him, 'The LORD God of the Hebrews hath sent me unto thee, saying, 'Let My People go, that they may serve Me in the wilderness:' and, behold, hitherto thou wouldest not hear.

17 Thus saith the LORD, 'In this thou shalt know that I am the LORD: behold, I will smite with the rod that is in mine hand upon the waters which are in the river, and they shall be turned to blood.

18 And the fish that is in the river shall die, and the river shall stink; and the Egyptians shall lothe to drink of the water of the river.'"

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19 And the LORD spake unto Moses, "Say unto Aaron, 'Take thy rod, and stretch out thine hand upon the waters of Egypt, upon their streams, upon their rivers, and upon their ponds, and upon all their pools of water, that they may become blood; and that there may be blood throughout all the land of Egypt, both in vessels of wood, and in vessels of stone.'"

20 And Moses and Aaron did so, as the LORD commanded; and he lifted up the rod, and smote the waters that were in the river, in the sight of Pharaoh, and in the sight of his servants; and all the waters that were in the river were turned to blood.

21 And the fish that was in the river died; and the river stank, and the Egyptians could not drink of the water of the river; and there was blood throughout all the land of Egypt.

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22 And the magicians of Egypt did so with their enchantments:

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and Pharaoh's heart was hardened, neither did he hearken unto them; as the LORD had said.

23 And Pharaoh turned and went into his house, neither did he set his heart to this also.

24 And all the Egyptians digged round about

9 Shew a miracle for you = show us a sign. serpent. Heb. *thaumin* = a crocodile.

10 as = according as.

Pharaoh. Heb. "the face of Pharaoh". Fig. *Pleonasm*. Ap. 6.

11 wise men, &c. Two sets of men mentioned. Pharaoh "called for the wise men, and for the magicians—and these also (the sacred scribes of Egypt) did in like manner with their secret arts".

Two of these named by the Holy Spirit in 2 Tim. 3. 8, "Jannes and Jambres".

12 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. ii. rod. Fig. *Ampliatio* (Ap. 6). The rod still called a rod, though it had become a serpent.

swallowed up: and thus inflicted the first blow on the gods of Egypt. See note on v. 20.

13 He hardened. The Heb. here is "Pharaoh's heart was hardened". See on 4. 21.

as = according as.

7. 14—10. 29 (O³, p. 80). MOSES AND AARON: THE NINE PLAGUES.

(Extended and Repeated Alternation.)

O ³	P ¹	7. 14-25. First Plague (Blood). Warning.
	Q ¹	8. 1-15. Second Plague (Frogs). Warning.
	R ¹	8. 16-19. Third Plague (Lice). No warning.
	P ²	8. 20-32. Fourth Plague (Flies). Warning.
	Q ²	9. 1-7. Fifth Plague (Murrain). Warning.
	R ²	9. 8-12. Sixth Plague (Boils). No warning.
	P ³	9. 13-35. Seventh Plague (Hail). Warning.
	Q ³	10. 1-20. Eighth Plague (Locusts). Warning.
	R ³	10. 21-27. Ninth Plague (Darkness). No warning.

It will be noticed that the number *nine* is connected with judgment (see Ap. 10), and that the third plague of each three is without warning. To make the symmetry complete, Aaron was used in the infliction of the first three, and Moses of the last three.

7. 14-25 (P¹, above). FIRST PLAGUE (Blood). (Introversion.)

P ¹	g	14-18. Liberation demanded (warning).
	h	19-21. Plague inflicted.
	h	22-. Plague imitated.
	g	-22-25. Liberation refused.

14 the LORD said. See note on 3. 7 and 6. 10. hardened. See note on 4. 21.

15 serpent. Heb. *nachash*. See note on Gen. 3. 1, and Ap. 19.

16 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 6.

17 Thus saith the LORD. See note on 4. 22. river. Probably the Nile canals.

19 the LORD spake. See note on 6. 10, and cp. note on 3. 7.

streams = canals.

rivers = the seven streams of the Delta.

ponds = lakes where reeds grew.

pools = reservoirs.

vessels of wood, &c. Gen. of material. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause). Ap. 6. Heb. "woods and stones", put for [channels] made of wood [and canals] made of stone.

20 river. This first plague was directed against the Nile, an object of worship, which was thus polluted, and became a means of pollution to the people. Cp. 12. 12.

21 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* in vv. 20, 21.

22 magicians... did so. Evidently from the water referred to in v. 24.

hardened. See note on 4. 21.

24 round about: i. e. on either side of.

1491 the river for water to drink; for they could not drink of the water of the river.

25 And seven days were fulfilled, after that the LORD had smitten the river.

Q¹ i (p. 83) **8** And °the LORD spake unto Moses, "Go unto Pharaoh, and say unto him, 'Thus saith °the LORD, 'Let My People go, that they may serve Me.'

2 And if thou refuse to let *them* go, behold, I will smite all thy borders with °frogs:

3 °And the river shall bring forth frogs abundantly, which shall go up and come into thine house, and into thy °bedchamber, and upon thy bed, and into the house of thy servants, and upon thy people, and into thine ovens, and into thy °kneadingtroughs:

4 And the frogs shall come up both on thee, and upon thy people, and upon all thy servants.'"

K 5 And °the LORD spake unto Moses, "Say unto Aaron, 'Stretch forth thine hand with thy rod over the streams, over the rivers, and over the ponds, and cause frogs to come up upon the land of Egypt.'"

6 And Aaron stretched out his hand over the waters of Egypt; and the frogs came up, and covered the land of Egypt.

K 7 And the magicians did so with their enchantments, and brought up frogs upon the land of Egypt.

i 8 Then Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron, and said, "Intreat °the LORD, that He may take away the frogs from me, and from my people; and I will let the People go, that they may do sacrifice unto °the LORD."

9 And Moses said unto Pharaoh, °"Glory over me: when shall I intreat for thee, and for thy servants, and for thy people, to destroy the frogs from thee and thy houses, *that* they may remain in the river only?"

10 And he said, "To morrow." And he said, "Be it according to thy word: that thou mayest know that *there is* none like unto °the LORD our °God.

11 And the frogs shall depart from thee, °and from thy houses, and from thy servants, and from thy people; they shall remain in the river only."

12 And Moses and Aaron went out from Pharaoh: and Moses cried unto °the LORD because of the frogs which He had brought against Pharaoh.

13 And °the LORD did according to the word of Moses; and the frogs died out of the houses, out of the villages, and out of the fields.

14 And they gathered *them* together °upon heaps: and the land stank.

15 But when Pharaoh saw that there was respite, he hardened his heart, and hearkened not unto them; °as °the LORD had said.

R¹ 1 16 And °the LORD said unto Moses, "Say unto Aaron, 'Stretch out thy rod, and smite the dust of the land, that it may become °lice throughout all the land of Egypt.'"

m 17 And they did so; for Aaron stretched out his hand with his rod, and smote the dust of the earth, and it became °lice in °man, and in

8. 1-15 (Q¹, p. 82). SECOND PLAGUE (FROGS). (Introversion).

Q¹ i | 1-4. Liberation demanded (warning.)
k | 5, 6. Plague inflicted.
k | 7. Plague imitated.
i | 8-15. Liberation refused.

8. 1 the LORD (Heb. Jehovah) spake. See note on 6. 10, and cp. note on 3. 7.

the LORD = Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

2 frogs. Worshipped as symbol of fecundity.

3 And. Note the *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in vv. 3 and 4. bedchamber. In Palestine beds were mats or couches, and could be moved; but in Egypt there were special bedchambers. These were used later in Palestine (2 Sam. 4. 7).

kneadingtroughs. These are found in every home; none is complete without them.

9 Glory over me. Treat this as part of the following question, which requires this to be rendered: "Explain thyself to me: when shall I," &c.

10 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4.

11 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) emphasising the items, and marking the completeness of the removal.

14 upon heaps. Heb. "heaps, heaps." Fig. *Epizeugis* (Ap. 6) = in many great heaps.

15 as the LORD had said. Cp. 4. 21.

8. 16-19 (R¹, p. 82). THIRD PLAGUE (LICE). (Introversion)

R¹ l | 16. Jehovah's command given (no warning).
m | 17. Plague inflicted.
m | 18, 19- Imitation abortive.
l | -19. Jehovah's prophecy fulfilled.

16 the LORD (Heb. Jehovah) said. See note on 3. 7, and cp. note on 6. 10.

lice. An Egyptian word = mosquito-gnats. Note that this third plague (like the sixth and ninth) falls without warning.

17 man. Heb. 'adam, with art. = mankind.

all the dust. A special various reading called *sevir* reads "and all", &c. See Ap. 34. But other codices, with Sept., read, "and in all the dust there came to be".

18 did so. Heb. Idiom, attempted to do so.

they could not. Not because a question of life, for the frogs had life.

God suffered them to do so in the former cases to show the limits of their power; and, by contrast, to show that His power was unlimited.

19 finger. Fig. *Anthropopatheia* (Ap. 6). Note, the Egyptians say "God", not Jehovah.

as the LORD had said. Cp. 4. 21. Jehovah, because in connection with His word.

beast; °all the dust of the land became °lice throughout all the land of Egypt.

18 And the magicians °did so with their enchantments to bring forth °lice, but °they could not: so there were lice upon man, and upon beast.

19 Then the magicians said unto Pharaoh, "This is the °finger of °God:"

and Pharaoh's heart was hardened, and he hearkened not unto them; °as °the LORD had said.

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20 And ° the LORD said unto Moses, "Rise up early in the morning, and stand before Pharaoh; ° lo, he cometh forth to the water; and say unto him, 'Thus saith ° the LORD, 'Let My People go, that they may serve Me.

21 Else, if thou wilt not let My People go, behold, I will send ° swarms of *flies* upon thee, ° and upon thy servants, and upon thy people, and into thy houses: and the houses of the Egyptians shall be full of swarms of *flies*, and also the ground whereon they are.

22 And I will sever in that day the land of Goshen, in which My People dwell, that no swarms of *flies* shall be there; to the end thou mayest know that I am ° the LORD in the midst of the earth.

23 And I will put ° a division between My People and thy people: to morrow shall this sign be."

o 24 And ° the LORD did so; and there came a grievous swarm of *flies* into the house of Pharaoh, and ° into his servants' houses, ° and ° into all the land of Egypt: ° the land was ° corrupted by reason of the swarm of *flies*.

o 25 And Pharaoh called for Moses and for Aaron, and said, "Go ye, ° sacrifice to your ° God ° in the land."

26 And Moses said, "It is not meet so to do; for we shall ° sacrifice the ° abomination of the Egyptians to ° the LORD our ° God: lo, ° shall we ° sacrifice the abomination of the Egyptians before their eyes, and will they not stone us?

27 We will go ° three days' journey into the wilderness, and sacrifice to ° the LORD our ° God, as ° He shall command us."

28 And Pharaoh said, "I will let you go, that ye may ° sacrifice to ° the LORD your ° God in the wilderness; only ye shall ° not go very far away: intreat for me."

29 And Moses said, "Behold, I go out from thee, and I will intreat ° the LORD that the ° swarms of *flies* may depart from Pharaoh, ° from his servants, and from his people, to morrow: but let not Pharaoh deal deceitfully any more in not letting the People go to ° sacrifice to ° the LORD."

30 And Moses went out from Pharaoh, and intreated ° the LORD.

31 And ° the LORD did according to the word of Moses; and he removed the ° swarms of *flies* from Pharaoh, ° from his servants, and from his people; there remained not one.

n 32 And Pharaoh hardened his heart at this time also, neither would he let the People go.

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9 Then ° the LORD ° said unto Moses, "Go in unto Pharaoh, and tell him, 'Thus saith ° the LORD God of the Hebrews, 'Let My People go, that they may serve Me.

2 For if thou refuse to let them go, and wilt hold them still,

3 Behold, the ° hand of ° the LORD is upon thy cattle which is ° in the field, upon the horses, ° upon the asses, upon the camels, upon the oxen, and upon the sheep: there shall be a very grievous ° murrain.

4 And ° the LORD shall sever between the cattle of Israel and the cattle of Egypt: and

8. 20-32 (P², p. 82). FOURTH PLAGUE (FLIES). (Introversion.)

P² n | 20-23. Liberation demanded (warning).
o | 24. Plague inflicted.
o | 25-31. Plague removed.
n | 32. Liberation refused.

This plague was a severe blow to all idolatrous worship and worshippers. Cleanliness was imperative. For this cause the priests wore linen, and shaved daily. Moreover, it was designed to destroy the worship of Beelzebub, the god of flies, and to manifest his impotence. Cp. 12. 12.

20 the LORD (Heb. Jehovah) said. See note on 3. 7, and cp. note on 6. 10.

lo. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6) for emphasis.

21 swarms of flies. Ellipsis supplied. But should not be thus limited. Heb. root shows that they were mixed: all sorts of insects.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) emphasises the universality of the plague.

23 a division. Heb. *pādāh* = redemption. See notes on 6. 6 and 13. 13. This it is which makes the division between those who are the Lord's people and those who are not. It is the Fig. *Metonymy* (of the Subject), Ap. 6, by which the redemption is put for the judgment which was the sign of it. Cp. Ps. 111. 9; 130. 7.

24 into. This word, in italics, is a special reading called *Sevir*. See Ap. 34.

and. This is omitted in the readings called *Sevir*. the land. Sam. and Sept. read "and the land". corrupted = laid waste.

25 sacrifice. Heb. *zabāh*. See Ap. 43. I, iv. in the land. Pharaoh's objection to Jehovah's second demand. Note Moses' reply, and the spiritual lesson as to our worship to-day. See note on 5. 1.

26 abomination. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, put for the act of sacrificing cattle, which was abominated by the Egyptians.

shall, &c. Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6).

27 three. The number of Divine perfection. See Ap. 10. Jehovah's third demand. See note on 5. 1.

He, &c. Should be "Jehovah hath commanded us." The Heb. word, "He said", should be divided differently: the first letter standing as an abbreviation for "Jehovah".

28 not go very far away. Pharaoh's objection to Jehovah's third demand (v. 25). Note the spiritual lesson as to our worship to-day. See note on 5. 1.

29 from. Some codices, with Sam., Sept., and Syr., read "and from".

9. 1-7 (Q², p. 82). FIFTH PLAGUE (MURRAIN). (Introversion.)

Q² p | 1-5. Liberation demanded (warning).
q | 6. Plague inflicted.
q | 7-. Plague verified.
p | -7. Liberation refused.

The fifth plague was aimed at all kinds of animal worship. Cp. 12. 12.

1 the LORD (Heb. Jehovah) said. See note on 3. 7, and cp. note on 6. 10.

Thus saith the LORD God (Heb. Jehovah Elohim) of the Hebrews. Occurs only three times, 9. 1, 13 and 10. 3.

3 hand. Fig. *Anthropopatheia* (Ap. 6). Also *Metonymy* (of Cause), "hand" being put for the judgments inflicted by it.

in the field. The cattle, &c., were in the field in the spring and early summer.

upon. Some codices, with Sam., Sept., and Syr., read "and upon".

murrain, or pestilence. See v. 15.

1491 there shall nothing die of all *that is* the ° children's of Israel.'''

5 And ° the LORD appointed a set time, saying, "To morrow ° the LORD shall do this thing in the land."

q (p. 84) 6 And ° the LORD did that thing on the morrow, and ° all the cattle of Egypt died: but of the cattle of the ° children of Israel died not one.

7 And Pharaoh sent, and, behold, there was not one of the cattle of the ° Israelites dead.

q And the heart of Pharaoh was ° hardened, and p he did not let the People go.

R² r (p. 85) 8 And ° the LORD said unto Moses and unto Aaron, "Take to you handfuls of ashes of the furnace, and let Moses sprinkle it toward the heaven in the sight of Pharaoh.

9 And it shall become small dust in all the land of Egypt, and shall be a boil breaking forth *with* blains upon ° man, and upon ° beast, throughout all the land of Egypt."

s 10 And they took ° ashes of the furnace, and stood before Pharaoh; and Moses sprinkled it up toward heaven; and it became a boil breaking forth *with* blains upon man, and upon beast.

s 11 And the magicians could not stand before Moses because of the boils; for the boil was upon the magicians, and upon all the ° Egyptians.

r 12 And ° the LORD ° hardened the heart of Pharaoh, and he hearkened not unto them; as ° the LORD had spoken unto Moses.

P³ t 13 And ° the LORD said unto Moses, "Rise up early in the morning, and stand before Pharaoh, and say unto him, 'Thus saith ° the LORD ° God of the Hebrews, 'Let My People go, that they may serve Me.

14 For I will at this time send all My plagues ° upon thine heart, and upon thy servants, and upon thy people; that thou mayest know that *there is* none like Me in all the earth.

15 For now I will stretch out My hand, that I may smite thee and thy people with pestilence; and thou shalt be cut off from the earth.

16 And in very deed for this *cause* have I ° raised thee up, for to shew *in* thee My power; and that My name may be declared throughout all the earth.

17 ° As yet exaltest thou thyself against My People, that thou wilt not let them go?

18 Behold, to morrow about this time I will cause it to rain a very grievous ° hail, such as hath not been in Egypt since the foundation thereof even until now.

19 Send therefore now, *and* gather thy cattle, and all that thou hast in the field; *for upon* every man and beast which shall be found in the field, ° and shall not be brought home, the hail shall come down upon them, and they shall die.'''

u 20 He that feared the word of ° the LORD among the servants of Pharaoh made his servants and his cattle flee into the houses:

21 And he that regarded not the word of ° the LORD left his servants and his cattle in the field.

4 children = sons.

6 all the cattle. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Genus), Ap. 6 = all kinds of cattle.

7 Israelites. Some codices, with Sam., Jon., and Sept., read "sons of Israel". hardened. See note on 4. 21.

8-12 (R², p. 82). SIXTH PLAGUE (BOILS). (*Introversion*).

R¹ | r | 8, 9. Jehovah's command (no warning).

s | 10. Plague inflicted.

s | 11. Plague not imitated.

r | 12. Jehovah's hardening (1st occ.).

9 man. Heb. 'adām, with art. = mankind.

beast. Other than those "in the field", v. 3.

10 ashes of the furnace: i. e. one of the altars on which human sacrifices were sometimes offered to propitiate their god *Typhon* (i. e. the Evil Principle). These were doubtless being offered to avert the plagues, and Moses, using the ashes in the same way, produced another plague instead of averting it.

11 Egyptians. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "all the land of Egypt".

12 as = according as.

9. 13-35 (P³, p. 82). SEVENTH PLAGUE (HAIL). (*Alternation*).

P³ | t | 13-19. Warning given.

u | 20, 21. People's regard and disregard.

t | 22-26. Warning fulfilled.

u | 27-35. Pharaoh's regard and disregard.

14 upon = into.

16 raised thee up = made thee to stand, i. e., with Sept., "preserved thee" through all the plagues and till the end.

17 As yet . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6).

18 hail. Plague directed against Isis and Osiris. See 12. 12.

19 and shall not be brought home = Fig. *Pleonasm* (Ap. 6).

24 mingled = catching hold of itself like a chain.

25 all the land. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Genus), Ap. 6, i. e. all parts of it.

27 sinned. Heb. *chāt'a*. See Ap. 44. i.

righteous = the righteous One.

wicked = wicked ones. Heb. *rāsh'a*. See Ap. 44. x.

28 mighty thunderings = Heb. "voices of Elohim" = a strong superlative.

22 And ° the LORD said unto Moses, "Stretch forth thine hand toward heaven, that there may be hail in all the land of Egypt, upon man, and upon beast, and upon every herb of the field, throughout the land of Egypt."

23 And Moses stretched forth his rod toward heaven: and ° the LORD sent thunder and hail, and the fire ran along upon the ground; and ° the LORD rained hail upon the land of Egypt.

24 So there was hail, and fire ° mingled with the hail, very grievous, such as there was none like it in all the land of Egypt since it became a nation.

25 And the hail smote throughout ° all the land of Egypt all that was in the field, both man and beast; and the hail smote every herb of the field, and brake every tree of the field.

26 Only in the land of Goshen, where the children of Israel were, was there no hail.

27 And Pharaoh sent, and called for Moses and Aaron, and said unto them, "I have ° sinned this time: ° the LORD is ° righteous, and I and my people are ° wicked.

28 Intreat ° the LORD (for *it is* enough) that there be no *more* ° mighty thunderings and

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hail; and I will let you go, and ye shall stay no longer."

29 And Moses said unto him, "As soon as I am gone out of the city, I will spread abroad my hands unto ¹the LORD; and the thunder shall cease, neither shall there be any more hail; that thou mayest know how that the earth ^{is} ¹the LORD's."

30 But as for thee and thy servants, I know that ye will not yet fear ¹the LORD ¹God."

31 And the flax and the barley was smitten: for the barley was in the ear, and the flax was ^obolled.

32 But the wheat and the rie were not smitten: for they were not grown up.

33 And Moses went out of the city from Pharaoh, and spread abroad his hands unto ¹the LORD: and the thunders and hail ceased, and the rain was not poured upon the earth.

34 And when Pharaoh saw that the rain and the hail and the thunders were ceased, he ²⁷sinned yet more, and ⁷hardened his heart, he and his servants.

35 And the heart of Pharaoh was ⁷hardened, neither would he let the children of Israel go; as ¹the LORD had ^ospoken ^oby Moses.

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10 And ^othe LORD said unto Moses, "Go in unto Pharaoh: for ³I have ^ohardened his heart, and the heart of his servants, that I might shew these My signs before him:

2 And that thou mayest tell in the ears of thy son, and of thy son's son, what things I have wrought in Egypt, and My signs which I have done among them; that ye may know how that ³I am ¹the LORD."

3 And Moses and Aaron came in unto Pharaoh, and said unto him, ^o"Thus saith ¹the LORD ^oGod of the Hebrews, 'How long wilt thou refuse to ^ohumble thyself before Me? ^olet My People go, that they may serve Me.

4 Else, if thou refuse to let My People go, behold, to-morrow will I bring the ^olocusts into thy coast:

5 And they shall cover the ^oface of the earth, that one cannot be able to see the earth: and they shall eat the residue of that which is escaped, which remaineth unto you from the hail, and shall eat every tree which groweth for you out of the field:

6 And they shall fill thy houses, and the houses of all thy servants, and the houses of all the Egyptians; which neither thy fathers, nor thy fathers' fathers have seen, since the day that they were upon the earth unto this day.'" And he turned himself, and went out from Pharaoh.

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7 And Pharaoh's servants said unto him, "How long shall ^othis man be a snare unto us? let the men go, that they may serve ¹the LORD their ³God: knowest thou not yet that Egypt is destroyed?"

8 And Moses and Aaron were brought again unto Pharaoh: and he said unto them, "Go, serve ¹the LORD your ³God: but ^owho are they that shall go?"

9 And Moses said, ^o"We will go with our young and with our old, with our sons and with our daughters, with our flocks and with our herds will we go; for we must hold a feast unto ¹the LORD."

31 Note the *Introversion* in this verse.

a | flax } These ripened in middle of February or
b | barley } early in March. Israel left early in
b | barley } April.
a | flax }

bolled. A word of Scandinavian origin, like bulged, i. e. swelled, or ripe. But Heb. = blossom, i. e. the capsules formed. True to the seasons in Egypt to this day.

35 spoken. Cp. 4. 21.

by Moses. Lit. by the hand of Moses. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct): hand being put for instrumentality.

10. 1-20 (Q³, p. 82). EIGHTH PLAGUE (Locusts). (*Simple Alternation*).

Q³ v | 1-6. Warning given.

w | 7-11. Reception by Pharaoh's servants (parley).

v | 12-15. Warning carried out.

w | 16-20. Reception by Pharaoh (parley).

The eighth plague was directed against the god *Serapis*, who was supposed to protect the land from locusts. They came at Moses' bidding, and retired only at his bidding. Thus the impotence of *Serapis* was manifest.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

the LORD said = Jehovah said. See note on 3. 7 and cp. note on 6. 10.

hardened. See note on 4. 21.

3 Thus saith the LORD God of the Hebrews. Occurs only here and 9. 1, 13.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4.

humble = depression of spirit rather than softening of heart. "To cry out" as conscious of suffering. A man may be humbled without humbling himself.

let My People go. Jehovah's fourth demand. See note on 5. 1.

4 locusts. Cp. Joel 2. 1-10, and Rev. 9. 3-11.

5 face of the earth. Heb. "eye of the earth". Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), eye put for what is seen by it. Ap. 6.

7 this man. Heb. this one. No word for man here in Hebrew text.

8 who are they? Pharaoh's answer to Jehovah's fourth demand in v. 3. See note on 5. 1.

9 We will go with our young, &c. Moses knew nothing of forsaking Egypt and leaving the little ones behind. Note the spiritual lesson; and cp. Eph. 6. 4 and Gen. 7. 1.

10 evil. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6, evil put for death, threatened in v. 28.

11 men. Heb. pl. of 'ish, or 'enosh (Ap. 14. iii). This was Pharaoh's first objection to Jehovah's fifth demand in 5. 1.

13 wind. Heb. ruach. Ap. 9.

10 And he said unto them, "Let ¹the LORD be so with you, as I will let you go, and your little ones: look to it; for ^oevil ^{is} before you.

11 Not so: go now ye ^{that are} ^omen, and serve ¹the LORD; for that ye did desire." And they were driven out from Pharaoh's presence.

12 And ¹the LORD said unto Moses, "Stretch out thine hand over the land of Egypt for the locusts, that they may come up upon the land of Egypt, and eat every herb of the land, even all that the hail hath left."

13 And Moses stretched forth his rod over the land of Egypt, and ¹the LORD brought an east ^owind upon the land all that day, and all ^{that} night; and when it was morning, the east ^owind brought the locusts.

14 And the locusts went up over all the land of Egypt, and rested in all the coasts of Egypt: very grievous were they; before them there were no such locusts as they, neither after them shall be such.

15 For they covered the ⁵face of the whole

1491 °earth, so that the land was darkened; and they did eat every herb of the land, and all the fruit of the trees which the hail had left: and there remained not any green thing in the trees, or in the herbs of the field, through all the land of Egypt.

w (p. 86) 16 Then Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron in haste; and he said, "I have °sinned against °the LORD your °God, and against you.

17 Now therefore forgive, I pray thee, my sin only this once, and intreat °the LORD your °God, that He may take away from me this °death only."

18 °And he went out from Pharaoh, and intreated °the LORD.

19 And °the LORD turned a °mighty strong west °wind, which took away the locusts, and cast them into the Red sea; there remained not one locust in all the °coasts of Egypt.

20 But °the LORD °hardened Pharaoh's heart, so that he would not let the children of Israel go.

R³ x (p. 87) 21 And °the LORD °said unto Moses, "Stretch out thine hand toward heaven, that there may be °darkness over the land of Egypt, even darkness which may be felt."

y 22 And Moses stretched forth his hand toward heaven; and there was a thick darkness in all the land of Egypt three days:

23 They saw not one another, neither rose any from his place for three days: but all the children of Israel had light in their dwellings.

y 24 And Pharaoh called unto Moses, and said, "Go ye, serve °the LORD; only °let your flocks and your herds be stayed: let your little ones also go with you."

25 And Moses said, "Thou must give us also °sacrifices and burnt offerings, that we may °sacrifice unto °the LORD our °God.

26 Our cattle also shall go with us; there shall not an °hoof be left behind; for thereof must we take to serve °the LORD our °God; and °we know not with what we must serve °the LORD, °until we come thither."

x 27 But °the LORD °hardened Pharaoh's heart, and he would not let them go.

28 And Pharaoh said unto him, °"Get thee from me, take heed to thyself, see my face no more; for in that day thou seest my face thou shalt die."

29 And Moses said, "Thou hast spoken well, I will see thy face again °no more."

N⁴ a c 11 (And °the LORD °said unto Moses, "Yet will I bring one plague more upon Pharaoh, and upon Egypt; °afterwards he will let you go hence: when he shall let you go, he shall surely thrust you out hence altogether.

d 2 Speak now in the ears of the People, and let every °man °borrow of his neighbour, and every woman of her neighbour, °jewels of silver, and °jewels of gold."

3 And °the LORD gave the People favour in the sight of the Egyptians. Moreover the °man Moses was very great in the land of Egypt, in the sight of Pharaoh's servants, and in the sight of the people.)

d 4 And Moses said, "Thus saith °the LORD,

15 earth = land.

16 sinned. Heb. *chāt'a*. Ap. 44. i.

17 death. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6, death put for the plague which caused it.

18 And he. Some codices, with Sam., Sept., and Syr., read "So Moses".

19 mighty strong. Fig. *Synonymia*. Ap. 6. Locusts are always brought by east wind and carried away by west wind.

coasts = bounds, or borders.

20 the LORD hardened. Again this is stated. Cp. 4. 21.

10. 21-27 (R³, p. 82). NINTH PLAGUE (DARKNESS). (*Introversion*).

R³ x | 21. Jehovah's command (no warning).

y | 22, 23. Infliction of Plague.

y | 24-26. Reception of Plague.

x | 27-29. Jehovah's hardening.

21 the LORD (Heb. Jehovah) said. See note on 3. 7, and cp. note on 6. 10.

darkness. First of four instances of darkness in judgment. Ex. 10. 22. Matt. 27. 45. Jude 13. Rev. 16. 10.

24 let your flocks and your herds be stayed. Pharaoh's second objection to Jehovah's fifth and final demand in 10. 9.

25 sacrifices. Heb. *zebach*. See Ap. 43. II. iv.

sacrifice. Heb. *'asah*. See Ap. 43. I. iii.

26 hoof. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6, "hoof" put for whole animal.

we know not. Note the contrast between the "thou" of v. 25 and the "we" of v. 26.

until we come thither. Note the spiritual lesson. Not until we leave the world can we have a true conception of Jehovah's requirements: "if any man do His will he shall know of the doctrine" (John 7. 17).

27 hardened. See on 4. 21.

28 Get thee from me. Eleven kings and rulers thus offended. Ex. 10. 28. Num. 24. 11. 1 Kings 13. 4; 22. 27. 2 Kings 5. 12. 2 Chron. 16. 10; 24. 21; 26. 19. Jer. 26. 21; 32. 3. Matt. 14. 3.

29 no more. Moses did not leave Pharaoh's presence till 11. 8. So this is the Fig. *Prolepsis* (Ap. 6).

11. 1-12. 30 (N⁴, p. 80). COMMISSION FOR TENTH PLAGUE (*Introversion*).

N⁴ a | 11. 1-10. The Tenth Plague threatened.

b | 12. 1-20. Passover commanded.

b | 12. 21-28. Passover command communicated.

a | 12. 29, 30. The Tenth Plague inflicted.

11. 1-10 (a, above). THE TENTH PLAGUE THREATENED (*Introversion*).

a c | 1. God's word to Moses as to the Tenth Plague.

d | 2, 3. Direction as to actions (people).

d | 4-8. Direction as to words (Pharaoh).

c | 9. God's words to Moses as to result.

1 the LORD (Heb. Jehovah) said. See note on 3. 7, and cp. note on 6. 10.

afterwards. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "and after".

2 man. Heb. *'ish* (Ap. 14. ii).

borrow = ask. See note on 3. 22.

jewels: or articles, or vessels.

'About midnight will I go out into the midst of Egypt:

5 And all the firstborn in the land of Egypt shall die, from the firstborn of Pharaoh that sitteth upon his throne, even unto the firstborn of the maidservant that is behind the mill; and all the firstborn of beasts.

6 And there shall be a great cry throughout all the land of Egypt, such as there was none like it, nor shall be like it any more.

1491 7 But against any of the children of Israel shall not a ° dog move his tongue, against man or beast: that ye may know how that ° the LORD doth put a difference between the Egyptians and Israel.

8 And all these thy servants shall come down unto me, and bow down themselves unto me, saying, 'Get thee out, and all the People that follow thee: ' and after that I will go out." And he went out from Pharaoh in a great anger.

(p. 87) 9 And ° the LORD said unto Moses, "Pharaoh shall not hearken unto you; that My wonders may be multiplied in the land of Egypt."

° 10 And Moses and Aaron did all these wonders before Pharaoh: and ° the LORD ° hardened Pharaoh's heart, so that he would not let the children of Israel go out of his land.

(p. 88) 12 And ° the LORD spake unto Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, saying,
2 "This ° month shall be unto you the beginning of months: it shall be the first month of the year to you.

f g 3 Speak ye unto all the congregation of ° Israel, saying, 'In the tenth day of this month they shall take to them every ° man a ° lamb, according to the house of their fathers, a lamb for an ° house:

4 And if the household be too little for the lamb, let him and his neighbour next unto his house take ° it according to the number of the ° souls; every man according to his ° eating shall make your count for the ° lamb.

5 Your lamb shall be ° without blemish, a male of the first year: ye shall take it out from the sheep, or from the goats:

6 And ye shall keep it up until the fourteenth day of the same month: and the whole assembly of the congregation of ° Israel shall ° kill it ° in the evening.

7 And they shall take of the blood, and strike it on the two side posts and on the upper door post of the houses, wherein they shall eat it.

8 And they shall eat the flesh in that night, roast with fire, and unleavened bread; and with bitter herbs they shall eat it.

9 Eat not of it raw, nor ° sodden at all ° with water, but roast with fire; his head with his legs, and with the purtenance thereof.

10 And ye shall let nothing of it remain until the morning; and that which remaineth of it until the morning ye shall burn with fire.

11 And thus shall ye eat it; with your ° loins girded, your shoes on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and ye shall eat it in haste: it is ° the LORD's passover.

h 12 For I will pass through the land of Egypt this night, and will smite all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against all the ° gods of Egypt I will execute judgment: ° I am ° the LORD.

13 And the ° blood shall be to you for a ° token upon the houses where ye are: and ° when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and the plague shall not be upon you to destroy you, when I smite the land of Egypt.

f g 14 And this day shall be unto you for a memorial; and ye shall keep it a feast to ° the

7 dog, &c. Fig. *Paræmia* (Ap. 6).

10 This verse is Fig. *Prolepsis*, Ap. 6, as the acts were not done till later.

12. 1-20 (b, p. 87). THE PASSOVER INSTITUTED. (*Introversion and Alternation*).

b o | 1, 2. The Month.
f | g | 3-11. The Symbol.
h | 12, 13. The Signification and Reason.
f | g | 14-17-. The Symbol.
h | -17. The Signification and Reason.
e | 18-20. The Month.

1 the LORD (Heb. Jehovah) spake. See note on 6. 10, and cp. note on 3. 7.

2 month. Heb. name *Abib*, or "green-ear-month". Becomes the first month, and the fifteenth the ruling date, henceforth. Cp. 13. 4; 23. 15. Deut. 16. 1. Afterward called *Nisan* (Neh. 2. 1. Est. 3. 7). "First", cp. 40. 2, 17. Lev. 23. 5, in place of *Tisri*, which thus became the seventh month.

3 Israel. Some codices, with Sam., Jon., Sept., and Syr., read "of the sons of Israel".

man. Heb. *'ish* (Ap. 14. ii).

lamb. Heb. *seh*, "one of a flock", i.e. a lamb or a kid, v. 5. Deut. 14. 4. 2 Chron. 35. 7.

house. Fixed later (by custom) as not less than ten persons.

4 it. *Ellipsis* to be supplied by "the lamb" from verse preceding (Ap. 6. iii. a).

souls. Heb. pl. of *nephesh*. Verse 15, sing. See Ap. 13.

eating. Heb. mouth. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, mouth put for what is eaten by it.

lamb. Repeated at beginning of next clause in the Fig. *Anadiplosis* (Ap. 6) for emphasis.

5 without blemish. Even as "Christ our Passover".

6 Israel. Some codices, with Sam., Jon., Sept., and Syr., read "of the sons of Israel".

kill. Heb. *shaḥaṭ*. See Ap. 43. I. v.

in the evening. Heb. between the two evenings, or, according to Lightfoot, between the decline of the sun (after noon) and its setting.

9 sodden = boiled. with = in.

11 loins girded, i.e. the loose flowing garments fastened up with a belt or girdle, making the men ready for action. Cp. Luke 12. 35, 37; 17. 8. Acts 12. 8. 1 Kings 18. 46. 2 Kings 4. 29; 9. 1. Eph. 6. 14.

12 gods, or princes. But see notes on object of the several plagues.

I am the LORD, or I, Jehovah.

13 blood . . . token. The blood was the token for Jehovah. Faith in the fact that it had been sprinkled gave peace to all within. It was (and is) not the act of faith which secured, but the truth that was believed. If no blood, belief that it was there gave no security. If blood there, doubt as to the fact would destroy peace, but could not destroy the security, because that was grounded on Jehovah's word, and faith consists in "hearing" that. Rom. 10. 17. Heb. 11. 1, marg.

when I see the blood. Not when you feel, or even believe. So the scarlet cord (Josh. 2. 18, 19) was for Joshua to see, not those within the house. Feelings useless apart from faith.

15 leaven = fermented bread. First occ. See Ap. 38. until. Some codices, with Sam. and Jon., read "and until".

16 And. Some Codices, with Sam. and Syr., omit.

LORD throughout your generations; ye shall keep it a feast by an ordinance for ever.

15 Seven days shall ye eat unleavened bread; even the first day ye shall put away ° leaven out of your houses: for whosoever eateth leavened bread from the first day ° until the seventh day, that ° soul shall be cut off from Israel.

16 ° And in the first day there shall be an holy convocation, and in the seventh day there shall

1491 be an holy convocation to you; no manner of work shall be done in them, save *that* which every °man must eat, that only may be done of you.

17 And ye shall observe *the feast of unleavened bread*;

h (p. 88) for in this selfsame day have I brought your armies out of the land of Egypt: therefore shall ye observe this day in your generations by an ordinance for ever.

e 18 In the first *month*, on the fourteenth day of the month at even, ye shall eat unleavened bread, until the one and twentieth day of the month at even.

19 Seven days shall there be no ¹⁵leaven found in your houses: for whosoever eateth that which is leavened, even that ⁴soul shall be cut off from the congregation of Israel, whether he be a stranger, or born in the land.

20 Ye shall eat nothing ¹⁵leavened; in all your habitations °shall ye eat unleavened bread.”

b i (p. 89) 21 Then Moses called for all the elders of Israel, and said unto them, “Draw out and take you a lamb according to your families, and °kill the passover.

22 And ye shall take a bunch of hyssop, and dip *it* in the blood that *is* in the bason, and strike the lintel and the two side posts with the blood that *is* in the bason; and none of you shall go out at the door of his house until the morning.

k 23 For ¹the LORD will pass through to smite the Egyptians; and when He seeth the blood upon the lintel, and on the two side posts, ¹the LORD will pass over the door, and will not suffer the destroyer to come in unto your houses to smite you.

i 24 And ye shall observe this thing for an ordinance to thee and to thy sons for ever.

k 25 And it shall come to pass, when ye be come to the land which ¹the LORD will give you, according as He hath promised, that ye shall keep this service.

26 And it shall come to pass, when your children shall say unto you, ‘What mean ye by this service?’

27 That ye shall say, ‘*It is* the sacrifice of ¹the LORD’S passover, Who passed over the houses of the °children of Israel in Egypt, when He smote the Egyptians, and delivered our houses.” And the People bowed the head and worshipped.

28 And the ²⁷children of Israel went away, °and did as ¹the LORD had commanded Moses and Aaron, so did they.

a 29 And it came to pass, that °at midnight ¹the LORD °smote all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh that sat on his throne unto the firstborn of the captive that was in the dungeon; and all the firstborn of cattle.

30 And Pharaoh rose up in the night, *h*, and all his servants, and all the Egyptians; and there was a great cry in Egypt; for *there* was not a house where *there* was not one dead.

F³ l 31 And he °called for Moses and Aaron by

man. Heb. *nephesh*, soul (Ap. 13). Cp. vv. 4, 15, 19. 20 shall ye eat (repeated). Fig. *Pleonasm* (Ap. 6).

12. 21-28 (*b*, p. 87). THE PASSOVER COMMUNICATED (*Alternation*).

b i | 21, 22. The Symbol.

k | 23. The Signification.

i | 24. The Symbol.

k | 25-28. The Signification.

21 kill the passover. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, “Passover” put for the lamb.

27 children = sons.

28 and did. Ten Passovers recorded (see Ap. 10). Ex. 12. 28. Num. 9. 5. Josh. 5. 10. 2 Chron. 30. 13-15. 2 Kings 23. 22 (2 Chron. 35. 1). Ezra 6. 19. Matt 26. 17. Luke 2. 41. John 2. 13; 6. 4.

29 at midnight. On the fourteenth of *Abib*. See 11. 4. smote. Cp. 11. 5.

12. 31-14. 31 (*F⁶*, p. 75).

JEHOVAH’S DELIVERANCE OF ISRAEL.

(*Introversion and Alternation*.)

F⁶ l | 12. 31-36. Dismissal, and Spoiling of Egyptians. *m* | 12. 37-39. Departure from Egypt to Succoth.

n | *o* | 12. 40-42. Fulfilment of prophecy.

p | 12. 43-50. Ordinance of Passover.

n | *o* | 12. 51-13. 2. Fulfilment of prophecy.

p | 13. 3-16. Ordinance of the Phylacteries.

m | 13. 17-22. Departure from Succoth to Etham.

l | 14. 1-31. Pursuit, and Destruction of Egyptians.

31 called for, i. e. sent message to.

32 take your flocks. See note on 10. 25, 26, and 5. 1. as = according as.

35 borrowed = asked. See note on 3. 22.

jewels. See note on 11. 2.

36 lent = gladly gave. Heb. verb is in the *Hiphil* mood and = caused them to ask, i. e. the Egyptians pressed them to take.

such things, &c. There is no need for this addition. No Ellipsis in Heb.

37 Rameses. City of the Sun. See note on 1. 11.

Succoth = booths.

men. Not *’ish*, males, but Heb. *geber*, with art. = the strong men; or, men of military age. Num. 14. 29. See Ap. 14. 4.

38 a mixed multitude = Egyptians. Cp. Num. 11. 4. Neh. 13. 3.

night, and said, “Rise up, and get you forth from among my people, both *pr* and the children of Israel; and go, serve ¹the LORD, as ye have said.

32 Also °take your flocks and your herds, °as ye have said, and be gone; and bless *mr* also.”

33 And the Egyptians were urgent upon the People, that they might send them out of the land in haste; for they said, “We be all dead *men*.”

34 And the People took their dough before it was leavened, their kneadingtroughs being bound up in their clothes upon their shoulders.

35 And the ²⁷children of Israel did according to the word of Moses; and they °borrowed of the Egyptians °jewels of silver, and °jewels of gold, and raiment:

36 And ¹the LORD gave the People favour in the sight of the Egyptians, so that they °lent unto them °such things as they required. And they spoiled the Egyptians.

37 And the ²⁷children of Israel journeyed from °Rameses to °Succoth, about six hundred thousand on foot that were °men, beside children.

38 And °a mixed multitude went up also with

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1491 them; and flocks, and herds, ° even very much cattle.

39 And they baked unleavened cakes of the dough which they brought forth out of Egypt, for it was ° not leavened; because they were thrust out of Egypt, and could not tarry, neither had they prepared for themselves any victual.

n o (p. 89) 40 Now the ° sojourning of the 27 children of ° Israel, (° who dwelt in Egypt), was ° four hundred and thirty years.

1921 41 And it came to pass at the end of the 40 four hundred and thirty years, even ° the selfsame day it came to pass, that all the hosts of 1 the LORD went out from the land of Egypt.

1491 42 3t is a night to be ° much observed unto 1 the LORD for bringing them out from the land of Egypt: this is that night of 1 the LORD to be observed of all the 27 children of Israel in their generations.

p 43 And ° the LORD said unto Moses and Aaron, "This is the ordinance of the passover: There shall no stranger eat thereof:

44 But every 2 man's servant that is ° bought for money, when thou hast circumcised him, then shall he eat thereof.

45 A foreigner and an hired servant shall not eat thereof.

46 In ° one house shall it be eaten; thou shalt not carry forth ought of the flesh abroad out of the house; neither shall ye break a bone thereof.

47 All the congregation of Israel shall keep it.

48 And when a stranger shall sojourn ° with thee, and will keep the passover to the LORD, let all his males be circumcised, and then let him come near and keep it; and he shall be as one that is born in the land: for ° no uncircumcised person shall eat thereof.

49 One law shall be to him that is homeborn, and unto the stranger that sojourneth among you."

50 Thus did all the 27 children of Israel; 32 as 1 the LORD commanded Moses and Aaron, so did they.

n o 51 And it came to pass the selfsame day, that 1 the LORD did bring the 27 children of Israel out of the land of Egypt by their ° armies.

13 And ° the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 ° Sanctify unto Me all the firstborn, whatsoever openeth the womb among the ° children of Israel, both of ° man and of beast: it is Mine."

p q (p. 90) 3 And Mosessaid unto the People, "Remember this day, in which ye came out from Egypt, out of the house of bondage; for by strength of hand 1 the LORD brought you out from this place: there shall no ° leavened bread be eaten.

4 This day came ye out in the month ° Abib.

5 And it shall be when ° the LORD shall bring thee into the land of the ° Canaanites, ° and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites, which He sware unto thy fathers to give thee, a land flowing with milk and honey, that thou shalt keep this service in this month.

r 6 Seven days thou shalt eat unleavened bread, and in the seventh day shall be a feast to 1 the LORD.

7 Unleavened bread shall be eaten seven days; and there shall no 3 leavened bread be seen with

even. Some codices, with Jon., Sept., and Syr., have this word, "even" in the text.

39 not leavened. Bread always unleavened when baked in haste. Cp. Gen. 18. 6.

40 sojourning. Commenced with Gen. 12. 1. Quite a different subject from the dwelling in Egypt. See Ap. 50. iii.

Israel = Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap. 6, by which one man's name, Israel, is put for his father and grandfather.

who dwelt in Egypt. Fig. *Epitrechon* (Ap. 6). A form of Parenthesis used to further define the People and connect the two parts of their history.

four hundred and thirty years. There are two reckonings of the sojourning: one starting from the "promise" to Abraham, Ex. 12. 40. Gal. 3. 14, 17 - 430 years; the other starting from the recognition of his "seed" (Isaac), Gen. 21. 12. See Acts 7. 6 and Gen. 15. 13 = 400 years. N.B. 450 years to Samuel; 490 to Saul. See Ap. 50. iii, and vii. 7.

This dwelling in Egypt was only 215 years (see Ap. 50); and is to be distinguished from the "sojourning", which was another 215 years. See note above.

41 the selfsame day: i.e. the fifteenth day of the seventh month. The years of the solar cycle show that it was the day that Abraham left "Ur of the Chaldees".

42 much observed. Heb. *shimmurim*, a night of watchings. Occurs only here.

43 the LORD (Heb. Jehovah) said. See note on 3. 7, and cp. note on 6. 10.

44 bought for money. Cp. Gen. 17. 12, 13.

46 one house = the same house. Cp. v. 4.

48 with thee. Some codices, with Sam., Jon., Onk., Sept., and Syr., read "with you".

no uncircumcised person shall eat. Were they circumcised during the three days' darkness, and was the command then given, the word against which they did not rebel? (Ps. 105. 28).

51 armies = hosts.

13. 1 the LORD (Heb. Jehovah) spake. See note on 6. 10, and cp. note on 3. 7.

2 Sanctify. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject). Ap. 6. = Declare that I will sanctify (or set apart), which Moses did in vv. 11, 12.

children = sons.

man. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. i.

13. 3-16 (p. p. 89). THE ORDINANCE OF PHYLACTERIES (*Extended Alternation*).

p | q | 3 5. "And it shall be," &c.

r | 6, 7. Separation of Days.

s | 8. Thy son's instruction.

t | 9. The Sign.

u | 9, 10. Reason, "For by a strong hand."

q | 11. "And it shall be," &c.

r | 12, 13. Separation of First-born.

s | 14, 15. Thy son's instruction.

t | 16. The Token.

u | 16. Reason, "For by strength of hand."

There are two pairs of Phylacteries, so called (in Greek) from their use a prayer-fillet or band worn to-day on forehead and hands during prayer. First pair here, Ex. 13. 3-10 and 13. 11-16. Second pair in Deut. 6. 4-9 and 11. 13-21. Cp. the structures in De. 6. 4-9.

3 leavened = fermented.

4 Abib - the month of green ears. Jewish tradition says that in this month Abram was called, Isaac was born, Israel delivered from Egypt, and Tabernacle reared up. The Talmud further says: "As in Nisan there had been redemption, so in Nisan there should be redemption" (*Bab. fol. 11*). John's preaching began and the Lord's death occurred in this month.

5 the LORD. Some codices, with Sam., Jon., and Sept., add "thy God".

Canaanites. The Perizzites and Gergashites not included in this list.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* in this verse. (Ap. 6.)

1491 thee, neither shall there be leaven seen with thee in all thy quarters.

s 8 And thou shalt shew thy son in that day, saying, 'This is done because of that which (p. 90) the LORD did unto me when I came forth out of Egypt.'

t 9 And it shall be for a sign unto thee upon thine hand, and for a memorial between thine eyes, that the LORD's law may be in thy mouth:

u for with a strong hand hath the LORD brought thee out of Egypt.

10 Thou shalt therefore keep this ordinance in his season from year to year.

q 11 And it shall be when the LORD shall bring thee into the land of the Canaanites, as He sware unto thee and to thy fathers, and shall give it thee,

r 12 That thou shalt set apart unto the LORD all that openeth the matrix, and every firstling that cometh of a beast which thou hast; the males shall be the LORD'S.

13 And every firstling of an ass thou shalt redeem with a lamb; and if thou wilt not redeem it, then thou shalt break his neck: and all the firstborn of man among thy children shalt thou redeem.

s 14 And it shall be when thy son asketh thee in time to come, saying, 'What is this?' that thou shalt say unto him, 'By strength of hand the LORD brought us out from Egypt, from the house of bondage:

15 And it came to pass, when Pharaoh would hardly let us go, that the LORD slew all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both the firstborn of man, and the firstborn of beast: therefore sacrifice to the LORD all that openeth the matrix, being males; but all the firstborn of my children I redeem.'

t 16 And it shall be for a token upon thine hand, and for frontlets between thine eyes:

u for by strength of hand the LORD brought us forth out of Egypt."

m v 17 And it came to pass, when Pharaoh had let (p. 91) the People go, that God led them not through the way of the land of the Philistines, although that was near; for God said, "Lest peradventure the People repent when they see war, and they return to Egypt:"

18 But God led the People about, through the way of the wilderness of the Red sea: and the children of Israel went up harnessed out of the land of Egypt.

w 19 And Moses took the bones of Joseph with him: for he had straitly sworn the children of Israel, saying, "God will surely visit you; and ye shall carry up my bones away hence with you."

v 20 And they took their journey from Succoth, and encamped in Etham, in the edge of the wilderness.

21 And the LORD went before them by day in a pillar of a cloud, to lead them the way; and by night in a pillar of fire, to give them light; to go by day and night:

13 ass. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), Ap. 6, "ass" put for all animals not offered in sacrifice.

redeem = ransom. Heb. *pādāh* = to redeem (from bondage, by power). First occ. Not *g'āal*. See note on 6. s.

15 man. Heb. *'adam*. Ap. 14.

sacrifice. Heb. *zabach*. See Ap. 43. I. iv.

all. Ellipsis to be supplied "every [beast]".

16 token. See the Structure on p. 90.

13. 17-22 (m, p. 89). DEPARTURE: SUCCOTH TO ETHAM (*Introversion*).

m | v | 17, 18. Jehovah's leading.

w | 19. The bones of Joseph.

v | 20-22. Jehovah's guidance.

17 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 14.

18 Red sea. Heb. *Yam suph* = weedy, or reedy. Eng. "Red" comes from the Greeks reading Edom (whose land it washed) as an appellative instead of a proper name (Esau or Edom = red, Gen. 25. 26). Called "red" from Sept. Dried up fifty miles north of present shore. Will quite dry up at future Exodus. Isa. 11. 15, 16; 19. 5.

harnessed = armed, as Josh. 1. 14. Judg. 7. 11. 1 Chron. 7. 21; or marshalled by fives, as in 2 Kings 1. 9. Isa. 3. 3 (the number of grace, see Ap. 10). To this day five is an evil number in Egypt. Whichever is the meaning, both point to order and organization. They were an ordered "host" (12. 41), and not a disorderly rabble.

19 the bones of Joseph. Another evidence of order. Cp. Gen. 50. 25. Joseph's faith exhibited 150 years before. Cp. also Josh. 24. 32 and Acts 7. 15, 16. surely visit you. See Gen. 50. 25, and cp. note on Gen. 26. 28.

21 the LORD went before them. Cp. 14. 19 and 32. 34, the Angel of Jehovah.

22 took not away. See note on 40. 36-38.

14. 1-31. The next assault by Satan to destroy the whole Nation. See Ap. 23, 25.

14. 1-31 (l, p. 89). PURSUIT AND DESTRUCTION OF ENEMY (*Extended Alternation*).

l | x | 1-4. Prediction.

y | 5-9. Fulfilment.

z | 10-12. Israel troubled.

a | 13, 14. Salvation promised.

x | 15-18. Prediction.

y | 19-23. Fulfilment.

z | 24, 25. Egyptians troubled.

a | 26-31. Salvation realized.

1 the LORD (Heb. Jehovah) spake. See note on 6. 10, and cp. note on 3. 7.

2 children = sons. Migdol. The great fortress on the "Shur" or wall, built to protect Egypt from Asia. The present geography of the Eastern Delta does not, to day, agree with the Biblical record. But its geography in the nineteenth dynasty is well known from papyri, and is in perfect accord with it, as given in Exodus.

3 For. The assault of the enemy foreseen and provided against by Jehovah.

Pharaoh. See Ap. 37.

22 He took not away the pillar of the cloud by day, nor the pillar of fire by night, from before the People.

14 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 "Speak unto the children of Israel, that they turn and encamp before Pi-hahiroth, between Migdol and the sea, over against Baal-zephon: before it shall ye encamp by the sea.

3 For Pharaoh will say of the children of Israel, 'They are entangled in the land, the wilderness hath shut them in.'

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4 And °I will harden Pharaoh's heart, that he shall follow after them; and I will be honoured upon °Pharaoh, and upon all his °host; that the Egyptians may know that I am °the LORD." And they did so.

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5 And it was °told the king of Egypt that the People fled: and the heart of Pharaoh and of his servants was turned against the People, and they said, °"Why have we done this, that we have let Israel go from serving us?"

6 °And he made ready his chariot, and took his people with him:

7 And he took six hundred chosen chariots, and all the chariots of Egypt, and captains over every one of them.

8 And °the LORD °hardened the heart of °Pharaoh king of Egypt, and he pursued after the °children of Israel: and the °children of Israel went out with an high hand.

9 But the Egyptians pursued after them, all the °horses and chariots of °Pharaoh, and his horsemen, and his army, and overtook them encamping by the sea, beside Pi-hahiroth, before Baal-zephon.

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10 And when °Pharaoh drew nigh, the °children of Israel lifted up their eyes, and, behold, the Egyptians marched after them; and they were sore afraid: and the °children of Israel cried out unto °the LORD.

11 And they said unto Moses, °"Because there were no graves in Egypt, hast thou taken us away to die in the wilderness? °wherefore hast thou dealt thus with us, to carry us forth out of Egypt?"

12 °Is not this the word that we did tell thee in Egypt, saying, 'Let us alone, that we may serve the Egyptians'? For it had been better for us to serve the Egyptians, than that we should die in the wilderness."

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13 And Moses said unto the People, "Fear ye not, °stand still, and see the salvation of °the LORD, which He will shew to you to day: for the Egyptians whom ye have seen to day, ye shall see them again no more for ever.

14 °The LORD shall fight for you, and ye shall hold your peace."

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15 And °the LORD said unto Moses, °"Wherefore criest thou unto Me? speak unto the °children of Israel, that they °go forward:

16 But lift thou up thy rod, and stretch out thine hand over the sea, and divide it: and the °children of Israel shall go on dry ground through the midst of the sea.

17 And °I, °behold, I will °harden the hearts of the Egyptians, and they shall follow them: and I will get Me honour upon Pharaoh, and upon all his host, upon his °chariots, and upon his horsemen.

18 And the Egyptians shall know that I am °the LORD, when I have gotten Me honour upon Pharaoh, upon his °chariots, and upon his horsemen."

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19 And the Angel of °God, Which went before the camp of Israel, removed and went behind them; and the pillar of the cloud went from before their face, and stood behind them:

20 And it came between the camp of the Egyptians and the camp of Israel; and it was

4 I will. Cp. Ps. 103. 7, "His ways unto Moses", and in vv. 13, 14, "His acts unto the sons of Israel".

host = force. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct) for his army. See Ap. 6.

5 told. On the fourth day. See Ap. 50. iv.

Why...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. See Ap. 6.

6 And. Note the *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in vv. 6 and 7.

9 horses. Egypt was noted for chariots, horses, and cavalry, which had been introduced by the eighteenth dynasty.

11 Because...? }
wherefore...? } Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

12 Is not...? }

13 stand still, and see. Note importance of this command. Cp. Stand still, and hear, Num. 9. 8. 1 Sam. 9. 27; 12. 7. 2 Chron. 20. 17. Job 37. 14.

15 the LORD (Heb. Jehovah) said. See note on 3. 7, and cp. note on 6. 10.

Wherefore...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. It is also the Fig. *Hysterēsis*; for no mention has been made of Moses' crying to the LORD.

go forward. This was Israel's faith. It was "by faith" in what they heard (Rom. 10. 17. Heb. 11. 29).

17 I, behold, I. Fig. *Epizeuxis*, for emphasis. Ap. 6. behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

chariots. Heb. sing. chariot. Note the alternation.

| Pharaoh (sing.).

| His host (pl.).

| Pharaoh's chariot (sing.).

| His horsemen (pl.).

19 God. Heb. Elohim: the Creator in relation to His creatures. See Ap. 4.

20 a cloud and darkness. Fig. *Hendiadys* (Ap. 6) = a very dark cloud.

21 wind. Heb. *ruach*. Ap. 9.

27 strength = irresistible might.

° a cloud and darkness to them, but it gave light by night to these: so that the one came not near the other all the night.

21 And Moses stretched out his hand over the sea; and °the LORD caused the sea to go back by a strong east °wind all that night, and made the sea dry land, and the waters were divided.

22 And the °children of Israel went into the midst of the sea upon the dry ground: and the waters were a wall unto them on their right hand, and on their left.

23 And the Egyptians pursued, and went in after them to the midst of the sea, even all Pharaoh's horses, his chariots, and his horsemen.

24 And it came to pass, that in the morning watch °the LORD looked unto the host of the Egyptians through the pillar of fire and of the cloud, and troubled the host of the Egyptians,

25 And took off their chariot wheels, that they drave them heavily: so that the Egyptians said, "Let us flee from the face of Israel; for °the LORD fighteth for them against the Egyptians."

26 And °the LORD said unto Moses, "Stretch out thine hand over the sea, that the waters may come again upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots, and upon their horsemen."

27 And Moses stretched forth his hand over the sea, and the sea returned to his °strength

1491 when the morning appeared; and the Egyptians fled against it; and ¹ the LORD overthrew the Egyptians in the midst of the sea.

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28 And the waters returned, and covered the chariots, and the horsemen, and all the host of Pharaoh that came into the sea after them; there remained ^o not so much as one of them.

29 But the ² children of Israel walked upon dry land in the midst of the sea; and the waters were a wall unto them on their right hand, and on their left.

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Abib

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30 Thus ¹ the LORD saved Israel that day out of the hand of the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead upon the sea shore.

31 And Israel saw that great work which ¹ the LORD did upon the Egyptians: and the people feared ¹ the LORD, and believed ¹ the LORD, and ^o His servant Moses.

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15 ^o Then sang Moses and the ^o children of Israel ^o this song ^o unto ^o the LORD, and spake, saying,

f "I will sing unto ^o the LORD, for He hath triumphed gloriously:
The horse and his rider hath He thrown into the sea.

c 2 ^o THE LORD is my strength and ^o song,
And He is become my ^o salvation:
He is my ^o GOD, and I will prepare Him an habitation;

My father's ^o God, and I will exalt Him.

3 ¹ The LORD is a ^o man ^o of war:

¹ The LORD is His name.

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4 Pharaoh's chariots and his host hath He cast into the sea:

His chosen captains also are drowned in the Red sea.

5 The depths have covered them:
They sank into the bottom as a stone.

b c

6 Thy ^o right hand, O ¹ LORD, is become glorious in power:

Thy right hand, O ¹ LORD, hath dashed in pieces the enemy.

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7 And in the greatness of Thine excellency Thou hast overthrown them that rose up against Thee:

Thou sentest forth Thy wrath, which consumed them as stubble.

8 And with the ^o blast of Thy ^o nostrils the waters were gathered together,
The floods stood upright as an heap,
And the depths were congealed in the heart of the sea.

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9 The enemy said,

^o I will pursue, I will overtake, I will divide the spoil;

My ^o lust shall be satisfied upon them;

I will draw my sword, my hand shall destroy them.

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10 Thou didst blow with Thy ^o wind, the sea covered them:

They sank as ^o lead in the mighty waters.

11 ^o Who is like unto Thee, O ¹ LORD, among the ^o gods?

noblest praise. Emphasised by the Fig. *Erotēsis*. (Ap. 6). Cp. Deut. 33. 26, 27. 1 Sam. 2. 2. 1 Ch. 17. 20. Ps. 35. 10; 71. 19; 73. 25; 86. 8; 89. 6, 8; 113. 5. gods = mighty ones, as in v. 15. Heb. *ēlim*. See note on 22. 8.

28 not so much as one of them. This implies that Pharaoh himself did not escape. Cp. 15. 9, 10. Ps. 106. 11; 136. 15. His body may have been washed up on the shore, cp. v. 30, and "also" in 15. 4.

31 His servant Moses. First occ. See the five, Ex. 14. 31. Josh. 9. 24; 11. 15. 1 Kings 8. 56. Ps. 105. 26, and cp. notes on Num. 12. 7. Deut. 35. 5. 1 Kings 8. 53. Neh. 10. 29.

15. 1 Moses began and ended his wilderness career with a song. Cp. Deut. 32, which is "the" song referred to in Rev. 15. 3.

The structure gives the scope:—

15. 1-21 (A, p. 72). THE BONDAGE OF ISRAEL ENDED. THE SONGS OF MOSES AND MIRIAM.

(Introversion and Alternation.)

A	b	e		1-.	Singers: Moses and the men	{	Moses'
	f		-1.	The Theme.			Song.
	c		2, 3.	Praise.			
	d	g		4-12.	Overthrow of Pha-	{	The Song itself.
				raoh.			
		h		13.	Israel's guidance.		
	d	g		14-16.	Overthrow of Egyp-		
				tians.			
		h		17.	Israel's settlement.		
	c		18, 19.	Praise.			
	b	e		20.	Singers: Miriam and women.	{	Miriam's
	f		21.	The Theme.			Song.

The song proper occupies vv. 4-17. It is preceded and followed by praise with introduction and conclusion.

1 Then sang. There was no singing in Egypt, only sighing and groaning (2. 23, 24). children = sons.

this song. Note the ten Songs of Praise: (1) Ex. 15. 1-19. (2) Num. 21. 17, 18. (3) Deut. 32. 1-43. (4) Judg. 5. 1-31. (5) 1 Sam. 2. 1-10. (6) 2 Sam. 22. 1-51. (7) Luke 1. 46-55. (8) Luke 1. 68-79. (9) Luke 2. 29-32. (10) Rev. 14. 3. unto the LORD. Jehovah is the sole theme: and should be the theme of our praise. Note the "Thee" and "Thou", and contrast the "We" of Num. 13. 33, and the result, *weeping*, in 14. 1. It begins with Redemption, and ends with glory. No "praise" short of this. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

2 THE LORD = Heb. JAH, the Eternal, inhabiting eternity. See Ap. 4. The first occ. of this Title: connects it with Redemption.

song. Some codices, with Sam. and Onk., read "and my song". Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct). Ap. 6. = "He of Whom I sing".

salvation. Cp. Ps. 118. 14, 21.

GOD. Heb. El. See Ap. 4.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4.

3 man. Heb. *'ish*. See Ap. 14.

of war. This is what He is out of Christ; and to those who are not the subjects of His redeeming power.

4-12 (g, above). OVERTHROW OF PHARAOH.

(Alternation and Introversion.)

g	a		4, 5.	The Enemy overthrown.
	b	c		6. Thy right hand.
		d		7, 8. Thou, Thee, Thy.
	a		9.	The Enemy's words.
	b	d		10, 11. Thou, Thy, Thee.
		c		12. Thy right hand.

6 right hand. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

blast. Heb. *rüach*. See Ap. 9.

nostrils. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. See Ap. 6.

9 I will pursue. Note the Fig. *Asyndeton* (Ap. 6), in vv. 9 and 10. No "ands": to hasten on to the grand climax—"they sank as lead" (v. 10).

lust. Heb. *nephesh* = soul. See Ap. 13.

10 wind. Heb. *rüach*. Ap. 9.

lead. First occ.

11 Who is like unto Thee? This is ever the saints'

- 1491 ° Who is like Thee, glorious in holiness,
 ° Fearful in praises, doing wonders ?
- c 12 Thou stretchedst out Thy right hand,
 (p. 93) The earth swallowed them.
- h 13 Thou in Thy ° mercy hast led forth the
 People *which* Thou hast ° redeemed:
 Thou hast guided *them* in Thy strength unto
 Thy holy habitation.
- g x 14 The ° people ° shall hear, *and* be afraid :
 (p. 94) Sorrow shall take hold on the inhabitants of
 y Palestina.
- z 15 Then the ° dukes of Edom shall be amazed ;
 z The mighty men of Moab, trembling shall take
 hold upon them ;
- y All the inhabitants of Canaan shall melt away.
 x 16 Fear and dread shall fall upon them ;
 By the greatness of Thine arm they shall be
 as still as a stone ;
- ° Till Thy People pass over, O ° LORD,
 ° Till the People pass over, *which* Thou hast
 purchased.
- h 17 Thou shalt bring them in, and ° plant them
 in the mountain of Thine inheritance,
 In the ° place, O ° LORD, *which* Thou hast made
 for Thee to dwell in,
 In the Sanctuary, ° O LORD*, *which* Thy hands
 have established.
- c 18 ° The LORD shall reign for ever and ever.
 19 For the horse of Pharaoh went in with his
 chariots and with his horsemen into the sea,
 and ° the LORD brought again the waters of the
 sea upon them ; but the ° children of Israel went
 on dry *land* in the midst of the sea."
- b e 20 And ° Miriam the ° prophetess, the sister of
 Aaron, took ° a timbrel in her hand ; and all the
 women went out after her with ° timbrels and
 with dances.
- f 21 And Miriam answered them,
 "Sing ye to the LORD, for He hath triumphed
 gloriously ;
 The horse and his rider hath He thrown into
 the sea."
- B Si¹ 22 So Moses brought Israel from the Red sea,
 (p. 95) and they went out into the wilderness of
 25 ° Shur; and they went three days in the wil-
 Abib derness, and found no water.
- k¹ l¹ 23 And when they came to ° Marah, they
 could not drink of the waters of Marah, for
 they were bitter : therefore the name of it was
 called Marah.
- m¹ 24 And the People ° murmured against Moses,
 saying, "What shall we drink ?"
- l² 25 And he cried unto ° the LORD ; and ° the
 LORD shewed him a ° tree, *which* when he had
 cast into the waters, the waters were made
 sweet :
- m² There ° He made for them a statute and an
 ordinance, and there ° He proved them,

furnace and lamp; Marah before Elim; wilderness before Canaan; cross before crown; worse before better (John 2. 10); suffering before glory (Luke 24. 26, 46. 2 Tim. 2. 11, 12; cp. Rom. 8. 17, 18. 2 Cor. 4. 17, 18. Jas. 1. 12. Rev. 2. 10. 1 Pet. 1. 11; 4. 13; 5. 1, 10, 11. Heb. 12. 11. Ps. 126. 6; 66. 10-13. John 12. 24. Matt. 5. 4. John 16. 20, 22). 24 murmured. The first murmuring after leaving Egypt. Note seven others: 16. 2; 17. 2, 3; Num. 11. 33, 34; 14. 2; 16. 41; 21. 5. Josh. 9. 18, and cp. 1 Cor. 10. 10. 25 tree. The Cross is the Divine provision for every trial: See Olney Hymns, i. 13. Jehovah showed it. He : i.e. Jehovah.

Fearful in praises: i.e. to be revered in praising Him for His wondrous acts.

13 mercy = loving-kindness, or grace. N.B. Led forth in mercy, redeemed in grace, guided by strength. redeemed. Heb. *g'aal*. See notes on 6. 6 and 13. 13. Exodus the book of Redemption. See Title.

14-16. (g, p. 93). OVERTHROW OF EGYPTIANS. (Introversion.)

g x | 14-. The peoples: "hear and fear."

y | -14. Palestine.

z | 15-. Edom.

z | -15-. Moab.

y | -15. Canaan.

x | 16. "Them": "fear and dread."

14 people = peoples: no Art. (cp. Gen. 49. 16, first occ.). shall hear. Cp. Josh. 2. 9-11. 15 dukes = chiefs.

16 Till Thy People, &c. Note Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6.

17 plant. The word used by God throughout of settling His People. Jer. 18. 9. Amos 9. 15. Rom. 6. 5. 1 Cor. 3. 6-10.

place = appointed place. O LORD. One of the 134 places where Jehovah was altered, by the Sophirim, to Adonai. Ap. 32.

20 Miriam. Heb. form of Mary.

prophetess. First occ.

a = the. timbrels = drum. Heb. *toph*, rendered "tabret" (Gen. 31. 27. 1 Sam. 10. 5; 18. 6. 2 Sam. 6. 5. Isa. 5. 12; 24. 8; 30. 32. Jer. 31. 4. Ezek. 28. 13), "timbrel" (Ex. 15. 20. Judg. 11. 34. 2 Sam. 6. 5. 1 Ch. 13. 8. Job 21. 12. Ps. 81. 2; 149. 3; 150. 4).

15. 22-40. 38 (B, p. 72). FREEDOM USED. (Introversion, with Simple and Repeated Alternation.)

B S | 15. 22-19. 2. Journeyings to Sinai.

U X¹ | 19. 3-6. Ascent I: Proclamation of Covenant.

Y¹ | 19. 7, 8-. Descent.

X² | 19. 8-13. Ascent II: Preparation of People.

Y² | 19. 14-19. Descent.

X³ | 19. 20 24. Ascent III: Setting of bounds.

Y³ | 19. 25. Descent.

V | 20. 1-24. 8. GIVING OF THE LAW.

T U X⁴ | 24. 9-32. 14. Ascent IV: First 40 days (De. 9. 9) and 1st Tables.

Y⁴ | 32. 15-30. Descent. Breaking of Tables.

X⁵ | 32. 31-33. Ascent V: Manifestation of glory.

Y⁵ | 32. 34-34. 3. Descent.

X⁶ | 34. 4-28. Ascent VI: Second 40 days (De. 10. 10) and 2nd Tables.

Y⁶ | 34. 29-35. 3. Descent.

V | 35. 4-40. 35. MAKING OF TABERNACLE.

S | 40. 36-38. Journeyings from Sinai.

Note the journeyings, at the extremes; with the six ascents and descents of Moses, separated by the two principal subjects of the book: the giving of the Law and the making of the Tabernacle.

In Ch. 24 the fourth ascent is given as consisting of several stages.

15. 22-19. 2 [For Structure see next page].

22 Shur. Name given from the great wall built to protect Egypt from Asia, with its great *Migdol*, or fortress. See note on 14. 2.

23 Marah = Bitter. The Divine principle in the training of God's People. Foreshown in Abraham's

1491 28 ° And said, "If thou wilt ° diligently hearken to the voice of ° the LORD thy ° God, and wilt do that which is right in His sight, and wilt give ear to His commandments, and keep all His statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon thee, which I have brought upon the Egyptians: for I am ° the LORD That healeth thee."

13 27 And they came to Elim, where ° were (p. 95) ° twelve wells of water, ° and ° threescore and 27 ° ten palm trees: and they encamped there by Abib the waters. 2nd Sab.

12 16 And they took their ° journey from Elim, and all the congregation of the ° children of Israel came unto the wilderness of ° Sin, which is between Elim and ° Sinai, on the 15 ° fifteenth day of the second month after their departing out of the land of Egypt. Ziph

k² n 2 And the whole congregation of the ° children of Israel ° murmured against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness:

3 And the ° children of Israel said unto them, "Would to God we had died by the hand of ° the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the flesh pots, and when we did eat ° bread to the full; for ye have brought us forth into this wilderness, to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

o 4 Then ° said ° the LORD unto Moses, ° "Behold, I will rain ° bread from heaven for you; and the People shall go out and gather a certain rate every day, that I may prove them, whether they will walk in My law, or no."

5 And it shall come to pass, that on the sixth day they shall prepare that which they bring in; and it shall be twice as much as they gather daily."

p 6 And Moses and Aaron said unto all the ° children of Israel, "At even, then ye shall know that ° the LORD hath brought you out from the land of Egypt:

7 And in the morning, then ye shall see the glory of ° the LORD; for that He heareth your murmurings against ° the LORD: and ° what are we, that ye murmur against us?"

8 And Moses said, "This shall be, when ° the LORD shall give you in the evening flesh to eat, and in the morning bread to the full; for that ° the LORD heareth your ° murmurings which ye murmur against Him: and what are we? your murmurings are not against us, but against ° the LORD."

p 9 And Moses spake unto Aaron, "Say unto all the congregation of the ° children of Israel, 'Come near before ° the LORD: for He hath heard your murmurings.'"

10 And it came to pass, as Aaron spake unto the whole congregation of the ° children of Israel, that they looked toward the wilderness, and, ° behold, the glory of ° the LORD appeared in the cloud.

o q 11 And ° the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 12 "I have heard the murmurings of the ° children of Israel: speak unto them, saying, 'At even ye shall eat flesh, and in the morning ye shall be filled with bread; and ye shall know that I am ° the LORD your ° God.'"

15. 22—19. 2 (S, p. 94). JOURNEYINGS TO SINAI (Repeated Alternation).

- S i¹ | 15. 22. From Egypt to Wilderness of Shur.
k¹ | 15. 23-27. Events in Wilderness of Shur.
i² | 16. 1. From Shur to Wilderness of Sin.
k² | 16. 2-36. Events in Wilderness of Sin.
i³ | 17. 1-. From Wilderness of Sin to Rephidim.
k³ | 17. -1-18. 22. Events at Rephidim.
i⁴ | 19. 1, 2. From Rephidim to Wilderness of Sinai.

15. 23-27 (k¹, above). EVENTS IN WILDERNESS OF SHUR (Repeated Alternation).

- k¹ | 1¹ | 23. Marah's bitter water.
m¹ | 24. Murmuring of people.
1² | 25-. Marah's sweet water.
m² | -25, 26. Ordinance of God.
1³ | 27. Elim's wells of water.

26 And [He, Jehovah] said. See note on 4. 3. diligently hearken. Fig. *Polyptoton* (Ap. 6). Heb. "if an hearkening thou hearken". the LORD That healeth thee. *Jehovah roph'e'ekā*, one of the Jehovah titles. See Ap. 4. 27 were. Supply *Ellipsis*, "they found", instead of "were". Cp. Num. 21. 16-18. The scene at Rephidim (ch. 17) after the thirty-nine years was because they expected God to provide for them still. twelve . . . threescore . . . ten. See Ap. 10.

16. 1-36 (k², above). EVENTS IN WILDERNESS OF SIN (Introversion).

- k² | n | 2-3. Murmuring of people.
o | 4, 5. Promise of Jehovah made.
p | 6-8. Promise repeated by Moses.
p | 9, 10. Promise fulfilled through Moses.
o | 11-31. Promise of Jehovah fulfilled.
n | 32-36. Memorial of Jehovah.

1 journey. The Egyptian kings of twelfth dynasty worked copper and turquoise mines in peninsula of Sinai. Afterward disused until eighteenth dynasty. Old roads left. See Ap. 50. vii. 2. on the forty years' wandering; and note on Num. 33. 1. children = sons.

Sin. Heb. a bush.

Sinai = Bush of Jehovah. Sinai mentioned thirty-one times in Pentateuch, only four times in rest of Old Testament (Judg. 5. 6. Neh. 9. 13. Ps. 68. 8, 17); in New Testament four times (Acts 7. 30, 38. Gal. 4. 24, 25).

fifteenth day. See Ap. 50. vii. 3.

2 murmured. Murmurings mentioned eight times in these verses: viz. 2, 7, 7, 8, 8, 8, 9, 12.

3 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

bread. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), put for all kinds of food (Ap. 6). not for water, because of 15. 27.

4 said the LORD. See notes on 3. 7 and 6. 10.

Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

7 what . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

8 murmurings which ye murmur. Fig. *Polyptoton*. Ap. 6. = your wicked or terrible murmurings.

16. 11-31 (o, above). PROMISE OF JEHOVAH FULFILLED (Extended Alternation).

- o | q | 11, 12. Promise of Jehovah.
r | 13, 14. Giving of the food.
s | 15. Name: "Manna."
q | 16-. Command of Jehovah.
r | -16-30. Gathering of the food.
s | 31. Name: "Manna."

11 the LORD spake. See note on 6. 10, and cp. note on 3. 7.

12 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4.

1491 13 And it came to pass, that at even the quails
r came up, and covered the camp: and in the
(p. 95) morning the dew lay round about the °host.

14 And when the dew that lay was gone up,
°behold, upon the face of the wilderness there
lay a °small °round thing, as °small as the
hoar frost on the ground.

s 15 And when the °children of Israel saw it,
they said one to another, °“*It is manna:*” for
they °wist not what °it was. And Moses said
unto them, °“*This is the bread which °the LORD*
hath given you to eat.

q 16 This *is* the thing which °the LORD hath
commanded,

r t¹ Gather of it every °man according to his
(p. 96) eating, an °omer °for every man, according to
the number of your °persons; take ye every
°man for *them* which are in his tents.”

u¹ 17 And the °children of Israel did so, and
gathered, some more, some less.

18 And when they did mete it with an °omer,
he that gathered much had nothing over, and
he that gathered little had no lack; they
gathered every man according to his eating.

t² 19 And Moses said, “Let no man leave of it
till the morning.”

u² 20 Notwithstanding they hearkened not unto
Moses; but some of them left of it until the
morning, and it bred worms, and stank: and
Moses was wroth with them.

21 And they gathered it every morning, every
man according to his eating: and when the
sun waxed hot, °it melted.

19 Ziph 22 And it came to pass, *that* on the sixth day
they gathered twice as much bread, two
°omers for one *man*: and all the rulers of the
congregation came and told Moses.

t³ 23 And he said unto them, “*This is that* which
°the LORD hath said, ‘To-morrow *is* the °rest of
the holy sabbath unto °the LORD: bake *that*
which ye will bake to day, and seethe that ye
will seethe; and that which remaineth over
lay up for you to be kept until the morning.’”

u³ 24 And they laid it up till the morning, °as
Moses bade: and it did not stink, neither was
there any worm therein.

t⁴ 25 And Moses said, “Eat that to day; for
to day *is* a sabbath unto °the LORD: to day ye
shall not find it in the field.

26 Six days ye shall gather it; but on the
seventh day, *which is* the sabbath, in it there
shall be none.”

u⁴ 27 And it came to pass, *that* there went out
20 some of the People on the seventh day for to
gather, and they found none.

Ziph 6th 28 And °the LORD said unto Moses, °“How
long refuse ye to keep My commandments and
My laws?”

29 °See, for that °the LORD hath given you
the sabbath, therefore °he giveth you on the
sixth day the bread of two days; abide ye
every man in his place, let no man go out of
his place on the °seventh day.”

30 So the People rested on the 29 seventh day.

s (p. 95) 31 And °the house of Israel called the name

13 host = camp.

14 small = thin.
round thing = flakey.

15 “It is manna”. Heb. *man-hu* = “What is that?”
for they knew not what ‘that’ was”. See on v. 31.
wist = knew. From Anglo-Saxon, *witan*, to know.
it = that. This = that.

16. 16-30 (r, p. 95). THE GATHERING OF THE FOOD (Repeated Alternation).

r t¹ | -16. Directions (Positive).

u¹ | 17, 18. Obedience.

t² | 19. Directions (Negative).

u² | 20-22. Disobedience.

t³ | 23. Directions (Sabbath).

u³ | 24. Obedience.

t⁴ | 25, 26. Directions (Sabbath).

u⁴ | 27-30. Disobedience.

16 man. Heb. *ish*. See Ap. 14. ii.

for every man = for every skull. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of
Part). Ap. 6. Skull put for person, as we say “per
head”.

persons. Heb. *nephes*. Ap. 13.

21 it melted. See note on Num. 14. 9.

23 rest of the [holy] sabbath. Heb. “a sabbath of
sabbaths”. Occurs seven times (see Ap. 10). Four
times of the weekly sabbath (Ex. 16. 23; 31. 15; 35. 2.
Lev. 23. 3). Twice of the Day of Atonement (Lev. 16. 31;
23. 32). Once of the sabbath of years (Lev. 25. 4).

24 as = according to what.

28 the LORD said. See note on 3. 7, and cp. note on
6. 10.

How long . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

29 See. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

seventh day. See Ap. 50. vii. 3.

31 the house of Israel. (First occurrence.) The
Massorah (Ap. 30) contains a list of all the occurrences
of this expression. There are fourteen occurrences of
this expression before the division of the nation into
two kingdoms: Ex. 16. 31; 40. 38. Lev. 10. 6; 17. 3.
Num. 20. 29. Josh. 21. 45. 1 Sam. 7. 2, 3. 2 Sam. 1. 12;
6. 5, 15; 12. 8; 16. 3. Ruth 4. 11 (cp. Ex. 19. 3, note).
“The house of Judah” also occurs four times. See
its first occ., 2 Sam. 2. 4. See note on 1 Kings 12. 17.

Manna. Heb. “What is that?” Seven character-
istics:—

1. Small = thin, v. 14 (Antitype, Phil. 2. 6-8).

2. Round = flakey, v. 14.

3. White, v. 31.

4. Sweet, v. 31 (Ps. 119. 103. Jer. 15. 16).

5. Hard, Num. 11. 8.

6. Melted, Num. 14. 9.

7. From heaven (daily), v. 13. See note on Matt. 6. 11.
wafers = flat-cake.

32 omer. See Ap. 51. III. iii.

33 a = one.

34 the Testimony = the Ark. Fig. *Hysterologia*. Ap.
6. The ark not yet made.

thereof °Manna: and it *was* like coriander
seed, white; and the taste of it *was* like
°wafers made with honey.

32 And Moses said, “This *is* the thing which
°the LORD commandeth, Fill an °omer of it to
be kept for your generations; that they may
see the bread wherewith I have fed you in the
wilderness, when I brought you forth from the
land of Egypt.”

33 And Moses said unto Aaron, “Take °a
pot, and put an °omer full of manna therein,
and lay it up before °the LORD, to be kept for
your generations.”

34 As °the LORD commanded Moses, so Aaron
laid it up before °the Testimony, to be kept.

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35 And the ¹children of Israel °did eat manna °forty years, °until they came to a land inhabited; they °did eat manna, °until they came unto the borders of the land of Canaan.
36 Now °an omer is the tenth part of an ephah.

k³ v¹
(p. 97)
21st
Ziph

17 And all the congregation of the °children of Israel journeyed from the wilderness of °Sin, after their journeys, according to the °commandment of °the LORD, and pitched in °Rephidim: and there was no water for the People to drink.

2 Wherefore the People did °chide with Moses, and said, "Give us water that we may drink." And Moses said unto them, °"Why chide ye with me? °wherefore do ye °tempt¹ the LORD?"

3 And the People thirsted there for water; and the People murmured against Moses, and said, "Wherefore is this that thou hast brought us up out of Egypt, to kill °us and our °children and our cattle with thirst?"

w¹ 4 And Moses cried unto ¹the LORD, saying, "What shall I do unto this People? °they be almost ready to stone me."

x¹ 5 And °the LORD said unto Moses, "Go on before the People, and take with thee of the elders of Israel; and thy rod, wherewith thou smotest the River, take in thine hand, and go.

6 °Behold, °I will stand before thee there upon the °rock in °Horeb; and thou shalt °smite the °rock, and there shall come °water out of it, that the People may drink." And Moses did so in the sight of the elders of Israel.

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(p. 97)

7 And he called the name of the place °Massah, and °Meribah, because of the chiding of the ¹children of Israel, and because they °tempted ¹the LORD, saying, "Is ¹the LORD among us, or not?"

v²
5th
Sivan
w²

8 °Then came °Amalek, and fought with Israel in Rephidim.

9 And Moses said unto °Joshua, "Choose us out °men, and go out, °fight with Amalek: to morrow I will stand on the top of the hill with the rod of °God in mine hand."

x²

10 So Joshua did °as Moses had said to him, and fought with Amalek: and °Moses, °Aaron, and °Hur went up to the top of the hill.

11 And it came to pass, °when Moses held up his °hand, that Israel prevailed: and when he let down his hand, Amalek prevailed.

12 But Moses' hands were °heavy; and they took a stone, and put it under him, and he sat thereon; and Aaron and Hur stayed up his hands, the one on the one side, and the other

Jehovah to cut them off).

8 Then came Amalek. See on Gen. 21. 25 and Judg. 5. 11. Amalek came to fight for the water. Cp. Deut. 25. 17, 18. Amalek came behind and attacked the rear, and he "feared not God", Deut. 25. 8.

Amalek, Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6, put for Amalekites. At Rephidim, they got water plus Amalek; at Meribah, water plus Edom. 9 Joshua. First occ. (250 times in all). Heb. *Jehoshua*. Now fifty-three years of age. Hence a bondman in Egypt. Twenty-seven years younger than Moses. See Ap. 50. iv and vii. 1. men. Heb. pl. of 'ish or 'enosh. Ap. 14. fight. There was a large population in the peninsula at this time. A wilderness, a place of pasture, not a desert. God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. 10 as = according as. Moses (prophet), Aaron (priest), Hur (royal tribe, Judah). Hur. Heb. noble or well-born. The son of Caleb, the son of Hezron, the son of Pharez, the son of Judah (1 Chron. 2. 3, 4, 5, 18, 19). Josephus makes him the husband of Miriam and grandfather of Bezaleel (Ex. 31. 2; 35. 30; 38. 22).

11 when = according as. hand. Sam. and Sept. read "hands". Cp. v. 12. 12 heavy = weary.

35 did eat manna. The repetition (for emphasis) is the Fig. *Epibole* (Ap. 6).

forty years. Cp. Josh. 5. 6, 11, 12. Fig. *Hysterologia* (Ap. 6), a prior mention of a subsequent event. until they came. Given on 16th Ziph, B.C. 1491, ceased 16th Ziph, B.C. 1451 = 39 years 11 months. See Josh. 5. 12. See Ap. 50. vii. 3, 4.

36 an omer is the tenth part of an ephah. This is not to be confused with Ezek. 45. 11, "an ephah is the tenth part of an homer". They are two different words: in Ex. 16. 36 it is 'omer, in Ezek. 45. 11 it is homer. See note on Lev. 27. 16, and Ap. 51. III. 3.

17. 1-18. 27 (k³, p. 95). EVENTS AT REPHIDIM.

(Extended and Repeated Alternation.)

- k³ v¹ | 17. 1-3. Coming of Israel & chiding of People.
w¹ | 4. Moses and Jehovah.
x¹ | 5, 6. Giving of water by Jehovah.
y¹ | 7. Memorial of Massah and Meribah.
v² | 8. Coming of Amalek and fighting with Israel.
w² | 9. Moses and Joshua.
x² | 10-13. Giving of victory by Jehovah.
y² | 14-16. Memorial of victory.
v³ | 18. 1-5. Coming of Jethro and message to Moses.
w³ | 6-12. Moses and Jethro.
x³ | 13-16. Giving of judgment by Moses.
y³ | 17-27. Memorial of Jethro's visit.

1 children = sons.

Sin. Heb. Bush.

commandment. Heb. "mouth". Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause). Ap. 6. Mouth put for what is spoken by it.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

Rephidim = reclining places. Two stations omitted here. Cp. 17. 1. Num. 33. 12-14.

2 chide. Murmuring was good policy. They would not "dig" (as at B'ar and Elim)—to "beg" they were not ashamed. "Give us water." See note on 15. 24.

Why chide...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

wherefore. Some codices, with Sam., Jon., Sept., and Syr., read "And why".

tempt = put to the proof. Heb. from *nāṣāh*, to smell, hence, to try. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

3 us. Heb. *ht*. Fig. *Heterosis* (of Number). Ap. 6.

4 they be almost ready. Heb. "yet a little and they will". Moses, David, Jeremiah, Stephen, Paul, and the Lord Jesus suffered from stoning or its threatening.

5 the LORD (Heb. Jehovah) said. See note on 3. 7, and cp. note on 6. 10.

6 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

I will stand. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

rock: a type of Christ. Frequently referred to (Deut. 32. 4, 15, 18, 31, 37. 1 Sam. 2. 2. Ps. 18. 2). Rock of life (Deut. 32. 18): Salvation (2 Sam. 22. 47, &c.): Refuge (Ps. 27. 5; 62. 6, 7): Rest and refreshment (Isa. 32. 2).

Horeb. Cp. 3. 1.

smite. Smitten only once. Cp. Isa. 53. 4. Zech. 13. 7. Jehovah on the Rock = God in Christ (2 Cor. 5. 19). No water till smitten (Ps. 78. 20. John 7. 38, 39; 12. 24).

water. Water from the rock. Fire out of the rock (Judg. 6. 21). Honey from the rock (Ps. 81. 16). Oil from the rock (Deut. 32. 13).

7 Massah = Temptation. Tempting of God.

Meribah = Strife. Striving with Moses.

tempted. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. (i.e. tempting

1491 on the other side; and his hands were steady until the going down of the sun.

13 And Joshua discomfited Amalek and his people with the ° edge of the ° sword.

y² (p. 97) 14 And ° the LORD said unto Moses, ° "Write this for a memorial ° in a book, and rehearse it in the ears of Joshua: for I will utterly ° put out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven."

15 And Moses built an altar, and called the name of it ° Jehovah-nissi:

16 For he said, "Because the ° LORD ° hath sworn that ° the LORD will have war with Amalek from generation to generation."

v³ (18 ° When ° Jethro, the priest of Midian, Moses' father in law, heard of all that ° God had done for Moses, and for Israel His People, and that ° the LORD had brought Israel out of ° Egypt;

2 Then Jethro, Moses' father in law, took Zipporah, Moses' wife, after he had ° sent her back,

3 And her two sons; of which the name of the one was ° Gershom; for he said, "I have been an alien in a strange land:"

4 And the name of the other was ° Eliezer; "for the ° God of my father," said he, "was mine help, and delivered me from the sword of Pharaoh:"

5 And Jethro, Moses' father in law, came with his sons and his wife unto Moses into the wilderness, where he encamped at the mount of ° God:

w³ 6 And he said unto Moses, ° "J thy father in law Jethro am come unto thee, and thy wife, and her two sons with her."

7 And Moses went out to meet his father in law, and did obeisance, and kissed him; and they asked each other of their welfare; and they came into the tent.

8 And Moses told his father in law all that ° the LORD had done unto Pharaoh and to the Egyptians for Israel's sake, and all the travail that had come upon them by the way, and how ° the LORD delivered them.

9 And Jethro rejoiced for all the goodness which ° the LORD had done to Israel, whom He had delivered out of the hand of the Egyptians.

10 And Jethro said, ° "Blessed be ° the LORD, Who hath delivered you out of the ° hand of the Egyptians, and out of the ° hand of Pharaoh, Who hath delivered the People from under the ° hand of the Egyptians.

11 Now I know that ° the LORD is ° greater than all gods: for in the thing wherein they dealt proudly He was above them."

12 And Jethro, Moses' father in law, took a burnt offering and sacrifices for ° God: and Aaron came, and all the elders of Israel, to eat bread with Moses' father in law before ° God.

x³ 13 And it came to pass on the morrow, that Moses sat to judge the People: and the People stood by Moses from the morning ° unto the evening.

14 And when Moses' father in law saw all that he did to the People, he said, "What is this thing that thou doest to the People? why sittest thou thyself alone, and all the People stand by thee from morning ° unto even?"

13 edge. Heb. mouth. Fig. *Prosopopeia*. Ap. 6. sword in the Plain: Rod of God on the mount (v. 9): Jehovah above all (v. 6).

14 the LORD (Heb. Jehovah) said. See notes on 3. 7 and 6. 10.

Write. First occurrence. The tablets found at Lachish and Tel-el-Amarna show that writing of a high order was fully developed before the time of Moses. in a book. Heb. "in the book" (*baszpher*). This writing afterward ordered for "the Book of the Law" (24. 4, 7). See Ap. 47, where the history of that Book is traced from this passage to Malachi.

put out = blot out. Cp. Deut. 25. 19. Num. 24. 20.

15 Jehovah-nissi = "Jehovah [is] my banner." One of the Jehovah titles. Ap. 4.

16 LORD = Jah. See Ap. 4.

hath sworn. The margins of A.V. and R.V. show the perplexity caused by the *Ellipsis* of the verb. "Surely the hand [lifted up] upon the banner of Jah [is to swear]: for the war of Jehovah against Amalek is to be from generation to generation". So it was. It was carried on by Ehud (Judg. 3. 13-15), Barak (Judg. 5. 14), Gideon (Judg. 6. 3; 7. 12-14), Saul (1 Sam. 15. 2-9, cp. v. 11), Samuel (1 Sam. 15. 32, 33), David (1 Sam. 27. 8; 30. 1, 17; 2 Sam. 8. 12), Simeonites (1 Chron. 4. 42, 43), and Mordecai (Est. 3. 1-6; 9. 7-10).

18. 1 When. This chapter is a *parenthesis* (Ap. 6). Introduced here because Jethro, though he lived among the Amalekites, yet was not under their curse (17. 14-16). The event occurred between vv. 10 and 11 of Num. 10. Jethro's counsel was given, and taken, when Israel was ready to depart from Sinai (Deut. 1. 7-14).

Jethro. Cp. 3. 1. Probably a descendant of Abraham by Keturah, and not, therefore, an idolater. Cp. v. 12 and context.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

Egypt. A reading (*Sevir*) reads "land of Egypt". See Ap. 34.

2 sent her back. Probably at Ex. 4. 26.

3 Gershom = a stranger.

4 Eliezer = God [is] my helper.

6 I. The Sam., Sept., and Syr. read "Lo", or "Behold": in which case we must read instead of "he", v. 6, "and one said unto Moses, 'Behold, thy father-in-law cometh'", &c.

10 Blessed. Fig. *Benedictio*. Ap. 6.

hand. Thrice put for "power" by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause). Ap. 6.

11 greater. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. Magnitude attributed to God.

13 unto. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Sam., and Syr., read "even until".

16 statutes of God. Those before Sinai. See Ap. 15.

18 wilt surely wear away. Fig. *Polyptoton* (Ap. 6), "a wearing thou wilt wear". See note on Gen. 26. 28.

15 And Moses said unto his father in law, "Because the People come unto me to enquire of ° God:

16 When they have a matter, they come unto me; and I judge between one and another, and I do make them know the ° statutes of ° God, and His laws."

17 And Moses' father in law said unto him, y³ "The thing that thou doest is not good.

18 Thou ° wilt surely wear away, both thou, and this People that is with thee: for this thing is too heavy for thee; thou art not able to perform it thyself alone.

19 Hearken now unto my voice, I will give thee counsel, and ° God shall be with thee: Be thou for the People to ° God-ward, that thou mayest bring the causes unto ° God:

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20 And thou shalt teach them °ordinances and laws, and shalt shew them the way wherein they must walk, and the work that they must do.

21 Moreover thou shalt provide out of all the People able °men, such as fear °God, men of truth, hating covetousness; and place such over them, °to be rulers of thousands, and rulers of hundreds, °rulers of fifties, and rulers of tens:

22 And let them judge the People at all seasons: and it shall be, that every great matter they shall bring unto thee, but every small matter they shall judge: so shall it be easier for thyself, and they shall bear the burden with thee.

23 If thou shalt do this thing, and °God command thee so, then thou shalt be able to endure, and all this People shall also go to their place in peace."

24 So Moses hearkened to the voice of his father in law, and did all that he had said.

25 And Moses chose able men out of all Israel, and made them heads over the People, rulers of thousands, rulers of hundreds, rulers of fifties, and rulers of tens.

26 And they judged the People at all seasons: the hard causes they brought unto Moses, but every small matter they judged themselves.

27 And Moses let his father in law depart; and he went his way into his own land.)

k³
(p. 95)
15th
Sivan

19 In the °third month, when the °children of Israel were gone forth out of the land of Egypt, the same day came they into the wilderness of Sinai.

2 For they were departed from Rephidim, and were come to the desert of Sinai, and had pitched in the wilderness; and there Israel camped before the mount.

T U X¹
(p. 94)
16th
Sivan

3 And Moses °went up unto °God, and °the LORD °called unto him out of the mountain, saying, "Thus shalt thou say to the house of Jacob, and tell the °children of Israel;

4 'Ye have seen what I did unto the Egyptians, and how °I bare you on eagles' wings, and brought you unto Myself.

5 Now therefore, if ye will obey My voice indeed, and keep My covenant, then ye shall be a °peculiar treasure unto Me above all °people: for °all the earth is Mine:

6 And ye shall be unto Me a °kingdom of priests, and an holy nation.' These are the words which thou shalt speak unto the °children of Israel."

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7 And Moses °came and called for the elders of the People, and laid before their faces all these words which °the LORD commanded him.

8 And all the People answered together, and said, "All that °the LORD hath spoken we will do."

X²
17th
Sivan

And Moses °returned the words of the People unto °the LORD.

9 And °the LORD said unto Moses, °"Lo, I come unto thee in a thick cloud, that the People may hear when I °speak with thee, and °believe thee for ever." And Moses told the words of the People unto °the LORD.

10 And °the LORD said unto Moses, "Go unto the People, and sanctify them to day

20 ordinances and laws. Heb. "the Ordinances and (or, even) the Laws".

21 men. Heb. pl. of 'ish, or 'enosh. Ap. 14. to be. Supply "as" for *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6). rulers. Some codices, with Sam., Sept., and Syr., read "and rulers".

19. 1 third month. Ap. 50. vii. 3. Fifty days from Rameses, vii. 1, 2.

children = sons.

3 went up unto God: Moses' first ascent. From the Structures T, U, and U (p. 85), it will be seen that we have here the first occurrence of this expression, and the first of the six ascents and descents of Moses to receive and give His laws and ordinances. The following is a summary:—

ASCENTS.		DESCENTS.
19. 3-6.	First.	19. 7, 8-.
19. -8-13.	Second.	19. 14-19.
19. 20-24.	Third.	19. 25.
24. 9-32. 14.	Fourth.	32. 15-30.
32. 31-33.	Fifth.	32. 34-34. 3.
34. 4-28.	Sixth.	34. 29-35.

Note that the two sets of three each are marked off by the two great events: the giving of the Law, and the setting up of the Tabernacle; while the fourth and sixth ascents are marked by the giving of the first and second tables (See Ap. 10).

The fourth and sixth ascents are the fullest, and receive special expansion. See above X⁴ (p. 94), 20. 21-24. 2, and X⁵ (p. 94), 24. 9-32. 15.

God. Heb. ha-'Elohim. See Ap. 4.

the LORD (Heb. Jehovah) called. The only occ. of this expression in Exodus. In 3. 4, it is "God (Elohim) called".

children of Israel. A reading called *Sevir* reads "house of Israel". See Ap. 54.

4 I bare you, &c. Cp. Deut. 32. 11, 12.

5 peculiar treasure = a treasure acquired for a possession. Cp. 1 Chron. 29. 3. Ecc. 2. 8. 1 Pet. 2. 9. Heb. *segullah*. First occ. Eight times: 19. 5, and Deut. 7. 6; 14. 2; 26. 18. Ps. 135. 4. Mal. 3. 17, where it is used of Israel; and in 1 Chron. 29. 3 and Ecc. 7. 8, where it is used of purchased and personal property. It denotes a treasure reserved for one's self. The Lat. *sigillo*, to seal up, is from this Heb. word. Cp. Matt. 13. 44.

people = peoples. God's People are:—

A separated People. Ex. 33. 16.

A People of inheritance. Deut. 4. 20.

A special People. Deut. 7. 6.

A purchased People. Ex. 15. 16; Ps. 74. 2.

A holy People. Deut. 7. 6; 14. 1.

A redeemed People. Ex. 15. 13.

A sanctified People. Isa. 63. 18.

all the earth is Mine. Cp. Ps. 24. 1; 50. 12.

6 kingdom of priests. Not the genitive of character (Ap. 17), which would be priestly kingdom. But by the Fig. *Antiptosis* (Ap. 6) - "a royal priesthood", as explained in 1 Pet. 2. 9. The whole nation being a priest with respect to other nations, as the tribe of Levi for Israel. Now in abeyance, because Israel did not fulfil the condition in v. 5. But in the future it will be realised (Isa. 61. 6; 66. 21).

7 came. Moses' first descent. See note on 19. 3.

8 returned. Moses' second ascent, vv. -8-13. See note on 19. 3.

9 the LORD said. See note on 3. 7, and cp. note on 6. 10. Lo. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

speak . . . believe. Cp. Rom. 10. 17. "Faith cometh by hearing".

and to morrow, and let them wash their clothes,

11 And be ready against the third day: for the third day °the LORD will come down in the sight of all the People upon mount Sinai.

12 And thou shalt set bounds unto the People round about, saying, 'Take heed to yourselves,

1491 *that ye go not up into the mount, or touch the border of it: whosoever toucheth the mount shall be °surely put to death:*

13 *There shall not an hand touch °it, but he shall °surely be stoned, or shot through; whether it be beast or man, it shall not live: when the trumpet soundeth long, they shall come up to the mount."*

Y² 14 And Moses °went down from the mount
(p. 94) unto the People, and sanctified the People; and they washed their clothes.

18th 15 And he said unto the People, "Be ready
Sivan against the third day: come not at *your* wives."

19th 16 And it came to pass on the third day in
Sivan the morning, that there were thunders and lightnings, and a thick cloud upon the mount, and the voice of the trumpet exceeding loud; so that all the People that *was* in the camp trembled.

17 And Moses brought forth the People out of the camp to meet with °God; and they stood at the nether part of the mount.

18 And mount Sinai was altogether on a smoke, because °the LORD descended upon it in fire: and the smoke thereof ascended as the smoke of a furnace, and the whole °mount quaked greatly.

19 And when the voice of the trumpet sounded long, and waxed louder and louder, Moses spake, and °God °answered him by a voice.

X³ 20 And °the LORD came down upon mount Sinai, °on the top of the mount: and °the LORD called Moses *up* to the top of the mount; and Moses °went up.

21 And °the LORD said unto Moses, "Go down, charge the People, lest they break through unto °the LORD to gaze, and many of them perish.

22 And let the priests also, which come near to °the LORD, sanctify themselves, lest °the LORD break forth upon them."

23 And Moses said unto °the LORD, "The People cannot come up to mount Sinai: for Thou chargedst us, saying, 'Set bounds about the mount, and sanctify it.'"

24 And °the LORD said unto him, "Away, get thee down, and thou shalt come up, thou, and Aaron with thee: but let not the °priests and the People break through to come up unto °the LORD, lest He break forth upon them."

Y³ 25 So Moses °went down unto the People, and °spake unto them.

V a A 20 And °God spake °all these words,
(p. 100) °saying,

(I.) 2 °"I am °the LORD thy God, Which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

3 Thou shalt have no other gods °before Me.

B (II.) 4 Thou shalt not °make unto thee any °graven image, or any likeness of *any thing* that *is* in heaven above, or that *is* in the earth beneath, or that *is* in the water under the earth:

12 surely put to death. Fig. *Polyptoton*. Ap. 6. "A dying he shall die." See note on Gen. 2. 17.

13 it = him: i. e. not arrested or seized lest trespass on mount incurred.

surely be stoned. Fig. *Polyptoton* (Ap. 6). Cp. Gen. 26. 28.

14 went down. Moses' second descent, vv. 14-19. See note on 19. 3.

19 answered him by a voice. Heb. denotes repeated speaking, and thus tells us how the next and following chapters were given to Moses.

20 on = to.

went up. Moses' third ascent.

24 priests. See Ap. 15. The firstborn were priests.

25 went down. Moses' third descent. See note on 19. 3. spake. Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6): i. e. "repeated [these things] to the People".

20. 1-24. 8 (V, p. 94). THE GIVING OF THE LAW (*Introversion and Repeated Alternation*).

V a | 20. 1-17. The Covenant stated. "The ten words."

b | 20. 18-21. People "afar off." Moses draws near.

c | 20. 22-23. 33. General Laws.

b | 24. 1, 2. People "afar off." Moses to draw near.

a | 24. 3-8. The Covenant made.

20. 1-17 (a, above). THE COVENANT STATED. "THE TEN WORDS" (*Introversion*).

a	A	2, 3. Commands I and II = THOUGHT.	} "THE LORD THY GOD."
	B	4-6. Command III = WORD.	
	C	7-12. Commands IV and V = DEED.	
	C'	13-15. Commands VI, VII, and VIII = DEED.	} "THOU."
	B	16. Command IX = WORD.	
	A	17. Command X = THOUGHT.	

Here, the three subjects, Thought, Word, and Deed, are repeated in the second table in inverse order.

The law given in Arabia. The same country witnessed the giving of Mahomet's Law.

The moral law given in public at Horeb. Cp. Mal. 4. 4.

The ceremonial law given to Moses in the Tabernacle.

The judicial law given at sundry times; neither so public and solemn as the former, nor so private as the latter.

20. 1 God spake. Heb. Elohim: hence of universal application. Cp. Heb. 1. 1. Deut. 4. 12. Heb. 12. 26; &c., &c. Not Jehovah, for this title would have limited the law to Israel. See Ap. 4, and note on 6. 2.

all these words. It has been asserted that there are three strata of laws in the Pentateuch:—

(1) The Prophetic code. Ex. 20—23 and 34. 17-26.

(2) The Priest code. Rest of Ex., Lev., and Num.

(3) The Deuteronomy code.

But the *Structures* of these books, displayed above, show that these were all in perfect order, spoken "at sundry times and in divers manners."

The Ten Commandments divided by Christ into two [tables], Duty to God and Neighbour (Matt. 22. 37-40). Divided by man into four and six. By Roman Catholics (in their Catechism) the second is joined to the first, and the tenth is divided into two. But this is impossible: see the Structure of Com. X on v. 17, p. 101.

The Structure of the whole divides them into 5 + 5, the number of Grace. See Ap. 10, and cp. John 1. 17, "the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ", which, by the Fig. *Hendiadys* (Ap. 6) = "true grace". For there was grace in the law, seeing no other nation was favoured with it. Moreover, the first five are linked together by the words "the LORD thy God", the second five by the word "Thou".

saying. The Ten Commandments begin, therefore, with v. 2. See Ap. 39.

2 I am, &c. = "I, Jehovah [am] thy God (Heb. Elohim)."

3 before Me = before My face. 4 make. The making is

Ap. 4. 2 the LORD (Heb. Jehovah) thy God. This must go with Com. I, or we should not have the five repetitions of it in the first five. 3 before Me = before My face. 4 make. The making is equally forbidden as the worshipping. graven image. Heb. *pesel*, a sculpture. First occ.

1491 5 Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for ³ the LORD thy ¹ God *am* a °jealous °GOD, °visiting the °iniquity of the fathers upon the °children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate Me;
6 And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love Me, and keep My commandments.

B (III.) 7 Thou shalt not °take the name of ² the LORD thy ¹ God in vain; for ² the LORD will °not hold him guiltless that taketh His name in vain.

C (IV.) 8 °Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy.

9 Six days shalt thou °labour, and do all thy work:

10 But the seventh day *is* the sabbath of ² the LORD thy ¹ God: *in it* thou shalt not do °any work, thou, °nor thy son, nor thy daughter, °thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that *is* within thy °gates:

11 For *in* six days ² the LORD °made °heaven and earth, °the sea, and all that in them *is*, and rested the seventh day: wherefore ² the LORD blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.

(V.) 12 °Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which ² the LORD thy ¹ God giveth thee.

C (VI.) 13 Thou shalt not kill.

(VII.) 14 Thou shalt not commit adultery.

(VIII.) 15 Thou shalt not steal.

B (IX.) 16 Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.

A (°X.) 17 Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, ¹⁰ nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that *is* thy neighbour's."

b 18 And all the People °saw the thunders, °and the lightnings, and the noise of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking: and when the People saw *it*, they removed, and stood afar off.

19 And they said unto Moses, °"Speak thou with us, and we will hear: but let not ¹ God speak with us, lest we die."

20 And Moses said unto the People, "Fear not: for ¹ God is come °to prove you, and °that His fear may be before your faces, that ye °sin not."

21 And the People stood °afar off,

c D and Moses °drew near unto the thick darkness where ¹ God was.

(p. 102) 22 And °the LORD said unto Moses, "Thus thou shalt say unto the °children of Israel, 'Ye have seen that I have talked with you from heaven.

23 Ye shall not make with Me gods of silver, neither shall ye make unto you gods of gold.

5 jealous = zealous. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. Cp. Deut. 4. 24. Heb. 12. 29.

GOD = El. See Ap. 4.

visiting = charging. This burden of God's revelation of Himself reappears in Ex. 34. 6, 7. Num. 14. 18. Deut. 5. 9, 10. The punishment being not lengthened in vengeance, but distributed in mercy over the third and fourth, so that the whole weight falls not on the first or second.

iniquity. Heb. 'āvōn. Ap. 44. iii.

children = sons.

7 take the name . . . in vain. Much more important than the mere mispronunciation of the Name. not hold him guiltless. Fig. *Tapeinosis*. Ap. 6.

8 Remember. Because already hallowed, and command given. See Ap. 15, and notes on Gen. 8. 5, 10, 12, 14. The Babylonians had a seventh-day rest, doubtless from Gen. 2. 2, 3: not this from Babylonians. Note the Structure of this longest Commandment:—

20. 8-11 (C, p. 100). THE FOURTH COMMANDMENT (*Introversion and Simple Alternation*).

C	D		8. To be remembered and kept by	} Man (command).
			man.	
	E	x	9. The six days for man's work.	} God (reason).
			y 10. Seventh for man's rest.	
	E	x	11-. Six days for Jehovah's work.	} God (reason).
			y -11-. Seventh for Jehovah's rest.	
	D		-11. Sabbath blessed and hallowed by Jehovah.	

9 labour. The Heb. accent (*zarḡa*) marks this word for emphasis: implying that the fourth Commandment is twofold, and no seventh-day rest can be really enjoyed without, or apart from, the six days of labour.

10 any. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Genus). Ap. 6. i. e. not any forbidden work. Cp. Lev. 23. 7, 8. Num. 28. 18. nor. Note the Fig. *Paradiastole* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. thy manservant. Some codices, with three early printed editions and Jon., read "nor thy manservant". gates. Put by *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for cities.

11 made = took to make.

heaven and earth. See note on Deut. 4. 26. the sea. Sam., Onk., Jon., Sept., and Syr. read "and the sea".

12 Honour. This completes the first five, and ends with "promise" (Eph. 6. 2). These five, that relate to *piety*, are thus separated from the five that relate to *probity*. The first and fifth begin and end the five with honour to God, and to our parents whom He honours. They have nothing to do with our "neighbours".

17 The Structure of Commandment X shows that it cannot be divided, except as follows:—

(A, p. 100.) THE TENTH COMMANDMENT. (*Introversion*.)

A	c	Thy neighbour's house (General).	} (Particular).
	d	Wife, servant, maid (human)	
	d	Ox and ass (animal)	
	c	Anything that is thy neighbour's (General).	

18 saw. Fig. *Zeugma*. Ap. 6 (here, *Protozeugma*), the one verb "saw" used for two things, but appropriate only for one. Emphasis on "saw". and. Note Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6).

19 Speak thou, &c. From Deut. 5. 28 and 18. 17 we learn that on that very day God promised to send "Him that speaketh from heaven" (18. 15-18).

20 to prove: i. e. for the purpose of proving.

that: in order that.

sin. Heb. *chat'a*. See Ap. 44. i.

21 afar off. Note the difference between law and grace. (Eph. 2. 13).

drew near. Moses' fourth ascent. See note on 19. 3.

20. 22-23. 33 (c, p. 102). GENERAL LAWS (*Repeated Alternation*).

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22 the LORD [Heb. Jehovah] said. See note on 3. 7, and cp. note on 6. 10.

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24 An altar ° of earth thou shalt make unto Me, and shalt ° sacrifice thereon thy burnt offerings, and thy peace offerings, thy sheep, and thine oxen: ° in all places where I record My name I will come unto thee, and I will bless thee.

25 And if thou wilt make Me an altar of stone, thou shalt ° not build it of ° hewn stone: for if thou lift up thy ° tool upon it, thou hast polluted it.

26 Neither shalt thou go up ° by steps unto Mine altar, that thy nakedness be not discovered thereon.'

F¹ e g
(p. 102)

21 Now these are the judgments which thou shalt set before them.

2 If thou buy an Hebrew servant, six years he shall serve: and in the seventh he shall go out free for nothing.

3 If he came in ° by himself, he shall go out by himself: if he were married, then his wife shall go out with him.

4 If his master have given him a wife, and she have born him sons or daughters; the wife and her children shall be her master's, and he shall go out by himself.

5 And if the servant ° shall plainly say, 'I love my master, my wife, and my ° children; I will not go out free:'

6 Then his master shall bring him unto ° the judges; he shall also bring him to the door, or unto the door post; and his master shall ° bore his ear through with an aul; and he shall serve him ° for ever.

7 And if ° a man sell his daughter to be a maidservant, she shall not go out as the menservants do.

8 If she please not her master, who hath betrothed her to himself, then shall he let her be redeemed: to sell her unto a strange ° nation he shall have no ° power, seeing he hath dealt deceitfully with her.

9 And if he have betrothed her unto his son, he shall deal with her after the manner of daughters.

10 If he take him another wife; her food, her raiment, and her duty of marriage, shall he not diminish.

11 And if he do not these three unto her, then shall she go out free without money.

h i 12 He that smiteth ° a man, so that he die, shall be surely put to death.

13 And if a man lie not in wait, but ° God ° deliver him into his hand; then I will appoint thee a place whither he shall flee.

14 But if a man come presumptuously upon his neighbour, to slay him with ° guile; thou shalt take him from mine altar, that he may die.

j 15 And he that ° smiteth his father, or his mother, shall be surely put to death.

g 16 And he that stealeth ° a man, and selleth him, or if he be found in his hand, he shall surely be put to death.

h j 17 And he that ° curseth his father, or his mother, shall surely be put to death.

m 18 And if ° men strive together, and ° one smite ° another with a stone, or with his fist, and he die not, but keepeth his bed:

20. -21-23. 33 (c, p. 100). GENERAL LAWS.
(Repeated Alternation).

c D¹ | 20. -21-26. God: Worship (Canaanites and Com-
mands).
E¹ | 21. 1-22. 17. Man (Persons and Property).
D² | 22. 18-20. God: Worship (Witchcraft).
E² | 22. 21-28. Man (Oppression and Property).
D³ | 22. 29-31. God: Worship (Offerings).
E³ | 23. 1-9. Man (Falsehood and Oppression).
D⁴ | 23. 10-19-. God: Worship (Sabbaths and Feasts).
E⁴ | 23. -19. Man (Treatment of Animals).
D⁵ | 23. 20-33. God: Worship (Canaanites and
Commands).

24 of earth . . . in all places. Shiloh was the first place, Jer 7. 12; Bethel, 1 Sam. 10. 3; then Zion, Ps. 78. 68. "Where'er we seek Thee Thou art found". sacrifice. Heb. *zabach*. Ap. 43. I. iv.

25 not . . . hewn stone. No human handiwork to be used in approaching God in worship.

tool. Man's work, in this sphere, pollutes.

26 by steps. Only exposes nakedness. "I will come unto thee" (v. 24) is the essence of worship. Our approach is quite secondary. Whether by "tool" or "steps", it either pollutes the Divine or exposes the human.

21. 1-22. 17 (E¹, above). MAN: PERSONS
AND PROPERTY (Introversion).

E¹ | e | 21. 1-32. Persons.
f | 21. 33-22. 15. Property.
e | 22. 16, 17. Persons.

21. 1-32 (e, above). LAWS RELATING TO
PERSONS (Alternation and Introversion).

e | g | 1-11. Servitude.
h | i | 12-14. Violence.
j | 15. Parents (Smiting).
g | 16. Servitude.
h | j | 17. Parents (Cursing).
i | 18-32. Violence.

Chapters 21-23 are an expansion of chapter 20.

3 by himself. Heb. "with his body". Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part). Ap. 6.

5 shall plainly say. Heb. "saying shall say". Fig. *Polyptoton* (Ap. 6) for emphasis. See note on Gen. 26. 28. children - sons.

6 the judges. See note on 22. 9.

bore his ear. Hence a symbol of obedience and perpetual servitude. Cp. Ps. 40. c. Isa. 48. 8; 50. 5; and see note on Heb. 10. 5.

for ever. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Whole). Ap. 6. All time put for limited time;—"for life", or till the jubilee, Lev. 25. 13, 28. 40, 41.

7 a man. Heb. *'ish*. See Ap. 14.

8 nation = people.

power - authority.

13 God [Heb. Elohim] deliver. Heb. idiom, by which God is said to do what He allows to be done. deliver. Heb. permit him to meet, or come.

14 guile . . . thou. Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6); between these two words, supply: "and then seek refuge at Mine altar".

15 smiteth. Here and elsewhere in this chapter (except v. 26), to smite to death, or seriously.

16 a man. (Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14.) Aram. and Sept. add "of the sons of Israel".

17 curseth, or revileth. Cp. Matt. 15. 4. Mark 7. 10.

18-32 (i, above). VIOLENCE: RELATING TO
PERSONS (Extended Alternation).

[For Structure see next page.]

18 men. Heb. pl. of *'ish*, or *'enosh*. See Ap. 14. ii. one. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. ii. another his neighbour.

1491 19 If he rise again, and walk abroad upon his staff, then shall he that smote him be quit: only he shall pay for the loss of his time, and shall cause him to be thoroughly healed.

n 20 And if ⁷a man smite his servant, or his maid, with a rod, and he die under his hand; he shall be surely ^opunished.

21 Notwithstanding, if he continue a day or two, he shall not be ²⁰punished: for he is his ^omoney.

o 22 If ¹⁸men strive, and hurt a woman with ^ochild, so that her fruit depart from her, and yet no mischief follow: he shall be surely ^opunished, according as the woman's husband will lay upon him; and he shall pay as the judges determine.

m 23 And if any mischief follow, then thou shalt give ^olife for ^olife,

24 ^oEye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot,

25 Burning for turning, wound for wound, stripe for stripe.

n 26 And if ⁷a man smite the eye of his servant, or the eye of his maid, that it perish; he shall let him ^ogo free for his eye's sake.

27 And if he ^osmite out his manservant's tooth, or his maidservant's tooth; he shall let him ²⁶go free for his tooth's sake.

o 28 If an ox gore a ⁷man or a woman, that they die: then the ox shall be surely stoned, and his flesh shall not be eaten; but the owner of the ox shall be quit.

29 But if the ox were wont to push with his horn in time past, and it hath been testified to his owner, and he hath not kept him in, but that he hath killed a man or a woman; the ox shall be stoned, and his owner also shall be put to death.

30 If there be laid on him a sum of money, then he shall give for the ^oransom of his ²³life whatsoever is laid upon him.

31 Whether he have gored a son, or have gored a daughter, according to this judgment shall it be done unto him.

32 If the ox shall push a manservant or a maidservant; he shall give unto their master thirty ^oshekels of silver, and the ox shall be stoned.

f p 33 And if a man shall open a pit, or if a man shall dig a pit, and not cover it, and an ox or an ass fall therein;

34 The owner of the pit shall make it good, and give money unto the owner of them; and the dead beast shall be his.

35 And if one man's ox hurt another's, that he die; then they shall sell the live ox, and divide the money of it; and the dead ox also they shall divide.

36 Or if it be known that the ox hath used to push in time past, and his owner hath not kept him in; he shall surely pay ox for ox; and the dead shall be his own.

q 22 If ^oa man shall steal an ox, or a sheep, and kill it, or sell it; he shall restore five oxen for an ox, and ^ofour sheep for a sheep.

2 If a thief be ^ofound breaking up, and be smitten that he die, there shall no blood be shed for him.

18-32 (i, p. 102). VIOLENCE: RELATING TO PERSONS (*Extended Alternation*).

i m | 21. 18, 19. Man.

n | 20, 21. Servants.

o | 22. Men and women.

m | 23-25. Man.

n | 26, 27. Servants.

o | 28-32. Men and women.

20 punished = avenged.

21 money. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, money put for the servant who earns it.

22 child . . . so. Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6); supply "who intervenes".

punished = amerced, or fined. The laws of Khammurabi distinguished between three classes (§§ 209, 211, 213). Here it is *any* woman. See Ap. 15.

23 life = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. See Ap. 13.

24-25 Eye for eye, &c. *Lex talionis*, eight particulars for completeness (Ap. 10), seven in separate category (vv. 24, 25). These laws made prisons unnecessary, and prevented crime.

26 go free. By Code of Khammurabi, the master was compensated, § 199 (see Ap. 15). Cp. Deut. 4. 8.

27 smite. Not the same word as elsewhere in this chapter.

30 ransom. Implying that death-penalties were in certain cases commutable. Cp. 30. 12 and Ps. 49. 8.

32 shekels. See Ap. 51. I.

21. 33-22. 15 (f, p. 102). LAWS AS TO PROPERTY (*Alternation*).

f p | 21. 33-36. Carelessness (Pit. Oxen).

q | 22. 1-5. Dishonesty (Theft).

p | 22. 6. Carelessness (Fire).

q | 22. 7-15. Dishonesty (Trusts).

22. 1 a man. Heb. *'ish* (Ap. 14).

four sheep. So David judged, 2 Sam. 12. 6.

2 found: i. e. caught in the act of.

3 If the sun, &c. Therefore killed after he had got away, and in cold blood.

5 field . . of. Between these two words the Sam. and Sept. have "he shall surely make restitution out of his own field according to the yield thereof; and if the whole field be eaten". This is not due to *Ellipsis* but to *Homoteleuton* (Ap. 6), by which, in transcribing, the eye of the copyist went back (in error) to the latter of the like endings of two sentences, and thus omitted the intervening words between "field" and "field".

3 (If the sun be risen upon him, there shall be blood shed for him); for he should make full restitution; if he have nothing, then he shall be sold for his theft.

4 If the theft be certainly found in his hand alive, whether it be ox, or ass, or sheep; he shall restore double.

5 If a ¹man shall cause a field or vineyard to be eaten, and shall put in his beast, and shall feed in another man's ^ofield; ^oof the best of his own field, and of the best of his own vineyard, shall he make restitution.

6 If fire break out, and catch in thorns, so that the stacks of corn, or the standing corn, or the field, be consumed therewith; he that kindled the fire shall surely make restitution.

7 If a man shall deliver unto his neighbour money or stuff to keep, and it be stolen out of the man's house; if the thief be found, let him pay double.

8 If the thief be not found, then the master of the house shall be brought unto the ^ojudges, to see whether he have put his hand unto his neighbour's goods.

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9 For all manner of °trespass, *whether it be* for ox, for ass, for sheep, for raiment, or for any manner of lost thing, which *another* challengeth to be his, the cause of both parties shall come °before the judges; and whom the judges shall condemn, he shall pay double unto his neighbour.

10 If °a man deliver unto his neighbour an ass, or an ox, or a sheep, or any beast, to keep; and it die, or be hurt, or driven away, °no man seeing it:

11 Then shall an oath of °the LORD be between them both, that he hath not put his hand unto his neighbour's goods; and the owner of it shall accept *thereof*, and he shall not make it good.

12 And if it be stolen from him, he shall make restitution unto the owner thereof.

13 If it be torn in pieces, *then* let him bring °it for witness, and he shall not make good that which was torn.

14 And if °a man borrow *ought* of his neighbour, and it be hurt, or die, the owner thereof *being* not with it, he shall surely make it good.

15 But if the owner thereof *be* with it, he shall not make it good: if it *be* an hired thing, it came for his hire.

^e (p. 102) 16 And if °a man entice a maid that is not betrothed, and lie with her, he shall surely endow her to be his wife.

17 If her father utterly refuse to give her unto him, he shall pay money according to the °dowry of virgins.

D² 18 Thou shalt not suffer a °witch to live.

19 Whosoever lieth with a beast shall surely be put to death.

20 He that °sacrificeth unto *any* god, save unto °the LORD only, he shall be utterly destroyed.

E² 21 Thou shalt neither vex a stranger, nor oppress him: for *we* were strangers in the land of Egypt.

22 Ye shall not afflict any °widow, or fatherless child.

23 If thou afflict *them* in any wise, and they cry at all unto Me, I will surely hear their cry;

24 And My wrath shall wax hot, and I will kill *you* with the sword; and your wives shall be widows, and your children fatherless.

25 If thou lend money to *any* of My People *that is* poor by thee, thou shalt not be to him as an usurer, neither shalt thou lay upon him usury.

26 If thou at all take thy neighbour's °raiment to pledge, thou shalt deliver it unto him by that the sun goeth down:

°27 For *that is* his covering only, it *is* his raiment for his skin: wherein shall he sleep? and it shall come to pass, when he crieth unto Me, that I will hear; for *I am* gracious.

28 Thou shalt not revile °the gods, nor °curse the ruler of thy People.

D³ 29 Thou shalt not delay to *offer* the first of thy °ripe fruits, and of thy °liquors: the first-born of thy sons shalt thou °give unto Me.

30 Likewise shalt thou do with thine oxen, and with thy sheep: seven days it shall be

9 trespass = rebellion. Heb. *Pāsh'a*. Ap. 44. ix. before the judges. Heb. *ha-'ēlohim* = "gods". See Ap. 4, and note on ch. 21. 6. Or, before God (the judges representing Him), and acting in His stead, according to Rom. 13. 1-6. See this usage (with the Article), 21. 6; 22. 8, 28. See ch. 18. 15-19: and cp. Ps. 82. 1, 6. John 10. 34, 35.

10 no man = no one.

11 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4.

13 it. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Whole). Ap. 6. i. e. bring one of the pieces. Cp. Gen. 31. 39; and Amos 3. 12.

17 dowry = 50 shekels. Deut. 22. 29. See Ap. 51. II.

18 witch or spiritist. Medium to or from, from root to *mutter*, as to some demon. Cp. Lev. 19. 26, 31; 20. 27. Deut. 18. 9-14. This enactment shows the reality of intercourse with evil spirits (angels) and demons.

20 sacrificeth. Heb. *zabach*. Ap. 43. I. iv.

22 widow, or fatherless. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), Ap. 6, put for all kinds of helpless ones.

26 raiment = mantle. Raiment by day, and sole covering at night. Cp. 12. 34. Deut. 24. 12, 13. Judg. 4. 18. Amos 2. 8.

27 According to the *Massorah* (Ap. 30) this is the middle of the 1,209 verses of Exodus.

28 curse. Cp. Ecc. 10. 20. Acts 23. 5. 2 Pet. 2. 10. Jude 8.

29 ripe fruits, and . . . liquors = thy corn and wine and oil. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species). Ap. 6. give. On the eighth day.

31 men. Heb. pl. of *'ish* or *'enōsh*. Ap. 14.

23. 1-9 (E³, p. 102). LAWS AS TO MAN. (Alternation and Introversion.)

E ³	r	t		1, 2. Falsehood.
	u		3. Cause of poor man.	
	s		4, 5. Enemy. Assistance.	
r	u		6. Cause of poor man.	
	t		7, 8. Falsehood.	
	s		9. Stranger. Oppression.	

1 raise = utter, or take up. Same as 20. 7.

the wicked = a wicked one. Heb. *rāsh'a*. Ap. 44. x.

2 evil = injury. Heb. *r'a'a*. See Ap. 44. viii.

speak - testify.

decline - "turn away [and follow]". Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6. iii. a).

3 countenance - prefer, or favour.

4 ox or his ass. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), Ap. 6, put for any kind of beast of burden.

with his dam; on the eighth day thou shalt give it Me.

31 And ye shall be holy °men unto Me: neither shall ye eat *any* flesh *that is* torn of beasts in the field; ye shall cast it to the dogs.

23 Thou shalt not °raise a false report: put not thine hand with °the wicked to be an unrighteous witness.

2 Thou shalt not follow a multitude to do °evil; neither shalt thou °speak in a cause to °decline after many to wrest judgment:

3 Neither shalt thou °countenance a poor man in his cause.

4 If thou meet thine enemy's °ox or his ass going astray, thou shalt surely bring it back to him again.

5 If thou see the ass of him that hateth thee lying under his burden, and wouldst

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1491 forbear to °help him, thou shalt °surely help with him.

r u 6 Thou shalt not wrest the judgment of thy poor in his cause.

t 7 Keep thee far from a false matter; and the innocent and righteous slay thou not: for I will not justify the °wicked.

8 And thou shalt take no gift: for the gift °blindeth the °wise, and °perverteth the words of the righteous.

s 9 Also thou shalt not oppress a stranger: for ye know the °heart of a stranger, seeing ye were strangers in the land of Egypt.

D⁴ v (p. 105) 10 And six years thou shalt sow thy land, and shalt gather in the °fruits thereof:

11 But the seventh year thou shalt let it rest and lie still; that the poor of thy people may eat: and what they leave the beasts of the field shall eat. In like manner thou shalt deal with thy vineyard, °and with thy oliveyard.

12 Six days thou shalt do thy work, and on the seventh day thou shalt rest: that thine ox and thine ass may rest, and the son of thy handmaid, and the stranger, may be °refreshed.

w 13 And in all things that I have said unto you °be circumspect: and °make no mention of the name of other gods, neither let it be heard out of thy mouth.

14 °Three times thou shalt keep a feast unto Me in the year.

v 15 Thou shalt keep the feast of unleavened bread: (thou shalt eat unleavened bread seven days, °as I commanded thee, in the time appointed of the °month Abib; for in it thou camest out from Egypt: and none shall °appear before Me °empty:)

16 And the feast of harvest, the firstfruits of thy labours, which thou hast sown in the field: and the feast of ingathering, which is in the end of the year, when thou hast gathered in thy labours out of the field.

17 Three times in the year all thy males shall appear °before °THE Lord GOD.

v 18 Thou shalt not °offer the blood of My °sacrifice with leavened bread; neither shall the fat of My °sacrifice remain until the morning.

19 The first of the firstfruits of thy land thou shalt bring into the house of °the Lord thy °God.

E⁴ Thou shalt not seethe a kid in his °mother's milk.

D⁵ x¹ 20 °Behold, I send °an angel before thee, to keep thee in the way, and to bring thee into the place which I have prepared.

y¹ 21 Beware of him, and obey his voice, provoke him not; for he will not pardon your °transgressions: for °My name is in him.

22 But if thou shalt indeed obey his voice, and do all that I speak; then I will be an enemy unto thine enemies, and an adversary unto thine adversaries.

x² 23 For °Mine angel shall go before thee,

5 help. Heb. *Homonym*. 'azab two words:—

(1) 'azab = to leave, or forsake.

(2) 'azab = to help, or restore (hence strengthen, or fortify).

No. 1 in Gen. 2. 24; 39. 6. Neh. 5. 10. Ps. 49. 10. Mal. 4. 1. But here it should be No. 2 (as in Neh. 3. 8. Deut.

32. 36. 1 Kings 14. 10. 2 Kings 14. 26. Jer. 49. 25). surely help with him. Fig. *Polyptoton* (Ap. 6), "helping shalt help him", or, supplying the *Ellipsis*, "surely help him [to unload]".

7 wicked - a wicked one. Heb. *rāsh'a*. Ap. 44. x. 8 blindeth . . . perverteth: i. e. causeth these acts, or sins. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6.

wise. Heb. seeing = the most clear-sighted.

9 heart. soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

23. 10 19-. (D⁴, p. 102). GOD: LAWS OF HIS WORSHIP (*Alternation*).

D⁴ v | 10-12. Time. Six and seven of years and days.

w | 13. False worship (Positive and Negative).

v | 14-17. Time. Three feasts in year.

w | 18, 19-. True worship (Negative and Positive).

10 fruits. Heb. harvest.

11 and. Some codices, with Sam. and Sept., have this in text; it need not, therefore, be in italics.

12 refreshed. Heb. verbal form of *neḥ hesh* (soul) = quickened, have new life put in, renewed, or revived.

13 be circumspect = take heed.

make no mention, &c. A command often disobeyed, especially in house of Saul. Cp. "Baal", 1 Chron. 8. 33; 9. 39; 12. 5; 14. 7; 27. 28. Hence the importance of the prophecy as to the future in Hos. 2. 16, 17.

14 Three times. No. of Divine perfection. Ap. 10.

15 as - according as.

month Abib. See Ap. 51. III. iv.

appear before Me. This is the current Heb. text: but this, and ten other passages were altered by the Sopherim (only in the pointing). Ap. 33. The primitive text read (and ought to be) "see My face". They did not know that "face" was used by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6, for the person "Me", and they thought it too anthropomorphic. See note on 34. 20.

empty - empty-handed.

17 before = Heb. "before the face of".

THE Lord GOD = Heb. *ha-'adōn Jehovah*. See Ap. 4.

18 offer. Heb. "slay", requiring the supply of the *Ellipsis*, ii. d (Ap. 6) = "slay [and pour out]". See Ap. 43. I. iv.

sacrifice. Heb. "feast", put by *Metonymy* (of Adjunct) for "festal sacrifice" (Ap. 6).

19 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4.

mother's: i. e. in the milk of its dam. Repeated, 34. 26 and Deut. 14. 21. For similar consideration cp. Deut. 22. 6. Lev. 22. 28.

23. 20-33 (D⁵, p. 102). GOD: WORSHIP (CANAANITES AND COMMANDS). (*Repeated Alternation*).

D⁵ x¹ | 20. Promise: I will.

y¹ | 21, 22. Command: Thou shalt.

x² | 23. Promise: I will.

y² | 24, 25-. Command: Thou shalt not.

x³ | 26-31. Promise: I will.

y³ | 32, 33. Command: Thou shalt.

20 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6) for emphasis. an angel. It is *Elohim* speaking, therefore, who can it be but Micha-el? Cp. Dan. 10. 13, 21; 12. 1. Jude 9; and see Mal. 3. 1; Is. 63. 9.

21 transgressions = Heb. *pāsh'a*. Ap. 41. ix.

My name. Cp. Jer. 23. 26. Col. 2. 9.

1491 and bring thee in unto the Amorites, and the Hittites, and the Perizzites, and the Canaanites, °the Hivites, and the Jebusites: and I will cut °them off.

y² (p. 105) 24 Thou shalt not bow down to their gods, nor serve them, nor do after their works: but thou shalt utterly overthrow them, and quite break down their °images.

25 And ye shall serve °the LORD your °God, and He shall bless thy °bread, and thy water;

x¹ and I will take sickness away from the midst of thee.

26 There shall nothing cast their young, nor be barren, in thy land: the number of thy days I will fulfil.

27 I will send °My fear before thee, and will destroy all the people to whom thou shalt come, and I will make all thine enemies turn their backs unto thee.

28 And I will send °hornets before thee, which shall drive out the Hivite, the Canaanite, and the Hittite, from before thee.

29 I will not drive them out from before thee in one year; lest the land become desolate, and the beast of the field multiply against thee.

30 By little and little I will drive them out from before thee, until thou be increased, and inherit the land.

31 And I will set thy bounds from the Red sea even unto the °sea of the Philistines, and °from the desert unto °the river: for I will deliver °the inhabitants of the land into your hand; and thou shalt drive them out before thee.

y³ 32 Thou shalt make no covenant with them, nor with their gods.

33 They shall not dwell in thy land, lest they make thee °sin against Me: for if thou serve their gods, it will surely be a snare unto thee."

b (p. 100) 24 And °He said unto Moses, "Come up unto °the LORD, thou, and Aaron, °Nadab, and Abihu, and °seventy of the elders of Israel; and worship ye °afar off.

2 And Moses alone shall come °near °the LORD: but they shall not come nigh; neither shall the People go up with him."

a 3 And Moses °came and told the People °all the words of °the LORD, and °all the judgments: and all the People answered with one voice, and said, "All the words which °the LORD hath said will we do."

4 And Moses °wrote all the words of °the LORD, and rose up early in the morning, and builded an altar under °the hill, and twelve pillars, according to the twelve tribes of Israel.

5 And he sent °young men of the °children of Israel, which °offered °burnt offerings, and °sacrificed °peace offerings of oxen unto °the LORD.

6 And Moses took half of the blood, and put it in basons; and half of the blood he sprinkled °on the altar.

7 And he took the book of the covenant, and read in the audience of the People: and they

the Hivites. Some codices, with Sam., Onk., and one early printed edition, read "and the Hivites". them = the six nations. See Ap. 10.

24 images = sacred pillars or statues. 24. 4; 34. 13. See note on Ex. 26. 1.

25 bread, and thy water. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), Ap. 6, put for all kinds of food and drink.

27 My fear = a terror of me.

28 hornets. Cp. Deut. 7. 20. Josh. 24. 12.

31 sea of the Philistines = the Mediterranean or "Great Sea".

from the desert = the desert of Shur.

the river = the Euphrates.

the inhabitants. Some codices, with Jon. and one early printed edition, read "all the inhabitants".

33 sin. Heb. *chāt'ā*. See Ap. 44. i.

24. 1 He (Elohim of 20. 1) said. See note on 4. 3. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

Nadab, and Abihu. Aaron's eldest two sons.

seventy. See Ap. 10.

afar off. See note on 20. 21.

2 near = near unto.

3 came. Moses' fourth descent. See note on 19. 3.

all the words. (1) The Ten Commandments. Ex. 20. 1-17. (2) all the judgments, chaps. 21-23.

4 wrote. See note on Ex. 17. 14, and Ap. 47.

the hill = the mountain.

5 young men. The whole nation as yet were priests, represented in the fathers and elder sons. Probably the redeemed firstborn from all the tribes.

children = sons.

offered. Heb. *'alah*. See Ap. 43. I. vi.

burnt offerings. Heb. *'olah*. See Ap. 43. II. ii.

sacrificed. Heb. *zabach*. Ap. 43. I. iv.

peace offerings. Heb. *shelem*. Ap. 43. II. iv.

5-8 This is the subject of Heb. 9. 15-23, where "testament" should be rendered *covenant*, and the word "men", which is not in the text, should be "over the dead sacrifices" referred to here. (Gr. *epi nekrois*.)

6 on the altar. This was pledging Jehovah to this conditional covenant. See Heb. 9. 19, where the book also is said to be sprinkled.

7 be obedient. Connect this with the sprinkling of the blood in next verse; and connect both with 1 Pet. 1. 2.

8 the blood = the other half of the blood. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap. 6. See Heb. 9. 20.

the People. Thus pledging them to their part of the covenant, which was thereby made conditional; unlike that with Abraham in Gen. 15, which was unconditional. Behold. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6).

24. 9-32. 14 (X⁴, p. 94). THE FOURTH ASCENT. THE MAKING OF THE TABERNACLE.

(Introversion and Repeated Alternation.)

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9 went up. Moses' fourth ascent. See note on 19. 3.

10 they saw. Heb. *hāzāh*, to see with the mental eye, or in vision (Isa. 1. 1; 2. 1; 13. 1. Ezek. 13. 7. Amos 1. 1. Mic. 1. 1. Hab. 1. 1. Num. 24. 4, 16). Hence, to discern, observe, contemplate, understand. Job 34. 32. Ps. 46. 8. Prov. 22. 29; 24. 32; 29. 20. Ps. 62. 2.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4.

under. Was this seen from beneath?

said, "All that °the LORD hath said will we do, and °be obedient."

8 And Moses took °the blood, and sprinkled it on °the People, and said, °"Behold the blood of the covenant, which °the LORD hath made with you concerning all these words."

9 Then °went up Moses, and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel:

10 And °they saw the °God of Israel: and there was °under His feet as it were a paved work of a sapphire stone, and as it were the body of heaven in his clearness.

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1491 11 And upon the nobles of the ⁵ children of Israel ⁶ He laid not His hand: also ¹⁰ they saw ¹⁰ God, and did ⁶ eat and drink.

G (p. 107) 12 And ⁶ the LORD said unto Moses, "Come up to Me into the mount, and be there: and I will give thee tables of stone, and ⁶ a law, and ⁶ commandments which I have ⁶ written; that thou mayest teach them."

13 And Moses rose up, and his minister Joshua: and Moses went up into the mount of ¹⁰ God.

14 And he said unto the elders, "Tarry ye here for us, until we come again unto you: and, behold, Aaron and Hur *are* with you: if any man have any matters to do, let him come unto them."

H z 15 And Moses went up into the mount,

a b and ⁶ a cloud covered the mount.

c 16 And the glory of ¹ the LORD abode upon mount Sinai,

a b and the cloud covered it ⁶ six days:

and the seventh day he called unto Moses out of the midst of the cloud.

c 17 And the sight of the glory of ¹ the LORD was like devouring fire on the top of the mount in the eyes of the ⁵ children of Israel.

z 18 And Moses ⁶ went into the midst of the cloud, and gat him up into the mount: and Moses was in the mount forty days and forty nights.

J K¹ 25 And ⁶ the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 "Speak unto the ⁶ children of Israel, that they bring Me an ⁶ offering: of every ⁶ man that giveth it willingly with his heart ye shall take My ⁶ offering.

3 ⁶ And this *is* the ² offering which ye shall take of them; ⁶ gold, and silver, and ⁶ brass,

4 And blue, and ⁶ purple, and scarlet, and fine linen, and goats' *hair*,

5 And rams' skins dyed red, and badgers' skins, and ⁶ shittim wood,

6 Oil for ⁶ the light, spices for anointing oil, and for sweet incense,

7 Onyx stones, and stones to be set in the ephod, and in the breastplate.

8 And let them make Me a ⁶ sanctuary; that I may dwell among them.

9 According to all that ³ I shew thee, *after* the ⁶ pattern of the ⁶ tabernacle, and the pattern of all the instruments thereof, even so shall ye make *it*.

L¹ M¹ 10 And they shall make an ⁶ ark of shittim wood: two ⁶ cubits and a half *shall be* the length thereof, and a ⁶ cubit and a half the breadth thereof, and a ⁶ cubit and a half the height thereof.

11 And thou shalt overlay it with pure gold, within and without shalt thou over-

of boards; (6) middle-bar dimensions; (7) size, &c., of rams' skins; (8) ditto badgers' skins; (9) all thicknesses of brazen altar (the third dimension). tabernacle. Heb. *mishkan*. First occ. See Ap. 40. Cp. v. 8.

25. 10—27. 21 (L¹, p. 96). THE FURNITURE OF THE TABERNACLE (*Alternation*).

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Note, in "M" we have furniture, for the worship, within; and in "N" the protection without. 10 ark. Note the order in which these things were made, and the lesson arising therefrom. God begins from within; man from without, Matt. 15. 16-20. Here the work begins with the ark and ends with the gate. 25. 10-26. 37. So with the four great offerings. So with His work in the heart of the saved sinner. We begin from the "gate" and with the "sin-offering". God begins with the "ark" and the "burnt-offering". 10 cubits. See Ap. 51. III. ii.

24. 9—32. 14 (X⁴, p. 94). THE FOURTH ASCENT THE MAKING OF THE TABERNACLE. (*Introversion and Repeated Alternation*.)

X⁴ F | 24. 9-11. The worship of the Seventy Elders.
G | 24. 12-14. The Tables promised.

H | 24. 15-18. The six days and the seventh.

J | K¹ | 25. 1-9. Materials.

L¹ | 25. 10-27. 21. Furniture.

K² | 28. 1-29. 46. Priests.

L² | 30. 1-11. Furniture.

K³ | 30. 12-16. Worshippers.

L³ | 30. 17-38. Furniture.

K⁴ | 31. 1-6. Artificers.

L⁴ | 31. 7-11. Furniture.

H | 31. 12-17. The six days and the seventh.

G | 31. 18. The Tables given.

F | 32. 1-14. The idolatry of the People.

11 He laid not His hand = put not forth His hand [in vengeance]. Cp. Ex. 3. 20; 33. 22.

eat and drink. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, put for living, i. e. though they were favoured with this vision, they yet lived.

12 the LORD [Heb. Jehovah] said. See note on 3. 7, and cp. note on 6. 10. a = the.

commandments = the commandment.

written. See note on 17. 14, and Ap. 47.

24. 18-18 (H, above). THE SIX DAYS AND THE SEVENTH (*Introversion and Alternation*).

H | z | 15-. Ascent of Moses.

a | b | -15. The cloud.

c | 16-. The glory.

a | b | -16. The cloud.

c | 17. The glory.

z | 18. Ascent of Moses.

15 a cloud = the cloud.

16 six days. See Ap. 50. vii. 1, 2, 3.

18 went into. On 20-25th and 26th of SIVAN The fourth Sabbath.

25. 1 the LORD [Heb. Jehovah] spake. See notes on 3. 7 and 6. 10.

2 children = sons.

offering = heave offering. Ap. 43. II. viii.

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14.

3 And. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in vv. 3-5. Fifteen objects (vv. 3-7), 3 × 5. All numbers connected with the Tabernacle are multiples of 5. See Ap. 10.

gold, &c. No iron in the tabernacle.

brass. A mixture of copper and zinc was unknown then. Probably copper, or bronze (a mixture of copper and tin).

4 purple, &c. These colours connected with the crucifixion. Matt. 27. 28. John 19. 2. White mentioned last. So in Rev. 19. 13, 14. 5 shittim = acacia.

6 the light = the light-holder, as in Gen. 1. 14.

8 sanctuary. Heb. *kodesh*. See note on 3. 5.

9 pattern. Cp. Heb. 8. 5. Not a plan, but a model. The reality is in heaven. So with the temple, later.

1 Chron. 28. 11-19. With the utmost exactitude certain representative measurements given. Nine others, vital to construction, but not for significance, not given.

Probably these Divine silences were to make any unauthorised structures impossible. These nine were: (1)

Thickness of sides and bottom of ark; (2) thickness of mercy seat and details of cherubim; (3) thickness of table; (4) dimensions of lampstand; (5) thickness

1491 lay it, and shalt make °upon it a °crown of gold round about.

12 And thou shalt cast four rings of gold for it, and put *them* in the four corners thereof; and two rings *shall be* in the one °side of it, and two rings in the other °side of it.

13 And thou shalt make staves of shittim wood, and overlay *them* with gold.

14 And thou shalt put the staves into the rings by the ¹²sides of the ark, that the ark may be borne with them.

15 The staves shall be in the rings of the ark: they shall not be taken from it.

16 And thou shalt put into the ark °the testimony which I shall give thee.

17 And thou shalt make a °mercy seat of °pure gold: two cubits and a half *shall be* the length thereof, and a cubit and a half the breadth thereof.

18 And thou shalt make two °cherubims of gold, of beaten work shalt thou make *them*, in the two ends of the mercy seat.

19 And make one cherub on the one end, and the other cherub on the other end: °even of the mercy seat shall °ye make the cherubims on the two ends thereof.

20 And the cherubims shall stretch forth *their* wings on high, covering the mercy seat with *their* wings, and *their* faces *shall look* one to another; °toward the mercy seat shall the faces of the cherubims be.

21 And thou shalt put the mercy seat above upon the ark; and in the ark thou shalt put the testimony that I shall give thee.

22 And there °I will meet with thee, and I will commune with thee from above the mercy seat, from between the two cherubims which are upon °the ark of the testimony, of all *things* which I will give *thee* in commandment unto the °children of Israel.

23 Thou shalt also make a table of shittim wood: two cubits *shall be* the length thereof, and a cubit the breadth thereof, and a cubit and a half the height thereof.

24 And thou shalt overlay it with pure gold, and make thereto a °crown of gold round about.

25 And thou shalt make unto it a border of an °hand breadth round about, and thou shalt make a golden crown to the border thereof round about.

26 And thou shalt make for it four rings of gold, and put the rings in the four corners that are on the four feet thereof.

27 Over against the border shall the rings be for places of the staves to bear the table.

28 And thou shalt make the staves of shittim wood, and overlay *them* with gold, that the table may be borne with them.

29 And thou shalt make the dishes thereof, and spoons thereof, and covers thereof, and bowls thereof, °to cover withal: of pure gold shalt thou make *them*.

30 And thou shalt set upon the table °shewbread before °Me alway.

31 And thou shalt make a °candlestick of pure gold: of beaten work °shall the candlestick be made: his shaft, and his branches, his bowls, his °knops, and his flowers, shall be of the same.

25. 10—27. 21 (L¹, p. 107). THE FURNITURE OF THE TABERNACLE (*Repeated Alternation*).

L ¹	M ¹	25. 10-22. The Ark.	} Contents.
		23-30. The Table.	
		31-40. The Lampstand.	
N		26. 1-6. The Curtains.	} Construction.
		7-14. The Coverings.	
		15-30. The Boards.	
		31-35. The Vail.	
		36, 37. The Hangings for Door.	
M ²		27. 1-8. The Altar of Burnt Offering.	Contents.
N		9-19. Hangings for Court.	Construction.
M ³		20, 21. Oil for the Lamp.	Contents.

11 upon it. Some codices, with Sam., Sept., and Syr., read "thereto".

crown. See note on v. 24.

12 side. Heb. *zēl'a*, rib. See note on v. 32.

16 the testimony. Heb. *'ēdūth* = witness, from *'ād*, to bear witness, give testimony. The two tables so called because they bore witness to, and were evidences of the covenant made, and of its future extension. 1 Tim. 2. 6, "the testimony in its own season" (= "all", without distinction).

17 mercy seat = propitiatory cover (Heb. *kapporeth* - cover). By Fig. *Metonymy* (Ap. 6) cover put for the propitiation made through the blood sprinkled thereon. It therefore denotes propitiation. Cp. Heb. 9. 5. Hence the meaning, God's "propitiatory gift", as in Papyri. Cp. Rom. 3. 25.

pure gold. Not overlaid, because propitiation is a Divine work throughout.

18 cherubims. Pl. of Heb. cherub. Fig. *Metonymy* here put for *representation* of the celestial beings, of which we know nothing. They are a reality, there, and representative of creation, symbolical of blessing for all creation. These (in v. 18) were not the cherubims themselves, but representations of them. See Gen. 3. 24: but no "sword", because of the blood of propitiation. Occurs seven times in vv. 17-22.

19 even of = out of.

ye. Some codices, Hillel, Sam., Sept., and Syr., read "thou".

20 toward. Looking toward the blood of propitiation. Cp. Ex. 12. 13 and Josh. 2. 18-21. See especially Ex. 37. 9.

22 I will meet. Heb. meet as by appointment, and this, in the appointed place and way: "there". Cp. 23. 14-17; 29. 42, 43, 45, 46; 34. 22-24; 40. 34, 35.

the ark of the testimony. It has seven names:—

Ark of the covenant of Jehovah, Num. 10. 33.

Ark of Adonai Jehovah, 1 Kings 2. 26.

Ark of Jehovah, Josh. 3. 13.

Ark of Elohim, 1 Sam. 3. 3.

The holy ark, 2 Chron. 35. 3.

The ark of Thy strength, Ps. 132. 8.

24 crown of gold. Note the three "crowns":—

(1) Ark (25. 11), *the crown of the Law*. The atoning blood between it, and the cherubim its executant.

(2) Altar of incense (30. 3), *the crown of the priesthood*. Its incense fired only by the fire from the altar of burnt offering.

(3) Table of shewbread (25. 24), *the crown of the kingdom*. The twelve tribes symbolised by the twelve loaves.

25 hand breadth. See Ap. 51. III. 2.

29 to cover = to pour out.

30 shewbread. Heb. bread of faces; faces being put for *presence* by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, denoting the Divine presence in which the bread stood, and from Whom all supplies, material and spiritual, came. First occ.

Me. Heb. "My face." So that here we have the Fig. *Paronomasia*, "*panim l'phanai*" (Ap. 6).

31 candlestick = lampstand.

shall... be made. Some codices, with Sam., Jon., Sept., and Syr., read "shalt thou make".

knops = knobs.

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32 And six branches shall come out of the °sides of it; three branches of the candlestick out of the one °side, and three branches of the candlestick out of the other °side:

33 °Three bowls made like unto almonds, with a knop and a flower in one branch; and three bowls made like almonds in the other branch, with a knop and a flower: so in the six branches that come out of the candlestick.

34 And in the candlestick shall be ³³four bowls made like unto almonds, with their knops and their flowers.

35 And there shall be a knop under two branches of the same, and a knop under two branches of the same, and a knop under two branches of the same, according to the six branches that proceed out of the candlestick.

36 Their knops and their branches shall be of the same: all it shall be one beaten work of pure gold.

37 And thou shalt make the seven lamps thereof: and they shall light the lamps thereof, that they may give light over against °it.

38 And the °tongs thereof, and the snuffdishes thereof, shall be of pure gold.

39 Of a °talent of pure gold °shall he make it, with all these vessels.

40 And look that thou make them after their °pattern, which was shewed thee in the mount.

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26 Moreover thou shalt make the °tabernacle with °ten curtains of fine twined linen, and blue, and purple, and scarlet: with cherubims °of cunning work shalt thou make them.

2 The length of one curtain shall be eight and twenty °cubits, and the breadth of one curtain four °cubits: and every one of the curtains shall have one measure.

3 The five curtains shall be °coupled together one to another; and other five curtains shall be coupled one to another.

4 And thou shalt make loops of blue upon the edge of the one curtain from the selvedge in the coupling; and likewise shalt thou make in the uttermost edge of another curtain, in the coupling of the second.

5 Fifty loops shalt thou make in the one curtain, and fifty loops shalt thou make in the edge of the curtain that is in the coupling of the second; that the loops may take hold one of another.

6 And thou shalt make fifty °taches of gold, and couple the curtains together with the taches: and it shall be one °tabernacle.

7 And thou shalt make °curtains of goats' hair to be a °covering upon the °tabernacle: eleven curtains shalt thou °make.

8 The length of one curtain shall be thirty cubits, and the breadth of one curtain four cubits: and the eleven curtains shall be all of one measure.

9 And thou shalt couple five curtains by themselves, and six curtains by themselves, and shalt double the sixth curtain in the forefront of the tabernacle.

10 And thou shalt make fifty loops on the edge of the one curtain that is outmost in the coupling, and fifty loops in the edge of the curtain which coupleth the second.

32 sides. There are seventeen Heb. words translated "side", important in this technical description. Here it is the ordinary word for "side", *zad*.

33 Three. Note connection with four, v. 34, making seven. See Ap. 10.

37 it. Heb. the face of it. Fig. *Prosopopæia* (Ap. 6).

38 tongs = snuffers (but no extinguishers).

39 talent. See Ap. 51. II.

shall he. The reading called *Sevir* (see Ap. 34) reads "shalt thou"; so some codices, with Sam., Sept., and Syr.

40 pattern. See note on Heb. 8. 5, and cp. 1 Ch. 28. 11, 12, 18, 19.

26. 1 tabernacle. Heb. *mishkân*, the place of God's presence or habitation. Cp. v. 7. See Ap. 40.

ten. See Ap. 10.

of cunning work = the work of a skilful weaver. Probably working both sides alike, whereas the embroiderer worked only one side.

2 cubits. See Ap. 51. III. ii.

3 coupled together. Like the five commandments on the two tables. See on Ex. 20. 1.

6 taches = hooks.

7 curtains. These were for the upper covering forming the tent.

covering = Heb. *'ohel*, tent (Ap. 40).

tabernacle. Heb. *mishkân* = dwelling place (Ap. 40).

make. Heb. adds "*ihem*", as being distinct from the former.

11 brass. See note on 25. 3.

tent. Heb. *'ohel*, tent (Ap. 40).

12 tabernacle. Heb. *mishkân* (Ap. 40).

13 side. Heb. *zad*. See note on 25. 32.

15-30. THE BOARDS.

18 side = Heb. *pe'ah* = region.

20 side. Heb. *zēl'ā* = rib.

21 silver. See note on "brass", 27. 17.

11 And thou shalt make fifty taches of °brass, and put the taches into the loops, and couple the °tent together, that it may be one.

12 And the remnant that remaineth of the curtains of the tent, the half curtain that remaineth, shall hang over the backside of the °tabernacle.

13 And a cubit on the one °side, and a cubit on the other side of that which remaineth in the length of the curtains of the tent, it shall hang over the sides of the ¹²tabernacle on this side and on that side, to cover it.

14 And thou shalt make a covering for the ¹¹tent of rams' skins dyed red, and a covering above of badgers' skins.

15 And thou shalt make boards for the tabernacle of shittim wood standing up.

16 Ten cubits shall be the length of a board, and a cubit and a half shall be the breadth of one board.

17 Two tenons shall there be in one board, set in order one against another: thus shalt thou make for all the boards of the tabernacle.

18 And thou shalt make the boards for the tabernacle, twenty boards on the south °side southward.

19 And thou shalt make forty sockets of silver under the twenty boards; two sockets under one board for his two tenons, and two sockets under another board for his two tenons.

20 And for the second °side of the tabernacle on the north ¹⁸side there shall be twenty boards:

21 And their forty sockets of °silver; two

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sockets under one board, and two sockets under another board.

22 And for the ° sides of the tabernacle westward thou shalt make six boards.

23 And two boards shalt thou make for the corners of the tabernacle in the two ° sides.

24 ° And they shall be coupled together beneath, and they shall be coupled together above the head of it unto one ring: thus shall it be for them both; they shall be for the two corners.

25 And they shall be eight boards, and their sockets of silver, sixteen sockets; two sockets under one board, and two sockets under another board.

26 And thou shalt make ° bars of shittim wood; five for the boards of the one ° side of the tabernacle.

27 And five ° bars for the boards of the other ° side of the tabernacle, and five ° bars for the boards of the ° side of the tabernacle, for the two ° sides westward.

28 And the middle bar in the midst of the boards ° shall reach from end to end.

29 And thou shalt overlay the boards with gold, and make their rings of gold for places for the bars: and thou shalt overlay the ° bars with gold.

30 And thou shalt ° rear up the tabernacle according to the ° fashion thereof which was shewed thee in the mount.

31 And thou shalt make a ° vail of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen of cunning work: with cherubims ° shall it be made:

32 And thou shalt hang it upon four pillars of shittim wood overlaid with gold: their hooks shall be of gold, upon the four sockets of silver.

33 And thou shalt hang up the ° vail under the taches, that thou mayest bring in thither ° within the vail the ark of the testimony: and the vail shall divide unto you between ° the holy place and ° the most holy.

34 And thou shalt put the mercy seat upon the ark of the testimony in the most holy place.

35 And thou shalt set the table without the vail, and the ° candlestick over against the table on the ° side of the tabernacle toward the south: and thou shalt put the table on the north ° side.

36 And thou shalt make an ° hanging for the ° door of the tent, of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen, wrought with needlework.

37 And thou shalt make for the hanging five pillars of shittim wood, and overlay them with gold, and their ° hooks shall be of gold: and thou shalt cast five sockets of ° brass for them.

27 And thou shalt make an altar of ° shittim wood, five ° cubits long, and five cubits broad; the altar shall be foursquare: and the height thereof shall be three cubits.

2 And thou shalt make the horns of it upon the four corners thereof: his horns shall be of the same: and thou shalt overlay it with ° brass.

3 And thou shalt make his pans to receive his ashes, and his shovels, and his basons, and

22 sides. Heb. *yarkāh* = hinder side.

24 And they shall be. So some codices, and Sam.; but Heb. text reads, "that they may be."

26 bars. Heb. *b'riah*, from *bārah*, to pass, or shoot. side. Heb. *zēl'ā* = rib.

27 bars. This is omitted in Severus Codex (Ap. 34).

28 shall reach = passing, or shooting.

30 rear up = erect, or put together.

fashion = regulation, or manner.

31-35. THE VAIL OF THE HOLY PLACE.

31 vail. Heb. *pāroketh* (not *māṣak*, as in v. 36), means to separate. Cp. Heb. 6. 19; 9. 3. Matt. 27. 51. Mark 15. 38. Luke 23. 46.

shall it be made. The *Sevir* (Ap. 34) reading is "shalt thou make it", with other codices, Sam., Sept., Syr., and Vulg.

33 within the vail. See Heb. 9. 3, 8, 24, 25.

the holy place. See note on 3. 6. Heb. 9. 11, 12.

the most holy. Heb. "holy of holies." Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6). See note on Ex. 3. 6.

35 candlestick = lampstand.

36, 37. THE HANGING FOR THE DOOR.

36 hanging. Heb. *māṣak*, a covering to hide (cp. v. 31) not the *pāroketh* of v. 31. No cherubim woven on this; and sockets of pillars of brass, instead of gold or silver. See note on v. 17.

36 door = entrance.

37 hooks = pegs, pins, or nails.

brass. See note on v. 17, and 25. 3.

27. 1-8 (M², p. 108). ALTAR OF BURNT OFFERING.

1 shittim wood. Acacia wood.

cubits. See Ap. 51. III. 2.

2 brass, or copper. Perhaps bronze. See 25. 3.

5 compass of the altar. Probably the margin or place where the priests stood. The "place" of 2 Chron. 30. 16. A raised position from which the sacrificing priest is said to "come down", Lev. 9. 22.

7 the staves. Heb. its staves.

8 as. Heb. according as.

9-19 (N. p. 108). THE HANGINGS OF THE COURTS.

9 tabernacle. Heb. *mishkān*. See Ap. 40. south side southward. Fig. *Polyptōton*. Ap. 6. side. Heb. *pē'ah*, quarter or region.

his fleshhooks, and his firepans: all the vessels thereof thou shalt make of ° brass.

4 And thou shalt make for it a grate of network of ° brass; and upon the net shalt thou make four brasen rings in the four corners thereof.

5 And thou shalt put it under the ° compass of the altar beneath, that the net may be even to the midst of the altar.

6 And thou shalt make staves for the altar, staves of shittim wood, and overlay them with ° brass.

7 And ° the staves shall be put into the rings, and the staves shall be upon the two ° sides of the altar, to bear it.

8 Hollow with boards shalt thou make it: ° as it was shewed thee in the mount, so shall they make it.

9 And thou shalt make the court of the ° tabernacle: for the ° south ° side southward there shall be hangings for the court of fine twined linen of an hundred ° cubits long for one ° side:

10 And the twenty pillars thereof and their

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twenty sockets *shall be of* ° brass; the ° hooks of the pillars and their ¹⁷ fillets *shall be of* silver.

11 And likewise for the north ° side in length *there shall be* hangings of an hundred cubits long, and his twenty pillars and their twenty sockets of brass; the hooks of the pillars and their ¹⁰ fillets of silver.

12 And for the breadth of the court on the west ° side *shall be* hangings of fifty ¹ cubits: their pillars ten, and their sockets ten.

13 And the breadth of the court on the east ¹² side eastward *shall be* fifty ¹ cubits.

14 The hangings of one ° side of the gate *shall be* fifteen cubits: their pillars three, and their sockets three.

15 And on the other ¹⁴ side *shall be* hangings fifteen cubits: their pillars three, and their sockets three.

16 And for the gate of the court *shall be* an hanging of twenty ¹ cubits, of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen, wrought with needlework: and their pillars *shall be* four, and their sockets four.

17 All the pillars round about the court *shall be* ° filleted with silver; their ¹⁰ hooks *shall be* of silver, and their sockets of ¹⁰ brass.

18 The length of the court *shall be* an hundred ¹ cubits, and the breadth fifty ° everywhere, and the height five ¹ cubits of fine twined linen, and their sockets of ¹⁰ brass.

19 All the vessels of the ° tabernacle in all the service thereof, and all the pins thereof, and all the pins of the court, *shall be of* brass.

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20 And thou shalt command the ° children of Israel, that they bring thee ° pure oil olive beaten for ° the light, to cause the lamp ° to burn always.

21 In the ° tabernacle of the congregation without the vail, which *is* before ° the testimony, Aaron and his sons shall order it from evening to morning before ° the LORD: *it shall be* a statute for ever unto their generations on the behalf of the ²⁰ children of Israel.

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28 And ° take thou unto thee ° Aaron thy brother, and his sons with him, ° from among the ° children of Israel, that he may ° minister unto Me in the priest's office, *even* Aaron, Nadab and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar, Aaron's sons.

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2 And thou shalt make ° holy garments for Aaron thy brother ° for glory and for beauty.

3 And thou shalt speak unto all *that are* wise hearted, ° whom I have filled with the ° spirit of wisdom, that they may make Aaron's garments to ° consecrate him, that he may ° minister unto Me in the priest's office.

4 And these *are* the ° garments which they shall make; a breastplate, ° and an ephod, and a robe, and a broidered coat, a mitre, and a girdle: and they shall make holy garments for Aaron thy brother, and his sons, that he may ° minister unto Me in the priest's office.

5 And they shall take gold, and blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine linen.

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6 And they shall make the ° ephod of gold, of blue, and of purple, of scarlet, and fine twined linen, with ° cunning work.

7 It shall have the two shoulderpieces thereof joined at the two edges thereof; and so it shall be joined together.

10 brass. All other sockets (of boards) in "silver" (26. 19; denoting redemption). The sockets of these pillars (the way of access) of "brass" (denoting judgment in righteousness). Cp. the brazen Altar and Laver. hooks = pegs, pins, or nails.

12 side. Heb. *pē'ah* = quarter, region.

14 side. Heb. *kāthēph* = shoulder.

17 filleted with = connected with rods.

18 every where = by fifty.

19 tabernacle. Heb. *mishkān*. See Ap. 40.

20 children = sons.

pure oil. This is without measure. See on John 3. 34

the light = the light-holder. Cp. Gen. 1. 14.

to burn always: i. e. a perpetual light.

21 tabernacle = tent. Heb. *'ohel*. Ap. 40.

the testimony. Cp. 26. 33.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4.

28. 1-29. 46 (K², p. 107). THE CONSECRATION OF THE PRIESTS (*Introversion and Alternation*).

K² O | 28. 1. Aaron and sons (Denomination).

P | d | 28. 2-5. Garments (General).

e | 28. 6-38. Garments (Aaron's).

P | d | 28. 39. Garments (General).

e | 28. 40-43. Garments (Aaron's sons).

O | 29. 1-46. Aaron and sons (Consecration).

1 take *thou*. Heb. = bring *thou* near.

Aaron. Five named (Aaron and his four sons). Ap. 10. from among = from the midst of. Cp. Deut. 18. 15, 18 (Prophet).

children = sons.

minister unto Me. This was the one object here; and the same when Christ was transfigured, and so consecrated for His office of Priest. See notes on v. 2 below.

2 holy garments. Heb. garments of holiness. See Ap. 17: emphasis on "holy". See note on 3. 5.

for glory and for beauty. Sept., *τιμὴ καὶ δόξα* (*timē kai doxa*), same as Heb. 2. 9 and 2 Pet. 1. 17. With which Christ was clothed and crowned for the same purpose when He was consecrated priest (Matt. 17. 1-8. Mark 9. 1-10. Luke 9. 28-36) "to minister unto Me in the priest's office."

3 whom I have filled. This agrees with the Severus Codex (Ap. 34), "I have filled them". See 35. 30-36. 7. spirit. Heb. *ruach*. Ap. 9.

4 garments. In this v. and v. 39 general. See Structure above.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton*, Ap. 6.

6-38 (e, above). THE GARMENTS OF AARON. (*Alternation*.)

e f | 6-4. The Ephod and its girdle.

g | 15-30. The Breastplate.

f | 31-35. The Ephod and its robe.

g | 36-38. The Mitre-plate.

Aaron's garments described first. There were in all eight: (1) the mitre (with its plate); (2) the breastplate; (3) the ephod; (4) the robe of the ephod; (5) the turban; (6) the girdle; (7) the drawers; (8) the coat. Eight is the Dominical number, or number of the Lord See Ap. 10.

6 ephod. From Heb. *'aphad*, to bind on, because it held the breastplate in its place. See v. 28. Worn by Aaron the priest, Samuel the prophet (1 Sam. 2. 18), and David the king (2 Sam. 6. 14), Christ combining all three offices. cunning work = work of a skilful weaver.

8 curious = embroidered.

gold. Note the number five in these items. Ap. 10.

9 two . . . stones, with six names on each: the names collectively, on the shoulders, the place of strength. The names on the breastplate, one on each stone (individually) on the heart, the place of love, vv. 15-21.

8 And the ° curious girdle of the ephod, which *is* upon it, shall be of the same, according to the work thereof; *even of* ° gold, of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen.

9 And thou shalt take ° two onyx ° stones, and

1491 °grave on them the names of the ¹ children of Israel:

10 Six of their names on one stone, and *the other* six names of the rest on the other stone, °according to their birth.

11 With the work of an engraver in stone, *like* the engravings of a signet, shalt thou engrave the two stones with the names of the ¹ children of Israel: thou shalt make them to be set in °ouches of gold.

12 And thou shalt put the two stones upon the shoulders of the ephod *for* stones of memorial unto the ¹ children of Israel: and Aaron shall bear their names before °the LORD upon his two shoulders for a memorial.

13 And thou shalt make ¹¹ ouches of gold;

14 And two chains of pure gold at the ends; of wreathen work shalt thou make them, and fasten the wreathen chains to the ¹³ ouches.

g (p. III) 15 And thou shalt make the °breastplate of °judgment with °cunning work; after the work of the ephod thou shalt make it; of gold, of blue, and of purple, and of scarlet, and of fine twined linen, shalt thou make it.

16 Foursquare it shall be *being* doubled; a °span shall be the length thereof, and a °span shall be the breadth thereof.

17 And thou shalt set in it settings of stones, even °four rows of stones: *the first row shall be* a sardius, a topaz, and a carbuncle: *this shall be* the first row.

18 And the second row shall be an emerald, a sapphire, and a diamond.

19 And the third row a ligure, an agate, and an amethyst.

20 And the fourth row a beryl, and an onyx, and a jasper: they shall be set in gold in their inclosings.

21 And the stones shall be with °the names of the ¹ children of Israel, twelve, according to their names, *like* the °engravings of a signet; every one with his name shall they be according to °the twelve tribes.

22 And thou shalt make upon the breastplate chains at the ends of wreathen work of pure gold.

23 And thou shalt make upon the breastplate two rings of gold, and shalt put the two rings on the two ends of the breastplate.

24 And thou shalt put the two wreathen chains of gold in the two rings *which are* on the ends of the breastplate.

25 And *the other* two ends of the two wreathen chains thou shalt fasten in the two °ouches, and put them on the shoulderpieces of the ephod before it.

26 And thou shalt make two rings of gold, and thou shalt put them upon the two ends of the breastplate in the border thereof, which is in the °side of the ephod inward.

27 And two *other* rings of gold thou shalt make, and shalt put them on the two °sides of the ephod underneath, toward the forepart thereof, over against the *other* coupling thereof, above the °curious girdle of the ephod.

28 And they shall bind the breastplate by the rings thereof unto the rings of the ephod with a lace of blue, that *it* may be above the curious girdle of the ephod, and that the breastplate be not loosed from the ephod.

grave. Note the three gravings connected with the heart (v. 9), the shoulder (v. 21), and the head (v. 36).

10 according to their birth. Here, on the shoulders (the place of strength), all were borne up alike; but over the heart (the place of love) the order was "according to the tribes" as God chose them, v. 21.

11 ouches = sockets for precious stones.

12 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

13 breastplate of judgment. Genitive of relation, or Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, by which judgment is put for "giving judicial decision". See note on v. 30.

cunning = skilful. See note on 26. 1.

16 span. See Ap. 51. III. 2.

17 four rows. Three in each row, 3 × 4 = 12, as 3 + 4 = 7. See Ap. 10.

21 thenames. Order according to the "twelve tribes" as God chose them. They were individual here, because over the heart, the place of love: one name on each stone. the twelve tribes. Order not given here. In v. 10 according to the order of birth. Here, perhaps, according to Num. 2. See Ap. 45.

26 side = opposite side. Heb. 'ēver.

27 sides = shoulders. Heb. kāthēph.

29 upon his heart. The place of love. See notes on vv. 9, 10, and 21, and note the repetition of the word heart for emphasis.

30 Urim and Thummim. No command of God to make these. Only told to put (nathan, to give) them in the breastplate, i. e. into the bag of the breastplate (cp. v. 26 and 16, also ch. 39. 9 and 19). This bag was a doubled part, and the Urim and Thummim were probably two precious stones which were drawn out as a lot to give Jehovah's judgment. "The lot is cast into the lap (Heb. bosom); but the whole judgment thereof is of the Lord" (Prov. 16. 33). Bosom here is put for the clothing or covering over it (cp. Ex. 4. 6, 7. Ruth 4. 16. Chēk (bosom) = any hollow thing, as of a chariot, 1 Kings 22. 35). The Heb. Urim and Thummim mean "lights" and "perfections". Probably these are the plurals of majesty, the sing. "light" (being put by Metonymy for what is brought to light, i. e. guilt), and "perfection" (put by Metonymy for moral perfection, i. e. innocence). Thus, these two placed in the "bag", and one drawn out, would give the judicial decision (the name connected with the breastplate, cp. v. 16, above), which would be "of the Lord". Hence, the breastplate itself was known as "the breastplate of judgment" (v. 16), because, by that, Jehovah's judgment was obtained whenever it was needed. Hence, when the land was divided "by lot" (Num. 26. 55, &c.), Eleazar, the high priest, must be present (Num. 34. 17 (cp. 27. 21). Josh. 17. 4). When he would decide it the lot "came up" (Josh. 18. 11); "came forth" (Josh. 19. 1); "came out" (Josh. 19. 17): i. e. "out", or "forth" from the bag of the ephod.

In Ezra 2. 61-63 & Neh. 7. 63-65, no judgment could be given unless the high priest was present with the breastplate, with its bag, with the lots of Urim and Thummim, which gave Jehovah's decision, "guilty" or "innocent", "yes" or "no". The Heb. for lot is always gōrāl = a stone, except in Deut. 32. 9, 1 Chron. 16. 18 and Ps. 105. 11, where it is = hēbel = a measuring line, put by Metonymy for the inheritance so measured. In Josh 13. 6; 23. 4. Ezek. 45. 1; 47. 22; 48. 29, it is nāphal, to fall, put by Metonymy for the inheritance which falls to one from any cause. See all the passages where the Urim and Thummim are mentioned: Ex. 28. 30. Lev. 8. 8. Deut. 33. 8. Num. 27. 21. 1 Sam. 28. 6. Ezra 2. 63. Neh. 7. 65, and cp. especially the notes on Num. 26. 55, and 1 Sam. 14. 41.

29 And Aaron shall bear the names of the ¹ children of Israel in the ¹⁶ breastplate ¹⁵ of judgment °upon his heart, when he goeth in unto the holy place, for a memorial before ¹² the LORD continually.

30 And thou shalt put in the ¹⁵ breastplate of judgment the °Urim and the °Thummim;

1491 and they shall be upon Aaron's heart, when he goeth in before ¹² the LORD: and Aaron shall bear the judgment of the ¹ children of Israel upon his heart before ¹² the LORD continually.

f (p. 111) 31 And thou shalt make the robe of the ephod all of blue.

32 And there shall be an °hole in the top of it, in the midst thereof: it shall have a binding of woven work round about the hole of it, as it were the hole of an °habergeon, that it be not rent.

33 And beneath upon the °hem of it thou shalt make °pomegranates of blue, and of purple, and of scarlet, round about the hem thereof; and bells of gold between them round about:

34 °A golden bell and a pomegranate, a golden bell and a ³³ pomegranate, upon the hem of the robe round about.

35 And it shall be upon Aaron to minister: and his sound shall be heard when he goeth in unto the holy place before ¹² the LORD, and when he cometh out, that he die not.

g 36 And thou shalt make a plate of pure gold, and °grave upon it, like the engravings of a signet, °HOLINESS TO ¹² THE LORD.

37 And thou shalt put it on a blue lace, that it may be upon °the mitre; upon the forefront of the mitre it shall be.

38 And it shall be upon Aaron's forehead, that Aaron may °bear the °iniquity of the °holy things, which the ¹ children of Israel shall hallow in all their holy gifts; and it shall be always upon °his forehead, that °they may be accepted before ¹² the LORD.

P d 39 And thou shalt embroider the coat of fine linen, and thou shalt make the mitre of fine linen, and thou shalt °make the girdle of needlework.

e 40 And for Aaron's sons thou shalt make coats, and thou shalt make for them girdles, and °bonnets shalt thou make for them, ² for glory and for beauty.

41 And thou shalt put them upon Aaron thy brother, and his sons with him; and shalt anoint them, and °consecrate them, and sanctify them, that they may ¹ minister unto Me in the priest's office.

42 And thou shalt make them °linen breeches to cover their nakedness; from the loins even unto the thighs they shall reach:

43 And they shall be upon Aaron, and upon his sons, when they come in unto the °tabernacle of the congregation, or when they come near unto the altar to minister in the holy place; that they bear not ³⁸ iniquity, and die: it shall be a statute for ever unto him and his seed after him.

O Q (p. 113) 29 And this is the thing that thou shalt do unto them to hallow them, to °minister unto Me in the priest's office: Take one young bullock, and two rams °without blemish,

2 And unleavened bread, and °cakes unleavened tempered with oil, and wafers unleavened anointed with oil: of wheaten flour shalt thou make them.

3 And thou shalt put them into one basket,

32 hole in the top of it, in the midst. To enable the hand of the High Priest to be put into the bag to draw out the Urim or Thummim. Cp. vv. 16 and 26, also 39. 9, 19. See also the note on v. 30.

habergeon - coat of mail.

33 hem = skirts.

pomegranates. See note on Num. 13. 23.

34 Note the Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6), "a golden bell and a pomegranate", instead of saying "alternately".

36 HOLINESS TO THE LORD. This is one of the few places where the A.V. uses large capital letters (see Ap. 48). Here it was worn only on the forehead of the high priest; but in Millennial days it will be worn even on the bells of the horses, Zech. 14. 20, 21. Cp. Rev. 19. 11-14; 14. 20.

37 the mitre = tiara, or turban. Heb. *miznepheth*, from *zanaph*, to wind round.

38 bear - bear away, carry off. Lev. 10. 17. Ps. 32. 1. Isa. 33. 24. iniquity. Heb. *avôn*. Ap. 44. iii.

holy. See note on 3. 5.

his ... they. Note these words. Christ is our Representative, we are holy in Him, and this "always".

39 make. The making deferred to ch. 39. See v. 3.

40 bonnets = caps.

41 consecrate them = instal them. Heb. fill their hand, "hand" being put by *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the authority and official power given to them. Cp. Lat. *mandare*.

42 linen. Priests were *effendi* (Lev. 6. 10. 1 Sam. 2. 18; 22. 18). Prophets were *fellahin*, and wore coarse clothing (2 Kings 1. 8. Zech. 13. 4. Matt. 3. 4).

43 tabernacle = tent. Heb. *'ohel*. Ap. 40.

29. 1-46 (O, p. 111). THE CONSECRATION OF THE PRIESTS (*Repeated Alternation*).

O Q¹ | 1-3. Sacrifices.

R¹ | 4-9. Aaron and his sons.

Q² | 10-28. Sacrifices.

R² | 29, 30. Aaron and his sons.

Q³ | 31-34. Sacrifices.

R³ | 35. Aaron and his sons.

Q⁴ | 36-46. Sacrifices.

1 minister. See note on 28. 1.

without blemish. This, with bread "without leaven" (v. 2), shows the inner meaning of "leaven".

2 cakes = pierced cakes.

4 tabernacle = tent. Heb. *'ohel*. Ap. 40.

wash. Heb. *vâchaz* - one of the ceremonial washings referred to in Heb. 6. 2, and rendered "baptisms".

5 ephod. See note on 28. 6.

curious - embroidered.

9 consecrate. See note on 28. 41.

and bring them in the basket, with the bullock and the two rams.

4 And Aaron and his sons thou shalt bring unto the door of the °tabernacle of the congregation, and shalt °wash them with water.

5 And thou shalt take the garments, and put upon Aaron the coat, and the robe of the °ephod, and the °ephod, and the breastplate, and gird him with the °curious girdle of the ephod:

6 And thou shalt put the mitre upon his head, and put the holy crown upon the mitre.

7 Then shalt thou take the anointing oil, and pour it upon his head, and anoint him.

8 And thou shalt bring his sons, and put coats upon them.

9 And thou shalt gird them with girdles, Aaron and his sons, and put the ⁴⁰ bonnets on them: and the priest's office shall be theirs for a perpetual statute: and thou shalt °consecrate Aaron and his sons.

10 And thou shalt cause a bullock to be brought before the °tabernacle of the congre-

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gation: and Aaron and his sons shall put their hands upon the head of the bullock.

11 And thou shalt kill the bullock before ⁴¹the LORD, by the door of the ⁴tabernacle of the congregation.

12 And thou shalt take of the blood of the bullock, and put *it* upon the horns of the altar with thy finger, and pour all the blood beside the bottom of the altar.

13 And thou shalt take all the fat that covereth the inwards, and the ^ocaul *that is* above the liver, and the two kidneys, and the fat that *is* upon them, and burn *them* upon the altar.

14 But the flesh of the bullock, and his skin, and his dung, shalt thou burn with fire ^owithout the camp: *it is* a ^osin offering.

15 Thou shalt also take one ram; and Aaron and his sons shall put their hands upon the head of the ram.

16 And thou shalt slay the ram, and thou shalt take his blood, and sprinkle *it* round about upon the altar.

17 And thou shalt cut the ram in pieces, and wash the inwards of him, and his legs, and put *them* unto his pieces, and unto his head.

18 And thou shalt burn the whole ram upon the altar: *it is* a burnt offering unto ¹¹the LORD: *it is* a ^osweet savour, an offering made by fire unto ¹¹the LORD.

19 And thou shalt take the other ram; and Aaron and his sons shall put their hands upon the head of the ram.

20 Then shalt thou kill the ram, and take of his blood, ^oand put *it* upon the tip of the right ear of ^oAaron, and upon the tip of the right ear of his sons, and upon the thumb of their right hand, and upon the great toe of their right foot, and sprinkle the blood upon the altar round about.

21 And thou shalt take of the blood that *is* upon the altar, and of the anointing oil, and sprinkle *it* upon Aaron, and upon his garments, and upon his sons, and upon the garments of his sons with him: and *he* shall be hallowed, and his garments, and his sons, and his sons' garments with him.

22 Also thou shalt take of the ram the fat and the rump, and the fat that covereth the inwards, and the caul *above* the liver, and the two kidneys, and the fat that *is* upon them, and the right shoulder; for *it is* a ram of consecration:

23 And one loaf of bread, and one cake of oiled bread, and one wafer out of the basket of the unleavened bread that *is* before ¹¹the LORD:

24 And thou shalt put all in the hands of Aaron, and in the hands of his sons; and shalt wave *them* for a wave offering before ¹¹the LORD.

25 And thou shalt receive *them* of their hands, and burn *them* upon the altar for a burnt offering, for a sweet savour before ¹¹the LORD: *it is* an offering made by fire unto ¹¹the LORD.

26 And thou shalt take the breast of the ram of Aaron's consecration, and wave *it* for a wave offering before ¹¹the LORD: and *it* shall be thy part.

27 And thou shalt sanctify the breast of the ^owave offering, and the shoulder of the ^oheave offering, which is waved, and which is heaved up, of the ram of the consecration, *even of that*

13 ^{caul} = the *omentum*, not the midriff.

14 without the camp. Cp. Heb. 13. 11-13. An unholy camp was unfit for a holy sin offering.

sin offering. Heb. sin, put (as in Gen. 4. 7) by Fig. Metonymy (of Subject), Ap. 6, for sin offering. See Ap. 43. II. v.

18 sweet savour. Heb. "savour of rest", i. e. complacency or satisfaction. See note on Gen. 8. 21.

20 and. Note the Fig. Polysyndeton (Ap. 6), calling our attention to the several parts touched by the atoning blood. All were consecrated, and each one is singled out and emphasised by the several "and".

Aaron. The Antitype, Christ, so anointed and set apart "on the holy mount" (2 Pet. 1. 16-18). See notes on 28. 1, 2. Cp. Ps. 45. 7. Heb. 1. 9. Note "thy fellows", but "above" them, infinitely "above".

27 wave offering. Turned to the four quarters of the earth. See Ap. 43. II. ix.

heave offering. Lifted up to heaven for Jehovah only. See Ap. 43. II. viii.

28 children = sons. 30 holy. See note on 3. 5.

32 eat, &c. This explains John 6. 33. In Ex. 29 this was literal, but in our case it must perforce be purely and wholly spiritual. Cp. the eating of v. 33 and the burning of v. 34 with the eating and burning of the Paschal Lamb, Ex. 12. 10, 11.

33 atonement. The first occurrence of the English word. The Heb. *kāphar*, to cover, gives the essential meaning, as shown in its first occurrence, Gen. 6. 14, where it is rendered "pitch [it]". See notes on Gen. 32. 20. Ps. 32. 1. Hence used of the mercy-seat. See note on 25. 17. The English "at-one-ment" has no connection whatever with the Heb. word *kāphar*.

consecrate. See on 28. 41.

36 offer. Heb. *'āsah*. See Ap. 43. I. iii.

which *is* for Aaron, and of *that* which *is* for his sons:

28 And it shall be Aaron's and his sons' by a statute for ever from the ^ochildren of Israel: for *it is* an heave offering: and *it* shall be an heave offering from the ^ochildren of Israel of the sacrifice of their peace offerings, *even* their heave offering unto ¹¹the LORD.

29 And the holy garments of Aaron shall be his sons' after him, to be anointed therein, and to be consecrated in them.

30 And that son that is priest in his stead shall put them on seven days, when he cometh into the ⁴tabernacle of the congregation to minister in the ^oholy place.

31 And thou shalt take the ram of the consecration, and seethe his flesh in the ³⁰holy place.

32 And Aaron and his sons shall ^oeat the flesh of the ram, and the bread that *is* in the basket, by the door of the ⁴tabernacle of the congregation.

33 And they shall ³²eat those things where-with the ^oatonement was made, to ^oconsecrate and to sanctify *them*: but a stranger shall not eat *thereof*, because *they are* holy.

34 And if ought of the flesh of the consecrations, or of the bread, remain unto the morning, then thou shalt burn the remainder with fire: *it* shall not be eaten, because *it is* holy.

35 And thus shalt thou do unto Aaron, and to his sons, according to all *things* which I have commanded *there*: seven days shalt thou ³³consecrate them.

36 And thou shalt ^ooffer every day a bullock for a ¹⁴sin offering for ³³atonement: and thou shalt cleanse the altar, when thou hast made

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an ³³ atonement ° for it, and thou shalt anoint it, to sanctify it.

37 Seven days thou shalt make an ³³ atonement for the altar, and sanctify it; and it shall be an altar most ° holy: whatsoever toucheth the altar shall be ° holy.

38 Now this *is that* which thou shalt ³⁶ offer upon the altar; two lambs of the first year ° day by day ° continually.

39 The one lamb thou shalt ³⁶ offer in the morning; and ° the other lamb thou shalt ³⁶ offer ° at even:

40 And with the one lamb a tenth deal of flour mingled with the fourth part of an ° hin of beaten oil; and the fourth part of an ° hin of ° wine for a drink offering.

41 And the other lamb thou shalt ³⁶ offer ³⁹ at even, and shalt do thereto according to the ° meat offering of the morning, and according to the drink offering thereof, for a ¹⁸ sweet savour, an offering made by fire unto ° the LORD.

42 *This shall be* a ³⁸ continual burnt offering throughout your generations at the door of the ° tabernacle of the congregation before ° the LORD: where I will ° meet ° you, to speak there unto thee.

43 And there I will ⁴² meet with the ²⁸ children of Israel, and ° the tabernacle shall be sanctified by My glory.

44 And I will sanctify the ° tabernacle of the congregation, and the altar: I will sanctify also both Aaron and his sons, to minister to Me in the priest's office.

45 And I will dwell among the ²⁸ children of Israel, and will be their ° God.

46 And they shall know that I *am* ⁴¹ the LORD their ° God, That brought them forth out of the land of Egypt, ° that I may dwell ° among them: I *am* ⁴¹ the LORD their ° God.

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30 And thou shalt make an altar to burn incense upon: of shittim wood shalt thou make it.

2 A ° cubit *shall be* the length thereof, and a ° cubit the breadth thereof; foursquare shall it be: and two ° cubits *shall be* the height thereof: the horns thereof *shall be* of the same.

3 And thou shalt overlay it with pure gold, the top thereof, and the ° sides thereof round about, and the horns thereof; and thou shalt make unto it a ° crown of gold round about.

4 And two golden rings shalt thou make to it under the crown of it, by the two corners thereof, upon the two ° sides of it shalt thou make it; and they shall be for places for the staves to bear it withal.

5 And thou shalt make the staves of shittim wood, and overlay them with gold.

6 And thou shalt put it before the vail that is by the ark of the testimony, before the ° mercy seat that is over the testimony, where I will meet with thee.

7 And Aaron shall ° burn thereon ° sweet incense every morning: when he dresseth the lamps, he shall ° burn incense upon it.

8 And when Aaron lighteth the lamps ° at even, he shall ° burn incense upon it, a perpetual incense before ° the LORD throughout your generations.

9 Ye shall ° offer no ° strange incense thereon,

for it = upon it. **37** holy. See note on 3. 5.

38 day by day continually. See the Divine comment on this. Heb. 9. 9; 10. 1, 2.

39 the other = the second.

at even = Heb. between the two evenings = at dusk. Ex. 12. 6; 16. 12; 30. 8.

40 hin. See Ap. 51. III. 3.

wine. Heb. *yayin* (see Ap. 27).

41 meat = meal.

the LORD = Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

42 meet = meet by appointment. See note on 25. 22. you. Some codices, with Sam. and Sept., read "thee".

43 the tabernacle. Supply Ellipsis with "it" (Ap. 6).

45 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4.

46 that I may dwell. This was the object in bringing them forth from Egypt. among - in the midst.

30. 1-11 (L², p. 107). FURNITURE: ALTAR OF INCENSE.

2 cubit. See Ap. 51. III. 2.

3 sides. Heb. *kir*, a wall, or side.

crown of gold. See note on 25. 24.

4 sides. Heb. *zad*, side.

6 mercy seat. See note on 25. 17.

7 burn: with fire taken from the brasen altar of atonement, implying that there could be no acceptable worship except on the ground of atonement made. All other fire was "strange fire", and all other worship strange worship, and therefore unacceptable.

sweet incense. Heb. incense of spices.

8 at even. See note on 29. 39.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4.

9 offer. Heb. *'alah*. See Ap. 43. I. vi.

strange incense = incense different from and other than that which God had prescribed. See note on Lev. 10. 1.

10 once in a year, viz. the tenth day of the seventh month. Lev. 16. 18, 29, 30. Num. 29. 7.

sin offering. See note on 29. 14.

holy. See note on 3. 5.

11 the LORD spake. See note on 6. 10 and 3. 7.

12 children = sons.

man. Heb. *'ish*. See Ap. 14. II.

ransom. Heb. *kāpher* - covering, hence atonement. See note on 29. 33.

his soul = himself. Heb. *nephesh*. See Ap. 13. The acknowledgement of Ezek. 18. 4.

13 shekel of the sanctuary. See Ap. 51. II. Cp. Matt. 17. 24.

gerah, a measure of weight. See Ap. 51. II.

offering. Heb. *terūmāh*. See Ap. 43. II. viii.

nor burnt sacrifice, nor ° meat offering; neither shall ye pour drink offering thereon.

10 And Aaron shall make an atonement upon the horns of it ° once in a year with the blood of the ° sin offering of atonements: ° once in the year shall he make atonement upon it throughout your generations: it is most ° holy unto ° the LORD."

11 And ° the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

12 "When thou takest the sum of the ° children of Israel after their number, then shall they give every ° man a ° ransom for ° his soul unto ° the LORD, when thou numberest them; that there be no plague among them, when thou numberest them.

13 This they shall give, every one that passeth among them that are numbered, half a shekel after the ° shekel of the sanctuary: (a shekel is twenty ° gerahs:) an half shekel shall be ° the ° offering of the LORD.

14 Every one that passeth among them that are numbered, from twenty years old and above, shall give an ° offering unto ° the LORD.

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15 °The rich shall not give more, and the poor shall not give less than half a ¹³shekel, when they give an °offering unto ⁸the LORD, to make an °atonement for your ¹²souls.

16 And thou shalt take the ¹⁵atonement money of the ¹²children of Israel, and shalt appoint it for the service of the °tabernacle of the congregation; that it may be a memorial unto the ¹²children of Israel before ⁸the LORD, to make an ¹⁵atonement for your ¹²souls."

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17 And ¹¹the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

18 "Thou shalt also make °a laver of brass, and his °foot also of brass, to wash *withal*: and thou shalt put it between the ¹⁶tabernacle of the congregation and the altar, and thou shalt put water therein.

19 For Aaron and his sons shall wash their hands and their feet thereat:

20 When they go into the ¹⁶tabernacle of the congregation, they shall wash with water, that they die not; or when they come near to the altar to minister, to °burn offering made by fire unto ⁸the LORD:

21 So they shall wash their hands and their feet, that they die not: and it shall be a statute for ever to them, even to him and to his seed throughout their generations."

22 Moreover ¹¹the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

23 "Take thou also unto thee principal spices, of pure °myrrh five hundred *shekels*, and of sweet cinnamon half so much, even two hundred and fifty *shekels*, and of °sweet calamus two hundred and fifty *shekels*,

24 And of °cassia five hundred *shekels*, after the ¹³shekel of the sanctuary, and of oil olive an °hin:

25 And thou shalt make it an oil of holy ointment, an ointment compound after the art of the apothecary: it shall be an holy anointing oil.

26 And thou shalt anoint the ¹⁶tabernacle of the congregation therewith, and the ark of the testimony,

27 And the table and all his vessels, and the candlestick and his vessels, and the altar of incense,

28 And the altar of burnt offering with all his vessels, and the ¹⁸laver and his foot.

29 And thou shalt sanctify them, that they may be most holy: whatsoever toucheth them shall be holy.

30 And thou shalt anoint Aaron and his sons, and °consecrate them, that they may minister unto Me in the priest's office.

31 And thou shalt speak unto the ¹²children of Israel, saying, 'This shall be an holy anointing oil unto Me throughout your generations.

32 Upon °man's °flesh shall it not be poured, neither shall ye make any other like it, after the composition of it: it is holy, and it shall be holy unto you.

33 Whosoever compoundeth any like it, or whosoever putteth any of it upon a stranger, shall even be cut off from his people."

34 And °the LORD said unto Moses, "Take unto thee °sweet spices, stacte, and °onycha, and galbanum; these °sweet spices with pure

15 The rich = the rich one. "There is no difference" in the matter of atonement, Acts 10. 34. Rom. 3. 22, 23; 10. 12. Then, all Israel without exception: but now "all" without distinction.

offering. Heb. heave offering. See on 29. 27, and cp. Ap. 43. II. viii.

atonement. See note on 29. 33.

16 tabernacle = tent. Heb. 'ohel. Ap. 40.

18 a laver of brass. Probably copper or bronze. See note on 25. 3.

The laver comes after the altar; the altar is for sinners; the laver is for priests = cleansing for worship. Not included in Ex. 25-28, but added here after atonement. John 13. 10 is the Divine antitype.

foot. Heb. base.

20 burn offering made by fire. Heb. to burn as incense. See Ap. 43. viii.

23 myrrh = gum of Arabian thorny shrubs,

sweet calamus = lemon grass of India.

24 cassia = the bark of a kind of Indian cinnamon. hin. See Ap. 51. III. 3.

30 consecrate. See note on 28. 41.

32 man's. Heb. 'adam, human kind. See Ap. 14.

flesh. The oil is the type of the Holy Spirit. His work not to act on the flesh, but to give holy spirit (*pneuma hagion*). Cp. John 3. 6.

34 the LORD [Jehovah] said. See note on 3. 7 and cp. 6. 10.

sweet spices. Five in number. Cp. Ap. 10.

onycha = a sweet-smelling shell found on the shores of the Red Sea and Indian Ocean.

a like weight. Typical of the perfect proportion of all the excellencies of Christ.

35 tempered together. Perfect in its parts; perfect in its whole. So in the Antitype.

pure and holy. Typical of the holiness and unimaginable purity of Christ.

31. 1-6 (K⁴, p. 107). THE ARTIFICERS. (Extended Alternation.)

K⁴ S | 1, 2. The principal, Bezaleel.
T | 3. His qualification.
U | 4, 5. His work.
S | 6-. His subordinates, Aholiab and others.
T | -6-. Their qualification.
U | -6. Their work (= L⁴, vv. 7-11).

1 the LORD [Heb. Jehovah] spake. See note on 6. 10, and cp. note on 3. 7.

2 See. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6), to call our attention to the importance of this member.

I have called. Note the qualifications in T and T': "I have filled", "I have given", "I have put", &c. Cp. John 3. 27. No Tubal-Cain could instruct these artificers.

frankincense: of each shall there be °a like weight:

35 And thou shalt make it a perfume, a confection after the art of the apothecary, °tempered together, °pure and holy:

36 And thou shalt beat some of it very small, and put of it before the testimony in the ¹⁶tabernacle of the congregation, where I will meet with thee: it shall be unto you most holy.

37 And as for the perfume which thou shalt make, ye shall not make to yourselves according to the composition thereof: it shall be unto thee holy for °the LORD.

38 Whosoever shall make like unto that, to smell thereto, shall even be cut off from his people."

31 And °the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 °"See, °I have called by name Bezaleel

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1491 the son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of
26 Judah:

Sivan 3 And I have filled him with the °spirit
to 7 of °God, in wisdom, °and in understanding,
Abib and in knowledge, and in all manner of work-
manship.

4 To °devise cunning works, to work in gold,
and in silver, and in brass,

5 And in cutting of stones, to set *them*, and
in carving of timber, to work in all manner of
workmanship.

6 And ¶, °behold, I have given with him
Aholiab, the son of Ahisamach, of the tribe
of Dan: and in the hearts of all that are wise
hearted °I have put wisdom, that they may
make all that I have commanded thee;

L⁴ 7 The °tabernacle of the congregation, °and
(p. 107) the ark of the testimony, and the mercy seat
that is thereupon, and all the furniture of the
°tabernacle,

8 And the table and his furniture, and the
pure candlestick with all his furniture, and the
altar of incense,

9 And the altar of burnt offering with all his
furniture, and the laver and his foot,

10 And the cloths of service, and the holy
garments for Aaron the priest, and the gar-
ments of his sons, to minister in the priest's
office,

11 And the anointing oil, and sweet incense
for the holy *place*: according to all that I
have commanded thee shall they do."

H 12 And ¹the LORD spake unto Moses, say-
ing,

13 "Speak thou also unto the °children of
Israel, saying, 'Verily °My sabbaths ye shall
keep: for it is a sign between Me and °you
throughout your generations; that ye may
know that ¶ *am* ¹the LORD That doth sanctify
you.

14 Ye shall keep the sabbath therefore; for
it is holy unto you: every one that defileth
it shall surely be put to death: for whosoever
doeth *any* work therein, that °soul shall be
cut off from among his people.

15 Six days may work be done; but in the
seventh is the °sabbath of rest, holy to ¹the
LORD: whosoever doeth *any* work in the sab-
bath day, he shall surely be put to death."

16 Wherefore the ¹³children of Israel shall
keep the sabbath, to observe the sabbath
throughout their generations, *for* a perpetual
covenant.

17 ¶ *is* °a sign between Me and the ¹³children
of Israel for ever: for *in* six days ¹the LORD
made °heaven and earth, and on the seventh
day He rested, and was °refreshed."

G 18 And He gave unto Moses, when He had
made an end of communing with him upon
mount Sinai, °two tables of testimony, tables
of °stone, °written with the °finger of ³God.

F V f 32 And when the People saw that Moses
(p. 117) °delayed to come down °out of the
mount, the People gathered themselves to-
gether unto Aaron, and said unto him, "Up,
°make us gods, which shall go before us;
for *as for* this Moses, the °man that brought

3 spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9. Put by Fig. *Metonymy*
(of Cause) for the gifts of the Holy Spirit

God. Heb. *Elohim* = the Creator. Ap. 4.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in verses
3-5, emphasising the *four* particulars and details.

4 devise. Note the 5 and the 7 (see Ap. 10). See
note on 26. 1.

Cunning works.	} 5 } 7
Gold, silver,	
brass, stones,	
timber.	
All workmanship.	

6 behold. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6) for emphasis.
Note also the "I" emphasised.

I have put, &c. See note on v. 2.

7 tabernacle = tent. Heb. *'ohel*. Ap. 40.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), emphasising
twelve things to be made in vv. 7-11.

13 children = sons.

My sabbaths. Another special reference to this
in connection with any special position in which Israel
might be placed. (1) The manna, ch. 16; (2) the giving
of the law, ch. 20; (3) the making of the Tabernacle,
ch. 31.

you. Israel, not the church of God.

14 soul. Heb. *nephesh* (Ap. 13).

15 sabbath of rest. Heb. "sabbath of sabbatizing".
See note on 16. 23.

17 a sign: that Jehovah is our God—that Christ is
LORD.

heaven and earth. One of thirteen occurrences.
See note on Deut. 4. 26.

refreshed. Heb. = verbal form of *nephesh* (Ap. 13).
Fig. *Anthropopatheia* (Ap. 6). See note on 23. 12.

18 two tables. These *first* tables were "the work of
God" (32. 16; 24. 12).

stone. Sing. The *second* tables were hewn by Moses
(34. 1-4, and stones in pl.). Both written by God.

written. See note on 17. 14.

finger. Fig. *Anthropopatheia* (Ap. 6).

32. 1-14 (F, p. 107). THE IDOLATRY OF THE PEOPLE (*Introversion and Alternation*).

F	V	f	1. Request of the People.
		g	2. Aaron's answer.
	W	h	3, 4-. Idolatry purposed.
		i	4-. Jehovah's rejection.
	W	h	5, 6. Idolatry practised.
		i	7-10. Jehovah's wrath.
	V	f	11-13. Request of Moses.
		g	14. Jehovah's answer.

1 delayed = put them to shame by his not coming
down. Cp. Ps. 44. 7; 53. 5; 119. 31. out of = from.

make us gods. The great sin of to-day (1 Cor. 10. 7, 11).
Made now not of materials; but made by imagina-
tion; and worshipped by the senses.

man. Heb. *'ish*, Ap. 14. ii. wot not = know not.
3 all = the greater part. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Genus),
Ap. 6.

them. The *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) should be supplied by the
word "it": i. e. the gold (v. 3).

us up out of the land of Egypt, we °wot not
what is become of him."

2 And Aaron said unto them, "Break off *g*
the golden earrings, which *are* in the ears
of your wives, of your sons, and of your
daughters, and bring *them* unto me."

3 And °all the People brake off the golden *W h*
earrings which *were* in their ears, and brought
°them unto Aaron.

4 And he received ³them at their hand, and

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fashioned it with a graving tool, after he had made it a molten °calf:

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and they said, °“These *be* thy gods, O Israel, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt.”

5 And when Aaron saw *it*, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation, and said, “To morrow is °a feast to °the LORD.”

6 And they rose up early on the morrow, and °offered °burnt offerings, and brought peace offerings; and the people sat down to °eat and to drink, and rose up °to play.

7 And °the LORD said unto Moses, “Go, get thee down; for °thy people, which °thou broughtest out of the land of Egypt, have corrupted *themselves*:

8 They have turned aside quickly out of the way which I commanded them: they have made them a molten calf, and have worshipped it, and have °sacrificed thereunto, and said, ‘These *be* thy gods, O Israel, which have brought thee up out of the land of Egypt.’”

9 And °the LORD said unto Moses, “I have seen this people, and, °behold, it is a stiff-necked people:

10 Now therefore let Me alone, that My wrath may wax hot against them, and that I may consume them: and I will make of thee a great nation.”

V f

11 And Moses besought °the LORD his °God, and said, °“LORD, why doth Thy wrath wax hot against °Thy people, which °Thou hast brought forth out of the land of Egypt with great power, and with a mighty hand?

12 °Wherefore should the Egyptians speak, and say, ‘For °mischief did He bring them out, to slay them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth?’ Turn from Thy fierce wrath, and °repent of this °evil against Thy people.

13 Remember Abraham, Isaac, and °Israel, Thy servants, to whom Thou °swarest by Thine own Self, and saidst unto them, ‘I will multiply your seed °as the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have spoken of will I give unto your seed, and they shall inherit it for ever.’”

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14 And °the LORD °repented of the °evil which He °thought to do unto His people.

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15 And Moses turned, and °went down from the mount, and °the two tables of the testimony were in his hand: the tables were written on both their sides; on the one side and on the other were thy written.

16 And °the tables were the work of °God, and °the writing was °the writing of °God, graven upon °the tables.

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17 And when Joshua heard the noise of the people as they shouted, he said unto Moses, “There is a noise of war in the camp.”

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18 And he said, “It is not the voice of them that °shout for mastery, neither is it the voice of them that °cry for being overcome: but the noise of them that °sing do I hear.”

4 calf. The chief Egyptian god, with which they were familiar in Egypt.

These *be* thy gods. Expounded in Neh. 9. 18 as meaning “This is thy god”. Cp. Ps. 106. 19-21.

5 a feast to the LORD. All done under cover of “religion”.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

6 offered. Heb. *alah*. See Ap. 43. I. vi.

burnt offerings. Heb. pl. of *alah*. See Ap. 43. II. ii. eat and to drink. Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), i. e. to eat [the sacrifices] and to drink [the libations].

to play – to make sport. Cp. v. 19. So 1 Cor. 10. 7. to dance: i. e. lasciviously. This was part of idolatrous worship.

7 the LORD [Heb. Jehovah] said. See note on 3. 7, and cp. note on 6. 10.

thy . . . thou. As though disowning them. Cp. Moses' grand faith, in his reply, v. 11.

8 sacrificed. Heb. *zabach*. Ap. 43. I. iv.

9 behold. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6).

11 the LORD. Heb. “the face of Jehovah”: i. e. before, or in the presence of Jehovah.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4.

Thy . . . Thou. This is the reply of Moses. He knows they were not “cast off” (Rom. 11. 2), but only “cast aside” (Rom. 11. 15) for a little moment. See notes on Rom. 11. 2, 15.

12 Wherefore . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6).

mischief, or wrong-doing. Heb. *r'ā'a*. Ap. 44. viii.

repent. Fig. *Anthropopatheia* (Ap. 6).

evil. Heb. *r'ā'a*. Ap. 44. viii.

13 Israel. Not Jacob, because this is the language of highest faith.

swarest. Fig. *Anthropopatheia* (Ap. 6). Cp. Heb. 6 13, 17. Gen. 22. 16-18.

as the stars. Fig. *Paræmia* (Ap. 6).

14 thought to do. Heb. which He spake of doing.

32. 15-30 (Y⁴, p. 94). THE FOURTH DESCENT.

Y⁴ | X | 15-24. The Sin of the People.

| Z | 25-30. The Judgment of the People.

15-24 (X, above). THE SIN OF THE PEOPLE. (Alternations.)

X | j | 15, 16. The Tables carried.

| k | l | 17. Moses and Joshua.

| m | 18. Answer of Moses.

j | 19, 20. Tables broken.

| k | l | 21. Moses and Aaron.

| m | 22-24. Answer of Aaron.

15 went down. Moses' fourth descent. See note on 19. 3 (the fifth ascent was in 24. 9).

the two tables. See on 31. 18.

16 the tables . . . the tables. Fig. *Epanadiplosis* (Ap. 6), emphasising the importance of the statement. the writing..the writing. Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6. The two figures together greatly emphasising the verse as a whole; and, combined = another Fig. *Anadiplosis* (Ap. 6), viz. “tables”, “writings”—;—“writings”, “tables” = the solemn or important writing. See note on 17. 14.

18 shout . . . cry . . . sing. The same word in Hebrew.

19 dancing. Cp. v. 6. As in the worship of Apis.

20 burnt. A secret known to the Egyptians.

19 And it came to pass, as soon as he came nigh unto the camp, that he saw the calf, and the °dancing: and Moses' anger waxed hot, and he cast the tables out of his hands, and brake them beneath the mount.

20 And he took the calf which they had made, and °burnt it in the fire, and ground

1491 *it* to powder, and strawed *it* upon the ° water,
7 Abib and made the ° children of Israel drink of *it*.

k l 21 And Moses said unto Aaron, "What did
(p. 118) this People unto thee, that thou hast brought
so great a ° sin upon them?"

m 22 And Aaron said, "Let not the anger of
my lord wax hot: thou knowest the People,
that they ° are set on mischief.

23 For they said unto me, 'Make us gods,
which shall go before us: for *as for* this
Moses, the ° man that brought us up out of
the land of Egypt, we ° wot not what is be-
come of him.'

24 And I said unto them, 'Whosoever hath
any gold, let them break *it* off.' So they gave
it me: then I cast *it* into the fire, and there
came out this calf."

Z n 25 And when Moses saw that the People
(p. 119) were naked; (for Aaron had made them naked
unto *their* shame among their enemies:)

o p 26 Then Moses stood in the gate of the
camp, and said, ° "Who is on ° the LORD'S
side? *let him come* unto me."

And ° all the sons of Levi gathered themselves
together unto him.

o p 27 And he said unto them, "Thus saith ° the
LORD ° God of Israel, 'Put every ° man his
sword by his ° side, and go in and out from
gate to gate throughout the camp, and slay
every ° man his brother, and every man his
companion, and every ° man his neighbour.'"

q 28 And the ° children of Levi did according to
the word of Moses: and there fell of the People
that day about ° three thousand ° men.

n 29 For Moses had said, ° "Consecrate your-
selves to day to the LORD, even every man
upon his son, and upon his brother; that He
may bestow upon you a blessing this day."

8 Abib 30 And it came to pass on the morrow, that
Moses said unto the People, "Ye have ° sinned
a great ° sin: and now I will go up unto ° the
LORD; peradventure I shall make an atone-
ment for your ° sin."

X⁵ A¹ 31 And Moses ° returned unto ° the LORD, and
9 Abib said, "Oh, this People have ° sinned a great
Sab. ° sin, and have made them gods of gold.

32 Yet now, if Thou wilt forgive their
° sin—; and if not, blot me, I pray Thee, out
of ° Thy book which Thou hast written."

33 And ° the LORD said unto Moses, "Who-
soever hath ° sinned against Me, ° him will
I blot out of My book.

B r 34 Therefore now go, lead the People unto
the place of which I have spoken unto thee:

s ° behold, ° Mine angel shall go before thee:
nevertheless in the day ° when I visit I will
visit their ° sin upon them."

A² 35 And ° the LORD ° plagued the People, because
they made the calf, which Aaron made.

B r 33 And ° the LORD said unto Moses, "De-
part, and go up hence, thou and the
People which thou hast brought up out of the
land of Egypt, unto the land which I swear

water. Cp. Deut. 9. 21. Ex. 17. 6.
children = sons.

21 sin. Heb. *chat'a*. Ap. 44. i.

22 are set: or, supply the Ellipsis "are ready for".

23 man. Heb. *'ish*, Ap. 14. ii.

wot = know.

25-30 (Z, p. 118). THE JUDGMENT OF THE PEOPLE (*Introversion and Simple Alternation*).

Z n | 25. Idolatry.

o | p | 26-. Call of Moses.

q | -26. Levites' response.

o | p | 27. Command of Moses.

q | 28. Levites' obedience.

n | 29, 30. Atonement.

26 Who . . . ? &c. Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6).

all. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Genus), Ap. 6, i.e. all who
had not joined in the idolatry. Cp. Deut. 33. 9.

27 side = thigh.

28 children = sons.

three thousand men. These 3,000 were the "men"
slain by "the sons of Levi." The 23,000 of 1 Cor. 10. 8
includes those who died of the "plague" which fol-
lowed. See verse 35, below.

29 Consecrate. See note on 28. 41.

32. 31-33. 3 (X⁵, p. 94). MOSES' FIFTH ASCENT (*Alternations*).

X⁵ | A¹ | 32. 31-33. The Sin and its consequences.

B | r | 32. 34-. Command to depart.

s | 32. -34. Angel's guidance promised.

A² | 32. 35. The Sin and its consequences.

B | r | 33. 1. Command to depart.

s | 33. 2, 3-. Angel's guidance promised.

A³ | 33. -3. The Sin and its consequences.

31 returned. Moses' fifth ascent. See note on 19. 3.

32 sin-. Fig. *Aposiopēsis* (Ap. 6), to emphasise the
unspeakableness of the sin.

Thy book. Fig. *Anthropopatheia* (Ap. 6). Cp. Ps. 69.
28. Isa. 4. 3.

33 him. Under the Law, the sinner blotted out:
under grace, sin blotted out.

34 behold. A special reading (Severus Codex, Ap.
34) has "and behold". See Ap. 84.

Mine angel. Probably an inferior angel, not that
of Ex. 23. 20, 21.

when I visit. Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6). Lit. "when
I visit I will visit". See note on Gen. 28. 28 and 50.

24, 25. This is to emphasise the fact that there is such
a thing as postponed judgment. Cp. 34. 7. Num. 14. 33.

Ezek. 18. 1-3. Matt. 23. 32-36.

35 plagued. See note on v. 28 above.

33. 1 the LORD [Heb. *Jehovah*] said. See note on
3. 7, and cp. note on 6. 10.

2 the. Some codices, with Sam., Syr., and Onk.,
read "and the".

3 milk and honey = all kinds of good things. Fig.
Synecdoche (of Species), Ap. 6.

unto Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying,
'Unto thy seed will I give it:'

2 And I will send an angel before thee; and
I will drive out the Canaanite, ° the Amorite,
and the Hittite, and the Perizzite, ° the Hivite,
and the Jebusite:

3 Unto a land flowing with ° milk and honey:
for I will not go up in the midst of thee; for
thou art a stiffnecked People:

lest I consume thee in the way."

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4 And when the People °heard these evil tidings, they mourned: and no °man did put on him his ornaments.

5 For ¹the LORD had said unto Moses, "Say unto the °children of Israel, 'We are a °stiff-necked People: I will come up into the midst of thee in a moment, and consume thee: therefore now put off thy ornaments from thee, that I may know what to do unto thee.'"

6 And the °children of Israel stripped themselves of their ornaments by the mount Horeb.

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7 And Moses took the °tabernacle, and pitched it °without the camp, afar off from the camp, and called it the °Tabernacle of the congregation. And it came to pass, that every one which sought ¹the LORD went out unto the °tabernacle of the congregation, which was °without the camp.

8 And it came to pass, when Moses went out unto the ⁷tabernacle, that all the People rose up, and stood every °man at his tent door, and looked after Moses, until he was gone into the ⁷tabernacle.

9 And it came to pass, as Moses entered into the ⁷tabernacle, the cloudy pillar descended, and stood at the door of the ⁷tabernacle, and the LORD talked with Moses.

10 And all the People saw the cloudy pillar stand at the ⁷tabernacle door: and all the People rose up and worshipped, every man in his tent door.

11 And °the LORD spake unto Moses °face to face, as a man speaketh unto his friend. And he turned again into the camp: but his °servant °Joshua, the son of Nun, a young man, departed not out of the ⁷tabernacle.

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12 And Moses said unto the LORD, "See, Thou sayest unto me, 'Bring up this People:' and Thou hast not let me know °whom Thou wilt send with me. Yet Thou hast said, 'I know thee °by name, and thou hast also °found grace in My sight.'"

13 Now therefore, I pray Thee, if I have found grace in Thy sight, shew me now °Thy way, that I may know Thee, that I may find grace in Thy sight: and consider that this nation is Thy People."

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14 And °He said, °"My presence shall go with thee, and I will give thee rest."

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15 And °he said unto Him, "If Thy presence go not with me, carry us not up hence.

16 For °wherein shall it be known here that ³and Thy People have found grace in Thy sight? is it not in that Thou goest with us? °so shall we be separated, ³and Thy People, from all the people that are upon the face of the °earth."

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17 And ¹the LORD said unto Moses, "I will do this thing also that thou hast spoken: for thou hast found grace in My sight, and I know thee by name."

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18 And °he said, "I beseech thee, shew me Thy glory."

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19 And ¹⁴He said, "³I will make all My °goodness pass before thee, and °I will proclaim the name of ¹the LORD before thee; and will be gracious to whom I will be gra-

33. 4—34. 4- (Y⁵, p. 94). MOSES' FIFTH DESCENT (*Introversion*).

Y⁵ C | 33. 4-6. Stripping of ornaments.
D | 33. 7-11. Jehovah. Removal.
D | 33. 12-23. Jehovah. Manifestation.
C | 34. 1-4-. Making of the (second) Tables.

4 heard. This shows Moses had descended again, man. Heb. *'ish* (Ap. 14).

5 children = sons.

stiffnecked People. These have to be humbled; but an afflicted people is an object for Divine favour Cp. ch. 2. 24, 25; 3. 7; 4. 31.

7 tabernacle = tent; eleven times called tent; Heb. *'ohel*. Not the tabernacle, for this was not yet made, but a different building altogether, called "the tent of assembly" (see Ap. 40).

without the camp. In presence of corporate failure God withdraws Himself. Typical of our own day. Those who seek Him must "go forth to Him." Cp. Heb. 13. 13.

8 man. Heb. *'ish*. See Ap. 14.

11 the LORD spake. See note on 6. 10, and cp. note on 3. 7.

face to face. To emphasise the communion in the presence of corporate failure; this must ever be individual and personal.

servant = personal attendant, as in 24. 13. Heb. *n'ar*, rendered "servant". 2 Sam. 19. 17. 2 Kings 5. 20. Neh. 5. 10, &c. = assistant.

Joshua. See 17. 9. He had not been in the camp; and when Moses went out Joshua remained in the tent.

12-23 (D, above). MANIFESTATION OF JEHOVAH (*Repeated Alternation*).

D t¹ | 12, 13. Request (Positive).

u¹ | 14. Answer—Presence.

t² | 15, 16. Request (Negative).

u² | 17. Answer—Grace.

t¹ | 18. Request (Positive).

u³ | 19-23. Answer—Goodness.

12 whom. As promised in 32. 34.

by name. Cp. Isa. 43. 1; 49. 1. In the presence of corporate failure all is individual, cp. 2 Tim. 2. 19. (In 1 Tim. we see corporate rule, in 2 Tim. we see corporate ruin. Hence, 2 Tim. is individual throughout).

found grace: or, favour. All is of grace, cp. 34. 9, &c. Noah (Gen. 6. 8); Abraham (Gen. 18. 3); Moses (34. 9), &c.

13 Thy way. Different from Thy works. Cp. Ps. 103. 7. "Ways" are esoteric, "acts" are exoteric; we must go "outside the camp" to learn the "ways" of Jehovah.

14 He [Jehovah] said. See note on 3. 7, and cp. 6. 10.

My presence. If this verse be punctuated as a question, then we can understand verse 15, "Shall My presence go with thee, and shall I lead thee into rest?" as much as to say, How can My presence go with thee after this rejection of Me?

15 he = Moses.

16 wherein...? Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6).

so shall we be: or, "and by our being".

earth. Heb. *'ādāmāh*, ground.

18 he = Moses.

19 goodness. The glory could not have been endured; grace comes first, glory is reserved for the future.

I will proclaim the name. This is done in 34. 5-7.

20 see My face. Cp. notes on 23. 15 and 34. 20, man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. i.

cious, and will shew mercy on whom I will shew mercy."

20 And ¹⁴He said, "Thou canst not °see My face: for there shall no °man see Me, and live."

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21 And ¹the LORD said, "Behold, *there is* a place by Me, and thou shalt stand upon ^oa rock:

22 And it shall come to pass, while My glory passeth by, that I will put thee in ^oa clift of the rock, and will cover thee with ^oMy hand while I pass by:

23 And I will take away Mine hand, and thou shalt see My back parts: but My face shall not be seen."

34 ^oAnd ^othe LORD said unto Moses, "Hew thee two tables of stone like unto the first: and I will ^owrite upon *these* tables the words that were in the first tables, which thou brakest.

2 And be ready in the morning, and come up in the morning unto mount Sinai, and present thyself there to Me in the top of the mount.

3 And no ^oman shall come up with thee, neither let any ^oman be seen throughout all the mount; neither let the flocks nor herds feed before that mount."

4 And he hewed two tables of stone like unto the first;

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and Moses rose up early in the morning, and ^owent up unto mount Sinai, ^oas ¹the LORD had commanded him, and took in his hand the two tables of stone.

5 And ¹the LORD descended in the cloud, and stood with him there, and ^oproclaimed the name of ¹the LORD.

6 And ¹the LORD passed by before him, and ^oproclaimed, ¹"The LORD, ¹The LORD ^oGOD, merciful and gracious, ^olongsuffering, and abundant in ^ogoodness and ^otruth,

7 Keeping ^omercy for thousands, ^oforgiving ^oiniquity and ^otransgression and ^osin, and That will ^oby no means clear *the guilty*; visiting the ^oiniquity of the fathers upon the children, and upon the children's children, ^ounto the third and to the fourth *generation*."

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8 And Moses made haste, and bowed his head toward the earth, and ^oworshipped.

9 And he said, "If now I have found grace in Thy sight, O ^oLord, let ^omy Lord, I pray Thee, go among us; ^ofor it *is* a stiffnecked People; and pardon our ⁷iniquity and our ⁷sin, and take us for Thine inheritance."

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10 And ^oHe said, ^o"Behold, ³I make ^oa covenant: before all thy People I will do marvels, such as have not been done in all the earth, nor in any nation: and all the People among which thou *art* shall see the work of ¹the LORD: for it *is* a terrible thing that ³I will do with thee.

11 Observe thou that which ³I command thee this day: behold, I drive out before thee the Amorite, and the Canaanite, and the Hittite, and the Perizzite, and the Hivite, and the Jebusite.

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12 Take heed to thyself, lest thou make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land whither thou goest, lest ^oit be for a snare in the midst of thee:

13 But ye shall destroy their altars, break their ^oimages, and cut down their ^ogroves:

21 a rock = the rock.

22 a clift = the clift or hollow.

My hand. Fig. *Anthropopatheia* (Ap. 6).

34. 1 And. Moses must have descended for the fifth time. See note on 19. 3.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

the LORD said. See note on 3. 7, and cp. note on 6. 10.

Hew thee. Moses makes these second tables; Jehovah made the first. See on 31. 18.

write. See note on 17. 14 and Ap. 47.

3 man. Heb. 'ish. See Ap. 14.

34. 4-28 (X⁶, p. 94). MOSES' SIXTH ASCENT. (Introversion.)

X⁶ | E | -4. The new Tables taken up by Moses.
F | 5-7. The Proclamation of Jehovah.
G | 8, 9. The worship and prayer of Moses.
F | 10-26. The Commandments of Jehovah.
E | 27, 28. The Tables written by Jehovah.

4 went up. Moses' sixth and last ascent. See note on 19. 3.

as = according as.

5 proclaimed. As promised in 33. 19.

6 GOD. Heb. EL. See Ap. 4.

longsuffering = slow to anger.

goodness = lovingkindness, or grace.

truth = faithfulness.

7 mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.

forgiving = bearing away.

iniquity = perverseness. Heb. 'āvāh. Ap. 44. iv.

transgression = rebellion. Heb. pash'a. Ap. 44. ix.

sin. Heb. chāt'a. See Ap. 44. i.

by no means clear the guilty. Not even Christ, when our sins were imputed to Him: therefore, all now in Him are "cleared", Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6). Heb. "clearing will not clear", emphasis on "by no means". unto the third and to the fourth generation. This refrain recurs in whole or in part in Ex. 20. 6. Cp. also Num. 14. 18. Deut. 5. 9. Neh. 9. 17. Ps. 103. 8. Jer. 9. 24; 30. 11; 46. 28; Dan. 9. 4. Nah. 1. 3. The visiting spread over in mercy, not extended in wrath.

8 worshipped. This is ever the effect of the manifestation of Jehovah in grace. Cp. 2 Sam. 7. 18.

9 Lord . . . my Lord. Heb. Adonai, Adonai. But this is one of the 134 places where Jehovah was altered to Adonai by the Sopherim. See Ap. 32.

for, &c. The moment Jehovah speaks of grace, Moses turns the very charge of Jehovah, in 33. 5, into a plea and ground for His presence.

10-26 (F, above). COVENANT AND LAWS OF JEHOVAH (Division).

F | H¹ | 10-17. The Covenant of Jehovah remade.
H² | 18-26. The Commandments of Jehovah repeated.

10-17 (H¹, above). THE COVENANT OF JEHOVAH REMADE.

H¹ | K¹ | 10, 11. Jehovah the only true God.

K² | 12-17. No other gods.

10 He [Jehovah] said. See note on 8. 7, and cp. 6. 10. Behold. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6) for emphasis.

a covenant of marvels. This covenant finds its complete fulfilment in the Apocalypse.

12 it = they.

13 images = sacred pillars. Cp. 23. 24; 24. 4, and note on Lev. 26. 1.

groves = Heb. 'āshērāh. First occurrence out of forty: always rendered "groves", but denotes a phallic image, worshipped by libidinous rites and lascivious practices. See Ap. 42.

1491 14 For thou shalt worship no other god: for ¹the LORD, Whose name is Jealous, ° is a jealous ° GOD:

15 Lest thou make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land, and they go a whoring after their gods, and do ° sacrifice unto their gods, and one call thee, and thou eat of his ° sacrifice;

16 And thou take of their daughters unto thy sons, and their daughters go a whoring after their gods, and make thy sons go a whoring after their gods.

17 Thou shalt make thee no molten gods.

H² M v (p. 122) 18 The feast of unleavened bread shalt thou keep. Seven days thou shalt eat unleavened bread, ° as I commanded thee, in the ° time of the month ° Abib: for in the month ° Abib thou camest out from Egypt.

w 19 All that openeth the matrix is Mine; and every firstling among thy cattle, whether ox or sheep, that is male.

20 But the firstling of an ass thou shalt ° redeem with a lamb: and if thou ° redeem him not, then shalt thou break his neck. All the firstborn of thy sons thou shalt ° redeem. And none shall ° appear before Me ° empty.

N 21 Six days thou shalt work, but on the seventh day thou shalt rest: in ° earing time and in harvest thou shalt rest.

M v 22 And thou shalt observe the feast of weeks, of the firstfruits of wheat harvest, and the feast of ingathering at the year's end.

23 ° Thrice in the year shall all your men-children ° appear before THE ° Lord GOD, the God of Israel.

24 For I will cast out the nations before thee, and enlarge thy borders: neither shall any man desire thy land, when thou shalt go up to ° appear before ¹the LORD thy ° God thrice in the year.

25 Thou shalt not ° offer the blood of My sacrifice with leaven; neither shall the sacrifice of the feast of the passover be left unto the morning.

w 26 The first of the firstfruits of thy land thou shalt bring unto the house of ¹the LORD thy ° God. Thou shalt not seethe a kid in his mother's milk."

E (p. 121) 27 And ¹the LORD said unto Moses, ° "Write thou these words: for after the tenor of these words I have made a covenant with thee and with Israel."

16 Abib to 26 Elul 28 And he was there with ¹the LORD forty days and forty nights; he did neither eat bread, nor drink water. And ° He ° wrote upon the ° tables the words of the covenant, the ten commandments.

Y⁶ X¹ (p. 122) 26 Elul 29 And it came to pass, when Moses ° came down from mount Sinai (with the two ° tables of testimony in Moses' hand, when he came down from the mount), that Moses ° wist not that the skin of his face ° shone ° while He talked with him.

30 And when Aaron and all the ° children of Israel saw Moses, behold, the skin of his face shone; and they were ° afraid to come nigh him.

14 is = "hē [is]". GOT = Heb. El. Ap. 4.

15 sacrifice. Heb. *zabah*. Ap. 43. I. iv.

18-26 (H², p. 121). THE COMMANDMENTS OF JEHOVAH REPEATED.
(Introversion and Alternation.)

H² M v | 18. The one Feast. No leaven.
w | 19, 20. The Firstborn. Liberality.
N | 21. The Sabbath.
M v | 22-25. The three Feasts. No leaven.
w | 26. The Firstfruits. Kindliness.

18 as. Some codices, with Sam., Onk., Jon., Sept. Syr., and Vulg., read "according as".
time = appointed time.

Abib. See note on 13. 4, and Ap. 51. III. 4.

20 redeem. Heb. *pādūh*. See note on 6. 6. and 18. 13.
appear before Me. This is an alteration (in pointing) made by the Sopherim to soften the Fig. *Anthropopatheia* (Ap. 6) of the primitive text, which was "see My face". See note on 23. 15, and compare the other passages where this change is made, viz. 34. 20, 23, 24. Deut. 16. 16; 31. 11. Ps. 11. 7; 17. 15; 42. 2. Isa. 1. 12; 38. 11. In this, therefore, there is no contradiction of 33. 26.

empty = empty-handed.

21 earing = ploughing. From A.S. *erian*, Lat. *arare*.

23 Thrice = the number of Divine perfection. (Ap. 10.)
Lord GOD, the God. Heb. the 'Adōn, *Jehovah Elohim*. Ap. 4.

24 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4.

25 offer = slay. Heb. *zābach*. Supply *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6. ii. c), "slay [and pour out]". See Ap. 43. I. iv.

27 Write thou. See note on 17. 14 and Ap. 47.

28 He = Jehovah. See v. 1. tables. See on 31. 18.

34. 29-35. 3 (Y⁶, p. 94). MOSES' SIXTH DESCENT. (Division.)

Y⁶ | X¹ | 34. 29-35. Conclusion of the ascents.
| X² | 35. 1-3. Preparation for the work.

Two episodes, concluding the ascents and descents preparatory to the other great event of this section (Ex. 15. 22-40. 38), viz. the setting up of the Tabernacle, and the command that none of the work was to be done on the Sabbath.

29 came down. Moses' sixth and last descent. Cp. 19. 3.

wist not = knew not. Cp. Moses: unconscious moral strength for testimony.

Samson: unconscious weakness for unfaithfulness (Judg. 16. 20).

Peter: unconscious deliverance for service (Acts 12. 9).
shone = radiated, or was glorious, i. e. reflected as a mirror the Divine glory, see 2 Cor. 3. 7; and cp. 1 Cor. 15. 41. Rev. 18. 1. Matt. 17. 2. Acts 6. 15.

The Vulg. mistook the Heb. word *kāran* - to radiate, for *keren*, a beam or horn of light (see Hab. 3. 4 and note on the subscription to Ps. 21). Hence the traditional paintings of Moses with two horns.

while, &c. = through his having spoken with him. This interprets 1 John 3. 2. Cp. Matt. 17. 2, and the "till" of v. 33, and the "until" of v. 35.

30 children = sons.

afraid. See Ex. 20. 18-21.

32 gave them, &c. Charged them with.

34 went in: i. e. into the tent.

31 And Moses called unto them; and Aaron and all the rulers of the congregation returned unto him: and Moses talked with them.

32 And afterward all the ° children of Israel came nigh: and he ° gave them in commandment all that ¹the LORD had spoken with him in mount Sinai.

33 And till Moses had done speaking with them, he put a vail on his face.

34 But when Moses ° went in before ¹the

1491 LORD to speak with Him, °he took the vail off, until he came out. And he came out, and spake unto the ³⁰ children of Israel *that* which he was commanded.

35 And the ³⁰ children of Israel saw the face of Moses, that the skin of Moses' face shone: and Moses put the vail upon his face °again, until he went in to speak with Him.

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35 And Moses gathered all the congregation of the ° children of Israel together, and said unto them, "These *are* the words which ° the LORD hath commanded, that ye should do them.

2 Six days shall work be done, but on the seventh day there shall be to you an holy day, a ° sabbath of rest to ° the LORD: whosoever doeth work therein shall be put to death.

3 Ye shall kindle no fire throughout your habitations upon the sabbath day."

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4 And Moses spake unto all the congregation of the ° children of Israel, saying, "This is the thing which ° the LORD ° commanded, saying,

5 'Take ye from among you ° an offering unto ° the LORD: whosoever is of a ° willing heart, let him bring it, ° an offering of ° the LORD; gold, and silver, and brass,

6 And blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine linen, and goats' hair,

7 And rams' skins dyed red, and badgers' skins, and ° shittim wood,

8 And oil for the light, and spices for anointing oil, and for the sweet incense,

9 And onyx stones, and stones to be set for the ephod, and for the breastplate.

P

10 And every ° wise hearted among you shall come, and make all that ° the LORD hath commanded;

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11 ° The tabernacle, his tent, and his covering, his taches, and his boards, his bars, his pillars, and his sockets,

12 The ark, and the staves thereof, *with* the mercy seat, and the vail of the covering,

13 The table, and his staves, and all his vessels, and the shewbread,

14 The candlestick also for the light, and his furniture, and his lamps, with the oil for the light,

15 And the incense altar, and his staves, and the anointing oil, and the sweet incense, and the hanging for the ° door at the entering in of the tabernacle,

16 The altar of burnt offering, with his brasen grate, his staves, and all his vessels, the laver and his foot,

17 The hangings of the court, his pillars, and their sockets, and the hanging for the ° door of the court,

18 The pins of the tabernacle, and the pins of the court, and their cords,

19 The cloths of service, to do service in the holy *place*, the holy garments for Aaron the priest, and the garments of his sons, to minister in the priest's office."

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20 And all the congregation of the ° chil-

he took the vail off. And, when Israel turns thus to Jehovah, He will take the vail from their heart, as Moses did from his face, 2 Cor. 3. 16. We, now, are "not as Moses", v. 13.

35 again. So 2 Cor. 3. 13. Greek = kept putting a vail on his face" (imperfect tense). They could not see "the end of the Law", which is Christ. Rom. 10. 4.

35. 1-3 Before the work commences, they are reminded of the commandment as to the six days and the seventh, even in the making of the Tabernacle. children = sons.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

2 sabbath of rest. Heb. "sabbath of sabbatizing". See note on 16. 23.

35. 4-40. 33 (V, p. 94). THE MAKING OF THE TABERNACLE (*Extended Alternation*).

V O | 35. 4-9. Free-will offerings required.

P | 35. 10. Artificers called for.

Q | 35. 11-19. The work described.

O | 35. 20-29. Free-will offerings given.

P | 35. 30-36. 7. Artificers fitted.

Q | 36. 8-40. 33. The work executed.

4 commanded. See 25. 1, &c.

5 an offering. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), emphasising the 15 (3 x 5) articles in vv. 5-9 (Ap. 10). Heb. = heave offering. See note on 29. 27, and Ap. 43. II. viii. willing heart. Note the "willing" hearted, 35. 5, 22, 29; the "wise" hearted, 35. 10, 25, 35; 36. 1, 2, 8; and the "stirred" heart, 35. 21, 26; 36. 2.

10 wise hearted. See note on v. 5.

11 Note the 42 items enumerated in vv. 11-19.

15 door = entrance (Heb. *petach*).

17 door = gate (Heb. *sha'ar*).

21 they came. Sam. and Sept. read "they brought in".

heart stirred. See note on v. 5.

spirit. Heb. *rūach*. See Ap. 9.

the LORD'S offering = the heave offering of Jehovah. See note on 29. 27, and cp. Ap. 43. II. viii.

tabernacle = tent. Heb. *'ohel*. Ap. 40.

22 men. Heb. pl. of *'ish*, or *'enōsh*. Ap. 14.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), to emphasise the number four.

man = every one.

offered an offering. Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6). Heb. *t'nūphah*, a wave offering. See note on 29. 27, and Ap. 43. II. ix.

23 man. Heb. *'ish*. See Ap. 14. ii.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), to emphasise the seven items divided into three and four. See Ap. 10. linen. Egypt noted for it. The thread was dyed before being woven.

24 offer, &c. = "heave a heave offering". See 29. 27. Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6).

dren of Israel departed from the presence of Moses.

21 And ° they came, every one whose ° heart stirred him up, and every one whom his ° spirit made willing, and they brought ° the ° LORD'S offering to the work of the ° tabernacle of the congregation, and for all His service, and for the holy garments.

22 And ° they came, both ° men and women, as many as were ° willing hearted, and brought bracelets, ° and earrings, and rings, and tablets, all jewels of gold: and every ° man that offered ° offered an offering of gold unto ° the LORD.

23 And every ° man, with whom was found blue, ° and purple, and scarlet, and fine ° linen, and goats' hair, and red skins of rams, and badgers' skins, brought them.

24 Every one that did ° offer an offering of

1491 silver and brass brought ²¹the LORD'S offering: and every ²²man, with whom was found shittim wood for any work of the service, brought it.

²⁵ And all the °women that were ¹⁰wise hearted did spin with their hands, and brought that which they had spun, *both* of blue, °and of purple, *and* of scarlet, and of fine linen.

²⁶ And all the women whose ²¹heart stirred them up in wisdom spun goats' hair.

²⁷ And the rulers brought onyx stones, and stones to be set, for the ephod, and for the breastplate;

²⁸ °And spice, and oil for the light, and for the anointing oil, and for the sweet incense.

²⁹ The ¹children of Israel brought a willing °offering unto ¹the LORD, every ²³man and woman, whose heart made them °willing to bring for all manner of work, which ¹the LORD had commanded to be made by the hand of Moses.

P R¹ a¹ (p. 124) ³⁰ And Moses said unto the ¹children of Israel, "See, ¹the LORD hath °called by name Bezaleel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah;

b¹ ³¹ And He hath filled him with the °spirit of °God, in wisdom, in understanding, and in knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship;

c¹ ³² °And to devise curious works, to work in gold, °and in silver, and in brass,

³³ And in the cutting of stones, to set *them*, and in carving of wood, to make any manner of °cunning work.

a² ³⁴ And He hath put in his heart that he may teach, *both* he, and Aholiab, the son of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan.

l² ³⁵ Them hath He filled with ¹⁰wisdom of heart, c² to °work all manner of work, of the engraver, and of the ³³cunning workman, and of the embroiderer, in blue, and in purple, °in scarlet, and in fine linen, and of the weaver, *even* of them that do any work, and of those that devise ³³cunning work."

a³ ³⁶ Then wrought Bezaleel and Aholiab, 1 Tisri °and every °wise hearted man, in whom 7th °the LORD put wisdom and understanding to month. know how to work all manner of work for the service of the sanctuary, according to all that °the LORD had commanded.

b¹ ² And Moses called Bezaleel and Aholiab, and every ¹wise hearted °man, in whose heart ¹the LORD had put wisdom, *even* every one whose °heart stirred him up to come unto the work to do it:

³ And they received of Moses all the °offering, which the °children of Israel had brought for the work of the service of the sanctuary, to make it *withal*. And they brought yet unto him °free offerings every morning.

c³ ⁴ And all the wise men, that wrought all the work of the sanctuary, came every ²man from his work which they made;

⁵ And they spake unto Moses, saying, "The People bring much more than enough for the

²⁵ women. In Egypt the women did the dyeing and spinning; the men did the weaving and embroidering. and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), to emphasise the four items.

²⁸ And. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), to emphasise the four items.

²⁹ offering. Heb. *nēdābā*. See Ap. 43. II. vii.

35. 30—36. 7 (P, p. 123). THE ARTIFICERS FITTED (*Extended Alternation, Repeated*).

P	R ¹	a ¹ 35. 30. Bezaleel called.
		b ¹ 35. 31. Bezaleel filled.
		c ¹ 35. 32, 33. His gifts.
	R ²	a ² 35. 34. Aholiab called.
		b ² 35. 35-. Aholiab filled.
		c ² 35. -35. His gifts.
	R ³	a ³ 36. 1. Bezaleel, Aholiab, and companions.
		b ¹ 36. 2. Their filling.
		c ³ 36. 3-7. Their and the people's gifts.

³⁰ called by name. Cp. 31. 2. This, in Exodus, the book of the names. See note on 1. 1.

³¹ spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

God. Heb. Elohim, the Creator. Ap. 4.

³² And to devise. This "and" is omitted in Sept. and in silver. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), to emphasise the items in vv. 32, 33.

³³ cunning work = skilful work. See note on 26. 1.

³⁵ work all. Some codices, one early printed edition, and Sam. read "work in all".

in scarlet. Some codices, Sam., Onk., one early printed edition, Jon., and Syr. read "and in scarlet".

^{36. 1} wise hearted. See note on 35. 5.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

² man. Heb. *ish* (Ap. 14. ii).

heart stirred. See note on 35. 5

³ offering = Heb. *terūmah* = heave offering. See note on 29. 27, and Ap. 43. II. viii.

free offerings. Heb. *nēdābāh*. Ap. 43. II. vii.

36. 8—40. 33 (Q, p. 123). THE WORK CARRIED OUT (*Alternation*).

Q	S	36. 8—39. 42. The Tabernacle made.
	T	39. 43. Approbation and blessing. Moses.
	S	40. 1-33. The Tabernacle set up.
	T	40. 34. Approbation and blessing. Jehovah.

36. 8—39. 42 (S, above). THE TABERNACLE MADE (*Alternation*).

S	U	36. 8—37. 28. The Tabernacle (twelve items).
	V	37. 29. Its service.
	U	38. 1-20. The Tabernacle (three items).
	V	38. 21—39. 31. Its service.

⁸⁻¹³ curtains (26. 1), fifteen in all (with the ark in the centre), divided into twelve (U) and three (U).

⁸ tabernacle. Heb. *mishkan*. See Ap. 40.

fine twined linen. See 35. 23.

service of the work, which ¹the LORD commanded to make."

⁶ And Moses gave commandment, and they caused it to be proclaimed throughout the camp, saying, "Let neither man nor woman make any more work for the ³offering of the sanctuary." So the People were restrained from bringing.

⁷ For the stuff they had was sufficient for all the work to make it, and too much.

⁸ And every ¹wise hearted man among them that wrought the work of the °tabernacle made ten °curtains of °fine twined linen, and

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blue, and purple, and scarlet: *with* cherubims of °cunning work made he them.

9 The length of one curtain *was* twenty and eight °cubits, and the breadth of one curtain four °cubits: the curtains *were* all of one size.

10 And he coupled the five curtains one unto another: and *the other* five curtains he coupled one unto another.

11 And he made loops of blue on the edge of one curtain from the selvedge in the coupling: likewise he made in the uttermost °side of *another* curtain, in the coupling of the second.

12 Fifty loops made he in one curtain, and fifty loops made he in the edge of the curtain which *was* in the coupling of the second: the loops held one *curtain* to another.

13 And he made fifty °taches of gold, and coupled the curtains one unto another with the taches: so it became one °tabernacle.

14 And he made curtains of goats' hair for the tent over the ¹³tabernacle: eleven curtains he made them.

15 The length of one curtain *was* thirty °cubits, and four °cubits *was* the breadth of one curtain: the eleven curtains *were* of one size.

16 And he coupled five curtains by themselves, and six curtains by themselves.

17 And he made fifty loops upon the uttermost edge of the curtain in the coupling, and fifty loops made he upon the edge of the curtain which coupleth the second.

18 And he made fifty ¹³taches of °brass to couple the tent together, that it might be one.

19 And he made a covering for the tent of rams' skins dyed red, and a covering of badgers' skins above *that*.

20 And he made boards for the ¹³tabernacle of shittim wood, standing up.

21 The length of a board *was* ten °cubits, and the breadth of a board one °cubit and a half.

22 One board had two tenons, equally distant one from another: thus did he make for all the boards of the ¹³tabernacle.

23 And he made boards for the ¹³tabernacle; twenty boards for the south °side southward:

24 And forty °sockets of silver he made under the twenty boards; two sockets under one board for his two tenons, and two sockets under another board for his two tenons.

25 And for the other °side of the ¹³tabernacle, *which is* toward the north corner, he made twenty boards,

26 And their forty ²⁴sockets of silver; two sockets under one board, and two sockets under another board.

27 And for the °sides of the ¹³tabernacle westward he made six boards.

28 And two boards made he for the corners of the ¹³tabernacle in the two ²⁷sides.

29 And they were coupled beneath, and coupled together °at the head thereof, to one ring: thus he did to both of them in both the corners.

30 And there were eight boards; and their

cunning work. See note on 26. 1.

9 cubits. See Ap. 51. III. 2.

11 side. Heb. *sāphāh* = edge.

13 taches. Hooks, pins, or clasps. In Eastern tents, curtains not sewn together, but pinned with wooden pins. Here made of gold.

tabernacle = habitation. Heb. *mishkān*. Ap. 40.

14 THE COVERING OF THE TENT.

18 brass. See note on 25. 3.

20-30 THE BOARDS.

23 side. Heb. *pe'āh*, quarter or part.

24 sockets of silver. See note on 27. 10.

25 side. Heb. *zēl'ā* = rib, or corresponding side.

27 sides. Heb. *yārēk* = hinder side.

29 at. Some codices, with Sam. and Onk., read "upon".

31-34 THE BARS.

32 boards of the tabernacle. Some codices, with Sam., Onk., and Jon., read "boards of the side of the tabernacle". Cp. 26. 27. 34 places = receptacles.

37, 38 THE HANGING FOR THE ENTRANCE.

37 tabernacle = tent. Heb. *'ohel*. Ap. 40.

door = entrance. Heb. *pitath*.

38 fillets = cross or connecting rods.

sockets . . . brass. See note on 27. 10.

37. 1-5 THE ARK. Occupying the central position of the fifteen here described (Ex. 25. 10).

1 ark. See note on 24. 22.

shittim = acacia.

cubit. See Ap. 51. III. 2.

2 crown = rim. See note on 25. 24.

sockets *were* sixteen ²⁴sockets of silver, under every board two sockets.

31 And he made bars of shittim wood; five for the boards of the one ²⁵side of the ¹³tabernacle,

32 And five bars for the boards of the other ²⁵side of the ¹³tabernacle, and five bars for the °boards of the ¹³tabernacle for the ²⁷sides westward.

33 And he made the middle bar to shoot through the boards from the one end to the other.

34 And he overlaid the boards with gold, and made their rings of gold *to be* °places for the bars, and overlaid the bars with gold.

35 And he made a vail of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen: *with* cherubims made he it of °cunning work.

36 And he made thereunto four pillars of shittim wood, and overlaid them with gold: their hooks *were* of gold; and he cast for them four ²⁴sockets of silver.

37 And he made an hanging for the °tabernacle °door of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen, of needlework;

38 And the five pillars of it with their hooks: and he overlaid their chapiters and their °fillets with gold: but their five °sockets *were* of °brass.

37 And Bezaleel made the °ark of °shittim wood: two °cubits and a half *was* the length of it, and a °cubit and a half the breadth of it, and a °cubit and a half the height of it:

2 And he overlaid it with pure gold within and without, and made a °crown of gold to it round about.

3 And he cast for it four rings of gold, *to be*

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set by the four corners of it; even two rings upon the one °side of it, and two rings upon the other °side of it.

4 And he made staves of shittim wood, and overlaid them with gold.

5 And he put the staves into the rings by the °sides of the °ark, to bear the ark.

6 And he made the °mercy seat of pure gold: two °cubits and a half was the length thereof, and one °cubit and a half the breadth thereof.

7 And he made two °cherubims of gold, beaten out of one piece made he them, on the two ends of the mercy seat;

8 One cherub °on the end on this side, and another cherub °on the other end on that side: out of the mercy seat made he the cherubims on the two ends thereof.

9 And the °cherubims spread out their wings on high, and covered with their wings over the °mercy seat, with their faces one to another; even to the mercy seatward were the faces of the °cherubims.

10 And he made the table of shittim wood: two °cubits was the length thereof, and a °cubit the breadth thereof, and a °cubit and a half the height thereof:

11 And he overlaid it with pure gold, and made thereunto a °crown of gold round about.

12 Also he made thereunto a border of an °handbreadth round about; and made a °crown of gold for the border thereof round about.

13 And he cast for it four rings of gold, and put the rings upon the four corners that were in the four feet thereof.

14 Over against the border were the rings, the °places for the staves to bear the table.

15 And he made the staves of shittim wood, and overlaid them with gold, to bear the table.

16 And he made the vessels which were upon the table, his dishes, and his °spoons, and his bowls, and his °covers °to cover withal, of pure gold.

17 And he made the candlestick of pure gold: of beaten work made he the candlestick; his shaft, and his branch, his bowls, his knops, and his flowers, were of the same:

18 And six branches going out of the °sides thereof; three branches of the candlestick out of the one °side thereof, and three branches of the candlestick out of the other °side thereof:

19 Three bowls made after the fashion of almonds in one branch, a °knop and a flower; and three bowls made like almonds in another branch, a °knop and a flower: so throughout the six branches going out of the candlestick.

20 And in the candlestick were four bowls made like almonds, his knops, and his flowers:

21 And a °knop under two branches of the same, and a knop under two branches of the same, and a knop under two branches of the same, according to the six branches going out of it.

22 Their °knops and their branches were

3 side. Heb. *zēl'ā* = rib, one of two corresponding sides.

6-9 THE MERCY SEAT AND CHERUBIMS.

6 mercy seat = propitiatory. See note on 25. 17

7 cherubims. See note on 25. 18, and Ap. 41.

8 on = out of.

10-15 THE TABLE.

12 handbreadth. See Ap. 51. III. 2.

14 places = receptacles.

16 THE VESSELS OF THE TABLE.

16 spoons = pans.

covers = bowls.

to cover = to pour.

17-24 THE LAMPSTAND.

18 side = Heb. *tzād*.

19 knop = knob.

23 snuffers. These were provided, but no extinguisher.

24 talent. See Ap. 51. II. vi.

25-29 THE ALTAR OF INCENSE (see 30. 1).

26 sides. Heb. *kīr* = walls.

27 sides = opposite sides. Heb. *'eber*.

29 (V, p. 124). THE SERVICE OF THE TABERNACLE. (The oil and the incense, see 30. 35.)

38. 1-7 (U, p. 124). THE ALTAR OF BURNT OFFERING. (Cp. chapter 27. 1.)

1 cubits. See Ap. 51. III. 2.

2 brass. See note on 25. 3.

of the same: all of it was one beaten work of pure gold.

23 And he made his seven lamps, and his °snuffers, and his snuffdishes, of pure gold.

24 Of a °talent of pure gold made he it, and all the vessels thereof.

25 And he made the incense altar of shittim wood: the length of it was a °cubit, and the breadth of it a °cubit; it was foursquare; and two °cubits was the height of it; the horns thereof were of the same.

26 And he overlaid it with pure gold, both the top of it, and the °sides thereof round about, and the horns of it: also he made unto it a °crown of gold round about.

27 And he made two rings of gold for it under the crown thereof, by the two corners of it, upon the two °sides thereof, to be places for the staves to bear it withal.

28 And he made the staves of shittim wood, and overlaid them with gold.

29 And he made the holy anointing oil, and the pure incense of sweet spices, according to the work of the apothecary.

38 And he made the altar of burnt offering of shittim wood: five °cubits was the length thereof, and five °cubits the breadth thereof; it was foursquare; and three °cubits the height thereof.

2 And he made the horns thereof on the four corners of it; the horns thereof were of the same: and he overlaid it with °brass.

3 And he made all the vessels of the altar, the pots, and the shovels, and the basons, and the fleshhooks, and the firepans: all the vessels thereof made he of brass.

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4 And he made for the altar a brasen grate of network under the compass thereof beneath unto the midst of it.

5 And he cast four rings for the four ends of the grate of ²brass, to be places for the staves.

6 And he made the staves of shittim wood, and overlaid them with ²brass.

7 And he put the staves into the rings on the ^osides of the altar, to bear it withal; he made the altar hollow with boards.

8 And he made the laver of brass, and the foot of it of brass, of the ^olookingglasses of the women ^oassembling, which assembled at the ^odoor of the ^otabernacle of the congregation.

9 And he made the court: on the south ^oside southward the hangings of the court were of fine twined linen, an hundred ¹cubits:

10 Their pillars were twenty, and their brasen ^osockets twenty; the hooks of the pillars and their ^ofillets were of silver.

11 And for the north ^oside the hangings were an hundred ¹cubits, their pillars were twenty, and their sockets of ^obrass twenty; the hooks of the pillars and their ¹⁰fillets of silver.

12 And for the west ^oside were hangings of fifty ¹cubits, their pillars ten, and their sockets ten; the hooks of the pillars and their ¹⁰fillets of silver.

13 And for the east ^oside eastward fifty ¹cubits.

14 The hangings of the one ^oside of the gate were fifteen ¹cubits; their pillars three, and their sockets three.

15 And for the other ¹⁴side of the court gate, on this hand and that hand, were hangings of fifteen ¹cubits; their pillars three, and their sockets three.

16 All the hangings of the court round about were of ^ofine twined linen.

17 And the sockets for the pillars were of ¹⁰brass; the hooks of the pillars and their ¹⁰fillets of silver; and the overlaying of their chapters of silver; and all the pillars of the court were filleted with silver.

18 And the hanging for the gate of the court was needlework, of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen: and twenty ¹cubits was the length, and the height in the breadth was five ¹cubits, answerable to the hangings of the court.

19 And their pillars were four, and their ¹⁰sockets of brass four; their hooks of silver, and the overlaying of their chapters and their ¹⁰fillets of silver.

20 And all the pins of the ^otabernacle, and of the court round about, were of ¹¹brass.

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21 This is the sum of the ²⁰tabernacle, even of the ²⁰tabernacle of testimony, as it was ^ocounted, according to the commandment of Moses, for the service of the Levites, by the hand of Ithamar, son to Aaron the priest.

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22 And ^oBezaleel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah, made all that ^othe LORD commanded Moses.

23 And with him was Aholiab, son of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan, an engraver, and a ^ocunning workman, and an embroiderer

7 sides. Heb *zēl'ā* = rib, or side of the altar.

8 THE LAVER. (Ex. 30. 18.)

8 lookingglasses = mirrors of polished metal. Cp. 2 Cor. 3. 18.

assembling = doing service, or worshipping according to Egyptian practice. By using these for the laver this practice was abolished. Cp. Num. 4. 23 (same word), and see Luke 2. 37.

door = entrance. tabernacle = tent. Heb. *'ohel*. See Ap. 40.

9-20 THE HANGINGS OF THE COURT.

9 side. Heb. *pē'āh*, region, or quarter.

10 sockets. See note on 27. 10.

fillets = connecting rods.

11 brass. See note on 25. 3.

14 side = shoulder. Heb. *kātheph*.

16 fine twined linen. See note on 35. 23.

20 tabernacle. Heb. *mishkān*. See Ap. 40.

38. 21-39. 31 (V, p. 124). THE SERVICE OF THE TABERNACLE (Alternation).

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e | 38. 22, 23. Artificers.

d | 38. 24-31. Computation.

e | 39. 1-31. Garments.

21 counted = accounted.

22 Bezaleel. Cp. 31. 2 and 35. 30-36. 7.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4.

23 cunning workman. See note on 26. 1.

24 offering = wave offering. Heb. *'nuphah*. See 29. 27, and Ap. 43. II. ix.

talents. See Ap. 51. II. vi.

shekel. See Ap. 51. II. v.

25 them that were numbered. The sanctuary was thus made (in part) out of the redemption money.

26 bekah. See Ap. 51. II. i. man = poll.

27 hundred. See Ap. 10.

28 chapters = capitals.

and filleted them = and united them with connecting rods.

30 door = entrance.

in blue, and in purple, and in scarlet, and fine linen.

24 All the gold that was occupied for the work in all the work of the holy place, even the gold of the ^ooffering, was twenty and nine ^otalents, and seven hundred and thirty ^oshekels, after the ^oshekel of the sanctuary.

25 And the silver of ^othem that were numbered of the congregation was an hundred ²⁴talents, and a thousand seven hundred and threescore and fifteen ²⁴shekels, after the ²⁴shekel of the sanctuary:

26 A ^obekah for every ^oman, that is, half a ²⁴shekel, after the ²⁴shekel of the sanctuary, for every one that went to be numbered, from twenty years old and upward, for six hundred thousand and three thousand and five hundred and fifty men.

27 And of the hundred ²⁴talents of silver were cast the sockets of the sanctuary, and the sockets of the vail; an ^ohundred sockets of the hundred ²⁴talents, a ²⁴talent for a socket.

28 And of the thousand seven hundred seventy and five *shekels* he made hooks for the pillars, and overlaid their ^ochapters, ^oand filleted them.

29 And the ²brass of the ²⁴offering was seventy ²⁴talents, and two thousand and four hundred ²⁴shekels.

30 And therewith he made the sockets to the ^odoor of the ^otabernacle of the congregation,

1491 and the brasen altar, and the brasen grate for
1st it, and all the vessels of the altar,
Eth. 31 And the sockets of the court round about,
to 1st and the sockets of the court gate, and all the
Abib. pins of the ²⁰tabernacle, and all the pins of
the court round about.

^e (p. 127) **39** And of the blue, and purple, and scar-
let, they made cloths of service, to do
service in the °holy place, and made the holy
garments for Aaron; °as °the LORD com-
manded Moses.

2 And he made the °ephod of gold, blue,
and purple, and scarlet, and °fine twined linen.

3 And they did beat the gold into thin plates,
and cut it into °wires, to work it in the blue,
and in the purple, and in the scarlet, and in
the fine linen, with °cunning work.

4 They made shoulderpieces for it, to couple
it together: by the two edges was it coupled
together.

5 And the curious °girdle of his ephod, that
was upon it, °was of the same, according to
the work thereof; of gold, blue, and purple,
and scarlet, and fine twined linen; °as °the
LORD commanded Moses.

6 And they wrought onyx stones inclosed in
ouches of gold, graven, as signets are graven,
with the names of the °children of Israel.

7 And he put them on the shoulders of the
ephod, that they should be stones for a memo-
rial to the °children of Israel; °as °the LORD
commanded Moses.

8 And he made the °breastplate of °cunning
work, like the work of the ephod; of gold,
blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined
linen.

9 It was foursquare; they made the breast-
plate double: a °span was the length thereof,
and a °span the breadth thereof, being doubled.

10 And they set in it four rows of stones:
the first row was a sardius, a topaz, and a
carbuncle: this was the first row.

11 And the second row, an emerald, a
sapphire, and a diamond.

12 And the third row, a ligure, an agate, and
an amethyst.

13 And the fourth row, a beryl, an onyx,
and a jasper: they were inclosed in ouches
of gold in their inclosings.

14 And the stones were according to the
names of the °children of Israel, twelve, accord-
ing to their names, like the engravings of a
signet, every °one with his name, according
to the °twelve tribes.

15 And they made upon the breastplate
°chains at the ends, of wreathen work of pure
gold.

16 And they made two ouches of gold, and
two gold rings; and put the two rings in the
two ends of the breastplate.

17 And they put the two wreathen chains
of gold in the two rings on the ends of the
breastplate.

18 And the two ends of the two wreathen
chains they fastened in the two ouches, and
put them on the shoulderpieces of the ephod,
before it.

19 And they made two rings of gold, and put
them on the two ends of the breastplate, upon

39. 1 holy. See note on 3. 5.

as=according as. Note this in each of the seven-
fold repetition of the words "as the LORD com-
manded Moses" in this record of the completion of the
work: and again in the work of the setting up of the
tabernacle, ch. 40. Thus in 39. 1, 5, 7, 21, 26, 29, and 31;
and in 40. 19, 21, 23, 25, 27, 29, and 32, the former is
followed by the blessing of Moses, and the latter by
the blessing of Jehovah. See the Structure "Q", p. 124.
the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

2 ephod. See note on 28. 6.

fine twined linen. See note on 35. 23.

3 wires=threads, or cords. cunning=skilful.

5 girdle. See note on 28. 8. was="it [was]".

6 children=sons.

8 breastplate. See 28. 15-21. Always used of the
Aaronic breastplate except Lev. 8. 8.

cunning work=work of a skilful deviser. See note
on 26. 1.

9 span. Ap. 51. III. ii.

14 one=Heb. 'ish, man. See Ap. 14.

twelve tribes. The names according to the tribes.
On the shoulders according to their births. See Ap. 45.

15 chains. See 28. 22-30.

20 sides. Heb. kâtheph=shoulders.

21 as, &c. See note on v. 1.

22 robe. See 28. 31-35.

23 habergeon=coat of mail. From O. French
haubere=neck defence.

24 pomegranates. See note on Num. 13. 23.

twined. Some codices, with Sam., Sept., and Syr.,
read "fine twined linen".

27 coats. See 28. 39-43.

28 mitre=turban.
goodly bonnets=ornamental tiaras or turban orna-
ments. See Isa. 61. 10 and Ezek. 24. 17.

the border of it, which was on the side of the
ephod inward.

20 And they made two other golden rings,
and put them on the two °sides of the ephod
underneath, toward the forepart of it, over
against the other coupling thereof, above the
curious girdle of the ephod.

21 And they did bind the breastplate by his
rings unto the rings of the ephod with a lace
of blue, that it might be above the curious
girdle of the ephod, and that the breastplate
might not be loosed from the ephod; °as °the
LORD commanded Moses.

22 And he made the °robe of the ephod of
woven work, all of blue.

23 And there was an hole in the midst
of the robe, as the hole of an °habergeon,
with a band round about the hole, that it
should not rend.

24 And they made upon the hems of the
robe °pomegranates of blue, and purple, and
scarlet, and °twined linen.

25 And they made bells of pure gold, and
put the bells between the °pomegranates up-
on the hem of the robe, round about between
the pomegranates;

26 A bell and a °pomegranate, a bell and
a pomegranate, round about the hem of the
robe to minister in; °as °the LORD command-
ed Moses.

27 And they made °coats of fine linen of
woven work for Aaron, and for his sons,

28 And a °mitre of fine linen, and °goodly
bonnets of fine linen, and linen breeches of
fine twined linen,

29 And a girdle of fine twined linen, and

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blue, and purple, and scarlet, of needlework; ¹as ¹the LORD commanded Moses.

30 And they made the plate of the holy crown of pure gold, and ^owrote upon it a writing, like to the engravings of a signet, ^oHOLINESS TO ¹THE LORD.

31 And they tied unto it a lace of blue, to fasten it on high upon the ⁸mitre; ¹as ¹the LORD commanded Moses.

32 Thus was all the work of the ^otabernacle of the tent of the congregation finished: ^oand the ⁶children of Israel did according to all that ¹the LORD commanded Moses, so did they.

33 ^oAnd they brought the ³²tabernacle unto Moses, the tent, and all his furniture, his ^otaches, his boards, his bars, and his pillars, and his sockets,

34 And the covering of rams' skins dyed red, and the covering of badgers' skins, and the veil of the covering,

35 ^oThe ark of the testimony, and the staves thereof, and the ^omercy seat,

36 ^oThe table, ^oand all the vessels thereof, and the shewbread,

37 ^oThe pure candlestick, ^owith the lamps thereof, even with the lamps to be set in order, and all the vessels thereof, and the oil for light,

38 And the golden altar, and the anointing oil, and the sweet incense, and the hanging for the ^otabernacle ^odoor,

39 ^oThe brasen altar, and his grate of ^obrass, ^ohis staves, and all his vessels, the laver and his foot,

40 ^oThe hangings of the court, ^ohis pillars, and his sockets, and the hanging for the court gate, ^ohis cords, and his pins, and all the ^ovessels of the service of the ³²tabernacle, for the tent of the congregation,

41 ^oThe cloths of service to do service in the holy place, and the holy garments for Aaron the priest, and his sons' garments, to minister in the priest's office.

42 According to all that ¹the LORD commanded Moses, so the ⁶children of Israel made all the work.

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43 And Moses did look upon all the work, and, behold, they had done it ¹as ¹the LORD had commanded, even so had they done it: and Moses blessed them.

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40 And ^othe LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 "On ^othe first day of the ^ofirst month

g shalt thou set up the ^otabernacle of the ^otent of the congregation.

h 3 And thou shalt put therein the ^oark of the testimony, and ^ocover the ^oark with the veil.

4 And thou shalt bring in the table, and ^oset in order the things that are to be set in order upon it; and thou shalt bring in the candlestick, and ^olight the lamps thereof.

5 And thou shalt set the altar of gold for the incense before the ark of the testimony, and put the hanging of the ^odoor to the ²tabernacle.

6 And thou shalt set the altar of the burnt

30 wrote. See note on 17. 14.

HOLINESS, &c. See on 28. 36-38.

32 tabernacle. Heb. *mishkān*, habitation (Ap. 40). and the children of Israel did, &c. Read "thus did the children of Israel, according", &c.

33 And. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in vv. 33-41 emphasising each separate detail, and impressing the fact that nothing was omitted. Thirty-six "ands" in nine verses.

taches = hooks, clasps, or pins, 36. 13.

35 The ark. Some codices, with Sam., Onk., Jon., and Syr., read "And the ark".

mercy seat. See note on 25. 17.

36 The table. Some codices, with Onk., read "And the table".

and. Some codices, with Sam., Onk., and Syr., read "and all".

37 The pure. Some codices, with Jon. and Syr., read "And the pure".

with. Some codices, with Sam., Onk., Jon., and Syr., read "and the lamps".

38 tabernacle. Heb. *'ohel*, tent. Ap. 40. door = entrance.

39 The. Some codices, with Jon. and Syr., read "And the".

brass. See note on 25. 3.

his. Some codices, with Onk. and Syr., read "and his".

40 The. Some codices, with Sam., Onk., Jon., Syr., and Vulg., read "And the".

his. Some codices, with Sam., Onk., Jon., Syr., and Vulg., read "and his".

vessels = utensils, or furniture.

41 The. Some codices, with Sam., Onk., and Syr., read "And the".

40. 1-33 (S, p. 124). THE TABERNACLE SET UP (*Extended Alternation*).

S f | 1, 2-. The date.

g | -2. The Tabernacle set up.

h | 3-8. The placing of the furniture.

i | 9-16. Consecration.

f | 17-. The date.

g | -17-19. The Tabernacle set up.

h | 20-33-. The placing of the furniture.

i | -33. Completion.

1 the LORD (Heb. *Jehovah*) spake. See note on 6. 10, and cp. note on 3. 7.

2 the first day of the first month. Six events in Scripture on this day. See note on Gen. 8. 13.

first month. On the fourteenth day the first Pass-over was kept (Num. 9. 1-3). On the *first* day of the *second* month they were numbered (Num. 1. 1, 2): (50 days between Ex. 40. 17 and Num. 10. 11). In the interval comes the book of Leviticus, and Num. chaps. 1. 1-10. 10. On the twentieth day of the second month the Tabernacle was taken down, and the journey began from Sinai to Canaan (Num. 10. 11). See Ap. 50. vii. 3.

tabernacle. - habitation. Heb. *mishkān*, Ap. 40. tent. Heb. *'ohel*. Ap. 40.

3 ark. See note on Ex. 25. 22.

cover = screen.

ark. Some codices, with Sam. and Jon., read "ark and the mercy seat".

4 set in order: i. e. in two piles, six loaves in each pile, answering to the stones on the shoulders of the High Priest. There was a golden dish at the bottom of each, and another reversed on the top, with a golden bowl of frankincense on the top. Cp. 25. 23-30.

light = set up, or mount.

5 door = entrance.

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7 And thou shalt set the laver between the ²tent of the congregation and the altar, and shalt put water therein.

8 And thou shalt set up the court round about, and hang up the hanging at the court gate.

i (p. 129) 9 And thou shalt take the anointing oil, and ^oanoint the ²tabernacle, and all that *is* therein, and shalt ^ohallow it, and all the ^ovessels thereof: and it shall be ^oholy.

10 And thou shalt anoint the altar of the burnt offering, and all his vessels, and sanctify the altar: and it shall be an altar ^omost holy.

11 And thou shalt anoint the laver and his ^ofoot, and sanctify it.

12 And thou shalt bring Aaron and his sons unto the ⁵door of the ^otabernacle of the congregation, and ^owash them ^owith water.

13 And thou shalt put upon Aaron the holy garments, and ^oanoint him, and sanctify him; that he may minister unto Me in the priest's office.

14 And thou shalt bring his sons, and ^oclothe them with coats:

15 And thou shalt anoint them, ^oas thou didst anoint their father, that they may minister unto Me in the priest's office: for their anointing shall surely be an everlasting priesthood throughout their generations."

16 Thus did Moses: according to all that ¹the LORD commanded him, so did he.

J 17 And it came to pass in the ²first month of the second year, on the first *day* of the month, *that* the ²tabernacle was reared up.

g 18 And Moses reared up the ²tabernacle, and fastened his sockets, and set up the boards thereof, and put in the bars thereof, and reared up his pillars.

19 And he spread abroad the tent over the ²tabernacle, and put the covering of the tent above upon it; ^oas ¹the LORD commanded Moses.

h 20 And he took and put the testimony into the ark, and set the staves on the ark, and put the ^omercy seat above upon the ark:

21 And he brought the ark into the ²tabernacle, and set up the vail of the covering, and covered the ark of the testimony; ¹⁹as ¹the LORD commanded Moses.

22 And he put the table in the tent of the congregation, upon the ^oside of the ²tabernacle northward, without the vail.

23 And he set the bread in order upon it before ¹the LORD; ¹⁹as ¹the LORD had commanded Moses.

24 And he put the candlestick in the ²tent of the congregation, over against the table, on the ²²side of the ²tabernacle southward.

25 And he lighted the lamps before ¹the LORD; ¹⁹as ¹the LORD commanded Moses.

26 And he put the golden altar in the tent of the congregation before the vail:

27 And he burnt sweet incense thereon; ¹⁹as ¹the LORD commanded Moses.

28 And he set up the hanging *at* the ⁵door of the ²tabernacle.

⁹ anoint. Cp. 30. 22-29.

hallow . . . holy. See note on "holy", 3. 5. vessels=furniture.

¹⁰ most holy. Heb. holiness of holinesses. Fig. *Polypytōton* (Ap. 6) for emphasis.

¹¹ foot = base.

¹² tabernacle = tent. Heb. *'ohel* (Ap. 40).

wash = bathe. Cp. 29. 1-4.

with, or in.

¹³ anoint him. Cp. 29. 5-7.

¹⁴ clothe. Cp. 29. 8, 9.

¹⁵ as = according as.

¹⁹ as = according as. See note on 39. 1, and note the seven occurrences of the expression "as Jehovah commanded Moses" in this chapter as in chapter 39.

²⁰ mercy seat. See note on 25. 17.

²² side. Heb. *yārēk* = the opposite side.

²⁹ burnt offering. Heb. *'olah*. See Ap. 43. II. ii.

³¹ washed. The ceremonial cleansings or "baptisms" (Heb. 6. 2), always performed by the persons themselves.

³³ the work. Some codices, with Sam., Sept., and Vulg., read "all the work".

34, 35 THE APPROBATION AND BLESSING OF JEHOVAH.

Corresponding with that of Moses in 39. 43.

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³⁶ when the cloud, &c. This continued till Moses' death, when the ark (which till then was carried in the midst of the host) took its place and went "before them". See Josh. 3. 3-6, 11.

children = sons.

journeys = journeyings. Lit. settings forward.

³⁸ on it: i.e. in the cloud.

house of Israel. See note on 16. 31.

29 And he put the altar of ^oburnt offering by the ⁵door of the ²tabernacle of the tent of the congregation, and offered upon it the ^oburnt offering and the meat offering; ¹⁹as ¹the LORD commanded Moses.

30 And he set the laver between the tent of the congregation and the altar, and put water there, to wash *withal*.

31 And Moses and Aaron and his sons ^owashed their hands and their feet thereat:

32 When they went into the tent of the congregation, and when they came near unto the altar, they washed; ¹⁹as ¹the LORD commanded Moses.

33 And he reared up the court round about the ²tabernacle and the altar, and set up the hanging of the court gate.

So Moses finished ^othe work.

34 Then a cloud covered the tent of the congregation, and the glory of ¹the LORD filled the tabernacle.

35 And Moses was not able to enter into the tent of the congregation, because the cloud abode thereon, and the glory of ¹the LORD filled the ²tabernacle.

36 And ^owhen the cloud was taken up from over the ²tabernacle, the ^ochildren of Israel went onward in all their ^ojourneys:

37 But if the cloud were not taken up, then they journeyed not till the day that it was taken up.

38 For the cloud of ¹the LORD *was* upon the tabernacle by day, and fire was ^oon it by night, in the sight of all the ^ohouse of Israel, throughout all their ³⁶journeys.

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LEVITICUS.

THE STRUCTURE OF THE BOOK AS A WHOLE.

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THE THIRD BOOK OF ° MOSES,

CALLED

° LEVITICUS.

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1 ° AND ° the LORD ° called unto Moses, and ° spake unto him ° out of the ° tabernacle of the congregation, saying,

2 "Speak unto the ° children of Israel, and ° say unto them, 'If any ° man of you bring an ° offering unto ° the LORD, ye shall bring your ° offering of the cattle, *even* of the herd, and of the flock.

E 3 If his offering be a ° burnt sacrifice of the herd, let him offer a ° male ° without blemish: he shall offer it of ° his own voluntary will at the door of the ° tabernacle of the congregation before ° the LORD.

4 ° And he shall ° put his hand upon the head of the burnt offering; and it shall be accepted for him to ° make atonement for him.

5 And ° he shall kill the bullock before ° the LORD: and ° the priests, Aaron's sons, shall bring the blood, and ° sprinkle the blood round about upon the altar that is by the ° door of the ° tabernacle of the congregation.

6 And ° he shall ° flay the burnt offering, and ° cut it into his pieces.

7 And the sons of Aaron the ° priest shall put fire upon the altar, and lay the ° wood in order upon the fire:

TITLE, Moses. See Ap. 2.

Leviticus. From the Sept. and Vulg., because thought to be pertaining to the Levites.

The Heb. name = *vayyikra*, being the first word = "And He called".

Leviticus, therefore, is the Book relating to worship: for only those whom God thus *calls* does He seek to worship Him. John 4. 23, and cp. Ps. 65. 4: "Blessed is the man whom Thou *choosest*, and causest to approach unto Thee, that he may dwell in Thy courts."

All its types relate to *worship*, as those of Exodus relate to Redemption.

The Holy Spirit is not once named, though referred to in all the other books of the Pentateuch, because all here relates to Christ; and it is the Spirit's work to glorify Christ (John 16. 14).

The whole of Lev., and Num. 1-10. 10, come between the first day of the first month and the twentieth day of the second month (cp. Num. 10. 11), on the hypothesis that Israel would forthwith advance and enter the land.

1. 1-7. 38 (A¹, p. 131). THE OFFERINGS AND THEIR LAWS.

(Introversion and Extended Alternation.)

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1 AND. This connects Lev. very closely with Ex., as Ex. is linked with Genesis.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah, Whose glory filled the tabernacle, Ex. 40. 35.

No other book contains so many words of Jehovah: "Jehovah spake", thirty-six times (see note on 5. 14); "I am Jehovah", twenty-one times; "I am Jehovah your God", twenty-one times; "I (Jehovah) am", three times; "I, Jehovah, do", twice.

called. The last letter of this word (in Heb.) is minuscular, i. e. smaller than the others. This calling is in contrast with the thunders from Sinai. **spake.** See note on 5. 14.

out of the tabernacle of the congregation. Heb. out of the tent of assembly: Heb. *'ohel*. See Ap. 40, not *mišškān*, therefore before 1491. There are four such calls: (1) from the burning bush (Ex. 3. 4); (2) and (3) from Sinai (Ex. 19. 3, 20); and here. **2 children** = sons. **say.** Cp. note on Jer. 7. 22, 23.

man. Heb. *'ādām* (Ap. 14), i. e. a descendant of Adam, not the priests. **offering.** Heb. *qorbān*, admittance, entrance, or access offering. See Ap. 43. II. i. All the offerings were what God had first given to man; only such can be accepted by Him.

3-17 (E, p. 134). THE BURNT OFFERING.

3 Jehovah begins with the burnt offering and ends with the sin offering: we, in our approach, begin with the sin offering and end with the burnt offering. **burnt sacrifice.** Heb. *'olāh*. See Ap. 43. II. ii. **male.** A female permitted in some other offerings, but not here, because of the type. Christ not the sinbearer here, as in ch. 4. **without blemish.** Heb. *tamim*, said of all sacrifices, and the same of Noah, Gen. 6. 9. **his own voluntary will.** Not the same as a freewill offering. This not a freewill offering. Heb. here - "to be accepted for him", i. e. in his stead. Cp. v. 4. Cp. Ex. 28. 38. Lev. 19. 5; 22. 19, 20, 29; 23. 11. There was a double transfer: the unworthiness of the offerer was transferred to the victim; and the acceptableness of the offering was transferred to the offerer. This is confined to the burnt offerings and peace offerings; never with the sin offerings. **4 And.** Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in vv. 4-9. **put.** Heb. lean, place, or press. It could not be done by proxy. This was all that the sinner could do. It was for God to accept. **make atonement.** Heb. *kāphar*, to cover the sinner and his sin, so that neither is seen. See note on Ex. 29. 33. No such thing as progress in justification. **5 he.** The sacrificer himself killed: the priest received the blood. **the priests, Aaron's sons.** Heb. = the sons of Aaron, the priests. Occurs seven times: Lev. 1. 5, 8, 11; 2. 2; 3. 2. Num. 10. 8. Josh. 21. 19. **sprinkle** = dash. Heb. throw or jerk. **door** = entrance. **6 flay** = have it flayed. Skin not offered with burnt offering, only with the sin offering. **cut it . . . pieces.** To show that all was without blemish. **7 priest.** Some codices, with Sam., Onk., Sept., and Syr., read plural, "priests". **wood** = logs. No other fuel might be used.

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8 And ⁵the priests, Aaron's sons, shall lay the parts, the head, and the fat, ^oin order upon the wood that *is* on the fire which *is* upon the altar:

9 But his inwards and his legs shall ^ohe ^owash in water: and the priest shall ^oburn all on the altar, *to be* a ³burnt sacrifice, an ^ooffering made by fire, of a ^osweet savour unto ¹the LORD.

10 And if his ²offering *be* of the flocks, *namely*, of the sheep, or of the goats, for a ³burnt sacrifice; he shall bring it a male without blemish.

11 And ⁵he shall kill it on the side of the altar northward before ¹the LORD: and ⁵the priests, Aaron's sons, shall ⁵sprinkle his blood round about upon the altar.

12 And ⁵he shall ⁶cut it into his pieces, with his head and his fat: and the priest shall lay them in order on the wood that *is* on the fire which *is* upon the altar:

13 But ⁵he shall ⁹wash the inwards and the legs with water: and the priest shall bring *it* all, and ⁹burn *it* upon the altar: *it is* a ³burnt sacrifice, an ^ooffering made by fire, of a ^osweet savour unto ¹the LORD.

14 And if the ³burnt sacrifice for his offering to ¹the LORD *be* of fowls, then he shall bring his ²offering of turtledoves, or of young pigeons.

15 And ^othe priest shall bring it unto the altar, and wring off his head, and burn *it* on the altar; and the blood thereof shall be wrung out at the side of the altar:

16 And he shall pluck away his crop with his ^ofeathers, and cast it beside the altar on the east part, by the place of the ashes:

17 And he shall cleave it with the wings thereof, *but* shall not divide *it* asunder: and the priest shall ⁹burn it upon the altar, upon the wood that *is* upon the fire: *it is* a ³burnt sacrifice, an ^ooffering made by fire, of a ^osweet savour unto ¹the LORD.

F (p. 134) 2 And when ^oany will ^ooffer ^oa ^omeat offering unto ^othe LORD, ^ohis offering shall *be of* ^ofine flour; and he shall pour ^ooil upon it, and put ^ofrankincense thereon:

2 And he shall bring it to ^oAaron's sons the priests: and he shall take thereout his handful of the flour thereof, and of the oil thereof, with all the frankincense thereof; and the priest shall ^oburn the ^omemorial of it upon the altar, *to be* an ^ooffering made by fire, of a ^osweet savour unto ¹the LORD:

3 And the remnant of the ¹meat offering shall *be* Aaron's and his sons': *it is* a thing ^omost holy of the ²offerings of ¹the LORD made by fire.

4 And if thou bring an ^ooblation of a ¹meat offering ^obaken in the oven, *it shall be* unleavened cakes of ¹fine flour mingled with oil, or unleavened wafers anointed with oil.

5 And if thy ⁴oblation *be* a ¹meat offering *baken* in a ^opan, it shall *be of* ¹fine flour unleavened, mingled with oil.

6 Thou shalt part it in pieces, and pour oil thereon: *it is* a ¹meat offering.

7 And if thy ⁴oblation *be* a ¹meat offering

1. 1-7. 38 (A¹, p. 131). THE OFFERINGS AND THEIR LAWS.

(Introversion and Extended Alternation.)

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8 in order. Because with the future Antitype all was to be in order.

9 he. Sam., Sept., and Vulg. read "they". wash. To render the sacrifice like the Antitype. Cp. Eph. 5. 26, all in order of God's word.

burn. Heb. *kātar*. See Ap. 43. I. vii. offering. Heb. *'ishsheh*. Ap. 43. II. xi. sweet savour=a savour of satisfaction. Cp. Gen. 8. 21.

15 the priest. To make up for the humble offering, the priest did this instead of the offerer.

16 feathers, or filth.

2. 1-16 (F). THE MEAL OFFERING.

1 any=soul. Heb. *nephesh*, as in 4. 2. See Ap. 13.

offer. Heb. *kārab*. See Ap. 43. I. i.

a =an approach offering of. Heb. *qorbān*. See Ap. 43. II. i.

meat offering. Better, "an oblation of a meal offering". Heb. *minchah*. See Ap. 43. II. iii.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

his offering. Heb. his *qorbān*. See Ap. 43. II. i.

fine flour. Not merely ground, but perfect and ready, no unevenness. So with the life of the Antitype, "the Man Christ Jesus". Flour is to the wheat what blood is to the body; and *pneuma* is to the resurrection body.

oil. Flour mixed with oil, and then oil poured on it. So Christ's life permeated and actuated by the Holy Spirit.

frankincense. This ascended to God as a sweet savour.

2 Aaron's sons. See on 1. 5.

burn. Heb. *kātar*. See Ap. 43. I. vii.

memorial: i. e. to remind. Cp. Ps. 20. 3. Acts 10. 4.

offering. Heb. *'ishsheh*. Ap. 43. II. xi.

sweet savour. See note on 1. 9.

3 most holy. Two classes of seven holy things: three holy, four most holy. (1) Holy=thank offerings, 23. 20. Num. 6. 20. Firstborn, Num. 18. 17. Firstfruits, 2. 12. (2) The most holy=The incense, Ex. 30. 36. Shewbread, 24. 9. Sin and trespass offering, 6. 25-29; 7. 1, 6; 14. 13, &c. And the Meal offering, here.

4 oblation=present. Heb. *qorbān*. See Ap. 43. II. i. The only word rendered oblation, except Isa. 40. 20. Ezek. 44. 30; 45. 1, 6, 7, 13, 16; 48. 9, 10, 12, 18, 20, 21, where it is Heb. *'erūmah* (heave offering). See Ap. 43. II. viii. and Dan. 2. 46; 9. 21, 27, where it is Heb. *minchah*. Ap. 43. II. iii.

baken. Type of the sufferings and trials of the Antitype, "tried as by fire".

5 pan=a flat plate or griddle. Cp. Ezek. 4. 3.

baken in the fryingpan, it shall be made of ¹fine flour with oil.

8 And thou shalt bring the ¹meat offering that is made of these things unto ¹the LORD: and when it is presented unto the priest, he shall bring it unto the altar.

9 And the priest shall take from the ¹meat

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offering a memorial thereof, and shall ² burn it upon the altar: *it is* an ² offering made by fire, of a ² sweet savour unto ¹ the LORD.

10 And that which is left of the ¹ meat offering shall be Aaron's and his sons': *it is* a thing most holy of the ² offerings of ¹ the LORD made by fire.

11 No meat offering, which ye shall bring unto ¹ the LORD, shall be made with ⁰ leaven: for ye shall burn no leaven, nor any ⁰ honey, in any ² offering of ¹ the LORD made by fire.

12 As for the ⁴ oblation of the firstfruits, ye shall ¹ offer them unto ¹ the LORD: but they shall not be ⁰ burnt on the altar for a sweet savour.

13 And every ⁴ oblation of thy ¹ meat offering shalt thou season with ⁰ salt; neither shalt thou suffer the ⁰ salt of the covenant of thy ⁰ God to be lacking from thy ¹ meat offering: with all thine ⁰ offerings thou shalt ¹ offer salt.

14 And if thou ¹ offer a ¹ meat offering of thy firstfruits unto ¹ the LORD, thou shalt offer for the ¹ meat offering of thy firstfruits green ears of corn dried by the fire, *even* corn ⁰ beaten out of full ears.

15 And thou shalt put ¹ oil upon it, and lay frankincense thereon: *it is* a ¹ meat offering.

16 And the priest shall ² burn the memorial of it, *part* of the ¹⁴ beaten corn thereof, and *part* of the oil thereof, with all the frankincense thereof: *it is* an ² offering made by fire unto ¹ the LORD.

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3 And if his ⁰ oblation be a ⁰ sacrifice of ⁰ peace offering, if *he* ⁰ offer it of the herd; whether *it be* a male or ⁰ female, he shall offer it without blemish before ⁰ the LORD.

2 And he shall lay his hand upon the head of his ⁰ offering, and kill it at the ⁰ door of the ⁰ tabernacle of the congregation: and ⁰ Aaron's sons the priests shall sprinkle the blood upon the altar round about.

3 And ⁰ he shall ¹ offer of the ¹ sacrifice of the ¹ peace offering an ⁰ offering made by fire unto ¹ the LORD; the fat that covereth the inwards, and all the fat that *is* upon the inwards,

4 And the two kidneys, and the fat that *is* on them, which *is* by the flanks, and the caul above the liver, with the kidneys, it shall he take away.

5 And Aaron's sons shall ⁰ burn it on the altar upon the burnt sacrifice, which *is* upon the wood that *is* on the fire: *it is* an ² offering made by fire, of a ⁰ sweet savour unto ¹ the LORD.

6 And if his ⁰ offering for a ⁰ sacrifice of ⁰ peace offering unto ¹ the LORD be of the flock; male or female, he shall offer it without blemish.

7 If *he* ⁰ offer a ⁰ lamb for his ⁶ offering, then shall he ⁰ offer it before ¹ the LORD.

8 And he shall lay his hand upon the head of his offering, and kill it before the ² tabernacle of the congregation: and Aaron's sons shall sprinkle the blood thereof round about upon the altar.

11 leaven. See Ap. 38.

honey. Leaven is fermentation, and honey or any sweet liquor is the cause of it. These two things forbidden because there was no error or corruption in the Antitype. All was Divine perfection. Nothing therefore which answers to leaven may be in our sacrifice of praise now.

12 burnt. Heb. *'alah* = ascend. See Ap. 43. I. vi.

13 salt. First occurrence. Salt was, and is, the great antiseptic, preventing fermentation. As leaven and honey were forbidden in sacrifices, so salt is prescribed, because, when partaken of by the two parties, it made the covenant inviolable.

salt of the covenant. See note on Num. 18. 19. 2 Chron. 13. 5. Salt denotes an indissoluble alliance. In Ezra 4. 14 = obligations of loyalty.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4.

offerings. Heb. *minchah*. Ap. 43. II. ii.

14 beaten. Same type as baken, v. 4.

3. 1-17 (G, a). THE PEACE OFFERING.

1 oblation. Heb. *qorbān*. See on 2. 4 and Ap. 43. II. i.

sacrifice. Heb. *zebach*. See Ap. 43. II. xii.

peace offering. Heb. *shelem*. Ap. 43. II. iv.

offer it = bring near. Heb. *qārab*. Ap. 43. I. i.

female. The burnt offering must be a male. 1. 3, 10. the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4.

2 offering. Heb. *qorbān*. Ap. 43. II. i.

door = entrance.

tabernacle of the congregation = tent (*'ohel*) of meeting or assembly. Ap. 40.

Aaron's sons. See note on 1. 5.

3 he = the offerer, not the priest.

offering. Heb. *'ishsheh*. Ap. 43. II. xi.

5 burn = burn as incense. Heb. *qātar*. Ap. 43. I. vii.

sweet savour = savour of satisfaction. See note on Gen. 8. 21.

6 offering. Heb. *qorbān*. Ap. 43. II. i.

sacrifice. Heb. *zebach*. Ap. 43. II. xii.

peace offering. Heb. *shelem*. Ap. 43. II. iv.

7 offer = bring. Heb. *qārab*. Ap. 43. I. i.

lamb: better "sheep", as in 1. 10; 7. 23; 22. 19, 27, &c.

9 offering made by fire. Heb. *'isseh*. Ap. 43. II. xi.

whole rump = the fat tail entire. 7. 3; 8. 25; 9. 19. Ex. 29. 22.

11 food. Heb. "bread", put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), Ap. 6, for food in general. Cp. 21. 6, 8, 17, 21, 22. Num. 28. 2.

9 And he shall ⁷ offer of the sacrifice of the ⁶ peace offering an ⁰ offering made by fire unto ¹ the LORD; the fat thereof, *and* the ⁰ whole rump, it shall he take off hard by the backbone; and the fat that covereth the inwards, and all the fat that *is* upon the inwards,

10 And the two kidneys, and the fat that *is* upon them, which *is* by the flanks, and the caul above the liver, with the kidneys, it shall he take away.

11 And the priest shall ⁵ burn it upon the altar: *it is* the ⁰ food of the ⁹ offering made by fire unto ¹ the LORD.

12 And if his ⁶ offering be a goat, then he shall ⁷ offer it before ¹ the LORD.

13 And he shall lay his hand upon the head of it, and kill it before the ⁸ tabernacle of the congregation: and the sons of Aaron shall sprinkle the blood thereof upon the altar round about.

14 And he shall ⁷ offer thereof his ⁶ offering, *even* an ⁹ offering made by fire unto ¹ the

1490 LORD; the fat that covereth the inwards, and all the fat that is upon the inwards,

15 And the two kidneys, and the fat that is upon them, which is by the flanks, and the caul above the liver, with the kidneys, it shall he take away.

16 And the priest shall ¹¹ burn them upon the altar: it is the food of the ⁹ offering made by fire for a ⁹ sweet savour: all the fat is ¹ the LORD'S.

17 It shall be ⁹ a perpetual statute for your generations throughout all your dwellings, that ye eat neither fat nor blood."

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(p. 134) 4 And ⁹ the LORD ⁹ spake unto Moses, saying,

2 "Speak unto the ⁹ children of Israel, saying, 'If a ⁹ soul shall ⁹ sin through ⁹ ignorance against any of the commandments of ¹ the LORD concerning ⁹ things which ought not to be done, and shall do against any of them:

3 If ⁹ the priest that is anointed ⁹ do sin according to ⁹ the sin of the people; then let him bring for ⁹ his sin, which he hath ⁹ sinned, a young bullock without blemish unto ¹ the LORD for a ⁹ sin offering.

4 And he shall bring the bullock unto the ⁹ door of the ⁹ tabernacle of the congregation before ¹ the LORD; and shall lay his hand upon the bullock's head, and kill the bullock before ¹ the LORD.

5 And the ³ priest that is anointed shall take of the bullock's blood, and bring it to the ⁴ tabernacle of the congregation:

6 And the priest shall dip his finger in the blood, and ⁹ sprinkle of the blood ⁹ seven times before ¹ the LORD, ⁹ before the ⁹ vail of the sanctuary.

7 And the priest shall put some of the blood upon the horns of the altar of sweet incense ⁹ before ¹ the LORD, which is in the ⁴ tabernacle of the congregation; and shall pour ⁹ all the blood of the bullock at the bottom of the altar of the burnt offering, which is at the ⁴ door of the ⁴ tabernacle of the congregation.

8 And he shall take off from it all the ⁹ fat of the bullock for the sin offering; the fat that covereth the inwards, and all the fat that is upon the inwards,

9 And the two kidneys, and the fat that is upon them, which is by the flanks, and the ⁹ caul above the liver, with the kidneys, it shall he take away,

10 ⁹ As it was taken off from the bullock of the sacrifice of peace offerings: and the priest shall ⁹ burn them upon the altar of the burnt offering.

11 And the skin of the bullock, and all his flesh, with his head, and with his legs, and his inwards, and his dung,

12 Even the whole bullock shall ⁹ he carry forth ⁹ without the camp unto a clean place, where the ashes are poured out, and ⁹ burn him on the ⁹ wood with fire: where the ashes are poured out shall he be ¹⁰ burnt.

13 And if the whole ⁹ congregation of Israel ⁹ sin through ignorance, and the thing be hid from the eyes of the assembly, and they have done ⁹ somewhat against any of

16 sweet savour. A savour of satisfaction. Some codices, with Sam. and Sept., add "unto Jehovah".

17 a perpetual statute, &c. Heb. "a statute for ever, throughout your generations, in all your dwellings". This important phrase occurs only four times, Lev. 3. 17; 23. 14, 21 (inverted), 31.

4. 1—6. 7 (G b, p. 134). THE SIN AND TRESPASS OFFERINGS.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. spake. Introducing new class: *non savour* offerings. The sweet savour offerings introduced by the word "called". See note on 5. 14.

2 children. Heb. sons. soul. Heb. *nephesh*. See Ap. 13. Not as in the burnt offering; no voluntary offering here. sin. Heb. *chāt'ā*. Ap. 44. i.

ignorance. If man cannot know what sin is, how can he know how to put it away? If he know not his own sin, how can he know or put away that of others?

3 the priest that is anointed. This phrase is confined to Lev. (4. 3, 5, 16; 6. 22) four times. In other portions of the Pentateuch it is "high priest" or "great priest" (Lev. 21. 10. Num. 35. 25, 28, and in Josh. 20. c), after this it is "chief priest" (2 Kings 25. 18. 2 Chron. 19. 11; 26. 20; 31. 10. Ezra 7. 5. Hag. and Zech.)

do sin. Heb. *chāt'ā*. Ap. 44. i. the sin. Heb. *āshām*. See Ap. 44. ii.

his sin . . . sinned. Heb. *chāt'ā*. Ap. 44. i. sin offering. Heb. *chāt'ā*. See Ap. 43. II. v. "Offering" not in Heb.; rightly supplied here, as it should be in Gen. 4. 7.

4 door—entrance. tabernacle of the congregation=tent of assembly.

6 sprinkle. Heb. throw, or splash.

seven times. The number of spiritual perfection. See Ap. 10.

before. Not in the Hebrew. On vail or floor. Explanatory of previous sentence. Or, may=before the LORD, by Fig. *Metonymy* (Ap. 6.)

vail. Type of the perfect humanity of Christ. No avail for purposes of atonement without blood. We are saved by His death, not by His life (Eph. 2. 13).

7 before. A various reading called *Sevir* has "which is before". See Ap. 34.

all=all the remaining blood.

8 fat=the best or choicest part, 3. 3.

9 caul, or the network.

10 As—according as.

burn. Heb. *sāraph*. See Ap. 43. I. viii; and note that it is not the word used for burning incense, which is *kātar*. Ap. 43. I. vii.

12 he carry forth=cause to be carried. Cp. v. 14. without the camp. Cp. Heb. 13. 11, 12. See note on Ex. 29. 14.

wood=logs. Any wood allowed, such as straw or stubble. Not so with the other offerings.

13 congregation=assembly. Not the same word as in v. 14.

sin. Heb. *shāgāh*. See Ap. 44. xii. See 1 Sam. 14. 32. somewhat, &c., and concerning, &c. These two *Ellipses* rightly supplied. See Ap. 6.

14 sin . . . sinned. Heb. *chāt'ā*. Ap. 44. i. offer=cause to be offered. Cp. v. 12.

for the sin=as a sin offering. See Ap. 43. II. v.

the commandments of ¹ the LORD ⁹ concerning things which should not be done, and are guilty;

14 When the ⁹ sin, which they have ⁹ sinned against it, is known, then the congregation shall ⁹ offer a young bullock ⁹ for the sin, and bring him before the ⁴ tabernacle of the congregation.

15 And the elders of the congregation shall lay their hands upon the head of the bullock

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before ¹the LORD: and the bullock shall be killed before ¹the LORD.

16 And the ³priest that is anointed shall bring of the bullock's blood to the ¹⁴tabernacle of the congregation:

17 And the priest shall dip his finger *in some* of the blood, and sprinkle ^oit seven times before ¹the LORD, *even* ^obefore the vail.

18 And he shall put *some* of the blood upon the horns of the altar which *is* before ¹the LORD, that *is* in the ¹⁴tabernacle of the congregation, and shall pour out all the blood at the bottom of the altar of the burnt offering, which *is* at the ^odoor of the ¹⁴tabernacle of the congregation.

19 And he shall take all his fat from him, and ^oburn *it* upon the altar.

20 And he shall do with the bullock ^oas he did with the bullock for a ³sin offering, so shall he do with this: and the priest shall ^omake an atonement for them, and it shall be forgiven them.

21 And he shall carry forth the bullock without the camp, and burn ^{him} ^oas he burned the first bullock: *it is* a ³sin offering for the congregation.

22 When a ^oruler hath ^osinned, and done *some* what through ignorance *against* any of the commandments of ¹the LORD his ^oGod *concerning things* which should not be done, and *is* ^oguilty;

23 Or if his ^osin, wherein he hath ²²sinned, come to his knowledge; he shall bring his offering, a kid of the goats, a ^omale without blemish:

24 And he shall lay his hand upon the head of the goat, and kill it in the place where they kill the burnt offering before ¹the LORD: *it is* a ³sin offering.

25 And the priest shall take of the blood of the ³sin offering with his finger, and put *it* upon the horns of the altar of burnt offering, and shall pour out his blood at the bottom of the altar of burnt offering.

26 And he shall burn all his fat upon the altar, as the fat of the sacrifice of peace offerings: and the priest shall ²⁰make an atonement for him as concerning his ²³sin, and it shall be forgiven him.

27 And if any ^oone of the common People ²³sin through ignorance, while he doeth *some* what *against* any of the commandments of ¹the LORD *concerning things* which ought not to be done, and ^obe guilty;

28 Or if his ²³sin, which he hath ²²sinned, come to his knowledge: then he shall bring his offering, a kid of the goats, a ^ofemale without blemish, for his ²³sin which he hath sinned.

29 And he shall lay his hand upon the head of the ³sin offering, and slay the ³sin offering ^oin the place of the burnt offering.

30 And the priest shall take of the blood thereof with his finger, and put *it* upon the horns of the altar of burnt offering, and shall pour out all the blood thereof at the bottom of the altar.

31 And he shall take away all the fat thereof, as the fat is taken away from off the sacrifice of peace offerings; and the

17 *it*. Read "the blood", with Sam., as in v. 6. before the vail. See note on 4. 6.

18 door = entrance.

19 burn. Heb. *kātar*, to burn as incense, not as in v. 12. See Ap. 43. I. vii.

20 as = according as.

make an atonement. See note on 1. 4 and Ex. 29. 33.

21 as he burned = according as he burned. Heb. *sāraph*, as in v. 12. See Ap. 43. I. vii.

22 ruler. Heb. word is used of a king (1 Kings 11. 34. Ezek. 34. 24; 46. 2), the head of a tribe (Num. 1. 16, 46; 34. 18), but as the words "his God" are used here, and are absent (in vv. 2, 13, 27), it denotes one whom God appoints and to whom the ruler is responsible.

sinned. Heb. *chāt'ā*. See Ap. 44. i.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4.

guilty = should become aware of his inadvertences.

23 sin. Heb. *chāt'ā*. Ap. 44. i.

male: for ruler, female for one of the people, v. 28. Cp. 5. 13.

27 one = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. See Ap. 13.

be guilty = acknowledges his guilt, as in v. 22.

28 female for one of the People, male for "ruler", v. 22. Cp. 5. 13.

29 in the place: i. e. where the burnt offering is wont to be slain.

31 sweet savour. This is added here because of the burning of the fat. It is not said of the sin offering of the high priest, the ruler, or the congregation (cp. vv. 10, 19, 26), though used in the burnt offerings (1. 9, 13), and peace offerings (3. 5, 16). The sweet savour here, in this connection, exalts the offering of the humblest person.

32 a lamb = a sheep, cp. 3. 7. Ritual same as the goat, but treated separately because of the fat tail.

offering. Heb. *korban*. Ap. 43. II. i. Lit. "an offering for his sin [offering]".

34 of the blood of the sin offering. A reading of the Severus Codex is "from its blood", as in v. 30.

35 sacrifice. Heb. *zebach*. Ap. 43. I. iv.

according to = upon.

offerings made by fire. Heb. *'ishsheh*. Ap. 43. II. xi.

priest shall ¹⁹burn *it* upon the altar for a ^osweet savour unto ¹the LORD; and the priest shall ²⁰make an atonement for him, and it shall be forgiven him.

32 And if he bring ^oa lamb for a ²³sin offering, he shall bring it a female without blemish.

33 And he shall lay his hand upon the head of the ³sin offering, and slay it for a ³sin offering in the place where they kill the burnt offering.

34 And the priest shall take ^oof the blood of the ³sin offering with his finger, and put *it* upon the horns of the altar of burnt offering, and shall pour out all the blood thereof at the bottom of the altar:

35 And he shall take away all the fat thereof, as the fat of the lamb is taken away from the ^osacrifice of the peace offerings; and the priest shall burn *them* upon the altar, ^oaccording to the ^oofferings made by fire unto ¹the LORD: and the priest shall ²⁰make an atonement for his ³²sin that he hath committed, and it shall be forgiven him.

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5 And if a °soul °sin, °and hear the voice of °swearing, and °is a witness, whether he hath seen or known of it; if he do not utter it, then he shall bear his °iniquity.

2 Or if a °soul touch any unclean thing, whether it be a carcase of an unclean beast, or a carcase of unclean cattle, or the carcase of unclean creeping things, and if it °be hidden from him; he also shall be unclean, and guilty.

3 Or if he touch the uncleanness of °man, whatsoever uncleanness it be that a man shall be defiled withal, and it °be hid from him; when he knoweth of it, then he shall be guilty.

4 Or if a °soul swear, °pronouncing with his lips to do °evil, or to do °good, whatsoever it be that a °man shall pronounce with an oath, and it be °hid from him; when he knoweth of it, then he shall be guilty in one of these.

5 And it shall be, when he shall be guilty in one of these things, that he shall confess that he hath °sinned in that thing:

6 And he shall bring °his trespass offering unto °the LORD for his °sin which he hath °sinned, a female from the flock, a lamb or a kid of the goats, for a sin offering; and the priest shall °make an atonement for him concerning his °sin.

7 And if he be not able to bring a lamb, then he shall bring for his °trespass, which he hath committed, two turtledoves, or two young pigeons, unto °the LORD; one for a sin offering, and the other for a burnt offering.

8 And he shall bring them unto the priest, who shall offer that which is for the sin offering first, and wring off his head from his neck, but shall not divide it asunder:

9 And he shall sprinkle of the blood of the sin offering upon the side of the altar; and the rest of the blood shall be wrung out at the bottom of the altar: it is a sin offering.

10 And he shall offer the second for a burnt offering, according to the °manner: and the priest shall make an atonement for him for his °sin which he hath sinned, and it shall be forgiven him.

11 But if he be not able to bring two turtledoves, or two young pigeons, then he that °sinned shall bring for his °offering the tenth part of an ephah of fine flour for a sin offering; he shall put no oil upon it, neither shall he put any frankincense thereon: for it is a °sin offering.

12 Then shall he bring it to the priest, and the priest shall take his handful of it, even °a memorial thereof, and °burn it on the altar, °according to the °offerings made by fire unto °the LORD: it is a sin offering.

13 And the priest shall make an atonement for him as touching his °sin that he hath °sinned in °one of these, and it shall be forgiven him: °and the remnant shall be the priest's, as a meat offering."

14 And °the LORD °spake unto Moses, saying,

15 "If a °soul commit a °trespass, and °sin

5. 1 soul = a person. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

sin. Heb. *chāt'ā*. Ap. 44. i.

and hear = because he heard.

swearing = adjuration.

is = "he [is]".

iniquity = perverseness. Heb. *āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv. Put here by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause) for the punishment due to it. Ap. 6.

2 be hidden: i. e. if he forget his uncleanness. This clause "and if", &c., is omitted in the Sept. and included in v. 3.

3 man. Heb. *ādām*. See Ap. 14.

4 pronouncing with his lips = speaking heedlessly. evil. Heb. *rā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii.

evil . . . good. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Whole), to include all human actions. Cp. Gen. 24. 50; 31. 29. Num. 24. 13.

5 sinned. Heb. *chāt'ā*. Ap. 44. i.

6 his trespass offering = as his trespass offering.

Heb. *āshām*. Ap. 43. II. vi.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4.

sin. Heb. *chāt'ā*. Ap. 44. i.

make an atonement. See note on Ex. 26. 33.

7 trespass. Heb. *āshām*. Ap. 44. ii.

10 manner. See note on 1. 14, &c.

11 offering. Heb. *qorbān*. Ap. 43. II. i. For the poor only a little flour. Cp. 4. 23 and 28. All equally forgiven. Cp. 4. 26, 31 and 5. 13.

sin offering: and not a *minchah*, 2. 11.

12 a memorial thereof = a memorial portion.

burn = burn as incense. Heb. *qāṭar*. Ap. 43. I. vii.

according to = upon.

offerings made by fire. Heb. *ishsheh*. Ap. 43. II. xi.

13 one of these. Specified in vv. 1-4 above. Cp. v. 5. and the remnant: better "and it shall belong to the priest".

14 spake. This formula denotes another communication made at a different time, and gives a further development of the laws of the trespass offering.

Note that in this book *Jehovah* "spake" at thirty-five "sundry times", and in ten "divers manners" (see Ap. 10):—

(1) To Moses alone (5. 14; 6. 1, 19; 8. 1; 14. 1; 22. 26; 23. 26).

(2) To Moses, to speak to Aaron alone (16. 1).

(3) To Moses, to speak to "Aaron and his sons" (6. 8, 24; 22. 1).

(4) To Moses, to speak to "the priests, the sons of Aaron" (21. 1).

(5) To Moses, to speak to "Aaron and his sons, and to all the children of Israel" (17. 1; 21. 16 (cp. v. 24); 22. 17).

(6) To Moses, to speak to "the children of Israel" (1. 1; 4. 1; 7. 22, 28; 12. 1; 18. 1; 20. 1; 23. 1, 9, 23; 24. 1, 13; 25. 1; 27. 1).

(7) To Moses, to speak "to all the congregation of the children of Israel" (19. 1).

(8) To Moses and Aaron conjointly (13. 1; 14. 33).

(9) To Moses and Aaron, to speak to "the children of Israel" (11. 1; 15. 1).

(10) To Aaron alone (10. 8).

The reasons for these distinctions will be seen from the respective contexts.

15 trespass. Heb. *mā'al*, to act covertly; to be faithless, especially in covenant matters, either with God (Lev. 26. 40. Num. 31. 16. Deut. 32. 51, &c.) or between husband and wife (Num. 5. 12, 27). Not the same word as in vv. 6, 7, 15, 16, and below in this verse.

holy things, &c., such as firstfruits, firstborn, &c. Ex. 28. 38. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

estimation = valuation. Made here by Moses, transferred by him to the priests. See 27. 8, 12. Num. 18. 16.

through ignorance, in the °holy things of °the LORD; then he shall bring °for his trespass unto °the LORD a ram without blemish out of the flocks, with thy °estimation by

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° shekels of silver, after the ° shekel of the sanctuary, ¹⁵ for a trespass offering:

16 And he shall make amends for the ° harm that he hath done in the holy thing, and shall ° add the fifth part thereto, and give it unto the priest: and the priest shall ° make an atonement for him with the ram of the trespass offering, and it shall be forgiven him.

17 And if a ¹ soul ¹ sin, and commit ° any of these things which are forbidden to be done by the commandments of ° the LORD; though he ° wist it not, yet is he guilty, and shall bear his ° iniquity.

18 And he shall bring a ram without blemish out of the flock, with thy ¹⁵ estimation, for a trespass offering, unto the priest: and the priest shall ° make an atonement for him concerning his ignorance wherein he ° erred and ¹⁷ wist it not, and it shall be forgiven him.

19 It is a ° trespass offering: he hath certainly ° trespassed against ° the LORD."

6 And ° the LORD ° spake unto Moses, saying,

2 "If a ° soul ° sin, and commit a ° trespass against ¹ the LORD, and lie unto his neighbour in that which was ° delivered him to keep, or ° in fellowship, or in a thing taken away by violence, or hath deceived his neighbour;

3 Or have found that which was lost, and lieth concerning it, and sweareth falsely; in any of all these that a ° man doeth, sinning therein:

4 Then it shall be, because he hath ¹⁷ sinned, and is guilty, that he shall restore that which he took violently away, or the thing which he hath deceitfully gotten, or that which was ² delivered him to keep, or the lost thing which he found,

5 Or all that about which he hath sworn falsely; he shall even restore it in the principal, and shall ° add the ° fifth part more thereto, and give it unto him to whom it appertaineth, ° in the day of his trespass offering.

6 And he shall bring his trespass offering unto ¹ the LORD, a ram without blemish out of the flock, with thy ° estimation, for a trespass offering, unto the priest:

7 And the priest shall make an atonement for him before ¹ the LORD: and it shall be forgiven him for any thing of all that he hath done in trespassing therein."

8 And ¹ the LORD ¹ spake unto Moses, saying,

9 "Command Aaron and his sons, saying, 'This is the law of the burnt offering: It is the burnt offering, because of the ° burning upon the altar all night unto the morning, and the fire of the altar shall be ° burning in it.

10 And the priest shall put on his ° linen garment, and his linen breeches shall he put upon his flesh, and take up the ashes which the fire hath consumed ° with the burnt offering on the altar, and he shall put them beside the altar.

11 And he shall put off his garments, and put on other garments, and carry forth the ashes without the camp unto a clean place.

12 And the fire upon the altar shall be

shekels. See Ap. 51. II.

16 harm that he hath done. Heb. *chāf'ā*. Ap. 44. i. add. In trespass in holy things sacrifice comes first (5. 15) and addition afterwards. In human affairs the addition comes first (6. 5) and sacrifice follows (6. 7).

17 any = any one of these things specified in v. 15. wist it not = knew it not. This effectually disposes of the fallacy that it is only *sincerity* that matters. Note the repetition of the words in vv. 17-19 to emphasise this. iniquity. Heb. *'āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

18 erred. Heb. *shāgag*. Ap. 44. xii.

19 trespassed. Heb. *'āshām*. Ap. 44. ii. Cp. v. 17.

6. 1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. spake. Cp. 5. 14. 6. 1-7 belongs to ch. 5, according to the Structure (p. 134). See note on 5. 14.

2 soul = person. Heb. *nephesh* (Ap. 13).

sin. Heb. *chāf'ā*. Ap. 44. i.

trespass. Heb. *mā'al*. Ap. 44. xi. All sin is viewed as "against Jehovah". Cp. Ps. 51. 4.

delivered him to keep = a deposit. Otherwise treasure was generally hidden in the ground. Isa. 45. 3. Prov. 2. 4. Job. 3. 21.

in fellowship = in pledge. Heb. giving the hand, put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of the Adjunct) for pledging. Ap. 6.

3 man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14.

5 add. See note on 5. 16.

fifth part = twenty per cent. Zacchæus gave much more (Luke 19. 8).

in the day = when. See Ap. 18.

6. 8-13 (E, p. 134). THE LAW OF THE BURNT OFFERING.

Note the order of the "offerings", and their "laws". In the former (God's side), "peace" made, comes in centre.

In the latter, "sin" comes before "peace" experienced. See note on 7. 11.

6 estimation. See note on 5. 15.

9 burning = kept burning. Heb. *yāqad*, to burn as an ordinary culinary fire.

10 linen garment. See 8. 13. Ex. 28. 4, 40; 29. 5-10. with the burnt offering. Abbreviation of Heb. word = "the offerings of Jehovah" (so Sam., Sept., and Vulg., and some codices).

12 burn [wood]. Heb. *b'ā'ar*, burn as fuel, consume. every morning. Heb. morning by morning. Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6.

burn = burn as incense. Heb. *kātar*. Ap. 43. I. vii.

13 The fire. This fire was originally from heaven (9. 24), supernatural fire. Only this fire could be used to set fire to the incense on the golden altar. So only those who have atonement can pray or worship. Ever burning until rekindled by a special descent. [This is the origin of the perpetual light in Roman Catholic worship.] It was preserved till the destruction of the temple by Nebuchadnezzar; was one of the five things lacking in the second temple.

14-23 (F, p. 134). THE LAW OF THE MEAL OFFERING.

14 the law. In 2. 1-3 we have the directions. In 6. 14-18 we have the law, and additional directions.

° burning in it; it shall not be put out: and the priest shall ° burn wood on it ° every morning, and lay the burnt offering in order upon it; and he shall ° burn thereon the fat of the peace offerings.

13 ° The fire shall ever be ° burning upon the altar; it shall never go out.

14 And this is ° the law of the meat offering: the sons of Aaron shall offer it before ¹ the LORD, before the altar.

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15 And °he shall take of it his handful, of the flour of the meat offering, and of the oil thereof, and all the frankincense which is upon the meat offering, and shall °burn it upon the altar for a sweet savour, even the °memorial of it, unto °the LORD.

16 And the remainder thereof shall Aaron and his sons eat: °with unleavened bread shall it be eaten in the °holy place; in the court of the °tabernacle of the congregation they shall eat it.

17 It shall not be baken with leaven. I have given it unto them for their portion of My °offerings made by fire; it is most °holy, as is the sin offering, and as the trespass offering.

18 °All the males among the children of Aaron shall eat of it. It shall be a statute for ever in your generations concerning the °offerings of °the LORD made by fire: every one that toucheth them shall be °holy."

19 And °the LORD °spake unto Moses, saying,

(20 "This is the °offering of Aaron and of his sons, which they shall °offer unto °the LORD °in the day when he is anointed; the tenth part of an °ephah of fine flour for a meat offering perpetual, half of it in the morning, and half thereof at night.

21 In a pan it shall be made with oil; °and when it is baken, thou shalt bring it in: and the baken pieces of the meat offering shalt thou offer for a °sweet savour unto °the LORD.

22 And °the priest of his sons that is anointed in his stead shall offer it: it is a statute for ever unto °the LORD; it shall be °wholly burnt.

23 For every meat offering for the priest shall be wholly burnt: it shall not be eaten.")

G b (p. 134) 24 And °the LORD °spake unto Moses, saying,

25 "Speak unto Aaron and to his sons, saying, 'This is the law of the °sin °offering: In the place where the burnt offering is killed shall the °sin °offering be killed before °the LORD: it is °most holy.

26 The priest that offereth it for sin °shall eat it: in the holy place shall it be eaten, in the court of the °tabernacle of the congregation.

27 Whatsoever shall touch the flesh thereof shall be holy: and when there is sprinkled of the blood thereof upon any garment, thou shalt wash that whereon it was sprinkled in the holy place.

28 But the earthen vessel wherein it is sodden shall be broken: and if it be sodden in a brasen pot, it shall be both scoured, and rinsed in water.

29 All the males among the priests shall eat thereof: it is most holy.

30 °And °no sin offering, whereof any of the blood is brought into the °tabernacle of the congregation °to reconcile withal in the holy place, °shall be eaten: it shall be burnt in the fire.

7 Likewise this is the law of the trespass offering: it is °most holy.

2 °In the place where they kill the burnt offering shall °they kill the trespass offering:

15 he: i. e. one of the sons whose turn it was. burn: as incense. Heb. *kāṭar*. Ap. 43. I. vii. memorial = memorial portion. See note on 2. 2.

16 with unleavened bread shall it be eaten. Heb. "unleavened shall it be eaten"; there is no "with" in the Heb. Cp. 10. 12.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

tabernacle = tent. Heb. *'ohel*. Ap. 40.

17 offerings made by fire. Heb. *'ishsheh*. Ap. 43. II. xi.

18 All the males = every male.

20 offering. Heb. *korban*. Ap. 43. II. i. This is explained in Heb. 7. 27. Note the Parenthesis (Ap. 6) concerning Aaron.

offer. Heb. *kārab*. Ap. 43. I. i.

in the day = when. See Gen. 2. 4, 17 and Ap. 8; and cp. 8. 35; 9. 1.

ephah. See Ap. 51. III. 3.

21 and when, &c. Better, "thou shalt bring it in well kneaded".

sweet savour = savour of satisfaction. See note on 1. 9 and Gen. 8. 21.

22 the priest . . . anointed. See on 4. 3.

wholly burnt. Because the priest did not eat his own.

6. 24-7. 10 (G, b, p. 134). THE LAW OF THE SIN OFFERING.

25-30 THE LAW OF THE SIN OFFERING.

25 sin = Heb. *chāt'ā*, and implies offering as in Gen. 4. 7.

offering. This word not in the Heb. text, but the Ellipsis is rightly supplied, and should be in Gen. 4. 7 most holy. This comes out in the "law" of the sin offering, because of the Antitype. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

26 shall eat it. Because blood not taken within the holy place. Cp. 10. 16-20, and see 7. 6. This explains Heb. 13. 11.

30 And = But. no sin offering . . . shall be eaten. Because the blood was taken into the holy place. Cp. Lev. 10. 16-20. In this case it was to be wholly burnt, 4. 26. This explains Heb. 13. 11.

There were eight offerings to be eaten by the priests in the precincts of the holy place:—

- (1) The flesh of the sin offering (4. 26; 6. 26).
 - (2) The flesh of the trespass offering (7. 6).
 - (3) The peace offering of the congregation (7. 14, 16).
 - (4) The remainder of the °omer (2. 3-10).
 - (5) The meal offering of the Israelites (2. 3-10).
 - (6) The two loaves (13. 19, 20; 23. 20).
 - (7) The shewbread (23. 9).
 - (8) The leper's log of oil (14. 10-13).
- to reconcile = to make atonement for. See note on Ex. 29. 33.

7. 1-10 (G, b, above). THE LAW OF THE TRESPASS OFFERING. (Supplementing ch. 5. 1-13.)

1 most holy. See note on 6. 25 and Ex. 3. 5.

2 In the place. i. e. on the north side. Cp. 1. 11. they = the people who bring them.

3 offer = bring near. Heb. *kārab*. Ap. 43. I. i. For these regulations see 3. 3, 4, 8, 9.

5 burn: i. e. as incense. Heb. *kāṭar*. Ap. 43. I. vii. See ch. 4. 26, 31.

and the blood thereof shall he sprinkle round about upon the altar.

3 And he shall °offer of it all the fat thereof; the rump, and the fat that covereth the inwards,

4 And the two kidneys, and the fat that is on them, which is by the flanks, and the caul that is above the liver, with the kidneys, it shall he take away:

5 And the priest shall °burn them upon the

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altar for an offering made by fire unto °the LORD: it is a ¹trespass offering.

6 Every male among the priests shall eat thereof: it shall be eaten in the °holy place: it is ¹most holy.

7 As the sin offering is, so is the ¹trespass offering: there is °one law for them: the priest that °maketh atonement therewith shall have it.

8 And the priest that ³offereth any °man's burnt offering, even the priest shall have to himself the skin of the burnt offering which he hath ³offered.

9 And all the °meat offering that is baken in the oven, and all that is dressed in the fryingpan, and in the pan, shall be °the priest's that ³offereth it.

10 And every °meat offering, mingled with oil, and dry, shall all the sons of Aaron have, one as much as another.

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11 And this is °the law of the sacrifice of peace offerings, which °he shall offer unto °the LORD.

12 If he ³offer it for a °thanksgiving, then he shall ³offer with the °sacrifice of thanksgiving unleavened cakes mingled with oil, and unleavened wafers anointed with oil, and cakes mingled with oil, of fine flour, fried.

13 Besides the cakes, he shall ³offer for his °offering leavened bread with the sacrifice of thanksgiving of his °peace offerings.

14 And of it he shall ³offer one out of the whole °oblation for an heave offering unto °the LORD, and it shall be the priest's that sprinkleth the blood of the ¹³peace offerings.

15 And the flesh of the ¹²sacrifice of his ¹³peace offerings for thanksgiving shall be eaten the °same day that it is ³offered; he shall not leave any of it until the morning.

16 But if the ¹²sacrifice of his ¹³offering be a vow, or a voluntary offering, it shall be eaten the ¹⁵same day that he ³offereth his ¹²sacrifice: and on the morrow also the remainder of it shall be eaten:

17 But the remainder of the flesh of the ¹²sacrifice on the third day shall be °burnt with fire.

18 And if any of the flesh of the ¹²sacrifice of his peace offerings be eaten at all on the third day, it shall not be accepted, neither shall it be imputed unto him that ¹²offereth it: it shall be an abomination, and the °soul that eateth of it shall bear his °iniquity.

19 And the flesh that toucheth any unclean thing shall not be eaten; it shall be ¹⁷burnt with fire: and as for the flesh, all that be clean shall eat °thereof.

20 But the ¹⁸soul that eateth of the flesh of the ¹²sacrifice of ¹³peace offerings, that *pertain* unto °the LORD, having his °uncleanness upon him, even that ¹⁸soul shall be °cut off from °his people.

21 Moreover the ¹⁸soul that shall touch any unclean thing, as the uncleanness of °man, or any unclean beast, or any °abominable unclean thing, and eat of the flesh of the sacrifice of ¹³peace offerings, which *pertain* unto °the LORD, even that ¹⁸soul shall be ²⁰cut off from his people."

22 And °the LORD °spake unto Moses, saying,

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

6 holy place, or court. Cp. 6. 26. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

7 one law. See 6. 27, 28.

maketh atonement. See note on Ex. 29. 33.

8 man's. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14.

9 meat offering. Heb. minhah. Ap. 43. II. 3.

the priest's. Except the memorial part, 2. 4-10. Cp. 1 Cor. 9. 13. 14. Gal. 6. 6 is based on this principle.

11-34 (G, a, p. 134). THE LAW OF THE PEACE OFFERING.

11 the law: i. e. specific and fuller directions given to the *priests*, additional to those given to the *People* in 3. 1-15. So in the law of the sin offering (6. 24-30, cp. with 4. 24-31); the law of the trespass offering (7. 1-10, cp. with 5. 1-13).

It will be noted from the Structure (on p. 134) that the peace offering comes before the sin offerings; but here, in "the LAW" of the offerings, the peace offerings comes last. This is because it has to do with the communion of the offerer; and this follows at the end of all, to show that this communion is based on, and must flow from, a full knowledge of all that which the types foreshow. Not until we have done with our sins and ourselves can we delight in Christ. See note on 6. 8. Cp. Col. 1. 12-14.

he = one.

12 thanksgiving for special mercies received, as enumerated in Ps. 107. This is the sacrifice alluded to in Heb. 13. 15.

sacrifice. Heb. zabah. Ap. 43. II. xii.

13 offering. Heb. korban. Ap. 43. II. i.

peace offerings. Heb. shelem. Ap. 43. II. iv.

14 oblation. Heb. korban. Ap. 43. II. i.

15 same day. In second temple, limited to midnight.

17 burnt. Heb. saraph. Ap. 43. I. viii.

18 soul. Heb. nephesh. See Ap. 13. Put by Fig. Synecdoche (of the Part) for the person (Ap. 6).

iniquity. Heb. 'avah. Ap. 44. iv. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of the Cause) for punishment.

19 thereof. Heb. "the flesh". Fig. Epanadiplosis (Ap. 6) for emphasis of the verse as a whole.

20 uncleanness. See 11. 8-44; 15. 1-33.

cut off, &c. This phrase, variously translated, occurs (in Hebrew) six times in Leviticus: 7. 20, 21, 25, 27; 19. 8; 23. 29. Cp. the other phrase, "... from My presence". See 22. 3.

his = her in Heb. Fem. to agree with Heb. nephesh, soul.

21 man. Heb. 'adam. Ap. 14.

abominable unclean thing = anything an abomination to Jehovah. Some codices, with Sam., Onk., and Syr., have "unclean reptiles".

22 spake. Indicating explanations and restrictions in vv. 22-27, additional to those given in ch. 3. 17.

23 Speak. Used only of the non-savour offering. See note on 5. 14. ("Jehovah called and spake *re* the sweet savour offering", 1. 1.)

children = sons.

no manner of fat: i. e. of beeves, sheep, or goats.

24 other use: e. g. making candles, &c.

25 men. Should be in italics.

offering made by fire. Heb. 'ishsheh. Ap. 43. II. xi.

23 ° "Speak unto the ° children of Israel, saying, 'Ye shall eat ° no manner of fat, of ox, or of sheep, or of goat.

24 And the fat of the beast that dieth of itself, and the fat of that which is torn with beasts, may be used in any ° other use: but ye shall in no wise eat of it.

25 For whosoever eateth ²⁴the fat of the beast, of which ° men ³offer an ° offering made by fire unto ° the LORD, even the ¹⁸soul that eateth it shall be ²⁰cut off from his people.

26 Moreover ye shall eat no manner of blood, whether it be of fowl or of beast, in any of your dwellings.

27 Whatsoever ¹⁸soul it be that eateth any

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manner of blood, even that ¹⁸ soul shall be ²⁰ cut off from his people."

28 And ⁵ the LORD [°] spake unto Moses, saying,

29 ³ "Speak unto the ²³ children of Israel, saying, 'He that ¹³ offereth the ¹³ sacrifice of his ¹³ peace offerings unto ⁵ the LORD shall bring his ¹⁴ oblation unto ¹ the LORD of the sacrifice of his peace offerings.

30 [°] His own hands shall bring the ²⁵ offerings of ⁵ the LORD made by fire, the fat with the breast, it shall he bring, that the breast may be waved for a [°] wave offering before ⁵ the LORD.

31 And the priest shall burn the fat upon the altar: but the breast shall be Aaron's and his sons'.

32 And the right shoulder shall ye give unto the priest for an [°] heave offering of the ¹² sacrifices of your peace offerings.

33 He among the sons of Aaron, that ¹³ offereth the blood of the peace offerings, and the fat, shall have the right shoulder for his part.

34 For the [°] wave [°] breast and the [°] heave [°] shoulder have I taken of the ²⁹ children of Israel from off the sacrifices of their peace offerings, and have given them unto Aaron the priest and unto his sons by a statute [°] for ever from among the ²³ children of Israel.

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35 This [°] is the portion of the anointing of Aaron, and of the anointing of his sons, out of the [°] offerings of ⁵ the LORD made by fire, in the day when he presented them to minister unto ⁵ the LORD in the priest's office;

36 Which ⁵ the LORD commanded to be given them of the ²³ children of Israel, in the day that He anointed them, by a statute for ever throughout their generations.

37 This ^{is} [°] the law of the [°] burnt offering, of the [°] meat offering, and of the [°] sin offering, and of the [°] trespass offering, and of the [°] consecrations, and of the sacrifice of the ¹³ peace offerings;

38 Which ⁵ the LORD [°] commanded Moses in mount Sinai, in the day that He commanded the ²³ children of Israel to offer their ¹⁴ oblations unto ⁵ the LORD, in the wilderness of Sinai."

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8 [°] And [°] the LORD [°] spake unto Moses, saying,

2 "Take Aaron and his sons with him, and the garments, and the anointing oil, and a bullock for the sin offering, and two rams, and a basket of unleavened bread;

3 And gather thou all the congregation together unto the [°] door of the [°] tabernacle of the congregation."

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4 And Moses did ^{as} ¹ the LORD commanded him; and the assembly was gathered together unto the door of the ³ tabernacle of the congregation.

5 And Moses said unto the congregation, "[°] This ^{is} the thing which ¹ the LORD commanded to be done."

6 And Moses brought Aaron and his sons, and [°] washed them with water.

7 And he put upon him the coat, and girded him with [°] the girdle, and clothed him with

28 spake. See note on 5. 14.

30 His own hands: i. e. the owner or offerer. wave offering. See note on Ex. 29. 27.

32 heave offering. See note on Ex. 29. 27.

34 See notes on vv. 30, 32.

for ever: i. e. as long as the priesthood lasts.

35 is the portion of. Supply the Ellipsis (Ap. 6) better, thus: This [is what pertaineth to].

offerings . . . made by fire. Heb. 'ishsheh. Ap. 43. II. xi.

37 the law. Verses 37 and 38 sum up chapters 1-8.

burnt offering (1. 3-17 and 6. 8-13).

meat offering (2. 1-16 and 6. 14-18).

sin offering (4. 1-35 and 6. 24-30).

trespass offering (5. 1-13 and 5. 14-19 and 6. 1-7 and 7. 1-10).

consecrations (6. 19-23).

peace offerings (3. 1-17 and 7. 11-21, 28-36).

38 commanded. Subject to "If" in Lev. 1. 2.

8. 1-10. 20 (D, A, p. 131). PRIESTHOOD. (Division.)

A | H¹ | 8. 1-36. Consecration.

H² | 9. 1-24. Ministration.

H³ | 10. 1-20. Transgression.

8. 1-36 (H¹, above). CONSECRATION. (Alternation.)

H¹ | c | 1-3. Command.

d | 4-30. Obedience.

c | 31-35. Command.

d | 36. Obedience.

8. 1 And. Note the Fig. Polysyndeton throughout the chapter for emphasising each particular act (Ap. 6). the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

spake. Indicating a new subject. See note on 5. 14. The ritual is prescribed in Ex. 28. 1-43 and 29. 1-37. Now the appointment to the priestly office resumes the instructions broken off in Exodus.

3 door=entrance.

tabernacle=tent. Heb. 'ohel. Ap. 40.

4-30 (d, above). OBEDIENCE. (Alternation.)

d | e | 4-9. Investiture of Aaron.

f | 10-12. Anointing of Tabernacle and Aaron.

e | 13. Investiture of Aaron's sons.

f | 14-30. Offerings for Aaron and his sons.

4 as=according as.

5 This is the thing. See Ex. 28. 1-43; 29. 1-37; now made known to the People.

6 washed=the "divers washings" of Heb. 6. 2. After this, all ceremonial washings done by the persons for themselves. These are rendered "baptisms" in Sept. of Lev. 11. 25, 40; 17. 15, 16; 14. 8; 15. 8, 13, 16, 21, 22, 27. Extended to "clothes", Lev. 11. 25, &c.

7 the girdle. Not the band of the ephod called the "curious girdle", but the one of needlework, ch. 16. 4 and Ex. 28. 39.

8 also. Thus distinguishing these two stones from the twelve stones, which were quite distinct. Cp. Ex. 25. 7. the Urim and the Thummim. See note on Ex. 28. 30.

9 mitre=turban or tiara. See Ex. 28. 36-38.

golden plate, or crown. Ex. 28. 36, &c.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

the robe, and put the ephod upon him, and he girded him with the curious girdle of the ephod, and bound it unto him therewith.

8 And he put the breastplate upon him: [°] also he put in the breastplate [°] the Urim and the Thummim.

9 And he put the [°] mitre upon his head; also upon the mitre, even upon his forefront, did he put the [°] golden plate, the [°] holy crown; as ¹ the LORD commanded Moses.

10 And Moses took the °anointing oil, and anointed the °tabernacle and all that was therein, and °sanctified them.

11 And he sprinkled thereof upon the altar seven times, and anointed °the altar and all his vessels, both the laver and his °foot, to °sanctify them.

12 And he °poured of the anointing oil upon Aaron's head, and anointed him, to sanctify him.

13 And Moses brought °Aaron's sons, and put coats upon them, and girded them with girdles, and °put bonnets upon them; °as °the LORD commanded Moses.

14 And he brought the bullock for the °sin offering: and Aaron and his sons laid their hands upon the head of the bullock for the °sin offering.

15 And he slew it; and Moses took the blood, and put it upon the horns of the altar round about with his finger, and purified the altar, and poured the blood at the bottom of the altar, and °sanctified it, to make reconciliation upon it.

16 And he took all the fat that was upon the inwards, and the caul above the liver, and the two kidneys, and their fat, and Moses °burned it upon the altar.

17 But the bullock, and his hide, his flesh, and his dung, he °burnt with fire °without the camp; °as °the LORD commanded Moses.

18 And he °brought the ram for the burnt offering: and Aaron and his sons laid their hands upon the head of the ram.

19 And he killed it; and Moses °sprinkled the blood upon the altar round about.

20 And he cut the ram into °pieces; and Moses °burnt the head, and the pieces, and the fat.

21 And he °washed the inwards and the legs in water; and Moses burnt the whole ram upon the altar: it was a burnt sacrifice for a °sweet savour, and an offering made by fire unto °the LORD; °as °the LORD commanded Moses.

22 And he brought °the other ram, the ram of consecration: and Aaron and his sons laid their hands upon the head of the ram.

23 And he °slew it; and Moses took of the blood of it, and °put it upon the tip of Aaron's right ear, and upon the thumb of his right hand, and upon the great toe of his right foot.

24 And he brought Aaron's sons, and Moses put of the blood upon the tip of their right ear, and upon the thumbs of their right hands, and upon the great toes of their right feet: and Moses sprinkled the blood upon the altar round about.

25 And °he took the fat, and °the rump, and all the fat that was upon the inwards, and the caul above the liver, and the two kidneys, and their fat, and the right shoulder:

26 And out of the basket of unleavened bread, that was before °the LORD, he took one unleavened cake, and °a cake of oiled bread, and one wafer, and put them on the fat, and upon the right shoulder:

27 And he put all upon Aaron's hands, and

10 anointing oil. See Ex. 30. 26-30; 40. 9-11, and cp. Ex. 30. 23-25.

tabernacle. Heb. *mishkān*. Ap. 40. sanctified = set them apart. Ex. 29. 37; 30. 29-30.

11 the altar. Cp. Matt. 23. 19. foot = base.

12 poured. Not touched with the finger, as in the case of the common priests, but profusely poured. See Ps. 133. 2.

13 Aaron's sons. These could not be invested till after Aaron. Cp. John 17. 19. put. Heb. = bound.

14 sin offering. Heb. *chātā*. Ap. 43. II. 5.

16 burned: as incense. Heb. *kātar*. Ap. 43. I. vii.

17 burnt. Heb. *sāraph*. Ap. 43. I. viii. without the camp. Cp. Ex. 29. 14. Lev. 4. 12, 18, 21; 6. 11; 16. 27. John 19. 17, 18. Acts 7. 58.

18 brought. See Ex. 29. 15-18.

19 sprinkled = cast. Not the same word as v. 15.

20 pieces = its pieces.

burnt: i. e. as incense. Heb. *kātar*. Ap. 43. I. vii.

21 washed. See note on v. 6.

sweet savour = savour of satisfaction. See note on I. 9, and Gen. 8. 21.

22 the other ram. Mentioned in v. 2. See Ex. 29. 19-24.

23 slew. Same word as "killed", v. 15, 19.

put it: on ear, thumb, and toe, to point out the hearkening, the working, and the walking.

25 he took. Ex. 29. 22-25.

the rump = the fat tail. See 3. 9. Cp. Ex. 29. 22.

26 a = one.

27 waved. Cp. note on Ex. 29. 27.

28 consecrations. Cp. 6. 19-23.

30 and upon. Some codices, with Sam., Onk., Lisbon Pentateuch (1491), Jon., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., have this "and" in the text.

and. Many authorities have this "and" in the text.

31 door = entrance.

tabernacle = tent (*ohel*). Ap. 40.

as I commanded. Sam. Sept., Syr., and Vulg. read "as I have been commanded".

upon his sons' hands, and °waved them for a wave offering before °the LORD.

28 And Moses took them from off their hands, and °burnt them on the altar upon the burnt offering: they were °consecrations for a sweet savour: it is an offering made by fire unto °the LORD.

29 And Moses took the breast, and °waved it for a wave offering before °the LORD: for of the ram of consecration it was Moses' part; °as °the LORD commanded Moses.

30 And Moses took of the anointing oil, and of the blood which was upon the altar, and sprinkled it upon Aaron, °and upon his garments, and upon his sons, and upon his sons' garments with him; and sanctified Aaron, °and his garments, and his sons, and his sons' garments with him.

31 And Moses said unto Aaron and to his sons, "Boil the flesh at the °door of the °tabernacle of the congregation: and there eat it with the bread that is in the basket of consecrations, °as I commanded, saying, 'Aaron and his sons shall eat it.'"

32 And that which remaineth of the flesh and of the bread shall ye °burn with fire.

33 And ye shall not go out of the door of the °tabernacle of the congregation in

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34 As °He hath done this day, so °the LORD hath commanded to do, to °make an atonement for you.

1-7 Abib 35 Therefore shall ye abide at the door of the °tabernacle of the congregation day and night seven days, and keep the charge of °the LORD, that ye die not: for so I am commanded."

d 36 So Aaron and his sons did all things which °the LORD commanded by °the hand of Moses.

H² e¹ (p. 144) 9 And it came to pass on the °eighth day, that Moses called Aaron and his sons, and the elders of Israel;

8th Abib 2 And he said unto Aaron, "Take thee a young calf for a °sin offering, and a ram for a burnt offering, without blemish, and °offer them °before °the LORD.

3 And unto the °children of Israel °thou shalt speak, saying, 'Take ye a kid of the goats for a °sin offering; and a calf and a lamb, both of the first year, without blemish, for a burnt offering;

4 Also a bullock and a ram for °peace offerings, to sacrifice before °the LORD; and a meat offering mingled with oil:

f¹ for to day °the LORD will °appear unto you."

e² 5 And they brought that which Moses commanded before the °tabernacle of the congregation: and all the congregation drew near and stood before °the LORD.

6 And Moses said, "This is the thing which °the LORD commanded that ye should do:

f² and the glory of °the LORD shall appear unto you."

e³ 7 And Moses °said unto Aaron, "Go unto the altar, and °offer °thy °sin offering, and thy burnt offering, and °make an atonement for thyself, and for the People: and °offer the °offering of the People, and °make an atonement for them; °as °the LORD commanded."

8 Aaron therefore went unto the altar, and slew °the calf of the °sin offering, which was for himself.

9 And the sons of Aaron brought the blood unto him: and he dipped his finger in the blood, and put it upon the horns of the altar, and poured out the blood at the bottom of the altar:

10 But the fat, and the kidneys, and the caul above the liver of the °sin offering, he °burnt upon the altar; °as °the LORD commanded Moses.

11 And the flesh and the hide he °burnt with fire without the camp.

12 And he slew the burnt offering; and Aaron's sons °presented unto him the blood, which he sprinkled round about upon the altar.

13 And they °presented the burnt offering unto him, with the pieces thereof, and the head: and he °burnt them upon the altar.

14 And he did wash the inwards and the legs, and °burnt them upon the burnt offering on the altar.

15 And he brought °the People's offering,

33 seven days. Aaron consecrated on the eighth day, after waiting seven days consecration = setting apart.

consecrate. See note on Ex. 28. 41.

34 He hath done = hath been done.

make an atonement. See note on Ex. 29. 33.

36 the hand. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of the Cause) for what is performed by it (Ap. 6). Hence a common idiom for instrumentality or agency; esp. writing.

9. 1-24 (H², p. 142). MINISTRATION. (Repeated Alternation.)

H² e¹ | 1-4-. Command.
f¹ | -4. Appearing of Jehovah promised.
e² | 5, 6-. Obedience.
f² | -6. Appearing of glory promised.
e³ | 7-23-. Command and obedience.
f³ | -23, 24. Appearing of the glory of Jehovah.

1 eighth day: i. e. the day following the seven days of consecration (8. 33, 35).

2 sin offering. Heb. *chāt'ā*. Ap. 43. II. v.

offer. Heb. *karab*. Ap. 43. I. i.

before the LORD = before the door of the tent of meeting (1. 5, 11).

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4.

3 children. Heb. sons.

thou shalt speak. Aaron now to give the orders about the sacrifices.

4 peace offerings. Heb. *shelem*. Ap. 43. II. iv.

appear: i. e. manifest Himself in a special manner.

5 tabernacle = tent. Heb. *'ohel*. Ap. 40.

7 said unto Aaron. Showing that Aaron did not take this honour upon himself. Heb. 5. 4, 5.

offer = prepare. Heb. *'āsāh*. Ap. 43. I. iii.

thy sin offering. Ancient Jewish interpretation refers this "calf" (v. 8) to the sin of the golden calf. The People's share in that sin is referred to in v. 15. Cp. Ex. 32. 35: "they made (Ex. 32. 1) the calf which Aaron made" (v. 4).

make an atonement. See note on Ex. 29. 33. Cp. Ex. 28. 41.

offering. Heb. *korban*. Ap. 43. II. i.

as = according as.

8 the calf. See note on v. 7. Aaron slew this himself, like any other offerer, as it was for his own sin (1. 5).

10 burnt: i. e. as incense. Heb. *kātar*. Ap. 43. I. vii.

11 burnt. Heb. *sāraph*. Ap. 43. I. viii.

12 presented = cause to be delivered. *Hiphil* of *māz'a* only here, *v. 13, 18*. 2 Sam. 3. 8. Job 34. 11; 37. 13. Zech. 11. 6.

15 the People's offering. See note on v. 7.

offered. Heb. *chāt'ā* (verb), to offer a sin offering. Ap. 43. II. v.

as the first. See v. 8. He accordingly burnt it "without the camp", for which he was reproved by Moses (10. 16-20).

16 manner = ordinance, or regulation. Cp. the same word in 5. 10.

17 took an handful thereof. Heb. filled his hand therefrom, i. e. installed himself therewith. Here we have the Divine explanation of consecration. Cp. Ex. 28. 41.

and took the goat, which was the °sin offering for the People, and slew it, and °offered it for °sin, °as the first.

16 And he brought the burnt offering, and °offered it according to the °manner.

17 And he brought the meat offering, and °took an handful thereof, and °burnt it upon the altar, beside the burnt sacrifice of the morning.

18 He slew also the bullock and the ram for a sacrifice of °peace offerings, which was for the People: and Aaron's sons °presented unto him the blood, which he sprinkled upon the altar round about,

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19 And the fat of the bullock and of the ram, the °rump, and that which covereth the inwards, and the kidneys, and the caul above the liver:

20 And they put the fat upon the breasts, and he °burnt the fat upon the altar:

21 And the breasts and the right shoulder Aaron waved for a °wave offering before °the LORD; °as Moses commanded.

22 And Aaron lifted up his hand toward the People, and °blessed them, and °came down from offering of the °sin offering, and the burnt offering, and peace offerings.

23 And Moses and Aaron went into the °tabernacle of the congregation, and came out, and °blessed the People:

f³ and the °glory of °the LORD appeared unto all the People.

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24 And there °came a fire out from before °the LORD, and consumed upon the altar the burnt offering and the fat: which when all the people saw, they °shouted, and fell on their faces.

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10 And Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron, took either of them his censer, and put fire therein, and put incense thereon, and °offered °strange fire before °the LORD, which He °commanded them not.

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2 And there went out fire °from °the LORD, and °devoured them, and they °died before °the LORD.

3 Then Moses said unto Aaron, °“*This is it that °the LORD spake, saying, °‘I will be sanctified in them that come nigh Me, and before all the people °I will be glorified.’*” And Aaron °held his peace.

4 And Moses called Mishael and Elzaphan, the °sons of Uzziel the uncle of Aaron, and said unto them, “Come near, carry your brethren from before the sanctuary °out of the camp.”

5 So they went near, and carried them in their coats out of the camp; °as Moses had said.

6 And Moses said °unto Aaron, and °unto Eleazar and unto Ithamar, his sons, “Uncover not your heads, neither °rend your clothes; °lest ye die, and lest wrath come upon all the °people: °but let your brethren, the °whole house of Israel, bewail the °burning which °the LORD hath kindled.

7 And ye shall not go out from the °door of the °tabernacle of the congregation, lest ye die: for the anointing oil of °the LORD is upon you.” And they did according to the word of Moses.

h 8 And °the LORD °spake unto Aaron, saying,

glory of Jehovah for its end, and the Holy Spirit for its power, will be rejected and judged. **held his peace:** in solemn submission to God's judgment on his two sons, just struck dead so soon after their anointing, installation, and investiture. Cp. 8. 13. **4 sons of Uzziel.** Izhar and Hebron. The older uncles were passed over because of their probable sympathy with their nephews Nadab and Abihu (Num. 16. 5, 7, 8). **out=**to without. Burials took place in the open fields. Cp. Gen. 23. 9, 17. Matt. 27. 52, 53. Luke 7. 12. **5 as=**according as. **6 unto** (Heb. *‘el*) Aaron **unto** (=to Heb. *‘l*) Eleazar, &c. **rend.** Heb. *pāram*, only here, 14. 45, and 21. 10. **lest ye die, and lest wrath come=**and so ye will not (Heb. *‘al*) die, and wrath will not (Heb. *‘o*) come. **people=**assembly. **but let, &c.=**but your brethren . . . will bewail. **whole house of Israel.** See note on Ex. 16. 31. **burning.** Heb. *sāraph*. See Ap. 43. I. viii. **7 door=**entrance. **tabernacle of the congregation=**“tent (Heb. *‘ohel*) of meeting”. Ap. 40. **8 spake.** The only time to Aaron alone. See note on 5. 14.

19 rump. Heb. “the fat tail”.

21 wave offering. See note on Ex. 29. 27.

as Moses commanded. Some codices, with Sam., Jon., and Sept., read “as Jehovah commanded Moses”.

22 blessed them: i.e. according to the precept in Num. 6. 24-26. Cp. Deut. 10. 8; 21. 5.

came down. Does not imply “steps”, which were forbidden (Ex. 20. 26). Probably=the margin or edge. See note on Ex. 27. 5.

23 blessed the People. This joint blessing is given in the Chaldee version of the Pentateuch, thus: “May the word of Jehovah accept your sacrifice with favour, and remit and pardon your sins.”

glory of the LORD. According to the promise in v. 4. See the Structure, p. 144.

24 came a fire. See note on 10. 2, and cp. 1 Chron. 21. 26 and Gen. 4. 4. Judg. 6. 20, 21. 1 Kings 18. 38. 2 Chron. 7. 1, 2. See Lev. 6. 13.

shouted. Cp. 2 Chron. 7. 3.

10. 1-20 (H³, p. 144). TRANSGRESSION.

(Introversion.)

H³ | g | 1-7. Disobedience (positive sin).
| h | 8-11. Command (as to holy and unclean).
| h | 12-15. Command (as to meal offering).
| g | 16-20. Disobedience (negative failure).

1 offered = brought near. Heb. *kārab*. Ap. 43. I. i. **strange fire:** i.e. fire other than that Jehovah had commanded, required, and given from heaven (1. 7; 6. 12; 9. 24; 16. 12. Cp. Ex. 30. 9). It was of their own kindling: so is all that is offered to God in worship today. If so, according to John 4. 23, 24, it is “strange fire”, and deserves the same judgment!

All worship that is not kindled by the Holy Spirit is “strange”, and is of the flesh. Cp. John 3. 6 and 6. 63. It “profiteth nothing”, and “God has no respect to it” (Gen. 4. 4, 5. Heb. 11. 4).

The incense of prayer and worship on the golden altar in the holy place was kindled by fire taken from the brazen altar in the outer court, on which atonement was made (see Lev. 16. 12, 13 and Rev. 8. 5); only those, therefore, whose sin is atoned for can worship. Compare the “strange incense”, Ex. 30. 9.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. **commanded them not.** Negative. The introduction of anything “strange”, where *all* is ordered by God, is abomination in His sight; and calls for, and calls down, His judgment. Thus the first recorded individual use of incense began in *disobedience* (10. 1), and the last ended in *unbelief* (Luke 1. 10, 18, 20).

2 from = from before.

devoured them = slew them; for they were not consumed, as is shown in verses 4 and 5.

Note the three fires here: (1) the fire of true worship (9. 24); (2) the strange fire of false worship (10. 1); (3) the devouring fire of judgment (10. 2).

died before the LORD: i.e. in the court of the sanctuary, where their sin had been committed.

3 This is it, &c., in contrast with v. 1. The positive opposed to the negative. Note the emphasis on “This” = this and nothing else: this very thing. Disobedience here is vital; this is why “judgment must begin at the house of God”: 1 Pet. 4. 17, yea “the time is come”.

I will. Note this double “I will”: and compare it with the “must” of John 4. 24. Cp. John 3. 7, 14.

All worship which has not Christ for its object, the **held his**

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9 "Do not drink °wine nor °strong drink, thou, nor thy sons with thee, °when ye go into the °tabernacle of the congregation, lest ye die: *it shall be* a statute for ever throughout your generations:

10 And that ye may put difference between °holy and unholy, and between unclean and clean;

11 And that ye may °teach the °children of Israel all the statutes which °the LORD hath spoken unto them by the hand of Moses."

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12 And Moses spake unto Aaron, and unto Eleazar and unto Ithamar, his sons that were left, "Take the meat offering that remaineth of the °offerings of °the LORD °made by fire, and eat it °without leaven °beside the altar: for it is most °holy:

13 And ye shall eat it in the °holy place, because it is °thy due, and thy sons' due, of the °sacrifices of °the LORD °made by fire: for so I am commanded.

14 And the °wave breast and °heave shoulder shall ye eat in a clean place; thou, and thy sons, and °thy daughters with thee: for *they be* thy due, and thy sons' due, which are given out of the sacrifices of peace offerings of the °children of Israel.

15 The °heave shoulder and the °wave breast shall they bring with the offerings made by fire of the fat, to wave *it for* a wave offering before °the LORD; and it shall be thine, and thy sons' with thee, by a statute for ever; °as °the LORD hath commanded."

16 And Moses diligently sought the goat of the sin offering, and, behold, it was °burnt: and he was angry with Eleazar and Ithamar, the sons of Aaron which were left alive, saying,

17 "Wherefore have ye not eaten the °sin offering in the °holy place, seeing it is most °holy, and God hath given it you °to bear the °iniquity of the congregation, to °make atonement for them before °the LORD?

18 °Behold, the blood of it was not brought in within the °holy place: ye should indeed have eaten it in the °holy place, as I commanded."

19 And Aaron said unto Moses, "Behold, this day have they offered their °sin offering and their burnt offering before °the LORD; and such things have befallen me: and *if* I had eaten the °sin offering to day, should it have been accepted in the sight of °the LORD?"

20 And when Moses heard *that*, he was content.

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11 And °the LORD °spake unto Moses and to Aaron, saying unto them,
2 "Speak unto the °children of Israel, saying, °These are the °beasts which ye shall eat among all the °beasts that are on the earth.

3 Whatsoever °parteth the hoof, and is clovenfooted, and cheweth the cud, among the beasts, that shall ye eat.

4 Nevertheless these shall ye °not eat of them that chew the cud, or of them that divide the hoof: *as* the camel, because he cheweth the cud, but divideth not the hoof; he is unclean unto you.

9 wine. Heb. *yayin*. See Ap. 27. i.

strong drink. Heb. *shēkār*. Ap. 27. iv. Does this law follow here, because it was intoxication which led to the sin of Nadab and Abihu?

when ye go. Cp. Ezek. 44. 21. The exception implies the rule. Nothing may be done to excite or stimulate the flesh in the sanctuary: neither drink within, nor music without, nor sensuous surroundings. The old nature must not be stimulated by moving scenes or mere human eloquence. All "must" be of the Spirit. John 4. 24.

10 holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

11 teach. This was a special part of the priests' work. See note on Deut. 33. 10. children. Heb. sons.

12 offerings. Heb. pl. of *kārbān*. Ap. 43. II. i.

made by fire. Heb. *'ishsheh*. Ap. 43. II. xi.

without leaven. See Ap. 38.

beside the altar: in the outer court. Cp. v. 2 and 6. 20.

13 thy due = thy statute. Notwithstanding the failure in vv. 1-7.

sacrifices. Heb. pl. of *sābah*. Ap. 43. II. xii.

14 wave . . . heave. See note on Ex. 29. 27.

thy daughters. Note this: as well as sons. We must distinguish the privileges confined to males; others are common to all alike. The daughters could not eat of the "sin offering" (v. 17), but could eat of the "meal offering" (v. 14).

16 burnt. Heb. *sāraph*. Ap. 43. I. viii.

17 Wherefore . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6) to call attention to ch. 6. 26.

sin. Heb. *chāṭ'ā*. Ap. 43. II. v. and 44. i.

to bear = to bear away, or remove. Cp. Gen. 50. 17. Ex. 32. 32. Ps. 92. 1, 5. Matt. 8. 17. So here, the Chald., Syr., and Sept. render it "take away" or "remove". The A.V. follows the Vulgate here.

iniquity. Heb. *ā'vāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

make atonement. See note on Ex. 29. 33.

18 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6), to emphasise the distinction laid down in ch. 6. 26, 30; 10. 17. Cp. 4. 5, 16; 6. 23, 30.

11. 1-15. 33 (E, p. 181). CEREMONIAL LAWS. (Division.)

E J¹ | 11. 1-47. Food and defilement.

J² | 12. 1-8. Child-bearing.

J³ | 13. 1-14. 57. Leprosy.

J⁴ | 15. 1-33. Issues.

11. 1-47 (J¹ above). FOOD AND DEFILEMENT. (Division.)

J¹ | K¹ | 1-23. Food.

K² | 24-47. Defilement.

1-3 (K¹ above). FOOD. (Division.)

K¹ | i¹ | 1-8. Beasts (pos., 1-3; neg., 4-8).

i² | 9-12. Water animals (pos., 9; neg., 10-12).

i³ | 13-19. Flying animals.

i⁴ | 20-23. Creeping or swarming animals (neg., 20; pos., 21, 22; neg., 23).

1 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4.

spake. See note on 5. 14.

2 children. Heb. sons.

These. Heb. *this*. Fig. *Heterosis* (of Number), sing. for plural. (Ap. 6.)

beasts = living creatures.

beasts = animals. Heb. *b'hēmāh*. The Heb. division of animal kingdom was: (1) Land animals; (2) water animals; (3) birds of the air; (4) swarming animals. Deut. 14. 4, 5 enumerates ten clean animals.

3 parteth the hoof. Cp. Deut. 14. 6.

4 not eat. These laws are not arbitrary. Food plays a chief part in health and sickness. It is our *wisdom* to obey these laws now, as far as possible. All are based on the preservation and health of the race. Some for sanitary reasons. Some from peculiarities of climate. Some for separating from other peoples.

1490 5 And the °coney, because he cheweth the cud, but divideth not the hoof; he is unclean unto you.

6 And the °hare, because he cheweth the cud, but divideth not the hoof; he is unclean unto you.

7 And the swine, though he divide the hoof, and be clovenfooted, yet he cheweth not the cud; he is unclean to you.

8 Of their flesh shall ye not eat, and their carcase shall ye not touch; they are unclean to you.

i² (p. 146) 9 These shall ye eat of all that are in the waters: whatsoever hath fins and scales in the waters, in the seas, and in the rivers, them shall ye eat.

10 And all that have not fins and scales in the seas, and in the rivers, of all that move in the waters, and of any living °thing which is in the waters, they shall be an abomination unto you:

11 They shall be even an abomination unto you; ye shall not eat of their flesh, but ye shall have their carcases in abomination.

12 Whatsoever hath no fins nor scales in the waters, that shall be an abomination unto you.

i³ 13 And these are they which ye shall have in abomination among the °fowls; they shall not be eaten, they are an abomination: the °eagle, and the °ossifrage, and the °ospray,

14 And the °vulture, and the °kite after his kind;

15 Every °raven after his kind;

16 And the owl, and the night hawk, and the °cuckow, and the hawk after his kind,

17 And the °little owl, and the °cormorant, and the °great owl,

18 And the °swan, and the °pelican, and the °gier eagle,

19 And the °stork, the °heron after her kind, and the °lapwing, and the °bat.

i¹ 20 All fowls that creep, going upon all four, shall be an abomination unto you.

21 Yet these may ye eat of every flying creeping thing that goeth upon all four, which have legs above their feet, to leap withal upon the earth;

22 Even °these of them ye may eat; the °locust after his kind, and the °bald locust after his kind, and the °beetle after his kind, and the °grasshopper after his kind.

23 But all other flying creeping things, which have four feet, shall be an abomination unto you.

K² j (p. 147) 24 And for these ye shall be unclean: whosoever toucheth the carcase of them shall be unclean until the even.

25 And whosoever beareth ought of the carcase of them shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even.

k 26 The carcases of every beast which divideth the hoof, and is not clovenfooted, nor cheweth the cud, are unclean unto you: every one that toucheth them shall be unclean.

5 coney = the old English name for rabbit.

6 hare. Only here, and Deut. 14. 7. Heb. 'arnebeth, not yet identified.

10 thing = soul. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13.

13 fowls = flying things; very difficult to identify the English names.

eagle: or vulture.

ossifrage. A rendering of the Heb. "bone-breaker", from taking their prey up in the air and dropping it on a rock to break it.

ospray: or sea eagle.

14 vulture: or kite.

kite = falcon.

15 raven, or black birds of all kinds.

16 cuckow. Probably = sea-gull.

17 little owl, or simply "owl". Only here, Deut. 14. 16, and Ps. 102. 6.

cormorant: or the "darter".

great owl = Heb. "night-bird".

18 swan, not our swan: it is variously rendered "ibis", "bat", "heron", and "pelican".

pelican: or vomiting pelican.

gier eagle: or little vulture. Heb. "the merciful".

19 stork. Heb. chagidah, "the pious": rendered "stork" in Job 39. 13 (marg.). Ps. 104. 17. Jer. 8. 7. Zech. 5. 9.

heron. Heb. 'anaphah, "the cruel".

lapwing. Better, the hoopoe, a dirty bird.

bat. A vile creature and symbol of evil (Isa. 2. 20): comes last as a link between two classes, quadrupeds and birds.

22 these: being all "after his kind", are probably four different species of the same, viz.:

locust = swarming locust.

bald locust = devouring locust.

beetle = chargol (or wingless) locust.

grasshopper = chargab locust, Nu. 13. 33. 2 Chron. 7. 13. Ecc. 12. 5. Is. 40. 22.

27 beasts = living creatures. See note on v. 2.

24-47 (K², 146). DEFILEMENT (Alternation).

K² j | 24, 25. Command.

k | 26-43. Clean and unclean.

j | 44, 45. Command.

k | 46, 47. Clean and unclean.

29 weasel. Heb. choled = the glider or slipper, occ. only here.

mouse. Heb. 'akbar = the corn destroyer. 1 Sam. 6. 4, 5, 11, 18. Isa. 66. 17.

tortoise. Heb. zab - the inflated, Num. 5. 27; probably = toad.

30 ferret = hedgehog. Heb. 'anakah, only here.

lizard: or wall-lizard.

snail. Heb. chomet, Ps. 58. 8 = shabbel.

31 unclean. Better, "most unclean"; so in v. 29. when they be dead. Cp. v. 24.

27 And whatsoever goeth upon his paws, among all manner of °beasts that go on all four, those are unclean unto you: whoso toucheth their carcase shall be unclean until the even.

28 And he that beareth the carcase of them shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even: they are unclean unto you.

29 These also shall be unclean unto you among the creeping things that creep upon the earth; the °weasel, and the °mouse, and the °tortoise after his kind,

30 And the °ferret, and the chameleon, and the °lizard, and the °snail, and the mole.

31 These are °unclean to you among all that creep: whosoever doth touch them, °when they be dead, shall be unclean until the even.

32 And upon whatsoever any of them, when

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they are dead, doth fall, it shall be unclean; whether *it be* any vessel of wood, or raiment, or skin, or sack, whatsoever vessel *it be*, wherein *any* work is done, it must be put into water, and it shall be unclean until the even; so it shall be cleansed.

33 And every earthen vessel, whereinto *any* of them falleth, whatsoever *is* in it shall be unclean; and ye shall break it.

34 Of all °meat which may be eaten, *that* on which *such* water cometh shall be unclean: and all drink that may be drunk in every *such* vessel shall be unclean.

35 And every *thing* whereupon *any part* of their carcase falleth shall be unclean; *whether it be* oven, or ranges for pots, they shall be broken down: *for they are* unclean, and shall be unclean unto you.

36 Nevertheless a fountain or pit, *wherein there is* °plenty of water, shall be clean: but °that which toucheth their carcase shall be unclean.

37 And if *any part* of their carcase fall upon any sowing seed which is to be sown, it *shall* be clean.

38 But if *any* water be put upon the seed, and *any part* of their carcase fall thereon, it *shall* be unclean unto you.

39 And if any beast, of which ye may eat, die; he that toucheth the carcase thereof shall be unclean until the even.

40 And °he that eateth of the carcase of it shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even: he also that beareth the carcase of it shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even.

41 And every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth *shall* be an abomination; it shall not be eaten.

42 Whatsoever goeth upon the belly, and whatsoever goeth upon *all* four, or whatsoever hath °more feet among all creeping things that creep upon the earth, them ye shall not eat; *for they are* an abomination.

43 Ye shall not make °your selves °abominable with any creeping thing that creepeth, neither shall ye make yourselves unclean with them, that ye should be defiled thereby.

(p. 147) 44 For *§ am* °the LORD your °God: ye shall therefore sanctify °yourselves, and ye shall be holy; °for *§ am* holy: neither shall ye defile yourselves with any manner of creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

45 For *§ am* °the LORD °that bringeth you up out of the land of Egypt, to be your °God: ye shall therefore be °holy, for *§ am* °holy.

k 46 °This is the law of the °beasts, and of the fowl, and of every living °creature that moveth in the waters, and of every °creature that creepeth upon the earth:

47 To °make a difference between the unclean and the clean, and between the °beast that may be eaten and the °beast that °may not be eaten.”

(p. 148) L¹ 12 And °the LORD °spake unto Moses, saying,
2 “Speak unto the °children of Israel, saying, ‘If a woman have conceived seed, and born a man child:

34 meat=food. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part), one kind put for all kinds of food. Ap. 6.

36 plenty. Heb.=“a gathering together”. that which=he who.

40 he that eateth: i.e. ignorantly: otherwise, wilfully, it was the death penalty. Num. 15. 30. Deut. 14. 21.

42 more=many.

43 your selves=your souls. Heb. pl. of *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

abominable. Only here and 7. 21; 11. 10-13, 20, 23, 41, 42, and Isa. 66. 17. Ezek. 8. 10. The phrase occurs only once more, in ch. 20. 25, where it is used of souls.

44 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. yourselves=your souls. Heb. pl. of *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

for I am holy. Cp. 1 Pet. 1. 15, 16; and see ch. 20. 7, 8.

45 that bringeth you up, &c. This wondrous redemption is repeatedly appealed to, to magnify Jehovah's grace and Israel's ingratitude. Cp. Deut. 8. 14; 13. 10; 20. 1. Josh. 24. 17. Judg. 2. 12, &c. holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

46 This is the law of the beasts, &c. A recapitulation of the four classes. See structure of verses 1-23 (p. 146). There it was land, water, flying, and swarming. Here it is land animals, flying, water animals, and swarming. Cp. the summary of the sacrificial law, 7. 37, 38.

beasts. Heb. pl. of *bēhēmah*. See note on v. 27.

creature=soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

47 make a difference: or, put, &c. Same word as in 10. 10.

may not be eaten. See 20. 25, and cp. Acts 10. 11-16.

12. 1-8 (J², p. 146). CHILD-BEARING. (Division.)

J² | L¹ | 1-5. Ordinances.
| L² | 6-8. Offerings.

12. 1-5 (L¹, above). ORDINANCES. (Extended alternation.)

L¹ | 1 | 1, 2-. Man child.
| m | -2, 3. Separation (seven days) } Forty
| n | 4. Continuance (thirty-three days) } days.
| l | 5-. Maid child.
| m | -5-. Separation (fourteen days) } Eighty
| n | -5. Continuance (sixty-six days) } days.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

spake. See note on 5. 14.

2 children. Heb. sons.

seven days. See note on v. 5.

according to the days. Cp. 15. 19.

3 circumcised. See note on “leprosy”, 13. 2.

4 three and thirty. Half the period of maid child. See v. 5 (7+33=40. See Ap. 10).

hallowed. Heb. *kādash*. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

then she shall be unclean °seven days; °according to the days of the separation for her infirmity shall she be unclean. n

3 And in the eighth day the flesh of his fore-skin shall be °circumcised.

4 And she shall then continue in the blood o of her purifying °three and thirty days; she shall touch no °hallowed thing, nor come into the sanctuary, until the days of her purifying be fulfilled.

5 But if she bear a maid child, m

then she shall be unclean two weeks, as in n her separation:

ⁿ (p. 148) and she shall continue in the blood of her °purifying °threescore and six days.

1490 L² 6 And when the days of her purifying are fulfilled, for a son, or for a daughter, °she shall bring a lamb of the first year for a burnt offering, and a young pigeon, or a turtledove, for a °sin offering, unto the °door of the °tabernacle of the congregation, unto the priest:

7 Who shall °offer it before ¹the LORD, and °make an atonement for her; and she shall be cleansed from the °issue of her blood. This is the law for her that hath born a male or a female.

8 And if she be not able to bring a lamb, then she shall bring °two turtles, or two young pigeons; the one for the burnt offering, and the other for a °sin offering: and the priest shall °make an atonement for her, and she shall be clean.'"

J³ M (p. 149) 13 And °the LORD °spake unto Moses and Aaron, saying,

2 "When a °man shall have in the skin of his flesh a rising, a scab, or bright spot, and it be in the skin of his flesh *like* °the plague of °leprosy; then he shall be brought unto Aaron the priest, or unto one of his sons the priests:

3 And the priest shall look on the plague in the skin of the flesh: and *when* the hair in the plague is turned white, and the plague in sight be deeper than the skin of his flesh, it is a plague of leprosy: and the priest shall look on him, and °pronounce him unclean.

4 If the bright spot be white in the skin of his flesh, and in sight be not deeper than the skin, and the hair thereof be not turned white; then the priest shall shut up him that hath the °plague seven days:

5 And the priest shall look on him the seventh day: and, °behold, *if* the plague in °his sight be at a stay, and the plague spread not in the skin; then the priest shall shut him up seven days more:

6 And the priest shall look on him again the seventh day: and, °behold, *if* the plague be somewhat dark, and the plague °spread not in the skin, the priest shall °pronounce him clean: it is *but* a scab: and he shall wash his clothes, and be clean.

7 But if the scab spread much abroad in the skin, after that he hath been seen of the priest for his cleansing, he shall be seen of the priest again:

8 And *if* the priest see that, °behold, the scab spreadeth in the skin, then the priest shall °pronounce him unclean: it is a leprosy.

9 When the plague of leprosy is in a °man, then he shall be brought unto the priest;

10 And the priest shall see him; and, °behold, *if* the rising be °white in the skin, and it have turned the hair white, and *there* be °quick raw flesh in the rising;

11 It is an old leprosy in the skin of his flesh, and the priest shall pronounce him unclean, and °shall not shut him up: for he °is unclean.

12 And if a leprosy °break out abroad in the skin, and the leprosy cover all the skin of

5 purifying = purification, i.e. pure blood as distinct from the other.

threescore and six days. Double that after a man child. See v. 4 (14 + 66 = 80). This ordinance was not on account of any disparity between the sexes, but was in order to regulate them, so that the birth-rate of females might not be in too great excess, as it otherwise would have been, and is, where this ordinance is not known or observed.

6-8 (L², p. 148). OFFERINGS.

6 she shall bring. As Mary did. Luke 2. 22-24. sin. Heb. 'chāt'ā. Ap. 44. i.

door = entrance.

tabernacle = tent. Heb. 'ohel. Ap. 40.

7 offer it = bring it near. Heb. kārab. Ap. 43. I. i. make. Sam., Sept., and Syr. read, "and the priest shall make", as in v. 8.

make an atonement. See note on Ex. 29. 33. issue = fount.

8 two turtles. See Luke 2. 22, 24, and cp. 2 Cor. 8. 9.

13. 1-14. 57 (J³, p. 146). LEPROSY.

(Alternations.)

J³ M | 13. 1-46. Leprosy in man.

N | o | 13. 47-57. In a garment.

p | 13. 58. Cleansing of garment.

q | 13. 59. Law for garment.

M | 14. 1-32. Law of Leprosy.

N | o | 14. 33-47. In a house.

p | 14. 48-53. Cleansing of house.

q | 14. 54-57. Law for all cases.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

spake. See note on 5. 14.

2 man. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14.

the plague = spot: mark too weak for person, though suited for house (14. 34): "plague" and "stroke" would be too strong in every case.

leprosy. Heb. zār'āth, from zār'a, to strike down, a leper being one stricken of God. One of the four points which Christ endorses Leviticus as being written by Moses:

1. Circumcision, 12. 3 (John 7. 22, 23).

2. Law of leper, 14. 3-32 (Matt. 8. 4).

3. The shewbread, 24. 5-9 (Matt. 12. 4).

4. Death penalty for cursing parents, 20. 9 (Mark 7. 10).

Leprosy is the type of what man is by nature. (All the offerings relate to what man has done or not done.) It has reference to the evil "in" him (v. 2, 9), not to the outcome of it. See note on v. 45.

3 pronounce. Heb. "shall make him". Fig. Metonymy (of Subject) = pronounce or declare him to be. Ap. 6. Cp. Ezek. 43. 3, &c.

4 plague = plagued person. Heb. "shut up the plague". Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct). Ap. 6. The meaning is supplied in italics.

5 behold. Fig. Asterismos. (Ap. 6.)

his sight = its appearance.

6 spread. This is the criterion here for persons, as for houses and garments (cp. v. 55, & 14. 44, 48). This is the criterion for our judgment of the antitype—"sin"—our old nature, to which our attention is called by the Fig. Asterismos, "Behold" (see Ap. 6).

10 white. See note on v. 30. quick = living.

11 shall not: or, need not.

is: i.e. is undoubtedly, no further proof being needed.

12 break out abroad = cometh quite out. Type of the sinner confessing his totality of evil—then he is clean, 1 John 1. 9, 10.

him that hath the plague from his head even to his foot, wheresoever the priest looketh;

13 Then the priest shall consider; and, °behold, *if* the leprosy have covered all his flesh, he shall pronounce him clean that hath the plague: it is all turned white: he is clean.

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14 But °when raw flesh appeareth in him, he shall be unclean.

15 And the priest shall see the raw flesh, and °pronounce him to be unclean: *for the raw flesh °is unclean: it is a leprosy.*

16 Or if the raw flesh turn again, and be changed unto white, he shall come unto the priest;

17 And the priest shall see him: and, °behold, if the plague be turned into white; then the priest shall °pronounce him clean *that hath the plague: he is clean.*

18 The flesh also, in which, *even* in the skin thereof, was a boil, and is healed,

19 And in the place of the boil there be a white rising, or a bright spot, white, and somewhat reddish, and it be shewed to the priest;

20 And if, when the priest seeth it, °behold, it be in sight lower than the skin, and the hair thereof be turned white; the priest shall °pronounce him unclean: *it is a °plague of leprosy broken out of the boil.*

21 But if the priest look on it, and, °behold, *there be no white hairs therein, and if it be not lower than the skin, but °be °somewhat dark; then the priest shall shut him up seven days:*

22 And if it spread much abroad in the skin, then the priest shall °pronounce him unclean: *it is a plague.*

23 But if the bright spot stay in his place, and spread not, *it is a burning boil; and the priest shall °pronounce him clean.*

24 Or if there be *any* flesh, in the skin whereof *there is* a hot burning, and the ¹⁰quick flesh that burneth have a white bright spot, somewhat reddish, or white;

25 Then the priest shall look upon it: and, °behold, if the hair in the bright spot be turned white, and it be in sight deeper than the skin; *it is a leprosy broken out of the burning: wherefore the priest shall °pronounce him unclean: it is the °plague of leprosy.*

26 But if the priest look on it, and, °behold, *there be no white hair in the bright spot, and it be no lower than the other skin, but °be °somewhat dark; then the priest shall shut him up seven days:*

27 And the priest shall look upon him the seventh day: and if it be spread much abroad in the skin, then the priest shall °pronounce him unclean: *it is the plague of leprosy.*

28 And if the bright spot stay in his place, and spread not in the skin, but it be somewhat dark; *it is a rising of the burning, and the priest shall °pronounce him clean: for it is an inflammation of the burning.*

29 If a °man or woman have a °plague upon the head or the beard;

30 Then the priest shall see the °plague: and, °behold, if it be in sight deeper than the skin; and *there be in it a yellow °thin hair; then the priest shall °pronounce him unclean: it is a dry °scall, °even a leprosy upon the head or beard.*

31 And if the priest look on the °plague of the °scall, and, °behold, it be not in sight

14 when. Heb. "in the day", same as Gen. 2. 17; see Ap. 18.

15 is it [is].

21 be = it [be].

somewhat dark = faint.

29 man or woman = °ish or °ishah. See Ap. 14.

plague: better, "spot". See note on v. 2.

30 thin = short. An infallible sign of leprosy. A long hair, even though "yellow", no sign. In other parts of the body the hairs would be short and white. Cp. v. 19.

scall = scab.

even = it [is].

39 darkish white = faintish, or dead white; a harmless eruption, or "tetter".

45 rent. See note on 10. 6.

deeper than the skin, and *that there is* no black hair in it; then the priest shall shut up him *that hath* the plague of the °scall seven days:

32 And in the seventh day the priest shall look on the plague: and, °behold, if the °scall spread not, and there be in it no yellow hair, and the °scall be not in sight deeper than the skin;

33 He shall be shaven, but the °scall shall he not shave; and the priest shall shut up him *that hath* the °scall seven days more:

34 And in the seventh day the priest shall look on the °scall: and, °behold, if the °scall be not spread in the skin, nor be in sight deeper than the skin; then the priest shall °pronounce him clean: and he shall wash his clothes, and be clean.

35 But if the °scall spread much in the skin after his cleansing;

36 Then the priest shall look on him: and, °behold, if the °scall be spread in the skin, the priest shall not seek for yellow hair; *he is unclean.*

37 But if the °scall be in °his sight at a stay, and *that there is* black hair grown up therein; the °scall is healed, *he is clean: and the priest shall °pronounce him clean.*

38 If a °man also or a °woman have in the skin of their flesh bright spots, *even white bright spots;*

39 Then the priest shall look: and, °behold, if the bright spots in the skin of their flesh be °darkish white; *it is a freckled spot that groweth in the skin; he is clean.*

40 And the man whose hair is fallen off his head, *he is bald; yet is he clean.*

41 And he that hath his hair fallen off from the part of his head toward his face, *he is forehead bald: yet is he clean.*

42 And if there be in the bald head, or bald forehead, a white reddish sore; *it is a leprosy sprung up in his bald head, or his bald forehead.*

43 Then the priest shall look upon it: and, behold, if the rising of the sore be white reddish in his bald head, or in his bald forehead, as the leprosy appeareth in the skin of the flesh;

44 *he is a leprous man, he is unclean: the priest shall °pronounce him utterly unclean; his plague is in his head.*

45 And the leper in whom °the plague is, his clothes shall be °rent, and his head bare,

1490 and he shall put a °covering upon his upper lip, and shall cry, °Unclean, unclean.'

46 All the days wherein the plague shall be in him he shall be defiled; he is unclean: he shall dwell alone; °without the camp shall his habitation be.

N o (p. 149) 47 The °garment also that the plague of leprosy is in, whether it be a woollen garment, or a linen garment;

48 Whether it be in the °warp, or °woof; of linen, or of woollen; whether in a skin, or in any thing made of skin;

49 And if the plague be greenish or reddish in the garment, or in the skin, either in the °warp, or in the °woof, or in any thing of skin; it is a plague of leprosy, and shall be shewed unto the priest:

50 And the priest shall look upon the plague, and shut up it that hath the plague seven days:

51 And he shall look on the plague on the seventh day: if the plague be spread in the garment, either in the °warp, or in the °woof, or in a skin, or in any work that is made of skin; the plague is a °fretting leprosy; it is unclean.

52 He shall therefore burn that garment, whether °warp or °woof, in woollen or in linen, or any thing of skin, wherein the plague is: for it is a °fretting leprosy; it shall be °burnt in the fire.

53 And if the priest shall look, and, °behold, the plague be not spread in the garment, either in the °warp, or in the °woof, or in any thing of skin;

54 Then the priest shall command that they wash the thing wherein the plague is, and he shall shut it up seven days more:

55 And the priest shall look on the plague, after that it is washed: and, °behold, if the plague have not changed his °colour, and the plague be not spread; it is unclean; thou shalt burn it in the fire; it is fret inward, whether it be bare within or without.

56 And if the priest look, and, °behold, the plague be somewhat dark after the washing of it; then he shall rend it out of the garment, or out of the skin, or out of the °warp, or out of the °woof:

57 And if it appear still in the garment, either in the °warp, or in the °woof, or in any thing of skin; it is a spreading plague: thou shalt °burn that wherein the plague is with fire.

p 58 And the garment, either °warp, or °woof, or whatsoever thing of skin it be, which thou shalt wash, if the plague be departed from them, then it shall be washed the second time, and shall be clean.

q 59 This is the law of the plague of leprosy in a garment of woollen or linen, either in the °warp, or °woof, or any thing of skins, to °pronounce it clean, or to °pronounce it unclean."

M 14 And °the LORD °spake unto Moses, saying,

2 "This shall be °the law of the leper °in

covering = muffler.

'Unclean, unclean.' Fig. *Epizeuxis*, Ap. 6, to emphasise the condition. Leprosy is the great type of sin: and teaches that the sinner is not only lost and ruined on account of what he has done, but on account of what he is. The former needed atonement to procure judicial righteousness, but the latter requires a Divine act and cleansing to give him an imputed righteousness. The former we have through Christ's atonement, the latter we have from God in Christ. It is not enough to confess what we "have done" or "left undone"; there must be also the confession "there is no health in us". Cp. Isa. 6. 5. Job 40. 4; 42. 6. Ps. 51. 5. Luke 5. 8, &c.

46 without the camp. Num 5. 2; 12. 10-15.

47 garment. Type of habits and ways seen by others. Cp. Jude 23.

48 warp. A.S. *wearpen*, to cast or throw = the longitudinal lines in the loom, through which the shuttle passes. Heb. *shāthah*, to drink in. So called because of its drinking in the thread thrown by the shuttle.

woof. A.S. to weave in. Heb. *ʿarab*, to intermingle. Hence used of what is mingled or woven in by the shuttle.

51 fretting = rankling, only of what is malignant: occurs only here, v. 52; 14. 14, and Ezek. 28. 24.

52 burnt. Heb. *sāraph*. Ap. 48. I. viii.

55 colour = appearance. Heb. eye. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6: eye put for appearance.

14. 1-57 (M, N, p. 149). THE LAW OF LEPROSY.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

spake. This was delivered to Moses alone, who was to communicate these regulations to Aaron and his sons; while the rules by which the plague was to be discerned were given to both Moses and Aaron. Thus the position of Moses as the great lawgiver was upheld and secured. See note on 5. 14.

2 the law of the leper: provides for his cleansing. in the day = when. Cp. Gen. 2. 17, and see Ap. 18. shall be brought unto the priest. Cp. Matt. 8. 2. Mark 1. 40. Luke 5. 12; 17. 13.

brought. The leper could do nothing. He must be "brought". The priest must go forth to him (v. 3).

3 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

4 is to be cleansed = him that is cleansing himself. birds, or sparrows.

cedar wood, and scarlet, and hyssop. Hence the ancient tradition that the highest tree and the lowest herb give the leper purity, because pride was the cause of the plague, and humility is the necessary condition of its cure. These three were used also with the red heifer (Num. 19. 6). Cp. Heb. 9. 19. Ps. 51. 7.

5 running. Heb. living, i. e. not stagnant.

6 As. Some codices, with Sam., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "and as".

7 seven times. Cp. 4. 6. 2 Kings 5. 10, 14. Ap. 10.

the day of his cleansing: He °shall be °brought unto the priest:

3 And the priest shall go forth out of the camp; and the priest shall look, and, °behold, if the plague of leprosy be healed in the leper;

4 Then shall the priest command to take for him that °is to be cleansed two °birds alive and clean, and °cedar wood, and °scarlet, and °hyssop:

5 And the priest shall command that one of the birds be killed in an earthen vessel over °running water:

6 °As for the living bird, he shall take it, and the cedar wood, and the scarlet, and the hyssop, and shall dip them and the living bird in the blood of the bird that was killed over the °running water:

7 And he shall sprinkle upon him that is to be cleansed from the leprosy °seven times,

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and shall °pronounce him clean, and shall let the living bird loose °into the open field.

8 And he that 'is to be cleansed shall °wash his clothes, and shave off all his hair, and °wash himself in water, that he may be clean: and after that he shall come into the camp, and shall tarry abroad out of his tent ⁷seven days.

9 But it shall be on the °seventh day, that he shall shave all his hair off his head and his beard and his eyebrows, even all his hair he shall shave off: and he shall wash his clothes, also he shall °wash his flesh in water, and he shall be clean.

10 And on the °eighth day he shall take two he lambs without blemish, and one ewe lamb of the first year without blemish, and three tenth °deals of fine flour for a °meat offering, mingled with oil, and one °log of oil.

11 And the priest that maketh him clean shall °present the man that is to be made clean, and those things, before ¹the LORD, at the °door of the °tabernacle of the congregation:

12 And the priest shall take one he lamb, and °offer him for a °trespass offering, and the ¹⁰log of oil, and wave them for a °wave offering before ¹the LORD:

13 And he shall slay the lamb in the place where he shall kill the sin offering and the burnt offering, in the holy place: for as the °sin offering is the priest's, so is the ¹²trespass offering: it is most °holy:

14 And the priest shall take some of the blood of the ¹²trespass offering, and the priest shall put it upon the tip of the right ear of him that is to be cleansed, and upon the thumb of his right hand, and upon the great toe of his right foot:

15 And the priest shall take some of the ¹⁰log of oil, and pour it into the palm of his own left hand:

16 And the priest shall dip his right finger in the oil that is in his left hand, and shall sprinkle of the oil with his finger seven times before ¹the LORD:

17 And of the rest of the oil that is in his hand shall the priest put upon the tip of the right ear of him that is to be cleansed, and upon the thumb of his right hand, and upon the great toe of his right foot, upon the blood of the ¹²trespass offering:

18 And the remnant of the oil that is in the priest's hand he shall pour upon °the head of him that is to be cleansed: and the priest shall °make an atonement for him before ¹the LORD.

19 And the priest shall °offer the ¹³sin offering, and ¹⁸make an atonement for him that is to be cleansed from his uncleanness; and afterward he shall kill the burnt offering:

20 And the priest shall offer the burnt offering and the meat offering upon the altar: and the priest shall ¹⁸make an atonement for him, and he shall be clean.

21 And if he be °poor, and °cannot get so much; then he shall take one lamb for a ¹²trespass offering to be waved, to ¹⁸make an atonement for him, and one tenth ¹⁰deal of

pronounce him clean = Heb. make him clean. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6. = declare him to be clean. into the open field. Heb. "over the face of the field". Fig. *Prosopopœia*. Ap. 6. 8 wash = bathe.

9 seventh day. He was clean on the first day, now he enters into the enjoyment of it himself.

wash his flesh in water = bathe his body. Flesh put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6, for his body, as in Ecc. 2. 3. Isa. 10. 8. Ezek. 10. 12. Occurs eight times in Leviticus (14. 9; 15. 13, 16; 16. 4, 24, 26, 28; 22. 6), and is rendered in three different ways in A.V. But a peculiar ritual phrase should obviously be rendered by the same English phrase. This is to be distinguished from "himself" in 14. 8; 15. 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 16, 18, 21, 22, 27; 17. 15.

10 eighth day. Now, all the offerings are introduced, but the trespass offering comes first (v. 12).

deals. See Ap. 51. III. 3.

meat offering. Heb. *minḥāh*. Ap. 43. II. 3.

log. See Ap. 51. III. 3.

11 present the man = cause the man to stand. All is done for the leper, he can do nothing.

door = entrance.

tabernacle = tent. Heb. *'ohel*. See Ap. 40.

12 offer = bring him near. Heb. *kārah*. Ap. 43. I. i.

trespass offering. Heb. *'āšām*. Ap. 43. II. vi.

wave offering. See note on Ex. 29. 27.

13 sin. Heb. *chāt'ā*. Ap. 44. i.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

18 the head. Note how all the members of the body are in turn cleansed. All is forgiven. Ps. 103. 3. Col. 1. 14; 2. 13. Eph. 1. 7.

make an atonement. See note on Ex. 29. 33.

19 offer. Heb. *'āšāh*. Ap. 43. I. 3.

21 poor. The Divine consideration is again shown here. Cp. 5. 7, 11; 12. 8.

cannot get. Heb. "his hand reach not". Translated in v. 22. 23 door = entrance.

24 the priest shall take, &c. The ritual as imposing for the poor as for the rich.

fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering, and a ¹⁰log of oil;

22 And two turtledoves, or two young pigeons, such as he is able to get; and the one shall be a ¹³sin offering, and the other a burnt offering.

23 And he shall bring them on the eighth day for his cleansing unto the priest, unto the °door of the ¹¹tabernacle of the congregation, before ¹the LORD.

24 And °the priest shall take the lamb of the ¹²trespass offering, and the ¹⁰log of oil, and the priest shall wave them for a ¹²wave offering before ¹the LORD:

25 And he shall kill the lamb of the ¹²trespass offering, and the priest shall take some of the blood of the ¹²trespass offering, and put it upon the tip of the right ear of him that is to be cleansed, and upon the thumb of his right hand, and upon the great toe of his right foot:

26 And the priest shall pour of the oil into the palm of his own left hand:

27 And the priest shall sprinkle with his right finger some of the oil that is in his left hand seven times before ¹the LORD:

28 And the priest shall put of the oil that is in his hand upon the tip of the right ear of him that is to be cleansed, and upon the thumb of his right hand, and upon the great toe of his right foot, upon the place of the blood of the ¹²trespass offering:

29 And the rest of the oil that is in the priest's hand he shall put upon the head of

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him that is to be cleansed, to ¹⁸ make an atonement for him before ¹ the LORD.

30 And he shall ¹⁹ offer the one of the turtle-doves, or of the young pigeons, such as he can get;

31 *Even* such as he is able to get, the one for a ¹³ sin offering, and the other for a burnt offering, with the meat offering: and the priest shall ¹⁸ make an atonement for him that is to be cleansed before ¹ the LORD.

32 This *is*, the law of *him* in whom *is* the plague of leprosy, whose hand is not able to get *that which pertaineth to his cleansing.*

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33 And ¹ the LORD °spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying,

34 °“When ye be come into the land of Canaan, which I give to you for a possession, and I put the °plague of leprosy in a house of the land of your possession;

35 And he that owneth the house shall come and tell the priest, saying, ‘It seemeth to me *there is* as it were a ³⁴ plague in the house:’

36 Then the priest shall command that they empty the house, °before the priest go *into it* to see the ³⁴ plague, that all that *is* in the house be not made unclean: and afterward the priest shall go in to see the house:

37 And he shall look on the ³⁴ plague, and, behold, *if* the ³⁴ plague be in the walls of the house with °hollow strakes, greenish or reddish, which in sight are lower °than the wall;

38 Then the priest shall go out of the house to the ²³ door of the house, and shut up the house seven days:

39 And the priest shall come again °the seventh day, and shall look: and, behold, *if* the ³⁴ plague be °spread in the walls of the house;

40 Then the priest shall command that °they take away the stones in which the ³⁴ plague *is*, and °they shall cast them into an unclean place without the city:

41 And he shall cause the house to be scraped within round about, and they shall pour out the dust that they scrape off without the city into an unclean place:

42 And they shall take other stones, and put *them* in the place of those stones; and °he shall take other mortar, and shall plaister the house.

43 And if the ³⁴ plague come again, and break out in the house, after that he hath taken away the stones, and after he hath scraped the house, and after it is plaistered;

44 Then the priest shall come and look, and, °behold, *if* the plague be °spread in the house, it *is* a °fretting leprosy in the house: it *is* unclean.

45 And he shall break down the house, the stones of it, and the timber thereof, and all the mortar of the house; and he shall carry *them* forth out of the city into an unclean place.

46 Moreover he that goeth into the house all the while that it is shut up shall be unclean until the even.

47 And he that lieth in the house shall wash

33-53 (p q, p. 149). LEPROSY IN A HOUSE.

33 spake. See note on 5. 14. The law of cleansing persons addressed to Moses alone; that about houses, &c., addressed to Aaron as well.

34 When ye be come, &c. Here we have the first of four prospective laws, having no immediate bearing. See 19. 23; 23. 10; 25. 2. Hence it is separated from the law for leprosy men and garments, in the form of an appendix.

plague. House leprosy is here represented as being supernatural. This was peculiar to Palestine and to houses of Israelites. The Targum of Jonathan renders this: “And if there be a man who buildeth his house with stolen goods, then I will put”, &c.

36 before, &c. This law was most benign in its intention.

37 hollow strakes = sunken places.

than the wall = Fig. *Ellipsis*, Ap. 6. ii. a. = “deeper than [the surface of] the wall”.

39 the seventh day = on the seventh day. Note the frequency of this number throughout, and see Ap. 10. spread. This is a bad sign in noting the presence and workings of our inward corruption.

40 they. Of the verbs in these three verses, note that two are in the singular, viz. v. 42, “he shall take”, and “he shall plaister”. Hence the authorities of the second temple interpreted the plural of the owners of the “party-wall”, and the singular of the owner of the affected house.

42 he. See note on v. 40.

44 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*, Ap. 6.

spread. The same criterion as in the case of men and garments. See note on v. 37 and 13. 6.

fretting = rankling. See note on 13. 51.

48 shall come. Heb. “coming in shall come in.” Fig. *Polypotton*. (Ap. 6.) = shall actually come in.

49 And. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in vv. 48-53.

cleanse = cleanse from sin.

51, 52. Note the emphasis put upon this ceremony by the Structure (an *Introversion*). Note also the Fig. *Polysyndeton*. (Ap. 6.)

s | 51-. Cedar wood, hyssop, and scarlet.

t | -51-. And the living bird.

u | -51-. Blood of the bird and running water.

v | -51-. The house.

v | 52-. The house.

u | -52-. Blood of the bird and running water.

t | -52-. And the living bird.

s | -52-. Cedar wood, hyssop, and scarlet.

his clothes; and he that eateth in the house shall wash his clothes.

48 And if the priest °shall come in, and look upon *it*, °and, behold, the ³⁴ plague hath not °spread in the house, after the house was plaistered: then the priest shall °pronounce the house clean, because the plague is healed.

49 °And he shall take to °cleanse the house two birds, and cedar wood, and scarlet, and hyssop:

50 And he shall kill the one of the birds in an earthen vessel over °running water:

51 And he shall take the cedar wood, and the hyssop, and the scarlet, and the living bird, and dip *them* in the blood of the slain bird, and in the °running water, and sprinkle the house seven times:

52 And he shall °cleanse the house with the blood of the bird, and with the running water, and with the living bird, and with the

1490 cedar wood, and with the hyssop, and with the scarlet:

53 But he shall let go the living bird out of the city into the open fields, and ¹⁸ make an atonement for the house: and it shall be clean.

q (p. 149) 54 This *is* the law for all manner of plague of leprosy, and scall,

55 And for the leprosy of a garment, and of a house,

56 And for a rising, and for a scab, and for a bright spot:

57 °To teach °when *it is* unclean, and °when *it is* clean: this *is* the law of leprosy."

J¹ O (p. 154) 15 And °the LORD °spake unto Moses and to Aaron, saying,

2 "Speak unto the °children of Israel, and say unto them, 'When any °man hath a running issue out of his °flesh, *because of* his issue *he is* unclean.

3 And this shall be his uncleanness in his issue: whether his °flesh run with his issue, or his flesh be stopped from his issue, *it is* his uncleanness.

4 Every bed, whereon he lieth that hath the issue, is unclean: and every °thing, whereon he sitteth, shall be unclean.

5 And whosoever toucheth his bed shall wash his clothes, and °bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even.

6 And he that sitteth on *any* thing whereon he sat that hath the issue shall wash his clothes, and °bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even.

7 And he that toucheth the flesh of him that hath the issue shall wash his clothes, and °bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even.

8 And if he that hath the issue °spit upon him that is clean; then he shall wash his clothes, and °bathe *himself* in °water, and be unclean until the even.

9 And what °saddle soever he rideth upon that hath the issue shall be °unclean.

10 And whosoever toucheth any thing that was under him shall be unclean until the even: and he that beareth *any of* those things shall wash his clothes, and °bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even.

11 And whomsoever he toucheth that hath the issue, and hath not rinsed his hands in water, he shall wash his clothes, and °bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even.

12 And the vessel of earth, that he toucheth which hath the issue, shall be broken: and every vessel of wood shall be °rinsed in water.

P 13 And when he that hath an issue is cleansed of his issue; then he shall number to himself seven days for his cleansing, and wash his clothes, and °bathe his flesh in °running water, and shall be clean.

14 And on the eighth day he shall take to him two turtledoves, or two young pigeons, and come before °the LORD unto the °door of the °tabernacle of the congregation, and give them unto the priest:

15 And the priest shall °offer them, the

54—57 (r, p. 136). The recapitulation of the law, corresponding with "r", 13. 59 (p. 136), summing up chapters 13 and 14.

57 To teach. Some codices, with Sam., Sept., and Syr., read "and to", thus preserving the Fig. *Poly-syndeton* (Ap. 6) in this member r (vv. 54-57) without a break. Eight "ands" in all.

when. Heb. "in the day". Cp. Gen. 2. 17, and see Ap. 18.

15 (J¹, p. 146). ISSUES.
(Alternation.)

J¹ O | 1-12. Men.
P | 13-18. Their cleansing.
O | 19-27. Women.
P | 28-33. Their cleansing.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.
spake. See note on 5. 14.

2 children = sons.

man. Heb. 'ish. See Ap. 14.

flesh. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Whole). Ap. 6. = any part of his flesh.

4 thing = piece of furniture, vessel, or article.

5 bathe. See note on 14. 5.

8 spit upon him. A common practice among oriental nations to express insult or contempt (Num. 12. 14. Deut. 25. 9. Job 30. 10. Isa. 50. 6. Matt. 26. 67.

water. The Severus Codex has "running water", as in v. 13. (See Ap. 34.)

9 saddle = carriage. Occ. only here and 1 Kings 4. 26, where it is rendered "chariot", and Song 3. 9. The seat in a palanquin. The fem. form occurs forty-four times, and is always rendered "chariot".

unclean. The Sept. adds "until evening", as in every other case. See vv. 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11. But in these verses *persons* are referred to. In v. 9 it is a *thing*.

12 rinsed = washed or baptized. This is what is referred to in Mark 7. 4.

13 running. Heb. living, not stagnant. See 14. 5.

14 door = entrance.

tabernacle of the congregation. Heb. tent ('ohel) of meeting. See Ap. 40.

15 offer = prepare. Heb. 'asāh. Ap. 43. I. iii.

sin. Heb. chāṭ'ā. Ap. 44. i.

make an atonement. See note on Ex. 29. 33.

16 man's. Heb. 'ish. See Ap. 14. iii.

wash = bathe. Here, with *ēth kol* added, meaning all his body, to distinguish it from the word "flesh", which is thus probably used in this section by the Fig. *Euphemy* (Ap. 6) for private parts. Cp. 15. 5-8, 10, 11, 18, 21, 22, 27, where the A.V. has inserted "himself" in italics. See further note on 14. 9.

one for a °sin offering, and the other for a burnt offering; and the priest shall °make an atonement for him before °the LORD for his issue.

16 And if any °man's seed of copulation go out from him, then he shall °wash all his flesh in water, and be unclean until the even.

17 And every garment, and every skin, whereon is the seed of copulation, shall be washed with water, and be unclean until the even.

18 The woman also with whom man shall lie with seed of copulation, they shall both °bathe *themselves* in water, and be unclean until the even.

19 And if a woman have an issue, *and her* 0 issue in her °flesh be blood, she shall be put apart seven days: and whosoever toucheth her shall be unclean until the even.

20 And every thing that she lieth upon

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21 And whosoever toucheth her bed shall wash his clothes, and ⁵ bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even.

22 And whosoever toucheth any thing that she sat upon shall wash his clothes, and ⁵ bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even.

23 And if it be on her bed, or on any thing whereon she sitteth, when he toucheth it, he shall be unclean until the even.

24 And if any ^o man lie with her at all, and her ^o flowers be upon him, he shall be unclean seven days; and all the bed whereon he lieth shall be unclean.

25 And if a woman have an issue of her blood many days out of the time of her separation, or if it run beyond the time of her separation; all the days of the issue of her uncleanness shall be as the days of her separation: she shall be unclean.

26 Every bed whereon she lieth all the days of her issue shall be unto her as the bed of her separation: and whatsoever she sitteth upon shall be unclean, as the uncleanness of her separation.

27 And whosoever toucheth those things shall be unclean, and shall wash his clothes, and ⁵ bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even.

P (p. 154) 28 But if she be cleansed of her issue, then she shall number to herself seven days, and after that she shall be clean.

29 And on the eighth day she shall take unto her two ^o turtles, or two young pigeons, and bring them unto the priest, to the ¹⁴ door of the ¹⁴ tabernacle of the congregation.

30 And the priest shall ¹⁵ offer the one for a sin offering, and the other for a burnt offering; and the priest shall ¹⁵ make an atonement for her before ¹ the LORD for the issue of her uncleanness.

31 Thus shall ^o ye separate the ² children of Israel from their uncleanness; that they die not in their uncleanness, when they defile My ^o tabernacle that is among them.

32 ^o This is the law of him that hath an issue, and of him whose seed goeth from him, ^o and is defiled therewith;

33 And of her that is sick of her ²⁴ flowers, and of him that hath an issue, of the man, and of the woman, and of him that lieth with her that is unclean."

C Q (p. 155) 16 And ^o the LORD ^o spake unto Moses after the death of the two sons of Aaron, when they ^o offered before ^o the LORD, and died;

2 And ¹ the LORD said unto Moses, "Speak unto Aaron thy brother, that he come not at ^o all times into the ^o holy place within the vail before the ^o mercy seat, which is upon the ark; that he die not: for ^o I will appear in the cloud upon the ^o mercy seat.

R 3 ^o Thus shall Aaron come into the holy place: with a young bullock for a ^o sin offering, and a ram for a burnt offering.

24 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. flowers = uncleanness.

29 turtles = turtle-doves.

31 ye = Moses and Aaron.

tabernacle. Heb. *mishkân*, dwelling-place.

32 This is the law. vv. 32, 33 are a summary of the contents of the chapter, though the order (as in other cases) is varied. and = to be.

16. 1-34 (C, p. 131). ISRAEL'S FAST. (THE DAY OF ATONEMENT.)

(Introversion.)

C Q | 1, 2. Times for entering within the Vail (Neg.).
R | 3. For himself alone.

S | 4. Garments put on.

T¹ | 5. Two goats and ram (people).

U¹ | 6. For himself (bullock).

T² | 7-10. Two goats (people).

U² | 11-14. For himself (bullock).

T³ | 15-22. Two goats (people).

S | 23. Garments changed.

R | 24-28. For himself and people.

Q | 29-34. Time for entering within the Vail (Pos.).

1 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4.

spake. See note on 5. 14.

offered = brought near. Heb. *kārab*. Ap. 43. I. i. Onk., Jon., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., add "strange fire", as in 10. 1.

2 all times = any time: i.e. just at any time.

holy place = sanctuary or holy of holies. In this chapter "holy" is used for "holy of holies" without this adjunct. See vv. 3, 16, 17, 20, 23, 27. Cp. note on Ex. 3. 5. mercy seat. Fig. *Antemereia* (of Noun), Ap. 6, noun, "mercy", used as adjective. See note on Ex. 25. 17.

I will appear = I am wont to appear. See Ex. 25. 22.

3 Thus = with this.

sin. Heb. *chāt'ā*. Ap. 44. i.

4 wash = bathe. See note on 14. 9.

5 children = sons. kids. Heb. shaggy he-goats.

6 offer = bring near. Heb. *kārab*. Ap. 43. I. i.

make an atonement. See note on Ex. 29. 33.

7 door = entrance.

tabernacle of the congregation = tent (*'ohel*) of meeting.

8 for the scapegoat. Heb. for *'Azāzēl*. This "for" looks like a personality answering to "for Jehovah". If it be the Evil one who is meant, then it is for his defiance. For in v. 10 atonement is made for this goat, and he is to go free. Where there is atonement there must be forgiveness. See note on v. 22 below.

4 He shall put on the ² holy linen coat, and he shall have the linen breeches upon his flesh, and shall be girded with a linen girdle, and with the linen mitre shall he be attired: ~~these~~ are ² holy garments; therefore shall he ^o wash his flesh in water, and so put them on.

5 And he shall take of the congregation of the ^o children of Israel two ^o kids of the goats for a ^o sin offering, and one ram for a burnt offering.

6 And Aaron shall ^o offer his bullock of the ^o sin offering, which is for himself, and ^o make an atonement for himself, and for his house.

7 And he shall take the two goats, and present them before ¹ the LORD at the ^o door of the ^o tabernacle of the congregation.

8 And Aaron shall cast lots upon the two goats; one lot for ¹ the LORD, and the other lot ^o for the scapegoat.

9 And Aaron shall bring the goat upon

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which ¹the LORD'S lot °fell, and °offer him for a ³sin offering.

10 But the goat, on which the lot °fell °to be the ⁸scapegoat, shall be °presented alive before ¹the LORD, to °make an atonement °with him, and to let him go for a ⁸scapegoat into the °wilderness.

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11 And Aaron shall bring the bullock of the ³sin offering, which *is* for himself, and shall °make an atonement for himself, and for his house, and shall kill the bullock of the ³sin offering which *is* for himself:

12 And he shall take a censer full of burning coals of °fire from off the altar before ¹the LORD, and his hands full of sweet incense beaten small, and bring *it* within the vail:

13 And he shall put the incense upon the ¹²fire before ¹the LORD, that the cloud of the incense may cover the ²mercy seat that *is* upon the testimony, that he die not:

14 And he shall take of the blood of the bullock, and sprinkle *it* with his finger upon the ²mercy seat eastward; and before °the ²mercy seat shall he sprinkle of the blood with his finger seven times.

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15 Then shall he kill the goat of the ³sin offering, that *is* for the people, and bring his blood within the vail, and do with that blood °as he did with the blood of the bullock, and sprinkle it upon the ²mercy seat, and before the ²mercy seat:

16 And he shall °make an atonement for the ²holy place, because of the uncleanness of the ⁵children of Israel, and because of their ²¹transgressions in all their ³sins: and so shall he do for the ⁷tabernacle of the congregation, that remaineth among them in the midst of their uncleanness.

17 And there shall be no °man in the ⁷tabernacle of the congregation when he goeth in to °make an atonement in the ²holy place, until he come out, and have °made an atonement for himself, and for his household, and for all the congregation of Israel.

18 And he shall go out unto the altar that *is* before ¹the LORD, and °make an atonement for it; and shall take of the blood of the bullock, and of the blood of the goat, and put *it* upon the horns of the altar round about.

19 And he shall sprinkle of the blood upon it with his finger seven times, and cleanse it, and °hallow it from the uncleanness of the ⁵children of Israel.

20 And when he hath made an end of °reconciling the ²holy place, and the ⁷tabernacle of the congregation, and the altar, he shall bring the live goat:

21 And Aaron shall lay °both his hands upon the head of the °live goat, and confess over him °all the °iniquities of the ⁵children of Israel, and °all their °transgressions in °all their ³sins, putting them upon the head of the goat, and shall send *him* away by the hand of °a fit man into the ¹⁰wilderness:

22 And the goat °shall bear upon him °all their ²¹iniquities unto a °land not inhabited: and he shall °let go the goat in the ²¹wilderness.

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23 And Aaron shall come into the ⁷taber-

9 fell. Heb. "came up": i.e. out of the bag containing the Urim and Thummim. No other means of taking Jehovah's lot, or judgment. (See note on Ex. 28. 30.) offer = "make him [sin]". (2 Cor. 5. 21.) Heb. 'āsāh. Ap. 43. I. iii.

10 to be the scapegoat. Heb. "to be for 'Azāzēl" (see vv. 8 and 22).

presented = made to stand. with him. Heb. "for him". See vv. 16, 18. The scapegoat was not used to make atonement, but atonement was made *for* it. Hence he was to be "let go" free. See v. 22.

wilderness: or desert, symbol of abode of all evil things (Isa. 13. 21; 34. 14. Matt. 12. 43. Luke 8. 27; 11. 24. Rev. 18. 2). 'Azāzēl probably the personification of all that is "great and terrible" there (Deut. 1. 19; 8. 15. Jer. 2. 6).

12 fire. Only fire from the brazen altar of burnt offering, where atonement had been made, could be used for kindling the incense on the golden altar in the holy place. See note on 10. 1. All other fire was "strange fire". See note on 10. 1, 7.

15 as = according as.

17 man = 'ādam. Ap. 14. i.e. no human being. This effectually disposes of all priestly pretensions now, while the Antitype is "within the vail". See Heb. 4. 14; 6. 20; 9. 24.

19 hallow. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

20 reconciling = making atonement. See note on Ex. 29. 33.

21 both his hands. This for solemnity; and only here, on this occasion.

live goat. The two goats complete the one type of Christ. One could not, for He was "put to death as to the flesh", but made alive [again] as to the spirit", i.e. in resurrection (1 Pet. 3. 17. 1 Cor. 15. 45). He was "made sin" for us, that we might become divinely righteous in Him" (2 Cor. 5. 21).

all. Note the four "alls" in vv. 21, 22. Fig. *Repetitio* (Ap. 6) to emphasise the completeness of our deliverance from sins, and their entire removal.

iniquities. Heb. 'avah. Ap. 44. iv.

transgressions. Heb. pāsh'a. Ap. 44. ix.

a fit man. The phrase occurs only here.

22 shall bear = shall bear away, as Isa. 53. 4.

land not inhabited. Heb. "a land cut off".

let go. This is the point of the type. The live goat was sent away, not in judgment or atonement, but in peace and at liberty. "All" had already been atoned for in the death of the other goat (v. 10). Now he was free to go into the land of forgetfulness, where their "sins and iniquities are remembered no more" (Isa. 43. 25. Jer. 31. 34). The scapegoat goes forth to 'Azāzēl, all enemies thus personified (Heb. 2. 14), proclaiming, "Who is he that condemneth?" (Rom. 8. 33, 34). Not in fear of death, but saying, "Who dares to kill me?"

It is the lesson, over again, of the "two birds" in ch. 14. 51-53, applied to the whole nation.

It is a type of those who are "risen with Christ" (Col. 3. 1), i.e. made alive again in His resurrection life. Tradition treats this second goat as loaded with sin and sent out to destruction; whereas "all" is "atoned" for and is therefore "forgiven" and liberty enjoyed before it was sent away.

nacle of the congregation, and shall put off the linen garments, which he put on when he went into the ²holy place, and shall leave them there:

24 And he shall °wash his flesh with water in the ²holy place, and put on his garments, and come forth, and offer his burnt offering, and the burnt offering of the people, and °make an atonement for himself, and for the people.

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25 And the fat of the ³sin offering shall he ^oburn upon the altar.

26 And ^ohe that let go the goat for the ^oscapegoat shall wash his clothes, and ⁴bathe his flesh in water, and afterward come into the camp.

27 And the bullock for the ³sin offering, and the goat for the ³sin offering, whose blood was brought in to ⁶make atonement in the ²holy place, shall ^{one} carry forth ^owithout the camp; and they shall ^oburn in the fire their skins, and their flesh, and their dung.

28 And he that ²⁷burneth them shall wash his clothes, and ⁴bathe his flesh in water, and afterward he shall come into the camp.

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29 And *this* shall be a statute for ever unto you: *that* in the seventh month, on the tenth day of the month, ye shall ^oafflict your ^osouls, and ^odo no work at all, *whether it be* one of your own country, or a stranger that sojourneth among you:

30 For on that day shall the priest ⁶make an atonement for you, to cleanse you, *that* ye may be clean from all your ³sins before ¹the LORD.

31 *It shall be* a ^osabbath of rest unto you, and ye shall ²³afflict your ²³souls, by a statute for ever.

32 And the priest, whom he shall anoint, and whom he shall ^oconsecrate to minister in the priest's office in his father's stead, shall make the atonement, and shall put on the linen clothes, *even* the ^oholy garments:

33 And he shall ⁶make an atonement for the ²holy sanctuary, and he shall ⁶make an atonement for the ⁷tabernacle of the congregation, and for the altar, and he shall ⁶make an atonement for the priests, and for all the people of the congregation.

34 And this shall be an everlasting statute unto you, to ⁶make an atonement for the ⁵children of Israel for all their ²sins once a year." And he did ^oas ¹the LORD commanded Moses.

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17 And ^othe LORD ^ospake unto Moses, saying,

2 "Speak unto Aaron, and unto his sons, ^oand unto all the ^ochildren of Israel, and say unto them; 'This *is* the thing which ¹the LORD hath commanded, saying,

3 ^o'What man soever *there be* of the house of Israel, that ^okilleth an ox, or lamb, or goat, in the camp, or that killeth *it* out of the camp,

4 And bringeth it not unto the door of the ^otabernacle of the congregation, to ^ooffer an ^ooffering unto ¹the LORD before the ^otabernacle of ¹the LORD; blood shall be imputed unto that man; he hath shed blood; and that man shall be cut off from among his people:"

5 To the end that the ²children of Israel may bring their sacrifices, which they ^ooffer in the open field, even that they may bring them unto ¹the LORD, unto the ^odoor of the ⁴tabernacle of the congregation, unto the priest, and ^ooffer them for peace offerings unto ¹the LORD.

25 burn = burn as incense. Heb. *qatar*. Ap. 43. I. vii. Cp. v. 27.

26 he that let go = he that leadeth away the goat to, or for, *'Azazel*, v. 10.

27 without the camp. Cp. 6. 11. Heb. 13. 11.

burn. Heb. *saraph*. Ap. 43. I. viii.

29 afflict = fast. See Isa. 58. 3, 5, 10.

souls. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

do no work at all. Heb. "no manner of work". This legal expression occurs five times (Ap. 10) in the Pentateuch, but is differently rendered. See 23. 3, 28, 31. Num. 29. 7. Work on the Sabbath day incurred stoning: on this day, excommunication.

31 sabbath of rest. Heb. "sabbath of sabbatizing". See note on Ex. 16. 23. = "Most holy sabbath", Fig. *Polyptoton* or *Enallage*. Ap. 6.

32 consecrate. See note on Ex. 28. 41. Lev. 9. 17. holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

34 as = according as.

17. 1-16 (A², p. 131). THE OFFERINGS AND THEIR REQUIREMENTS (Division).

A² | w¹ | 17. 1-9. The appointed place.
| w² | 17. 10-16. The appointed food.

1-9. UNLAWFUL PLACES.

1 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4.

spake. See note on 5. 14.

2 and unto all the children of Israel. First occurrence of this phrase: see note on Lev. 5. 14, marking the solemnity of the charge, and the subject. children. Heb. sons.

3 What man soever = Heb. *'ish 'ish*.

killeth [in sacrifice]. The Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6. ii. d) must be thus supplied. For, although the word is Heb. *shachat* (Ap. 43. I. v.) and not *zabach* (Ap. 43. I. iv.), the context (vv. 5, 7-9) shows that only sacrifices in unlawful places are being treated of. There is no contradiction, therefore, of Deut. 12. 15, 21, where the context shows equally clearly that only food is in question. Cp. v. 5.

4 tabernacle. Heb. *mishkan*. Ap. 40.

offer = bring near. Heb. *karab*. Ap. 43. I.

offering = Heb. *korban*. Ap. 43. II. i.

tabernacle = tent. Heb. *ohel*. Ap. 40.

5 offer = slay in sacrifice. Heb. *zabach*. Ap. 43. I. iv., thus showing the correct supply of the *ellipsis* in v. 3. door = entrance.

6 burn = burn as incense. Heb. *qatar*. Ap. 43. I. vii. sweet savour. See note on 1. 9.

7 no more: implies that they had done so in Egypt to the goat image "Pan". Cp. Josh. 24. 14. Ezek. 20. 7; 23. 3, &c., and especially 2 Chron. 11. 15.

offer = slay in sacrifice. Heb. *zabach*. Ap. 43. I. iv. devils. Heb. *sa'ir*. (Only here and 2 Chron. 11. 15, "devils". In Isa. 13. 21; 34. 14 rendered "satyrs" = an imaginary demon: half-goat, half-man. Sept. = demons:) from Heb. root, meaning to shudder. From this "Pan" came the "satyrs", "fauns", and woodland gods of Greece and Rome, and also the "devil" of Christendom.

6 And the priest shall sprinkle the blood upon the altar of ¹the LORD at the ⁵door of the ⁴tabernacle of the congregation, and ^oburn the fat for a ^osweet savour unto ¹the LORD.

7 And they shall ^ono more ^ooffer their sacrifices unto ^odevils, after whom they have gone a whoring. This shall be a statute for ever unto them throughout their generations."

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8 And thou shalt say unto them, "Whatsoever °man *there be* of the house of Israel, or of the strangers which sojourn among you, that °offereth a burnt offering or sacrifice,

9 And bringeth it not unto the °door of the °tabernacle of the congregation, to °offer it unto °the LORD; even that °man shall be cut off from among his people.

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10 And whatsoever °man *there be* of the house of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn among you, that eateth any manner of blood; I will even set my face against that °soul that eateth blood, and will cut him off from among his people.

11 °For the °life of the flesh *is* in the blood: and I have given it to you upon the altar to °make an atonement for your °souls: for it *is* the blood that °maketh an atonement for the °soul.

12 °Therefore I said unto the °children of Israel, 'No °soul of you shall eat blood, neither shall any stranger that sojourneth among you eat blood.'

13 And whatsoever man *there be* of the °children of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn among you, °which hunteth and catcheth any beast or fowl that may be eaten; he shall even pour out the blood thereof, and cover it with dust.

14 For *it is* the °life of all flesh; the blood of it *is* for the °life thereof: therefore I said unto the °children of Israel, 'Ye shall eat the blood of no manner of flesh: for the °life of all flesh *is* the blood thereof: whosoever eateth it shall be cut off.'

15 And every °soul that eateth that which died of *itself*, or that which was torn with beasts, *whether it be* one of your own country, or a stranger, he shall both wash his clothes, and °bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even: then shall he be clean.

16 But if he wash *them* not, nor bathe his flesh; then he shall bear his °iniquity."

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18 And °the LORD °spake unto Moses, saying,

2 "Speak unto the °children of Israel, and say unto them, 'I am °the LORD your °God.

3 After °the doings of the land of Egypt, wherein ye dwelt, shall ye not do: and after °the doings of the land of Canaan, whither I bring you, shall ye not do: neither shall ye walk in their °ordinances.

4 Ye shall do My °judgments, and keep Mine °ordinances, to walk therein: I am °the LORD your °God.

5 Ye shall therefore keep My statutes, and My °judgments: °which if a man do, he shall °live in them: I am °the LORD.

6 °None of you shall approach to any that is °near of kin to him, to uncover *their* nakedness: I am °the LORD.

7 The nakedness of thy °father, or the nakedness of thy mother, shalt thou not uncover: she *is* thy mother; thou shalt not uncover her nakedness.

8 The nakedness of thy °father's wife shalt thou not uncover: it *is* thy father's nakedness.

8 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14.

offereth = offereth up. Heb. 'ālāh. Ap. 43. I. vi.

9 offer = prepare. Heb. 'āsāh. Ap. 43. I. iii.

10-16 (W², p. 157). THE APPOINTED FOOD.

10 soul = Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13.

11 For. This verse, with Luke 24. 39, 1 Cor. 15. 50, and Heb. 13. 20, forms a strong chain of truth against the "Mass".

life = soul. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13.

make an atonement. See note on Ex. 29. 33.

soul. Heb. nephesh, because the soul is the life. Thus a life is substituted for a life. Hence Heb. 9. 22.

12 Therefore. Hence Acts 15. 20, 29; 21. 25.

13 which hunteth = which shall hunt any hunting. Fig. Polypytoton, Ap. 6, a necessity with Israel, not sport; for extermination (Ex. 23. 29) and for food (Gen. 25. 27. Prov. 12. 27). Cp. 1 Sam. 14. 32-34 and Ezek. 33. 25.

15 bathe. See note on 14. 9. The rigour of this law seen from 1 Sam. 14. 32-35.

16 iniquity. Heb. 'āvāh. Ap. 44. iv.

18. 1-20. 27 (E, p. 131). CEREMONIAL LAWS (PENALTIES) (Division).

E	x ¹	18. 1-18. Unlawful connections.
	x ²	18. 19-30. Unlawful lusts.
	x ³	19. 1-37. Unlawful practices.
	x ⁴	20. 1-27. Unlawful defilements.

18. 1-18 (x¹, above). UNLAWFUL CONNECTIONS.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

spake. See note on 5. 14. 2 children. Heb. sons. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4.

3 the doings: i. e. all the abominable practices of the Canaanitish nations (v. 27), for which they were cut off, Rom. 1. 23-29. ordinances = statutes.

4 judgments = regulations.

5 which, &c. = "which, if the man (Heb. 'ādām, Ap. 14) shall do them, he shall also live by them".

live = "live again" in resurrection life (Rev. 20. 5). The Chald. paraphrase = "shall live by them to life eternal". Sol. Jarchi, "live in the world that is to come". Cp. the other passages where "live" is used in this sense: Ezek. 13. 21; 20. 11. Luke 10. 28. Rom. 10. 5. Gal. 3. 12. Neh. 9. 29. Hab. 2. 4. Rom. 1. 17. Heb. 10. 38, &c. In this sense the verb is used more often than is generally thought. Cp. Isa. 26. 19; 38. 16; 55. 3. Ezek. 18. 19; 33. 19; 37. 3, 5, 6, 14. Hos. 6. 2. Amos 5. 4, &c. The spiritual authorities of the second temple so interpreted the phrase. Thus "eternal life", by faith, is set in contrast with eternal life by works.

6 None of you. Heb. "Man, man, ye shall not approach"; should be "No man (Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14) whatsoever shall approach". Emphasised by Fig. Epizeuxis. See Ap. 6.

The absence of the words "of the house of Israel", as in 17. 3, 8, 13, shows that the strangers are included in this law.

near of kin. Heb. "the remainder of his flesh" (Gen. 2. 23), i. e. by the Fig. Polypytoton, Ap. 6, "his own flesh (or relatives)". Cp. vv. 12, 13, 17. For emphasis.

7 father. See Gen. 19. 31-38.

8 father's wife. See Gen. 35. 22. 2 Sam. 16. 20-23. 1 Kings 2. 17, and 1 Cor. 5. 1-5.

9 sister. See Gen. 20. 12. 2 Sam. 13. 12, 16, 20.

11 father's wife. In Heb. always means one's "step-mother" (see v. 8; 20. 11).

9 The nakedness of thy °sister, the daughter of thy father, or daughter of thy mother, *whether she be* born at home, or born abroad, *even* their nakedness thou shalt not uncover.

10 The nakedness of thy son's daughter, or of thy daughter's daughter, *even* their nakedness thou shalt not uncover: for theirs *is* thine own nakedness.

11 The nakedness of thy °father's wife's

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daughter, begotten of thy father, *she is thy sister*, thou shalt not uncover her nakedness.

12 Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy °father's sister: °*she is thy father's near kinswoman*.

13 Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy mother's sister: for *she is thy mother's near kinswoman*.

14 Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy father's brother, °thou shalt not approach to his wife: *she is thine aunt*.

15 Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy daughter in law: *she is thy son's wife*; thou shalt not uncover her nakedness.

16 Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy brother's wife: it is thy brother's nakedness.

17 Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of a woman and her daughter, neither shalt thou take her son's daughter, or her daughter's daughter, to uncover her nakedness; for they are her near kinswomen: it is °wickedness.

18 Neither shalt thou take a wife to her sister, to vex her, to uncover her nakedness, beside the other in her life time.

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19 Also thou shalt not approach unto a woman to uncover her nakedness, as long as she is put apart for her uncleanness.

20 Moreover thou shalt not lie carnally with thy neighbour's wife, to defile thyself with her.

21 And thou shalt not let any of thy °seed °pass through the fire to °Molech, neither shalt thou profane the name of thy °God: *¶ am °the LORD*.

22 Thou shalt not lie with mankind, °as with womankind: it is °abomination.

23 Neither shalt thou lie with °any beast to defile thyself therewith: neither shall any woman stand before a beast to lie down thereto: it is confusion.

24 Defile not ye yourselves in any of these things: for in all these the nations are defiled which *¶* cast out before you:

25 And the land is defiled: therefore I do visit the °iniquity thereof upon it, and the land itself °vomith out her inhabitants.

26 °Ye shall therefore keep My statutes and My judgments, and shall not commit any of these °abominations; neither any of your own nation, nor any stranger that sojourneth among you:

27 °For all these °abominations have the °men of the land done, which were before you, and the land is defiled;

28 That the land °spue not you out also, when ye defile it, °as it spued out the nations that were before you.

29 For whosoever shall commit any of these °abominations, even the °souls that commit them shall be cut off from among their people.

30 Therefore shall ye °keep Mine ordinance, that ye commit not any one of these °abominable °customs, which were committed before you, and that ye defile not yourselves therein: *¶ am °the LORD your °God.*

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19 And °the LORD °spake unto Moses, saying,

12 father's sister. See Ex. 6. 20.

she. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "for she".

14 thou. Some codices, with Sam., Jon., Sept., and Syr., read "and thou".

17 wickedness = lewdness. Heb. *zimmah*. Ap. 44. xiii.

19-30 (x², p. 158). UNLAWFUL LUSTS.
(Repeated Alternation.)

x ²	y ¹ 19-24-. Commands.
	z ¹ -24, 25. Reason.
	y ² 26. Command.
	z ² 27-29. Reason.
	y ³ 30. Command.

21 seed = children.

pass through, &c. Heb. "pass to Molech", i. e. into his arms, from which it passed through the fire to him.

Molech. Always has the article (except 1 Kings 11. 7, which is probably a copyist's omission) denoting the king, or the king-idol (see v. 21; 20. 2, 3, 4, 5. See seq. 2 Kings 23. 10. Jer. 32. 35).

The Massorites pointed it *Molech*, to assimilate it to "shameful thing", but omitted to do so in Isa. 30. 33 and 57. 9, which they left *melech* = king. It should read Molech in these two passages also.

22 as. Referring to the sin of Sodom (whence its name), Gen. 19. 5. Cp. 20. 13. Judg. 19. 22. 1 Kings 14. 24. abomination = a thing to be abhorred.

23 any beast. This was part of the religious worship of the Egyptians.

25 iniquity. Heb. *avah*. Ap. 44. iv.

vomiteth. Fig. *Prosopopæia*, Ap. 6. Cp. "spued", v. 28. From the beginning, the earth has shared the consequences of man's guilt (Gen. 3. 17. Rom. 8. 19-22). Since it yields no fruit when man yields no obedience; and defiled when man is defiled (Deut. 11. 17). Is blessed when man is blessed (Lev. 25. 19; 26. 4. Deut. 32. 43). Mourns when man sins (Isa. 24. 4, 5). Glad when God avenges His People (Ps. 96. 11-13).

26 Ye. In some codices, with Sam., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., this "Ye" has no emphasis.

27 For, &c. These "doings" are specially legislated against, because these were the corruptions pertaining to the origin and character of the *Nephilim* (Ap. 25). These formed the nations of Canaan, and this was why they had to be destroyed by the sword of Israel, as those in the days of Noah had to be destroyed by the Flood. Verses 24 and 25 are emphasised by the other way of putting the facts.

men. Heb. pl. of *enosh*. Ap. 14.

28 spue - vomit of v. 25. as = according as. Cp. v. 25.

29 souls. Heb. pl. of *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

30 keep Mine ordinance. This is the Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6) = "observe my observance", but, Eng. keep my charge.

customs = statutes: because they were legal enactments of the land, cp. v. 3. The word is rendered "statutes" in Deut. 6. 24; 16. 12; and 26. 16.

I am the LORD your God. This body of laws (ch. 18) is emphasised and solemnized by beginning and ending with the same expression. Fig. *Epanadiplosis*. See Ap. 6.

19. 1-37 (x³, p. 158). UNLAWFUL PRACTICES.
(Repeated Alternation.)

x ³	W ¹ 1-8. Sundry commands and prohibitions.
	X 9, 10. Gleanings.
	W ² 11-22. Sundry commands and prohibitions.
	X 23-25. Firstfruits.
	W ³ 26-37. Sundry commands and prohibitions.

1 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4.

spake. See note on 5. 14.

2 all the congregation, &c. Only here in Leviticus, and once more in the Pentateuch (Ex. 12. 3). children. Heb. sons.

2 "Speak unto °all the congregation of the °children of Israel, and say unto them, 'Ye

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shall be °holy: for °³ the LORD your °God am °holy.

3 Ye shall fear every °man his mother, and his father, and keep My sabbaths: °² ³ am °the LORD your °God.

4 Turn ye not unto °idols, nor make to yourselves molten gods: °³ am °the LORD your °God.

5 And if ye °offer a sacrifice of peace offerings unto °the LORD, ye shall offer it °at your own will.

6 It shall be eaten the same day ye offer it, and on the morrow: and if ought remain until the third day, it shall be °burnt in the fire.

7 And if it be eaten at all on the third day, it is abominable; it shall not be accepted.

8 Therefore every one that eateth it shall bear his °iniquity, because he hath profaned the °hallowed thing of °the LORD: and that °soul shall be °cut off from among his people.

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9 And when ye reap the harvest of your land, thou shalt not wholly reap the corners of thy field, neither shalt thou gather the gleanings of thy harvest.

10 And thou shalt not glean thy vineyard, neither shalt thou gather every grape of thy vineyard; thou shalt leave them for the poor and stranger: °³ am °the LORD your °God.

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11 Ye shall not steal, neither deal falsely, neither lie one to another.

12 And ye shall not swear by My name falsely, neither shalt thou profane the name of thy °God: °³ am °the LORD.

13 Thou shalt not defraud thy neighbour, neither rob him: °the °wages of him that is hired shall not abide with thee all night until the morning.

14 Thou shalt not curse the deaf, nor put a stumblingblock before the blind, but shalt fear thy °God: °³ am °the LORD.

15 Ye shall do no unrighteousness in judgment: thou shalt not respect the person of the poor, nor honour the person of the mighty: but in righteousness shalt thou judge thy neighbour.

16 Thou shalt not go up and down as a °talebearer among thy people: neither shalt thou stand against the blood of thy neighbour: °³ am °the LORD.

17 Thou shalt not hate thy brother in thine heart: thou shalt in any wise rebuke thy neighbour, and not °suffer °sin °upon him.

18 Thou shalt not avenge, nor bear any grudge against the °children of thy people, but °thou shalt love thy °neighbour as thyself: °³ am °the LORD.

19 Ye shall keep My statutes. Thou shalt not let thy cattle gender with a °diverse kind: thou shalt not sow thy field with °mingled seed: neither shall a garment °mingled of linen and woollen come upon thee.

20 And whosoever lieth carnally with a woman, that is a bondmaid, betrothed to an husband, and not at all °redeemed, nor freedom given her; she shall be scourged; they shall not be put to death, because she was °not free.

21 And he shall bring his °trespass offering unto °the LORD, unto the °door of the °taber-

holy = set apart. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

I the LORD, &c. There are fifteen groups in this body of laws (ch. 19), seven ending with the longer formula, "I am the LORD your God" (23, 4, 10, 25, 31, 34, 36), and eight with the shorter formula "I am the LORD" (12, 14, 16, 18, 28, 30, 32, 37).

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4.

3 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. ii.

4 idols = Heb. 'Elilim. See Lev. 26. 1.

5 offer = slay for sacrifice. Heb. zabach. Ap. 43. I. iv. at your own will. Heb. = "for your acceptance", or "that ye may be accepted".

6 burnt = burnt up. Heb. saraph. Ap. 43. I. viii.

8 iniquity. Heb. 'avah. Ap. 44. iv.

hallowed = set apart. See note on. 12. 4.

soul = person. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13.

cut off. See note on 7. 20.

9, 10 (X, p. 159). GLEANINGS. (Cp. Ruth 2. 14-16.)

11-22 (W², p. 159). SUNDRY COMMANDS AND PROHIBITIONS.

13 the. Some codices, with Sam., Jon., and Sept., read "and the".

wages. Heb. "work". Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6, for wages earned by it. Note the Divine care for the labourer (Deut. 24. 14, 15. Jer. 22. 13. Mal. 3. 5. Jas. 5. 4).

16 talebearer. A solemn warning here. Rendered "slandering" in Jer. 6. 28; 9. 4. Ezek. 22. 9 (margin). (Cp. 1 Sam. 22. 9-18.)

17 suffer: or countenance him in his sin; or, lest on his account thou bear sin. This is the Divine method, and the best.

sin. Heb. chat'a. Ap. 44. i. upon him = in him. 18 thou shalt love. See Matt. 7. 12; 22. 39, 40. Luke 6. 31; 10. 27.

neighbour. Not merely one who is "near", but any one with whom one has dealings. This is the point of Luke 10. 29. Cp. John 4. 9.

19 diverse kind. Everything created "after his kind". See note on Gen. 1. 11; a deep, moral, and spiritual lesson is contained in this prohibition.

mingled. Another lesson here as to mingling the clean and unclean, human and Divine, flesh and spirit, &c. This law relates only to "seeds" which are used for food and actually eaten. Cp. Luke 13. 6.

20 redeemed = set free (by power). Heb. padah. See note on Ex. 13. 13.

not free. Otherwise death. Deut. 22. 24.

21 trespass. Heb. 'asam. Ap. 44. ii.

door = entrance.

tabernacle = tent. Heb. ohel.

22 make an atonement. See note on Ex. 29. 33.

hath done = hath sinned. Heb. chat'a. Ap. 44. i.

23 when ye shall come. The second of four prospective laws. See note on 14. 34. Cp. 19. 23; 23. 10; 25.

uncircumcised: or, uncovenanted. Fig. Prosopopoeia. Ap. 6.

nacle of the congregation, even a ram for a °trespass offering.

22 And the priest shall °make an atonement for him with the ram of the °trespass offering before °the LORD for his °sin which he °hath done: and the °sin which he hath done shall be forgiven him.

23 And °when ye shall come into the land, and shall have planted all manner of trees for food, then ye shall count the fruit thereof as °uncircumcised: three years shall it be as °uncircumcised unto you: it shall not be eaten of.

24 But in the fourth year all the fruit

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thereof shall be °holy to praise ¹the LORD *withal*.

25 And in the fifth year shall ye eat of the fruit thereof, that it may yield unto you the increase thereof: ³*am* ¹the LORD your ²God.

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26 Ye shall not eat *any thing* with the blood: neither shall ye use enchantment, nor °observe times.

27 Ye shall °not round the corners of your heads, neither shalt thou mar the °corners of thy beard.

28 Ye shall not make any °cuttings in your flesh for °the dead, nor print any marks upon you: ³*am* the LORD.

29 Do not °prostitute thy daughter, to cause her to be a whore; lest the land fall to whoredom, and the land become full of °wickedness.

30 Ye shall keep My sabbaths, and reverence My sanctuary: ³*am* the LORD.

31 Regard not them that have °familiar spirits, neither seek after °wizards, to be defiled by them: ³*am* ¹the LORD your ²God.

32 Thou shalt rise up before the hoary head, and honour the face of the old man, and °fear thy ²God: ³*am* ¹the LORD.

33 And if a stranger sojourn with °thee in your land, ye shall not °vex him.

34 °But the stranger that dwelleth with you shall be °unto you as one born among you, and thou shalt love him °as thyself; for °ye were strangers in the land of Egypt: ³*am* ¹the LORD your ²God.

35 Ye shall do no unrighteousness in judgment, in °meteyard, in °weight, or in °measure.

36 °Just balances, just weights, a just °ephah, and a just °hin, shall ye have: ³*am* ¹the LORD your ²God, Which brought you out of the land of Egypt.

37 Therefore shall ye observe all My statutes, and all My judgments, and do them: ³*am* ¹the LORD."

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20 And °the LORD °spake unto Moses, saying,

2 °"Again, thou shalt say to the °children of Israel, 'Whosoever *he be* of the °children of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn in Israel, that giveth *any* of his seed unto °Molech; he shall surely be put to death: the people of the land shall stone him with stones.

3 And ³*am* will set My face against that °man, and will cut him off from among his people; because he hath given of his seed unto °Molech, to defile My sanctuary, and to profane My °holy name.

4 And if the people of the land do any ways hide their eyes from °the ³man, when he giveth of his seed unto °Molech, and kill him not:

5 Then ³*am* will set My face against that man, and against his °family, and will cut him off,

24 holy to praise. Heb. "holiness of praises". "Praises" in pl. Fig. *Heterōsis* (of Number), Ap. 6, for emphasis, and noun, "holiness", put for adj. by Fig. *Antimerēia* (of Noun), Ap. 6, for emphasis = "for a sacred and great praise unto Jehovah".

26 observe times: i.e. watch clouds, or days, for good or ill luck, e.g. not commencing a journey on a Friday. See note on v. 31 below.

27 not round the corners of your heads: i.e. to cut round, so as to have a tuft of hair, like the Canaanitish priests. Cp. Jer. 9. 26; 25. 23; 49. 32.

corners of thy beard = whiskers, as Egyptians did. Cp. Gen. 41. 14.

28 cuttings. A practice in Canaanitish heathen worship. Cp. 21. 5. Deut. 14. 1. 1 Kings 18. 28. Jer. 48. 37. the dead = a dead soul. Heb. *nephesh* (Ap. 13). Thus there is such a thing as "a dead soul" as well as a "living soul" (Gen. 2. 7); so also in 21. 1; 22. 4. Num. 5. 2; 6. 11. *Nephesh* is incorrectly rendered "body" in 21. 11. Num. 6. 6; 19. 11, 13; and "dead body" in Num. 9. 6, 7, 10. Hag. 2. 13. In all these passages the Heb. *nephesh* (soul) is thus rendered, and yet it is rendered "life" in 17. 14 and elsewhere.

I am the LORD. Some codices, with Onk., Sept., and Syr., add "your God".

29 prostitute thy daughter. The common practice, as a religious act, by the Canaanite and other ancient forms of idolatry.

wickedness = lewdness. Heb. *zimmāh*. Ap. 44. xiii.

31 familiar spirits. These are evil spirits personating dead human beings, and attaching themselves only to "mediums" and those who give up their will to them. A dread reality is provided against by these enactments. Cp. 20. 27. Deut. 18. 10-12. 1 Chron. 10. 13-14. Isa. 8. 19. The Heb. *'ōb*, borrowed from an Akkadian word, *ubi* = a charm, used of one who was mistress of the spell, or spirit. Isa. 29. 4. See Acts 16. 16, where it is defined as "a spirit of *Python*" (=Pythius Apollo), i.e. the devil.

wizards = knowing ones: those having occult knowledge.

32 fear thy. Perhaps an *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), "fear [a visitation from] thy God". Cp. 25. 17, 36, 43.

33 thee. Some codices, with Sam., Onk., Jon., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "you". vex = oppress.

34 But. This is better omitted.

unto you. A.V., 1611, omitted these words.

as thyself. Cp. v. 18.

ye were strangers. Occurs four times in the Pentateuch: Ex. 22. 21; 23. 9. Lev. 19. 34. Deut. 10. 19.

35 meteyard = measures of length or dimension.

weight = measures of weight.

measure = measures of capacity.

36 Just balances = Heb. balances of justice. Genitive of character. So with the other measures in this verse. Cp. Deut. 25. 13-16. Prov. 11. 1; 16. 11; 20. 10, 23. ephah . . . hin. See Ap. 51. III. 3.

20. 1-27 (x⁴, p. 158). UNLAWFUL DEFILEMENTS (*Introversion*).

x⁴ | Y | 1-6. Molech and witchcraft.

Z | 7. Sanctification.

A | 8. Charge as to obedience.

B | 9. Death penalty: cursing parents.

B | 10-21. Death penalty: criminal connections.

A | 22-25. Charge as to obedience.

Z | 26. Sanctification.

Y | 27. Witchcraft.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

spake. See note on 5. 14.

2 Again. See Lev. 18. 21. This is so serious that it must be repeated. There, only a command; here, the penalty. children. Heb. sons.

Molech. The king-idol. See note on 18. 21, where this law follows that on incest; while here it precedes it.
3 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. iii. holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5. 4 the = that. 5 family. Cp. Ezek. 18. 2, and note the contrast. Jer. 31. 29.

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and all that go a whoring after him, to commit whoredom with ²Molech, from among their People.

6 And the °soul that turneth after such as have °familiar spirits, and after °wizards, to go a whoring after them, I will even set My face against that °soul, and will cut him off from among his People.

Z (p. 161) 7 Sanctify yourselves therefore, and be ye °holy: for I am °the LORD your God.

A 8 And ye shall keep My statutes, and do them: I am °the LORD Which sanctify you.

B 9 For °every one that curseth his father or his mother shall be surely put to death: he hath cursed his father or his mother; his °blood shall be upon him.

B 10 And the °man that committeth adultery with another man's wife, even he that committeth adultery with his neighbour's wife, the adulterer and the adulteress shall surely be put to death.

11 And the °man that lieth with his °father's wife hath uncovered his father's nakedness: both of them shall surely be put to death; their °blood shall be upon them.

12 And if a °man lie with his °daughter in law, both of them shall surely be put to death: they have wrought confusion; their °blood shall be upon them.

13 If a °man also lie with °mankind, as he lieth with a woman, both of them have committed an °abomination: they shall surely be put to death; their °blood shall be upon them.

14 And if a °man take a °wife and her mother, it is °wickedness: they shall be °burnt with fire, both he and they; that there be no °wickedness among you.

15 And if a °man lie with a °beast, he shall surely be put to death: and ye shall slay the beast.

16 And if a woman approach unto any beast, and lie down thereto, thou shalt kill the woman, and the beast: they shall surely be put to death; their °blood shall be upon them.

17 And if a °man shall take his °sister, his father's daughter, or his mother's daughter, and see her nakedness, and she see his nakedness; it is a °wicked thing; and they shall be cut off in the °sight of their People: he hath uncovered his sister's nakedness; he shall bear his °iniquity.

18 And if a °man shall lie with a woman having her °sickness, and shall uncover her nakedness; he hath discovered her fountain, and she hath uncovered the fountain of her blood: and both of them shall be cut off from among their People.

19 And thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy mother's sister, nor of thy father's sister: for he uncovereth his near kin: they shall bear their °iniquity.

20 And if a °man shall lie with his uncle's wife, he hath uncovered his uncle's nakedness: they shall bear their °sin; they shall die childless.

21 And if a °man shall take his brother's wife, it is an unclean thing: he hath uncovered his brother's nakedness; they shall be childless.

6 soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 18.

familiar spirits. See note on 19. 31.

wizards. See note on 19. 31.

7 the LORD [Heb. Jehovah] your God [Heb. Elohim]. Some codices, with Sam. and Sept., read "I am holy, Jehovah your God".

8 the LORD Which sanctify you = Jehovah *Mēkad-dishkem*, one of the Jehovah titles. See Ap. 4.

9 every one. Heb. *'ish 'ish*. Ap. 14. ii.

blood. Fig. *Metalepsis*, Ap. 6, "bloods", put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct) for guilt, and "guilt" put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause) for penalty.

11 father's wife. See 18. 8.

12 daughter in law. See 18. 15.

13 mankind. Heb. "male". See 18. 22.

abomination. See note on 18. 22.

14 wife and her mother. See ch. 18. 17.

wickedness = disgraceful thing. Heb. *chased* (Ap. 44. xiv). *Chesed* is a *Homonym*: i. e. another word, spelt the same. It means (1) *mercy, grace, goodness* (Gen. 24. 12. 2 Sam. 7. 15. 1 Chron. 19. 2. 2 Chron. 6. 14. Job 37. 13. Ps. 103. 4, 8, 11, &c. But here (2) it is *chased*, a *disgraceful* or *reproachful* thing. It is so taken here and in Prov. 14. 34.

burnt = burnt up: i. e. in judgment. Heb. *sāraph*. Ap. 43. I. viii.

15 beast. See 18. 23.

17 sister. See 18. 9.

sight of their People. A special penalty is attached to this disgraceful thing.

iniquity = perverseness. Heb. *'āvōn*. Ap. 44. iii.

18 sickness. See 15. 24; 18. 19.

20 sin = penalty. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause). Ap. 6.

22 spue. Cp. 18. 28, where it is rendered "vomit".

23 manners = statutes. It was this that brought down the judgment of extermination. No other remedy would do. These nations were descended from the *nephilim* (see Ap. 25), who like those who were destroyed by the Flood, were "after that" (Gen. 6. 4) to be destroyed by the sword of Israel.

nation. Some codices, with Sam., Onk., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "nations" (pl.).

25 difference = separation, as in verse 24. Cp. 10. 10; 11. 47. souls. Heb. pl. of *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

26 severed = separated, as in verses 24 and 25.

27 familiar spirit. See note on 19. 31.

22 Ye shall therefore keep all My statutes, and all My judgments, and do them: that the land, whither I bring you to dwell therein, °spue you not out. 4

23 And ye shall not walk in the °manners of the °nation, which I cast out before you: for they committed all these things, and therefore I abhorred them.

24 But I have said unto you, Ye shall inherit their land, and I will give it unto you to possess it, a land that floweth with milk and honey: I am °the LORD your °God, Which have separated you from other people.

25 Ye shall therefore put °difference between clean beasts and unclean, and between unclean fowls and clean: and ye shall not make your °souls abominable by beast, or by fowl, or by any manner of living thing that creepeth on the ground, which I have separated from you as unclean.

26 And ye shall be °holy unto Me: for I °the LORD am holy, and have °severed you from other people, that ye should be Mine. Z

27 A °man also or woman that hath a °familiar spirit, or that is a wizard, shall Y

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surely be put to death: they shall stone them with stones: their ⁹blood shall be upon them."

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21 And ^othe LORD ^osaid unto Moses, "Speak unto ^othe priests the sons of Aaron, and say unto them, 'There shall none be defiled for ^othe dead among his people:

2 But for his ^okin, that is near unto him, *that is*, for his mother, and for his father, and for his son, and for his daughter, and for his brother,

3 And for his sister a virgin, that is nigh unto him, which hath had no husband; for her may he be defiled.

4 *But* he shall not ^odefile himself, *being* ^oa chief man among his people, to profane himself.

5 They shall not make baldness upon their head, neither shall they ^oshave off ^othe corner of their beard, nor make any cuttings in their flesh.

6 They shall be ^oholy unto their ^oGod, and not profane the name of their ^oGod: for the ^oofferings of ¹the LORD made by fire, *and* the ^obread ^oof their ^oGod, they do ^ooffer: therefore they shall be ^oholy.

7 They shall not take a wife *that is* a whore, or profane; neither shall they take a woman put away from her husband:

8 for he ^{is} ^oholy unto his ^oGod.

8 Thou shalt sanctify him therefore;

for he ^ooffereth the ^obread of thy ^oGod: he shall be ^oholy unto thee: for ³ ¹the LORD, Which sanctify you, *am* ^oholy.

9 And the daughter of any priest, if she profane herself by playing the whore, *she* profaneth her father: she shall be ^oburnt with fire.

10 And *he that is* the ^ohigh priest among his brethren, upon whose head the anointing oil was poured, and that is ^oconsecrated to put on the garments, shall not uncover his head, nor ^orend his clothes;

11 Neither shall he go in to any ^odead body: nor defile himself for his father, or for his mother;

12 Neither shall he go out of the sanctuary, nor profane the sanctuary of his ^oGod; for the ^ocrown of the anointing oil of his ^oGod *is* upon him:

13 *am* ¹the LORD.

13 And he shall take a wife in her virginity.

14 A widow, or a divorced woman, or profane, or an harlot, these shall he not take: but he shall take a virgin of his own people to wife.

15 Neither shall he profane his seed among his people:

for ³ ¹the LORD do sanctify him."

16 And ¹the LORD ^ospake unto Moses, saying,

17 "Speak unto Aaron, saying, 'Whosoever *he be* of thy seed in their ^ogenerations that hath *any* blemish, let him not approach to ^ooffer the ^obread ^oof his ^oGod.

21. 1—22. 31 (D, p. 181). PRIESTHOOD.
(Division.)

D | C¹ | 21. 1—22. 16. Persons.
C² | 22. 17—33. Offerings.

21. 1—22. 16 (C¹, above). PERSONS.
(Introversion.)

C¹ | D | 21. 1—15. Defilements (mourning).
E | 21. 16—24. Blemishes.
D | 22. 1—16. Defilements (uncleanness).

21. 1—15 (D, above). DEFILEMENTS (MOURNING).
(Introversion and Alternation.)

D | F | G | a | 1—5. Relations.
b | 6. Reason.
J | c | 7—, Wife.
d | -7, 8. Reason.
H | 9. Daughter.
F | G | a | 10—12—, Parents.
b | -12. Reason.
J | c | 13—15—, Wife.
d | -15. Reason.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

said. See note on 5. 14.

the priests the sons of Aaron. Occurs only here. In all the other seven passages it is in Heb. "the sons of Aaron, the priests". See Lev. 1. 5.

the dead = a dead soul. Heb. *nephesh*. See Ap. 13, and note on 19. 28.

2 kin = flesh.

4 defile himself [for his wife]. Fig. *Ellipsis*. Ap. 6. a chief = a lord, or leader. Heb. *ba'al*. Supply Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) [a priest].

5 shave. Forbidden to the Israelites; but in Egypt a disgrace not to shave. See Gen. 41. 14. 2 Sam. 10. 4, 6.

the corner of their beard = their whiskers.

6 holy = set apart, or separate. See note on Ex. 3. 5. Here, a singular noun = a separated set.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4.

offerings = Heb. *'ishsheh*. Ap. 43. II. xi.

bread = food of all kinds. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species). Ap. 6. See note on 3. 11.

of their God. Genitive of relation. Ap. 17.

offer = bring near. Heb. *karab*. Ap. 43. I. i.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

8 I the LORD, Which, &c. = Jehovah title. See note on 20. 8, and Ap. 4.

9 burnt = burnt up. Heb. *saraph*. Ap. 43. I. viii.

10 high priest. See note on 4. 3.

consecrated. See note on Ex. 28. 41. Lev. 9. 17.

rend. See notes on 10. 6; 13. 45.

11 dead body = dead soul. Heb. "dead *nephesh*". The opposite of "living soul" in Gen. 2. 7. See note on 19. 28, and Ap. 13.

12 crown = consecration: i. e. = Nazariteship.

16—24 (E, above). BLEMISHES.

16 spake. See note on 5. 14.

17 generations = posterity.

18 flat = any deformity (of the nose).

any thing superfluous = any thing over long or excessive. Cp. 22. 23.

19 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. ii.

18 For whatsoever man *he be* that hath a blemish, he shall not approach: a blind man, or a lame, or he that hath a ^oflat nose, or ^oany thing superfluous,

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20 Or crookbackt, or a dwarf, or that hath a °blemish in his eye, or be scurvy, or scabbed, or hath his stones broken;

21 No man that hath a blemish of the seed of Aaron the priest shall come nigh to offer the offerings of °the LORD made by fire: he hath a blemish; he shall not come nigh to offer the °bread of his °God.

22 He shall eat the bread of his °God, both of the most °holy, and of the °holy.

23 Only he shall not go in unto the vail, nor come nigh unto the altar, because he hath a blemish; that he profane not My sanctuaries: for °the LORD do sanctify them."

24 And Moses told it unto Aaron, and to his sons, and unto all the °children of Israel.

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22 And °the LORD °spake unto Moses, saying,

2 "Speak unto Aaron and to his sons, that they separate themselves °from the °holy things of the °children of Israel, and that they profane not My °holy name in those things which they °hallow unto Me:

f¹ ¶ am °the LORD.

e² 3 Say unto them, 'Whosoever he be of all your seed among your generations, that goeth unto the holy things, which the °children of Israel °hallow unto °the LORD, having his uncleanness upon him, that °soul shall be °cut off from My presence:

f² ¶ am °the LORD.

e³ 4 What °man soever of the seed of Aaron is a leper, or hath a running issue; he shall not eat of the °holy things, until he be clean. And whoso toucheth any thing that is unclean by °the dead, or a man whose °seed goeth from him;

5 Or whosoever toucheth any creeping thing, whereby he may be made unclean, or a °man of whom he may take uncleanness, whatsoever uncleanness he hath;

6 The °soul which hath touched any such shall be unclean until even, and shall not eat of the °holy things, unless he °wash his flesh with water.

7 And when the sun is down, he shall be clean, and shall afterward eat of the °holy things; because it is his food.

8 That which dieth of itself, or is torn with beasts, he shall not eat to defile himself therewith:

f³ ¶ am °the LORD.

e⁴ 9 They shall therefore °keep Mine °ordinance, lest they bear °sin for it, and die therefore, if they profane it: ¶ °the LORD do sanctify them.

10 There shall no stranger eat of the °holy thing: a sojourner of the priest, or an hired servant, shall not eat of the °holy thing.

11 But if the priest buy any °soul with his money, °he shall eat of it, and he that is born in his house: they shall eat of his °meat.

12 If the priest's daughter also be married unto °a stranger, she may not eat of an °offering of the °holy things.

20 blemish in his eye = defective vision, or cataract.
24 children. Heb. sons.

22. 1-16 (D, p. 163). DEFILEMENTS (UNCLEANNESS). (Repeated Alternation.)

D | e¹ | 1, 2-. General.
f¹ | -2. Reason.
e² | 3-. Uncleanness.
f² | -3. Reason.
e³ | 4-8-. Leprous, &c.
f³ | -8. Reason.
e⁴ | 9-16-. Strangers.
f⁴ | -16. Reason.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

spake. See note on 5. 14.

2 from. When subject to the following disabilities.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 6.

children. Heb. sons.

hallow. See note on 12. 4.

3 soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. Here rendered "soul", but in 21. 11 inaccurately rendered "body". See note on 19. 28.

cut off from My presence. Occurs only here in the Pentateuch; elsewhere, "cut off from his people". See note on 7. 20. Accounted for here by the seriousness of the offence.

4 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. ii.

the dead. Heb. *nephesh* (Ap. 13), rendered "soul" in preceding verse. Heb. = "a dead soul". Cp. v. 11.

seed goeth. See 15. 16.

5 man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. 1.

6 soul. Heb. *nephesh*. (Ap. 13.) Here again rendered soul. See vv. 3, 4; 21. 11, and note on 19. 28.

wash = bathe. See note on 14. 9.

9 keep Mine ordinance = observe my observance. Fig. *Polyptoton*, Ap. 6, for emphasis. Cp. 18. 30.

ordinance = charge.

sin = penalty. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause). Ap. 6.

11 soul. Heb. *nephesh* (Ap. 13). Here put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6, for "any person", i. e. a heathen slave.

he = the slave so bought. Emphatic.

meat = Fig. *Metonymy* (of Species), for any kind of food. Ap. 6.

12 a stranger = a man (Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. ii.), i. e. an Israelite, but not of Aaron's seed (Num. 16. 40).

offering = heave offering. Heb. *terūmah*. Ap. 43.

II. viii. 14 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. ii.

unwittingly: i. e. through ignorance. See 4. 2, 22, 27; 5. 15, 18.

15 offer = offer up, as a heave offering. Heb. *rūm*. Ap. 43. I. ix.

16 iniquity = penalty. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause). Ap. 6. Heb. *'āvōn*. Ap. 44. iii.

trespass. Heb. *'āsām*. Ap. 44. ii.

I the LORD do sanctify. A Jehovah title. See note on 21. 8, and Ap. 4.

13 But if the priest's daughter be a widow, or divorced, and have no child, and is returned unto her father's house, as in her youth, she shall eat of her father's meat: but there shall no stranger eat thereof.

14 And if a °man eat of the °holy thing °unwittingly, then he shall put the fifth part thereof unto it, and shall give it unto the priest with the °holy thing.

15 And they shall not profane the °holy things of the °children of Israel, which they °offer unto °the LORD;

16 Or suffer them to bear the °iniquity of °trespass, when they eat their °holy things:

for °the LORD do sanctify them."

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17 And ¹the LORD ¹spake unto Moses, saying,

18 "Speak unto Aaron, and to his sons, and unto all the ³children of Israel, and say unto them,

° Whatsoever *he be* of the house of Israel, or of the strangers in Israel, that will ° offer his ° oblation for all his vows, and for all his ° freewill offerings, which they will ° offer unto ¹the LORD for a burnt offering;

19 Ye shall offer ° at your own will a male without blemish, of the beeves, of the sheep, or of the goats.

20 But whatsoever hath a blemish, *that* shall ye not ¹⁸ offer: for it shall not be acceptable for you.

21 And whosoever ¹⁸ offereth a sacrifice of peace offerings unto ¹the LORD to accomplish *his* vow, or a freewill offering in beeves or sheep, it shall be perfect to be accepted; there shall be no blemish therein.

22 Blind, or broken, or maimed, or having a wen, or scurvy, or scabbed, ye shall not ¹⁸ offer these unto ¹the LORD, nor make an ° offering by fire of them upon the altar unto ¹the LORD.

23 Either a bullock or a lamb that hath any thing superfluous or lacking in his parts, *that* mayest thou ° offer *for* a freewill offering; but for a vow it shall not be accepted.

24 Ye shall not ¹⁸ offer unto ¹the LORD that which is bruised, or crushed, or broken, or cut; neither shall ye make *any offering there-of* in your land.

25 Neither from a stranger's hand shall ye ¹⁸ offer the ° bread ° of your ° God of any of these; because their corruption *is* in them, and blemishes *be* in them: they shall not be accepted for you."

26 And ¹the LORD ¹spake unto Moses, saying,

27 "When a bullock, or a sheep, or a goat, is brought forth, then it shall be seven days under the dam; and from the eighth day and thenceforth it shall be accepted for an ° offering made by fire unto ¹the LORD.

28 And *whether it be* ° cow or ewe, ye shall not kill it and her young both in one day.

29 And when ye will ° offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving unto ¹the LORD, offer *it* ¹⁹ at your own will.

30 On the same day it shall be eaten up; ye shall leave none of it until the morrow: ³ *am* ¹the LORD.

31 Therefore shall ye keep My commandments, and do them: ³ *am* ¹the LORD.

32 Neither shall ye profane My ° holy name; but I will be ° hallowed among the ³children of Israel: ¹⁰ ³ *am* ¹the LORD Which ° hallow you,

33 That ° brought you out of the land of Egypt, to be your ²⁵ God: ³ *am* ¹the LORD."

17-33 (C², p. 163). OFFERINGS. (Introversion).

C² K | 17, 18-. General charge.
L | -18-21. Burnt offerings and Peace offerings.
M | 22-25. Offerings; their perfection.
M | 26-28. Offerings; their age.
L | 29, 30. Meal offering.
K | 31-33. General charge.

18 Whatsoever = what man soever. Heb. 'ish 'ish. Ap. 14. ii.

offer = bring near. Heb. *kārab*. Ap. 43. I. i. oblation = Heb. *qorbān*. Ap. 43. II. i. Translated "offering", 3. 7, 14; 7. 12; 17. 4, &c.

freewill offerings. Cp. Ps. 40. 8. John 10. 17, 18; 17. 4. Phil. 2. 7, 8.

19 at your own will = for your acceptance. So rendered in vv. 20, 21, 25, 27: see note on 1. 3. For this kind of offering, see note on 7. 15, 16.

22 offering. Heb. 'ishsheh. Ap. 43. II. xi.

23 offer = prepare. Heb. 'asāh. Ap. 43. I. iii.

25 bread = food. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), put for all kinds of food. Ap. 6.

of. Genitive of relation. Ap. 17.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4.

27 offering = approach offering. Heb. *qorbān*. Ap. 43. II. i.

28 cow. Heb. *shōr*, rendered "cow" only here and Num. 18. 17.

29 offer a sacrifice = kill [an offering] as a sacrifice. Ap. 43. I. iv., and II. xii.

32 holy = set apart. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

hallowed . . . hallow = set apart. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

33 brought you out. See note on 11. 45.

23. 1-26. 3 (C, p. 131). JEHOVAH'S FEASTS. (Introversion).

C | N | P | 23. 1-44. Weekly and annual.
Q | 24. 1-9. Repetitions from Exodus.
O | 24. 10-23. Episode of blasphemer.
N | P | 25. 1-55. Sabbatic and jubilee.
Q | 26. 1, 2. Repetitions from Exodus.

23. 1-44 (P, above). WEEKLY AND ANNUAL FEASTS (Introversions and Repeated Alternation).

P | R | T¹ | 1, 2. General charge.
U¹ | 3. Seventh day (sabbath rest).
T² | 4. General charge.
S | V¹ | 5-8. Passover.
W¹ | 9-14. Unleavened bread. }
V² | 15-21. Pentecost. }
W² | 22. Harvest. }
V³ | 23-25. Trumpets. }
W³ | 26-32. Atonement. }
V⁴ | 33-36. Tabernacles.
R | T³ | 37, 38. General charge.
U² | 39-43. Seventh month. (Booths.)
T⁴ | 44. General charge.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

spake. See note on 5. 14. 2 children. Heb. sons. feasts of the LORD. This was their primal name; but in the day of Christ's rejection they had become "feasts of the Jews". John 5. 1; 2. 13; 6. 4; 11. 55.

proclaim. Cause to be [publicly] heard. Occurs outside the Pentateuch only in Nehemiah.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

convocation = a calling together, assembly.

3 sabbath of rest. See note on Ex. 16. 23.

¹the LORD, which ye shall ° proclaim *to be* ° holy ° convocations, *even these are My feasts.*

3 Six days shall work be done; but the seventh day *is* the ° sabbath of rest, an ² holy ² convocation; ye shall do no work *therein*: *it is* the sabbath of ¹the LORD in all your dwellings.

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23 And ° the LORD ° spake unto Moses, saying,

2 "Speak unto the ° children of Israel, and say unto them, 'Concerning the ° feasts of

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4 °These are the °feasts of ¹the LORD, even ²holy ²convocations, which ye shall ²proclaim in their seasons.

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5 In the fourteenth day of the °first month °at even is °the LORD'S passover.

6 And on the fifteenth day of the same month is the feast of °unleavened bread unto ¹the LORD: seven days ye must eat unleavened bread.

7 In the first day ye shall have an °holy ²convocation: ye shall do no °servile work therein.

8 But ye shall °offer an °offering made by fire unto ¹the LORD seven days: °in the seventh day is an °holy ²convocation: ye shall do no °servile work therein."

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9 And ¹the LORD ¹spake unto Moses, saying,

10 "Speak unto the ²children of Israel, and say unto them, °When ye be come into the land which I give unto you, and shall reap the harvest thereof, then ye shall bring a °sheaf of the firstfruits of your harvest unto the priest:

11 And he shall °wave the sheaf before ¹the LORD, to be accepted for you: on the morrow after the sabbath the priest shall wave it.

12 And ye shall °offer °that day when ye wave the sheaf an he lamb without blemish of the first year for a burnt offering unto ¹the LORD.

13 And the meat offering thereof shall be two °tenth deals of fine flour mingled with oil, an °offering made by fire unto ¹the LORD for a °sweet savour: and the drink offering thereof shall be of °wine, the fourth part of an °hin.

14 And ye shall eat neither bread, nor parched corn, nor green ears, until the self-same day that ye have brought an °offering unto your °God: it shall be a °statute for ever throughout your generations in all your dwellings.

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15 And ye shall count unto you from the morrow after the sabbath, from the day that ye brought the sheaf of the ¹¹wave offering; °seven sabbaths shall be complete:

16 Even unto the morrow after the seventh sabbath shall ye number °fifty days; and ye shall °offer a new °meat offering unto ¹the LORD.

17 Ye shall bring out of your habitations two wave loaves of two tenth deals: they shall be of fine flour; they shall be baked °with leaven; they are the firstfruits unto ¹the LORD.

18 And ye shall °offer with the bread seven lambs without blemish of the first year, and one young bullock, and two rams: they shall be for a burnt offering unto ¹the LORD, with their meat offering, and their drink offerings, even an °offering made by fire, of ¹³sweet savour unto ¹the LORD.

19 Then ye shall °sacrifice one kid of the goats for a sin offering, and two lambs of the first year for a sacrifice of peace offerings.

20 And the priest shall ¹¹wave them with the bread of the firstfruits for a wave offering before ¹the LORD, with the two lambs: they shall be °holy to ¹the LORD for the priest.

4 These are the feasts: thus marking the sabbath offering as distinct.

feasts = Heb. appointed seasons.

feasts of the LORD. This was their true character. But in our Lord's day they had degenerated into "feasts of the Jews" (John 2. 13; 5. 1; 6. 4; 11. 55).

5 first month: called in Pentateuch "Abib" (Ex. 13. 4; 23. 15; 34. 18. Deut. 16. 1); and "Nisan" in later books (Neh. 2. 1. Est. 3. 7) = about beginning of April.

at even: any time from sunset of one day till sunrise of the second day. Heb. "between the evenings".

the LORD'S [Heb. Jehovah's] passover. This is the first of the Feasts; Tabernacles is the seventh. First, redemption; last, rest. Redemption is the title to rest.

6 unleavened. Note the exception in v. 17, and see note there.

7 servile = laborious.

8 offer = bring near. Heb. *kārab*. Ap. 43. I. offering. Heb. *'ishsheh*. Ap. 43. II. xi.

in. Some codices, with Sam., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "and on (or in)".

10 When ye be come. See note on 14. 34. sheaf. The Antitype is Christ, the firstfruits. 1 Cor. 15. 23.

11 wave. See note on Ex. 29. 27.

12 offer = prepare. Heb. *'āsāh*. Ap. 43. I. iii. that day. All these offerings were without leaven.

Cp. v. 17.

13 tenth deals. See Ap. 51. III. 3. sweet savour = savour of satisfaction. See note on Gen. 8. 21.

wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. 1.

hin. See Ap. 51. III. 3.

14 offering. Heb. *qorbān*. See Ap. 43. II. i.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4.

statute for ever. See v. 21; 3. 17; 6. 18, 22; 7. 34; 10. 9, 15; 24. 8, 9. Ex. 12. 14; 29. 28; 30. 21. Num. 18. 8, 11, 19. Jer. 5. 22, &c.

15 seven sabbaths = seven weeks. Cp. Luke 18. 12. Matt. 28. 1. Hence the name "feast of weeks" in Old Testament. Ex. 34. 22. Deut. 16. 10, 16. 2 Chron. 8. 13.

16 fifty days. Hence the name Pentecost. Acts 2. 1; 20. 16. 1 Cor. 16. 8.

meat offering = meal offering. See note on 2. 1.

17 with leaven. This great exception is made because the antitype is not Christ but human kind, and not without sin. "They that are Christ's", 1 Cor. 15. 23. Cp. vv. 6 and 10 above.

19 sacrifice = prepare; same as "offer" in v. 12.

22 harvest. In the Antitype = "the end" or the remainder. 1 Cor. 15. 24.

21 And ye shall ²proclaim on the selfsame day, that it may be an °holy ²convocation unto you: ye shall do no °servile work therein: it shall be ¹⁴a statute for ever in all your dwellings throughout your generations.

22 And when ye reap the °harvest of your land, thou shalt not make clean riddance of the corners of thy field when thou reapest, neither shalt thou gather any gleanings of thy harvest: thou shalt leave them unto the poor, and to the stranger: I am ¹the LORD your ¹⁴God."

23 And ¹the LORD ¹spake unto Moses, saying,

24 "Speak unto the ²children of Israel, saying, 'In the seventh month, in the first day of the month, shall ye have a sabbath, a memorial of blowing of trumpets, an °holy ²convocation.

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25 Ye shall do no ⁷servile work *therein*: but ye shall ⁸offer an ⁸offering made by fire unto ¹the LORD.'"

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26 And ¹the LORD ¹spake unto Moses, saying,

27 "Also on the tenth day of this seventh month *there shall be* a day of [°]atonement: it shall be an ²holy ²convocation unto you; and ye shall [°]afflict [°]your souls, and ²⁵offer an offering made by fire unto ¹the LORD.

28 And ye shall do no work in that same day: for it *is* a day of ²⁷atonement, to make an ²⁷atonement for you before ¹the LORD your ¹⁴God.

29 For whatsoever [°]soul *it be* that shall not be [°]afflicted in that same day, he shall be [°]cut off from among his people.

30 And whatsoever ²⁹soul *it be* that doeth any work in that same day, the same [°]soul will I destroy from among his people.

31 Ye shall do no manner of [°]work: *it shall be* a ¹⁴statute for ever throughout your generations in all your dwellings.

32 *It shall be* unto you a sabbath of rest, and ye shall ²⁷afflict ²⁷your souls: in the ninth day of the month at even, from even unto even, shall ye [°]celebrate your sabbath."

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33 And ¹the LORD ¹spake unto Moses, saying,

34 "Speak unto the ²children of Israel, saying, 'The fifteenth day of this seventh month *shall be* the feast of [°]tabernacles for seven days unto ¹the LORD.

35 On the first day *shall be* an ²holy ²convocation: ye shall do no [°]servile work *therein*.

36 Seven days ye shall ⁸offer ⁸an offering made by fire unto ¹the LORD: [°]on the eighth day shall be an ²holy ²convocation unto you; and ye shall ²⁵offer an ²⁵offering made by fire unto ¹the LORD: *it is* a solemn assembly; and ye shall do no ⁷servile work *therein*.

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37 [°]These *are* the feasts of ¹the LORD, which ye shall ²proclaim to be ²holy ²convocations, to ³⁶offer an offering made by fire unto ¹the LORD, a burnt offering, and a meat offering, a sacrifice, and drink offerings, every thing upon his day:

38 Beside the [°]sabbaths of ¹the LORD, and beside your gifts, and beside all your vows, and beside all your freewill offerings, which ye give unto ¹the LORD.

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39 Also in the fifteenth day of the seventh month, when ye have gathered in the fruit of the land, ye shall keep a [°]feast unto ¹the LORD seven days: on the first day *shall be* a sabbath, and on the eighth day *shall be* a sabbath.

40 And ye shall take you on the first day the boughs of goodly trees, branches of palm trees, and the boughs of thick trees, and willows of the brook; and ye shall rejoice [°]before ¹the LORD your ¹⁴God seven days.

41 And ye shall keep it a ³⁹feast unto ¹the LORD seven days in the year. *It shall be* a statute for ever [°]in your generations: ye shall celebrate it in the seventh month.

42 Ye shall dwell [°]in booths seven days; all that are Israelites born shall dwell [°]in booths:

27 atonement. See note on Ex. 29. 33.

afflict=humble.

your souls=yourself. Heb. *nepshesh*. Ap. 13.

29 soul=person. Heb. *nepshesh*. Ap. 13.

afflicted=humbled. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of the Adjunct), for the outward sign of it. Ap. 6. cut off. See note on 7. 20.

31 work. Some codices, with Sam., Syr., and Vulg., add "therefore".

32 celebrate your sabbath. See note on Ex. 16. 23.

34 tabernacles=booths. Heb. *sukkōth*=a lodge in a garden. Is. 1. 8, "cottage".

35 servile=laborious.

36 on. Some codices, with Sam., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "and on".

37 These are the feasts of the LORD: viz. the above-mentioned festivals. See Structure "S" (23. 1, p. 165).

38 sabbaths. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of the Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the sacrifices offered on the sabbath. See note on 25. 6.

39 feast=festival.

40 before the LORD. Heb. before the face of Jehovah (Ap. 4). Fig. *Pleonasm*. Ap. 6. =in the presence of.

41 in=throughout.

42 in booths. In Heb., the verse begins and ends with these words, for emphasis, by the Fig. *Epanadiplosis*. Ap. 6.

44 declared: according to verse 2.

feasts=appointed seasons.

24. 1-9 (Q, p. 165). REPETITIONS FROM EXODUS.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

spake. See note on 5. 14.

2 Command. Only twice, here and in 6. 9, is the word "command" used for communicating.

children. Heb. sons.

the light=the light-bearer or lamp-stand. Cp. Ex. 27. 20, 21.

3 of. Genitive of relation. =the vail relating to the testimony or ark of the covenant, i. e. the vail that is before it.

tabernacle=tent. Heb. *'ōhel*. Ap. 40.

Aaron. Some codices, with Sam. and Onk., add "and his sons", as in v. 9.

statute for ever. See 23. 14, and note on 3. 17.

4 candlestick=light-holder as v. 2 above, and Gen. 1. 14, &c. The word "pure" here=purified or ceremonially cleansed: i. e. not for common uses.

43 That your generations may know that I made the ²children of Israel to dwell in booths, when I brought them out of the land of Egypt: *3 am* ¹the LORD your ¹⁴God."

44 And Moses [°]declared unto the ²children of Israel the [°]feasts of ¹the LORD. T⁴

24 And [°]the LORD [°]spake unto Moses, Q
saying,

2 [°]"Command the [°]children of Israel, that they bring unto thee pure oil olive beaten for [°]the light, to cause the lamps to burn continually.

3 Without the vail [°]of the testimony, in the [°]tabernacle of the congregation, shall [°]Aaron order it from the evening unto the morning before ¹the LORD continually: *it shall be* a [°]statute for ever in your generations.

4 He shall order the lamps upon the pure [°]candlestick before ¹the LORD continually.

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5 And thou shalt take fine flour, and bake twelve cakes thereof: ^otwo ^otenth deals shall be in one cake.

6 And thou shalt set them in two ^orows, six on a ^orow, upon the ^opure table ^obefore ¹the LORD.

7 And thou shalt put pure frankincense upon *each* ^orow, that it may be on the bread for a memorial, *even* an ^ooffering made by fire unto ¹the LORD.

8 ^oEvery sabbath he shall set it in order before ¹the LORD continually, *being taken* from the ²children of Israel by an everlasting covenant.

9 And it shall be Aaron's and his sons'; and they shall ^oeat it in the ^oholy place: for it *is* most ^oholy unto him of the ⁷offerings of ¹the LORD made by fire by a perpetual statute."

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10 And the son of an Israelitish woman, whose father *was* an Egyptian, went out among the ²children of Israel: and this son of the Israelitish woman and ^a man of Israel ^ostrove together in the camp;

11 And the Israelitish woman's son ^oblasphemed ^othe name of *the LORD*, and cursed. And they brought him unto Moses: (and his mother's name *was* Shelomith, the daughter of Dibri, of the tribe of ^oDan:)

12 And they put him in ward, that the mind of ¹the LORD might be shewed them.

13 And ¹the LORD ¹spake unto Moses, saying,

14 "Bring forth him that hath cursed without the camp; and let all that heard *him* ^olay their hands upon his head, and let all the congregation ^ostone him.

15 And thou shalt speak unto the ²children of Israel, saying, 'Whosoever curseth his ^oGod shall ^obear his ^osin.

16 And he that blasphemeth the name of ¹the LORD, he shall surely be put to death, and all the congregation shall certainly stone him: as well the stranger, as he that is born in the land, when he ¹¹blasphemeth the name of *the LORD*, shall be put to death.

17 And he that killeth ^oany ^oman shall surely be put to death.

18 And he that killeth ^oa beast shall make it good; ^obeast for ^obeast.

19 And if a ^oman cause a blemish in his neighbour; ^oas he hath done, so shall it be done to him;

20 Breach for breach, eye for eye, tooth for tooth: ¹⁹as he hath caused a blemish in a ^oman, so shall it be done to him *again*.

21 And he that killeth a beast, he shall restore it: and he that killeth a ²⁰man, he shall be put to death.

22 Ye shall have one ^omanner of law, as well for the stranger, as for one of your own country: for ³ *am* ¹the LORD your ¹⁵God."

23 And Moses spake to the ²children of Israel, that they should bring forth him that had cursed out of the camp, and ¹⁴stone him with stones. And the ²children of Israel did ¹⁹as ¹the LORD commanded Moses.

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25 And ^othe LORD ^ospake unto Moses in ^omount Sinai, saying,
2 "Speak unto the ^ochildren of Israel, and

5 two. Only one required for the ordinary meal offering (Ex. 29. 40. Num. 15. 4; 28. 9, 13, &c.). tenth deals. See Ap. 51. III. 3.

6 rows = piles. row = pile.

pure = purified or ceremonially cleansed. Cp. v. 4. before the LORD: i. e. in the holy place. Hence called "the table of the presence" (Num. 4. 7), and the cakes called "the bread of the presence" (Ex. 25. 30; 35. 13; 39. 36). The word "shewbread" taken from the Vulgate, and Luther, does not correctly represent the Hebrew name. The use of this word quite hides the Hebrew expression "bread of ordering" (set in order), "the sets of bread", "the table set in order", in 1 Chron. 9. 32; 23. 29. 2 Chron. 13. 11. Neh. 10. 33; and the table in 2 Chron. 29. 18. These Hebrew expressions are based on and derived from this verse.

7 offering. Heb. *'ishsheh*. Ap. 43. II. xi.

8 Every sabbath. Heb. "on the day of the sabbath, on the day of the sabbath", Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6. = on the holy sabbath day. Cp. 1 Chron. 9. 32.

9 eat it in the holy place. Eight things were thus consumed by the priests. See note on 7. 9.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

10-23 (O, p. 165). EPISODE OF THE BLASPHEMER.

10 a man of Israel. Heb. a man (*'ish*, Ap. 14. ii.) an Israelite. Jewish tradition says he was a Danite. strove together. Cp. Ex. 2. 13. The Chald. version says the semi-Egyptian strove to encamp in the tribe of Dan.

11 blasphemed, &c. Cp. Gen. 4. 24. Hence the use of "the name" instead of "Jehovah".

the name, or supply *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6. iii. a) from v. 16. Dan, another sad blot on this tribe.

14 lay their hands upon. Done only in the case of a blasphemer.

stone him. Nine persons stoned (see Ap. 10):

The blasphemer, Lev. 24. 14.

The sabbath-breaker, Num. 15. 36.

Achan, Josh. 7. 25.

Abimelech, Judg. 9. 53.

Adoram, 1 Kings 12. 18 (2 Chron. 10. 18).

Naboth, 1 Kings 21. 13.

Zechariah, 2 Chron. 24. 21.

Stephen, Acts 7. 58.

Paul, Acts 14. 19 (2 Cor. 11. 25).

15 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4.

bear his sin. Fig. *Metonymy* (of the Cause). Ap. 6 "sin" (*chāt'ā*, Ap. 44. i.) being put for its penalty.

17 any man = the soul (Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13) of a man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. i.

18 a beast = the soul (Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13).

beast for beast = soul for soul (Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13).

19 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. ii. as - according as.

20 man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. i.

22 manner of law = rule or regulation. Heb. *mishpāt* = judgment.

25. 1-55 (P, p. 165). SABBATIC AND JUBILEE YEARS (*Alternation*).

P | X | 1, 2. The sabbatic year.

Y | 3-7. The six years.

X | 8-13. The jubilee year.

Y | 14-55. The forty-nine years.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

spake. See note on 5. 14.

mount Sinai. See note in title "Leviticus"; not out of the tabernacle.

2 children. Heb. sons.

When, &c. See note on 14. 34.

keep a sabbath. Heb. sabbath a sabbatizing. Fig. *Polyptoton*. Ap. 6. For emphasis = keep a sacred sabbath.

say unto them, ^oWhen ye come into the land which ³ give you, then shall the land ^okeep a sabbath unto ¹the LORD.

1490 Y 3 Six years thou shalt sow thy field, and six
(p. 168) years thou shalt prune thy vineyard, and
1st Sab. gather in the fruit thereof;

1444- 4 But in the seventh year shall be a °sab-
1443 bath of rest unto the land, a sabbath for ¹the
LORD: thou shalt neither sow thy field, nor
prune thy vineyard.

5 That which groweth of its own accord
of thy harvest thou shalt not reap, neither
gather the grapes of thy vine °undressed: for
it is a year of ⁴rest unto the land.

6 And the °sabbath of the land shall be
meat for you; for thee, and for thy servant,
and for thy maid, and for thy hired servant,
and for thy stranger that sojourneth with
thee,

7 And for thy cattle, and for the beast that
are in thy land, shall all the °increase thereof
be meat.

X 8 And thou shalt number °seven sabbaths
of years unto thee, seven times seven years;
and the space of the seven sabbaths of years
shall be unto thee forty and nine years.

9 Then shalt thou cause the °trumpet of
the jubile to sound on the tenth day of the
seventh month, in the day of °atonement
shall ye make the trumpet sound throughout
all your land.

1st Jub., 10 And ye shall °hallow the fiftieth year, and
1401- °proclaim liberty throughout all the land unto
1400 all the inhabitants thereof: it shall be a jubile
unto you; and ye shall return every man unto
his possession, and ye shall return every man
unto his family.

11 A jubile shall that fiftieth year be unto
you: ye shall not sow, neither reap that
which groweth of itself in it, nor gather the
grapes in it of thy vine undressed.

12 For it is the jubile; it shall be °holy unto
you: ye shall eat the ⁷increase thereof out of
the field.

13 In the year of this jubile ye shall return
every °man unto his possession.

Y Z¹ 14 And if thou sell ought unto thy neigh-
(p. 169) bour, or buyest *ought* of thy neighbour's hand,
ye shall not °oppress one another:

15 °According to the number of years after
the jubile thou shalt buy of thy neighbour,
and according unto the number of years of the
fruits he shall sell unto thee:

16 ¹⁵According to the multitude of years
thou shalt ³⁶increase the price thereof, and
according to the fewness of years thou shalt
diminish the price of it: for according to the
number of the years of the fruits doth he sell
unto thee.

17 Ye shall not therefore oppress one an-
other; but thou shalt fear thy °God: for ³*am* ¹the LORD your °God.

18 Wherefore ye shall do My statutes, and
keep My judgments, and do them; and ye shall
dwell in the land in °safety.

19 And the land shall yield her fruit, and
ye shall eat your fill, and dwell therein in
safety.

A¹ 20 And if ye shall say, °What shall we eat
the seventh year? °behold, we shall not sow,
nor gather in our ²⁰increase:

21 Then I will command My blessing upon

3-7 (Y, p. 168). THE SIX YEARS.

4 sabbath of rest. See note on Ex. 16. 23.

5 undressed = unpruned.

6 sabbath. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of the Adjunct),
Ap. 6, for the fruits of the seventh year.

7 ipcrease = gain or profit. Heb. *ṭbū'āh*. So in vv.
12, 20; not in vv. 16, 26, 27.

8-13 (X, p. 168). THE JUBILEE YEAR.

8 seven sabbaths of years. 7 × 7 = 49. See Ap. 10.

9 trumpet = a curved horn of jubilee, i.e. of loud or
joyful sound. Heb. *yōbēl*. First jubilee; the last at
the Nativity (the 29th).

atonement. See note on Ex. 29. 33.

10 hallow = set apart. Heb. *chādāsh*. See note on Ex.
3. 5.

proclaim = cause public notice to be given.

12 holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

13 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. ii.

14-55 (Y, p. 168). THE FORTY-NINE YEARS.
(Repeated Alternation.)

Y Z¹ | 14-19. Goods.

A¹ | 20-22. Case of want.

Z² | 23, 24. Land.

A² | 25-28. Case of poverty.

Z³ | 29-34. Houses.

A³ | 35. Case of poverty.

Z⁴ | 36-38. Money.

A⁴ | 39-41. Cases of poverty.

Z⁵ | 42-46. Bondage.

A⁵ | 47-55. Cases of poverty.

14-19 (Z¹, above). PARTING WITH GOODS.

14 oppress = overreach.

15 According = in proportion. The estimation of
value regulated by nearness of the jubilee. So our
estimation of value of earthly things governed by our
sense of the nearness of Christ's coming.)

17 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4.

18 safety = confidence.

20-22 (A¹, above). CASE OF WANT.

20 What . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. (A lesson for
us. God's "I will" the answer to our "What?").
behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

23, 24 (Z², above). PARTING WITH LAND.

23 for ever. Fig. *Ḥy necdoche* (of the Whole), Ap. 6, as
we say "in perpetuity" = absolutely or beyond recovery.
the land is Mine. Cp. Ex. 15. 17; Isa. 14. 8, 25;
Jer. 2. 7; Ps. 10. 16; 78. 54.

24 grant = give.
redemption = repurchase. Heb. *g'āal*. See note on
Ex. 6. 6.

25-28 (A², above). CASE OF POVERTY.

25 If. Some codices, with Sam., Sept., and Syr.,
read "And if". waxen poor = brought low.

any of his kin = his *goēl*, or redeemer, next of kin.
See note on Ex. 6. 6.

redeem = Heb. *g'āal*, buy back. See note on Ex. 6. 6.

26 none to redeem it = no redeemer.

you in the sixth year, and it shall bring forth
fruit for three years.

22 And ye shall sow the eighth year, and eat
yet of old fruit until the ninth year; until her
fruits come in ye shall eat of the old store.

23 The land shall not be sold °for ever: Z²
for °the land is Mine; for ye are strangers
and sojourners with Me.

24 And in all the land of your possession ye
shall °grant a °redemption for the land.

25 °If thy brother be °waxen poor, and hath A²
sold away some of his possession, and if °any
of his kin come to °redeem it, then shall he
°redeem that which his brother sold.

26 And if the ¹³man have °none to ²⁵redeem
it, and himself be able to ²⁵redeem it;

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27 Then let him count the years of the sale thereof, and restore the overplus unto the ²⁶man to whom he sold it; that he may return unto his possession.

28 But if he be not able to restore *it* to him, then that which is sold shall remain in the hand of him that hath bought it until the year of jubile: and in the jubile it shall go out, and he shall ^oreturn unto his possession.

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29 And if a man sell a dwelling house in a walled city, then he may ²⁵redeem it ^owithin a whole year after it is sold; *within* a full year may he ²⁴redeem it.

30 And if it be not ²⁵redeemed ²⁹within the space of a full year, then the house that *is* in ^othe walled city shall be established ²³for ever to him that bought it throughout his generations: it shall not go out in the jubile.

31 But the houses of the villages which have no wall round about them shall be counted as the fields of the country: they may be ²⁵redeemed, and they shall go out in the jubile.

32 Notwithstanding ^othe cities of the Levites, *and* the houses of the cities of their possession, may the Levites ²⁵redeem at any time.

33 And ^oif a man purchase of the Levites, then the house that was sold, and the city of his possession, shall go out in *the year of jubile*: for the houses of the cities of the Levites *are* their possession among the ²children of Israel.

34 But the field of the suburbs of their cities may not be sold; for it *is* ^otheir perpetual possession.

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35 And if thy brother be ²⁵waxen poor, and ^ofallen in decay with thee; then thou shalt relieve him: *yea, though he be a stranger, or a sojourner*; that he may live with thee.

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36 Take thou no ^ousury of him, or ^oincrease: but fear thy ¹⁷God; that thy brother may live with thee.

37 Thou shalt not give him thy money upon ³⁶usury, nor lend him thy victuals for ³⁶increase.

38 *I am* ¹the LORD your ¹⁷God, Which brought you forth out of the land of Egypt, to give you the land of Canaan, ^oand to be your ¹⁷God.

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39 And if thy brother *that dwelleth* by thee be ²⁵waxen poor, and be ^osold unto thee; thou shalt not compel him to serve as a bondservant:

40 *But* as an hired servant, *and* as a sojourner, he shall be with thee, *and* shall serve thee unto the year of jubile:

41 And *then* shall he depart from thee, *both* *he* and his ²children with him, and shall return unto his own family, and unto the possession of his fathers shall he return.

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42 For *they are* My servants, which I ^obrought forth out of the land of Egypt: they shall not be sold ^oas bondmen.

43 Thou shalt not rule over him with rigour; but shalt fear thy ¹⁷God.

44 Both thy bondmen, and thy bondmaids, which thou shalt have, *shall be* of the heathen

28 return. The twelve loaves of ch. 24 were a witness as to the People; the jubilee (ch. 25) as to the Land.

29—34 (Z³, p. 169). PARTING WITH A HOUSE.

29 within a whole year - within days, "days" being put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part), for a whole year of days. Ap. 6.

30 the walled city = a city that hath walls.

32 the cities of the Levites. Cp. the forty-eight cities, Num. 35. 1-8. Josh. 21. 1-8.

33 if a man purchase of the Levites. Should be "if one of the Levites should not redeem".

34 their. Some codices, with Onk., have "your".

35 (A³, p. 169). CASE OF POVERTY.

35 fallen in decay = "his hands have become shaky" or become feeble.

36—38 (Z⁴, p. 169). MONEY OR USURY.

36 usury (Heb. *nāshak*), is a charge on *money*. increase (Heb. *tarbith* or *marbith*) is a charge on *goods*. See notes on v. 7 and 26. 4. These were the definitions of the authorities of the second temple.

38 and to be your God. Jehovah became their God, by giving them Canaan. Cp. 26. 45.

39—41 (A⁴, p. 169). CASE OF POVERTY.

39 sold, as in 2 Kings 4. 1.

42—46 (Z⁵, p. 169). BONDAGE.

42 brought forth. Note the four occurrences of this expression in these two chapters: 26. 13, brought out to be free men (in relation to the Egyptians); 25. 42 (in relation to fellow-Israelites); 25. 38, to be inheritors; and 25. 55, to be Jehovah's servants. as bondmen. Heb. "with the sale of a bondman": i.e. as "bondmen [are sold]".

47—55 (A⁵, p. 169). CASE OF POVERTY.

49 may redeem. Cp. Neh. 5. 8.

that are round about you; of *them* shall ye buy bondmen and bondmaids.

45 Moreover of the ²children of the strangers that do sojourn among you, of them shall ye buy, and of their families that *are* with you, which they begat in your land: and they shall be your possession.

46 And ye shall take *them* as an inheritance for your ²children after you, to inherit *them* for a possession; they shall be your bondmen ²³for ever: but over your brethren the ²children of Israel, ye shall not rule one over another with rigour.

47 And if a sojourner or stranger wax rich by thee, and thy brother *that dwelleth* by him wax poor, and sell himself unto the stranger or sojourner by thee, or to the stock of the stranger's family:

48 After that he is sold he may be ²⁴redeemed again; one of his brethren may ²⁵redeem him:

49 Either his uncle, or his uncle's son, may ²⁵redeem him, or *any* that is nigh of kin unto him of his family ^omay ²⁵redeem him; or if he be able, he may ²⁵redeem himself.

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50 And he shall reckon with him that bought him from the year that he was sold to him unto the year of jubile: and the price of his sale shall be according unto the number of years, according to the time of an hired servant shall it be with him.

51 If *there be* yet many years *behind*, according unto them he shall give again the price of his ²⁴ redemption out of the money that he was bought for.

52 And if there remain but few years unto the year of jubile, then he shall count with him, *and* according unto his years shall he give him again the price of his ²⁴ redemption.

53 *And* as a yearly hired servant shall he be with him: *and the other* shall not rule with rigour over him in thy sight.

54 And if he be not ²⁵ redeemed in these years, then he shall go out in the year of jubile, *both* he, and his ² children with him.

55 For unto Me the ² children of Israel are servants; they are My servants whom I brought forth out of the land of Egypt: *I am* ¹ the LORD your ¹⁷ God.

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26 °Ye shall make you no °idols nor a °graven image, neither rear you up a °standing image, neither shall ye set up any °image of stone in your land, to bow down unto it: for *I am* °the LORD your °God.

2 °Ye shall keep My sabbaths, and reverence My sanctuary: *I am* ¹ the LORD.

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3 °If ye walk in My statutes, and keep My commandments, and do them;

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4 °Then I will give you °rain in due season, and the land shall yield her °increase, and the trees of the field shall yield their fruit.

5 And your threshing shall reach unto the vintage, and the vintage shall reach unto the sowing time: and ye shall eat your bread to the full, and dwell in your land safely.

6 And I will give °peace in the land, and ye shall lie down, and none shall make you afraid: and I will °rid evil beasts out of the land, neither shall the sword go through your land.

7 And ye shall chase your °enemies, and they shall fall before you by the sword.

8 And °five of you shall chase an hundred, and an hundred of you shall put ten thousand to flight: and your enemies shall fall before you by the sword.

9 For I will °have respect unto you, and make you fruitful, and multiply you, and establish My covenant with you.

10 And ye shall eat old store, and bring forth the old because of the new.

11 And I will set My °tabernacle among you: and °My soul shall not abhor you.

12 And I will °walk among you, and will be your °God, and ye shall be My people.

13 *I am* ¹ the LORD your °God, which brought you forth out of the land of Egypt, that ye should not be their bondmen; and I have °broken the bands of your yoke, and made you go °upright.

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14 But if ye will not hearken unto Me, and will not do all these commandments;

26. 1, 2 (Q, p. 165). REPETITIONS FROM EXODUS.

1, 2 Ye refers to any Israelites sold to heathen masters, who hence were in danger of being tempted to idolatry, while in this servitude.

idols = non-entities. Heb. *'ēlîm* = clay or terra cotta "gods". Cp. 1 Cor. 8. 4. Occurs only once more in Pentateuch, Lev. 19. 4.

graven image. Heb. *pesel*, an idol of wood or stone.

standing image. Heb. *Mazzēbāh*, a sacred pillar. In Gen. always "pillar". Cp. v. 30.

image of stone. Heb. *maskith*, a sculptured or painted stone. Cp. v. 30.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4.

26. 3—27. 34 (A³, p. 181). THE OFFERERS AND THEIR CHARGES IN MOUNT SINAI (Division).

A³ | B¹ | 26. 3-46. Jehovah's charge to the offerers.
| B² | 27. 1-34. The offerers' vows to Jehovah.

26. 3-46 (B¹, above). JEHOVAH'S CHARGE. (Introversion, and Repeated Alternation.)

B ¹	C	E	3. The People. Obedience.
	F		4-13. Blessings.
	D	G ¹	14, 15. Disobedience.
		H ¹	16, 17. Punishment.
		G ²	18-. Disobedience.
		H ²	18-20. Punishment.
		G ³	21-. Disobedience.
		H ³	21, 22. Punishment.
		G ⁴	23. Disobedience.
		H ⁴	24-26. Punishment.
		G ⁵	27. Disobedience.
		H ⁵	28-39. Punishment.
C	E		40, 41. The People. Repentance.
	F		42-46. Blessings.

3 (E, above). OBEDIENCE. (Introversion.)

3 If... Then. Note the four occurrences of "If" and "Then" in this chapter.

4-13 (F, above). BLESSINGS.

a	3, 4. Obedience. Consequence.
b	23, 24. Disobedience.
b	27, 28. Disobedience.
a	40, 42. Obedience. Confession.

4 Then. See note on "If", v. 3 above.
rain. Heb. rains: i.e. the early and latter rains. Deut. 11. 14; 28. 12. Jer. 14. 22. Deut. 32. 2. Ps. 72. 6.
increase = produce, sustenance. Heb. *y'būl*. See notes on 25. 7 and 36.

6 peace, or prosperity.
rid evil beasts. Cp. Ezek. 34. 25, 28.

7 enemies = foes. First occurrence in Leviticus.

8 five. See Ap. 10, this promise enlarged in Deut. 32. 30. Josh. 23. 10. Cp. 2 Sam. 23. 8, 18. 1 Chron. 11. 11, 18. Isa. 30. 17.

9 have respect = turn unto you, as rendered in Ezek. 46. 9; the only other place where this form occurs.

11 tabernacle = habitation. Heb. *mishkān*. Ap. 40.

My soul = Myself, or I. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

12 walk. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*, Ap. 6; or, literally, as in Eden. See Gen. 3. 8. Ap. 4. Quoted 2 Cor. 6. 16.

13 broken broken in pieces. Heb. *shābar*, as in vv. 19, 26; not *pārār*, as in vv. 15, 24.

upright. The yoke makes the wearer stoop.

14, 15 (G¹, above). DISOBEDIENCE.

The above structure (D, above) shows God's fivefold threatening for disobedience. We have the fivefold execution in Isa. 5. 25; 9. 12, 17, 21; 10. 4; and His fivefold lamentation in Amos 4. 6-12.

1490 15 And if ye shall despise My statutes, or if
° your soul abhor My judgments, so that ye
will not do all My commandments, but that ye
° break My covenant:

H¹ 16 I also will do this unto you; I will even
(p. 171) appoint over you terror, consumption, and
the ° burning ague, that shall ° consume the
eyes, and cause sorrow of ° heart: and ye
shall sow your seed in vain, for your enemies
shall eat it.

17 And I will set My ° face against you, and
ye shall be slain before your enemies: they
that hate you shall ° reign over you; and ye
shall flee when none pursueth you.

18 And if ye will not yet for all this hearken
unto Me,

II² then I will punish you seven times more for
your ° sins.

19 And I will ¹³ break the pride ° of your
power; and I will make your heaven as iron,
and your earth as brass:

20 And your strength shall be spent in
vain: for your land shall not yield her ⁴ in-
crease, neither shall the trees ° of the land
yield their fruits.

G³ 21 And if ye walk ° contrary unto Me, and will
not hearken unto Me;

H³ I will bring seven times more plagues upon
you according to your ¹⁸ sins.

22 I will also send ° wild beasts among
you, which shall rob you of your children,
and destroy your cattle, and make you few
in number; and your *high* ways shall be
desolate.

G⁴ 23 And if ye will not be reformed by
Me by these things, but will walk ²¹ contrary
unto Me;

H⁴ 24 Then will I also ¹² walk ²¹ contrary unto
you, and will punish you yet seven times
for your ¹⁸ sins.

25 ° And I will bring a sword upon you,
that shall avenge the quarrel of My covenant:
and when ye are ° gathered together within
your cities, I will send the pestilence among
you; and ye shall be delivered into the hand
of the enemy.

26 And when I have ¹³ broken ° the staff of
your bread, ° ten women shall bake your bread
in one oven, and they shall deliver you your
bread again by weight: and ye shall eat, and
not be satisfied.

G⁵ 27 And if ye will not for all this hearken
unto Me, but ¹² walk ²¹ contrary unto Me;

H⁵ 28 Then I will ¹² walk ²¹ contrary unto you
also in fury; and I, even I, will chastise you
seven times for your ¹⁸ sins.

29 And ye shall eat the flesh of your sons,
and the flesh of your daughters shall ye eat.

30 And I will destroy your ° high places, and
cut down your ° images, and cast your carcasses
upon the ° carcasses of your ° idols, and ° My
soul shall abhor you.

31 And I will make your cities waste, and
bring your ° sanctuaries unto desolation, and
I will not ° smell the savour of your sweet
° odours.

15 your soul = you (emphatic). Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.
break = violate. Heb. *pārār*, break asunder, as in v.
46; not *shābar*, as in vv. 13, 19, 26.

16, 17 (H¹, p. 171). PUNISHMENT.

16 burning ague. Probably = fever.
consume the eyes = causing the sight to fail.
heart = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

17 face. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.
reign = rule.

18- (G², p. 171). DISOBEDIENCE.

-18-20 (H², p. 171). PUNISHMENT.

18 sins. Heb. pl. of *‘avōn*. Ap. 44. iii.

19 of. Genitive of cause, the power being the cause
of the pride = your great pride. Cp. Ezek. 30. 6. So
Ezek. 24. 21, where the sense is lost in A.V. by the
rendering "the excellency of your strength".

20 of the land. Some codices, with Sam. and Sept.,
read "of the field".

21- (G³, p. 171). DISOBEDIENCE.

21 contrary. First occurrence, and only in this
chapter (seven times).

-21, 22 (H³, p. 171). PUNISHMENT.

22 wild beasts. These abounded in Palestine.
(Deut. 32. 24. 2 Kings 17. 25. Isa. 13. 21, 22. Ezek. 14.
15, &c.)

23 (G⁴, p. 171). DISOBEDIENCE.

24-26 (H⁴, p. 171). PUNISHMENT.

25 And I = I also.

gathered together = withdrawn or escaped to (cp.
Jer. 21. 6-9. Ezek. 5. 12; 7. 15).

26 broken the staff of your bread. Fig. *Metalepsis*
(Ap. 6), bread being put for the support it gives, and
staff which it is; and the breaking of the staff put for
the cutting off the supply. Cp. Is. 3. 1. Ezek. 4. 16;
5. 16; 14. 13. Ps. 105. 16.

ten. Supply *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) by supplying the word
"then" - then ten: i.e. one oven shall be sufficient for
ten families. Cp. 2 Kings 6. 28, 29.

27 (G⁵, p. 171). DISOBEDIENCE.

28-39 (H⁵, p. 171). PUNISHMENT.

30 high places: used for idolatrous worship (Num.
22. 41; 33. 52. Deut. 12. 2. Josh. 13. 17 (margin). Thus
showing the helplessness of the gods worshipped.
images. Heb. *ḥammānīm*, sun-idols. Cp. v. 1. 2 Chron.
34. 4. This was prophetic.

carcasses. Fig. *Catachresis*. Ap. 6. Another prophecy.
See 2 Kings 23. 20. 2 Chron. 34. 5.

idols = logs of wood. Heb. *gallūlīm*, trunks, blocks,
used in derision for idols. Also derived from *galal* -
dung, or detestable thing. First occurrence; frequently
in Ezekiel.

My soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. Fig. *Anthropo-
patheia*. Ap. 6. This is the converse of verse 11.

31 sanctuaries, or holy places. Some codices, with
one printed edition, Sam., and Syr., read the singular
"sanctuary".

smell. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.
odours. Cp. Isa. 11. 3 (margin).

32 I. Emphatic - I myself.

33 heathen nations.

32 And ° I will bring the land into desola-
tion: and your enemies which dwell therein
shall be astonished at it.

33 And I will scatter you among the ° hea-
then, and will draw out a sword after you:
and your land shall be desolate, and your
cities waste.

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34 Then shall the land °enjoy her sabbaths, as long as it lieth desolate, and ye be in your enemies' land; even then shall the land rest, and °enjoy her sabbaths.

35 As long as it lieth desolate it shall °rest; because it did not °rest in your sabbaths, when ye dwelt upon it.

36 And upon them that are left *alive* of you I will send a faintness into their hearts in the lands of their enemies; and the sound of a shaken leaf shall chase them; and they shall flee, as fleeing from a sword; and they shall fall when none pursueth.

37 And they shall fall one upon another, as it were before a sword, when none pursueth: and ye shall have no power to stand before your enemies.

38 And ye shall perish among the heathen, and the land of your enemies shall eat you up.

39 And they that are left of you shall pine away in their °iniquity in your enemies' lands; and also in the °iniquities of their fathers shall they pine away with them.

C E (p. 171) 40 °If they shall confess their °iniquity, and the °iniquity of their fathers, with their °trespass which they °trespassed against Me, and that also they have walked °contrary unto Me;

41 And that I also have °walked °contrary unto them, and have brought them into the land of their enemies; if then their uncircumcised hearts be humbled, and they then accept of the punishment of their °iniquity:

F 42 Then will I remember My covenant with °Jacob, and also My covenant with Isaac, and also My covenant with Abraham will I remember; and I will remember the land.

43 The land also shall be left of them, and shall enjoy her sabbaths, while she lieth desolate without them: and they shall accept of the punishment of their °iniquity: because, even because they despised My judgments, and because °their soul abhorred My statutes.

44 And yet for all that, °when they be in the land of their enemies, I will not cast them away, neither will I abhor them, to destroy them utterly, and to break My covenant with them: for I am °the LORD their °God.

45 But I will for their sakes remember the covenant of their ancestors, whom I brought forth out of the land of Egypt in the sight of the °heathen, that I might be their °God: °I am °the LORD.

46 These are the statutes and judgments and laws, which °the LORD made between Him and the °children of Israel °in mount Sinai by the hand of Moses."

B² J (p. 173) 27 And °the LORD °spake unto Moses, saying,

2 "Speak unto the °children of Israel, and say unto them,

K L¹ c¹ 'When a °man shall °make a singular vow, the °persons shall be for °the LORD by thy estimation.

3 And thy estimation shall be of the male from twenty years old even unto sixty years

34 enjoy. Fig. *Prosopopatheia*. Ap. 6. Cp. 18. 25.

35 rest. Fig. *Prosopopatheia*. Ap. 6. Cp. Jer. 34. 17. 2 Chron. 36. 21.

39 iniquity = perversity. Heb. *avāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

40-41 (E, p. 156). REPENTANCE.

40 If they shall confess. This is the one abiding condition for national blessing and restoration. trespass . . . trespassed. Heb. *mā'al*. Ap. 44. xi.

41 walked. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

42 Jacob. This is the only place where the order of the three Patriarchs is inverted.

43 their soul = they. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

44 when, &c. Cp. Deut. 4. 31. 2 Kings 13. 23. Rom. 11. 1, 2, 28, 29.

I am the LORD. Cp. Ps. 144. 15; 33. 12.

46 children. Heb. sons.

in mount Sinai: thus concluding with the words with which this section began in 25. 1.

27. (B², p. 171). THEIR VOWS TO JEHOVAH.

B² J | 1. Jehovah's command to Moses.

K | L¹ | c¹ | 2-7. Ability } Personality.

d¹ | 8. Inability }
M¹ | e¹ | 9, 10. Clean }
f¹ | 11-13. Unclean } Beasts.

L² | c² | 14, 15. Houses } Property.

d² | 16-25. Fields }
M² | e² | 26. Clean } Beasts.

f² | 27. Unclean }
L³ | c³ | 28, 29. Devoted } Property.

d³ | 30-33. Tithes }

J | 34. Jehovah's command to Moses.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

spake. See note on 5. 14.

2 children = sons.

man = Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. ii.

make a singular vow = make a *special* vow. Heb. "separate a vow" because a vow was separated into negative or positive, restraining or promising, i.e., "binding" or "loosing".

persons = souls. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

3-7 (c¹, above). ABILITY (PERSONS).

3 shekels. See Ap. 51. II.

4 it = that soul. Cp. note on v. 2.

9, 10 (e¹, above). CLEAN BEASTS.

9 men. Some codices, with Sam., read "one".

old, even thy estimation shall be fifty shekels of silver, after the °shekel of the sanctuary.

4 And if it be a female, then thy estimation shall be thirty °shekels.

5 And if it be from five years old even unto twenty years old, then thy estimation shall be of the male twenty °shekels, and for the female ten °shekels.

6 And if it be from a month old even unto five years old, then thy estimation shall be of the male five °shekels of silver, and for the female thy estimation shall be three °shekels of silver.

7 And if it be from sixty years old and above; if it be a male, then thy estimation shall be fifteen °shekels, and for the female ten °shekels.

8 But if he be poorer than thy estimation, then he shall present himself before the priest, and the priest shall value him; according to his ability that vowed shall the priest value him.

9 And if it be a beast, whereof °men

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bring an °offering unto ¹the LORD, all that any man giveth of such unto ¹the LORD shall be °holy.

10 He shall not °alter it, nor °change it, a good for a bad, or a bad for a good: and if he shall at all change beast for beast, then it and the exchange thereof shall be °holy.

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11 And if it be any unclean beast, of which they do not °offer a °sacrifice unto ¹the LORD, then he shall °present the beast before the priest:

12 And the priest shall value it, whether it be good or bad: °as thou valuest it, who art the priest, so shall it be.

13 But if he will °at all °redeem it, then he shall add a fifth part thereof unto thy estimation.

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14 And when a °man shall °sanctify °his house to be °holy unto ¹the LORD, then the priest shall estimate it, whether it be good or bad: as the priest shall estimate it, so shall it stand.

15 And if he that ¹⁴sanctified it will redeem his house, then he shall add the fifth part of the money of thy estimation unto it, and it shall be his.

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16 And if a ¹⁴man shall ¹⁴sanctify unto ¹the LORD some part of a field of his possession, then thy estimation shall be according to the seed thereof: an °homer of barley seed shall be valued at fifty °shekels of silver.

17 °If he ¹⁴sanctify his field from the year of jubile, according to thy estimation it shall stand.

18 But if he ¹⁴sanctify his field after the jubile, then the priest shall reckon unto him the money according to the years that remain, even unto the year of the jubile, and it shall be abated from thy estimation.

19 And if he that ¹⁴sanctified the field will in any wise redeem it, then he shall add the fifth part of the money of thy estimation unto it, and it shall be assured to him.

20 And if he will not redeem the field, or if he have sold the field to another ¹⁴man, it shall not be redeemed any more.

21 But the field, when it goeth out in the jubile, shall be °holy unto ¹the LORD, as a field °devoted; the possession thereof shall be the priest's.

22 And if a man sanctify unto ¹the LORD a field which he hath bought, which is not of the fields of his possession;

23 Then the priest shall reckon unto him the worth of thy estimation, even unto the year of the jubile: and he shall give thine °estimation in that day, as a °holy thing unto ¹the LORD.

24 In the year of the jubile the field shall return unto him of whom it was bought, even to him to whom the possession of the land did belong.

25 And all thy estimations shall be according to the °shekel of the sanctuary: twenty gerahs shall be the °shekel.

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26 °Only the firstling of the beasts, which should be ¹the LORD's firstling, no ¹⁴man shall sanctify it; whether it be ox, or sheep: it is ¹the LORD's.

offering. Heb. *qorbān*. Ap. 43. II. i.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

10 alter. Heb. *mālaph*, to change for the better. Cp. Ps. 55. 19.

change. Heb. *mūr*, to change for the worse: note the *Introversion*.

g		alter (bad for good).
		h change (good for bad).
		h good for bad.
g		bad for good.

11-13 (f¹, p. 173). UNCLEAN BEASTS.

11 offer = bring near. Heb. *qarab*. Ap. 43. I. i.

sacrifice - Heb. *qorbān*. Ap. 43. II. i.

present = make it stand, as in v. 8.

12 as thou, &c. - as thou, O priest, valuest it so, &c.

13 at all redeem it. Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6). Heb. "redeeming he will redeem it". Well translated by "at all". See note on Gen. 26. 28. Heb. *gā'al*. See note on Ex. 6. 6.

14, 15 (c², p. 173). HOUSES.

14 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. ii.

sanctify = set apart. Heb. *qādāsh*. See note on "holy", Ex. 3. 5.

his: i.e. his own house, and what was therein.

16-25 (d², p. 173). FIELDS.

16 homer. Heb. *hōmer*, as in Num. 11. 32. Is. 5. 10. Ezek. 45. 11, 13, 14. Hos. 3. 2. To be distinguished from °omer, in Ex. 16. 16, 18, 22, 32, 33, 36. See Ap. 51. III. 3.

17 If. Some codices, with Sam., Sept., and Syr., read "And if".

21 devoted. Heb. *haram*, denotes a total and complete separation, which does not admit of redemption. First occ. of *haram*. It is rendered "devoted" only in this chapter (six times) and once in Num. 18. 14.

23 estimation = valuation.

26 (e², p. 173). CLEAN BEASTS.

26 Only = nevertheless. Rendered in v. 28, "notwithstanding".

27 (f², p. 173). UNCLEAN BEASTS.

28, 29 (c³, p. 173). DEVOTED THINGS.

28 Notwithstanding. See note on v. 26.

man = *'ādām*. Ap. 14. i.
is - it [is].

30-33 (d³, p. 173). TITHES.

30 or. Some codices, with Sam., Jon., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., have this "or" in the text.

27 And if it be of an unclean beast, then he shall redeem it according to thine estimation, and shall add a fifth part of it thereto: or if it be not redeemed, then it shall be sold according to thy estimation.

28 °Notwithstanding no ²¹devoted thing, that a °man shall ²¹devote unto ¹the LORD of all that he hath, both of °man and beast, and of the field of his possession, shall be sold or redeemed: every ²¹devoted thing °is most °holy unto ¹the LORD.

29 None ²¹devoted, which shall be ²¹devoted of men, shall be redeemed; but shall surely be put to death.

30 And all the tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land, °or of the fruit of the tree, is ¹the LORD's: it is °holy unto ¹the LORD.

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31 And if a °man will at all redeem *ought* of his tithes, he shall add thereto the fifth *part* thereof.

32 And concerning the tithe of the herd, or of the flock, *even* of whatsoever °passeth under the rod, the tenth shall be °holy unto ¹the LORD.

33 He shall not search whether it be good or bad, neither shall he change it: and if he change it at all, then both it and the change thereof shall be °holy; it shall not be redeemed.'"

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34 These *are* the commandments, which ¹the LORD commanded Moses for the ²children of Israel °in mount Sinai.

31 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. ii.

32 passeth under the rod. The custom of counting was for the animals to pass through a small opening, and to be counted with the rod as they passed. Every tenth one was to be taken and marked; and not to be chosen (v. 33). This custom is referred to in Ezek. 20. 37, i.e. once more claimed and marked as belonging to Jehovah.

34 (J, p. 173). JEHOVAH'S COMMAND TO MOSES.

34 in mount Sinai. Cp. note on 1. 1.

NUMBERS.

THE STRUCTURE OF THE BOOK AS A WHOLE.

(Repeated Alternation.)

A¹ | 1. 1—4. 49. NUMERATION AND ORDER. ENCAMPMENT AND SERVICE.

B¹ | 5. 1—9. 23. LAWS AND EVENTS.

A² | 10. 1—36. JOURNEYINGS AND ORDER. MARCH.

B² | 11. 1—25 18. EVENTS AND LAWS.

A³ | 26 1—27. 11. NUMERATION AND ORDER. INHERITANCE.

B³ | 27. 1:—31. 54. EVENTS AND LAWS

A⁴ | 32. 1—36. 12. JOURNEYINGS AND ORDER. DIVISION OF LAND.

EPILOGUE. 36. 13.

THE FOURTH BOOK OF °MOSES,

CALLED

°NUMBERS.

A¹ A a c
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1 °AND °the LORD spake unto Moses in the wilderness of °Sinai, in the °tabernacle of the congregation, on the first day of the second month, in the second year after they were °come out of the land of Egypt, saying,

2 °“Take ye the °sum of all the °congregation of the °children of Israel, after their families, by the house of their fathers, with the number of *their* names, every male by their °polls;

3 From twenty years old and upward, all that are able to go forth to war in Israel: °thou and Aaron shall number them by their armies.

4 And with you there shall be a °man of °every tribe; every one head of the house of his fathers.

5 And °these *are* the names of the °men that shall stand with you: of *the tribe of* Reuben; Elizur the son of Shedeur.

6 Of Simeon; Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai.

7 Of Judah; °Nahshon the son of Amminadab.

TITLE, Moses. See Ap. 2.

Numbers. Translation of Greek name in Sept. given by man according to his idea of contents.

Heb. Title = *Bamidbar* = “in the wilderness”, because it records what took place there; the numberings (1-3 and 26) being only two of the events. It is the book of the sojournings, the fourth book of the Pentateuch (see Ap. 10 and Deut. 1. 1).

Four is the number of the earth: hence the types of Numbers, the fourth book, are wilderness types (cp. the fourth book of the Psalms, 90-106). Its types of Christ, the Son of Man on earth, are *four*—

(1) Bread of life, 11. 7-9 (John 6. 57, 58).

(2) Water of life, 20. 11 (1 Cor. 10. 4).

(3) Lifted up, 21. 9 (John 3. 14, 15).

(4) The coming star out of Jacob, 24. 17 (Luke 1. 78. 2 Pet. 1. 19. Rev. 2. 28; 22. 16).

1. 1-4. 49 (A¹, p. 176). NUMERATION AND ORDER OF SERVICE, &c. (*Alternation*).

A¹ A | 1. 1-54. Numeration. The nation.
B | 2. 1-34. Order of its encampment.
A | 3. 1-51. Numeration. The Levites.
B | 4. 1-49. Order of their service.

1. 1-54. [For Structure see next page.]

1 AND. Numbers begins with “And”, as all the books of the Pentateuch do. It is therefore one whole in five sections, rather than separate books. **the LORD spake** = Jehovah (the Covenant God) spake to His own People. He spake fifty-six “sundry times” (7 × 8) in Numbers, and in thirteen “divers manners” (twelve to Moses, once to Aaron), and four times indefinite:—

(1) To Moses alone (1. 1, 48; 3. 5, 11, 14, 44; 4. 21; 7. 4; 8. 5, 23; 10. 1; 11. 25; 13. 1; 16. 44; 25. 10, 16; 26. 52; 27. 6; 31. 1, 25; 34. 16).

(2) To Moses, to speak to Aaron (8. 1).

(3) To Moses, to speak to Aaron and his sons (6. 22).

(4) To Moses, to speak to Eleazar, the son of Aaron the priest (16. 36).

(5) To Moses, to speak to the Levites (18. 25).

(6) To Moses, to speak to the congregation (16. 23).

(7) To Moses, to speak to the children of Israel (5. 1, 5, 11; 6. 1; 9. 1 (cp. v. 4), 9; 15. 1, 17, 37; 17. 1; 28. 1 (cp. v. 2); 33. 50; 34. 1; 35. 1, 9).

(8) To Moses, to speak to the rock (20. 7).

(9) To Moses and Aaron (2. 1; 4. 1, 17; 14. 26; 16. 20; 20. 12, 23).

(10) To Moses and Aaron, to speak to the children of Israel (19. 1).

(11) To Moses and Aaron and Miriam (12. 4).

(12) To Moses and Eleazar (26. 1).

(13) To Aaron (18. 8). (v. 20 should be “said”).

(14) Jehovah spake (indefinite) (1. 19; 3. 1; 14. 35; 27. 23).

For “the Lord said”, see note on 3. 40 (sixteen times, making seventy-two in all).

Sinai. To which they had come on the third month after the exodus (Ex. 19. 1), and where they abode till the twentieth day of the second month of the second year (Num. 10. 11). The numbering (ch. 1) began on the first day of that month (v. 18). **tabernacle** = tent (Heb. *ohel*). See Ap. 40. **come** = gone.

2 Take ye. Cp. Ex. 30. 11, 12; 38. 25. In Exodus, moral law (prophet); Leviticus, ritual law (priest); Numbers, commonwealth law (king). **sum.** Three numberings. Ex. 30. 11, 12 (cp. 38. 25, 26); here; and 26.

congregation. See note on Gen. 28. 3. **children** = sons. Heb. *bānīm*, from *bānāh*, to build, because the family thus built up. Cp. Gen. 30. 3. Ruth 4. 11. So throughout. **polls.** Edition of 1611 = poll. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6, skull or head put for person. **3 thou and Aaron.** In second numbering it is Moses and Eleazar, 26. 1. **4 man.** Heb. *ish*. See Ap. 14. ii. **every tribe.** Hence twelve, and, with Moses and Aaron, fourteen. So the twelve apostles, with Paul and Barnabas = fourteen.

5 these are the names. The order here = five sons of Leah, three of Rachel, one of Bilhah, two of Zilpah, and one of Bilhah. See Ap. 45 for other orders of the names. **men.** Heb. pl. of *ish*, or *enōsh*. See Ap. 14.

7 Nahshon. In the line of the promised seed, the father of Salmon (husband of Rahab of Jericho), progenitor of Boaz of Bethlehem (husband of Ruth). Cp. Ruth 4. 18-22. Matt. 1. 4, 5. Luke 3. 32.

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8 Of Issachar; Nethaneel the son of Zuar.
9 Of Zebulun; Eliab the son of Helon.
10 Of the ²children of Joseph: of Ephraim;
Elishama the son of Ammihud: of Manasseh;
Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur.

11 Of Benjamin; Abidan the son of Gideoni.
12 Of Dan; Ahiezer the son of Ammi-
shaddai.

13 Of Asher; Pagiel the son of Ocran.

14 Of Gad; Eliasaph the son of Deuel.

15 Of Naphtali; Ahira the son of Enan."

16 These were the renowned of the congrega-
tion, princes of the tribes of their fathers,
heads of thousands in Israel.

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(p. 178) 17 And Moses and Aaron took these ⁵men
which are expressed by *their* names:

18 And they assembled all the ²congregation
together on the ¹first day of the second month,
and they declared their pedigrees after their
families, by the house of their fathers, accord-
ing to the number of the names, from twenty
years old and upward, by their ²polls.

19 °As ¹the LORD commanded Moses, so
he numbered them in the °wilderness of
Sinai.

20 And the ²children of °Reuben, Israel's
°eldest son, by their generations, after their
families, by the house of their fathers, accord-
ing to the number of the names, by
their ²polls, every male from twenty years
old and upward, all that were able to go
forth to war;

21 Those that were numbered of them, *even*
of the tribe of Reuben, were forty and six
thousand and five hundred.

22 Of the ²children of °Simeon, by their
generations, after their families, by the house
of their fathers, °those that were numbered
of them, according to the number of the
names, by their polls, every male from twenty
years old and upward, all that were able to
go forth to war;

23 Those that were numbered of them, *even*
of the tribe of Simeon, were fifty and nine
thousand and three hundred.

24 Of the ²children of °Gad, by their genera-
tions, after their families, by the house of
their fathers, according to the number of the
names, from twenty years old and upward, all
that were able to go forth to war;

25 Those that were numbered of them, *even*
of the tribe of Gad, were forty and five thou-
sand six hundred and °fifty.

26 Of the ²children of °Judah, by their genera-
tions, after their families, by the house of
their fathers, according to the number of the
names, from twenty years old and upward, all
that were able to go forth to war;

27 Those that were numbered of them, *even*
of the tribe of Judah, were threescore and
fourteen thousand and six hundred.

28 Of the ²children of Issachar, by their
generations, after their families, by the house
of their fathers, according to the number of the
names, from twenty years old and upward, all
that were able to go forth to war;

29 Those that were numbered of them, *even*

1. 1-54 (A, p. 177). NUMERATION: THE NATION
AND LEVITES (*Introversion and Alternation*).

A	a	c	1-16. Command	} Nation.
	d		17-46. Obedience	
	b		47. Exception.	
	a	c	48-53. Command	} Levites.
	d		54. Obedience	

19 As = according as.

wilderness of Sinai (v. 1), to distinguish it from the
second, which was in the plains of Moab.

20 Reuben. Lost his dignity in Gen. 49. 3, 4; not
many in number here.

eldest son. See Ap. 45.

22 Simeon was greatly diminished by sin in Num.
26. 4, and Moses does not mention him in Deut. 33.

Those that were numbered of them. Some
codices, with two early printed editions, Onk., Jon.,
Sept., and Syr., omit this clause. Cp. vv. 20, 24, 26, &c.

24 Gad takes the place of Levi here.

25 fifty. Gad is the only one who has "tens", all
the others "hundreds". In the case of the firstborn
(3. 43) we have not only tens but units.

26 Judah. His number is greatest (Gen. 49. 8).

32 Joseph. "The fruitful vine" (Gen. 49. 22) has
two tribes (not merely "families"). Thus Joseph has
"the double portion" (1 Chron. 5. 1, 2).

Ephraim. Blessed first (Gen. 48. 19, 20), is here named
first, and is increased more than Manasseh (Deut. 33. 17).
But in journeyings his numbers were diminished by
8,000. See 26. 37, and cp. 1 Chron. 7. 20-22.

34 Manasseh. The lowest in number. See Gen.
48. 19. Increased by 20,500 in journeying, 26. 34, 37
(cp. Job 12. 23).

of the tribe of Issachar, were fifty and four
thousand and four hundred.

30 Of the ²children of Zebulun, by their
generations, after their families, by the house
of their fathers, according to the number of
the names, from twenty years old and up-
ward, all that were able to go forth to war;

31 Those that were numbered of them, *even*
of the tribe of Zebulun, were fifty and seven
thousand and four hundred.

32 Of the ²children of °Joseph, *namely*, of the
²children of °Ephraim, by their generations,
after their families, by the house of their
fathers, according to the number of the names,
from twenty years old and upward, all that
were able to go forth to war;

33 Those that were numbered of them, *even*
of the tribe of Ephraim, were forty thousand
and five hundred.

34 Of the ²children of °Manasseh, by their
generations, after their families, by the house
of their fathers, according to the number of
the names, from twenty years old and upward,
all that were able to go forth to war;

35 Those that were numbered of them, *even*
of the tribe of Manasseh, were thirty and two
thousand and two hundred.

36 Of the ²children of Benjamin, by their
generations, after their families, by the house
of their fathers, according to the number of
the names, from twenty years old and upward,
all that were able to go forth to war;

37 Those that were numbered of them, *even*
of the tribe of Benjamin, were thirty and five
thousand and four hundred.

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38 Of the ²children of Dan, by their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war;

39 Those that were numbered of them, *even* of the tribe of Dan, *were* threescore and two thousand and seven hundred.

40 Of the ²children of Asher, by their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war;

41 Those that were numbered of them, *even* of the tribe of Asher, *were* forty and one thousand and five hundred.

42 °Of the ²children of Naphtali, throughout their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war;

43 Those that were numbered of them, *even* of the tribe of Naphtali, *were* fifty and three thousand and four hundred.

44 These *are* those that were numbered, which Moses and Aaron numbered, and the princes of Israel, *being* °twelve °men: each one was for the house of his fathers.

45 So were all those that were numbered of the ²children of Israel, by the house of their fathers, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war in Israel;

46 Even °all they that were numbered were six hundred thousand and three thousand and five hundred and fifty.

b (p. 178) 47 But the °Levites after the tribe of their fathers were not numbered among them.

c 48 For ¹the LORD had °spoken unto Moses, saying,

49 "Only thou shalt not number the tribe of Levi, neither take the sum of them among the ²children of Israel:

50 But thou shalt appoint the Levites over the °tabernacle of testimony, and over all the vessels thereof, and over all things that *belong* to it: they shall bear the °tabernacle, and all the vessels thereof; and they shall minister unto it, and shall encamp round about the °tabernacle.

51 And when the ⁵⁰tabernacle setteth forward, the Levites shall take it down: and when the ⁵⁰tabernacle is to be pitched, the Levites shall set it up: and the stranger that cometh nigh shall be °put to death.

52 And the ²children of Israel shall pitch their tents, every "man by his own °camp, and every man by his own standard, throughout their hosts.

53 But the Levites shall °pitch round about the ⁵⁰tabernacle of testimony, °that there be no wrath upon the congregation of the ²children of Israel: and the Levites shall keep the charge of the ⁵⁰tabernacle of testimony."

d 54 And the ²children of Israel did according

42 Of the children. So in A.V., and R.V., but not in Heb. text, though it is so in some codices, Sam., Sept., Syr., and Vulg. Some Jewish commentators explain it as being only "the sons", because Naphtali had more daughters than sons, and in Gen. 49. 51 is likened to a female (hind). Hence in 26. 64 it is said, the "men" died (but the women multiplied).

44 twelve men: one man for one tribe (v. 4). men. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. ii.

46 all they. The number in Ex. 12. 37 is not "exaggerated", as the number here had increased since then; moreover, the numbers here coincide with the numbers of the half-shekels, which had been contributed by them in Ex. 30. 14 and 38. 25, 26, before the tabernacle was set up. Cp. Ex. 38. 25 with 40. 17.

47 Levites not numbered here with the nation, but separately in 3. 14-29.

48 spoken. See note on 1. 1.

50 tabernacle = habitation. Heb. *mishkān*. See Ap. 40.

51 put to death. Probably by Jehovah. Cp. 1 Chron. 13. 10,

52 camp: to be set forth in detail in member B, below.

53 pitch=encamp.

that there be no wrath: i.e. no judgment from God. "wrath" put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause) for the judgment inflicted. Ap. 6. Heb. *kāzaph*. First occurrence.

2. 1-34 (B, p. 177). ORDER OF ENCAMPMENT. (Introversion and Repeated Alternation.)

B	e		1, 2. Command.	
	f ¹		3, 4. Judah	} East.
			5, 6. Issachar	
			7, 8. Zebulon	
	g ¹		9. Total.	
	f ²		10, 11. Reuben	} South.
			12, 13. Simeon	
			14, 15. Gad	
	g ²		16. Total.	
			h ¹ 17. Levites.	
	f ³		18, 19. Ephraim	} West.
			20, 21. Manasseh	
			22, 23. Benjamin	
	g ¹		24. Total.	
	f ⁴		25, 26. Dan	} North.
			27, 28. Asher	
			29-31. Naphtali	
	g ¹		32. Total.	
			h ² 33. Levites.	
	e		34. Obedience.	

1 the LORD [Heb. Jehovah] spake. See note on 1. 1.

2 man. Heb. 'ish. See Ap. 14. ii.

children - sons. See note on 1. 2.

pitch=encamp.

standard. Heb. *degel*.

ensign. Each standard is said to have had as its "sign" one of the twelve constellations (see note on Gen. 1. 16, and Ap. 12. Heb. 'oth) depicted on it. One standard, with its sign on it for each tribe. Hence called "ensign". See notes on the tribes below, from the Targum of Jonathan.

far off=over against. Same as Ps. 38. 12, yet so as to be in view. Cp. 2 Kings 2. 7. Deut. 32. 52. Gen. 21. 16. tabernacle=tent. Heb. 'ohel. See Ap. 40.

to all that ¹the LORD commanded Moses, so did they.

2 And °the LORD °spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying,

2 "Every °man of the °children of Israel shall °pitch by his own °standard, with the °ensign of their father's house: °far off about the °tabernacle of the congregation shall they pitch.

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3 And on the ° east side toward the rising of the sun shall they of the standard of the ° camp of ° Judah pitch throughout their armies: and Nahshon the son of Amminadab shall be captain of the 2 children of Judah."

4 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, were threescore and fourteen thousand and six hundred.

f² 5 "And those that do pitch next unto him shall be the tribe of ° Issachar: and Nethaneel the son of Zuar shall be captain of the 2 children of Issachar."

6 And his host, and those that were numbered thereof, were fifty and four thousand and four hundred.

f³ 7 "Then the tribe of ° Zebulun: and Eliab the son of Helon shall be captain of the 2 children of Zebulun."

8 And his host, and those that were numbered thereof, were fifty and seven thousand and four hundred.

g¹ 9 All that were numbered in the camp of Judah were an hundred thousand and four-score thousand and six thousand and four hundred, throughout their armies. "These shall first set forth.

f⁴ 10 On the ° south side shall be the standard of the 3 camp of ° Reuben according to their armies: and the captain of the 2 children of Reuben shall be Elizur the son of Shedeur."

11 And his host, and those that were numbered thereof, were forty and six thousand and five hundred.

f⁵ 12 "And those which pitch by him shall be the tribe of ° Simeon: and the captain of the 2 children of Simeon shall be Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai."

13 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, were fifty and nine thousand and three hundred.

f⁶ 14 "Then the tribe of Gad: and the captain of the sons of ° Gad shall be Eliasaph the son of ° Reuel."

15 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, were forty and five thousand and six hundred and fifty.

g² 16 All that were numbered in the 3 camp of Reuben were an hundred thousand and fifty and one thousand and four hundred and fifty, throughout their armies. "And they shall set forth in the second rank.

h¹ 17 Then the ° tabernacle of the congregation shall set forward with the 16 camp of the ° Levites in the midst of the camp: ° as they encamp, so shall they set forward, every man in his place by their standards.

f³ 18 On the ° west side shall be the standard of the 16 camp of ° Ephraim according to their armies: and the captain of the sons of Ephraim shall be Elishama the son of Ammihud."

19 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, were forty thousand and five hundred.

3 east. The order proceeds according to the course of the sun: east, south, west, north.

camp. Each camp composed of three tribes. Cp. vv. 3, 10, 17, 18, 25, 32.

Judah. The sign, a lion (Gen. 49. 9. Ezek. 1. 10. Rev. 4. 7). The standard, the colours of the three stones of the second row, Ex. 28. 18. For the order, see Ap. 45.

5 Issachar, brother of Judah (same mother, Leah). Gen. 35. 23. Sign on standard = Cancer.

7 Then. This word, according to some codices, with Sam., should not be in italics. Cp. vv. 14, 22, 29.

Zebulun, brother of Judah (same mother, Leah). Gen. 35. 23. Sign on standard = Virgo.

10 south. See note on "east", v. 3.

Reuben. The centre of the south side, with standard in the colours of stones of first row of Ex. 28. 17; and sign, a man (Gen. 30. 14) = Aquarius in Zodiac.

12 Simeon, the brother of Reuben (same mother, Leah). Gen. 35. 23. Sign = Pisces.

14 Gad, brother of Reuben (same mother, Leah). Gen. 35. 23. Sign = Aries.

Reuel. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Onk., Jon., and Vulg., have "Deuel", as in ch. 1. 14; 7. 42; 10. 20; the 7 (Resh, R) being mistaken for 7 (Dalet, D). Probably called, indifferently, by either name.

17 tabernacle of the congregation. See note on v. 2. This was in centre. So is the tent of the chief of the tribe to this day. The manner of its being carried is shewn in ch. 10. 17, &c.

Levites. The order of the Levites' camping is shown in ch. 3, their marching in ch. 10. Their sign was Libra, or more anciently the "altar".

as = according as.

18 west. See note on v. 3. Heb. = sea, that being west.

Ephraim. The centre on the west side. The colours of the stones in fourth row of Ex. 28. 20. The sign, an ox (Deut. 33. 17. Ezek. 1. 10. Rev. 4. 7). In the Zodiac, Ephraim and Manasseh are the two horns of Taurus, the bull. Ephraim, the younger, bears the standard, according to the blessing in Gen. 48. 14-20.

20 Manasseh, brother of Ephraim by same mother (Gen. 41. 51, 52). Sign, see v. 18.

22 Benjamin, sons of Rachel, all on west side. Sign, Gemini.

25 Dan. The centre on the north side. Colours of standard same as those of the third row of stones in Ex. 28. 19. Sign, the eagle (substituted for the serpent of Gen. 49. 17). Cp. Ezek. 1. 10. Rev. 4. 7.

20 "And by him shall be the tribe of ° Manasseh: and the captain of the children of Manasseh shall be Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur."

21 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, were thirty and two thousand and two hundred.

22 "Then the tribe of ° Benjamin: and the captain of the sons of Benjamin shall be Abidan the son of Gideoni."

23 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, were thirty and five thousand and four hundred.

24 All that were numbered of the camp of Ephraim were an hundred thousand and eight thousand and an hundred, throughout their armies. "And they shall go forward in the third rank. g²

25 The standard of the 16 camp of ° Dan shall f⁴

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be on the °north side by their armies: and the captain of the 2 children of Dan shall be Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai."

26 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, were threescore and two thousand and seven hundred.

27 "And those that encamp by him shall be the tribe of °Asher: and the captain of the 2 children of Asher shall be Pagiel the son of Ocran."

28 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, were forty and one thousand and five hundred.

29 "Then the tribe of °Naphtali: and the captain of the 2 children of Naphtali shall be Ahira the son of Enan."

30 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, were fifty and three thousand and four hundred.

31 All they that were numbered in the camp of Dan were an hundred thousand and fifty and seven thousand and six hundred. "They shall go hindmost with their standards."

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32 These are those which were numbered of the 2 children of Israel by the house of their fathers: all those that were numbered of °the camps throughout their hosts were six hundred thousand and three thousand and five hundred and fifty.

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33 But the Levites were not numbered among the 2 children of Israel; as °the LORD commanded Moses.

34 And the 2 children of Israel did according to all that °the LORD commanded Moses: so they pitched by their standards, and so they set forward, every one after their families, according to the house of their fathers.

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3 These also are the °generations of Aaron and Moses in the day that °the LORD °spoke with Moses in mount Sinai.

2 And these are the names of the sons of Aaron; Nadab the firstborn, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.

3 °These are the names of the sons of Aaron, the priests which were anointed, °whom he °consecrated to minister in the priest's office.

4 (And Nadab and Abihu °died before °the LORD, when they offered strange fire before °the LORD, in the wilderness of Sinai, and they had no °children: and Eleazar and Ithamar ministered in the priest's office in the sight of Aaron their father.)

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5 And °the LORD °spoke unto Moses, saying,

6 "Bring the tribe of Levi near, and °present them before Aaron the priest, that they may minister unto him.

7 And they shall keep his charge, and the charge of the whole congregation before the °tabernacle of the congregation, to do the service of °the tabernacle.

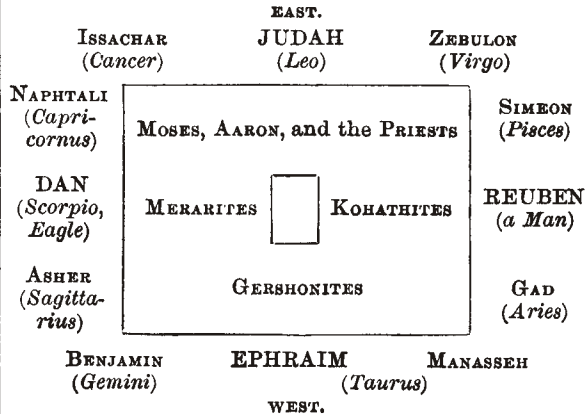
8 And they shall keep all the °instruments of the 7 tabernacle of the congregation, and the charge of the 4 children of °Israel, to do the service of 7 the tabernacle.

north. See note on v. 3.

27 Asher, the son of the other handmaid Zilpah, put with Dan and Naphtali, the sons of Bilhah. His sign was Sagittarius, the Archer.

29 Naphtali. His sign was Capricornus, the goat. Cp. Gen. 49, 21.

32 the camps. See note on v. 3, and Ap. 45. They may be thus set forth:—



3. 1-51 (A, p. 177). NUMERATION OF THE LEVITES.

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|---|---|------------------------------------|
| A | i | 1-4. Priests. Their "generations." |
| k | 5-9. Levites. Given out of the whole congregation. | |
| i | 10. Priests. Their appointment. | |
| k | 11-51. Levites. Substituted for the rest of congregation. | |

1 generations. The twelfth occurrence (eleven in Genesis (see p. 1), one here, one in Ruth 4. 18-22, one in Matt. 1. 1, fourteen (2×7, see Ap. 10) in all. the LORD = Jehovah, Israel's Covenant God. See Ap. 4.

spake. See note on 1. 1.

3 These. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Sam., Onk., and Syr., read "And these". whom he consecrated. See note on Ex. 28. 41.

4 died before the LORD. This parenthetical statement is an undesigned coincidence referring to Lev. 10. 1-7. Cp. Num. 26. 61, and 1 Chron. 24. 2. children = sons.

6 present = cause it to stand.

7 tabernacle = tent. Heb. °ohel. See Ap. 40.

the tabernacle. Heb. mishkān. Ap. 40.

8 instruments = vessels or furniture.

Israel. The whole nation was responsible for this charge, but Levi was taken in substitution for the firstborn. Cp. vv. 38, 41, and cp. 8. 16. Ex. 13. 11-16.

9 wholly given. Heb. "given, given". Fig. Epizeuxis (Ap. 6), for emphasis. Hence called nethūnim = given ones.

11-51 [For Structure see next page].

9 And thou shalt give the Levites unto Aaron and to his sons: they are °wholly given unto him out of the 4 children of Israel.

10 And thou shalt appoint Aaron and his sons, and they shall wait on their priest's office: and the stranger that cometh nigh shall be put to death."

11 And °the LORD °spoke unto Moses, saying,

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12 "And \int , °behold, I have taken the Levites from among the °children of Israel instead of all the firstborn that openeth the matrix among the °children of Israel: therefore the Levites shall be Mine;

13 Because all the firstborn *are* Mine; for on the day that I smote all the firstborn in the land of Egypt I °hallowed unto Me all the firstborn in Israel, both °man and beast: Mine shall they be: ° \int am °the LORD."

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14 And °the LORD °spake unto Moses in the wilderness of Sinai, saying,

15 "Number the °children of Levi after the house of their fathers, by their families: every male from a month old and upward shalt thou number them."

16 And Moses numbered them according to the °word of °the LORD, °as he was commanded.

17 And these were the sons of Levi by their °names; Gershon, and Kohath, and Merari.

18 And these *are* the °names of the sons of Gershon by their families; Libni, and Shimei.

19 And the sons of Kohath by their families; Amram, and Izehar, Hebron, and Uzziel.

20 And the sons of Merari by their families; Mahli, and Mushi. These *are* the families of the Levites according to the house of their fathers.

21 Of Gershon *was* the family of the Libnites, and the family of the Shimites: these *are* the families of the Gershonites.

22 Those that were numbered of them, according to the number of all the males, from a month old and upward, *even* those that were numbered of them *were* seven thousand and five hundred.

23 The families of the Gershonites shall pitch behind °the tabernacle westward.

24 And the chief of the house of the father of the Gershonites *shall be* Eliasaph the son of Lael.

25 And the charge of the sons of Gershon in the °tabernacle of the congregation *shall be* the °tabernacle, and the tent, °the covering thereof, and the hanging for the °door of the °tabernacle of the congregation,

26 And the hangings of the court, and the curtain for the door of the court, which *is* by °the tabernacle, and by the altar round about, and the cords of it for all the service thereof.

27 And of Kohath *was* the family of the Amramites, and the family of the Izeharites, and the family of the Hebronites, and the family of the Uzzielites: these *are* the families of the Kohathites.

28 In the number of all the males, from a month old and upward, *were* eight thousand and six hundred, keeping the charge of the sanctuary.

29 The families of the sons of Kohath shall pitch on the side of °the tabernacle southward.

30 And the chief of the house of the father of the families of the Kohathites *shall be* Elizaphan the son of Uzziel.

31 And their charge *shall be* the ark, and

11-51 (k, p. 181). LEVITES SUBSTITUTED FOR THE FIRSTBORN (Introversion).

k | 1 | 11-13. Substitution of Levites for firstborn.

m | 14-39. Numbering of substitutes.

m | 40-43. Numbering of firstborn.

l | 44-51. Substitution of Levites for firstborn.

12 behold. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

13 hallowed = separated. See note on "holy", Ex. 3. 5.

man. Heb. 'ādām. See Ap. 14. i.

I am the LORD. This is the reason for this act of sovereignty. Cp. Ex. 12. 29, 30; 13. 2. The interpretation of Heb. 12. 23 depends on this ordinance. Note the emphatic "I", v. 12, and the Fig. *Asterismos* there.

16 word. Heb. "mouth", put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for words spoken by it.

as = according as.

17 names. Substituted by name here because re-deemed by name. Ex. 1. 1.

25 the. Some codices, with Sam., Onk., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "and the"

door = entrance.

31 candlestick = lampstand.

32 chief over the chief. Heb. = "chief of the chief". Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6), being a kind of *Enallage* (Ap. 6).

33 Merari. Fig. *Epanadiplōsis* (Ap. 6), the verse beginning and ending with the same word.

36 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* in vv. 36, 37 (Ap. 6), to emphasise each item mentioned.

38 charge of the children of Israel. The whole nation responsible. Cp. vv. 8 and 41, 46.

the table, and the °candlestick, and the altars, and the vessels of the sanctuary wherewith they minister, and the hanging, and all the service thereof.

32 And Eleazar the son of Aaron the priest *shall be* °chief over the chief of the Levites, and have the oversight of them that keep the charge of the sanctuary.

33 Of °Merari *was* the family of the Mablites, and the family of the Mushites: these *are* the families of °Merari.

34 And those that were numbered of them, according to the number of all the males, from a month old and upward, *were* six thousand and two hundred.

35 And the chief of the house of the father of the families of Merari *was* Zuriel the son of Abihail: these shall pitch on the side of °the tabernacle northward.

36 And *under* the custody and charge of the sons of Merari *shall be* the boards of °the tabernacle, °and the bars thereof, and the pillars thereof, and the sockets thereof, and all the vessels thereof, and all that serveth thereto,

37 And the pillars of the court round about, and their sockets, and their pins, and their cords.

38 But those that encamp before the °tabernacle toward the east, *even* before °the tabernacle of the congregation eastward, *shall be* Moses, and Aaron and his sons, keeping the charge of the sanctuary for the °charge of the °children of Israel; and the stranger that cometh nigh shall be put to death.

39 All that were numbered of the Levites,

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which Moses ° and Aaron numbered at the ° commandment of ° the LORD, throughout their families, all the males from a month old and upward, were twenty and two thousand.

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40 And ° the LORD ° said unto Moses, "Number all the firstborn of the males of the ° children of Israel from a month old and upward, and take the number of their names.

41 And thou shalt take the Levites for Me (13) 3 am ° the LORD) instead of all the firstborn among the ° children of Israel; and the cattle of the Levites instead of all the firstlings among the cattle of the ° children of Israel."

42 And Moses numbered, ° as ° the LORD commanded him, all the firstborn among the ° children of Israel.

43 And all the firstborn males by the number of names, from a month old and upward, of those that were numbered of them, were twenty and two thousand two hundred and threescore and thirteen.

44 And ° the LORD ° spake unto Moses, saying,

45 "Take the Levites ° instead of all the firstborn among the ° children of Israel, and the cattle of the Levites instead of their cattle; and the Levites shall be Mine: ° 3 am ° the LORD.

46 And for those that are to be ° redeemed of the two hundred and threescore and thirteen of the firstborn of the ° children of Israel, which are ° more than the Levites;

47 Thou shalt even take five ° shekels apiece by the poll, after the ° shekel of the sanctuary shalt thou take them: (the ° shekel is twenty ° gerahs:)

48 And thou shalt give the money, where-with the odd number of them is to be ° redeemed, unto Aaron and to his sons."

49 And Moses took the redemption money ° of them that were over and above them that were ° redeemed by the Levites:

50 Of the firstborn of the ° children of Israel took he the money; ° a thousand three hundred and threescore and five shekels, after the ° shekel of the sanctuary:

51 And Moses gave the money of them that were ° redeemed unto Aaron and to his sons, according to the ° word of ° the LORD, ° as ° the LORD commanded Moses.

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4 And ° the LORD ° spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying,

2 "Take the sum of the sons of Kohath from among the sons of Levi, after their families, by the house of their fathers,

3 From ° thirty years old and upward even until fifty years old, ° all that enter into the host, to do the work in the ° tabernacle of the congregation.

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4 This shall be the service of the sons of Kohath in the ° tabernacle of the congregation, about the ° most holy things:

5 ° And when the camp setteth forward, Aaron shall come, and his sons, and they shall take down the covering vail, and cover the ark of testimony with it:

39 and Aaron. These two words are dotted in the Hebrew. See Ap. 31. The command was given to Moses alone (vv. 14, 15), and was carried out by him alone (v. 16). As Aaron took part, according to 1. 3, 4, and 4. 41, 45, 46, his name was included here by some ancient copyist; and later scribes dotted the words rather than leave them out.

commandment. Heb. "mouth", put for what was spoken by it by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6.

40 the LORD said = Jehovah said. Heb. 'amar (not davar, spake). 'amar is followed by the words spoken, davar is not. This expression, Jehovah said, occurs eighteen "sundry times" and in five "divers manners" in this book of Numbers. Cp. note on 1. 1

(1) To Moses (alone), 3. 40; 7. 11; 11. 16, 23; 12. 14; 14. 11; 15. 35; 17. 10; 21. 8, 34; 25. 4; 27. 12, 18.

(2) To Aaron, 18. 1.

(3) To Balaam, 23. 5, 16.

(4) He said, 12. 6.

(5) I Jehovah have said, 14. 35.

With the fifty-six times "Jehovah spake" (see 1. 1), these eighteen make seventy-four times, and sixteen manners. See note on 22. 9, for "God said" (four times, making seventy-eight in all).

42 as = according as

45 instead. This substitution is the subject of this large member.

46 redeemed = bought back. Heb. g'adl. See note on Ex. 6. 8

more = over and above: 273 (= 13 × 21). Ap. 10.

The firstborn males were 22,273 } difference 273.
The Levites were 22,000 }

47 shekels. See Ap. 51. II.

gerahs. See Ap. 51. II.

49 of = from.

50 a thousand, &c. = 1865 (= 13 × 105), being 5 × 273, i.e. five shekels apiece, v. 47. See Ap. 10.

4. 1-49 (B, p. 177). LEVITES: THE ORDER OF THEIR SERVICE. (Introversion.)

B | n | 1-33. Command (given).
o | 34-45. Obedience.
n | 46-49. Command (completed).

1-33 (n, above). THE COMMAND (GIVEN). (Repeated Alternation.)

n	p ¹	q ¹	1-3. Kohathites. Age.
		r ¹	4-20. Their service.
	p ²	q ²	21-23. Gershonites. Age.
		r ²	24-28. Their service.
	p ³	q ³	29, 30. Merarites. Age.
		r ³	31-33. Their service.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

spake. See note on 1. 1.

3 thirty. This thirty pertains to their numbering. The age twenty-five pertains to their service. So that there was a probationary five years. Changed (by Divine direction given to David) in 1 Chron. 23. 23, 24, 27 to twenty. Cp. 2 Chron. 31. 17.

all that enter into the host. This expression occurs five times in this chapter, vv. 3, 30, 35, 39, 43.

tabernacle of the congregation = "tent of meeting". Heb. 'ohel. See Ap. 40.

4 most holy = the holiest. Heb. holiness of holinesses. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

5 And. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), here and in following verses, to emphasise each particular in vv. 5-15.

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6 And shall put thereon the covering of badgers' skins, and shall spread over *it* a cloth wholly of blue, and shall put in the staves thereof.

7 And upon the °table of shewbread they shall spread a cloth of blue, and put thereon the °dishes, and the °spoons, and the °bowls, and °covers °to cover withal: and the °continual bread shall be thereon:

8 And they shall spread upon them a cloth of scarlet, and cover the same with a covering of badgers' skins, and shall put in the staves thereof.

9 And they shall take a cloth of blue, and cover the °candlestick of the light, and his lamps, and his tongs, and his snuffdishes, and all the oil vessels thereof, wherewith they minister unto it:

10 And they shall put it and all the vessels thereof within a covering of badgers' skins, and shall put *it* upon a °bar.

11 And upon the golden altar they shall spread a cloth of blue, and cover it with a covering of badgers' skins, and shall put to the staves thereof:

12 And they shall take all the instruments of ministry, wherewith they minister in the sanctuary, and put *them* in a cloth of blue, and cover *them* with a covering of badgers' skins, and shall put *them* on a bar:

13 And they shall take away the ashes from the altar, and spread a purple cloth thereon:

14 And they shall put upon it all the vessels thereof, wherewith they minister about it, *even* the censers, °the °fleshhooks, °and the shovels, and the °basons, all the vessels of the altar; and they shall spread upon it a covering of badgers' skins, and put to the staves of it.

15 And when Aaron and his sons have made an end of covering the sanctuary, and all the vessels of the sanctuary, as the camp is to set forward; after that, the sons of Kohath shall come to bear *it*: but they shall not touch *any* °holy thing, lest they die. These *things* are the burden of the sons of Kohath in the °tabernacle of the congregation.

16 And to the office of Eleazar the son of Aaron the priest *pertaineth* the oil for the °light, and the sweet incense, and the daily meat offering, and the anointing oil, *and* the oversight of all the °tabernacle, and of all that therein *is*, in the sanctuary, and in the vessels thereof."

17 And ¹the LORD ¹spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying,

18 "Cut ye not off the tribe of the families of the Kohathites from among the Levites:

19 But thus do unto them, that they may live, and not die, when they approach unto the most ¹⁵holy things: Aaron and his sons shall go in, and appoint *them* °every one to his service and to his burden:

20 But they shall not go in °to see when the ¹⁵holy things are covered, lest they die."

21 And ¹the LORD ¹spake unto Moses, saying,

22 "Take also the sum of the sons of Gershon, throughout the houses of their fathers by their families;

7 table of shewbread. See Ex. 25. 30 and Lev. 24. 6. dishes. In chap. 4 rendered "charger" throughout. spoons = dishes, bowls = pans, covers = bowls, to cover = to pour.

continual. Cp. Lev. 24. 8.

9 candlestick = light-holder, as in Gen. 1. 14.

10 bar = pole. Cp. 13. 23.

14 the. Some codices, with Sam., Onk., Jon., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "and the". See note on v. 5 above. fleshhooks: or forks.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), emphasising each separate item.

basons: or sprinkling-bowls.

15 holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

16 light = candlestick. See on v. 9 above.

tabernacle = habitation. Heb. *mishkân*. Ap. 40

19 every one = each to his own work. No confusion.

20 to see. Cp. Ex. 19. 21. 1 Sam. 6. 19.

23 perform the service. Heb. war the warfare. Fig. *Polypytoton* (Ap. 6), for emphasis = do the important or solemn work.

25 door = entrance.

27 appointment. Heb. "mouth", put for what is said or bidden by it. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause). Ap. 6.

30 do the work. Heb. "serve the service". Fig. *Polypytoton* (Ap. 6), for emphasis = perform the solemn service.

23 From ³thirty years old and upward until fifty years old shalt thou number *them*; all that enter in to °perform the service, to do the work in the °tabernacle of the congregation.

24 This *is* the service of the families of the Gershonites, to serve, and for burdens:

25 And they shall bear the curtains of the ¹⁶tabernacle, and the °tabernacle of the congregation, his covering, and the covering of the badgers' skins that *is* above upon it, and the hanging for the °door of the °tabernacle of the congregation,

26 And the hangings of the court, and the hanging for the ²⁵door of the gate of the court, which *is* by the ¹⁶tabernacle and by the altar round about, and their cords, and all the instruments of their service, and all that *is* made for them: so shall they serve.

27 At the °appointment of Aaron and his sons shall be all the service of the sons of the Gershonites, in all their burdens, and in all their service: and ye shall appoint unto them in charge all their burdens.

28 This *is* the service of the families of the sons of Gershon in the °tabernacle of the congregation: and their charge *shall be* under the hand of Ithamar the son of Aaron the priest.

29 As for the sons of Merari, thou shalt number *them* after their families, by the house of their fathers;

30 From ³thirty years old and upward even unto fifty years old shalt thou number *them*, every one that entereth into the service, to °do the work of the °tabernacle of the congregation.

31 And this *is* the charge of their burden, according to all their service in the °tabernacle of the congregation; the boards of the ¹⁶tabernacle, and the bars thereof, and the pillars thereof, and sockets thereof,

32 And the pillars of the court round about, and their sockets, and their pins, and their

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1490 cords, with all their instruments, and with all their service: and by name ye shall reckon ° the instruments of the charge of their burden.

33 This is the service of the families of the sons of Merari, according to all their service, in the ³tabernacle of the congregation, under the hand of Ithamar the son of Aaron the priest."

o s¹ t¹ (p. 185) 34 And Moses and Aaron and the chief of the congregation numbered the sons of the Kohathites after their families, and after the house of their fathers,

u¹ 35 From ³thirty years old and upward even unto fifty years old, every one that entereth into the service, for the work in the ³tabernacle of the congregation:

w¹ 36 And those that were numbered of them by their families were two thousand seven hundred and fifty.

37 These were they that were numbered of the families of the Kohathites, all that might do service in the ³tabernacle of the congregation, which Moses and Aaron did number

x¹ according to the ° commandment of ¹the LORD by the ° hand of Moses.

t² 38 And those that were numbered of the sons of Gershon, throughout their families, and by the house of their fathers,

u² 39 From ³thirty years old and upward even unto fifty years old, every one that entereth into the service, for the work in the ³tabernacle of the congregation,

w² 40 Even those that were numbered of them, throughout their families, by the house of their fathers, were two thousand and six hundred and thirty.

41 These are they that were numbered of the families of the sons of Gershon, of all that might do service in the ³tabernacle of the congregation, whom Moses and Aaron did number

x² according to the ³⁷ commandment of ¹the LORD.

t¹ 42 And those that were numbered of the families of the sons of Merari, throughout their families, by the house of their fathers,

u³ 43 From ³thirty years old and upward even unto fifty years old, every one that entereth into the service, for the work in the ³tabernacle of the congregation,

w³ 44 Even those that were numbered of them after their families, were three thousand and two hundred.

45 These be those that were numbered of the families of the sons of Merari, whom Moses and Aaron numbered

x³ according to the word of ¹the LORD by the ³⁷ hand of Moses.

n t⁴ 46 All those that were numbered of the Levites, whom Moses and Aaron and the chief of Israel numbered, after their families, and after the house of their fathers,

32 the instruments of. Instead of these words some codices, with Sam., Jon., and Sept., read "all", i.e. "all the charge".

34-45 (o, p. 183). OBEDIENCE.
(Repeated and Extended Alternation.)

o s ¹	t ¹	34. KOHATHITES. Numeration.
	u ¹	35. Age and service.
	w ¹	36, 37-. Number.
	x ¹	-37. According to the commandment.
s ²	t ²	38. GERSHONITES. Numeration.
	u ²	39. Age and service.
	w ²	40, 41-. Number.
	x ²	-41. According to the commandment.
s ³	t ³	42. MERARITES. Numeration.
	u ³	43. Age and service.
	w ³	44, 45-. Number.
	x ³	-45. According to the commandment.

37 commandment. Heb. "mouth". Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, put for words spoken by it. hand. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, "hand" put for ministry performed by Moses.

46-49 (n, p. 183). COMMAND (COMPLETED).
(Extended Alternation.)

n	t ⁴	46. Numeration.
	u ⁴	47. Age and service.
	w ⁴	48. Number.
	x ⁴	49. According to the commandment.

(Compare the above with "o", above.)

47 do the service. Heb. "serve the service". Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6), for emphasis = do the solemn or important service.

49 commandment. Heb. "mouth", put for what is said by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6. hand. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for ministry performed by it. every one. Heb. 'ish 'ish. See Ap. 14. ii.

5. 1-9. 23 [For Structures see next page].

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. spake. See note on 1. 1.

2 children = sons. See note on 1. 2.

47 From ³thirty years old and upward even unto fifty years old, every one that came to ° do the service of the ministry, and the service of the burden in the ³tabernacle of the congregation,

48 Even those that were numbered of them, were eight thousand and five hundred and fourscore.

49 According to the ° commandment of ¹the LORD they were numbered by the ° hand of Moses, ° every one according to his service, and according to his burden: thus were they numbered of him, as ¹the LORD commanded Moses.

5 And ° the LORD ° spake unto Moses, saying,

2 "Command the ° children of Israel, that they put out of the camp every leper, and

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every one that hath an issue, and whosoever is defiled by °the dead:

3 Both male and female shall ye °put out, without the camp shall ye put them; that they defile not their camps, in the midst whereof I dwell."

4 And the °children of Israel did so, and put them out without the camp: °as °the LORD spake unto Moses, so did the °children of Israel.

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5 And °the LORD °spake unto Moses, saying,

6 "Speak unto the °children of Israel, When a °man or woman shall commit any °sin that °men commit, to do a °trespass against °the LORD, and that °person be guilty;

7 Then they shall confess their °sin which they have done: and he shall °recompense his °trespass with the principal thereof, and add unto it the fifth part thereof, and give it unto him against whom he hath °trespassed.

8 But if the man have no °kinsman to °recompense the °trespass unto, let the °trespass be °recompensed unto °the LORD, even to the priest; beside the ram of the °atonement, whereby an °atonement shall be made for him.

9 And every °offering of all the °holy things of the °children of Israel, which they bring unto the priest, shall be his.

10 And every °man's °hallowed things shall be his: °whatsoever any °man giveth the priest, it shall be °his."

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11 And °the LORD °spake unto Moses, saying,

12 "Speak unto the °children of Israel, and say unto them, 'If any °man's wife go aside, and commit a °trespass against him,

13 And a °man lie with her carnally, and it be hid from the eyes of her husband, and be kept close, and she be defiled, and there be no witness against her, neither she be taken with the manner;

14 And °the spirit of jealousy come upon him, and he be jealous of his wife, and she be defiled:

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or if °the spirit of jealousy come upon him, and he be jealous of his wife, and she be not defiled:

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15 Then shall the man bring his wife unto the priest, and he shall bring her °offering for her, the tenth part of an °ephah of °barley meal; he shall pour no oil upon it, nor put frankincense thereon; for it is an °offering of jealousy, an °offering of memorial, bringing °iniquity to remembrance.

16 And the priest shall bring her near, and set her before °the LORD:

17 And the priest shall take °holy water in an earthen vessel; and of the dust that is in the floor of the °tabernacle the priest shall take, and put it into the water:

18 And the priest shall set the woman before °the LORD, and uncover the woman's head, and put the °offering of memorial in her hands, which is the °jealousy offering: and the priest shall have in his hand the °bitter water that causeth the °curse:

19 And the priest shall charge her by an oath,

5. 1—9. 23 (B¹, p. 176). LAWS AND EVENTS. (Alternation and Introversion.)

B¹ C a | 5. 1—6. 21. Laws for the People (Leprosy, &c.).
b | 6. 22—27. Laws for the priests (Blessing, &c.).
D | 7. 1—89. Event (dedication of altar).
C b | 8. 1—26. Laws for priests and Levites.
a | 9. 1—14. Laws for People (Passover).
D | 9. 15—23. Event (erection of tabernacle).

5. 1—6. 21 (a, above). LAWS FOR THE PEOPLE. a | c¹ | 5. 1—31. Necessary laws. c² | 6. 1—21. Voluntary laws.

5. 1—31 (c¹, above). NECESSARY LAWS. c¹ d¹ | 1—4. Leprosy. d² | 5—10. Trespass. d³ | 11—31. Jealousy.

the dead = the soul. Heb. *nephesh*. See Ap. 13. Cp. ch. 6. 6. Lev. 21. 1. Num. 19. 11. See note on Lev. 19. 28. Touching a dead man, rendered the one who touched unclean seven days (19. 11); touching other dead creatures, rendered unclean only till the evening (Lev. 11. 27, 39, 40).

3 put out, without the camp. Cp. 12. 14, 15.

4 as = according as.

6 man. Heb. *ish*. See Ap. 14. ii.

sin. Heb. *chāt'a*. Ap. 44. i.

men. Heb. *ādām*. See Ap. 14. i.

trespass. Heb. *mā'al*. Ap. 44. xi.

person = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. (Ap. 13.)

7 recompense = return back.

trespass. Heb. *āsham*. Ap. 44. ii.

8 kinsman. Heb. *goēl*, redeemer. See note on Ex. 6. 6.

atonement. See note on Ex. 29. 33.

9 offering = heave offering. Heb. *t'rūmah*. See Ap. 43. viii., and note on Ex. 29. 27.

holy = separated. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

10 hallowed = separated. See note on "holy", Ex. 3. 5. whatsoever. Some codices, with one printed edition, Sam., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "and whatsoever". his: i.e. the priest's.

11—31 (d³, above). JEALOUSY (Repeated Alternation).

d³ e¹ | 11—14. Guilt } Case.
f¹ | 14. Innocence }
e² | 15—27. Guilt } Trial and proof.
f² | 28. Innocence }
e³ | 29. Guilt } Case.
f³ | 30, 31. Innocence }

14 the spirit of jealousy = a jealous motion or affection of the mind. Here, Heb. *rūach* (Ap. 9) is put for the feelings, &c., as in Isa. 11. 2. Eph. 1. 17. Hos. 4. 12.

15 offering. Heb. *qorbān*, approach-offering. See Ap. 43. II. i.

ephah. See Ap. 51. III. 3.

barley. No other grain, and no other measure. Cp. Lev. 2. 1.

offering: i.e. of jealousy. Heb. *minchah* (Ap. 43. II. iii.), meal offering.

offering: i.e. of memorial. i.e. causing iniquity to be remembered.

iniquity. Heb. *āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

17 holy = separated: taken from the laver. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

tabernacle. Heb. *mishkān*. Ap. 40.

18 bitter water. Heb. water of bitters, Genitive of cause: i.e., causing bitterness of spirit. Cp. Ps. 109. 18. Prov. 5. 4. Bitter = *ham'ārim*.

curse. Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). Heb. *ham'ārim*.

and say unto the woman, 'If no man have lain with thee, and if thou hast not gone aside to uncleanness with another instead of thy husband, be thou free from this bitter water that causeth the curse:

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20 But if thou hast gone aside to another instead of thy husband, and if thou be defiled, and some man have lain with thee beside thine husband:

21 Then the priest shall charge the woman with an oath of cursing, and the priest shall say unto the woman, ¹'The LORD make thee a curse and an oath among thy people, when ¹the LORD doth make thy thigh to rot, and thy belly to swell;

22 And this water that causeth the curse shall go into thy bowels, to make thy belly to swell, and thy thigh to ²¹rot: And the woman shall say, 'Amen, amen.'

23 And the priest shall write these curses in a book, and he shall blot them out with the bitter water:

24 And he shall cause the woman to drink the bitter water that causeth the curse: and the water that causeth the curse shall enter into her, and ^obecome bitter.

25 Then the priest shall take the jealousy ^ooffering out of the woman's hand, and shall ^owave the ^ooffering before ¹the LORD, and ^ooffer it upon the altar:

26 And the priest shall take an handful of the offering, even the ^omemorial thereof, and ^oburn it upon the altar, and afterward shall cause the woman to drink the water.

27 And when he hath made her to drink the water, then it shall come to pass, that, if she be defiled, and have done ¹²trespass against her husband, that the water that causeth the curse shall enter into her, and ²⁴become bitter, and her belly shall swell, and her thigh shall rot: and the woman shall be a curse among her People.

^{f2} (p. 186) 28 And if the woman be not defiled, but ^obe clean; then she shall be free, and shall conceive seed.

^{e3} 29 This is the law of jealousies, when a wife goeth aside to another instead of her husband, and is defiled;

^{f3} 30 Or when ¹⁴the spirit of jealousy cometh upon him, and he be jealous over his wife, and shall set the woman before ¹the LORD, and the priest shall execute upon her all this law.

31 Then shall the man be guiltless from ^oiniquity, and this woman shall ^obear her iniquity."

^{c2 g} (p. 187) 6 And ^othe LORD ^ospake unto Moses, saying,

2 "Speak unto the ^ochildren of Israel, and say unto them, 'When either ^oman or ^owoman shall separate themselves to ^ovow a vow of ^oa Nazarite, to separate themselves unto ¹the LORD:

^h 3 He shall separate himself from ^owine and ^ostrong drink, and shall drink no vinegar of ^owine, or vinegar of ^ostrong drink, neither shall he drink any ^oliquor of grapes, nor eat ^omoist grapes, or dried.

4 All the days of his ^oseparation shall he eat nothing that is made of the ^ovine tree, from the kernels even to the husk.

5 All the days of the vow of his ⁴separation there shall no razor come upon his head:

21 charge, &c. This ordeal was provided for in the Laws of Khammurabi, §§ 131, 132. See Ap. 15.

22 Amen. A Hebrew word, transferred to the Greek—verily, truly so. If one adjured another and he replied "Amen", it was thereby considered as confirmed by an oath. Cp. 2 Cor. 1. 20.

24 become bitter—turn to bitterness.

25 offering. Heb. *minchah*, gift or meal offering. See Ap. 43. II. iii.

wave. See note on Ex. 29. 27.

offer it—bring it. Heb. *kārab*. Ap. 43. I. i.

26 memorial. The handful (Lev. 2. 2) so-called.

burn. Heb. *qatar*. See Ap. 43. I. vii.

28 be. Heb. *she be*.

31 iniquity. Heb. *āvah*. Ap. 44. iv.

bear her iniquity—bear the punishment of it. Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6. Cp. Lev. 20. 17, 19, 20. Ezek. 4. 4, 5. See Ap. 44. iv.

6. 1-21 (c², p. 186). VOLUNTARY (NAZARITE VOW) (Alternation).

^{c2} | g | 1, 2. The vow made.

h | 3-8. Observances during separation.

g | 9-12. Vow interrupted.

h | 13-21. Observances at close of separation.

Note the order in these laws: (1) separation, 6. 1-12; (2) worship, 6. 13-21; (3) blessing, 6. 22-27; (4) service, 7. 1-89.

1 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4.

spake. See note on 1. 1.

2 children—sons.

man. Heb. *ish*. See Ap. 14. ii.

woman. Either could be a Nazarite.

vow a vow. Fig. *Polyptoton* (Ap. 6), for emphasis = make a special vow. Cp. Acts 18. 18; 21. 23.

a Nazarite—one separate, from Heb. *nazir*, to separate. Cp. Gen. 49. 26. Judg. 13. 5, 7. Lam. 4. 7.

3 wine. Heb. *yayin*. See Ap. 27. i.

strong drink. Heb. *shēkar*. See Ap. 27. iv.

liquor of grapes=mashed grapes.

moist=green or "fresh".

4 separation=Nazariteship.

vine tree=grape vine.

6 come at=come near.

no dead body=no dead soul. Heb. *nephesh*. See Ap. 13, and note on Lev. 19. 28.

7 consecration=separation, or Nazariteship.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4.

10 turtles=turtle-doves.

door=entrance.

tabernacle of the congregation=tent of assembly. See Ap. 40.

until the days be fulfilled, in the which he separateth himself unto ¹the LORD, he shall be holy, and shall let the locks of the hair of his head grow.

6 All the days that he separateth himself unto ¹the LORD he shall ^ocome at ^ono dead body.

7 He shall not make himself unclean for his father, or for his mother, for his brother, or for his sister, when they die: because the ^oconsecration of his ^oGod is upon his head.

8 All the days of his ⁴separation he is holy unto ¹the LORD.

9 And if any man die very suddenly by him, and he hath defiled the ⁷head of his ⁷consecration; then he shall shave his head in the day of his cleansing, on the seventh day shall he shave it.

10 And on the eighth day he shall bring two ^oturtles, or two young pigeons, to the priest, to the ^odoor of the ^otabernacle of the congregation:

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11 And the priest shall °offer the one for a sin offering, and the other for a burnt offering, and make an °atonement for him, for that he sinned by the °dead, and shall °hallow his head that same day.

12 And he shall °consecrate unto ¹ the LORD the days of his °separation, and shall bring a lamb of the first year for a °trespass offering: but the days that were before shall °be lost, because his °separation was defiled.

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13 And this *is* the law of °the Nazarite, when the days of his ¹² separation are fulfilled: he shall be brought unto the ¹⁰ door of the ¹⁰ tabernacle of the congregation:

14 And he shall °offer his °offering unto ¹ the LORD, one he lamb of the first year without blemish for a burnt offering, and one ewe lamb of the first year without blemish for a °sin offering, and one ram without blemish for peace offerings,

15 And a basket of unleavened bread, °cakes of fine flour mingled with oil, and wafers of unleavened bread anointed with oil, and their °meat offering, and their drink offerings.

16 And the priest shall bring *them* before ¹ the LORD, and shall offer his ¹⁴ sin offering, and his burnt offering:

17 And he shall offer the ram *for* a sacrifice of peace offerings unto ¹ the LORD, with the basket of unleavened bread: the priest shall ¹¹ offer also his ¹⁵ meat offering, and his drink offering.

18 And ¹³ the Nazarite shall shave the head of his ¹² separation at the ¹⁰ door of the ¹⁰ tabernacle of the congregation, and shall take the hair of the head of his ¹² separation, and put *it* in the fire which *is* under the °sacrifice of the peace offerings.

19 And the priest shall take the °sodden shoulder of the ram, and one unleavened cake out of the basket, and one unleavened wafer, and shall put *them* upon the hands of the Nazarite, after *the hair* of his ¹² separation is shaven:

20 And the priest shall wave *them* *for* a °wave offering before ¹ the LORD: *this is* °holy for the priest, with the wave breast and heave shoulder: and after that ¹³ the Nazarite may drink wine.

21 *This is* the law of ¹³ the Nazarite who hath vowed, and of his offering unto ¹ the LORD for his ¹² separation, °beside *that* that his hand shall get: according to the vow which he vowed, so he must do after the law of his ¹² separation."

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22 And ¹ the LORD ¹ spake unto Moses, saying,

23 "Speak unto °Aaron and unto his sons, saying, 'On this wise ye shall °bless the ² children of Israel, saying unto them,

24 °The LORD bless thee, and keep thee:

25 °The LORD make His °face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee:

26 °The LORD lift up His °countenance upon thee, and give thee °peace."

27 And they shall put My name upon the ² children of Israel; and I will bless them."

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7 And it came to pass on the day that Moses had fully set up the °tabernacle,

11 offer=prepare. See Ap. 43. I. iii.

atonement. See note on Ex. 29. 33.

dead=soul. Heb. *nephesh* (Ap. 18): i.e. the dead person. hallow his head: i.e. by beginning anew the days of his vow (v. 9), during which the hair must grow, as in v. 5. See note on "holy", Ex. 3. 5.

12 consecrate=separate.

separation=Nazariteship.

trespass offering. See Ap. 43. II. vi.

be lost. Heb. *fall*, i.e. not be counted.

13 the Nazarite=the one separate.

14 offer=bring near. Heb. *kārab*. See Ap. 43. I. i.

offering=approach offering. Ap. 43. II. i.

sin offering. See Ap. 43. II. v.

15 cakes=pierced cakes.

meat offering=meal or gift offering. Ap. 43. II. iii.

18 sacrifice. Ap. 43. I. iv. and II. xii.; cp. Acts 21. 26, 27.

19 sodden=boiled.

20 wave offering. See note on Ex. 29. 27.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

21 beside, &c.: i.e., if able, he might voluntarily make an addition thereto.

22-27 (b, p. 186). THE PRIESTS' LAW. BLESSING.

A triple blessing of three members, from Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. See Ap. 10.

23 Aaron and unto his sons. Cp. Deut. 21. 5. 1 Chron. 23. 13.

bless. Deut. 10. 8.

24 The LORD=Jehovah the Father, the *source* of all blessing. Cp. Eph. 1. 3. Heb. 10. 7.

25 The LORD=Jehovah the Son, the *channel* of all blessing, Eph. 1. 3. Cp. Acts 3. 26. Heb. 10. 10.

face: put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), for whole Person. Ap. 6. Also Fig. *Anthropopathia*.

26 The LORD=Jehovah the Spirit, the *witness* of all blessing. Cp. Heb. 10. 7, 10, 15.

countenance: same as "face" in v. 25: this is the token of Divine favour and delight. Cp. Job 29. 24. Ps. 4. 6, and the result v. 7.

peace=rest or security.

7. 1-89 (D, p. 186). DEDICATION OF THE ALTAR (*Alternation*).

D | 1-3. Offerings of the princes.

F | 4-9. Arrangement.

E | 10. Offerings of the princes.

F | 11-89. Arrangement.

1 tabernacle=habitation. Heb. *mishkān*. Cp. Ex. 40. 18. See Ap. 40.

2 the princes. Though their offerings were the same as the others, yet each is recorded separately.

offered=brought near. Heb. *kārab*. Ap. 43. I. i.

3 brought. Same as "offered", v. 2.

offering=approach offering. Heb. *kōrbān*. Ap. 43. II. i. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

4-9 [For Structure see next page].

4 spake. See note on 1. 1.

and had anointed it, and sanctified it, and all the instruments thereof, both the altar and all the vessels thereof, and had anointed them, and sanctified them;

2 That °the princes of Israel, heads of the house of their fathers, *who were* the princes of the tribes, and were over them that were numbered, °offered:

3 And they °brought their °offering before °the LORD, six covered wagons, and twelve oxen; a wagon for two of the princes, and for each one an ox: and they brought them before the tabernacle.

4 And °the LORD °spake unto Moses, saying, 5 "Take *it* of them, that they may be to

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1490 °do the service of the °tabernacle of the congregation;

1 and thou shalt give them unto the Levites, to
(p. 189) every °man according to his service."

k 6 And Moses took the wagons and the oxen,
l and gave them unto the Levites.

7 Two wagons and four oxen he gave unto the sons of Gershon, according to their service:

8 And four wagons and eight oxen he gave unto the sons of Merari, according unto their service, under the hand of Ithamar the son of Aaron the priest.

9 But unto the sons of Kohath he gave none: because the service of the sanctuary belonging unto them *was that* they should bear upon their shoulders.

E 10 And the princes ² offered for dedicating
(p. 188) of the altar in the day that it was anointed, even the princes ² offered their ³ offering before the altar.

F m¹ 11 And ³ the LORD °said unto Moses, "They
(p. 189) shall ³ offer their ³ offering, each prince on his day, for the dedicating of the altar."

m² 12 And he that ² offered his ³ offering the first day was Nahshon the son of Amminadab, of the °tribe of Judah:

13 And his ³ offering *was* one silver charger, the weight thereof *was* an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy °shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them *were* full of fine flour mingled with oil for a °meat offering:

14 One spoon of ten *shekels* of gold, full of incense:

15 One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:

16 °One kid of the goats for a sin offering:

17 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: *this was* the ³ offering of Nahshon the son of Amminadab.

18 On the second day Nethaneel the son of Zuar, prince of Issachar, did offer:

19 He ² offered for his ³ offering one silver charger, the weight whereof *was* an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy ¹³shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:

20 One spoon of gold of ten *shekels*, full of incense:

21 One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:

22 ¹⁶ One kid of the goats for a sin offering:

23 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: *this was* the ³ offering of Nethaneel the son of Zuar.

24 On the third day Eliab the son of Helon, prince of the children of Zebulun, *did offer*:

25 His ³ offering *was* one silver charger, the weight whereof *was* an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy ¹³shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of

4-9 (F, p. 188). ARRANGEMENT. (Alternation.)

F	i	k	4, 5-. Acceptance	} Command.
		l	-6. Distribution	
	i	k	6-. Acceptance	} Obedience.
		l	-6-9. Distribution	

5 do the service. Heb. serve the service. Fig. *Polyptoton* (Ap. 6), for emphasis = perform the solemn service.

tabernacle of the congregation = tent of assembly. See Ap. 40.

man. Heb. 'ish. See Ap. 14. ii.

11-39 (F, p. 188). ARRANGEMENT. (Division.)

F	m ¹	11. Command.
	m ²	12-39. Obedience.

11 said. See note on 3. 40.

12 tribe. The order is the same as in ch. 2. See Ap. 45.

13 shekels. See Ap. 51. II.

meat offering = gift offering. See Ap. 43. II. iii.

16 One. Some codices, with Sam., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "And one".

30 children = sons.

them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:

26 One golden spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense:

27 One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:

28 ¹⁶ One kid of the goats for a sin offering:

29 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: *this was* the ³ offering of Eliab the son of Helon.

30 On the fourth day Elizur the son of Shedeur, prince of the °children of Reuben, *did offer*:

31 His ³ offering *was* one silver charger of the weight of an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy ¹³shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:

32 One golden spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense:

33 One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:

34 ¹⁶ One kid of the goats for a sin offering:

35 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: *this was* the ³ offering of Elizur the son of Shedeur.

36 On the fifth day Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai, prince of the ³⁰ children of Simeon, *did offer*:

37 His ³ offering *was* one silver charger, the weight whereof *was* an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy ¹³shekels, after the ¹³shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:

38 One golden spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense:

39 One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:

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40 ° One kid of the goats for a ° sin offering :

41 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this was the ° offering of Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai.

42 On the sixth day Eliasaph the son of ° Deuel, prince of the 30 children of Gad, offered :

43 His ° offering was one silver charger of the weight of an hundred and thirty *shekels*, a silver bowl of seventy 13 *shekels*, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering :

44 One golden spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense :

45 One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering :

46 One kid of the goats for a sin offering :

47 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this was the ° offering of Eliasaph the son of Deuel.

48 On the seventh day Elishama the son of Ammihud, prince of the 30 children of Ephraim, offered :

49 His ° offering was one silver charger, the weight whereof was an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy 13 *shekels*, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering :

50 One golden spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense :

51 One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering :

52 40 One kid of the goats for a sin offering :

53 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this was the ° offering of Elishama the son of Ammihud.

54 On the eighth day offered Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur, prince of the 30 children of Manasseh :

55 His ° offering was one silver charger of the weight of an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy 13 *shekels*, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering :

56 One golden spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense :

57 One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering :

58 One kid of the goats for a sin offering :

59 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this was the ° offering of Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur.

60 On the ninth day Abidan the son of Gideon, prince of the 30 children of Benjamin, offered :

61 His ° offering was one silver charger, the weight whereof was an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy 13 *shekels*, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering :

40 One. Some codices, with Sam., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "And one".

sin. Heb. *chāt'a*. Ap. 44. i.

42 Deuel = Deguel, in ch. 2. 14 = Reguel. See note there, and cp. 1. 14.

83 sacrifice. Heb. *zābaḥ*. Ap. 43. xii.

62 One golden spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense :

63 One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering :

64 40 One kid of the goats for a sin offering :

65 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this was the ° offering of Abidan the son of Gideon.

66 On the tenth day Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai, prince of the 30 children of Dan, offered :

67 His ° offering was one silver charger, the weight whereof was an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy 13 *shekels*, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering :

68 One golden spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense :

69 One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering :

70 40 One kid of the goats for a sin offering :

71 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this was the ° offering of Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai.

72 On the eleventh day Pagiel the son of Ocran, prince of the 30 children of Asher, offered :

73 His ° offering was one silver charger, the weight whereof was an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy 13 *shekels*, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering :

74 One golden spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense :

75 One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering :

76 40 One kid of the goats for a sin offering :

77 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this was the ° offering of Pagiel the son of Ocran.

78 On the twelfth day Ahira the son of Enan, prince of the 30 children of Naphtali, offered :

79 His ° offering was one silver charger, the weight whereof was an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy 13 *shekels*, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering :

80 One golden spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense :

81 One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering :

82 40 One kid of the goats for a sin offering :

83 And for a ° sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this was the ° offering of Ahira the son of Enan.

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84 This was the dedication of the altar, ° in the day when it was anointed, by the princes of Israel: twelve chargers of silver, twelve silver bowls, twelve spoons of gold:

85 Each charger of silver *weighing* an hundred and thirty *shekels*, each bowl seventy: all the silver vessels *weighed* two thousand and four hundred *shekels*, after the ¹³ shekel of the sanctuary:

86 The golden spoons *were* twelve, full of incense, *weighing* ten *shekels* apiece, after the ¹³ shekel of the sanctuary: all the gold of the spoons *was* an hundred and twenty *shekels*.

87 All the oxen for the burnt offering *were* twelve bullocks, the rams twelve, the lambs of the first year twelve, with their meat offering: and the kids of the goats for sin offering twelve.

88 And all the oxen for the ⁸³ sacrifice of the peace offerings *were* twenty and four bullocks, the rams sixty, the he goats sixty, the lambs of the first year sixty. This *was* the dedication of the altar, after that it was anointed.

89 And when Moses was gone into the °tabernacle of the congregation to speak ° with Him, then he heard the voice of One speaking unto him from off the °mercy seat that *was* upon the ark of testimony, from between the two cherubims: and He spake unto him.

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8 And ° the LORD °spake unto Moses, saying,

2 "Speak unto Aaron, and say unto him, 'When thou lightest the lamps, the seven lamps shall give light over against ° the ° candlestick.'"

3 And Aaron did so; he lighted the lamps thereof over against the ² candlestick, ° as ¹ the LORD commanded Moses.

4 And this work of the ² candlestick *was* of beaten gold, ° unto the shaft thereof, unto the flowers thereof, *was* beaten work: according unto the pattern which ¹ the LORD had shewed Moses, so he made the ² candlestick.

o¹ 5 And ¹ the LORD ¹ spake unto Moses, saying,

6 "Take the Levites from among the ° children of Israel, and cleanse them.

7 And thus shalt thou do unto them, to cleanse them: Sprinkle ° water of purifying upon them, and let them shave all their flesh, and let them wash their clothes, and so make themselves clean.

8 Then let them take a young bullock with his ° meat offering, *even* fine flour mingled with oil, and another young bullock shalt thou take for a ° sin offering.

9 And thou shalt bring the Levites before the ° tabernacle of the congregation: and thou shalt gather the whole assembly of the ° children of Israel together:

10 And thou shalt bring the Levites before ¹ the LORD: and the ° children of Israel shall put their hands upon the Levites:

11 And Aaron shall ° offer the Levites before ¹ the LORD for an ° offering of the ° children of Israel, that they may ° execute the service of ¹ the LORD.

12 And ° the Levites shall lay their hands upon the heads of the bullocks: and thou shalt

84 in the day: i.e. in the twelve days. See Ap. 18.
89 tabernacle of the congregation. Heb. tent of meeting. See Ap. 40.

with Him: i.e. with Jehovah. Cp. v. 11.
mercy seat. See note on Ex. 25. 17.

8. 1-26 (C b, p. 186). LAWS FOR THE PRIESTS AND LEVITES (Repeated Alternation).

b	n ¹	1-4. Service of Aaron.
	o ¹	5-14. Levites' purification. Command.
	n ²	15-19. Service of Levites.
	o ²	20, 21. Levites' purification. Obedience.
	n ³	22-26. Service of Levites.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

spake. See note on 1. 1.

2 the = the face of the.

candlestick = light-holder (as in Gen. 1. 14), or lampstand. Cp. Ex. 25. 31-39; 37. 17-24.

3 as = according as.

4 unto. Some codices, with Sam., Onk. MS., and Jon., read "and unto".

6 children = sons.

7 water of purifying = sin water: i.e., water prepared as in ch. 19.

8 meat offering. See Ap. 43. II. iii.

sin offering. See Ap. 43. II. v.

9 tabernacle of the congregation = tent of meeting. Ap. 40.

11 offer. Heb. wave. See note on Ex. 29. 27.

offering. Heb. wave offering. See Ap. 43. II. ix.

execute the service. Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6). Heb. "serve the service" = perform the solemn service.

12 the Levites. Fig. *Epanadiplosis* (Ap. 6), the verse beginning and ending with the same word.

offer = prepare. Heb. 'āsāh. Ap. 43. I. iii.

atonement. See note on Ex. 29. 33.

14 Mine. Cp. 3. 45.

15 offer them for an offering = wave them for a wave offering. See Ex. 29. 27.

17 For. Cp. Ex. 13. 2. Num. 3. 13.

man. Heb. 'ādām. See Ap. 14. i.

on the day. See Ap. 18.

° offer the one for a sin offering, and the other for a burnt offering, unto ¹ the LORD, to make an ° atonement for ° the Levites.

13 And thou shalt set the Levites before Aaron, and before his sons, and offer them for an offering unto ¹ the LORD.

14 Thus shalt thou separate the Levites from among the ° children of Israel: and the Levites shall be ° Mine.

15 And after that shall the Levites go in to do the service of the ° tabernacle of the congregation: and thou shalt cleanse them, and ° offer them for an offering.

16 For they are wholly given unto Me from among the ° children of Israel; instead of such as open every womb, *even instead of* the firstborn of all the ° children of Israel, have I taken them unto Me.

17 ° For all the firstborn of the ° children of Israel are Mine, both ° man and beast: ° on the day that I smote every firstborn in the land of Egypt I sanctified them for Myself.

18 And I have taken the Levites for all the firstborn of the ° children of Israel.

19 And I have given the Levites as a gift to Aaron and to his sons from among the ° children of Israel, to ¹⁵ do the service of

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1490 the ⁶children of Israel in the ⁹tabernacle of the congregation, and to make an ¹²atonement for the ⁶children of Israel: that there be no plague among the ⁶children of Israel, when the ⁶children of Israel come nigh unto the sanctuary."

^{o2} (p. 191) 20 And Moses, and Aaron, and all the congregation of the ⁶children of Israel, did to the Levites according unto all that ¹the LORD commanded Moses concerning the Levites, so did the ⁶children of Israel unto them.

21 And the Levites were purified, and they washed their clothes; and Aaron ¹¹offered them as an ¹¹offering before ¹the LORD; and Aaron made an ¹²atonement for them to cleanse them.

ⁿ³ 22 And after that went the Levites in to do their service in the ⁹tabernacle of the congregation before Aaron, and before his sons: ^oas ¹the LORD had commanded Moses concerning the Levites, so did they unto them.

23 And ¹the LORD ¹spake unto Moses, saying,

24 "This *is it* that *belongeth* unto the Levites: from ^otwenty and five years old and upward they shall go in ^oto wait upon the service of the ⁹tabernacle of the congregation:

25 And ^ofrom the age of fifty years they shall cease waiting upon the service *thereof*, and shall serve no more:

26 But shall minister with their brethren in the ⁹tabernacle of the congregation, to keep the charge, and shall do no service." Thus shalt thou do unto the Levites touching their charge."

^{a p} (p. 191) 9 And ^othe LORD ^ospake unto Moses in the wilderness of Sinai, in the ^ofirst month of the second year after they were come out of the land of Egypt, saying,

2 "Let the ^ochildren of Israel also keep the passover at his appointed season.

3 In the fourteenth day of this month, at even, ye shall keep it in his appointed season: according to all the rites of it, and according to all the ceremonies thereof, shall ye keep it."

^q 4 And Moses spake unto the ²children of Israel, that they should keep the passover.

14th Abib. 5 And they ^okept the passover on the fourteenth day of the first month at even in the wilderness of Sinai: according to all that ¹the LORD commanded Moses, so did the ²children of Israel.

^q 6 And there were certain ^omen, who were defiled ^oby the dead ^obody of a ^oman, that they could not keep the passover on that day: and they came before Moses and before Aaron on that day:

7 And those ⁶men said unto him, "*We are* defiled by the dead body of a ⁶man: wherefore are we kept back, that we may not offer an offering of ¹the LORD in his appointed season among the ²children of Israel?"

8 And Moses said unto them, "Stand still, and I will hear what ¹the LORD will command concerning you."

^p 9 And ¹the LORD ¹spake unto Moses, saying,

22 as = according as.

24 twenty and five years old. This was the commencement of a five years' probation. The age, thirty, was the age of their numbering. See note on 4. 3.

to wait, &c. Fig. *Polyptoton* (Ap. 6), as in vv. 11, 15, 19. Lit. war the warfare.

25 from the age, &c. Observe the gracious care of Jehovah.

9. 1-14 (a, p. 186). LAWS FOR THE PEOPLE. (Introversion.)

^a | ^p | 1-3. Command. Passover.

^q | 4, 5. Obedience rendered.

^q | 6-8. Obedience hindered.

^p | 9-14. Command. Second passover.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

spake. See note on 1. 1. During the week of Aaron's consecration, Abib 1-8.

first month, &c. Therefore before the numbering which was on the first day of the second month (1. 1, 2). The observance mentioned here in connection with the second passover, a month later (vv. 6-11).

2 children = sons.

5 kept the passover: the second of ten recorded. See note on Ex. 12. 18, 28. Lev. 23. 5. Num. 28. 16. Deut. 16. 2, and cp. 7. 89-9. 14.

6 men. Heb. pl. of ^{ish} or ^{enosh}, Ap. 14. ii. Probably Mishael and Elizaphan, who had buried Nadab and Abihu (Lev. 10. 1-4); they were thus rendered unclean, and could not keep the passover (Num. 19. 11; 5. 2).

by = for touching.

body = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

man. Heb. ^{adam}. Ap. 14. i.

10 any man. Heb. ^{ish}, ^{ish}. Ap. 14. ii.

body = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

afar off. In Heb. MSS. dotted, to show these words are to be omitted. See Ap. 31. Distance not limited.

11 second month. Therefore a month later than the appointed day (v. 1).

13 man. Heb. ^{enosh}. Ap. 14. iii.

soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

offering = approach offering. Heb. *qorbān*. Ap. 43. II. i.

10 "Speak unto the ²children of Israel, saying, 'If ^oany man of you or of your posterity shall be unclean by reason of a dead ^obody, or be in a journey ^oafar off, yet he shall keep the passover unto ¹the LORD.

11 The fourteenth day of the ^osecond month at even they shall keep it, *and* eat it with unleavened bread and bitter *herbs*.

12 They shall leave none of it unto the morning, nor break any bone of it: according to all the ordinances of the passover they shall keep it.

13 But the ^oman that *is* clean, and is not in a journey, and forbearth to keep the passover, even the same ^osoul shall be cut off from among his people: because he brought not the ^ooffering of ¹the LORD in his appointed season, that ⁶man shall bear his sin.

14 And if a stranger shall sojourn among you, and will keep the passover unto ¹the LORD; according to the ordinance of the passover, and according to the manner thereof, so shall he do: ye shall have one ordinance, both for the stranger, and for him that was born in the land."

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15 And on the day that the °tabernacle ° was reared up the cloud covered the °tabernacle, namely, the tent of the testimony:

H¹ and at even there ° was upon the °tabernacle as it were the appearance of fire, until the morning.

G² 16 So it was always:

H² the cloud covered it by day, and the appearance of fire by night.

G³ 17 And when the cloud was taken up from the °tabernacle, then after that the °children of Israel journeyed: and in the place where the cloud abode, there the °children of Israel pitched their tents.

H³ 18 ° At the °commandment of ° the LORD the °children of Israel journeyed, and at the °commandment of ° the LORD they pitched:

G⁴ as long as the cloud abode upon the °tabernacle they rested in their tents.

19 And when the cloud tarried long upon the °tabernacle many days, then the °children of Israel kept the charge of ° the LORD, and journeyed not.

20 And so it was, when the cloud ° was ° a few days upon the °tabernacle;

H⁴ ° according to the °commandment of ° the LORD they abode in their tents, and according to the °commandment of ° the LORD they journeyed.

G⁵ 21 And so it was, when the cloud abode from even unto the morning, and that the cloud was taken up in the morning, then they journeyed: whether it was by day or by night that the cloud was taken up, they journeyed.

22 Or whether it were two days, or a month, or a year, that the cloud tarried upon the °tabernacle, remaining thereon, the °children of Israel °abode in their tents, and journeyed not: but when it was taken up, they journeyed.

H⁵ 23 ° At the commandment of ° the LORD they rested in the tents, and at the commandment of ° the LORD they journeyed: they kept the charge of ° the LORD, at the commandment of ° the LORD by the ° hand of Moses.

I¹ 10 And ° the LORD °spake unto Moses, saying,

2 "Make thee °two °trumpets of silver; ° of a whole piece shalt thou make them: that thou mayest °use them for the calling of the °assembly, and for the journeying of the camps.

3 And when they shall blow with them, all the °assembly shall assemble themselves to thee at the °door of the °tabernacle of the congregation.

4 And if they blow but with one trumpet, then the princes, which are heads of the thousands of Israel, shall gather themselves unto thee.

5 When ye ° blow an alarm, then the camps that lie on the east parts shall go forward.

6 When ye blow an alarm the second time, then the camps that lie on the south side shall take their journey: they shall blow an alarm for their journeys.

9. 15-23 (D, p. 186). EVENT. ERECTION OF TABERNACLE (Repeated Alternation).

D | G¹ | 15-. Time: "on the day".
H¹ | -16. Event—Cloud and fire.
G² | 16-. Time: "always".
H² | -16. Event—Cloud and fire.
G³ | 17. Time: when cloud taken up.
H³ | 18-. Event—They journeyed.
G⁴ | -18-20. Time: alternations.
H⁴ | -20. Event—Command to journey.
G⁵ | 21, 22. Time: alternations.
H⁵ | 23. Event—Command to rest.

15 tabernacle = habitation. Heb. *mishkān*. Ap. 40. was = came to be: i. e. remained.

17 tabernacle = tent. Heb. *'ohel*. Ap. 40.

18 At the, &c. Fig. *Epibole*. Ap. 6, repeated. commandment. Heb. mouth. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6; mouth put for command given by it.

20 a few days. Heb. "days of number": i. e. days easily counted.

according to, &c. Fig. *Mesarchia*, Ap. 6 (twice).

22 abode. Cp. Ex. 40. 34-38.

23 At the commandment, &c. Fig. *Epibole* Ap. 6.

hand = mediation, or ministry; "hand" put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6.

10. 1-36 (A², p. 176). JOURNEYINGS AND ORDER (MARCH) (Repeated Alternation).

A² | I¹ | 1-10. Journey. Preparation.
K¹ | 11. Removal of cloud.
I² | 12-16. Journey. Commenced.
K² | 17. Removal of tabernacle.
I³ | 18-28. Journey. Order.
K³ | 29-32. Removal of Hcbab.
I⁴ | 33. Journey. Progress.
K⁴ | 34. Removal of cloud.
I⁵ | 35. Journey. Commenced.
K⁵ | 36. Rest of cloud.

1 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. spake. See note on 1. 1.

2 two: here only two. Later, 120 (2 Chron. 5. 12). trumpets. These were of two principal kinds: those called *chāzōg'rah*, made of silver, and straight; the other, *shōphār*, a horn. These must be distinguished. The other words are *yōbēl*, a jubilee horn (Ex. 19. 16); and *tākō'a*, the blast of a trumpet (Ezek. 7. 14).

of a whole piece = of beaten work.

use them: for four purposes: (1) assembly; (2) journeying; (3) for war; (4) for the feasts.

assembly = whole congregation: i. e. in its civil character.

3 door = entrance.

tabernacle of the congregation = tent of meeting. Ap. 40.

5 blow. Heb. *teru'ah* = a prolonged blowing.

7 congregation = assembly = a portion only, in its military character.

8 sons. Cp. Lev. 1. 5.

9 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4.

7 But when the °congregation is to be gathered together, ye shall blow, but ye shall not sound an alarm.

8 And the °sons of Aaron, the priests, shall blow with the trumpets; and they shall be to you for an ordinance for ever throughout your generations.

9 And if ye go to war in your land against the enemy that oppresseth you, then ye shall blow an alarm with the trumpets; and ye shall be remembered before ° the LORD your °God, and ye shall be saved from your enemies.

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10 Also in the day of your gladness, and in your °solemn days, and in the beginnings of your months, ye shall blow with the trumpets over your burnt offerings, and over the sacrifices of your peace offerings; that they may be to you for a memorial before your God: *I am* ¹the LORD your °God."

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11 And it came to pass on the °twentieth day of the second month, in the second year, that the cloud was taken up from off the °tabernacle of the testimony.

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12 And the °children of Israel °took their journeys out of the wilderness of Sinai; and the cloud rested in the wilderness of Paran.

13 And they first took their journey according to the °commandment of ¹the LORD by the hand of Moses.

14 In °the first place went the standard of the °camp of the ¹²children of Judah according to their armies: and over his host was °Nahshon the son of Amminadab.

15 And over the host of the tribe of the ¹²children of Issachar was Nethaneel the son of Zuar.

16 And over the host of the tribe of the ¹²children of Zebulun was Eliab the son of Helon.

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17 And the ¹¹tabernacle was taken down; and the sons of Gershon and the sons of Merari set forward, bearing the ¹¹tabernacle.

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18 And the standard of the camp of Reuben set forward according to their armies: and over his host was Elizur the son of Shedeur.

19 And over the host of the tribe of the ¹²children of Simeon was Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai.

20 And over the host of the tribe of the ¹²children of Gad was Eliasaph the son of °Deuel.

21 And the Kohathites set forward, bearing the sanctuary: and °the other did set up the ¹¹tabernacle against they came.

22 And the standard of the camp of the ¹²children of Ephraim set forward according to their armies: and over his host was Elishama the son of Ammihud.

23 And over the host of the tribe of the ¹²children of Manasseh was Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur.

24 And over the host of the tribe of the ¹²children of Benjamin was Abidan the son of Gideoni.

25 And the standard of the camp of the ¹²children of Dan set forward, which was the rereward of all the camps throughout their hosts: and over his host was Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai.

26 And over the host of the tribe of the ¹²children of Asher was Pagiel the son of Ocran.

27 And over the host of the tribe of the ¹²children of Naphtali was Ahira the son of Enan.

28 Thus were the journeyings of the ¹²children of Israel according to their armies, when they set forward.

29 And Moses said unto Hobab, the son of °Raguel the Midianite, Moses' father in law, "We are journeying unto the place of which

10 solemn days = appointed seasons.

Between vv. 10 and 11 comes in the account of Jethro, Ex. 18. See Deut. 1. 7-14, where the choosing of judges takes place after Horeb, but is recorded in Ex. 18 before Horeb. See note on Ex. 18.

11 twentieth day, &c. See Ap. 50. vii. 3.

tabernacle = habitation. Heb. *mishkân*. Ap. 40.

12 children = sons.

took their journeys. Heb. idiom, "journeyed for their journeyings" - set forward. On 20th of Ziph, 1490, and ended 10th Abib 1451. Lasted 38 years and 15 days.

13 commandment. Heb. mouth. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6; "mouth" put for what is spoken by it.

14 the first place. For the order of the twelve tribes, see Ap. 45.

camp. Note distinction between "camp" and "host". Cp. 2. 3.

Nahshon. Cp. 1. 7; 2. 3.

20 Deuel, called also Reuel, 2. 14.

21 the other: i.e. the Gershonites and Merarites. See v. 17.

29 Raguel, called also Reuel (Ex. 2. 18).

33 mount of the LORD = mountain of Jehovah: because His glory had there been revealed.

three days. From 20-23 Ziph. Ap. 50. VII. 3.

34 Read this verse after v. 36. See following note.

35, 36. These two verses are marked Heb. MSS. by "inverted *Nûns*", i.e. the Heb. letter *ן* (*n*) inverted and used as brackets, to show that vv. 35 and 36 are thus enclosed to show that v. 34 should follow v. 36.

This is shown by the Structure:—

33 | The setting forth of the ark.

35 | "Rise up, O Jehovah" } Words spoken.

36 | "Return, O Jehovah" }

34 | The setting forth of the cloud.

There are eight of these inverted *nûns*. See notes on Ps. 107. 23-28.

Rise up. A beautiful prayer. Cp. Ps. 3. 7; 7. 6; 10. 12; 17. 13; 44. 26; 68. 1.

36 Return. Either, Return, O Jehovah; or, Cause to return. Cp. Deut. 30. 3. Ps. 14. 7; 126. 1. The former better. Cp. Ex. 33. 14-16.

¹the LORD said, I will give it you: come thou with us, and we will do thee good: for ¹the LORD hath spoken good concerning Israel."

30 And he said unto him, "I will not go; but I will depart to mine own land, and to my kindred."

31 And he said, "Leave us not, I pray thee; forasmuch as thou knowest how we are to encamp in the wilderness, and thou mayest be to us instead of eyes."

32 And it shall be, if thou go with us, yea, it shall be, that what goodness ¹the LORD shall do unto us, the same will we do unto thee."

33 And they departed from the °mount of ¹the LORD °three days' journey: and the ark of the covenant of ¹the LORD went before them in the three days' journey, to search out a resting place for them.

34 And the cloud of ¹the LORD was upon them by day, when they went out of the camp.

35 °And it came to pass, when the ark set forward, that Moses said, °"Rise up, ¹LORD, and let Thine enemies be scattered; and let them that hate Thee flee before Thee."

36 And when it rested, he said, °"Return, O ¹LORD, unto the many thousands of Israel."

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11 And when the People °complained, °it displeased °the LORD: and °the LORD heard *it*; and His anger was kindled;

and °the fire of °the LORD burnt among them, and consumed *them that were* in the uttermost parts of the camp.

2 And the People cried unto Moses; and when Moses prayed unto °the LORD, the fire was quenched.

3 And °he called the name of °the place °Taberah: because the fire °of °the LORD burnt among them.

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4 And the mixt °multitude that was among them °fell a lusting: and the °children of Israel also wept again, and said, °“Who shall give us flesh to eat?”

5 We remember °the fish, which we did eat in Egypt °freely; the cucumbers, °and the melons, °and the leeks, °and the onions, °and the garlick:

6 But now °our soul *is* dried away: *there is* nothing at all, beside this manna, *before* our eyes.”

7 And the °manna *was* as coriander seed, and the °colour thereof as the °colour of bdellium.

8 And the People went about, and gathered *it*, and ground *it* in mills, or beat *it* in a mortar, and baked *it* in pans, and made cakes of *it*: and the taste of *it* was as the taste of fresh oil.

9 And when the °dew fell upon the camp in the night, the manna fell upon *it*.

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10 Then Moses heard the People weep throughout their families, every °man in the °door of his tent: and the anger of °the LORD was kindled greatly; °Moses also was displeased.

11 And Moses said unto °the LORD, °“Wherefore hast Thou afflicted Thy servant? and °wherefore have I not found favour in Thy sight, that Thou layest the burden of all this People upon me?”

12 Have I conceived all this People? have I begotten them, that Thou shouldest say unto me, ‘Carry them in thy °bosom,’ °as a nursing father beareth the sucking child, unto the land which Thou swarest unto their fathers?

13 °Whence should I have flesh to give unto all this People? for they weep unto me, saying, ‘Give us flesh, that we may eat.’

14 I am not able to bear all this People alone, because °*it is* too heavy for me.

15 And if Thou deal thus with me, kill me, I pray Thee, out of hand, if I have found favour in Thy sight; and let me not see °my °wretchedness.”

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16 And °the LORD °said unto Moses, “Gather unto me seventy °men of the elders of Israel, whom thou knowest °to be the elders of the People, and officers over them; and bring them

11. 1—25. 18 (B², p. 176). EVENTS AND LAWS. (Repeated Alternation.)

B² | L¹ | 11. 1—14. 45. Events—Murmurings and journeyings.
M¹ | 15. 1—41. Laws for the People.
L² | 16. 1—17. 13. Events—Rebellion of Korah.
M² | 18. 1—19. 22. Laws for priests and People.
L³ | 20. 1—25. 18. Events—Journeyings and murmurings.

11. 1—14. 45 (L¹, above). EVENTS.

L¹ | N¹ | 11. 1—12. 16. Murmurings.
N² | 13. 1—14. 45. The spies.

11. 1—12. 16 (N¹, above). MURMURINGS AND JOURNEYINGS (Alternation.)

N¹ | r | 11. 1—34. Murmurings of People.
s | 11. 35. To Hazeroth.
r | 12. 1—15. Murmurings of Miriam and Aaron.
s | 12. 16. To Paran.

11. 1—34 (r. above). MURMURINGS OF PEOPLE. (Alternation.)

r | u | 1—. Complaint.
v | 1—3. Plague—Taberah.
u | 4—33—. Murmuring.
v | 33, 34. Plague—Kibroth-hattaavah.

1 complained. Heb. were as complainers, Ps. 78. 19. In this word another inverted *nūn* (נ, n), to mark the fact of the People's turning back in their hearts. See note on 10. 35.

it displeased the LORD. Heb. “was evil in the ears of Jehovah”. Some codices, with Onk., Jon., Sept., and Syr., read “eyes” instead of “ears”.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

the fire. Those before the Law not punished, Ex. 14. 11—15; 15. 24—26; 16. 2—4, 9, 20, 27, 28; 17. 2—4. Punished after Law given. Ex. 32. 27—35. Cp. Rom. 4. 15.

3 he called: i. e. Moses called.

the place = that place.

Taberah. Heb. “burning”.

4—34 (u, p. 195). MURMURING AND PLAGUE. (Repeated Alternation.)

u | w¹ | y¹ | 4—9. Flesh: lusting for it.
z¹ | 10—15. Complaint of Moses.
x¹ | 16, 17. Elders. Command.
w² | y² | 18—20. Flesh: promise of it.
z² | 21—23. Complaint of Moses.
x² | 24—30. Elders. Obedience.
v | w³ | y³ | 31—32. Flesh: given.
z³ | 33. Wrath of Jehovah.

4 multitude = camp followers. See Ex. 12. 38.

fell a lusting. Heb. Fig. *Polyptōton*. Ap. 6. — “lusted a lusting”, emphatic for lusted exceedingly. Ps. 106. 14; 78. 18—20.

children = sons.

Who shall give? Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6).

5 the fish. Six items given of Egypt's food: seven of Canaan's, in Deut. 8. 8. See Ap. 10.

freely gratuitously.

and. Note Fig. *Polysyndeton* in this verse (Ap. 6), to emphasise the six items. See v. 8.

6 our soul is. Heb. *nephesh* = we [are]. Ap. 13.

7 manna. Cp. John 6. 31—33. 1 Cor. 10. 3.

colour. Heb. “eye”, put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for that which it distinguishes. Ex. 16. 14, 31.

9 dew fell. Manna between the two dews, cp. Ex. 16. 13, 14.

10 man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. ii. **door** =

entrance. Moses also was displeased = it was evil in Moses' eyes, as in v. 1.

Fig. Erotēsis. Ap. 6.

12 bosom. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

as = even as.

13 Whence,

&c. Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

14 it is = the burden is. The *Ellipsis* to be supplied according to

Ap. 6. II. 4.

15 my wretchedness. Should be “thy evil”, evil being put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause),

Ap. 6. One of the eighteen emendations of the Sopherim. See Ap. 33.

wretchedness. Heb. *ra'a*.

See Ap. 44. viii., put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for punishment due, see above. **16** said. See note

on 3. 40.

to be = “that [their] be”.

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unto the °tabernacle of the congregation, that they may stand there with thee.

17 And I will come down and talk with thee there: and I will °take of the °spirit which is upon thee, and will put it upon them; and they shall bear the burden of the People with thee, that thou bear it not thyself alone.

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18 And say thou unto the People, °‘Sanctify yourselves against to morrow, and ye shall eat flesh: for ye have wept in the ears of °the LORD, saying, ‘Who shall give us flesh to eat? for it was well with us in Egypt:’ therefore °the LORD will give you flesh, and ye shall eat.

19 Ye shall not eat one day, °nor two days, nor five days, neither ten days, nor twenty days;

20 But even a °whole month, until it come out at your nostrils, and it be loathsome unto you: because that ye have despised °the LORD Which is among you, and have wept before Him, saying, ‘Why came we forth out of Egypt?’”

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21 And Moses said, “The People, among whom I am, are six hundred thousand footmen; and Thou hast said, I will give °them flesh, that they may eat a whole month.

22 Shall the flocks and the herds be slain for them, to suffice them? or shall all the fish of the sea be gathered together for them, to suffice them?”

23 And °the LORD °said unto Moses, °“Is °the LORD’S °hand waxed short? thou shalt see now whether My word shall come to pass unto thee or not.”

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24 And Moses went out, and told the People the words of °the LORD, and gathered the seventy °men of the elders of the °People, and set them round about the °tabernacle.

25 And °the LORD came down in a cloud, and °spoke unto him, and °took of the °spirit that was upon him, and gave it unto the seventy elders: and it came to pass, that, when the °spirit rested upon them, they prophesied, and °did not cease.

26 But there remained two of the °men in the camp, the name of the one was Eldad, and the name of the other Medad: and the °spirit rested upon them; and they were of °them that were °written, but °went not out unto the °tabernacle: and they prophesied °in the camp.

27 And there ran °a young man, and told Moses, and said, “Eldad and Medad do prophesy in the camp.”

28 And Joshua the son of Nun, the servant of Moses, one of his young men, answered and said, “My lord Moses, forbid them.”

29 And Moses said unto him, °“Enviest thou for my sake? °would God that all °the LORD’S people were prophets, and that °the LORD would °put His °spirit upon them!”

30 And Moses gat him into the camp, he and the elders of Israel.

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31 And there went forth a °wind from °the LORD, and brought quails from the sea, and let them °fall by the camp, as it were °a day’s journey on this side, and as it were °a day’s journey on the other side, round about the

tabernacle=tent. Heb. °ohel. Ap. 40.

17 take of=withdraw.

spirit. Heb. rûach, spirit, put by Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the gifts and manifestations of the Holy Spirit. Cp. 1 Cor. 12. 4. See Ap. 9.

18 sanctify=separate. See note on “holy”. Ex. 3. 5.

19 nor. Fig. Paradiastolē, Ap. 6, for emphasis.

20 whole month=a month of days.

21 them. Some codices have a reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 34), which reads “unto you”.

23 Is...? &c. Fig. Erotēsis. Ap. 6.

hand. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6, for power exercised by it.

24 People. Some codices, with Jon. and Vulg., read “Israel”.

tabernacle. Heb. °ohel, tent. See Ap. 40.

25 spake. See note on 1. 1.

did not cease. So the Vulg.; but Heb.=“did not add” (so Sept. and Syr.), i.e. did not add any more, or again, after that day. Cp. Ex. 11. 6. Deut. 5. 22. Job. 38. 11. 1 Sam. 19. 24.

26 men. Heb. pl. of °ish or °enōsh. Ap. 14.

them=the seventy.

written=enrolled. See note on Ex. 17. 14.

went not out. Cp. 1 Sam. 10. 22.

in the camp. Cp. Ps. 139. 7.

27 a. Heb. the, viz. the young man, to be described later.

29 Enviest thou...? Fig. Erotēsis. Ap. 6. Art thou jealous for me?

would God. “God” should be in italics. Fig. Eonismos. Ap. 6.

put His spirit. This is the definition of a true prophet. Cp. v. 17, and 12. 6.

31 wind. Heb. rûach. Ap. 9.

fall. Cp. Ps. 78. 27, 28.

a day’s journey. See Ap. 51. III. 4.

cubits. See Ap. 51. III. 2.

high upon. Heb.=“above”; i.e. “[flying] above”, so that they could be easily caught. It does not say “deep”.

32 homers. See Lev. 27. 16, and Ap. 51. III. 3.

33 flesh. Cp. Ps. 78. 27-31.

34 Kibroth-hattaavah. Heb. graves of lust.

camp, and as it were two °cubits °high upon the face of the earth.

32 And the People stood up all that day, and all that night, and all the next day, and they gathered the quails: he that gathered least gathered ten °homers: and they spread them all abroad for themselves round about the camp.

33 And while the °flesh was yet between their teeth, ere it was chewed, the wrath of °the LORD was kindled against the People,

and °the LORD smote the People with a very great plague.

34 And he called the name of that place °Kibroth-hattaavah: because there they buried the People that lusted.

35 And the People journeyed from Kibroth-hattaavah unto Hazeroth; and abode at Hazeroth.

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12 And °Miriam and Aaron spake against Moses because of the °Ethiopian woman whom he had married: for he had married an Ethiopian woman.

2 And they said, °“Hath °the LORD indeed spoken only by Moses? hath He not spoken also by us?” And °the LORD heard it.

3 (Now the °man Moses was °very meek, above all the °men which were upon the face of the earth.)

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4 And °the LORD °spake suddenly unto Moses, and unto Aaron, and unto Miriam, “Come out ye three unto the °tabernacle of the congregation.” And they three came out.

5 And °the LORD came down in the pillar of the cloud, and stood in the °door of the °tabernacle, and called Aaron and Miriam: and they both came forth.

6 And °He °said, “Hear now My words: °If there be a prophet among you, I °the LORD will °make Myself known unto him in a vision, and will speak unto him in a dream.

7 °My servant Moses is °not so, °who is faithful in all Mine house.

8 With him will I speak °mouth to mouth, even °apparently, and °not in dark speeches; and the °similitude of °the LORD shall he behold: wherefore then were ye not afraid to speak °against °My servant Moses?”

9 And the anger of °the LORD was °kindled against them; and °He departed.

10 And the cloud departed from off the °tabernacle;

and, behold, Miriam became °leprous, white as snow: and Aaron looked upon Miriam, and, °behold, she was leprous.

11 And Aaron said unto Moses, “Alas, my lord, I beseech thee, lay not the °sin upon us, wherein we have done foolishly, and wherein we have °sinned.

12 Let her not be as one °dead, of whom °the flesh is half consumed when he cometh out of °his mother’s womb.”

13 And Moses cried unto °the LORD, saying, “Heal her now, O °GOD, I beseech Thee.”

14 And °the LORD °said unto Moses, “If her father had but °spit in her face, should she not be ashamed °seven days? let her be shut out from the camp seven days, and after that let her be °received in again.”

15 And Miriam was shut out from the camp seven days: and the People journeyed not till Miriam was °brought in again.

16 And afterward the People removed from Hazeroth, and pitched in the wilderness of Paran.

13 And °the LORD °spake unto Moses, saying,

2 °“Send thou °men, that they may °search the land of °Canaan, which I give unto the

destroy, Ps. 26. 9. Jer. 16. 5.

15 brought—received, v. 14.

13. 1—14. 45 [For Structures see next page].

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. **spake**. See note on 1. 1. **2** Send thou. This was spoken in consequence of People’s request. Cp. Deut. 1. 19–22, and “we will” of v. 22. This was walking by “sight.” men. Heb. pl. of *’ish* or *’enosh*. Ap. 14. ii. **search**, for Jehovah had told them about it. See Deut. 8. 7–9. Cp. 1 Sam. 8. 6, 22, and Hos. 13. 11. Jehovah already espied it. Ezek. 20. 6. **Canaan**. Cp. Deut. 7. 1. The land of the seven mighty nations. See App. 23 and 25.

12. 1–15 (v. p. 195). MURMURINGS OF MIRIAM AND AARON (*Alternation*).

a | b | 1–3. Murmuring.
c | 4–10. Punishment inflicted.
a | b | 11, 12. Confession.
c | 13–15. Punishment removed.

1 Miriam. Named first to show she was first in the rebellion. See v. 10. Cp. Gen. 3. 3.

Ethiopian = Zipporah. Heb. *Cushite*. Arabia was in the land of Cush: or Zipporah (Ex. 2. 21) may have been of Cushite nationality, though territorially a Midianite.

2 Hath...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

3 man. Heb. *’ish*. Ap. 14. ii.

very meek = patient. First occurrence. Heb. *’ānāh* – to endure with submission what might be evaded: in contrast with Heb. *’ānī* = to bear what cannot be avoided. men. Heb. *’ādām*. Ap. 14.

4–10 (c, above). PUNISHMENT INFLICTED. (*Alternation*.)

c | d | e | 4, 5. Cloud. Descent.
f | 6 8. Rebuke.
d | e | 9, 10–. Cloud. Departure.
f | 10. Judgment.

4 spake. See note on 1. 1.

tabernacle = tent. Heb. *’ohel*. See Ap. 40.

5 door = entrance.

6 He: i. e. Jehovah.

said. See note on 3. 40.

If there be = should there be; i. e. when ye have your prophet.

make Myself known. This also essential to a prophet. Cp. 11. 29.

7 My servant Moses. First occurrence. Occurs six times. See Num. 12. 7, 8. Josh. 1. 2, 7. 2 Kings 21. 8. Mal. 4. 4.

not so: i. e. much greater. Cp. v. 8.

who is faithful. Cp. Heb. 3. 2, or, Faithful is he, &c.

8 mouth to mouth. Cp. Gen. 45. 12. 2 John 12.

3 John 14. See also Ex. 33. 11. Deut. 34. 10. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. **apparently** = plainly.

not, &c. = Fig. *Pleonasm*. Ap. 6.

similitude: i. e. likeness or image. This must be understood in harmony with Ex. 33. 20, 23. Cp. Deut. 4. 12, 15. John 1. 18. 1 Tim. 6. 16. Cp. Col. 1. 15.

against, &c. Heb. “against my servant, against Moses.” Cp. idiom in Gen. 21. 10 and note.

9 kindled: with instant result.

He: i. e. Jehovah.

10 leprous. See note on Ex. 4. 6.

behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6. = “there she was—leprous!” abruptness of language reveals the excitement produced.

11 sin...sinned. Heb. *chāt’ā*. Ap. 44. i.

12 dead = stillborn.

the flesh. The Primitive Text read “our flesh”. This is one of the eighteen emendations of the Sopherim (see Ap. 33), to avoid what was supposed to be derogatory to Aaron.

his mother’s. The Primitive Text read “our mother’s” (see above note): thus it is made impersonal.

13 GOD = El. – God, the mighty God. See Ap. 4. iv.

spit in her face = treat with contempt: so the idiom is used in Syr. and Arabic to-day. Heb. “had spitted a spitting.” Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. Cp. Job 30. 10.

seven days. Cp. Lev. 13. 4, 5, 21, 26.

received in. Homonym *’āṣaph* (1) to heal or recover, here, 2 Kings 5. 6. Ps. 27. 10; (2) to snatch away or

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° children of Israel: of every tribe of their fathers shall ye send a ° man, every one a ° ruler among them."

3 And Moses ° by the ° commandment of ° the LORD sent them from the wilderness of Paran: all those men were ° heads of the ° children of Israel.

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4 And these were their ° names: of the tribe of Reuben, Shammua the son of Zaccur.

5 Of the tribe of Simeon, Shaphat the son of Hori.

6 Of the tribe of Judah, Caleb the son of Jephunneh.

7 Of the tribe of Issachar, Igal the son of Joseph.

8 Of the tribe of Ephraim, ° Oshea the son of ° Nun.

9 Of the tribe of Benjamin, Palti the son of Raphu.

10 Of the tribe of Zebulun, Gaddiel the son of Sodi.

11 Of the tribe of Joseph, namely, of the tribe of Manasseh, Gaddi the son of Susi.

12 Of the tribe of Dan, Ammiel the son of Gemalli.

13 Of the tribe of Asher, ° Sethur the son of Michael.

14 Of the tribe of Naphtali, Nahbi the son of Vophsi.

15 Of the tribe of Gad, Geuel the son of Machi.

16 These are the ° names of the men which Moses sent to spy out the land. And Moses called ° Oshea the son of Nun ° Jehoshua.

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17 And Moses sent them to spy out the land of Canaan, and said unto them, "Get you up this way ° southward, and go up into the mountain:

18 And see the land, what it is; and the people that dwelleth therein, whether they be strong or weak, few or many;

19 And what the land is that they dwell in, whether it be good or bad; and what cities they be that they dwell in, whether in ° tents, or in strong holds;

20 And what the land is, whether it be fat or lean, whether there be wood therein, or not. And be ye of good courage, and bring of the fruit of the land." Now the time was the time of the firstripe grapes.

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21 So they ° went up, and searched the land from the wilderness of Zin unto Rehob, as men come to Hamath.

22 And they ascended by the ° south, and came unto ° Hebron; where ° Ahiman, Sheshai, and Talmi, the ° children of Anak, were. (Now Hebron was ° built ° seven years before ° Zoan in Egypt.)

23 ° And they came unto the brook of Eshcol, and cut down from thence a branch with one cluster of ° grapes, ° and they bare it between two upon a staff; ° and they brought of the ° pomegranates, ° and of the ° figs.

24 The place was called the ° brook ° Eshcol, because of the ° cluster of grapes which the ° children of Israel cut down from thence.

pomegranates. His worship comes next (largely used symbolically in tabernacle and temple, see Ex. 27, 28, and 29 and 2 Chron. 3 and 4). figs. The common support of life in the East, next to bread. These symbolise the common duties of life. (The grapes and pomegranates its luxuries and spiritual privileges). 24 brook: or valley. Eshcol = cluster. cluster. Heb. *'eshcol*.

13. 1—14. 45 (N², p. 195). THE SPIES (*Division*).

N² | O¹ | 13. 1—14. 38. The Expedition.
O² | 14. 39—45. The Episode.

13. 1—14. 38 (O¹, above). THE EXPEDITION.
(*Introversion and Alternation*.)

O¹ | P | 13. 1—3. Command of Jehovah.

Q | a | 13. 4—16. Selection of spies.

b | 13. 17—20. Directions to spies.

Q | a | 13. 21—25. Searching of the spies.

b | 13. 26—14. 10—. Report and reception.

P | 14. 10—38. Provocation of Jehovah.

children = sons.

man. Heb. *'ish*. See Ap. 14. ii. = a great or chief man. Cp. Isa. 5. 15.

ruler: or prince. This made the rebellion so serious. 3 by the commandment of the LORD. Cp. Deut. 1. 19—22.

commandment. Heb. "mouth". Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, put for what is spoken by the mouth.

heads = captains over thousands. Ex. 18. 25.

4 names. For the order of the tribes here, see Ap. 45.

8 Oshea = salvation. Cp. v. 16. See note on v. 16.

Nun. 1 Chron. 7. 27, "Non".

13 Sethur = hidden, or mystical: by Gematria = 666 (Ap. 10). Probably marking the ringleader of the Provocation.

16 names. Levi not named. No inheritance in the land.

Jehoshua. Name occurs over 250 times; see the first, Ex. 17. 9. Sometimes Jeshua (Neh. 8. 17). Greek, *Jesus* (Matt. 1. 21. Acts 7. 45. Heb. 4. 8). In Deut. 32. 44 called Hoshea again: *Hoshea* = saviour, or salvation. *Je*, prefixed = he by whom Jehovah will save.

17 southward. For first nine miles, on account of the roads, then by the mountain passes eastward.

19 tents = camps.

21 went up. In the month Ab (our July).

22 south = the Negeb. Cp. Gen. 12. 9; 13. 1.

Hebron. Ancient name, Kirjath-arba (or stronghold of Arba) (Gen. 23. 2, 19), because built by Anak and the sons of Arba. Josh. 14. 15; 15. 13. The Tel-el-Amarna Tablets show that certain bands of Hittite condottieri are called "*Khabiri*", or "allies" (hence the name Hebron, which means "confederacy", or friendship, which is not met with till Ramases II), captured Kirjath-Arba. Ebed-Tob, king of Jerusalem (see note on Gen. 14. 18), in his letters to Pharaoh frequently mentions these *Khabiri* (or confederates of Amorites and Hittites). God's confederacy with His people in Christ was "before the foundation of the world". Before Zoan the city of the wise was known.

Ahiman. Driven out by Caleb. Josh. 15. 13, 14. Slain by Judah. Judg. 1. 10.

children of Anak = home-born persons: usually of slaves. These were the result of a second irruption of the fallen angels. See Gen. 6. 4, "after that". These are called "Nephilim" in v. 33. See Ap. 23 and 25. The name "Anak" occurs here, and vv. 28, 33. Deut. 9. 2. Josh. 15. 14.

built: i.e. rebuilt (*bānāh* frequently has this meaning). Cp. Josh. 6. 26. 1 Kings 16. 34. 2 Kings 14. 22. Isa. 44. 28. Amos 9. 14.

seven years before Zoan in Egypt. Built by the first kings of the nineteenth dynasty (see Ap. 37). Ramases II made it his capital, cp. Isa. 30. 4 (and is the first to mention Hebron). Zoan was the scene of the Exodus (see Ps. 78. 12, 13), and "the house of bondage" Zoan. See note on Ex. 1. 10.

23 And. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), calling attention to each of the three items.

grapes, &c. No mere accident that these three were brought. These symbolical of the "fruit" of our Land, even of Him Who is the true Vine. He comes first.

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25 And they returned from searching of the land after ° forty days.

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26 And they went and came to Moses, and to Aaron, and to all the congregation of the ° children of Israel, unto the wilderness of Paran, to ° Kadesh; and brought back word unto them, and unto all the congregation, and shewed them the fruit of the land.

27 And they told him, and said, "We came unto the land whither thou sentest us, and surely it floweth with milk and honey; and this is the fruit of it.

28 ° Nevertheless the people be strong that dwell in the land, and the cities are walled, and ° very great: and moreover ° we saw the ° children of Anak there.

29 The Amalekites dwell in the land of the south: and the Hittites, and the Jebusites, and the Amorites, dwell in the mountains: and the Canaanites dwell by the sea, and by the coast of Jordan."

e¹ 30 And ° Caleb ° stilled the People before Moses, and said, "Let us go up at once, and possess it; for we are ° well able to overcome it."

d² 31 But the ° men that went up with him said, "We be ° not able to go up against the people; for ° they are stronger than we."

32 And they ° brought up an evil report of the land which they had searched unto the ° children of Israel, saying, "The land, through which we have gone to search it, is a land that eateth up the inhabitants thereof; and all the people that ° we saw in it are men of a great stature.

33 And there ° we saw the ° giants, the sons of Anak, which come of the ° giants: and we were in our own ° sight as ° grasshoppers, and so we were in their sight."

d³ 14 And all the congregation ° lifted up their voice, and ° cried; and the People wept that night.

2 And all the ° children of Israel murmured against Moses and against Aaron: and the whole congregation said unto them, ° "Would God that we had died in the land of Egypt! or ° would God we had died in this wilderness!

3 And ° wherefore hath ° the LORD brought us unto this land, to fall by the sword, that our wives and our children should be a prey? ° were it not better for us to return into Egypt?"

4 And they said one to another, "Let us make a ° captain, and let us return into Egypt."

5 Then Moses and Aaron fell on their faces before all the assembly of the congregation of the ° children of Israel.

o² 6 And ° Joshua the son of Nun, and Caleb the son of Jephunneh, which were of them that searched the land, rent their clothes:

7 And they spake unto all the company of the ° children of Israel, saying, "The land, which we passed through to search it, is an ° exceeding good land.

8 ° If ° the LORD delight in us, then He will bring us into this land, and give it us; a land which floweth with milk and honey.

25 forty. The number of Probation. See Ap. 10. At the end of Elul (our August), exactly six months from setting up of the Tabernacle. See Ap. 50. VII. 3.

13. 26—14. 10- (b, p. 198). REPORT AND RECEPTION (*Introversion*).

b	c	d ¹	13. 26-29. Evil report	} Report
		e ¹	13. 30. Action of Caleb	
		d ²	13. 31-33. Evil report	
	c	d ³	14. 1-5. The congregation	} Reception.
		e ²	14. 6-9. Joshua and Caleb	
		d ⁴	14. 10-. The congregation	

26 Kadesh = Kadesh-barnea. Deut. 1. 19.

28 Nevertheless. In spite of the evidence produced. This is the conclusion of *sight*, not of faith. Note the words "we saw", vv. 28, 32, 33.

very great. Great in size as well as in wickedness, abnormal, superhuman. See Ap. 23 and 25.

we saw. This was "walking by sight, not by faith", 2 Cor. 5. 7.

30 Caleb = whole-hearted.

stilled = silenced.

well able = the conclusion of faith.

31 men. Heb. pl. of 'ish or 'enosh. Ap. 14. ii.

not able = the conclusion of sight.

they are stronger than we = the conclusion of unbelief, which always leaves God out.

32 brought up an evil report = sent forth a slander. Cp. 14. 37.

we saw. The language of unbelief.

33 giants. Heb. *nephilim*. Those mentioned in Gen. 6. 4 were all destroyed in the Flood; these came from a second irruption of fallen angels, "after that": i. e. after "those days" = the days of Noah. See Gen. 6. 4, and Ap. 23 and 25. See note on v. 22.

sight. It is all "sight" where there is no faith 2 Cor. 5. 7.

grasshoppers: or locusts.

14. 1 lifted up their voice. Heb. idiom "lifted up and gave their voice". Gen. 21. 16. Ps. 18. 13. Jer. 2. 15. Ps. 104. 12; 77. 18. Hab. 3. 10.

cried = cried aloud. What a contrast to Ex. 15. 1, "Then sang". Cp. Ex. 15. 13-17, and note 1 Cor. 10. 11.

2 children = sons.

Would God. Fig. *Ecstasius*. Ap. 6.

3 wherefore. Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

were it not . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

4 captain. At Horeb they made a "calf"; at Kadesh they would make a "captain". Two notable occasions.

6 Joshua . . . and Caleb. Only two out of twelve; only two out of the whole congregation. Let us heed the lesson, and take courage. 1 Cor. 10. 11.

7 exceeding. Heb. "very, very". Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6.

8 If the LORD delight in us. This is the secret of all blessing. Deut. 10. 15. 2 Sam. 15. 25, 26; 22. 20. 1 Kings 10. 9. Ps. 22. 8; 147. 10, 11. Isa. 62. 4.

9 defence. Heb. = shadow. Note Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6. i. 2). Lit. "they [are] like our bread (= manna), their shadow hath turned aside from off them". The manna when out of the shade melted, though hard (cp. 11. 8 and Ex. 16. 21): so the hearts of their enemies would melt away, not having Jehovah for their shadow, or defence. Cp. Ex. 15. 15. Josh. 2. 9, 11. Isa. 13. 7; 19. 1. Ezek. 21. 7.

9 Only rebel not ye against ° the LORD, neither fear ye the people of the land; for they are bread for us: their ° defence is departed from them, and ° the LORD is with us: fear them not."

10 But all the congregation bade stone them with stones. d⁴

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And the glory of ³the LORD appeared in the ²tabernacle of the congregation before all the ²children of Israel.

11 And ³the LORD ^osaid unto Moses, ^o“How long will this People provoke Me? and ^ohow long will it be ere they believe Me, for all the signs which I have shewed among them?”

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12 I will smite them with the pestilence, and disinherit them, and will make of thee a greater nation and mightier than they.”

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13 And Moses said unto ³the LORD, “Then the Egyptians shall hear it, (for Thou broughtest up this People in Thy might ^ofrom among them;)

14 And they will tell it to the inhabitants of this land: for they have heard that Thou ³LORD art among this People, that Thou ³LORD art seen ^oface to face, and that ^oThy cloud standeth over them, and that Thou goest before them, by day time in a pillar of a cloud, and in a pillar of fire by night.

15 Now if Thou shalt kill all this People as one ^oman, then the nations which have heard the fame of Thee will speak, saying,

16 ‘Because ³the LORD was not able to bring this People into the land which He swore unto them, therefore He hath slain them in the wilderness.’

17 And now, I beseech Thee, let the power of ^omy LORD ^{*}be great, according as Thou hast spoken, saying,

18 ^o“The LORD is longsuffering, and of great ^omercy, forgiving ^oiniquity and ^otransgression, and by no means clearing the guilty, visiting the ^oiniquity of the fathers upon the ²children unto the third and fourth generation.”

19 Pardon, I beseech Thee, the ¹³iniquity of this People according unto the greatness of Thy ¹⁸mercy, and as Thou hast forgiven this people, from Egypt even until now.”

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20 And ³the LORD said, “I have pardoned according to thy word:

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21 But as truly ^oas I live, ^oall the earth shall be filled with the glory of ³the LORD.

22 Because all those ^omen which have seen My glory, and My miracles, which I did in Egypt and in the wilderness, and have tempted Me now these ^oten times, and have not hearkened to My voice;

23 Surely they shall not see the land which I swear unto their fathers, neither shall any of them that provoked Me see it:

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24 But My servant Caleb, because he had ^oanother ^ospirit with him, and hath followed Me fully, him will I bring into the land whereinto he went; and his seed shall possess it.”

25 (Now the Amalekites and the Canaanites dwelt in the valley.) “To morrow turn you, and get you into the wilderness by the way of the Red sea.”

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26 And ³the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying,

27 ^o“How long ^oshall I bear with this evil congregation, which murmur against Me? I have heard the murmurings of the ²children of Israel, which they murmur against Me.

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28 Say unto them, ‘As truly ²¹as I live,

—10-38 (P, p. 198). PROVOCATION OF JEHOVAH. (*Introversion and Alternation.*)

P R f | 10, 11. Reproach: “How long?”

g | 12. Threatening. General.

S | 13-25. Moses and Jehovah.

R | f | 26, 27. Reproach: “How long?”

g | 28-38. Threatening. Particular.

10 tabernacle = tent. Heb. *‘ohel*. See Ap. 40.

11 said. See note on 3. 40.

How long . . . ? = to what point. Cp. v. 27. Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

13-25 (S, above). MOSES AND JEHOVAH (*Alternation.*)

S h | 11-19. Intercession to enter land.

i | 20. Exception. Pardon for the people.

h | 21-23. Refusal. None of that generation to enter.

i | 24. Exception. Entrance for Caleb and Joshua.

13 from among. Fig. *Pleonasm* (Ap. 6). = “out of the midst of”.

14 face to face. Heb. eye to eye.

Thy cloud. Cp. Ex. 13. 21.

15 man. Heb. *‘ish*. Ap. 14. ii.

17 my LORD = Jehovah. One of the 134 alterations of the Sopherim. See Ap. 32. Many codices, and first printed edition, read “Jehovah”.

18 The LORD = Jehovah. Quoted from Ex. 34. 6; 20. 5 and 34. 7.

mercy lovingkindness, or grace.

iniquity. Heb. *‘avāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

transgression. Heb. *pāsh’a*. Ap. 44. ix. Some codices, with Sam., Jon., and Sept., read “transgression and sin”, as in Ex. 34. 7.

21 as I live. Heb. “assuredly I live; and all the earth”, &c. Cp. Ezek. 18. 3; 20. 33. Rom. 14. 11.

all the earth. First occurrence of this expression. Cp. Isa. 6. 3; 11. 9. Ps. 72. 19. Hab. 2. 14. Note the unconditional covenant.

22 men. Heb. pl. of *‘ish* or *‘enōsh*. Ap. 14.

ten times. Not a “round” number:—

(1) At Red Sea (Ex. 14. 11, 12).

(2) At Marah (Ex. 15. 23, 24).

(3) Wilderness of Sin (Ex. 16. 2).

(4, 5) Twice about manna (Ex. 16. 20, 27).

(6) At Rephidim (Ex. 17. 1-3).

(7) At Horeb (golden calf) (Ex. 32).

(8) At Taberah (Num. 11. 1).

(9) At Kibroth Hattaavah (Num. 11. 4).

(10) Here, at Kadesh (Num. 14. 2).

24 another = different. Cp. Phil. 3. 15, “otherwise”. Cp. Eph. 4. 23.

spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Spirit put for motions of the mind and character (Ap. 9).

27 How long . . . ? = to what time. Cp. v. 11. Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

shall I bear with. Fig. *Ellipsis*. Ap. 6. ii. 2.

28-38 (g, above). THREATENING. (*Alternations.*)

g | k | m | 28, 29-. Fall in wilderness.

n | -29. Age above twenty years.

l | 30, 31. Exception—Caleb and Joshua.

k | m | 32. Fall in wilderness.

n | 33-37. Time—Forty years.

l | 38. Exception—Joshua and Caleb.

28 as - according as . . . so will I do. Ps. 95. 11. Num. 26. 65; 32. 11. Deut. 1. 35. Heb. 3. 17, 18.

29 numbered. Cp. 1. 45 and 26. 63-65.

saith ³the LORD, ^oas ye have spoken in Mine ears, ^oso will I do to you:

29 Your carcases shall fall in this wilderness; and all that were ^onumbered of you, according to your whole number, from twenty years old and upward, which have murmured against Me,

n

1 (p. 200) 1490 30 Doubtless ye shall not come into the land, concerning which ° I swear to make you dwell therein, save Caleb the son of Jephunneh, and Joshua the son of Nun.

31 But your little ones, which ° ye said should be a prey, them will I bring in, and they shall ° know the land which ye have despised.

m 32 But as for you, your carcasses, they shall fall in this wilderness.

n From 15 Ab 1491 33 And your ° children shall ° wander in the wilderness forty years, and bear your ° whoredoms, until your carcasses be wasted in the wilderness.

to 15 Abib 1451 34 After the number of the days in which ye searched the land, even ° forty days, ° each day for a year, shall ye bear your ° iniquities, even forty years, and ye shall know My ° breach of promise.

35 ¶ the LORD have ° said, I will surely do it unto all this evil congregation, that are gathered together against Me: in this wilderness they shall be consumed, and there they ° shall die."

36 And the ° men, which Moses sent to search the land, who returned, and made all the congregation to murmur against him, by bringing up a slander upon the land,

37 Even those ° men that did ° bring up the evil report upon the land, died by the plague before ° the LORD.

l 38 But Joshua the son of Nun, and Caleb the son of Jephunneh, which were of the men that went to search the land, lived still.

O² o (p. 201) 39 And Moses told these sayings unto all the ° children of Israel: and the People mourned greatly.

p 27 Ab 1490 40 And they rose up early in the morning, and gat them up into the top of the mountain, saying, ° "Lo, we be here, and will go up unto the place which ° the LORD hath promised: for we have ° sinned."

q 41 And Moses said, "Wherefore now do ye transgress the ° commandment of ° the LORD? but it shall not prosper.

42 Go not up, for ° the LORD is not among you; that ye be not smitten before your enemies.

43 For the Amalekites and the Canaanites are there before you, and ye shall fall by the sword: because ye are turned away from ° the LORD, therefore ° the LORD will not be with you."

p 44 But they ° presumed to go up unto the hill top: nevertheless the ark of the covenant of ° the LORD, and Moses, departed not out of the camp.

o 45 Then the Amalekites came down, and the Canaanites which dwelt in that hill, and smote them, and discomfited them, even unto ° Hormah.

M¹ r t 1490 1452 15 And ° the LORD ° spake unto Moses, saying,
2 "Speak unto the ° children of Israel, and say unto them, 'When ye be come ° into the

30 I swear. Heb. I lifted up my hand. Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, put for swearing. Cp. v. 21. Deut. 32. 40, &c.

31 ye said. v. 3. Cp. Deut. 1. 39.

know = get to know, and enjoy. Sept. = shall inherit.

33 wander = be wanderers.

whoredoms. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the punishment they produced, all caused by idolatry. Cp. Jer. 3. 9. Ezek. 16. 15-17. Ex. 34. 15, 16. Lev. 17. 7.

34 forty days. See Ap. 10. The number of Probation. See also Ap. 50. VII. 2.

each day for a year. No universal law here: "day" means day, and "year" means year. See Ap. 11.

breach = "my breach of promise (cp. vv. 42 and 43) [with which ye charge me] meaneth". Cp. Deut. 31. 16, 17. Zech. 11. 10. Rom. 11. 22; also Job 33. 10.

35 said. See note on 3. 40. Said on 26 Ab (fifth month, second year). The whole period is contained in chs. 15-19; 33. 19-36, inclusive. See Ap. 50. VII. 3. shall die. Aaron died on first day of fifth month of fortieth year, 20. 28; 33. 38. The second numbering took place after that.

36 men. Heb. pl. of 'ish or 'enosh. Ap. 14. These ten men died by a special plague at the time. Cp. 1 Chron. 13. 10. 2 Sam. 6. 7. Cp. v. 17 here.

39-45 (O², p. 198). THE EPISODE.

(Introversion.)

O² o | 39. Mourning.

p | 40. Presumption.

q | 41-43. Prohibition.

p | 44. Presumption.

o | 45. Discomfiture.

40 Lo. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

sinned. Heb. chātā. Ap. 44. i.

41 commandment. Heb. "mouth". Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the word spoken by it.

44 presumed to go up = were presumptuous to go up. Cp. idiom, 35. 31. Gen. 2. 3; 31. 27. Deut. 1. 42, 43

45 Hormah = destruction.

15. 1-41 (M¹, p. 195). LAWS FOR THE PEOPLE.

(Introversion.)

M¹ | r | 1-29. Laws re Offerings.

s | 30, 31. Presumptuous sins. Cut off.

s | 32-36. Presumptuous sin. Stoned.

r | 37-41. Laws re Dress.

1-29 (r, above). LAWS RE OFFERINGS.

(Extended Alternation, and Introversion.)

r t | 1, 2. Place. The land.

u | w | 3. Purposes.

x | 4-12. Offerings (Burnt).

v | 13-16. Unity of law.

t | 17, 18. Place. The land.

u | x | 19-21. Offerings (Meal).

w | 22-28. Purpose.

v | 29. Unity of law.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

spake. See note on 1. 1. 2 children = sons. into the land. Note that the turning away from the land does not affect Jehovah's purpose to bring them in.

3 offering. Heb. 'ishsheh. Ap. 43. II. xi.

burnt offering. Heb. 'olah. Ap. 43. II. ii.

sacrifice. Heb. zebach. Ap. 43. II. xii.

freewill offering. Heb. nedabah. Ap. 43. II. vii.

land of your habitations, which ¶ give unto you,

3 And will make an ° offering by fire unto ° the LORD, a ° burnt offering, or a ° sacrifice in performing a vow, or in a ° freewill offering.

u w

or in your °solemn feasts, to make a °sweet savour unto ¹the LORD, of the herd, or of the flock:

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4 Then shall he that °offereth his °offering unto ¹the LORD bring a meat offering of a °tenth deal of flour mingled with the fourth part of an °hin of oil.

5 And the fourth part of an °hin of wine for a drink offering shalt thou prepare with the burnt offering or °sacrifice, for one lamb.

6 Or for a ram, thou shalt prepare for a °meat offering two tenth deals of flour mingled with the third part of an °hin of oil.

7 And for a drink offering thou shalt °offer the third part of an °hin of wine, for a °sweet savour unto ¹the LORD.

8 And when thou preparest a bullock for a burnt offering, or for a sacrifice in performing a vow, or peace offerings unto ¹the LORD:

9 Then shall he bring with a bullock a meat offering of three °tenth deals of flour mingled with half an °hin of oil.

10 And thou shalt bring for a drink offering half an °hin of wine, for an °offering made by fire, of a °sweet savour unto ¹the LORD.

11 Thus shall it be done for one bullock, or for one ram, or for a lamb, or a kid.

12 According to the number that ye shall prepare, so shall ye do to every one according to their number.

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13 All that are born of the country shall do these things after this manner, in offering an °offering made by fire, of a °sweet savour unto ¹the LORD.

14 And if a stranger sojourn with you, or whosoever be among you in your generations, and will °offer an °offering made by fire, of a °sweet savour unto ¹the LORD; °as ye do, so °he shall do.

15 One ordinance shall be both for you of the °congregation, and also for the stranger that sojourneth with you, an ordinance for ever in your generations: as ye are, so shall the stranger be before ¹the LORD.

16 One law and one °manner shall be for you, and for the stranger that sojourneth with you."

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17 And ¹the LORD ¹spake unto Moses, saying,

18 "Speak unto the °children of Israel, and say unto them, 'When ye come into the land whither I bring you,

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19 Then it shall be, that, when ye eat of the bread of the land, ye shall offer up an heave offering unto ¹the LORD.

20 Ye shall offer up a °cake of the first of your dough for an °heave offering: as ye do the heave offering of the threshingfloor, so shall ye heave it.

21 Of the first of your dough ye shall give unto ¹the LORD an heave offering in your °generations.

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22 And if ye have erred, and not observed all these commandments, which ¹the LORD hath spoken unto Moses,

23 Even all that ¹the LORD hath commanded you by the hand of Moses, from the day that

solemn feasts = appointed seasons.

sweet savour. See note on Lev. 1. 9.

4 offereth = bringeth near. Ap. 43. I. i.

offering = approach-offering. Ap. 43. II. i.

tenth deal. } See Ap. 51. III. 3.
hin.

5 sacrifice. Probably peace-offerings. Ap. 43. II. xii.

6 meat offering. Ap. 43. II. iii.

7 offer = bring near. Heb. *kārab*. Ap. 43. I. i.

14 offer = prepare. Heb. *āsāh*. Ap. 43. I. iii.

as = according as. he = the stranger.

15 congregation = assembly.

16 manner. Heb. judgment, or ordinance.

20 cake = pierced cake.

heave offering. See note on Ex. 29. 27.

21 generations. Severus Codex reads this as singular. See Ap. 34.

25 atonement. See note on Ex. 29. 33.

sacrifice made by fire. Heb. *ishsheh*. Ap. 43. II. xi.

26 all = the whole.

27 soul = person. Heb. *nephesh*. See Ap. 13. Cp. vv. 28, 30.

sin. Heb. *chāt'ā*. Ap. 44. i.

28 sinneth. Heb. *shāgag*. Ap. 44. xii.

29 sinneth. Heb. *āsāh*. Ap. 44. ii.

30 presumptuously. Heb. with a high hand.

31 iniquity. Heb. *āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv. Put here by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the punishment produced by it.

¹the LORD commanded Moses, and henceforward among your generations;

24 Then it shall be, if ought be committed by ignorance without the knowledge of the congregation, that all the congregation shall offer one young bullock for a burnt offering, for a °sweet savour unto ¹the LORD, with his meat offering, and his drink offering, according to the °manner, and one kid of the goats for a sin offering.

25 And the priest shall make an °atonement for all the congregation of the °children of Israel, and it shall be forgiven them; for it is ignorance: and they shall bring their °offering, a °sacrifice made by fire unto ¹the LORD, and their sin offering before ¹the LORD, for their ignorance:

26 And it shall be forgiven °all the congregation of the °children of Israel, and the stranger that sojourneth among them; seeing all the People were in ignorance.

27 And if any °soul °sin through ignorance, then he shall bring a she goat of the first year for a sin offering.

28 And the priest shall make an °atonement for the °soul that °sinneth ignorantly, when he °sinneth by ignorance before ¹the LORD, to make an °atonement for him; and it shall be forgiven him.

29 Ye shall have one law for him that °sinneth through ignorance, both for him that is born among the °children of Israel, and for the stranger that sojourneth among them.

30 But the °soul that doeth ought °presumptuously, whether he be born in the land, or a stranger, the same reproacheth ¹the LORD; and that °soul shall be cut off from among his people.

31 Because he hath despised the word of ¹the LORD, and hath broken His commandment, that °soul shall utterly be cut off; his °iniquity shall be upon him."

^{s y}¹ 32 And ° while the ²children of Israel were in the wilderness, they found a °man ° that gathered sticks upon the sabbath day.

1490 33 And they that found him gathering sticks brought him unto Moses and Aaron, and unto all the congregation.

1452 34 And they put him in ward, because it was not ° declared ° what should be done to him.

^y² 35 And ¹the LORD ° said unto Moses, "The man shall be surely put to death: all the congregation shall stone him with stones without the camp."

36 And all the congregation brought him without the camp, and stoned him with stones, and he died; ° as ¹the LORD commanded Moses.

^r (p. 201) 37 And ¹the LORD ¹spake unto Moses, saying,

38 "Speak unto the ²children of Israel, and bid them that they make them ° fringes in the borders of their garments throughout their generations, and that they put upon the ° fringe of the borders a ribband of blue:

39 And it shall be unto you for a ³⁸fringe, that ye may look upon it, and remember all the commandments of ¹the LORD, and do them; and that ye seek not after your own heart and your own eyes, after which ye use to go a whoring:

40 That ye may remember, and do all My commandments, and be ° holy unto your ° God.

41 ¶ ³am ¹the ° LORD your ⁴⁰God, which brought you out of the land of Egypt, to be your ⁴⁰God: ¶ ³am the ° LORD your ⁴⁰God."

^L² ^f ¹ (p. 203) 16 ° Now ° Korah, the son of Izhar, the son of Kohath, the son of Levi, and Dathan and Abiram, the sons of Eliab, and On, the son of Peleth, ° sons of Reuben, took ° men:

2 And they rose up before Moses, with certain of the ° children of Israel, two hundred and fifty princes of the ° assembly, famous in the ° congregation, ° men of renown:

3 And they gathered themselves together against Moses and against Aaron, and said unto them, "Ye take too much upon you, seeing all the ° congregation are ° holy, every one of them, and ° the LORD is among them: wherefore then lift ye up yourselves above the ° congregation of the LORD?"

^m 4 And when Moses heard it, he fell upon his face:

ⁿ 5 And he spake unto Korah and unto all his company, saying, "Even to morrow ³the LORD will shew who are His, and who is ³holy; and will cause him to come near unto Him: even him whom He hath chosen will He cause to come near unto Him.

6 This do; Take you censers, Korah, and all his company;

7 And put fire therein, and put incense in them before ³the LORD to morrow: and it shall be that the ° man whom ³the LORD doth choose, he shall be ³holy: ye take too much upon you, ye sons of Levi."

8 And Moses said unto Korah, "Hear, I pray you, ye sons of Levi:

9 ° Seemeth it but a small thing unto you,

32-36 (s, p. 201). PRESUMPTUOUS SIN.

(Division.)

^s | ^y¹ | 32-34. The sin.

| ^y² | 35, 36. The punishment.

32 while. Only three events recorded during the Punishment wanderings: (1) The Sabbath breaker (15. 32-36); (2) The usurpation of Korah (16. 1-17. 13); and (3) The red heifer (19. 1-10).

man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. ii.

that gathered = gathering.

34 declared. Heb. *pārash*, make known. This is the meaning of Gr. *sunkrino*, rendered "comparing" in 1 Cor. 2. 13.

what should be done to him: i.e. what death he should die. It had been made known that he was to die, but not in what manner. Ex. 31. 15; 35. 2.

35, 36 (y², above). THE PUNISHMENT.

(Introversion.)

^y² | a | And the LORD said unto Moses.

b | The man shall surely be put to death.

c | They shall stone him with stones.

d | Without the camp...

d | Without the camp.

c | They stoned him with stones.

b | And he died.

a | As the LORD commanded Moses.

35 said. See note on 3. 40.

36 as = according as.

38 fringes. Heb. *zizith*, a fringe, as in Deut. 22. 12. Occurs only four times: here, vv. 38, 39, and Ezek. 8. 3 (lock [of hair]) = a fringe where the threads hang down, like a lock of hair.

40 holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. i.

41 the LORD your God. Fig. *Epanadiplosis*. Ap. 6. The word "Jehovah" beginning and ending the verse, to emphasise it.

16. 1-17. 13 (L², p. 195). EVENTS; REBELLION OF KORAH (Extended Alternation).

^L² | e | f | 16. 1-19-. Sin of Korah and company.

g | 16. -19. Glory of Jehovah manifested.

h | 16. 20-35. Punishment.

i | 16. 36-40. Memorial—Censers.

e | f | 16. 41. Sin of the congregation.

g | 16. 42, 43. Glory of Jehovah manifested.

h | 16. 44-50. Punishment.

i | 17. 1-13. Memorial—Rods.

1-19- (f, above). THE SIN OF KORAH.

(Introversion and Extended Alternation.)

f | j | l | 1-3. Conspirators' sin.

m | 4. Moses' prostration.

n | 5-11. Address to Korah, &c.

k | 12-. Message to Dathan and Abiram.

j | l | -12-14. Conspirators' reply.

m | 15. Moses' prayer.

n | 16-19-. Address to Korah, &c.

1 Now. See note on "while", 15. 32.

Korah. First cousin to Moses and Aaron. 6. 8. 1 Chron. 6. 2, 3. These three associated, because encamped together on south side. Cp. 2. 10 and 3. 29. See p. 181.

sons. Some codices, with Sam. and Sept., read "son". men. This word necessitated through A.V. and R.V. misplacing the verb "took", which should be after Levi. "Korah took Dathan... and Abiram... and On, the son of Peleth, the son of Reuben". See below.

2 children = sons.

assembly = appointed assembly.

congregation = assembly. Heb. 'edah.

men. Heb. pl. of 'ish or 'enōsh. Ap. 14.

3 congregation = appointed assembly. Heb. 'edah.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

congregation = assembly.

7 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14.

9 Seemeth it...? Fig. *Erotēsis* Ap. 6.

1490 that the °God of Israel hath separated you
1452 from the congregation of Israel, to bring you
near to Himself to do the service of the
°tabernacle of °the LORD, and to stand before
the congregation to minister unto them?

10 And He hath brought thee near to Him,
and all thy brethren the sons of Levi with
thee: and seek ye the priesthood also?

11 For which cause both thou and all thy
company are gathered together against °the
LORD: °and what is Aaron, that ye murmur
against him?"

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(p. 203) 12 And Moses sent to call Dathan and
Abiram, the sons of Eliab:

which said, "We will not come up:

13 °Is it a small thing that thou hast brought
us up out of a land that floweth with milk and
honey, to kill us in the wilderness, except thou
make thyself altogether a prince over us?

14 Moreover thou hast not brought us into
a land that floweth with milk and honey, or
given us inheritance of fields and vineyards:
wilt thou °put out the eyes of these men?
we will not come up."

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15 And Moses was very wroth, and said unto
°the LORD, "Respect not thou their °offering:
I have not taken one ass from them, neither
have I hurt one of them."

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16 And Moses said unto Korah, "Be thou
and all thy company before °the LORD, thou,
and thy, and Aaron, to morrow:

17 And take every man his censer, and put
incense in them, and bring ye before °the
LORD every man his censer, two hundred
and fifty censers; thou also, and Aaron, each
of you his censer."

18 And they took every man his censer, and
put °fire in them, and laid incense thereon,
and stood in the °door of the °tabernacle of
the °congregation °with Moses and Aaron.

19 And Korah gathered all the congregation
against them unto the °door of the °taber-
nacle of the °congregation:

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and the glory of °the LORD appeared unto all
the °congregation.

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(p. 204) 20 And °the LORD °spake unto Moses and
unto Aaron, saying,

21 "Separate yourselves from among this
congregation, that I may consume them in a
moment."

22 And they fell upon their faces, and said,
"O GOD, the °God of the °spirits of all flesh,
shall one °man °sin, and wilt Thou be wroth
with all the congregation?"

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23 And °the LORD °spake unto Moses, say-
ing,

24 "Speak unto the °congregation, saying,
'Get you up from about the °tabernacle of
Korah, Dathan, and Abiram.'"

25 And Moses rose up and went unto Dathan
and Abiram; and the elders of Israel followed
him.

26 And he spake unto the °congregation,
saying, "Depart, I pray you, from the tents
of these °wicked °men, and touch nothing of
theirs, lest ye be consumed in all their °sins."

27 So °they gat up from the °tabernacle

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4.

tabernacle = Heb. *mishkān*, habitation. Ap. 40.

11 and what is Aaron? - "and Aaron, who is he?"
Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

13 Is it . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

14 put out - bore out.

15 offering - gift offering. Ap. 43. II. iii.

18 fire. Note three kinds of fire here, v. 18 strange
fire; v. 35, judicial fire; v. 46, sacrificial fire. Cp. Lev.
9. 24 and 10. 1, 2.

door - entrance.

tabernacle - tent. Heb. *'ohel*. Ap. 40.

20-35 (h, p. 203). PUNISHMENT. (Introversion.)

h | o | 20-22. Conspirators. Threat to consume.

p | 23-27. Message to the People.

p | 28-30. Message to conspirators.

o | 31-35. Conspirators. Threat carried out.

20 spake. See note on 1. 1.

22 O GOD = O 'Ēl. Ap. 4. IV.

God = Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

spirits. Heb. pl. of *rūach*. Ap. 9.

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. ii.

sin. Heb. *chāt'ā*. Ap. 44. i.

24 tabernacle. Heb. *mishkān*, habitation in sing.
here = the habitation of each, separately; in v. 26
plural, "tents".

26 wicked. Heb. *rāsh'a*. Ap. 44. x.

men. Heb. pl. of *'ish* or *'enōsh*. Ap. 14.

27 they = and Korah and his sons among them.
Cp. 26. 11.

27 door = entrance.

their sons: i.e. the sons of Dathan and Abiram, not
of Korah. Cp. ch. 26. 11. Ps. 106. 17. See note on
v. 32.

28 I have not done them. Fig. *Ellipsis*. Ap. 6. i. 4.

29 men. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. i.

30 make a new thing. Heb. "create a creation".
Fig. *Polyptōton*. Ap. 6, for emphasis, throwing light
on Gen. 1. 1. Cp. Isa. 45. 7; 48. 6, 7.

them: Dathan and Abiram. Cp. v. 27. Korah's sons
had obeyed the command, cp. 26. 11.

quick = alive.

pit - *Sheōl*, see v. 33 and Ap. 35.

32 men: Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. These did not in-
clude Korah's sons. Cp. 26. 11.

of Korah, Dathan, and Abiram, on every side:
and Dathan and Abiram came out, and stood
in the °door of their tents, and their wives,
and °their sons, and their little children.

28 And Moses said, "Hereby ye shall know
that °the LORD hath sent me to do all these
works; for °I have not done them of mine
own mind."

29 If these men die the common death of all
°men, or if they be visited after the visitation
of all °men; then °the LORD hath not sent me.

30 But if °the LORD °make a new thing, and
the earth open her mouth, and swallow them
up, with all that appertain unto °them, and
they go down °quick into the °pit; then ye
shall understand that these men have provoked
°the LORD."

31 And it came to pass, as he had made an
end of speaking all these words, that the
ground clave asunder that was under them:

32 And the earth opened her mouth, and
swallowed them up, and their houses, and all
the °men that appertained unto Korah, and
all their goods.

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33 They, and all that *appertained* to them, went down ³⁰ alive into the °pit, and the earth closed upon them: and they perished from among the ²congregation.

34 And all Israel that *were* round about them fled at the cry of them: for they said, "Lest the earth swallow us up *also*."

35 And there came out a fire from ³the LORD, and consumed the °two hundred and fifty °men that offered incense.

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36 And ³the LORD ³spake unto Moses, saying,

37 "Speak unto Eleazar the son of Aaron the priest, that he take up the censers out of the °burning, and scatter thou °the fire yonder; for they are °hallowed.

38 The censers of these °sinners against their own °souls, let them make them broad plates for a covering of the altar: for they °offered them before ³the LORD, therefore they are ³⁷hallowed: and they shall be a sign unto the ²children of Israel."

39 And Eleazar the priest took the brasen censers, wherewith they that were burnt had ³⁸offered; and they were made broad plates for a covering of the altar:

40 To be a °memorial unto the ²children of Israel, that no stranger, which *is* not of the seed of Aaron, come near to °offer incense before ³the LORD; that he be not as Korah, and as his company: °as ³the LORD said °to him by the hand of Moses.

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41 But on the morrow all the ²congregation of the ²children of Israel murmured against Moses and against Aaron, saying, "Ye have killed the People of ³the LORD."

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42 And it came to pass, when the ²congregation was gathered against Moses and against Aaron, that they looked toward the °tabernacle of the ²congregation: and, °behold, the cloud covered it, and the glory of ³the LORD appeared.

43 And Moses and Aaron came before the ⁴²tabernacle of the ²congregation.

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44 And ³the LORD ²⁰spake unto Moses, saying,

45 "Get you up from among this ²congregation, that I may consume them as in a moment." And they fell upon their faces.

46 And Moses said unto Aaron, "Take a censer, and put fire therein from off the altar, and put on incense, and go quickly unto the congregation, and make an °atonement for them: for there is wrath gone out °from ³the LORD; the plague is begun."

47 And Aaron took ⁴⁰ as Moses commanded, and ran into the midst of the ²congregation; and, behold, the plague was begun among the People: and he put on incense, and made an ⁴⁶atonement for the People.

48 And he stood between the dead and °the living; and the plague was stayed.

49 Now they that died in the plague were °fourteen thousand and seven hundred, beside them that died about the matter of Korah.

50 And Aaron returned unto Moses unto the °door of the ⁴²tabernacle of the ²congregation: and the plague was stayed.

33 pit = Heb. *she'ol* - the grave, not "a" grave, but all graves viewed as one. See Ap. 35. They went alive, with all their cattle, tents, and goods. All sank into the earth.

35 two hundred and fifty. Plus the 14,700 of v. 49 men. Heb. pl. of *'ish* or *'enosh*. Ap. 14. ii.

36 spake. See note on 1. 1.

37 burning. Heb. *sāraph*. See Ap. 43. I. viii, i.e. from among those that were burnt.

the fire. Cp. v. 7, not accepted by Jehovah.

hallowed = set apart. See note on "holy". Ex. 3. 5.

38 sinners. See Ap. 44. i.

souls = their own selves. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

their own. Cp. Gen. 19. 17 and Prov. 20. 2.

offered. Heb. brought near. Ap. 43. I. i.

40 memorial. Cp. ch. 17. 10, 1 Cor. 10. 11, and see Structure, p. 203. Hence history rehearsed in Deut. 11. 6-8. Note the two memorials added to the tabernacle through Korah's rebellion (see the Structure, p. 203), the plates (i. 36-40) and Aaron's rod (i. 17. 1-13). offer = burn. Heb. *kātar*. Ap. 43. I. vii.

as = according as.

to him, or with regard thereto.

42 tabernacle = tent. Heb. *'ohel*. Ap. 40.

behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

46 atonement. See note on Ex. 29. 33.

from = from before.

48 the = Heb. between the.

49 fourteen thousand and seven hundred. This, with the 250 of v. 35 = 14,950 (= 13 × 1,150). See Ap. 10 for significance of the number 13.

50 door = entrance.

17. 1-13 (i, p. 203). MEMORIAL (THE RODS). (Alternations.)

i	q	s		1-4. Commandment.		
				t	5. Intention announced.	
				r	u	6, 7. Obedience.
					v	8, 9. Intention. Effected.
q	s		10-. Commandment.			
			t	10. Intention. Predicted.		
			r	u	11. Obedience.	
				v	12, 13. Intention. Accomplished.	

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

spake. See note on 1. 1.

2 children = sons.

man's. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. ii.

4 tabernacle = tent. Heb. *'ohel*. See Ap. 40.

testimony = the ark of the covenant. Cp. Ex. 25. 16 you. Some codices, with Sam., Sept., and Vulg., read "thee".

17 And °the LORD °spake unto Moses, saying,

2 "Speak unto the °children of Israel, and take of every one of them a rod according to the house of *their* fathers, of all their princes according to the house of their fathers twelve rods: write thou every °man's name upon his rod.

3 And thou shalt write Aaron's name upon the rod of Levi: for one rod *shall be* for the head of the house of their fathers.

4 And thou shalt lay them up in the °tabernacle of the congregation before the °testimony, where I will meet with °you.

5 And it shall come to pass, *that* the ²man's rod, whom I shall choose, shall blossom: and I will make to cease from Me the murmurings of the ²children of Israel, whereby they murmur against you."

6 And Moses spake unto the ²children of Israel, and every one of their princes gave

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1490 him a rod apiece, for each prince one, ac-
1452 cording to their fathers' houses, *even* twelve
rods: and the rod of Aaron was among their
rods.

7 And Moses °laid up the rods before ¹the
LORD in the °tabernacle of witness.

v 8 And it came to pass, that on the morrow
(p. 205) Moses went into the ⁷tabernacle of witness;
and, °behold, the rod of Aaron for the house
of Levi was budded, and brought forth buds,
and bloomed blossoms, and yielded almonds.

9 And Moses brought out all the rods from
before ¹the LORD unto all the ²children of
Israel: and they looked, and took every man
his rod.

q s 10 And ¹the LORD °said unto Moses, "Bring
Aaron's rod again before the °testimony, to be
kept for a token against the °rebels;

t and thou shalt quite °take away their mur-
murings from Me, that they die not."

r u 11 And Moses did so: as ¹the LORD com-
manded him, so did he.

v 12 And the ²children of Israel spake unto
Moses, saying, "Behold, we die, °we perish,
we all perish.

13 Whosoever cometh any thing near unto
the °tabernacle of ¹the LORD shall °die: shall
we be consumed with dying?"

T¹ U¹ w¹ 18 And °the LORD °said unto °Aaron,
(p. 206) "Thou and thy sons and thy father's
house with thee shall bear the °iniquity of the
sanctuary: and thou and thy sons with thee
shall bear the °iniquity of your priesthood.

x¹ 2 And thy brethren also of the °tribe of
°Levi, the °tribe of thy father, bring thou
with thee, that they may be °joined unto thee,
and minister unto thee: but thou and thy sons
with thee shall minister before the °taber-
nacle of witness.

3 And they shall keep thy charge, and the
charge of all the ²tabernacle: only they shall
not come nigh the vessels of the sanctuary
and the altar, that neither they, nor ye also,
die.

4 And they shall be joined unto thee, and
keep the charge of the ²tabernacle of the con-
gregation, for all the service of the ²tabernacle:
and a stranger shall not come nigh unto you.

w² 5 And ye shall keep the charge of the sanc-
tuary, and the charge of the altar: that there
be no wrath any more upon the °children of
Israel.

x² 6 And I, °behold, I have taken your
brethren the Levites from among the ⁵child-
ren of Israel: to you they are given as a
gift for ¹the LORD, to °do the service of the
²tabernacle of the congregation.

w³ 7 Therefore thou and thy sons with thee
shall keep your priest's office for every thing
of the altar, and within the vail; and ye shall
serve: I have given your priest's office unto
you as a service of gift: and the stranger that
cometh nigh shall be put to death."

U² 8 And ¹the LORD °spoke unto Aaron,

7 laid up the rods. Korah's rebellion added two
things to the tabernacle: Aaron's rod within, brazen
plates without (16. 39, 40).

tabernacle of witness=tent of (or containing)
the testimony (i.e. the ark, and the two tables). Ap. 40.
See note on Ex. 25. 22.

8 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

10 said. See note on 3. 40.

testimony=the ark of the covenant, as in v. 4.

rebels. Heb. sons of rebellion. Genitive of character =
rebellious ones. Ap. 17.

take away = assuage, or, abate, as in v. 5. Cp. Gen. 8. 1.

12 we perish, we all perish. Fig. *Epizeuxis*
(Ap. 6), to enhance the alarm of the People.

13 tabernacle=habitation. Heb. *mishkān*. Ap. 40.
die . . . dying. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6), as in v. 12, to
emphasise alarm.

18. 1—19. 22 (M², p. 195). LAWS FOR PRIESTS AND PEOPLE (Division).

M² | T¹ | 18. 1—32. Laws for Priests and Levites.

| T² | 19. 1—22. Laws for People.

18. 1—32 (T¹, above). LAWS FOR PRIESTS AND LEVITES (Division).

T¹ | U¹ | 1—7. Priests and their offices.

| U² | 8—19. Priests and their dues. Generally.

| U³ | 20—24. Priests and their inheritance.

| U⁴ | 25—32. Priests and their dues. From the Levites.

1—7 (U¹, above). PRIESTS AND THEIR OFFICES.

U¹ | w¹ | 1. Priests.

| x¹ | 2—4. Levites.

| w² | 5. Priests.

| x² | 6. Levites.

| w³ | 7. Priests.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

said. See note on 3. 40.

Aaron. Jehovah "spoke" again to Aaron in vv.
8 and 20.

iniquity. Heb. *āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

2 tribe—*matteh*=staff.

Levi . . . joined. Fig. *Paronomasia*. Ap. 6. Heb.
Levi . . . yillāvū.

tribe—*shēbet*=rod.

tabernacle tent. Heb. *ohel*. Ap. 40.

5 children=sons.

6 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

do the service. Heb. serve the service. Fig.
Polyptoton. Ap. 6, i.e. perform the solemn service.

8 spake. See note on 1. 1.

hallowed = holy. See note on "holy", Ex. 3. 5.

the anointing. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct),
Ap. 6, for the priesthood associated with it.

9 holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

oblation. Heb. approach-offering. See Ap. 43. II. i.
shall be. Heb. "it [shall be]".

6 "Behold, I also have given thee the charge
of Mine heave offerings of all the °hallowed
things of the ⁵children of Israel; unto thee
have I given them by reason of °the anointing,
and to thy sons, by an ordinance for ever.

9 This shall be thine of the most °holy
things, reserved from the fire: every °obla-
tion of theirs, every meat offering of theirs,
and every sin offering of theirs, and every
trespass offering of theirs, which they shall
render unto Me, °shall be most °holy for thee
and for thy sons.

10 In the most °holy place shalt thou eat it;
every male shall eat it: it shall be °holy unto
thee.

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11 And this *is* thine; the heave offering of their gift, with all the wave offerings of the ⁵children of Israel: I have given them unto thee, and to thy sons and to thy daughters with thee, by a statute for ever: every one that is clean in thy house shall eat of it.

12 All the best of the oil, and all the best of the ^owine, and of the wheat, the firstfruits of them which they shall offer unto ¹the LORD, them have I given thee.

13 And whatsoever is first ripe in ^othe land, which they shall bring unto ¹the LORD, shall be thine; every one that is clean in thine house shall eat of it.

14 ^oEvery thing ^odevoted in Israel shall be thine.

15 Every thing that openeth ^othe matrix in all flesh, which they bring unto ¹the LORD, whether it be of ^omen or beasts, shall be thine: nevertheless the firstborn of ^oman shalt thou surely ^oredeem, and the firstling of unclean beasts shalt thou ^oredeem.

16 And those that are to be ¹⁵redeemed from a month old shalt thou redeem, according to thine estimation, for the money of five ^oshekels, after the ^oshekel of the sanctuary, ^owhich is twenty ^ogerahs.

17 But the firstling of a cow, or the firstling of a sheep, or the firstling of a goat, thou shalt not ¹⁵redeem; they are ^oholy: ^othou shalt sprinkle their blood upon the altar, and shalt ^oburn their fat for an offering made by fire, for a ^osweet savour unto ¹the LORD.

18 And the flesh of them shall be thine, as the wave breast and as the right shoulder are thine.

19 All the heave offerings of the ^oholy things, which the ⁵children of Israel ^ooffer unto ¹the LORD, have I given thee, and thy sons and thy daughters with thee, by a statute for ever: it is a ^ocovenant of salt for ever before ¹the LORD unto thee and to thy seed with thee."

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20 And ¹the LORD ⁸spake unto Aaron, "Thou shalt have no inheritance in their land, neither shalt thou have any part among them:

2 ³ am thy part and thine inheritance among the ⁵children of Israel.

2 ²¹ And, ⁶behold, I have given the ⁵children of Levi all the tenth in Israel ^ofor an inheritance, ^ofor their service which they serve, even the service of the ²tabernacle of the congregation.

22 Neither must the ⁵children of Israel henceforth come nigh the ²tabernacle of the congregation, lest they bear ^osin, and die.

23 But the Levites shall ⁶do the service of the ²tabernacle of the congregation, and they shall bear their ¹iniquity: it shall be a statute for ever throughout your generations, that among the ⁵children of Israel they have no inheritance.

24 But the tithes of the ⁵children of Israel, which they ¹⁹offer as an heave offering unto ¹the LORD, I have given to the Levites to inherit: therefore I have said unto them, Among the ⁵children of Israel they shall have no inheritance."

12 wine. Heb. *tirōsh*. See Ap. 27. ii.

13 the = their.

14 Every thing. See Lev. 27. 28.

devoted. See note on Lev. 27. 1.

15 the matrix. See 3. 13. Ex. 13. 2; 34. 19. Lev. 27. 26.

men . . . man = Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

redeem. Heb. *pādāh*. See note on Ex. 6. 6.

16 shekels . . . shekel. See Ap. 51. II.

which = it. Cp. 3. 47. Ex. 30. 13. Lev. 27. 25.

gerahs. See Ap. 51. III. 3.

17 thou. Some codices, with Sam., Sept., Jon., Onk., and Syr., read "but thou".

burn = burn as incense. See Ap. 43. I. vii.

sweet savour. See note on Lev. 1. 9.

19 offer = heave up as a heave offering. See note on Ex. 29. 27.

covenant of salt. Heb. covenant = *b'rīth*, from *bārāh*, to cut; hence, to eat. As salt was scarce and precious, and used with all eating, so it was put, by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for eating, just as the breaking of bread was. See Isa. 58. 7 (A.V. "deal"); Jer. 16. 7 (A.V. "tear"). Lam. 4. 4. Ezek. 18. 7 (A.V. "given"). Hence, when wages were paid in kind, by finding the worker in food, "salt" was put (by Fig. *Metonymy*) for wages generally; so that a worker was spoken of as being worth, or not worth, his "salt". "A covenant of salt" was therefore a covenant made by sacrifice, which was first cut in two (Gen. 15. 10-18. Jer. 34. 18, 19) and then eaten, thus solemnising an inviolable covenant.

20-32 (U³, p. 206). PRIESTS AND THEIR INHERITANCE (*Introversion*).

U³ y | 20-. Negative. Not the land.

z | -20. Positive. Jehovah.

z | 21-24. Positive. The tenth.

y | 25-32. Negative. Not the tenth of the tenth.

21 for = instead of.

22 sin. Heb. *chātāh*. Ap. 44. i.

27 of = from.

25 And ¹the LORD ⁸spake unto Moses, say-

ing.
26 "Thus speak unto the Levites, and say unto them, 'When ye take of the ⁵children of Israel the tithes which I have given you from them for your inheritance, then ye shall offer up an heave offering of it for ¹the LORD, even a tenth part of the tithe.

27 And *this* your heave offering shall be reckoned unto you, as though it were the corn ^oof the threshingfloor, and as the fulness of the winepress.

28 Thus ye also shall ¹⁹offer an heave offering unto ¹the LORD of all your tithes, which ye receive of the ⁵children of Israel; and ye shall give thereof ¹the LORD'S heave offering to Aaron the priest.

29 Out of all your gifts ye shall ¹⁹offer every heave offering of ¹the LORD, of all the best thereof, even the ⁸hallowed part thereof out of it.'

30 Therefore thou shalt say unto them, 'When ye have heaved the best thereof from it, then it shall be counted unto the Levites as the increase of the threshingfloor, and as the increase of the winepress.

31 And ye shall eat it in every place, ye and your households: for it is your reward for

1490 your service in the ³tabernacle of the con-
1452 gregation.

32 And ye shall bear no ²²sin by reason of it, when ye have heaved from it the best of it: neither shall ye pollute the ³holy things of the ⁵children of Israel, lest ye die."

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19 And °the LORD °spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying,

2 "This is the °ordinance of the law which ¹the LORD hath commanded, saying, 'Speak unto the °children of Israel, that they °bring thee °a red heifer °without spot, wherein is °no blemish, and upon which never came yoke:

3 And ye shall give her unto Eleazar the priest, that he may bring her forth °without the camp, and one shall slay her before his face:

4 And Eleazar the priest shall take of her blood with his finger, and sprinkle of her blood directly before the °tabernacle of the congregation seven times:

5 And one shall °burn the heifer in his sight; her skin, and her flesh, and her blood, with her dung, shall he burn:

6 And the priest shall take cedar wood, and hyssop, and scarlet, and cast it into the midst of the burning of the heifer.

7 Then the priest shall wash his clothes, and he shall bathe his flesh in water, and afterward he shall come into the camp, and the priest shall be unclean until the even.

8 And he that burneth her shall wash his clothes °in water, and bathe his flesh in water, and shall be unclean until the even.

9 And a °man that is clean shall gather up the ashes of the heifer, and lay them up ³without the camp in a clean place, and it shall be kept for the congregation of the ²children of Israel for a water of separation: it is a purification for °sin.

10 And he that gathereth the ashes of the heifer shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even:

W and it shall be unto the ²children of Israel, and unto the stranger that sojourneth among them, for a statute for ever.

V a 11 He that toucheth the dead °body of any °man shall be unclean seven days.

12 He shall purify himself with it on the °third day, and on the °seventh day he shall be clean: but if he purify not himself the third day, then °the seventh day he shall not be clean.

b 13 Whosoever toucheth the dead °body of any man that is dead, and purifieth not himself, defileth the °tabernacle of ¹the LORD; and that °soul shall be cut off from Israel: because the water of separation was not sprinkled upon him, he shall be unclean; his uncleanness is yet upon him.

a 14 This is the law, when a man dieth in a tent: all that come into the tent, and all that is in the tent, shall be unclean seven days.

15 And every open vessel, which hath no covering bound upon it, °is unclean.

19. 1-22 (T², p. 206). LAWS FOR THE PEOPLE. (Water of separation: The red heifer.) (Alternation.)

T² V | 1-10-. Preparation of the water.
W | -10. A statute for ever.
V | 11-20. Use of the water.
W | 21, 22. A statute for ever.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

spake. See note on 1. 1.

2 ordinance = statute. The whole clause = Fig. *Pleonasm* (Ap. 6), for emphasising the lesson of the red heifer. children = sons.

bring = take. This is the third of three events recorded during the punishment wanderings. See note on "while", 15. 32.

a red heifer. Christ, the Antitype.

without spot = without defect. Cp. the Antitype. Heb. 9. 14.

no blemish. Cp. 1 Pet. 1. 19.

3 without the camp. Cp. the Antitype. Heb. 13. 12.

4 tabernacle = tent. Heb. 'ohel. Ap. 40.

5 burn. Heb. *sāraph*. See Ap. 43. i. viii.

8 in water. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., omit these words. Cp. Lev. 16. 28.

9 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. ii. Cp. the antitype, Joseph of Arimathea. Matt. 27. 57-60. Luke 23. 50-53. John 19. 38-42. sin. See Ap. 44. i.

11-20 (V, above). USE OF THE WATER. (Alternation.)

V a | 11, 12. Purification.
b | 13. Threatening.
a | 14-19. Purification.
b | 20. Threatening.

11 body = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Lit. "the dead *nephesh* of". Ap. 13.

man = Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. i.

12 third . . . seventh. Cp. the Antitype. Heb. 9. 14. The numbers significant. See Ap. 10. the - on the.

13 body = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

tabernacle = habitation. Heb. *mishkān*. See Ap. 40. soul. Heb. *nephesh* (Ap. 13). Cp. vv. 11 and 13.

15 is = "it [is]".

16 dead body. Heb. *bēmeth*, no word for body = one dead, as in v. 18, not vv. 11 and 13.

17 ashes = dust.

sin. See Ap. 44. i.

running = living. Not stagnant.

18 person = Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. ii.

persons = souls. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

19 wash. The common rite. See Lev. 11. 25; 14. 8, 9, &c. himself - his flesh, as in Lev. 15. 16.

16 And whosoever toucheth one that is slain with a sword in the open fields, or a °dead body, or a bone of a man, or a grave, shall be unclean seven days.

17 And for an unclean person they shall take of the °ashes of the °burnt heifer of purification for °sin, and °running water shall be put thereto in a vessel:

18 And a clean °person shall take hyssop, and dip it in the water, and sprinkle it upon the tent, and upon all the vessels, and upon the °persons that were there, and upon him that touched a bone, or one slain, or one dead, or a grave:

19 And the clean person shall sprinkle upon the unclean on the third day, and on the seventh day: and on the seventh day he shall purify himself, and °wash his clothes, and bathe °himself in water, and shall be clean at even.

20 But the man that shall be unclean, and

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shall not purify himself, that °soul shall be cut off from among the congregation, because he hath defiled the sanctuary of ¹the LORD: the water of separation hath not been sprinkled upon him; he *is* unclean.

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21 And it shall be a perpetual statute unto them, that he that sprinkleth the water of separation shall wash his clothes; and he that toucheth the water of separation shall be unclean until even.

22 And whatsoever the unclean person toucheth shall be unclean; and the ²⁰soul that toucheth *it* shall be unclean until even.”

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20 °Then came the °children of Israel, even the whole congregation, into the desert of Zin in the first month:

°and the People abode in °Kadesh; and °Miriam died there, and was buried there.

2 And there was no water for the congregation: and they gathered themselves together against Moses and against Aaron.

3 And the People chode with Moses, and spake, saying, °“Would °God that we had died °when our brethren died before °the LORD!

4 And °why have ye brought up the °congregation of ³the LORD into this wilderness, that we and our cattle should die there?

5 And °wherefore have ye made us to come up out of Egypt, to bring us in unto this °evil place? it *is* no place of seed, °or of °figs, or of °vines, or of °pomegranates; neither *is* there any water to drink.”

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6 And Moses and Aaron went from the presence of the assembly unto the °door of the °tabernacle of the congregation, and they fell upon their faces: and the glory of ³the LORD appeared unto them.g
7 And ³the LORD °spake unto Moses, saying,
8 “Take °the rod, and gather thou the °assembly together, then, and Aaron thy brother, and °speak ye unto the rock before their eyes; and it shall give forth his water, and thou shalt bring forth to them water out of the rock: so thou shalt give the congregation and their beasts drink.”fi
9 And Moses took the rod from before ³the LORD, °as He commanded him.

10 And Moses and Aaron gathered the ⁴congregation together before the rock, and he °said unto them, “Hear now, ye rebels; °must we fetch you water out of this rock?”

11 And Moses lifted up his hand, and with °his rod he °smote the rock °twice: and the water came out abundantly, and the congregation °drank, and their beasts *also*.

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12 And ³the LORD °spake unto Moses and Aaron, “Because ye °believed Me not, to sanctify °Me °in the eyes of the ¹children

20 soul=person, Heb. *nephesh*. Used of “living souls” and “dead souls”. Cp. vv. 11, 13 (where it is rendered “any”, and “body” respectively). See Ap. 13.

20. 1–25. 18 (L³, p. 180). EVENTS: JOURNEYINGS AND MURMURING.

(Repeated and Extended Alternations.)

L ³	A ¹	c ¹	20. 1–. To Desert of Zin.
		d ¹	20. –13. Events—Death of Miriam, and murmuring.
		e ¹	20. 14–21. Opposition of Edom (Edomites).
	A ²	c ²	20. 22. To Mount Hor.
		d ²	20. 23–29. Event—Death of Aaron.
		e ²	21. 1–3. Opposition of Arad (Canaanites).
	A ³	c ³	21. 4–. To compass land of Edom.
		d ³	21. –4, 5. Event—Murmuring.
		e ³	21. 6–9. Opposition of God. Fiery serpents.
	A ⁴	c ⁴	21. 10–16–. To Oboboth and Arnon.
		d ⁴	21. –16–20. Event—Giving of water.
		e ⁴	21. 21–31. Opposition of Sihon (Amorites).
	A ⁵	c ⁵	21. 32–. To Jaazer.
		d ⁵	21. –32. Event—Taking of villages, &c.
		e ⁵	21. 33–35. Opposition of Og (Bashan).
	A ⁶	c ⁶	22. 1. To Plains of Moab.
		d ⁶	22. 2–4. Event—Fear of Moab.
		e ⁶	22. 5–25. 18. Opposition of Balak (Moabites).

1 Then came. This was in the first month of the fortieth year after Exodus. Cp. 20. 28 with 33. 38 and Dent. 2. 1–7. A gap of 37½ years between the spies (13, 14) and this chapter. This blank should be carefully noted. See note on 14. 34, and Ap. 50. vii. 3.

children = sons.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* throughout this chapter. The old nation dead. History of new nation begins here, and each event singled out and emphasised. **Kadesh**. The second time in eventful Kadesh. No history since the first time—all a blank, except a list of journeyings in ch. 33.

Miriam: died early in fortieth year; Aaron in the fifth month. Cp. vv. 23–29 with vv. 33, 38.

–1–13 (d¹, above). EVENTS: MIRIAM'S DEATH, &c. (Introversion.)

d ¹	f	h	2–5. Contention of People. Chiding with Moses.
	i		6. Action of Moses and Aaron.
	g		7, 8. Command of Jehovah.
f	i		9–11. Action of Moses and Aaron.
	h		12, 13. Contention of people. Sentence on Moses and Aaron.

3 Would God. Fig. *Æonismos* (Ap. 6). No Heb. for “God” here. when. Cp. 11. 33.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.
4 why have ye . . . ? Sept. reads, “why hast thou?” Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6).

congregation = assembly.

5 wherefore . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. evil. See Ap. 44. viii.

or of. Note Fig. *Paradiastole*, Ap. 6, to emphasise the three items: figs, vines, and pomegranates.

figs, vines, . . . pomegranates. See note on 13. 23.

6 door = entrance.

tabernacle = tent. Heb. *ohel*. See Ap. 40.

7 spake. See note on 1. 1.

8 the rod. Cp. 17. 5. Some think (from v. 9) the rod “from before the testimony”, as in 17. 10; but v. 11 it is

“his rod”. assembly = congregation. speak ye unto the rock. Not “smite” as in v. 11. **9** as = according as. **10** said. He spoke to the People instead of to the rock. must we . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. **11** his: i. e. Moses' tribal rod. Cp. v. 8. smote. Instead of speaking. twice. Showing the heat of his feeling. drank. Cp. 1 Cor. 10. 4, and see note there. **12** believed Me not. So Moses entered not in, because of unbelief. Me. Hence called “rebellion” in v. 24 and 27. 14. Cp. Deut. 32. 51. Cp. “we” in v. 10. in the eyes, &c. His complaint in 11. 21–23 was not public.

1452 of Israel, therefore ye shall not bring this
congregation into the land which I have
given them."

13 This is the water of ° Meribah; because the
children of Israel strove with ° the LORD, and
° He was sanctified in them.

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14 And Moses sent messengers from Kadesh
unto the king of Edom, "Thus saith thy
brother Israel, 'Thou knowest all the travel
that hath ° befallen us:

15 How our fathers went down into Egypt,
and we have dwelt in Egypt a long time; and
the Egyptians vexed us, and our fathers:

16 And when we cried unto ° the LORD, He
heard our voice, and sent an Angel, and hath
brought us forth out of Egypt: and, ° behold,
we are in Kadesh, a city in the uttermost of
thy border:

17 Let us pass, I pray thee, through thy
country: we will not pass through the fields,
or through the vineyards, neither will we
drink of the water of the ° wells: we will go
by the king's high way, we will not turn to
the right hand nor to the left, until we have
passed thy borders."

k 18 And Edom said unto him, "Thou shalt
not pass ° by me, lest I come out against thee
with the sword."

j 19 And the children of Israel said unto him,
"We will go by the high way: and if ° and
my cattle drink of thy water, then I will pay
for it: I will only, ° without doing any thing
else, go through on my feet."

k 20 And he said, "Thou shalt not go
through." And Edom came out against him
with much people, and with a strong hand.

21 Thus Edom refused to give Israel passage
through his border: wherefore Israel ° turned
away from him.

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22 And the children of Israel, even the
whole congregation, journeyed from ° Kadesh,
and came unto mount ° Hor.

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23 And ° the LORD ° spake unto Moses and
Aaron in mount Hor, by the coast of the land
of Edom, saying,

24 "Aaron shall be ° gathered unto his
people: for he shall not enter into the land
which I have given unto the children of
Israel, because ye rebelled against my ° word
at the water of Meribah.

25 Take Aaron and Eleazar his son, and
bring them up unto mount Hor:

26 And strip Aaron of his garments, and
put them upon Eleazar his son: and Aaron
shall be gathered ° unto his people, and shall
die there."

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27 And Moses did ° as ° the LORD com-
manded: and they went up into mount Hor
in the sight of all the congregation.

28 And Moses stripped Aaron of his gar-
ments, and put them upon Eleazar his son;
and Aaron died there in the ° top of the
mount: and Moses and Eleazar came down
from the mount.

l 29 And when all the congregation ° saw that
Aaron was ° dead,

13 Meribah = contention. Ps. 106. 32, &c.
He was sanctified = He hallowed Himself. See note
on "holy", Ex. 3. 8. Cp. Ezek. 38. 23.

20. 14-21 (e¹, p. 209). OPPOSITION OF EDOM.
(Alternation.)

e¹ j | 14-17. Request.
k | 18. Refusal.
j | 19. Request.
k | 20, 21. Refusal.

14 befallen us = "found us". Fig. *Prosopopœia*.
Ap. 6.

16 behold. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6), to emphasise the
importance of the place. See notes on v. 1.

17 wells. Heb. *bē'ēr*. See note on Gen. 21. 19.

18 by me = through me. "Me" put by Fig. *Metonymy*
(of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for "my country".

19 without doing any thing else. Heb. "without
a word": i.e. without [saying] a word. Fig. *Ellipsis*.
Ap. 6.

21 turned away. Cp. Judg. 11. 18. Deut. 2. 4, 5.

22 Kadesh. See notes on v. 1, and cp. 33. 37.
Hor. Cp. 33. 37.

23-26 (d², p. 209). EVENT: THE DEATH OF
AARON (Alternation).

d² l | 23-26. Moses.
m | 27, 28. His obedience.
l | 29-. The congregation.
m | -29. Their mourning.

24 gathered. Fig. *Euphemismos* (Ap. 6) for dying = die,
and be buried as all his fathers were, *She'ol* being the
grave. See Ap. 85. Cp. Gen. 25. 8. Ps. 26. 9. Acts
13. 36.

word. Heb. "mouth". Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of
Cause), Ap. 6, for what was spoken by it. Cp. v. 12.

26 unto his people. Fig. *Ellipsis*, supplied from v. 24.
See Ap. 6. iii. 1.

27 as = according as.

28 top of the mount. Cp. Gen. 8. 4; 22. 2. Ex. 19.
Matt. 5. 1. Ezek. 40. 2. Rev. 21. 10. Deut. 34. 1-6.
Matt. 17. 1-3.

29 saw. Heb. *rā'ah*, to perceive, understand. Cp.
Gen. 16. 13; 42. 1. Ex. 20. 18.

dead. The death of Aaron coincides with the end of
the wanderings.

the house of Israel. See note on Ex. 16. 31; one of
the thirteen occurrences of the expression before the
division of the two kingdoms; and cp. note on 1 Kings
12. 17.

21. 1-3 (e², p. 209). OPPOSITION OF ARAD.
(Introversion.)

e² n | 1. Aggression of Arad.
o | 2. Vow made.
o | 3-. Vow heard.
n | -3. Destruction of Arad.

1 Arad. Cp. Josh. 12. 14.

south = the *Negeb*. See Gen. 12. 9; 13. 1, 3; 24. 62.
Num. 13. 17.

came = was entering.

way of the spies. 13. 21, &c. = "the way of the *Atharim*".
Sept. so renders it, as a proper name; probably
the name of the caravan route.

they mourned for Aaron thirty days, even all m
° the house of Israel.

21 And when king ° Arad the Canaanite, e² n
which dwelt in the ° south, heard tell
that Israel ° came by the ° way of the spies;
then he fought against Israel, and took some
of them prisoners.

o 2 And Israel ° vowed a vow unto ° the LORD,
(p. 210) and said, "If Thou ° wilt indeed deliver this
1452 people into my hand, then I will utterly
destroy their cities."

o 3 And ° the LORD hearkened to the voice of
Israel, and delivered up the ° Canaanites;

n and they utterly destroyed them ° and their
cities: and he called the name of the place
° Hormah.

c³ 4 And they journeyed from mount Hor by
(p. 209) the way of the Red sea, to compass the land
of Edom:

d³ and the ° soul of the People was much ° dis-
couraged because of the way.

5 And the People spake against ° God, and
against Moses, ° "Wherefore have ye brought
us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness?
for there is no bread, neither is there any
water; and ° our soul loatheth this light
bread."

e³ p 6 And ° the LORD sent ° fiery serpents
(p. 211) among the People, and they bit the People;
and much people of Israel died.

q 7 Therefore the People came to Moses, and
said, "We have ° sinned, for we have spoken
against ° the LORD, and against thee; pray
unto ° the LORD, that He take away the
serpents from us." And Moses prayed for
the People.

p 8 And ° the LORD ° said unto Moses, "Make
thee a ° fiery serpent, and set it upon a pole:
and it shall come to pass, that every one that
is bitten, when he looketh upon it, shall live."

q 9 And Moses made a ° serpent of brass, and
put it upon a pole, and it came to pass, that
if a ° serpent had bitten any man, when he
beheld the ° serpent of brass, ° he lived.

A' c⁴ 10 And the ° children of Israel set forward,
(p. 209) and pitched in Oboth.

11 And they journeyed from Oboth, and
pitched at Ije-abarim, in the wilderness
which is before Moab, toward the sunrising.

12 From thence they removed, and pitched
in the valley of Zared.

13 From thence they removed, and pitched
on the other side of Arnon, which is in the
wilderness that cometh out of the ° coasts of
the Amorites: for Arnon is the border of
Moab, between Moab and the Amorites.

14 Wherefore it is said in the book ° of the
wars of ° the LORD,

"What He did in ° the Red sea,
And in ° the brooks of Arnon,

15 And at the stream of the brooks that
goeth down to the dwelling of Ar,
And lieth upon the border of Moab."

16 And from thence ° they went to Beer:

d⁴ that is the well whereof ° the LORD ° spake
unto Moses, "Gather the People together,
and I will give them water."

17 Then Israel sang ° this song,
"Spring up, O well;

Sing ye unto it:

18 The princes digged the well,
The nobles of the People digged it,
By the direction of the lawgiver, with
their staves."

2 vowed a vow. Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6), for emphasis
— made a solemn vow.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4.

wilt indeed deliver = same Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6),
only here it is translated and emphatically expressed
by the word "indeed". Heb. = "a delivering Thou wilt
deliver".

3 Canaanites. The Sept. and Sam. add "into his
(i. e. Israel's) hand".

and their cities. These destroyed after Israel came
into the land. Cp. Josh. 12. 14. Judg. 1. 16, 17.

Hormah = utter destruction.

4 soul. Heb. *nephesh* (Ap. 13).

discouraged = grieved or impatient.

5 God = *Elohim*. They had lost sight of the covenant
God, *Jehovah*. Cp. Ap. 4. I. II.

Wherefore . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

our soul = we. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

6-9 (e³, p. 209). THE FIERY SERPENTS.

e³ p | 6. Fiery serpents.

q | 7. Prayer made.

p | 8. The brazen serpent.

q | 9. Prayer answered.

6 fiery serpents = burning. Heb. *nacheshim saraphim*.
Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6, because the effect of
the bite was a burning sensation. Heb. *saraph* (see Ap.
43. I. viii). The *Seraphim* so called in Isa. 6. 2, because
they were burning ones: hence the name for these
serpents. In the same way *nachash*, shining one, is also
used for serpents, because they are shining ones in
appearance. See Gen. 3. 1, and cp. Ap. 19.

7 sinned. See Ap. 44. i.

8 said. See note on 3. 40.

9 serpent = Heb. *nachash*, a shining thing of brass, as
in Deut. 8. 15. 2 Kings 18. 4, &c.: so that *nachash* is
synonymous with *saraph*, and both words are thus used
of serpents.

he lived. Cp. John 3. 14, 15.

10 children = sons.

13 coasts = border.

14 of the wars of the LORD. This may commence
the quotation, thus: "the wars of Jehovah [were with]
Eth-Vahēb by the Red sea (or with a whirlwind. Heb.
Supha. Cp. Amos 1. 14. Isa. 66. 15. Nah 1. 3. Jer. 4. 13)
and by the brooks of Arnon". Eth-Vahēb may be the
proper name of the king of the Amorites, who took
Heshbon, as in v. 26.

the Red sea. Heb. *Supha*, a city situated as described
here, and in Deut. 1. 1. Cp. 1 Kings 9. 26.

the brooks of Arnon = the outpouring of the torrents.

16 they went. This *Ellipsis* is wrongly supplied. It
should be "from thence toward Beer". No mention is
made of Beer in the list of journeys in ch. 33.

spake. See note on 1. 1.

17 this song. See note on Ex. 15. 1.

18 they went. No mention is made of any of these
places in the itinerary in ch. 33. Why not supply
"[the waters or streams] went" into all these places?
See v. 16. The Structure shows the scope of this mem-
ber to be an "event"; "journeys" are the subject of
the preceding member. Cp. note on Ex. 15. 27.

Note the *Alternation*, which gives the interpretation:

The princes digged the well;

The nobles of the people digged it,

With the lawgiver

[They digged it] with their staves.

20 country = field.

Jeshimon = the wilderness.

And from the wilderness ° they went to Mat-
tanah:

19 And from Mattanah to Nahaliel: and
from Nahaliel to Bamoth:

20 And from Bamoth in the valley, that is
in the ° country of Moab, to the top of Pisgah,
which looketh toward ° Jeshimon.

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21 And Israel sent messengers unto Sihon king of the Amorites, saying,

22 "Let me pass through thy land: we will not turn into the fields, or into the vineyards; we will not drink of the waters of the well: *but* we will go along by the king's *high* way, until we be past thy borders."

s 23 And Sihon ° would not suffer Israel to pass through his border: but Sihon gathered all his people together, and went out against Israel into the wilderness: and he came to Jahaz, and fought against Israel.

r 24 And Israel smote him with the edge of the sword, and possessed his land from Arnon unto Jabbok, even unto the ¹⁰ children of Ammon: for the border of the ¹⁰ children of Ammon was strong.

s t 25 And Israel took all these cities: and Israel dwelt in all the cities of the Amorites, in Heshbon, and in all the ° villages thereof.

u 26 For Heshbon was the city of Sihon the king of the Amorites, who had fought against the former king of Moab, and taken all his land out of his hand, even unto Arnon.

" 27 Wherefore they that speak in ° proverbs say,

"Come into Heshbon,

Let the city of Sihon be built and prepared:

28 For there is a fire gone out of Heshbon,

A flame from the city of Sihon:

It hath consumed Ar of Moab,

And ° the lords of the ° high places of Arnon.

29 Woe to thee, Moab!

Thou art undone, O people of Chemosh:

He hath given his sons that escaped,

And his daughters, into captivity

Unto Sihon king of the Amorites.

30 ° We have shot at them;

Heshbon is perished even unto Dibon,

And ° we have laid them waste even unto

Nophah,

Which *reacheth* unto Medeba."

t 31 Thus Israel dwelt in the land of the Amorites.

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32 And Moses sent to spy out Jaazer,

d⁵ and they took the villages thereof, and drove out the Amorites that *were* there.

e⁵ 33 And they turned and went up by the way of Bashan: and Og the king of Bashan went out against them, he, and all his people, to the battle at Edrei.

34 And ²the LORD ⁸said unto Moses, "Fear him not: for I have delivered him into thy hand, and all his people, and his land; and ° thou shalt do to him as thou didst unto Sihon king of the Amorites, which dwelt at Heshbon."

35 So they smote him, and his sons, and all his people, until there was none left him alive: and they possessed his land.

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22 And the ° children of Israel set forward, and pitched in the ° plains of Moab on this side Jordan by Jericho.

d⁶ 2 And Balak the son of Zippor saw all that Israel had ° done to the Amorites.

3 And Moab was sore afraid of the People,

21-31 (e⁴, p. 209). OPPOSITION OF SIHON.
(*Alternation.*)

e⁴ | r | 21, 22. Israel's demand.
s | 23. Sihon's denial.
s | 24. Sihon. Defeat.
r | 25-31. Israel. Dwelling.

23 would not suffer. Fig. *Tapeinosis*, Ap. 6, much more being meant, even armed opposition.

25-31 (s, above). POSSESSION.
(*Introversion.*)

s | t | 25. Dwelling. Particular.
u | 26. Doings.
u | 27 30. Sayings.
t | 31. Dwelling. General.

25 villages = Heb. daughters. Fig. *Prosopopœia* Ap. 6.

27-30 (u, above). SAYINGS.
(*Introversion.*)

u | a | 27, 28. The Amorites. Their boasting.
b | 29-. The calamities of Moab.
b | -29. The captivity of Moab.
a | 30. The Amorites. Their destruction.

27 proverbs. Heb. poems.

28 the lords. Heb. *Baalim*.

high places. Cp. 22. 41 and Jer. 48. 75.

30 We = Israel.

we have laid, &c., to end of verse. These two clauses are affected by the "extraordinary points" (see Ap 31), which necessitates the following rendering of v. 30:—

"We have shot them down:

Heshbon is destroyed even unto Dibon,

The women also even unto Nophah,

And the men even unto Medeba."

34 thou shalt do, &c. Cp. Ps. 135. 11.

22. 1 children = sons.

plains of Moab: i. e. which had belonged to Moab.

2 done to the Amorites. Cp. 21. 35.

4 all that are round about us: Heb. all our circuits. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject). Ap. 6.

22. 5—25. 18 [For Structures see next page].

5 Balaam. So written after the Greek. In Heb. his name is *Bil'am*. Cp. Josh. 13. 22 and 24. 9, 10. 2 Pet. 2. 15, 16. He was a spiritist or medium. He is identified by Sayce with Bela, Gen. 36. 31, 32, where Moses incorporates a list of Edomite kings. According to the Tel-el-Amarna tablets he was a Hittite chieftain, who established a kingdom for himself: and he died fighting against Israel by the side of his Midianite allies (31. 8. Jos. 13. 22).

Beor. Heb. = *B^{er}or*. In 1 Pet. 2. 15 called Bosor. The Heb. letter *v* (ayin = 'ō), often pronounced "s" by Greeks.

Pethor. A city in Aram (23. 7) or Mesopotamia (Deut. 23. 4).

his people: i. e. whom he had banded together and led. Some codices, with Sam., Syr., and Vulg., read "sons of Ammon".

because they *were* many: and Moab was distressed because of the ¹children of Israel.

4 And Moab said unto the elders of Midian. "Now shall this company lick up ° all *that are* round about us, as the ox licketh up the grass of the field." And Balak the son of Zippor was king of the Moabites at that time.

5 He sent messengers therefore unto ° Balaam the son of ° Beor to ° Pethor, which *is* by the river of the land of the children of ° his people,

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to call him, saying, "Behold, there is a People come out from Egypt: behold, they cover the face of the earth, and they abide over against me:

6 Come now therefore, I pray thee, curse me this People; for they are too mighty for me: peradventure I shall prevail, that we may smite them, and that I may drive them out of the land: for I wot that he whom thou blestest is blessed, and he whom thou cursest is cursed."

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7 And the elders of Moab and the elders of Midian departed with the rewards of divination in their hand; and they came unto Balaam, and spake unto him the words of Balak.

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8 And he said unto them, "Lodge here this night, and I will bring you word again, as the LORD shall speak unto me:" and the princes of Moab abode with Balaam.

9 And God came unto Balaam, and said, "What men are these with thee?"

10 And Balaam said unto God, "Balak the son of Zippor, king of Moab, hath sent unto me, saying,

11 "Behold, there is a People come out of Egypt, which covereth the face of the earth: come now, curse me them; peradventure I shall be able to overcome them, and drive them out."

a

12 And God said unto Balaam, "Thou shalt not go with them; thou shalt not curse the people: for they are blessed."

13 And Balaam rose up in the morning, and said unto the princes of Balak, "Get you into your land: for the LORD refuseth to give me leave to go with you."

14 And the princes of Moab rose up, and they went unto Balak, and said, "Balaam refuseth to come with us."

x

15 And Balak sent yet again princes, more, and more honourable than they.

y

16 And they came to Balaam, and said to him, "Thus saith Balak the son of Zippor, Let nothing, I pray thee, hinder thee from coming unto me:

17 For I will promote thee unto very great honour, and I will do whatsoever thou sayest unto me: come therefore, I pray thee, curse me this People."

z

18 And Balaam answered and said unto the servants of Balak, "If Balak would give me his house full of silver and gold, I cannot go beyond the word of the LORD my God, to do less or more.

19 Now therefore, I pray you, tarry ye also here this night, that I may know what the LORD will say unto me more."

a

20 And God came unto Balaam at night, and said unto him, "If the men come to call thee, rise up, and go with them; but yet the word which I shall say unto thee, that shalt thou do."

w¹ b

21 And Balaam rose up in the morning, and saddled his ass, and went with the princes of Moab.

22. 5—25. 18 (e⁶, p. 209). OPPOSITION OF BALAK (*Repeated Alternation*).

- e⁶ v¹ | 22. 5-20. Balak's messages to Balaam.
w¹ | 22. 21-35. Balaam's journey.
v² | 22. 36-40. Balak's reception of Balaam.
w² | 22. 41—24. 25. Balaam's four prophecies.
v³ | 25. 1-18. Balak's teaching by Balaam. See 31. 16. Rev. 2. 14.

These five members are each expanded below.

22. 5—20 (v¹, above). BALAK'S MESSAGES TO BALAAM (*Extended Alternation*).

- v¹ x | 5, 6. First message.
y | 7. Delivered.
z | 8-11. Received.
a | 12-14. Forbidden by God (absolutely).
x | 15. Second message.
y | 16, 17. Delivered.
z | 18, 19. Received.
a | 20. Permitted by God (conditionally).

5 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

behold. For this second word some codices, with Sam., Onk., Jon., Sept., and Syr., read "and behold". face. Heb. "eye". Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6; also Fig. *Prosopopœia*. Ap. 6.

abide=sit, i.e. ready for war, having subdued the Amorites, ch. 21, cp. Job 38. 40. Ps. 10. 8; 17. 12.

6 curse. Heb. 'ārar. To wish or speak evil against, as to effect rather than as to the act.

wot=know.

7 rewards of divination. Heb. "divinations". Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6, put for the money which procures it. Cp. 2 Pet. 2. 15.

8 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

9 God... said. Note the change to 'Elohim. said. Only four times: in vv. 9, 12, 20: in connection with Balaam. See Ap. 4, and notes on 1. 1; 3. 40.

11 there is a People. Heb.=the People. now. Some codices, with Sam., Jon., and Sept., read "now therefore".

curse. Heb. *kābab*, to pierce with words. Note that this word is found only in Balak's and Balaam's mouths. Here, first occurrence, and later in seven other places. See note on 23. 8.

peradventure=perhaps.

12 not go. This is absolute. Cp. v. 20, where the permission is conditional. See Structure above. thou shalt not curse. A special various reading called *Sevir* (see Ap. 34), with Sam., Jon., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "neither shalt thou".

13 Balaam... said. Note what he suppressed.

14 they... said. Note what they suppressed.

17 promote thee unto very great honour. Fig. *Polyptoton* (Ap. 6), for the emphasis rightly shown in the translation. Heb. an honouring I will honour thee. See note on Gen. 26. 28.

20 If the men come to call thee. This was the condition with which Balaam did not comply. See v. 21.

22. 21—35 (w¹, above). BALAAM'S JOURNEY. (*Introversion, with Repeated and Extended Alternation*).

- w¹ b | 21. Journey commenced.
c | 22-. Anger of God.
d | e¹ | f¹ | 22. The angel.
g¹ | 23-. The ass.
h¹ | 23. Balaam.
e² | f² | 24. The angel.
g² | 25-. The ass.
h² | 25. Balaam.
e³ | f³ | 26. The angel.
g³ | 27-. The ass.
h³ | 27. Balaam.
c | 28-35-. Rebuke of Jehovah.
b | 35. Journey completed.

21 went. Without waiting for the condition given by the LORD in v. 20. Hence God's anger. See v. 22.

^c 22 And °God's anger was kindled because
(p. 213) he went: and the Angel of °the LORD °stood
1452 in the way for an adversary against him.

d e¹ f¹ Now he was riding upon his ass, and his two
servants were with him.

g¹ 23 And the ass saw the Angel of °the LORD
standing in the way, and °His sword drawn in
His hand: and the ass turned aside °out of
the way, and went into the field:

h¹ and Balaam smote the ass, to turn her into
the way.

f² 24 But the Angel of °the LORD stood in a
°path of the vineyards, a °wall being on this
side, and a °wall on that side.

g² 25 And when the ass saw the Angel of °the
LORD, she thrust herself unto the wall, and
crushed Balaam's foot against the wall:

h² and he smote her again.

f³ 26 And the Angel of °the LORD went further,
and stood in a °narrow place, where was no
way to turn either to the right hand or to
the left.

g³ 27 And when the ass saw the Angel of °the
LORD, she fell down under Balaam:

h³ and Balaam's anger was kindled, and he
smote the ass with a staff.

^c i (p. 214) 28 And °the LORD °opened the mouth of the
ass, and she said unto Balaam,

k l "What have I done unto thee, that thou hast
smitten me these three times?"

m 29 And Balaam said unto the ass, "Because
thou hast mocked me: I would there were
a sword in mine hand, for now would I kill
thee."

l 30 And the ass said unto Balaam, "Am not
I thine ass, upon which thou hast ridden ever
since I was thine unto this day? was I ever
wont to do so unto thee?"

m And he said, "Nay."

i 31 Then °the LORD °opened the eyes of
Balaam, and he saw the Angel of °the LORD
standing in the way, and His sword drawn
in His hand: and he bowed down his head,
and fell flat on his face.

k n 32 And the Angel of °the LORD °said unto
him, °"Wherefore hast thou smitten thine
ass these three times? °behold, I went out
°to withstand thee, because thy way is °per-
verse before Me:

33 And the ass saw Me, and turned from Me
these three times: unless she had turned from
Me, surely now also I had slain °thee, and
saved °her alive."

o 34 And Balaam said unto the Angel of °the
LORD, "I have °sinned; for I knew not that
Thou stoodest in the way against me: now
therefore, if it displease Thee, I will get me
back again."

n 35 And the Angel of °the LORD °said unto
Balaam, °"Go with the °men: but °only the
word that I shall speak unto thee, that thou
shalt speak."

22 God's anger. Note 'Elohim, not Jehovah.

went = was really going. Emphasised to show that
even this condition was not meant as a condition, but
was to be taken rather as irony. It shows also
Balaam's determination to go, whether or no.
stood = stationed himself.

23 His sword drawn. As in 1 Chron. 21. 16.
Balaam was going to have Israel killed with the sword.

24 path = a narrow or hollow way. Heb. *mish'ol*.
Occurs only here.

wall. Especially the wall of a vineyard. Cp. Isa. 5. 5.

26 narrow. Heb. *zārar*. Occurs only here, Prov.
23. 27, and Isa. 28. 20.

28-35- (c, p. 213). THE REBUKE OF JEHOVAH.
(Alternation and Introversion.)

c i | 28-. By the ass. Ass's mouth opened.

k l | -28. The ass.

m | 29. Balaam.

l | 30-. The ass.

m | -30. Balaam.

i | 31. By the angel. Balaam's eyes opened.

k n | 32, 33. The angel.

o | 34. Balaam.

n | 35-. The angel.

28 opened the mouth, &c. Heb. *pātaḥ*. Cp. v. 31.
This was Jehovah's work (as in v. 31). But how could
Satan open the mouth of the serpent, which has no
organs of speech? See Gen. 3. 1, &c., and Ap. 19.

31 opened = uncover. Heb. *gālah*. Cp. v. 28.

32 said. See note on 3. 40.

Wherefore . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

to withstand = to be an adversary, as in v. 22.

perverse. Heb. *āvil*. Occurs only here and Job 16.
11 (ungodly).

33 thee . . . her. Note the emphasis on these pro-
nouns.

34 sinned. Heb. *chaṭa*. Ap. 44. i.

35 Go. Jehovah now overrules the evil for Israel's
good.

men = Heb. pl. of *'ish*, or *'enōsh*. Ap. 14. II.

only the word. Permission limited.

36-40 (v², p. 213). BALAK'S RECEPTION OF
BALAAM (First Day).

v² p | 36. Meeting (at frontier).

q | 37, 38. Greetings.

p | 39. Accompanying (to Kirjath-huzoth).

q | 40. Offering.

36 coast = border.

37 Did I not earnestly send. Fig. *Polyptōton*
(Ap. 6), Heb. "a sending did I not send". See note on
Gen. 26. 28.

am I not able . . . ? Vain boast! Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

38 Lo. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6).

have I . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6).

God = 'Elohim. Not Jehovah. Note this, and see Ap. 4.

So Balaam went with the princes of Balak.

36 And when Balak heard that Balaam was
come, he went out to meet him unto a city of
Moab, which is in the border of Arnon, which
is in the utmost °coast.

37 And Balak said unto Balaam, °"Did I
not earnestly send unto thee to call thee?
wherefore camest thou not unto me? °am
I not able indeed to promote thee to
honour?"

38 And Balaam said unto Balak, °"Lo, I am
come unto thee: °have I now any power at
all to say any thing? the word that °God
putteth in my mouth, that shall I speak."

39 And Balaam went with Balak, and they
came unto Kirjath-huzoth.

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40 And Balak ° offered oxen and sheep, and sent to Balaam, and to the princes that were with him.

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41 And it came to pass on the morrow, that Balak took Balaam, and brought him up into the high places of Baal, that thence he might see ° the utmost part of the People.

v

23 And Balaam said unto Balak, "Build me here seven altars, and prepare me here seven oxen and seven rams."
2 And Balak did ° as Balaam had spoken; and Balak and Balaam ° offered on every altar a bullock and a ram.

w

3 And Balaam said unto Balak, "Stand by thy burnt offering, and I will go: peradventure ° the LORD will come to ° meet me: and whatsoever He sheweth me I will tell thee." And ° he went to an high place.

x

4 And ° God ° met Balaam: and he said unto Him, "I have prepared seven altars, and I have ° offered upon every altar a bullock and a ram."

y

5 And ° the LORD ° put a word in Balaam's mouth, and ° said, "Return unto Balak, and thus thou shalt speak."

z c

6 And he returned unto him, and, ° lo, he stood by his burnt sacrifice, he, and all the princes of Moab.
7 And he took up his parable, and said, "Balak the king of Moab hath brought me from Aram, Out of the mountains of the east, saying, 'Come, ° curse me Jacob, and come, defy Israel.'

d

8 ° How shall I ° curse, whom ° GOD hath not ° cursed?
Or how shall I ° defy, whom ° the LORD hath not ° defied?

d

9 For from the top of the rocks I see him, And from the hills I behold him: ° Lo, the People shall dwell alone, And shall ° not be reckoned among the nations.

10 ° Who can count the dust of Jacob, And ° the number of the fourth part of Israel?

c

Let ° me die the death of the ° righteous, And let my ° last end be like his!"

a

11 And Balak said unto Balaam, "What hast thou done unto me? I took thee to ° curse mine enemies, and, behold, thou hast blessed them altogether."

b

12 And he answered and said, "Must I not take heed to speak that which ° the LORD hath ° put in my mouth?"

u

13 And Balak said unto him, "Come, I pray thee, with me unto another place, from whence thou mayest see them: thou shalt see but the utmost part of them, and shalt not see them all: and ° curse me them from thence."

14 And he brought him into the field of Zophim, to the top of Pisgah,

40 offered. Heb. *zabach*, to slay. See Ap. 43. I. iv.

22. 41—24. 25 (w², p. 213). BALAAM'S PROPHECIES (*Second Day*): (*Division*).
w² | t¹ | 22. 41—23. 26. With enchantments.
t² | 23. 27—24. 25. Without enchantments.

22. 41—23. 26 (t¹, above). WITH ENCHANTMENTS (*Extended Alternation*).

t¹ | u | 22. 41. First station: high places.
v | 23. 1, 2. Altars and offerings.
w | 3. Balaam goes to meet Jehovah.
x | 4, 5. Word put in Balaam's mouth.
y | 6. Return and station.
z | 7—10. His First Parable.
a | 11. Balak's expostulation.
b | 12. Balaam's answer.
u | 23. 13, 14—Second station: Zophim.
v | 14. Altars and offerings.
w | 15. Balaam goes to meet Jehovah.
x | 16. Word put in Balaam's mouth.
y | 17. Return and station.
z | 18—24. His Second Parable.
a | 25. Balak's expostulation.
b | 26. Balaam's answer.

41 the utmost part = the extremity of the camp.

23. 2 as = according to what.

offered = offered up. Heb. *'alah*. See Ap. 43. I. vi.

3 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. See Ap. 4. II.

meet: in a neutral sense. Heb. *kār'ā*.

he went. Heb. he went solitary. Cp. 24. 1.

4 God. Heb. *'Elohim*. See Ap. 4. I.

met: in a hostile sense. Heb. *kārah*.

5 put a word. This is inspiration.

said. See note on 3. 40.

6 lo. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6).

7—10 (z, above). BALAAM'S FIRST PARABLE.

(*Introversion*.)

z | c | 7. Balak's wish.
d | 8. Israel immune from man's cursing.
d | 9, 10—Israel excluded from man's reckoning.
c | 10. Balaam's wish.

7 curse. Heb. *'ārar*. See notes on 22. 6 and 11.

8 How . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

curse = revile. Heb. *nakab*.

GOD = Heb. *'El* = the mighty God. See Ap. 4. IV.

cursed. Heb. *kabab* = to pierce with words.

defy . . . defied. Heb. *zā'am* = to be enraged with.

9 not be reckoned. Therefore cannot be in the judgment of Matt. 25, or confused with "the Gentiles, or with the church of God". 1 Cor. 10. 32.

10 Who can count . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

the number of = Who can number? Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6). So with Sam. and Sept. The word "number" is thought by Ginsburg to be an abbreviation of two words = "Who can number?"

me die = my soul die. Heb. *nepheš*. See Ap. 13.

righteous = upright. To die the death of the righteous one must have the righteousness of the righteous.

last end = latter end, i. e. issue or reward.

11 curse. Heb. *kabab*. See note on 22. 11.

15 burnt offering. Some codices, one early printed edition, with Sam. and Syr., read "offerings" (*plural*).

17 behold. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6).

and built seven altars, and ° offered a bullock and a ram on every altar.

15 And he said unto Balak, "Stand here by thy ° burnt offering, while ° meet the LORD yonder."

16 And the ° LORD ° met Balaam, and ° put a word in his mouth, and ° said, "Go again unto Balak, and say thus."

17 And when he came to him, ° behold, he stood by his burnt offering, and the princes of

1452 Moab with him. And Balak said unto him,
"What hath the ³ LORD spoken?"

e f¹ 18 And he took up his parable, and said,
(p. 216) "Rise up, Balak, and hear;
Hearken unto me, thou son of Zippor:
19 ⁸ GOD is not a man, that He should lie;
Neither the son of man, that He should
repent:
°Hath ⁹ He said, and shall He not do it?
Or °hath He spoken, and shall He not
make it good?"

f² 20¹⁷ Behold, I have received *commandment*
to bless: and °He hath blessed;
And I cannot reverse it.

e² g i 21 He hath not beheld °iniquity in Jacob,
Neither hath He seen °perverseness in
Israel:

k ³ The LORD his ⁴ God is with him,
And the shout of a king is among them.

h 22 ⁸ GOD brought them out of Egypt;
He hath as it were the °strength of an
°unicorn.

i 23 Surely *there is* no enchantment against
Jacob,
Neither *is there* any divination against
Israel:

k According to this time it shall be said of
Jacob and of Israel,
"What hath ⁸ GOD wrought!"

h 24²⁰ Behold, the people shall rise up as
a great lion,
And lift up himself as a young lion:
He shall not lie down until he eat of the
prey,
And drink the blood of the slain."

a 25 And Balak said unto Balaam, "Neither
(p. 215) ¹¹ curse them at all, nor bless them at all."

b 26 But Balaam answered and said unto
Balak, "Told not I thee, saying, 'All that
³ the LORD speaketh, that I must do?'"

t² l 27 And Balak said unto Balaam, "Come, I
(p. 216) pray thee, I will bring thee unto another
place; peradventure it will please ⁴ God that
thou mayest ¹¹ curse me them from thence."

28 And Balak brought Balaam unto the top
of Peor, that looketh toward °Jeshimon.

m 29 And Balaam said unto Balak, "Build me
here seven altars, and prepare me here seven
bullocks and seven rams."

30 And Balak did ² as Balaam had said,
and °offered a bullock and a ram on *every*
altar.

n 24 And when Balaam saw that it °pleased
°the LORD to bless Israel, he went not,
as at °other times, °to seek for enchantments,
but he set his face toward the wilderness.

c 2 And Balaam lifted up his eyes, and he saw
Israel abiding *in his tents* °according to their
tribes; and °the Spirit of °God came °upon him.

p q 3 °And he took up his parable, and said,
"Balaam the son of Beor hath said,
And °the man °whose eyes are °open
hath said:

4 He hath said, which heard the words
°of °GOD,

18-24 (z, p. 215). BALAAM'S SECOND PARABLE.
(Division.)

z | e¹ | 18-20. God's immutable purpose.
e² | 21-24. Israel's immutable privileges.

18-20 (e¹, above). GOD'S IMMUTABLE PURPOSE.
(Division.)

e¹ | f¹ | 18, 19. God's nature unchangeable.
f² | 20. God's Word irreversible.

19 Hath He said. Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

20 He hath blessed. Sam. and Sept. read "I will
bless".

21 iniquity. Heb. 'āvōn, trespass. Ap. 44. III.
perverseness. Heb. 'āmāl. Ap. 44. v.

21-24 (e², above). ISRAEL'S IMMUTABLE PRIVI-
LEGES (Extended Alternation).

e² | g | i | 21-. Negative. Absence of iniquity.
k | -21, 22-. Positive. Presence of God.
h | -22. STRENGTH (Simile: Buffalo).
g | i | 23-. Negative. Powerlessness of enemies.
k | -23. Positive. Power of God.
h | 24. VICTORY (Simile: Lion).

22 strength = heights or heaps of. Heb. tō'āpōth.
Only here, 24. 8, Job 22. 25 (plenty), and Ps. 95. 4
(= heights).

unicorn. This word is from the Sept. The Heb. is
rēm. Supposed to be the rhinoceros, buffalo, or
antelope: always rendered "unicorn" in A.V.

23. 27-24. 25 (t², p. 215). WITHOUT
ENCHANTMENTS.

(Extended Alternation. Corresponding with t¹, p. 215.)

t² | l | 23. 27, 28. Station: Peor.

m | 23. 29, 30. Offerings.

n | 24. 1. Non-departure.

o | 24. 2. Spirit upon Balaam.

p | 24. 3-25. His Third and Fourth
Parables.

28 Jeshimon. See note on 21. 20.

30 offered = offered up. Heb. 'ālāh. Ap. 43. II. ii.

24. 1 pleased the LORD. Heb. was good in the
eyes of Jehovah.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

other times. Cp. 23. 3, 15, and see Structure (t¹,
p. 215).

to seek for enchantments = to meet with familiar
spirits (Deut. 18. 10, 14). Heb. nēchāshim, from nachash,
a serpent. Cp. Gen. 3. 1, and see Ap. 19.

2 according to their tribes. Cp. ch. 2.

the spirit of God (Heb. 'Elohim). This expression
occurs eight times outside the books of Samuel (Gen.
1. 2; 41. 38. Ex. 31. 3; 35. 31. Num. 24. 2. Ezek. 11. 24.
2 Chron. 15. 1; 24. 20). In all other places it is "the
spirit of Jehovah".

Spirit. Heb. rūach. Ap. 9.

upon. Always "upon" (not "in") in Old Testament.

3-25 (p, above). BALAAM'S THIRD AND FOURTH
PARABLES (Alternation and Introversion).

p | q | 3-9. Balaam's THIRD Parable.

r | s | 10, 11. Balak's anger.

t | 12-14. Balaam's answer.

q | 15-24. Balaam's FOURTH Parable.

r | t | 25-. Balaam's return.

s | -25. Balak's departure.

3-9 [For Structure see next page].

3 And he took up his parable. Cp. 23. 7, 18.

the man = the strong or mighty man. Heb. giber.
See Ap. 14. IV.

whose eyes are. Heb. "whose eye is".

open. Heb. shātham, to close, i. e. "the man with
closed eye", i. e. in an ecstasy; closed, but seeing.

4 of. Genitive of origin = words from God.

GOD = the mighty God. Heb. 'Ēl. Ap. 4. iv.

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Which saw the vision of ° the ALMIGHTY,
° *Falling into a trance*, but having his eyes
° open:

u¹
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5 ° How goodly are thy tents, O ° Jacob,
° And thy tabernacles, O ° Israel!

6 As the valleys are they spread forth,
As gardens by the river's side,
° As the trees of lign aloes which ° the
LORD hath planted,

And as cedar trees beside the waters.

7 He shall ° pour the water out of his
buckets,

v

And his seed *shall be* in many waters,
And his king shall be higher than Agag,
And his kingdom shall be exalted.

u²

8 ° GOD brought ° him forth out of Egypt;
He hath as it were the strength of an
° unicorn:

v²

He shall eat up the nations his enemies,
and shall break their bones,
And pierce *them* through with his arrows.

u³

9 ° He couched, he lay down as a lion,
And as a great lion: who shall stir him up?

v³

Blessed *is* he that blesseth thee,
And ° cursed *is* he that ° curseth thee."

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10 And ° Balak's anger was kindled against
Balaam, and he smote his hands together:
and Balak said unto Balaam, "I called thee
to ° curse mine enemies, and, ° behold, thou
hast ° altogether blessed *them* these three
times.

11 Therefore now flee thou to thy place:
I thought to ° promote thee unto great honour;
but, ° lo, ° the LORD hath kept thee back from
honour."

t

12 And Balaam said unto Balak, "Spake I
not also to thy messengers which thou sentest
unto me, saying,

13 'If Balak would give me his house full of
silver and gold, I cannot go beyond the com-
mandment of ° the LORD, to do *either* good or
bad of mine own mind; *but* what ° the LORD
saith, that will I speak?'

14 And now, ° behold, I go unto my people:
come *therefore*, and I will advertise thee
what this People shall do to thy People in
° the latter days."

q w¹
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15 And he took up his parable, and said,
"Balaam the son of Beor hath said,
And ° the man whose eyes are ° open hath
said:

16 He hath said, which heard the words of
° GOD,

And knew the knowledge of the ° Most
High,

Which saw the vision of the ° ALMIGHTY,
° *Falling into a trance*, but having his
eyes ° open:

w² x

17 ° I shall see Him, ° but not now:
I shall behold Him, ° but not nigh:
There shall come a ° Star out of ° Jacob,
And a ° Sceptre shall rise out of ° Israel,

y

And shall smite the ° corners of Moab,
And ° destroy all the children of ° Sheth.

18 And Edom shall be a possession,

3-9 ("q", p. 216). BALAAM'S THIRD PARABLE.
(Repeated Alternation.)

q | 3, 4. Introduction.
u¹ | 5-7-. Goodliness (Simile: Valleys, Gardens,
Trees).
v¹ | -7. EXALTATION.
u² | 8-. Strength (Simile: Buffalo).
v² | -8. VICTORY.
u³ | 9-. Security (Simile: Lions).
v³ | -9. BLESSING.

the ALMIGHTY = Shaddai, the All-bountiful or
All-sufficient. See Ap. 4. VII.

falling into a trance. The *Ellipsis* better supplied
= "falling [to the ground]".

5 How goodly. Fig. *Thaumasmōs*. Ap. 6. This is
only in "the vision of the Almighty".

Jacob. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), put for posterity
(Ap. 6).

And. This not to be in italics, according to some
codices, with Sam., Jon., Syr., and Vulg.

Israel. See note on "Jacob", v. 5.

6 As the trees of lign aloes, &c. Some codices, with
Jon., Sept., and Syr., read "as tents which Jehovah
hath pitched".

7 pour the water. This refers to Millennial blessings.
See Ezek. 47 and Zech. 14.

8 him. Some codices, with Onk., Jon., and Syr.,
read "them". Cp. 23. 22.

unicorn. See note on 23. 22.

9 He couched, &c. Cp. Gen. 49. 9.

cursed . . . curseth. Heb. *'ārar*, execrate, chiefly as
to its effect. See notes on 22. 11; 23. 8.

10 Balak's anger. See note on Ex. 10. 28.

curse = to pierce with words. Heb. *kābab*. See note
on 22. 11.

behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

altogether blessed. Heb. "a blessing thou hast
blessed". Fig. *Polyptōton*. Ap. 6. See note on Gen.
26. 28.

11 promote thee unto great honour. See note on
22. 17, 37.

lo. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

14 the latter days = the end of the days, denoting
a definite period. Cp. Gen. 49. 1. Deut. 4. 30. Isa. 2. 2.
Jer. 23. 20; 30. 24; 48. 47; 49. 39. Ezek. 38. 16. Dan.
10. 14. Hos. 3. 5. Mic. 4. 1.

15-24 ("q", p. 216). BALAAM'S FOURTH
PARABLE (Division).

q | w¹ | 15, 16. Introduction.
w² | 17-19. Israel.
w³ | 20-24. The nations.

16 Most High. Heb. *Elyōn*, the High One over all
the earth. See note on first occurrence, Gen. 14. 18.
The Old Testament usage of this title is always in con-
nection with dominion in the earth. Ap. 4.

17-19 (w¹, above). ISRAEL.
(Introversion.)

w¹ | x | 17-. The Star out of Jacob.
y | -17, 18. His enemies.
x | 19. The Messiah out of Jacob.

17 but not. Heb. Who is not.

Star. Heb. *kōkāb* = Messiah. See Luke 1. 78. 2 Pet.
1. 19. Rev. 2. 28; 22. 16, and cp. Matt. 2. 2.

Sceptre. See note on Gen. 49. 10, and cp. Ps. 2.

corners = quarters.

destroy = subdue.

Sheth = Seth, i. e. all men, for all are now descendants
of Sheth through Noah.

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Seir also shall be a possession for his enemies;
And Israel shall do valiantly.

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19 ° Out of Jacob shall come He that shall have dominion,
And shall destroy him that remaineth of the city."

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20 And when he looked on Amalek, he took up his parable, and said,
"Amalek was ° the first of the nations;
But his latter end ° shall be that he perish for ever."

21 And he looked on the ° Kenites, and took up his parable, and said,

"Strong is thy dwellingplace,
And thou putttest thy ° nest in a rock.

22 Nevertheless the ° Kenite shall be wasted,
Until Asshur shall carry thee away captive."

23 And he ° took up his parable, and said,
"Alas, who shall ° live when ° GOD doeth this!

24 And ships shall come from the coast of ° Chittim.

And shall ° afflict ° Asshur, and shall ° afflict ° Eber,

And ° shall also shall perish for ever."

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25 And Balaam rose up, and went and returned to his place: and Balak also went his way.

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25 And Israel ° abode in ° Shittim, and the people began to commit whoredom ° with the daughters of Moab.

2 And ° they called the People unto the sacrifices of ° their gods: and the People did eat, and bowed down to ° their gods.

3 And Israel ° joined himself unto ° Baal-peor:

a and the ° anger of ° the LORD was kindled against Israel.

4 And ° the LORD ° said unto Moses, "Take all the ° heads of the People, and ° hang them up before ° the LORD against the sun, that the fierce anger of ° the LORD may be turned away from Israel."

5 And Moses said unto the judges of Israel, "Slay ye every one his ° men that were ° joined unto Baal-peor."

a 6 And, ° behold, one of the ° children of Israel came and brought unto his brethren a Midianitish woman in the sight of Moses, and in the sight of all the congregation of the ° children of Israel, ° who were weeping before the ° door of the ° tabernacle of the congregation.

b 7 And when ° Phinehas, the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron the priest, saw it, he rose up from among the congregation, and took a javelin in his hand;

8 And he went after the ° man of Israel into the ° tent, and thrust both of them through, the ° man of Israel, and the woman through her ° belly. So the plague was stayed from the ° children of Israel.

9 And those that died in the plague were ° twenty and four thousand.

z² c

10 And ° the LORD ° spake unto Moses, saying,

19 Out of Jacob. In Heb. there is the *Ellipsis* of the *Participle* (Ap. 6); "shall come" is implied and should be repeated from the previous clause. R.V. is literal.

20 the first: i. e. the first that warred against Israel. Ex. 17. 8. Not the first in time or importance.

shall be, &c. = "[shall be] destruction". Cp. Ex. 17. 16.

21 Kenites. With the word "nest" forms the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). Heb. *bēn kain*. nest. Heb. *kēn*.

23 took up. This is not a fifth parable, but part of the fourth. live = survive.

24 Chittim. A son of Javan, son of Japheth. Gen. 10. 4.

Probably Cyprus, including north coast-line of Mediterranean, spelt Kittim in Gen. 10. 4 and 1 Chron. 1. 7. afflict = humble.

Asshur = Assyrians. Eber = the Hebrews. he also: i. e. who sends the ships and humbled Asshur and Heber.

25. 1-18 (v³, p. 218). BALAK'S TEACHING BY BALAAM (Cp. 31. 16 with Rev. 2. 14). (*Division*.)

v³ | z¹ | 1-9. Balak's teaching and its results.
| z² | 10-18. Jehovah's action and its results.

1-9 (z¹, above). BALAK'S TEACHING AND ITS RESULTS (*Alternation*).

z¹ | a | 1-3-. Sin of the People.
| b | -3-5. Punishment enjoined.
| a | 6. Sin of the people.
| b | 7-9. Punishment executed.

1 abode: i. e. till after Moses' death. Cp. Josh. 2. 1; 3. 1, and see Mic. 6. 5.

Shittim. Called Abel-shittim in 33. 49.

with = to (Heb. 'el). Requiring the supply of the *Ellipsis* "to join themselves to", from v. 3.

2 they: i. e. the daughters of Moab. their. Feminine pronoun.

3 joined = yoked.

Baal-peor. Baal = Lord; Peor was the mountain on which he was worshipped (25. 18. Josh. 22. 17). Baal was a Moabitish idol, and those who called (v. 2) the Israelites were the prostitutes necessary for his worship by others. Cp. Hos. 9. 10. Jer. 11. 13. *Peōr* also means "opening", and may have relation to this "worship". anger of the LORD (Heb. Jehovah). Cp. Ps. 106. 28, 29.

4 said. See note on 3. 40.

heads: i. e. chiefs or princes of the People. The number not stated here, but must have been 1,000, and included in the 24,000 of v. 9, and excluded in 1 Cor. 10. 8. The 23,000 mentioned in 1 Cor. 10. 8 "fell in one day": the day of the plague, vv. 9. 18. And those who were hanged prior to that (vv. 4. 5) are not included.

hang them up: i. e. impaled or nailed to a stake, as in crucifixion (Vulg. renders it "crucify", which means the same thing).

5 men. Heb. pl. of 'ish, or 'enōsh. Ap. 14.

6 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

children = sons. who = and they.

door = entrance. Heb. 'ohel. Ap. 40.

tabernacle = tent.

7 Phinehas. Cp. Ps. 106. 30.

8 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. ii.

tent. Heb. *kubbāh*, a high and vaulted pleasure tent, used in the worship of Baal. Occurs only here.

belly. Heb. *kobāh*, the part between the ribs and loins. Occurs only here, for the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6).

9 twenty and four thousand. This includes the 1,000 previously "hanged" (vv. 4. 5), as well as those who died of the "plague". These must have been 23,000 of 1 Cor. 10. 8, which "fell in one day".

10-18 (z², above). JEHOVAH'S ACTION AND ITS RESULTS (*Division*).

z² | c | 10-13. Phinehas and his reward.

| c | 14-18. Midianites and their wives.

10 spake. See note on 1. 1.

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11 "Phinehas, the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron the priest, hath turned My wrath away from the ⁶children of Israel, while he was zealous for My sake among them, that I consumed not the ⁶children of Israel in My jealousy.

12 Wherefore say, ⁶"Behold, I give unto him My covenant of peace:

13 And ^ohe shall have it, and his seed after him, even the covenant of an ^oeverlasting priesthood; because he was zealous for his ^oGod, and made an ^oatonement for the ⁶children of Israel."

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14 Now the name of the Israelite that was slain, even that was slain with the Midianitish woman, was Zimri, the son of Salu, a prince of a chief house among the Simeonites.

15 And the name of the Midianitish woman that was slain was Cozbi, the daughter of Zur; ^{he} was head over a ^opeople, and of a chief house in Midian.

16 And ³the LORD ¹⁰spake unto Moses, saying,

17 ^o"Vex the Midianites, and smite them:

18 For ^{they} vex you with their ^owives, where-with they have beguiled you in the matter of Peor, and in the matter of Cozbi, the daughter of a prince of Midian, their sister, which was slain in the ^oday of the plague for Peor's sake."

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26 And it came to pass ^oafter the plague, that ^othe LORD ^ospake unto Moses and unto Eleazar the son of Aaron the priest, saying,

2 ^o"Take the sum of all the congregation of the ^ochildren of Israel, from twenty years old and upward, throughout ^otheir fathers' house, all that are able to go to war in Israel."

3 And Moses and Eleazar the priest spake with them in the plains of Moab by Jordan near Jericho, saying,

4 ^o"Take the sum of the People, from twenty years old and upward; ^oas ¹the LORD commanded Moses and the ²children of Israel, which went forth out of the land of Egypt."

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5 ^oReuben, the eldest son of Israel: the ²children of Reuben; Hanoch, of whom cometh the ^ofamily of the Hanochites: of Pallu, the family of the Palluites:

6 ^oOf Hezron, the family of the Hezronites: of Carmi, the family of the Carmites.

7 These are the ⁶families of the Reubenites: and they that were numbered of them were ^oforty and three thousand and seven hundred and thirty.

8 And the ^osons of Pallu; Eliab.

9 And the sons of Eliab; Nemuel, and Dathan, and Abiram. This is that Dathan and Abiram, ^owhich were famous in the congregation, who ^ostrove against Moses and against Aaron in the company of Korah, when they strove against ¹the LORD:

(10 ^oAnd the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed them up together with Korah, when that company died, what time the fire devoured two hundred and fifty men: and they became a ^osign.)

13 he shall have it. See Ps. 106. 30, 31 and Mal. 2. 4, 5. Cp. 1 Chron. 6. 4-15. 1 Sam. 22. 18. 1 Kings 2. 27 with 1 Sam. 14. 17. Also 1 Chron. 6. 4-15. Ezra was of his line (Ezra 7. 1, 5).

everlasting priesthood. Restored to Phinehas, and remained with him, after Eli.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4.

atonement. See note on Ex. 29. 33.

15 people=clan or tribe. Heb. 'ummoth. Occurs only here, Gen. 25. 16 and Ps. 117. 1.

17 Vex. Cp. ch. 31.

18 wiles = seductions. Heb. nēkal. Occurs only here.

day: i. e. the "one day" of 1 Cor. 10. 8.

26. 1-27. 11 (A³, p. 176). NUMERATION AND ORDER: INHERITANCE (*Alternation*).

A³ A | 26. 1-51. The People.
B | 26. 52-62. Their inheritance.
A | 26. 63-65. The People.
B | 27. 1-11. Their inheritance.

1-51 (A, above). THE PEOPLE.
(*Introversion and Division*.)

A c | 1-4. Command to number.
d¹ | 5 11. Reuben.
12-14. Simeon.
15-18. Gad.
d² | 19-22. Judah.
23-25. Issachar.
26, 27. Zebulun.
d³ | 28-34. Manasseh.
35-37. Ephraim.
38-41. Benjamin.
d⁴ | 42, 43. Dan.
44-47. Asher.
48-50. Naphtali.
c | 51. The total number.

1 after the plague. Cp. 25. 9.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

spake. See note on 1. 1.

2 Take the sum. For the order of the tribes see Ap. 45. Moses received them by number, Ex. 38. 26; so now, when preparing to die, he delivers them over by number. This was the third numbering.

children=sons.

their fathers' house: i. e. the families. These shown here to be forty-seven. In Gen. 46 they are fifty-two; so five are extinct (one of Simeon, one of Asher, and three of Benjamin).

4 Take the sum of the people. This correctly supplies the Ellipsis from v. 2. See Fig. *Ellipsis*, Ap. 6. iii. 1.

as=according to what.

5 Reuben. Cp. Gen. 46. 8. Ex. 6. 14. The order is the same as in 1. 20, except that Ephraim and Manasseh are reversed. See Ap. 45.

family. See note on "house", v. 2, and throughout the chapter.

6 Of Hezron=To Hezron [pertained], and so throughout. Cp. vv. 12, 13, 15, 16, 17, 20, 21, 23, 24, 26, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32.

7 forty and three, &c.=43,730 In Num. 1. 21=46,500, decrease of 2,770. This is an undesigned evidence of accuracy: an uninspired writer would have made an increase.

8 sons. A special reading of MS. called *Sevir* reads "son". See Ap. 34.

9 which were famous, &c. Heb. "the called of the congregation". No Ellipsis.

strove=struggled. Heb. nāzāh. Cp. Ex. 2. 13. Lev. 24. 10. 2 Sam. 14. 6. Cp. 16. 2, 3.

10 And the earth. This tenth verse is a *Parenthesis*. See Ap. 6.

sign: i. e. a warning.

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11 Notwithstanding ° the children of Korah died not.

12 The sons of Simeon after their ° families: ° of Nemuel, the ° family of the Nemuelites: ° of Jamin, the family of the Jaminites: ° of Jachin, the family of the Jachinites:

13 ° Of Zerah, the family of the Zarhites: ° of Shaul, the family of the Shaulites.

14 These are the ° families of the Simeonites, ° twenty and two thousand and two hundred.

15 The ° children of Gad after their families: ° of Zephon, the family of the Zephonites: ° of Haggi, the family of the Haggites: ° of Shuni, the family of the Shunites:

16 ° Of Ozni, the family of the Oznites: ° of Eri, the family of the Erites:

17 Of Arod, the family of the Arodites: of Arel, the family of the Arelites.

18 These are the families of the ° children of Gad according to those that were numbered of them, ° forty thousand and five hundred.

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19 The sons of Judah were Er and Onan: and Er and Onan died in the land of Canaan.

20 And the sons of Judah after their families were; ° of Shelah, the family of the Shelanites: ° of Pharez, the family of the Pharzites: ° of Zerah, the family of the Zarhites.

21 And the sons of Pharez were; ° of Hezron, the family of the Hezronites: ° of Hamul, the family of the Hamulites.

22 These are the ° families of Judah according to those that were numbered of them, ° threescore and sixteen thousand and five hundred.

23 ° Of the sons of Issachar after their families: ° of Tola, the family of the Tolaites: ° of Pua, the family of the Punites:

24 ° Of Jashub, the family of the Jashubites: ° of Shimron, the family of the Shimronites.

25 These are the families of Issachar according to those that were numbered of them, ° threescore and four thousand and three hundred.

26 ° Of the sons of Zebulun after their families: of Sered, the family of the Sardites: ° of Elon, the family of the Elonites: ° of Jahleel, the family of the Jahleelites.

27 These are the ° families of the Zebulunites according to those that were numbered of them, ° threescore thousand and five hundred.

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28 The sons of Joseph after their families were ° Manasseh and Ephraim.

29 ° Of the sons of ° Manasseh: ° of Machir, the family of the Machirites: and Machir begat Gilead: ° of Gilead come the family of the Gileadites.

30 These are the sons of ° Gilead: ° of ° Jeezer, the family of the Jeezerites: ° of Helek, the family of the Helekites:

31 And ° of Asriel, the family of the Asrielites: and of Shechem, the family of the Shechemites:

32 And ° of Shemida, the family of the Shemidaïtes: and ° of Hephher, the family of the Hephherites.

33 ° And Zelophehad the son of Hephher had no sons, but ° daughters: and the names of the

11 the children of Korah died not. Cp. 16. 32, 35. They were Assir, Elkanah, and Abiasaph (Ex. 6. 24). Their descendants were prominent in the Temple-worship (1 Chron. 6. 22-38). Of them came Samuel (cp. 1 Chron. 6. 33, 4 with 1 Sam. 1. 20) and Heman (cp. 1 Chron. 6. 33 with 25. 4, 6). Two groups of Psalms are associated with them (42-49 and 84-88).

14 twenty and two, &c. In Num. 1. 23 = 59,300, decrease 37,100.

18 forty thousand, &c. = 40,500. In Num. 2. 15 = 45,650, decrease 5,150.

22 threescore, &c. = 76,500. In Num. 2. 4 = 74,600, increase 1,900.

23 Of. This word is not needed.

of Tola. Should be "to Tola [pertained]", as in v. 6. The word "to" or "unto" is read in some codices with Sam. and Sept.

25 threescore, &c. = 64,300. In Num. 2. 6 = 54,400, increase 9,900.

27 threescore, &c. = 60,500. In Num. 2. 8 = 57,400, increase 3,100.

28 Manasseh comes before Ephraim here, because the tribe had increased. In Num. 2. 18, 20 Ephraim comes first, because he was the standard-bearer, and because of the blessing (Gen. 48. 14).

30 Gilead. Cp. 32. 39, 40 and Josh. 17. 1.

Jeezer. In Josh. 17. 2, Abiezer. Only this tribe, and Judah (v. 21) had great-grandsons as "heads". Cp. Gen. 50. 23.

33 And = Now.

daughters. Cp. 27. 1; 36. 1-12; and Josh. 17. 3, 4. Their names are written Mahlah, Noah, Hoglah, Milcah (some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "and Milcah"), and Tirzah.

34 fifty and two, &c. = 52,700. In Num. 2. 21 = 32,200, increase 20,500.

36 And. Some codices, with Sam., Jon., and Sept., omit "And".

Eran . . . Eranites. Some codices, with Sam., Sept., and Syr., have "Edan . . . Edanites", the letters ʾ (Daleth) and ʾ (Resh) being easily mistaken.

37 thirty and two, &c. = 32,500. In Num. 2. 19 = 40,500, decrease 7,500.

daughters of Zelophehad were Mahlah, and Noah, Hoglah, Milcah, and Tirzah.

34 These are the ° families of Manasseh, and those that were numbered of them, ° fifty and two thousand and seven hundred.

35 These are the sons of Ephraim after their families: ° of Shuthelah, the family of the Shuthalhites: ° of Becher, the family of the Bachrites: ° of Tahan, the family of the Tahanites.

36 ° And these are the sons of Shuthelah: of ° Eran, the family of the ° Eranites.

37 These are the ° families of the sons of Ephraim according to those that were numbered of them, ° thirty and two thousand and five hundred. These are the sons of Joseph after their families.

38 The sons of Benjamin after their families: ° of Bela, the family of the Belaites: ° of Ashbel, the family of the Ashbelites: ° of Ahiram, the family of the Ahiramites:

39 ° Of Shupham, the family of the Shuphamites: ° of Hupham, the family of the Huphamites.

40 And the sons of Bela were Ard and

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Naaman: ° of Ard, the family of the Ardites: and ° of Naaman, the family of the Naamites.
41 These are the sons of Benjamin after their ° families: and they that were numbered of them were ° forty and five thousand and six hundred.

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42 These are the sons of Dan after their families: of Shuham, the family of the Shuhamites. These are the families of Dan after their families.

43 All the ° families of the Shuhamites, according to those that were numbered of them, were ° threescore and four thousand and four hundred.

44 Of the ° children of Asher after their families: ° of Jimna, the family of the Jimnites: ° of Jesui, the family of the Jesuites: ° of Beriah, the family of the Beriites.

45 ° Of the sons of Beriah: ° of Heber, the family of the Heberites: ° of Malchiel, the family of the Malchielites.

46 And the name of the daughter of Asher was Sarah.

47 These are the ° families of the sons of Asher according to those that were numbered of them; who were ° fifty and three thousand and four hundred.

48 Of the sons of Naphtali after their families: ° of Jahzeel, the family of the Jahzeelites: ° of Guni, the family of the Gunites:

49 ° Of Jezer, the family of the Jezerites: ° of Shillem, the family of the Shillemites.

50 These are the families of Naphtali according to their families: and they that were numbered of them were ° forty and five thousand and four hundred.

51 These were the numbered of the ° children of Israel, ° six hundred thousand and a thousand seven hundred and thirty.

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52 And ° the LORD ° spake unto Moses, saying,

53 "Unto these the land shall be divided for an inheritance according to the number of names.

54 To ° many thou shalt give the more inheritance, and to ° few thou shalt give the less inheritance: to every one shall his inheritance be given according to those that were numbered of him.

55 Notwithstanding the land shall be divided ° by lot: according to the names of the tribes of their fathers they shall inherit.

56 According to ° the lot shall the possession thereof be divided between many and few."

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57 And these are they that were numbered of the Levites after their ° families: of Gershon, the family of the Gershonites: of Kohath, the family of the Kohathites: of Merari, the family of the Merarites.

58 These are the ° families of the Levites: the family of the Libnites, the family of the Hebronites, the family of the Mahlites, the family of the Mushites, the family of the Korathites. And Kohath begat Amram.

59 And the name of Amram's wife was ° Jochebed, the daughter of Levi, whom her mother ° bare to Levi in Egypt: and she bare

40 of Ard. Ellipsis (Ap. 6) should be supplied thus: "[to Ard] pertained".

41 forty and five, &c. = 45,600. In Num. 2. 23 = 35,400, increase 10,200.

43 threescore and four, &c. = 64,400. In Num. 2. 26 = 62,700. Decrease = 1,700.

44 children = sons.

47 fifty and three, &c. = 53,400. In Num. 2. 28 = 41,500, increase 11,900.

50 forty and five, &c. = 45,400. In Num. 2. 30 = 53,400, decrease 8,000.

51 The total number, accomplishing the command, v. 2. See the Structure, p. 219.

six hundred, &c. = 601,730. In Num. 2. 32 = 603,550, total decrease 1,820. In Egypt they increased like fishes, Ex. 1. 7, now they decrease. Cp. Ps. 78. 17-33. Seven tribes increased (Judah, Issachar, Zebulun, Manasseh, Benjamin, Dan, Asher), total 59,200, beside the 1,000 Levites.

Five tribes decreased (Reuben, Simeon, Gad, Ephraim, and Naphtali), total 61,020.

LEAH, increase: in Judah 1,900, Issachar 9,900, Zebulun 3,100, Levi 1,000; and decrease in Reuben 2,770, Simeon 37,100. Total decrease 23,970.

RACHEL, increase: in Manasseh 20,500, Benjamin 10,200; and decrease in Ephraim 8,000; total increase 22,700.

ZILPAH, increase: in Asher 11,900; and decrease in Gad 5,150; total increase 6,750.

BILHAH, increase: in Dan 1,700; and decrease in Naphtali 8,000; total decrease 6,300.

So, in the four camps: East camp, all increased; South camp, all decreased; West camp, Benjamin and Manasseh increased, Ephraim decreased; North camp, Dan and Asher increased, Naphtali decreased.

On the whole, cp. Job 12. 9, 10, 14, 23.

52-62 (B, p. 200). THEIR INHERITANCE.

B | e¹ | 52-56. Inheritance by number.

| e² | 57-62. Levi no inheritance.

54 many = the greater number.

few = the smaller number.

55 by = "upon": i. e. "contingently upon" (see v. 56). By Eleazar (34. 17), because, as high priest, he had the Urim and Thummim, which were the lots cast. The high priest must be present for the lot to speak, and give Jehovah's decision (Josh. 17. 4). Cp. Ezra 2. 61-63. Neh. 7. 63-65. The lot "came up" (Josh. 18. 11); "came forth" (Josh. 19. 1); "came out" (Josh. 19. 17) of the bag (containing the Urim and Thummin) which was in or behind the breastplate. See note on Ex. 28. 30, and cp. Prov. 16. 33; 18. 18.

56 the lot = Heb. "the mouth of the lot", as though the "lot" spoke and was personified, by the Fig. *Prosopopœia* (Ap. 6). See on v. 55.

59 Jochebed. Cp. Ex. 2. 1 and 6. 20.

bare to Levi in Egypt. This explains apparent discrepancy between her age and that of Amram. See Ap. 50. III.

61 Nadab. Cp. Lev. 10. 2. Num. 3. 4. 1 Chron. 24. 2.

unto Amram Aaron and Moses, and Miriam their sister.

60 And unto Aaron was born Nadab, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.

61 And ° Nadab and Abihu died, when they offered strange fire before ° the LORD.

62 And those that were numbered of them were twenty and three thousand, all males from a month old and upward: for they were not numbered among the ° children of Israel, because there was no inheritance given them among the ° children of Israel.

63 These are they that were numbered by Moses and Eleazar the priest, who numbered

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the ²children of Israel in the plains of Moab by Jordan near Jericho.

64 But among these there was not a man of them whom Moses and Aaron the priest numbered, when they numbered the ²children of Israel in the wilderness of Sinai.

65 For ¹the LORD had ^osaid of them, "They ^oshall surely die in the wilderness." And there was not left a man of them, ^osave Caleb the son of Jephunneh, and Joshua the son of Nun.

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27 Then came the ^odaughters of Zelophehad, the son of Hopher, the son of Gilead, the son of Machir, the son of Manasseh, of the families of Manasseh the son of Joseph: and these are the names of his ^odaughters; Mahlah, Noah, and Hoglah, and Milcah, and Tirzah.

2 And they stood before Moses, and before Eleazar the priest, and before the princes and all the congregation, by the ^odoor of the ^otabernacle of the congregation, saying,

3 "Our father ^odied in the wilderness, and he was not in the company of them that gathered themselves together against ^othe LORD in the company of Korah; but died in his own ^osin, and had no sons.

4 ^oWhy should the name of our father be done away from among his family, because he hath no son? Give unto us *therefore* a possession among the brethren of our father."

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5 And Moses brought their cause before ³the LORD.

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6 And ³the LORD ^ospake unto Moses, saying,

7 "The daughters of Zelophehad speak right: thou ^oshalt surely give them a possession of an inheritance among their father's brethren; and thou shalt cause the inheritance of their father to pass unto them.

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8 And thou shalt speak unto the ^ochildren of Israel, saying, 'If a man die, and have no son, then ye shall cause his inheritance to pass unto his daughter.

9 And if he have no daughter, then ye shall give his inheritance unto his brethren.

10 And if he have no brethren, then ye shall give his inheritance unto his father's brethren.

11 And if his father have no brethren, then ye shall give his inheritance ^ounto his kinsman that is next to him of his family, and he shall possess it: and it shall be unto the ⁸children of Israel ^oa statute of judgment, ^oas ³the LORD commanded Moses."

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12 And ³the LORD ^osaid unto Moses, "Get thee up into this mount Abarim, and see the land which I have given unto the ⁸children of Israel.

13 And when thou hast seen it, thou also shalt be gathered unto thy People, ¹¹as ^oAaron thy brother was gathered.

14 For ye ^orebelled against ^oMy commandment in the desert of Zin, in the strife of the congregation, to sanctify Me at the water before their eyes: that is the ^owater of Meribah in Kadesh in the wilderness of Zin."

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15 And Moses spake unto ³the LORD, saying, 16 "Let ³the LORD, the ^oGod of the ^ospirits

65 said. Forty years before. Cp. ch. 14. 28-33. shall surely die. Heb. "a dying they will die". Fig. *Polyptoton* (Ap. 6). See note on Gen. 2. 17; 26. 28. save Caleb, &c. Cp. 14. 24, 30, 38. The whole congregation therefore composed of men over twenty, and none older than sixty.

27. 1-11 (B, p. 219). INHERITANCE: THE DAUGHTERS OF ZELOPHEHAD.

(Alternation.)

B | f | 1-4. Their plea.

g | 5. Reference to Jehovah.

f | 6, 7. Answer to plea.

g | 8-11. Statute of Jehovah.

1 daughters. Cp. 26. 33. Josh. 17. 3.

2 door-entrance.

tabernacle-tent. Heb. 'ohel. Ap. 40.

3 died. Cp. 26. 64, 65.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

sin. Heb. *chāt'ā*. Ap. 44. i.

4 Why...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

6 spake. See note on 1. 1.

7 shalt surely give. Heb. "a giving thou shalt give".

Fig. *Polyptoton* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. See note on Gen.

26. 28. This command obeyed in Josh. 17. 4.

8 children=sons.

11 unto his kinsman. Cp. note on Lev. 18. 6.

a statute of judgment: or, regulative statute. Cp. 35. 29.

as=according to what.

12 the LORD said=Jehovah said. See note on 3. 40.

27. 12-31. 54 (B³, p. 176). EVENTS AND LAWS (Introversion).

B³ | A | 27. 12-23. Event: Moses' successor appointed.

B | 28. 1-29. 40. Laws as to offerings(necessary).

B | 30. 1-16. Laws as to vows (voluntary).

A | 31. 1-54. Event: Moses' vengeance on Midian.

27. 12-23 (A, above). EVENT: MOSES' SUCCESSOR (Alternation).

A | h | i | 12-14. Warning to Moses.

k | 15-17. Response of Moses.

h | i | 18-21. Appointment of Joshua.

k | 22, 23. Obedience.

13 Aaron. Cp. 20. 24.

14 rebelled. Cp. 20. 24.

My commandment. Heb. "My mouth". Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, "mouth" put for what is spoken by it.

water. Cp. Ex. 17. 7. Of another Meribah.

16 God=Elohim. God, the Creator of men and the spirits of men (Gen. 2. 7), Who giveth the spirit to man, and takes it to Himself again (Ecc. 12. 7), and Who giveth all the gifts of the Spirit (1 Cor. 14. 12).

spirits. Plural of Heb. *rūach*. See Ap. 9.

set=or visit: i. e. provide and appoint.

man. Heb. 'ish. See Ap. 14. ii.

17 go out... go in. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), Ap. 6, put for life in general, especially all official movements, and actions.

18 said. See note on 3. 40.

of all flesh, ^oset a ^oman over the congregation,

17 Which may ^ogo out before them, and which may ^ogo in before them, and which may lead them out, and which may bring them in; that the congregation of ³the LORD be not as sheep which have no shepherd."

18 And ³the LORD ^osaid unto Moses, "Take

1452 thee ° Joshua the son of Nun, a man in whom is the ° spirit, and lay thine hand upon him; 19 And ° set him before ° Eleazar the priest, and before all the congregation; and give him a charge in their sight.

20 And thou shalt put some of thine honour upon him, that all the congregation of the ° children of Israel may be obedient.

21 And ° he shall stand before ° Eleazar the priest, who shall ask ° counsel ° for him after the ° judgment of ° Urim before ° the LORD: ° at his ° word shall they ° go out, and at his ° word they shall ° come in, both he, and all the ° children of Israel with him, even all the congregation."

k (p. 222) 22 And Moses did ° as ° the LORD commanded him: and he took Joshua, and ° set him before Eleazar the priest, and before all the congregation:

23 And he laid his hands upon him, and gave him a charge, as ° the LORD ° commanded ° by the hand of Moses.

B 1 (p. 223) 28 And ° the LORD ° spake unto Moses, saying,

m 2 "Command the ° children of Israel, and say unto them, 'My ° offering, and My ° bread for My sacrifices made by fire, for a ° sweet savour unto Me, shall ye observe to ° offer unto Me in their ° due season.'

n o¹ 3 And thou shalt say unto them, 'This is the offering made by fire which ye shall offer unto ° the LORD; two lambs of the first year ° without spot day by day, for a continual burnt offering.

4 The one lamb shalt thou ° offer in the morning, and the other lamb shalt thou ° offer ° at even;

5 And a tenth part of an ° ephah of flour for a ° meat offering, mingled with the fourth part of an ° hin of beaten oil.

6 It is a continual burnt offering, which was ordained in mount Sinai for a ° sweet savour, a sacrifice made by fire unto ° the LORD.

7 And the drink offering thereof shall be the fourth part of an ° hin for the one lamb: in the ° holy place shalt thou cause the ° strong wine to be poured unto ° the LORD for a drink offering.

8 And the other lamb shalt thou ° offer at even: as the ° meat offering of the morning, and as the drink offering thereof, thou shalt offer it, a sacrifice made by fire, of a ° sweet savour unto the LORD.

o² 9 And on the sabbath day two lambs of the first year ° without spot, and two tenth deals of flour for a ° meat offering, mingled with oil, and the drink offering thereof:

10 This is the burnt offering of every sabbath, ° beside the continual burnt offering, and his drink offering.

o³ 11 And in the beginnings of your months ye shall ° offer a burnt offering unto ° the LORD; two young bullocks, and one ram, seven lambs of the first year ° without spot;

12 And three ° tenth deals of flour for a meat offering, mingled with oil, for one bullock;

Joshua. See note on Ex. 17. 9.

spirit. Heb. *rūach* (Ap. 9). Put here by the Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the gifts of the Holy Spirit: here, a spirit of "wisdom" (Deut. 34. 9).

19 Eleazar the priest: because he had the breastplate with Urim and Thummim, and could alone give Joshua the decision or "judgment" of Jehovah.

21 he shall stand - take his stand. Heb. *amad*, as v. 2.

counsel. Supply Ellipsis with the word "judgment" from next clause (Ap. 6. iii. 1).

for = by.

after = for.

judgment = decision.

Urim = the Urim. See note on Ex. 28. 30.

at his word = at the mouth: i. e. of the Urim.

word = commandment or instruction, "word" put by Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for what is spoken by the mouth.

23 commanded = spake. See note on 1. 1.

by the hand. Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6: i. e. by the instrumentality or agency of the hand.

28. 1-29. 40 (B, p. 222). LAWS AS TO OFFERINGS (Introversion).

B 1 | 28. 1. Command given.

m | 28. 2. General specification.

n | 28. 3-31. Particular: as to offerings.

n | 29. 1-38. Particular: as to seventh month.

m | 29. 39. General summary.

l | 29. 40. Command communicated.

28. 1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

spake. See note on 1. 1.

2 children - sons.

offering - approach offering Heb. *qorbān*. Ap. 43. II. i.

bread. Fig. Synecdoche (of Species), Ap. 6, put for all kinds of food.

sweet savour. See note on Lev. 1. 9.

offer = bring near. Heb. *kārab*. Ap. 43. I. i.

due season = appointed time. Heb. *mō'ed*. See note on Gen. 1. 14.

3-31 (n, above). PARTICULAR: AS TO OFFERINGS (Division).

n | o¹ | 3-8. Daily.

o² | 9, 10. Sabbatic.

o³ | 11-15. Monthly.

o⁴ | 16-25. Paschal.

o⁵ | 26-31. Firstfruits.

3 without spot. Heb. *tāmim*, without blemish. See Ap. 26.

4 offer = prepare. Heb. *asāh*. Ap. 43. I. iii.

at even = between the evenings.

5 ephah. See Ap. 51. III. 3.

meat offering. Heb. *minchah* = meal or gift offering. Ap. 43. II. iii.

hin. See Ap. 51. III. 3.

7 holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

strong wine. Heb. *shēkar*. Ap. 27. iv.

10 beside = over and above.

11 offer = bring near. Heb. *kāray*. Ap. 43. I. i.

12 tenth deals. See Ap. 51. III. 3.

14 wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. 1.

and two ° tenth deals of flour for a ° meat offering, mingled with oil, for one ram;

13 And a several ° tenth deal of flour mingled with oil for a ° meat offering unto one lamb; for a burnt offering of a ° sweet savour, a sacrifice made by fire unto ° the LORD.

14 And their drink offerings shall be half an ° hin of ° wine unto a bullock, and the third part of an ° hin unto a ram, and a fourth part of an ° hin unto a lamb: this is the burnt offering of every month throughout the months of the year.

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15 And one kid of the goats for a °sin offering unto ¹the LORD shall be °offered, beside the continual burnt offering, and his drink offering.

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16 And in the °fourteenth day of the °first month is the passover of ¹the LORD.

17 And in the fifteenth day of this month is the feast: seven days shall unleavened bread be eaten.

18 In the ¹⁶first day shall be an ⁵holy convocation; ye shall do no manner of servile work therein:

19 But ye shall ²offer a sacrifice made by fire for a burnt offering unto ¹the LORD; two young bullocks, and one ram, and seven lambs of the first year: they shall be unto you without blemish:

20 And their ⁵meat offering shall be of flour mingled with oil: three ¹²tenth deals shall ye ⁴offer for a bullock, and two ¹²tenth deals for a ram;

21 A several ¹²tenth deal shalt thou offer for every lamb, throughout the seven lambs:

22 And one goat for a sin offering, to make an °atonement for you.

23 Ye shall offer these °beside the burnt offering in the morning, which is for a continual burnt offering.

24 After this manner ye shall ²offer daily, throughout the seven days, the meat of the sacrifice made by fire, of a ²sweet savour unto ¹the LORD: it shall be ²offered ¹⁰beside the continual burnt offering, and his drink offering.

25 And on the seventh day ye shall have an ⁵holy convocation; ye shall do no servile work.

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26 Also °in the day of the firstfruits, when ye bring a new ⁵meat offering unto ¹the LORD, °after your weeks be out, ye shall have an ⁵holy convocation; ye shall do no servile work:

27 But ye shall ¹¹offer the burnt offering for a ²sweet savour unto ¹the LORD; two young bullocks, °one ram, seven lambs of the first year;

28 And their ⁵meat offering of flour mingled with oil, three ¹²tenth deals unto one bullock, °two ¹²tenth deals unto one ram,

29 A several ¹²tenth deal unto one lamb, throughout the seven lambs;

30 °And one kid of the goats, to make an ²²atonement for you.

31 Ye shall ⁴offer them ²³beside the continual burnt offering, and his meat offering, (they shall be unto you without blemish) and their drink offerings.

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Tisri

29 And in the °seventh month, on the first day of the month, ye shall have an °holy convocation; ye shall do no °servile work: it is a day of °blowing the trumpets unto you.

2 And ye shall °offer a burnt offering for a °sweet savour unto °the LORD; one young bullock, one ram, and seven lambs of the first year °without blemish:

3 And their °meat offering shall be of flour mingled with oil, three °tenth deals for a bullock, and two °tenth deals for a ram,

15 sin offering. Heb. *chāṭ'ā*. Ap. 43. II. v.

16 fourteenth. Cp. Ex. 12. 2, 14, 18. Lev. 23. 5. first. Cp. Lev. 23. 7.

22 atonement. See note on Ex. 29. 33.

23 beside = in addition to, as in v. 31 (not "upon", as in vv. 10 and 24).

26 in the day = at the time. See Ap. 18.

after your weeks be out = on the eve of your weeks.

27 one. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Sam., Jon., and Syr., read "and one".

28 two. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Sam., Sept., and Syr., read "and two".

30 And. This word, "and", is read in some codices, with Sam., Sept., Syr., and Vulg.

29. 1-38 (n, p. 223). PARTICULAR: re SEVENTH MONTH (Division).

n | p¹ | 1-8. First day. Seventh month.

p² | 7-11. Tenth day.

p³ | 12-16. Fifteenth day.

p⁴ | 17-19. Second day.

p⁵ | 20-22. Third day.

p⁶ | 23-25. Fourth day.

p⁷ | 26-28. Fifth day.

p⁸ | 29-31. Sixth day.

p⁹ | 32-34. Seventh day.

p¹⁰ | 35-38. Eighth day.

1 seventh month. Heb. name Tisri not known in Scripture (our Sept.-Oct.). The old civil year went out (Ex. 23. 16; 34. 22), known as Ethanim (1 Kings 8. 2). Tisri = the first month of civil year. Nisan, or Abib = the first month of sacred year.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5. servile = laborious. blowing the trumpets. Cp. Lev. 23. 24.

2 offer = prepare. Heb. *'āsāh*. Ap. 43. I. iii.

sweet savour. See note on Lev. 1. 9.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

without blemish = physically perfect. See Ap. 26.

3 meat offering. See Ap. 43. II. iii.

tenth deals. See Ap. 51. III. 3.

5 sin offering. See Ap. 43. II. v.

atonement. See note on Ex. 29. 33.

6 Beside = in addition to. See note on 28. 23.

manner = ordinance, or regulation.

7 souls. Plural of Heb. *nephesh*. See Ap. 13.

8 offer = bring near. Heb. *kāray*. Ap. 43. I. i.

10 A several tenth. Heb. "a tenth, a tenth" = a tenth severally, i. e. to each.

11 One. Some codices, with Sam., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "And one".

4 And one ³tenth deal for one lamb, throughout the seven lambs:

5 And one kid of the goats for a °sin offering, to make an °atonement for you:

6 °Beside the burnt offering of the month, and his ³meat offering, and the daily burnt offering, and his meat offering, and their drink offerings, according unto their °manner, for a sweet savour, a sacrifice made by fire unto ²the LORD.

7 And ye shall have on the tenth day of this seventh month an ¹holy convocation; and ye shall afflict your °souls: ye shall not do any work therein:

8 But ye shall °offer a burnt offering unto the LORD for a ²sweet savour; one young bullock, one ram, and seven lambs of the first year; they shall be unto you ²without blemish:

9 And their ³meat offering shall be of flour mingled with oil, three ³tenth deals to a bullock, and two ³tenth deals to one ram,

10 °A several ³tenth deal for one lamb, throughout the seven lambs:

11 °One kid of the goats for a ⁵sin offering;

1452 ⁶beside ^othe ¹¹sin offering of ^oatonement, and the continual burnt offering, and the meat offering of it, and their drink offerings.

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Tisri 12 And on the ^ofifteenth day of ^othe seventh month ye shall have an ¹holy convocation; ye shall do no ¹servile work, and ye shall keep a feast unto ²the LORD seven days:

13 And ye shall ^ooffer a burnt offering, a sacrifice made by fire, of a ²sweet savour unto ²the LORD; thirteen young bullocks, two rams, and fourteen lambs of the first year; they shall be without blemish:

14 And their meat offering *shall be of flour mingled with oil*, three ³tenth deals unto every bullock of the thirteen bullocks, two ³tenth deals to each ram of the two rams,

15 And ^oa several ³tenth deal to each lamb of the fourteen lambs:

16 And one kid of the goats *for a sin offering*; ¹¹beside the continual burnt offering, ^ohis meat offering, and his drink offering.

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16th
Tisri 17 And on the second day ^oye shall offer twelve young bullocks, two rams, fourteen lambs of the first year ²without spot:

18 And their meat offering and their drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the lambs, *shall be* according to their number, after the ⁶manner:

19 And one kid of the goats *for a sin offering*; ⁶beside the continual burnt offering, and the meat offering thereof, and their drink offerings.

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17th
Tisri 20 And on the third day eleven bullocks, two rams, fourteen lambs of the first year ²without blemish;

21 And their meat offering and their drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the lambs, *shall be* according to their number, after the ⁶manner:

22 And ¹¹one goat *for a sin offering*; ⁶beside the continual burnt offering, and his meat offering, and his drink offering.

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18th
Tisri 23 And on the fourth day ten bullocks, two rams, and fourteen lambs of the first year ²without blemish:

24 ^oTheir meat offering and their drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the lambs, *shall be* according to their number, after the ⁶manner:

25 And one kid of the goats *for a sin offering*; ⁶beside the continual burnt offering, ^ohis meat offering, and his drink offering.

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Tisri 26 And on the fifth day nine bullocks, two rams, and fourteen lambs of the first year ²without spot:

27 And their meat offering and their drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the lambs, *shall be* according to their number, after the ⁶manner:

28 And one goat *for a sin offering*; ⁶beside the continual burnt offering, and his meat offering, and his drink offering.

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Tisri 29 And on the sixth day eight bullocks, two rams, and fourteen lambs of the first year without blemish:

30 And their meat offering and their drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and

the sin offering of atonement. This was the great offering of the day of atonement. Lev. 16.

12 fifteenth day. The Feast of Tabernacles. the seventh month. Some codices, with Sam., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "this month".

13 a several tenth. As in v. 10, but the second word "tenth" has the extraordinary points (Ap. 31) omitting the word, making it like v. 4, instead of like v. 10.

16 his meat offering = the meal offering thereof. Some codices, with Sam., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "and the", or "and his".

17 ye shall offer. The Ellipsis (Ap. 6) is correctly supplied from preceding verses (vv. 2, 8, 13).

24 Their. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Sam., Sept., and Syr., read "And their".

25 his. See note on v. 16. Some codices, with Sam., Onk., Syr., and Vulg., read "and his".

31 his. See note on v. 16. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Sam., Onk., and Syr., read "and his".

drink offering. Some codices have this in the plural.

35 solemn assembly. Cp. Lev. 23. 36.

37 Their. Some codices, with Sam., Syr., and Vulg., read "With their".

39 set feasts = appointed seasons. See note on 28. 2 and Gen. 1. 14.

40 children = sons.

for the lambs, *shall be* according to their number, after the ⁶manner:

31 And one goat *for a sin offering*; ⁶beside the continual burnt offering, ^ohis meat offering, and his ^odrink offering.

32 And on the seventh day seven bullocks, two rams, and fourteen lambs of the first year ²without blemish:

33 And their meat offering and their drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the lambs, *shall be* according to their number, after the ⁶manner:

34 And one goat *for a sin offering*; ⁶beside the continual burnt offering, ^ohis meat offering, and his ³¹drink offering.

35 On the eighth day ye shall have a ^osolemn assembly: ye shall do no ¹servile work *therein*:

36 But ye shall ^ooffer a burnt offering, a sacrifice made by fire, of a ²sweet savour unto ²the LORD: one bullock, one ram, seven lambs of the first year ²without blemish:

37 ^oTheir meat offering and their drink offerings for the bullock, for the ram, and for the lambs, *shall be* according to their number, after the ⁶manner:

38 And one goat *for a sin offering*; ⁶beside the continual burnt offering, and his meat offering, and his drink offering.

39 These *things* ye shall do unto ²the LORD in your ^oset feasts, beside your vows, and your freewill offerings, for your burnt offerings, and for your meat offerings, and for your drink offerings, and for your peace offerings."

40 And Moses told the ^ochildren of Israel according to all that ²the LORD commanded Moses.

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30 And Moses spake unto the °heads of the tribes concerning the °children of Israel, saying, "This is the thing which °the LORD hath commanded.

2 If a °man °vow a vow unto °the LORD, or swear an oath to bind his °soul with a bond; he shall not °break his word, he shall do according to all that proceedeth out of his mouth.

r s 3 If a woman also °vow a vow unto °the LORD, °and °bind herself by a bond, being in her father's house in her youth;

4 And her father hear her vow, and her bond wherewith she hath bound her °soul, and her father shall hold his peace at her: then all her vows °shall stand, and every bond wherewith she hath bound her °soul °shall stand.

5 But if her father disallow her in the day that he heareth; not any of her vows, or of her bonds wherewith she hath bound her °soul, shall stand: and °the LORD shall forgive her, because her father disallowed her.

t 6 And if she had at all an husband, when she vowed, or uttered ought out of her lips, wherewith she bound her °soul;

7 And her husband heard it, and held his peace at her in the day that he heard it: then °her vows °shall stand, and her bonds wherewith she bound her °soul °shall stand.

8 But if her husband disallowed her on the day that he heard it; then he shall make her vow which she vowed, and that which she uttered with her lips, wherewith she bound her °soul, of none effect: and °the LORD shall forgive her.

s 9 But every vow of a widow, and of her that is °divorced, wherewith they have bound their °souls, °shall stand against her.

t 10 And if she vowed in her husband's house, or bound her °soul by a bond with an oath;

11 And her husband heard it, and held his peace at her, and disallowed her not: then all her vows shall stand, and every bond wherewith she bound her °soul °shall stand.

12 But if her husband °hath utterly made them void on the day he heard them; then whatsoever proceeded out of her lips concerning her vows, or concerning the bond of her °soul, shall not stand: her husband hath made them void; and °the LORD shall forgive her.

13 Every vow, and every binding oath to afflict the °soul, her husband may establish it, or her husband may make it void.

14 But if her husband °altogether hold his peace at her from day to day; then he establisheth all her vows, or all her bonds, which are upon her: he confirmeth them, because he held his peace at her in the day that he heard them.

15 But if he shall any ways make them void after that he hath heard them; then he shall bear her °iniquity."

q 16 These are the statutes, which °the LORD commanded Moses, between a °man and his wife, between the father and his daughter, being yet in her youth in her father's house.

30. 1-16 (B, p. 222). LAWS AS TO VOWS. (Introversion.)

B | q | 1, 2. Vows made by men.
r | 3-15. Vows made by women.
q | 16. Vows made by men and women.

1 heads = rulers or princes.

children = sons.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

2 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. ii.

vow a vow. Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6) = make a solemn promise.

soul. Heb. *nephesh* (Ap. 13), used in this chapter twelve times for the whole (responsible) person.

break = Heb. profane.

3-15 (r, above). VOWS MADE BY WOMEN. (Alternation.)

r | s | 3-5. Virgin.
t | 6-8. Wife.
s | 9. Widow (or Divorcee).
t | 10-15. Wife.

3 and = or.

bind . . . a bond. Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6) = make a solemn bond.

4 shall stand = abide firm. Cp. Gen. 23. 17, 20. Ps. 19. 7. Isa. 14. 24; 40. 8. Jer. 44. 29.

7 her. Some codices, with Sam., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "all her", as in v. 4.

9 divorced. Heb. "put away [from her husband]". Cp. Lev. 21. 7.

12 hath utterly made them void. Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6). Heb. "a making void he hath made them void". Fig. well represented by the word "utterly". See note on Gen. 26. 28.

14 altogether, &c. Heb. "a holding his peace, he held his peace". Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6), well translated by "altogether".

15 iniquity. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the punishment occasioned by it. Heb. 'āvāh. Ap. 44. iv.

31. 1-54 (A, p. 222). EVENT: MOSES' VENGEANCE ON MIDIANITES (Alternation.)

A | u | 1-4. Commands.
v | 5-13. Obedience.
u | 14-30. Commands (14-20 by Moses; 21-24 by Eleazar; 25-30 by Jehovah).
v | 31-54. Obedience.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

spake. See note on 1. 1.

2 Avenge. Heb. revenge the revengement. Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6). = execute due vengeance.

children = sons.

afterward. Sam., Jon., Sept., Syr., and Vulg. read "and afterward".

be gathered, &c. Cp. 27. 13.

3 avenge the LORD of Midian = render the vengeance of Jehovah upon Midian. Cp. ch. 25. 17.

31 And °the LORD °spake unto Moses, saying,

2 "Avenge the °children of Israel of °the Midianites: °afterward shalt thou °be gathered unto thy people."

3 And Moses spake unto the People, saying, "Arm some of yourselves unto the war, and let them go against °the Midianites, and °avenge °the LORD of Midian.

4 Of every tribe a thousand, throughout all the tribes of Israel, shall ye send to the war."

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5 So there were delivered out of the thousands of Israel, a thousand of every tribe, twelve thousand armed for war.

6 And Moses sent them to the war, a thousand of every tribe, them and Phinehas the son of Eleazar the priest, to the war, with the holy instruments, and the trumpets to blow in his hand.

7 And they warred against the Midianites, as the LORD commanded Moses; and they slew all the males.

8 And they slew the kings of Midian, beside the rest of them that were slain; namely, Evi, and Rekem, and Zur, and Hur, and Reba, five kings of Midian: Balaam also the son of Beor they slew with the sword.

9 And the children of Israel took all the women of Midian captives, and their little ones, and took the spoil of all their cattle, and all their flocks, and all their goods.

10 And they burnt all their cities wherein they dwelt, and all their goodly castles, with fire.

11 And they took all the spoil, and all the prey, both of men and of beasts.

12 And they brought the captives, and the prey, and the spoil, unto Moses, and Eleazar the priest, and unto the congregation of the children of Israel, unto the camp at the plains of Moab, which are by Jordan near Jericho.

13 And Moses, and Eleazar the priest, and all the princes of the congregation, went forth to meet them without the camp.

u 14 And Moses was wroth with the officers of the host, with the captains over thousands, and captains over hundreds, which came from the battle.

15 And Moses said unto them, "Have ye saved all the women alive?"

16 Behold, these caused the children of Israel, through the counsel of Balaam, to commit trespass against the LORD in the matter of Peor, and there was a plague among the congregation of the LORD.

17 Now therefore kill every male among the little ones, and kill every woman that hath known man by lying with him.

18 But all the women children, that have not known a man by lying with him, keep alive for yourselves.

19 And do ye abide without the camp seven days: whosoever hath killed any person, and whosoever hath touched any slain, purify both yourselves and your captives on the third day, and on the seventh day.

20 And purify all your raiment, and all that is made of skins, and all work of goats' hair, and all things made of wood."

21 And Eleazar the priest said unto the men of war which went to the battle, "This is the ordinance of the law which the LORD commanded Moses;

22 Only the gold, and the silver, the brass, the iron, the tin, and the lead,

23 Every thing that may abide the fire, ye shall make it go through the fire, and it shall be clean: nevertheless it shall be purified with the water of separation: and all that abideth not the fire ye shall make go through the water.

24 And ye shall wash your clothes on the

5 armed = assigned to or for, &c.

6 Phinehas. Cp. 25. 7-15.

instruments = vessels.

trumpets = alarm trumpets, which were also prayer trumpets. Cp. 10. 9, 10. 7 as = according as.

8 Evi. Cp. Josh. 13. 21.

five kings: called princes or dukes of Sihon, Josh. 13. 21. Balaam. Cp. Josh. 13. 22.

slew. Balaam thus did not "die the death of the righteous". Cp. 23. 10.

10 burnt = burnt up, or down. Heb. *sārāph*. Ap. 43. I. viii. The same judgment is in store for spiritual fornication. Rev. 17. 16; 18. 8.

castles = fortified places.

11 prey = booty. Heb. *mal'kōah*. First occurrence. Always used of animated prey.

men. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

12 captives. Heb. captivity.

the. Some codices, with Sam., Jon., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "all the".

13 meet them: as Melchizedek met Abram (Gen. 14. 17).

14 wroth. Moses meek in his own matters, but not in Jehovah's. In these there was a "godly jealousy".

battle. Heb. battle of the war = "the [battle] array (or host) of the war", or martial host.

16 these. Cp. 25. 2.

counsel = word, or doctrine (Rev. 2. 14).

trespass = Heb. *mā'al*. Cp. Ap. 44. xi.

17 man. Heb. *'ish* (Ap. 14. II). him = male.

19 person = soul. Heb. *nephesh* (Ap. 13).

21 men. Heb. pl. of *'ish*, or *'enōsh*. Ap. 14.

went = came, or had come. ordinance = statute.

22 the. Some codices, with Sam., Jon., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "and the" in each of these three instances, making the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6).

iron. Found in Egypt as early as 2800 B.C.

23 water of separation. See ch. 19.

25 spake. See note on 1. 1.

26 man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

28 tribute = computed value, assigned to Jehovah. Heb. *mekes*. Occurs only in this chapter.

soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

persons = men. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

29 give it. An extra portion in addition to Dent. 18. 1, 2 and Num. 18. 19. So Abram, Gen. 14. 20.

30 of the. Some codices, with Sam., Jon., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "and of the".

tabernacle = habitation. Heb. *mishkān*. Ap. 40.

seventh day, and ye shall be clean, and afterward ye shall come into the camp."

25 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 26 "Take the sum of the prey that was taken, both of man and of beast, thou, and Eleazar the priest, and the chief fathers of the congregation:

27 And divide the prey into two parts; between them that took the war upon them, who went out to battle, and between all the congregation:

28 And levy a tribute unto the LORD of the 21 men of war which went out to battle: one soul of five hundred, both of the persons, and of the beeves, and of the asses, and of the sheep:

29 Take it of their half, and give it unto Eleazar the priest, for an heave offering of the LORD.

30 And of the children of Israel's half, thou shalt take one portion of fifty, of the 28 persons, of the beeves, of the asses, and of the flocks, of all manner of beasts, and give them unto the Levites, which keep the charge of the tabernacle of the LORD."

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31 And Moses and Eleazar the priest did ° as the LORD commanded Moses.

32 And the booty, *being* the rest of the prey which the 28 men of war had caught, was six hundred thousand and seventy thousand and five thousand sheep,

33 And threescore and twelve thousand beeves,

34 And threescore and one thousand asses,

35 And thirty and two thousand ° persons in all, of women that had not known ° man by lying with him.

36 And the half, *which* was the portion of them that went out ° to war, was in number three hundred thousand and seven and thirty thousand and five hundred sheep:

37 And 1 the LORD'S 28 tribute of the sheep was six hundred and threescore and fifteen.

38 And the beeves were thirty and six thousand; of which 1 the LORD'S 28 tribute was threescore and twelve.

39 And the asses were thirty thousand and five hundred; of which 1 the LORD'S 28 tribute was threescore and one.

40 ° And the ° persons were sixteen thousand; of which 1 the LORD'S 28 tribute was thirty ° and two ° persons.

41 And Moses gave the 28 tribute, *which* was 1 the LORD'S heave offering, unto Eleazar the priest, 31 as 1 the LORD commanded Moses.

42 And of the 2 children of Israel's half, which Moses divided from the 21 men that warred,

43 (Now the half *that pertained unto* the congregation was three hundred thousand and thirty thousand *and* seven thousand and five hundred sheep,

44 And thirty and six thousand beeves,

45 And thirty thousand asses and five hundred,

46 And sixteen thousand 40 persons;)

47 Even of the 2 children of Israel's half, Moses took one portion of fifty, *both* of 26 man and of beast, and ° gave them unto the Levites, which kept the charge of the 30 tabernacle of 1 the LORD; 31 as 1 the LORD commanded Moses.

48 And the officers which were over thousands of the host, the captains of thousands, and captains of hundreds, came near unto Moses:

49 And they said unto Moses, "Thy servants have taken the sum of the 21 men of war which are under our charge, and there lacketh not one 17 man of us.

50 We have therefore brought an ° oblation for 1 the LORD, what every man hath gotten, of ° jewels of gold, chains, and bracelets, rings, earrings, and tablets, to make an ° atonement for our ° souls before 1 the LORD."

51 And Moses and Eleazar the priest took the gold of them, *even* all wrought 50 jewels.

52 And all the gold of the ° offering that they ° offered up to 1 the LORD, of the captains of thousands, and of the captains of hundreds, was sixteen thousand seven hundred and fifty ° shekels.

53 (For the 21 men of war had taken spoil, every man for himself.)

54 And Moses and Eleazar the priest took the gold of the captains of thousands and of hundreds, and brought it into the ° tabernacle of the congregation, for a memorial for the 2 children of Israel before 1 the LORD.

31 as = according as.

33 beeves. Old English (from the French), for oxen.

35 persons. Heb. pl. of *nephesh*. Ap. 13. III. note man = male.

36 to war = to, or, for the host.

40 And the persons. Fig. *Epanadiplōsis*. Ap. 6. persons = souls. Heb. *nephesh* (pl.). Ap. 13. Lit. soul of man (Ap. 14. I).

47 gave them. See 1 Chron. 9. 2. Heb. *nāthan*, to give. Hence their name, "Nethinim."

50 oblation. This was voluntary. The levy in v. 25, &c., was commanded. See Lev. 2. 4.

jewels = instruments or vessels.

atonement. See note on Ex. 29. 33.

souls. Heb. pl. of *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

52 offering = heave offering. See Ap. 43. II. viii., and note on Ex. 29. 27.

offered up = heaved.

shekels. See Ap. 51. II.

54 tabernacle = tent. Heb. *'ohel*. See Ap. 40.

32. 1-36. 13 (A⁴, p. 176). DIVISION OF LAND: JOURNEYINGS AND ORDER (SETTLEMENT). (*Introversion*.)

A⁴ | B | 32. 1-42. Division: East of Jordan.

C | 33. 1-49. Journeyings.

B | 33. 50 - 36. 13. Division: West of Jordan.

32. 1-42 (B, above). DIVISION: EAST OF JORDAN (*Repeated Alternation*.)

B | w¹ | 1-5. Petition of Reuben and Gad.

x¹ | 6-15. Expostulation of Moses.

w² | 16-19. Stipulation of Reuben and Gad.

x² | 20-24. Reply of Moses.

w³ | 25-27. Stipulation of Reuben and Gad.

x³ | 28-30. Condition of Moses.

w⁴ | 31, 32. Compliance of Reuben and Gad.

x⁴ | 33-42. Compliance of Moses.

1 children = sons.

cattle. In Heb. this verse begins and ends with the word "cattle". Fig. *Epanadiplōsis* (Ap. 6), to emphasise the first cause of this division.

behold. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6), to strengthen the emphasis.

3 Ataroth, &c. These were the places in the countries of Sihon and Og, on the east of Jordan. Cp. Josh. 16. 2, 5, 7.

Dibon. Cp. 21. 30. Josh. 13. 9, 17.

Nimrah. Called Beth-nimrah, v. 36, and Nimrim. Isa. 15. 6. Cp. Josh. 13. 27.

Heshbon. 21. 26. Josh. 13. 17.

Shebam. Called Shibmah, v. 38. Cp. Josh. 13. 19. Isa. 16. 8, 9. Jer. 48. 32.

Beon. Called Baal-meon, v. 38; Beth-meon, Jer. 48. 23; and Beth-baal-meon, Josh. 13. 17.

4 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

is. Heb. "it [is]".

32 Now the ° children of Reuben and the children of Gad had a very great multitude of ° cattle: and when they saw the land of Jazer, and the land of Gilead, that, ° behold, the place was a place for ° cattle;

2 The 1 children of Gad and the children of Reuben came and spake unto Moses, and to Eleazar the priest, and unto the princes of the congregation, saying,

3 "Ataroth, and ° Dibon, and Jazer, and ° Nimrah, and ° Heshbon, and Elealeh, and ° Shebam, and Nebo, and ° Beon,

4 *Even* the country which ° the LORD smote before the congregation of Israel, ° is a land for cattle, and thy servants have cattle:"

5 "Wherefore," said they, "if we have found grace in thy sight, let this land be given unto

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thy servants for a possession, and bring us not over Jordan."

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6 And Moses said unto the ¹children of Gad and to the ¹children of Reuben, "Shall your brethren go to war, and shall ye sit here?"

7 And wherefore discourage ye the heart of the ¹children of Israel from going over into the land which ⁴the LORD hath given them?

8 Thus did your fathers, when I sent them from Kadesh-barnea to see the land.

9 For when they went up unto the valley of ^oEshcol, and saw the land, they discouraged the heart of the ¹children of Israel, that they should not go into the land which ⁴the LORD had given them.

10 And ⁴the LORD'S anger was kindled ^othe same time, and He sware, saying,

11 ⁴'Surely none of the ^omen that came up out of Egypt, from twenty years old and upward, shall see the land which I sware ^ounto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob; because they have not wholly followed Me:

12 Save Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenezite, and Joshua the son of Nun: for they have wholly followed ⁴the LORD.'

13 And ⁴the LORD'S anger was kindled against Israel, and He made them wander in the wilderness forty years, until all ^othe generation, that had done ^oevil in the sight of ⁴the LORD, was consumed.

14 And, ^obehold, ye are risen up in your fathers' stead, an ^oincrease of ^osinful men, to augment yet the fierce anger of ⁴the LORD toward Israel.

15 For if ye turn away from after Him, He will yet again ^oleave them in the wilderness; and ye shall destroy all this People."

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16 And they came near unto him, and said, "We will build sheepfolds here for our cattle, and cities for our little ones:

17 But we ourselves will go ready armed before the ¹children of Israel, until we have brought them unto their place: and our little ones shall dwell in the fenced cities because of the inhabitants of the land.

18 We ^owill not return unto our houses, until the ¹children of Israel have inherited every ^oman his inheritance.

19 For we will not inherit with them on yonder side Jordan, or forward; because our inheritance is fallen to us on this side Jordan eastward."

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20 And Moses said unto them, "If ye will do this thing, if ye will go armed before ⁴the LORD to war,

21 And will go all of you armed over Jordan before ⁴the LORD, until He hath driven out His enemies from before Him,

22 And the land be subdued before ⁴the LORD: then afterward ye shall return, and be guiltless before ⁴the LORD, and before Israel; and this land shall be your possession before ⁴the LORD.

23 But if ye will not do so, ⁴behold, ye have sinned against ⁴the LORD: and be sure your sin will find you out.

24 Build you cities for your little ones, and folds for your sheep; and do that which hath proceeded out of your mouth."

9 Eshcol. Cp. 13. 23, 24.

10 the same time. Heb. "on that day".

11 men. Heb. pl. of ¹ish or ¹enōsh. Ap. 14. unto Abraham, &c. All three mentioned together here as equally subjects of the oath of Jehovah. Cp. Gen. 50. 24.

13 the generation: or, the men of that generation. evil. Heb. ¹rā'a'. Ap. 44. VIII.

14 behold. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6), to emphasise what follows.

increase = a crew, multitude, or brood.

sinful. Heb. ¹chāf'ā. Ap. 44. i.

15 leave them: or leave them behind.

18 will not return. Promise fulfilled (Josh. 22. 3, 4). man. Heb. ¹ish (Ap. 14).

25 spake. Heb. text reads sing., "he spake", and by Fig. *Heterōsis* (of Number), Ap. 6, might be translated plural, "they spake". But "they spake" is the actual reading in several codices: Sam., Jon., Onk., Sept., Syr., and Vulg. It is also the *Sevir* reading. See Ap. 34.

as = according as.

27 will pass over. Cp. Josh. 4. 12.

29 every man = all.

30 armed . . . they. Between these two words the Sept. has "to do battle before Jehovah, then shall ye bring over their baggage, and their wives, and their cattle earlier than you into the land of Canaan; so shall" (they have possession), &c.

32. 33-42 [For Structure see next page].

33 Moses gave. Cp. Deut. 3. 12. Josh. 13. 8; 22. 4.

25 And the ¹children of Gad and the ¹children of Reuben ^ospake unto Moses, saying, "Thy servants will do ^oas my lord commandeth.

26 Our little ones, our wives, our flocks, and all our cattle, shall be there in the cities of Gilead:

27 But thy servants ^owill pass over, every man armed for war, before ⁴the LORD to battle, as my lord saith."

28 So concerning them Moses commanded Eleazar the priest, and Joshua the son of Nun, and the chief fathers of the tribes of the ¹children of Israel:

29 And Moses said unto them, "If the ¹children of Gad and the ¹children of Reuben will pass with you over Jordan, ^oevery man armed to battle, before ⁴the LORD, and the land shall be subdued before you; then ye shall give them the land of Gilead for a possession:

30 But if they will not pass over with you ^oarmed, ^othey shall have possessions among you in the land of Canaan."

31 And the ¹children of Gad and the ¹children of Reuben answered, saying, "As ⁴the LORD hath said unto thy servants, so will we do.

32 We will pass over armed before ⁴the LORD into the land of Canaan, that the possession of our inheritance on this side Jordan may be ours."

33 And ^oMoses gave unto them, even to the ¹children of Gad,

and to the ¹children of Reuben,

and unto half the tribe of Manasseh the son of Joseph, the kingdom of Sihon king of the Amorites, and the kingdom of Og king

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1452 of Bashan, the land, with the cities thereof in the °coasts, even the cities of the country round about.

y (p. 230) 34 And the °children of Gad built Dibon, and Ataroth, and Aroer,

35 And Atroth, Shophan, and Jaazer, and Jogbehah,

36 And Beth-nimrah, and Beth-haran, fenced cities: and folds for sheep.

37 And the °children of Reuben built Heshbon, and Elealeh, and Kirjathaim,

38 And Nebo, and Baal-meon, (their names being changed,) and Shibmah: and gave other names unto the cities which they builded.

39 And the °children of Machir the son of Manasseh went to Gilead, and took it, and dispossessed the Amorite which was in it.

40 And Moses gave Gilead unto Machir the son of Manasseh; and he dwelt therein.

41 And °Jair the son of Manasseh went and took the small towns thereof, and called them °Havoth-°jair.

42 And Nobah went and took Kenath, and the °villages thereof, and called it Nobah, after his own name.

C b¹ 33 These are the °journeys of the °children of Israel, which went forth out of the land of Egypt with their armies under the hand of Moses and Aaron.

2 And Moses °wrote their goings out according to their journeys by the °commandment of °the LORD: and these are their journeys according to their goings out.

15th Abib 1491 3 And they departed from Rameses in the first month, on the fifteenth day of the first month; on the morrow after the passover the °children of Israel went out with an high hand in the sight of all °the Egyptians.

4 For °the Egyptians buried all their first-born, which °the LORD had smitten among them: °upon their gods also °the LORD executed judgments.

5 And the °children of Israel removed from Rameses, and pitched in Succoth.

6 And they departed from Succoth, and pitched in Etham, which is in the edge of the wilderness.

7 And they removed from Etham, and turned again unto Pi-hahiroth, which is before Baal-zephon: and they pitched before Migdol.

8 And they departed from °before Pi-hahiroth, and passed through the midst of the sea into the wilderness, and went three days' journey in the wilderness of Etham, and pitched in Marah.

9 And they removed from Marah, and came unto °Elim: and in Elim were twelve fountains of water, and threescore and ten palm trees; and they pitched there.

10 And they removed from Elim, and encamped °by the Red sea.

11 And they removed from the Red sea, and encamped in the °wilderness of Sin.

12 And they took their journey out of the wilderness of Sin, and encamped in °Dophkah.

13 And they departed from Dophkah, and encamped in °Alush.

32. 33-42 (x⁴, p. 228). COMPLIANCE OF MOSES (GRANT TO THE TWO-AND-A-HALF TRIBES). (Extended Alternation.)

x ⁴	y 33-. Gad	} Distribution.
	z -33-. Reuben	
	a -33. Half Manasseh	
	y 34-36. Gad	} Possession.
	z 37, 38. Reuben	
	a 39-42. Half Manasseh	

coasts = borders, or confines.

41 Jair. In the Heb. this verse begins and ends with the word "Jair". Fig. *Epanadiplosis* (Ap. 6).

Havoth = the encampments, or tent villages (of Jair).

42 villages. Heb. daughters; depending on the mother or metropolitan city. Fig. *Prosopopeia* (Ap. 6).

33. 1-49 (C, p. 228). JOURNEYINGS. (Division.)

C	b ¹	1-15. First Period. Rameses to Sinai. Twelve stations.
	b ²	16, 17. Second Period. Sinai to Rithmah (= Kadesh) (first time). Three stations.
	b ³	18-36. Third Period. Rithmah to Kadesh (second time). Eighteen stations. 38 years. No history.
	b ⁴	37-49. Fourth Period. Kadesh (second time) to Plains of Moab. 40th year. Ten stations.

33. 1-15 (b¹, above). FIRST PERIOD.

1 journeys. Heb. pullings up: i. e. of the tent-pegs, or the breakings up of the camps. children = sons.

2 wrote. See note on Ex. 17. 14, and Ap. 47. commandment. Heb. "mouth", put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause) for what is spoken by it (Ap. 6).

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.
3, 4 the Egyptians: repeated = Fig. *Anadiplosis* (Ap. 6).

4 upon their gods. Cp. Ex. 12. 12; 18. 8, 11.
8 before Pi-hahiroth. Heb. text and R.V. = "before Hahiroth"; but this differs from the other two occurrences of the name (Ex. 14. 2, 9), in all three of which it is *Pi-hahiroth*. A special various reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 34) has the full name *Pi-hahiroth* in this verse. The A.V. has kept the *Pi* as well, and made it "before *Pi*". It should, perhaps, read here, as in every other case in this chapter, "from *Pi-hahiroth*".

9 Elim. Cp. Ex. 15. 27; 16. 1.

10 by the Red sea. Not named before.

11 wilderness of Sin. Ex. 16. 1, 2.

12 Dophkah. Not named before.

13 Alush. Not named before.

14 Rephidim. Cp. Ex. 17.

15 wilderness of Sinai. Cp. Ex. 19. 1. Acts 7. 38.

33. 16-17 (b², above). SECOND PERIOD.

16 Kibroth-hattaavah. Cp. 11. 4-34.

17 Hazeroth. Cp. Num. 11. 35.

33. 18-36 (b³, above). THIRD PERIOD (No History).

18 Rithmah. Cp. 13. 1-3. Whence the spies went to view the land: means "Juniper": well named for the evil tongues of the spies. Cp. Ps. 120. 3, 4.

14 And they removed from Alush, and encamped at °Rephidim, where was no water for the people to drink.

15 And they departed from Rephidim, and pitched in the °wilderness of Sinai.

16 And they removed from the desert of Sinai, and pitched at °Kibroth-hattaavah.

17 And they departed from Kibroth-hattaavah, and encamped at °Hazeroth.

18 And they departed from Hazeroth, and pitched in °Rithmah.

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19 And they departed from Rithmah, and pitched at °Rimmon-parez.

20 And they departed from Rimmon-parez, and pitched in °Libnah.

21 And they removed from Libnah, and pitched at °Rissah.

22 And they journeyed from Rissah, and pitched in Kehelathah.

23 And they went from Kehelathah, and pitched in mount Shapher.

24 And they removed from mount Shapher, and encamped in Haradah.

25 And they removed from Haradah, and pitched in Makheloth.

26 And they removed from Makheloth, and encamped at Tahath.

27 And they departed from Tahath, and pitched at Tarah.

28 And they removed from Tarah, and pitched in Mithcah.

29 And they went from Mithcah, and pitched in Hashmonah.

30 And they departed from Hashmonah, and encamped at Moseroth.

31 And they departed from Moseroth, and pitched in Bene-jaakan.

32 And they removed from Bene-jaakan, and encamped at Hor-hagidgad.

33 And they went from Hor-hagidgad, and pitched in °Jotbathah.

34 And they removed from Jotbathah, and encamped at Ebronah.

35 And they departed from Ebronah, and encamped at °Ezion-gaber.

36 And they removed from Ezion-gaber, and pitched in the wilderness of Zin, which is Kadesh.

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37 And they removed from Kadesh, and pitched in mount Hor, in the edge of the land of Edom.

38 And Aaron the priest went up into mount Hor at the ²commandment of ²the LORD, and died there, in the ^ofortieth year after the ¹children of Israel were come out of the land of Egypt, in the first day of the fifth month.

39 And Aaron was an hundred and twenty and three years old when he ^odied in ^omount Hor.

40 And °king Arad the Canaanite, which dwelt in the south in the land of Canaan, heard of the coming of the ¹children of Israel.

41 And they departed from mount Hor, and pitched in Zalmonah.

42 And they departed from Zalmonah, and pitched in Punon.

43 And they departed from Punon, and pitched in Obboth.

44 And they departed from Obboth, and pitched in °Ije-abarim, in the border of Moab.

45 And they departed from Iim, and pitched in °Dibon-gad.

46 And they removed from Dibon-gad, and encamped in Almon-diblathaim.

47 And they removed from Almon-diblathaim, and pitched in the mountains of Abarim, before °Nebo.

48 And they departed from the mountains of Abarim, and pitched in the plains of Moab by Jordan near Jericho.

49 And they pitched by Jordan, from Beth-

19 Rimmon-parez. Not named before.

20 Libnah. Perhaps the Laban of Deut. 1. 1.

21 Rissah. Not elsewhere mentioned.

33 Jotbathah. Cp. Deut. 10. 7.

35 Ezion-gaber. Cp. Deut. 2. 8. Edom's seaport on the Red Sea.

33. 37-49 (b⁴, p. 230). FOURTH PERIOD.

38 fortieth year. The number of Probation (Ap. 10).

39 died. Cp. 20. 24, 26, &c., born 1575 B. C. mount Hor. Cp. 21. 4.

40 king Arad. Cp. 21. 1-3.

44 Ije-abarim = heaps, or ruins, of Abarim. "Iim", v. 45, probably an abbreviation.

45 Dibon-gad = Dibon of the tribe of Gad. Cp. Num. 21. 30. So called because it was appropriated by Gad (32. 34); and to distinguish it from another Dibon given to Reuben (Josh. 13. 15, 17).

47 Nebo. Where Moses died. Deut. 32. 49, 50; 34. 1, 5.

33. 50-36. 12 (B, p. 228). DIVISION WEST OF JORDAN (Alternation).

B | c | 33. 50. The Plains of Moab.

d | 33. 51-34. 29. The Land of Canaan.

c | 35. 1. The Plains of Moab.

d | 35. 2-36. 12. The Land of Canaan.

50 spake. See note on 1. 1.

33. 51-34. 29 (d, above). THE LAND OF CANAAN (Division).

d | e¹ | 33. 51-34. 15. The Division.

e² | 34. 16-29. The Dividers.

33. 51-34. 15 (e¹, above). THE DIVISION. (Extended Alternation.)

e¹ | f | 33. 51-53-. Command-Expulsion.

g | 33. -53. Possession.

h | 33. 54. Division.

f | 33. 55-. Disobedience-Non-expulsion.

g | 33. -55, 56. Punishment.

h | 34. 1-15. Division.

52 drive out. This was one of the great purposes for which the sword of Israel was raised up. Cp. Deut. 7. 1, 2. Ex. 23. 33. See App. 23 and 25.

53 inhabitants of the land. Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) correctly supplied. Heb. "land" is put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for the inhabitants.

54 ye shall divide. Cp. 26. 53.

jesimoth even unto Abel-shittim in the plains of Moab.

50 And ²the LORD °spake unto Moses in the plains of Moab by Jordan near Jericho, saying,

51 "Speak unto the ¹children of Israel, and say unto them, 'When ye are passed over Jordan into the land of Canaan;

52 Then ye shall °drive out all the inhabitants of the land from before you, and destroy all their pictures, and destroy all their molten images, and quite pluck down all their high places:

53 And ye shall dispossess the °inhabitants of the land, and dwell therein:

for I have given you the land to possess it.

54 And °ye shall divide the land by lot for an inheritance among your families: and to the more ye shall give the more inheritance,

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and to the fewer ye shall give the less inheritance: every man's inheritance shall be in the place where his lot falleth; according to the tribes of your fathers ye shall inherit.

f 55 But if ye will °not drive out the inhabitants of the land from before you;

g then it shall come to pass, that those which ye let remain of them shall be °pricks in your eyes, and thorns in your sides, and shall vex you in the land wherein ye dwell.

56 Moreover it shall come to pass, that I shall do unto you, as I thought to do unto them."

h 34 And °the LORD °spake unto Moses, saying,

2 "Command the °children of Israel, and say unto them, °When ye come into the land of Canaan; (this is the land that shall fall unto you for an inheritance, even the land of Canaan with the °coasts thereof;)

3 Then your °south quarter shall be from the wilderness of Zin along by the coast of Edom, and your south border shall be the outmost coast of the °salt sea eastward:

4 And your border shall turn from the south to the ascent of °Akrabbim, and pass on to Zin: and the °going forth thereof shall be from the south to Kadesh-barnea, and shall go on to Hazar-addar, and pass on to Azmon:

5 And the border shall fetch a compass from Azmon unto the °river of Egypt, and the goings out of it shall be at the sea.

6 And as for the western border, ye shall even have the great sea for a border: this shall be your west border.

7 And this shall be your north border: from the °great sea ye shall °point out for you °mount Hor:

8 From mount Hor ye shall °point out your border unto the entrance of °Hamath; and the goings forth of the border shall be to Zedad:

9 And the border shall go on to Ziphron, and the goings out of it shall be at Hazar-enan: this shall be your north border.

10 And ye shall °point out your east border from Hazar-enan to Shepham:

11 And the coast shall go down from Shepham to °Riblah, on the east side of Ain; and the border shall descend, and shall reach unto the side of the sea of °Chinnereth eastward:

12 And the border shall go down to Jordan, and the goings out of it shall be at the salt sea: this shall be your land with the coasts thereof round about."

13 And Moses commanded the °children of Israel, saying, "This is the land which ye shall inherit by lot, which °the LORD commanded to give unto the nine tribes, and to the half tribe:

14 °For the tribe of the °children of Reuben according to the house of their fathers, and the tribe of the °children of Gad according to the house of their fathers, have received their inheritance; and half the tribe of Manasseh have received their inheritance:

15 The two tribes and the half tribe have

55 not drive out. Alas! they did not. Cp. Josh. 13. 13; 15. 63; 16. 10. Judg. 1. 19, 21, 28, 29, 30-36; 2. 1-5. See Ap. 25.

pricks. Cp. Josh. 23. 13. = for pricks. Cp. Ezek. 28. 24. Judg. 2. 3.

34. 1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

spake. See note on 1. 1.

2 children = sons.

When ye come. After the final command (above) follow instructions as to the quiet possession of the land thus cleared of enemies.

coasts = borders, or confines.

3 south quarter. Cp. Josh. 15. 1. Begins at east corner.

salt sea. So v. 12.

4 Akrabbim = Maaleh-akrabbim. Josh. 15. 3. = the ascent of scorpions. Cp. Deut. 8. 15.

going forth = ascending. Cp. Josh. 15. 3

5 river. Heb. nachal, a wady; not nahar, a river. Here used of "Sihor", and called the river of Egypt. Cp. Gen. 15. 18, where it is nahar = the Nile.

7 great sea: i. e. the Mediterranean, a modern name for the Great Sea.

point out = mark out or claim. Heb. t'w'ah. Occurs only here.

mount Hor. Not the mount Hor where Aaron died, which was in the south corner of Edom (33. 37, 38), but another, in the north, mount Hermon, a spur of the Lebanon (Josh. 13. 5). Hermon had several names. Cp. Deut. 3. 9; 4. 48.

8 Hamath. In Amos 6. 2 called "Hamath the great", mentioned as in the north border.

11 Riblah. A city in Hamath, where God executed His judgment on two kings of Judah and others (2 Kings 23. 33; 25. 6, 20, 21. Jer. 39. 5, 6).

Chinnereth. Cp. Josh. 12. 3; 13. 27. In New Testament "the sea of Galilee" and "sea of Tiberias" (John 6. 1); also "the lake of Gennesaret" (Luke 5. 1).

14 For the tribe. Cp. 32. 33. Josh. 14. 2, 3.

17 These are the names. Cp. 13. 2-16. See Ap. 45. men. Heb. pl. of 'ish or 'enosh. Ap. 14.

Eleazar. Because he was the high priest, and had the breastplate with the lots, the "Urim and Thummim." See notes on Ex. 28. 30 and Num. 26. 55. Josh. 17. 4. See also Num. 27. 21.

19 Caleb. The only one of the spies, beside Joshua, left, ch. 13. 6, 30, and cp. 14. 24. Josh. 14. 6, &c.

received their inheritance on this side Jordan near Jericho eastward, toward the sunrising."

16 And °the LORD °spake unto Moses, saying,

17 °"These are the names of the °men which shall divide the land unto you: °Eleazar the priest, and Joshua the son of Nun.

18 And ye shall take one prince of every tribe, to divide the land by inheritance.

19 And the names of the men are these: Of the tribe of Judah, °Caleb the son of Jephunneh.

20 And of the tribe of the °children of Simeon, Shemuel the son of Ammihud.

21 Of the tribe of Benjamin, Elidad the son of Chislon.

22 And the prince of the tribe of the °children of Dan, Bukki the son of Jogli.

23 The prince of the °children of Joseph, for the tribe of the °children of Manasseh, Hanniel the son of Ephod.

24 And the prince of the tribe of the °children of Ephraim, Kemuel the son of Shiphtan.

25 And the prince of the tribe of the °children of Zebulun, Elizaphan the son of Parnach.

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26 And the prince of the tribe of the ³ children of Issachar, Paltiel the son of Azzan.

27 And the prince of the tribe of the ² children of Asher, Ahihud the son of Shelomi.

28 And the prince of the tribe of the ² children of Naphtali, Pedahel the son of Ammihud."

29 °These are they whom ¹the LORD commanded to divide the inheritance unto the ² children of Israel in the land of Canaan.

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35 And °the LORD °spake unto Moses in the plains of Moab by Jordan near Jericho, saying,

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2 "Command the °children of Israel, °that they give unto the Levites of the inheritance of their possession cities to dwell in; and ye shall give also unto the Levites suburbs for the cities round about them.

3 And the cities shall they have to dwell in; and the °suburbs of them shall be for their cattle, and for their goods, and for all their beasts.

4 And the suburbs of the cities, which ye shall give unto the Levites, shall reach from the wall of the city and outward a thousand °cubits round about.

5 And ye shall measure from without the city on the east side two thousand ⁴ cubits, and on the south side two thousand ⁴ cubits, and on the west side two thousand ⁴ cubits, and on the north side two thousand ⁴ cubits; and the city shall be in the midst: this shall be °to them the suburbs of the cities.

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6 And among the cities which ye shall give unto the Levites there shall be °six cities for refuge, which ye shall appoint for the manslayer,

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that he may flee thither: and to them ye shall add forty and two cities.

7 So all the cities which ye shall give to the Levites shall be °forty and eight cities: them shall ye give with their suburbs.

8 And the cities which ye shall give shall be of the possession of the ² children of Israel: from them that have many ye shall give many; but from them that have few ye shall give few: every one shall give of his cities unto the Levites °according to his inheritance which he inheriteth."

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9 And ¹the LORD ¹spake unto Moses, saying, 10 "Speak unto the ² children of Israel, and say unto them, °When ye be come over Jordan into the land of Canaan;

11 Then ye shall appoint you cities to be cities of refuge for you;

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that the slayer may flee thither, which killeth any °person °at unawares.

12 And they shall be unto you cities for refuge from the °avenger; that the manslayer die not, until he stand before the congregation in judgment.

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13 And of these cities which ye shall give six cities shall ye have for refuge.

14 Ye shall give °three cities on this side Jordan, °and three cities shall ye give in the land of Canaan, which shall be cities of refuge.

15 These six cities shall be a refuge, both for

29 These. See the order of the tribes in Ap. 45.

35. 1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. spake. See note on 1. 1.

35. 2-36. 12 (d, p. 231). THE LAND OF CANAAN (Division).

d | i¹ | 35. 2-34. Levitical cities.
| i² | 36. 1-12. Heiresses.

2-34 (i¹, above). THE LEVITICAL CITIES. (Alternation.)

i¹ | k | 2-5. Levitical cities: description.
| l | 6-. Cities of refuge: number (6).
k | -6-8. Levitical cities: number (48).
l | 9-34. Cities of refuge: description.

In this Structure the cities are given in Alternation; their number in an Introversion.

2 children = sons.

that they give. Jehovah gives to the Nation; the Nation gives to the Levites.

3 suburbs = pasture grounds.

4 cubits. See Ap. 51. III. 2.

5 to them. A special various reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 34) reads "to you", with which agree some codices, Sam., Jon., Sept., Syr., and one early printed edition.

6 six cities. See Deut. 4. 41. Josh. 20. 2, 7, 8; 21. 3.

7 forty and eight cities. Cp. Josh. 21. 41. So was Gen. 49. 5, 7 fulfilled, that Levi should be "divided in Jacob and scattered in Israel". At first a curse, but changed to a blessing on account of Ex. 32. 26, 29.

8 according to his inheritance. Nine from Judah and Simeon; four from Benjamin; four from Ephraim; four from Dan; two from the half of Manasseh; two from the other half; four from Issachar; four from Asher; three from Naphtali; four from Zebulun; four from Reuben; four from Gad. Cp. Josh. 21. 9, 16, &c.

9-34 (l, above). CITIES OF REFUGE: DESCRIPTION (Alternation).

l | m | 9-11-. The cities (general).
| n | -11, 12. Purpose.
m | 13-15-. The cities (particular).
| n | -15-34. Purpose.

10 When ye be come. Cp. Deut. 19. 2. Josh. 20. 2.

11 person = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

at unawares = by misadventure.

12 avenger. Heb. *Goel*, to redeem, to ransom. First occurrence is Gen. 48. 16; next, Ex. 6. 6; 15. 13. *Goel*, when used in this connection, means to avenge bloodshed, as here; both were the duties of the next of kin, the kinsman. Our *Goel* not only redeems us from all evil, but avenges us of all our enemies. Rom. 8. 31-34.

14 three cities = Bezer, Ramoth, Golan (Deut. 4. 41-43).

and three = Kedesh, Shechem, Hebron (Josh. 20. 7). These were placed in due order, east and west, in two ranks:

Hebron over against Bezer.
Shechem over against Ramoth.
Kedesh over against Golan.

If the Lord enlarged their land, they were to add three more (Deut. 19. 8, 9).

-15-34 [For Structure see next page].

15 person = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

the ² children of Israel, and for the stranger, and for the sojourner among them:

that every one that killeth any °person unawares may flee thither.

16 And if he smite him with an instrument

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of iron, so that he die, *he is a murderer*: the murderer shall surely be put to death.

17 And if he smite him with throwing a stone, wherewith he may die, and he die, *he is a murderer*: the murderer shall surely be put to death.

18 Or if he smite him with an hand weapon of wood, wherewith he may die, and he die, *he is a murderer*: the ¹⁶murderer shall surely be put to death.

19 The °revenger of blood himself shall slay the ¹⁶murderer: when he meeteth him, *he* shall slay him.

20 But if he thrust him ° of hatred, or hurl at him by °laying of wait, that he die;

21 Or in enmity smite him with his hand, that he die: he that smote *him* shall surely be put to death; for *he is a* ¹⁶murderer: the ¹⁹revenger of blood shall slay the murderer, when he meeteth him.

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22 But if he thrust him suddenly ° without enmity, or have cast upon him any thing without ²⁰laying of wait,

23 Or with any stone, wherewith a man may die, seeing *him* not, and cast it upon him, that he die, and ° was not his enemy, neither sought his harm:

24 Then the congregation shall judge between the slayer and the ¹⁹revenger of blood according to these judgments:

25 And the congregation shall deliver the slayer out of the hand of the ¹⁹revenger of blood, and the congregation shall restore him to the city of his refuge, whither he was fled: and he shall abide in it unto the death of the high priest, which was anointed with the holy oil.

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26 But if the slayer shall at any time come without the border of the city of his refuge, whither he was fled;

27 And the ¹⁹revenger of blood find him without the borders of the city of his refuge, and the ¹⁹revenger of blood kill the slayer; he shall not be guilty of blood:

28 Because he should have remained in the city of his refuge until the death of the high priest: but after the death of the high priest the slayer shall return into the land of his possession.

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29 So these *things* shall be for a ° statute of judgment unto you throughout your generations in all your ° dwellings.

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30 Whoso killeth any ° person, the ¹⁶murderer shall be put to death by the ° mouth of witnesses: but one witness shall not testify against any ° person to cause him to die.

31 Moreover ye shall take ° no satisfaction for the ° life of a ¹⁶murderer, ° which is guilty of death: but he shall be surely put to death.

32 And ye shall take ³¹no satisfaction for him that is fled to the city of his refuge, that he should come again to dwell in the land, until the death of the ° priest.

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33 So ye shall not pollute the land ° wherein ye are: for ° blood it defileth the land: and the land cannot be cleansed of the blood that is

-15-34 (n, p. 233). PURPOSE.
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n | o | -15. Positive.
p | 16-21. Negative.
o | 22-25. Positive.
p | 26-34. Negative.

19 revenger of blood. See note on v. 12.

20 of hatred. Deut. 19. 11, 12.

laying of wait = fixing the eyes upon. Heb. *zediyyah*. Occurs only here and v. 22.

22 without enmity. Cp. Ex. 21. 13.

23 was not his enemy. Heb. "he not [being] his enemy".

26-34 (p, above). NEGATIVE PURPOSE.
(Alternation.)

p | q | 26-28. Negative.
r | 29. Purpose secured.
q | 30-32. Negative.
r | 33, 34. Purpose secured.

29 statute of judgment = a regulative ordinance. Cp. 27. 11.

dwellings = dwelling-places.

30 person = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

mouth. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the evidence given by it.

31 no satisfaction = no ransom. Cp. Ps. 49. 7. Only God can redeem (v. 15).

life = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

which is guilty of death = if he has unlawfully caused death: "guilty" being put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6, for the crime which has caused it. Heb. "wicked, to die".

32 priest: i.e. the high priest. Some codices, with Sam., Sept., and Syr., read it so, as in v. 28.

33 wherein ye are. Some codices, with Sam., Syr., and Vulg., read "wherein ye are dwelling".

blood: i.e. blood unlawfully shed.

him that shed it. Cp. Gen. 9. 6.

34 Defile not = Defile thou not. Some codices, with Sam., Onk., Jon., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "Defile ye not".

wherein = in the midst of which.

among = in the midst of.

36. 1-12 (i², p. 233). HEIRESESSES.
(Alternation.)

i² | s | 1. Applicants.
t | 2-4. Plea.
s | 5. Applicants.
t | 6-12. Response.

1 chief fathers = heads.

sons. A special various reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 34), with Syr., reads "son", as in v. 12.

children = sons.

2 The LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

my lord = Moses, to whom the commandment was given. 26. 52, 53, &c.; 27. 6, 7.

shed therein, but by the blood of ° him that shed it.

34 ° Defile not therefore the land which ye shall inhabit, ° wherein I dwell: for I ° the LORD dwell ° among the ° children of Israel."

36 And the ° chief fathers of the families i² s of the ° children of Gilead, the son of Machir, the son of Manasseh, of the families of the ° sons of Joseph, came near, and spake before Moses, and before the princes, the ° chief fathers of the ° children of Israel:

2 And they said, ° "The LORD commanded t ° my lord to give the land for an inheritance by lot to the ° children of Israel: and ° my lord

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was commanded by the LORD to give the inheritance of Zelophehad our brother unto his daughters.

3 And if they be married to any of the sons of the *other* tribes of the ¹children of Israel, then shall their inheritance be taken from the inheritance of our fathers, and shall be put to the inheritance of the tribe whereunto they are received: so shall it be taken from the lot of our inheritance.

4 And when the ^ojubile of the ¹children of Israel shall be, then shall their inheritance be put unto the inheritance of the tribe whereunto they are received: so shall their inheritance be taken away from the inheritance of the tribe of our fathers."

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5 And Moses commanded the ¹children of Israel according to the ^oword of ²the LORD, saying, "The tribe of the sons of Joseph hath said well.

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6 This *is* the thing which ²the LORD doth command concerning the daughters of Zelophehad, saying, 'Let them marry to whom they think best; only to the family of the tribe of their father shall they marry.

7 So shall not the inheritance of the ¹children of Israel remove from tribe to tribe: for every one of the ¹children of Israel shall ^okeep himself to the inheritance of the tribe of his fathers.

8 And every daughter, that possesseth an

4 jubile. Cp. Lev. 25.

5 word. Heb. mouth. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for what is spoken by it.

7 keep himself = cleave.

8 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

13 These. This verse forms the closing Epilogue to the whole book of Numbers.

inheritance in any tribe of the ¹children of Israel, shall be wife unto one of the family of the tribe of her father, that the ¹children of Israel may enjoy every ^oman the inheritance of his fathers.

9 Neither shall the inheritance remove from one tribe to another tribe; but every one of the tribes of the ¹children of Israel shall keep himself to his own inheritance."

10 Even as ²the LORD commanded Moses, so did the daughters of Zelophehad:

11 For Mahlah, Tirzah, and Hoglah, and Milcah, and Noah, the daughters of Zelophehad, were married unto their father's brothers' sons:

12 And they were married into the families of the sons of Manasseh the son of Joseph, and their inheritance remained in the tribe of the family of their father.

13 ^oThese *are* the commandments and the judgments, which ²the LORD commanded by the hand of Moses unto the ¹children of Israel in the plains of Moab by Jordan *near* Jericho.

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THE FIFTH BOOK OF °MOSES,

° CALLED

°DEUTERONOMY.

A
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1 °THESE be °the words which Moses spake unto °all Israel on °this side Jordan in the wilderness, in °the plain over against the °Red sea, between Paran, and Tophel, and Laban, and Hazeroth, and Dizahab.

2 (There are °eleven days' journey from Horeb by the way of mount °Seir unto °Kadesh-barnea.)

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3 And it came to pass in the °fortieth year, in the eleventh month, on the first day of the month, that Moses spake unto the °children of Israel, °according unto all that °the LORD had given him in commandment unto them;

4 After he had slain Sihon the king of the Amorites, which dwelt in Heshbon, °and Og the king of Bashan, which dwelt at Astaroth °in Edrei;

5 On °this side Jordan, in the land of Moab, °began Moses to °declare this °law, saying,

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6 °“The LORD our °God °spake unto us in °Horeb, saying, ‘Ye have dwelt long enough in this mount:

7 °Turn you, and take your journey, and go to the mount of the Amorites, and unto all the places nigh thereunto, in °the plain, in the hills, and in the °vale, and in the °south, and by the sea side, to the land of the Canaanites, and unto Lebanon, unto the great °river, °the river Euphrates.

8 °Behold, I have set the land before you: go in and possess the land which °the LORD sware unto your fathers, °Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, to give unto them and to their seed after them.’

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9 And °I spake unto you at that time, saying, ‘I am not able to bear you myself alone:

10 °The LORD your °God hath °multiplied you, and, behold, ye are this day as the stars of heaven for multitude.’

11 (°The LORD °God of your fathers make you a thousand times so many more as ye are, and bless you, °as He hath °promised you.)

TITLE. Moses. See Ap. 2 and 47.

Called: by the Sept. translators, and from them by Jerome, in the Vulgate.

Deuteronomy = Second Law, from 17. 18, where “copy of the law” is so rendered from Rabbinic *mishneh*, a doubling.

Hebrew Title = *Haddēbārīm* = “the words”. It is the fifth book, concluding the five books of the Pentateuch (see Ap. 10). No scroll of the Pentateuch ever seen with more than these five. See Ap. 46 and 47.

The whole history of the book took place in the eleventh month of the fortieth year. Only the last fifteen chapters of Numbers refer to the time of Deut.

1 These. Note the ten (see Ap. 10) addresses by Moses:—

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| 1. 1. 6—4. 40 | 6. 29. 2—30. 20 |
| 2. 5. 1—10. 5 | 7. 31. 2—6 |
| 3. 10. 10—12. 32 | 8. 32. 1—43 |
| 4. 13. 1—26. 19 | 9. 32. 44—47 |
| 5. 27. 1—28. 68 | 10. 33. 2—29 |

the words = *Haddēbārīm*. See note above.

all Israel. Cp. 5. 1. Mode given by God, Ex. 3. 16;

4. 29. Lev. 24. 14. “All” used by Fig. *Synecdoche* (Ap. 6) to signify a national gathering of any size (1 Sam. 7. 3; 12. 1, 19. 1 Kings 8. 2, 14, 22, 55, 62; 12. 12, 16, 18, &c.).

this side Jordan = across Jordan, a neutral term, expression to be determined by context. Num. 22. 1. the plain. Heb. *‘Arābāh* = name of vale from Jordan to gulf of Akabah.

Red sea = *Sūph*, name of a place. Omit “sea”. See Num. 33. 48, 49, 50; 35. 1; 36. 13.

2 eleven days’: i.e. going direct. Seir = Edom.

Kadesh-barnea. See Num. 32. 8.

3 fortieth. The number of Probation. See Ap. 10. First month, Miriam died, Num. 20. 1; fifth month, Aaron died, Num. 33. 38; at the end, Moses died on 29 Sebat, 1452; for the thirty days’ mourning end with last day of the fortieth year (29 Adar, 1452). See Ap. 50. vii. 3, 4. children = sons.

according unto, &c. Always thus. Cp. 2 Pet. 1. 20, 21. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

4 and Og. Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6. iii. 1) — “and [had slain] Og”. Cp. Num. 21. 34, 35.

in Edrei. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read “and in”. Cp. Josh. 12. 4.

5 began = undertook with will. Heb. *yā’al*. First occurrence Gen 18. 27, 31.

declare. Heb. *bā’ar*, make plain, show sense, set forth, especially in writing. Occurs only here and 27. 8, and Hab. 2. 2. law = *tōrah* = instruction.

1. 6—32. 47. [For Structures see next page.]

6 The LORD our God = *Jehovah ‘ēloheinū*. Two titles of later date do not occur in Deut.: “The Lord of hosts” (Samuel) and “the Holy One of Israel” (Isaiah). **spake.** Jehovah spake only here to “us”. His speaking to others, see 2. 1. Jehovah “said”, see 2. 9. Jehovah “commanded”, see 4. 14. **Horeb.** Twentieth day of second month. Num. 10. 11–13. **7 Turn you** = Face about. Note the Fig. *Polyonymia* (Ap. 6) in this verse. Heb. *pānāh*, set one’s face; start. vale. Heb. *Shephelah* = Philistia. south. Heb. *Negeb*, the hill country south of Judea. See note on “South”, Gen. 12. 9; 13. 1. river. Heb. *nāhār*, a flood, not *nahal*, a wady. Cp. Gen. 15. 18. the river. Fig. *Anadiplosis*. Ap. 6. **8 Behold.** Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6). Abraham. Gen. 15. 18; 17. 7, 8; 24. 7; 26. 3, &c. This promise mentioned twenty-seven times in Deut., but unintelligible without Genesis.

1. 9–45. [For Structure see next page.]

9 I spake. See Ex. 18. 17, 18. Num. 11. 14. as. promised. See Gen. 12. 2; 22. 17, &c.

10 multiplied. Cp. 10. 22.

11 as = according

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12 °How can I myself alone bear your °cumbrance, and your burden, and your strife?

13 Take you wise °men, and understanding, and known among your °tribes, and I will make them rulers over you.

14 And ye answered me, and said, 'The thing which thou hast spoken is good for us to do.'

15 So °I took the °chief of your tribes, wise °men, and known, and made them heads over you, captains over thousands, and captains over hundreds, and captains over fifties, and captains over tens, and officers among your tribes.

16 And I charged your judges at that time, saying, 'Hear the causes between your brethren, and judge righteously between every °man and his brother, and the stranger that is with him.

17 Ye shall not °respect °persons in °judgment; but ye shall hear the small as well as the great; ye shall not be afraid of the face of man; for the judgment °is °God's: and the cause that is too hard for you, bring it unto me, and I will hear it.'

18 And I commanded you at that time all the things which ye should do.

i¹ (p. 238) 19 And when we departed from Horeb, we went through all that great and terrible °wilderness, which ye saw by the way of the mountain of the Amorites, °as °the LORD our °God commanded us; and we came to °Kadesh-barnea.

20 And I said unto you, 'Ye are come unto the mountain of the °Amorites, which °the LORD our °God doth give unto us.

i² 21 °Behold, °the LORD thy °God hath set the land before thee: go up and possess it, as °the LORD °God of thy fathers hath said unto thee; °fear not, neither be discouraged.'

22 And ye came near unto me °every one of you, and said, °'We will send °men before us, and they shall search us out the land, and bring us word again by what way we must go up, and into what cities we shall come.'

23 And the saying pleased me well: and I took twelve men of you, one of a tribe:

24 And they turned and went up into the mountain, and came unto the valley of °Eshcol, and searched it out.

25 And they took of the fruit of the land in their hands, and brought it down unto us, and brought us word again, and said, 'It is a °good land which °the LORD our °God doth give us.'

i² 26 Notwithstanding ye would not go up, but rebelled against the °commandment of °the LORD your °God:

27 And ye °murmured in your tents, and said, 'Because °the LORD hated us, He hath brought us forth out of the land of Egypt, to deliver us into the hand of the °Amorites, to °destroy us.

22 every one, &c. all of you. See note on v. 1. is here charged home against them. Jehovah assented, and this assent appears in the history. Num. 13. 1-3. men. Heb. pl. of 'ish, or 'enosh. Ap. 14.

13. 22-25. 25 good land. Cp. Num. 13. 27. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the word spoken by it. So v. 43. Ex. 17. 1. Gen. 24. 57, &c. 27 murmured. Heb. rigan, to rebel. Only here, Ps. 106. 25, and Isa. 21. 24. Amorites. The Severus codex reads "the Amorite" (sing.). See Ap. 34. destroy = exterminate. Heb. shamad.

1. 6-32. 47 (C, p. 236). THE TRIBES. THEIR ADMINISTRATION.

(Alternation and Introversion.)

C	E	G	1. 6-3. 29. Possession East of Jordan. Retrospective.	
			H a 4. 1-5. 33. Injunctions in Horeb. Retrospective.	
			b 6. 1-11. 25. Injunctions on entry. Prospective.	
		J	c 11. 26-28. Blessings and curses.	
		d	11. 29-32. Gerizim and Ebal.	
		F	12. 1-27. 10. Laws in the Land.	
		J	d 27. 11-26. Gerizim and Ebal.	
		c	28. 1-68. Blessings and curses.	
	H	a	29. 1-17. Injunctions plus Horeb. Retrospective.	
		b	29. 18-30. 20. Injunctions re Dispersion. Prospective.	
	G		31. 1-8. Possession West of Jordan. Prospective.	
		F	31. 9-32. 47. Laws and Song: in and out of the Land.	

1. 6-3. 29 (G, above). POSSESSION EAST OF JORDAN: RETROSPECTIVE (Extended Alternation).

G	K	e 1. 6-8. Command to go up	Before the forty years.
		f 1. 9-45. Disobedience rehearsed	
		g 1. 46. Abode in Kadesh	
K	e	2. 1-3. Command to go up	After the forty years.
		f 2. 4-3. 28. Obedience rehearsed	
		g 3. 29. Abode in Beth-peor	

9-45 (f, above). DISOBEDIENCE REHEARSED. (Repeated Alternation.)

f	h ¹ 9-18. Appointment of judges, &c.	
	i ¹ 19-21. Command to go up.	
h ²	22-25. Appointment of spies.	
	i ² 26-33. Disobedience.	
h ³	34-45. Appointment of judgment.	

12 How. See note on Lam. 1. 1. cumbrance. Heb. torah, only here and Isa. 1. 14 (trouble).

13 men. Heb. pl. of 'ish or 'enosh. Ap. 14. tribes. Heb. shēbet, tribe, according to historical or political corporation; always this word in Deut. Where "tribe" is genealogical or geographical elsewhere it is matteh.

15 I took. Cp. Ex. 18. 21-26. chief. Heb. sar. Cp. Gen. 32. 28. men. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

17 respect = recognise. persons. Heb. faces. Fig. Synecdoche (of Part), Ap. 6, put for persons. Cp. Lev. 19. 15. judgment. Heb. the judgment: i.e. suited to each case. Cp. Ex. 18. 26. is God's = it [is] God's.

19 wilderness = desert. Cp. Num. 10. 11-36; 11. 5; 12. 16; 13. 26; and ch. 8. 15. as = according as.

Kadesh-barnea. Cp. Num. 32. 8. A place of solemn import in Israel's history.

20 Amorites = descendants of the Nephilim. See Ap. 25.

21 Behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6. fear not, &c. Cp. 31. 6, 8. Josh. 1. 9; 8. 1; 10. 25. 1 Chron. 22. 13; 28. 20. 2 Chron. 20. 15, 17; 32. 7. Jer. 23. 4; 30. 10.

We will send, &c. Proposal came from people, and this assent appears in the history. Num. 13.

24 Eshcol = a cluster of grapes. Num. 13. 22-25. 25 good land. Cp. Num. 13. 27. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the word spoken by it. So v. 43. Ex. 17. 1. Gen. 24. 57, &c. 27 murmured. Heb. rigan, to rebel. Only here, Ps. 106. 25, and Isa. 21. 24. Amorites. The Severus codex reads "the Amorite" (sing.). See Ap. 34. destroy = exterminate. Heb. shamad.

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28 Whither shall we go up? °our brethren have discouraged our °heart, saying, 'The people is greater and °taller than we; the cities are great and °walled up to heaven; and moreover we have seen the sons of the °Anakims there.'

29 Then I said unto you, 'Dread not, neither be afraid of them.'

30 'The LORD your °God which goeth before you, he shall fight for you, according to all that he did for you in Egypt before your eyes;

31 And in the wilderness, where thou hast seen how that °the LORD thy °God bare thee, °as a man doth bear his °son, in all the way that ye went, until ye came into this place.'

32 Yet in this thing ye did not believe °the LORD your °God,

33 Who went in the way before you, to search you out °a place to pitch °your tents in, °in fire by night, to shew you by what way ye should go, and in a cloud by day.

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34 And °the LORD heard the voice of your words, and °was wroth, and sware, saying,

35 'Surely there shall not one of these °men of this evil generation see that good land, which I sware to give unto your fathers,

36 Save °Caleb the son of Jephunneh; he shall see it, and to him will I give the land that he hath trodden upon, and to his °children, because he hath wholly followed °the LORD.'

37 °(Also °the LORD was °angry with me for your sakes, saying, 'Thou also shalt not go in thither.

38 But °Joshua the son of Nun, which standeth before thee, he shall go in thither: encourage him: for he shall cause Israel to inherit it.')

39 'Moreover °your little ones, which ye said should be a prey, and your °children, which in that day had no knowledge between good and evil, they shall go in thither, and unto them will I give it, and they shall possess it.

40 But as for you, °turn you, and take your journey into the wilderness by the way of the °Red sea.'

41 Then ye °answered and said unto me, 'We have °sinned against °the LORD, °we will go up and fight, according to all that °the LORD our °God commanded us.' And when ye had girded on every man his weapons of war, ye were °ready to go up into the hill.

42 And °the LORD said unto me, 'Say unto them, 'Go not up, neither fight; for I am not among you; lest ye be smitten before your enemies.'

43 So I spake unto you; and ye would not hear, but °rebelled against the °commandment of °the LORD, and went presumptuously up into the hill.

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44 And the °Amorites, which dwelt in that mountain, came out against you, and chased you, as °bees do, and °destroyed you in Seir, even unto Hormah.

45 And ye returned and wept before °the LORD; but °the LORD would not hearken to your voice, nor give ear unto you.

28 our brethren = our own brethren. Cp. Num. 13. 28. heart. Some codices, with one early printed edition, read "hearts" (pl.).

taller = greater. Some codices, with Sam. and Sept., read "more in number".

walled, &c. Fig. *Hyperbole*. Ap. 6.

Anakims. First occurrence; elsewhere, 2. 10, 11, 21; 9. 2, Josh. 11. 21, 22; 14. 12, 15. See Ap. 25. For "sons of Anak", see note on Num. 13. 22.

31 son. See Num. 11. 11, 12, and cp. Isa. 63. 9 and Acts 13. 18.

32 the LORD. Heb. "in the LORD" (= Jehovah).

33 a place. See Ex. 15. 17. Num. 10. 33. Josh. 3. 3, 4. Ezek. 20. 6.

your tents. Not only your inheritance, but the halting-place for daily journeying thither. Both were and are Jehovah's choice for His People.

in fire by night. See Ex. 13. 21, 22. Num. 10. 33, 34.

34 was wroth. See Num. 14. 20-35 and Ps. 95. 8-11.

36 Caleb. Cp. Num. 14. 23, 24. Josh. 14. 9. Judg. 1. 20. children = sons.

37 This and the next verse are put in a Parenthesis (Ap. 6). angry. See Num. 20. 12.

38 Joshua. Num. 14. 30.

39 your little ones. Num. 14. 31.

40 turn you - start. Num. 14. 25.

Red sea = eastern arm. The gulf of Akabah. Cp. v. 1.

41 answered and said. Idiom. Ap. 6. In this idiom the word "answered" receives its meaning from the context. Here it - confessed, or repented and said. sinned. Heb. *chāṭ'ā*. Ap. 44. I.

we will go up. Cp. Num. 14. 40-42.

ready. Heb. *hūn*. Occurs only here: = rash, or presumptuous.

43 rebelled. Num. 14. 44, 45.

commandment. Heb. mouth. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, put for what is uttered by it, as in v. 26.

44 Amorites. Cp. Num. 14. 43. See Ap. 25.

bees. Heb. with art. "the bees". Art. of species.

destroyed you = beat you down. Heb. *kathath*.

46 abode in Kadesh. This is not a summary of the thirty-eight years' wandering, but of what happened before then. How solemn the word "abode" when the command had been "go up".

2. 1 turned = faced about. Cp. 1. 7.

as = according as.

the LORD spake. Jehovah spake at nine "sundry times" and in three "divers manners":

1. To me (Moses), 2. 1, 2, 17; 9. 13; 32. 48.

2. To you, 4. 12, 15; 10. 4.

3. To all your assembly, 5. 22.

spake = said, as in 1. 42. Cp. Num. 21. 4.

many days. These are distinguished from those mentioned in 1. 46. Those were resting in disobedience, these were journeying in obedience.

2. 4 - 3. 28. [For Structure see next page.]

4 pass through = cross the border. Num. 20. 4, 14-17. Judg. 11. 17. children = sons.

46 So ye °abode in Kadesh many days, according unto the days that ye abode there.

2 Then we °turned, and took our journey into the wilderness by the way of the Red sea, °as °the LORD °spake unto me: and we compassed mount Seir °many days.

2 And °the LORD °spake unto me, saying,

3 'Ye have compassed this mountain long enough: °turn you northward.

4 And command thou the People, saying, 'Ye are to °pass through the coast of your brethren the °children of Esau, which dwell in Seir; and they shall be afraid of you: take ye good heed unto yourselves therefore:

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¹ (p. 240) 1452 5 Meddle not with them; for I will not give you of their land, no, not so much as a foot breadth; °because I have given mount Seir unto Esau for °a possession.

6 Ye shall buy °meat of them for money, that ye may eat; and ye shall also buy water of them for money, that ye may drink.

7 For °the LORD thy °God hath blessed thee in all the works of thy °hand: He knoweth thy walking through this great wilderness: these °forty years °the LORD thy °God hath been with thee; thou hast lacked °nothing.

8 And when we °passed by from our brethren the °children of Esau, which dwelt in Seir, through the way of the plain °from Elath, and from Ezion-gaber, we turned and °passed by the way of the °wilderness of Moab.

9 And °the LORD said unto me, °Distress not the Moabites, neither contend with them in battle: for I will not give thee of their land for a possession; because I have given Ar unto the °children of Lot for a possession.

^m (p. 240) 10 The °Emims dwelt therein in times past, a people great, and many, and tall, as the °Anakims;

11 Which also were accounted °giants, as the Anakims; but the Moabites call them Emims.

12 The °Horims also dwelt in Seir before-time; but the children of Esau succeeded them, when they had °destroyed them from before them, and dwelt in their °stead; °as Israel did unto the land of his °possession, which °the LORD °gave unto them.

^L ² ^k 13 °Now rise up, said I, °and get you over the °brook Zered. And we went over the brook Zered.

14 And the space in which we came from Kadesh-barnea, until we were come over the brook Zered, was °thirty and eight years; until all the generation of the men of war were wasted out from among the host, °as °the LORD swore unto them.

15 For indeed the hand of °the LORD was against them, to °destroy them from among the host, until they were consumed.

16 So it came to pass, when all the men of war were consumed and dead from among the People,

17 That °the LORD °spake unto me, saying,

18 °Thou art to pass over through Ar, the coast of Moab, this day:

¹ 19 And when thou comest nigh over against the °children of °Ammon, distress them not, nor meddle with them: for I will not give thee of the land of the °children of Ammon any possession; because I have given it unto the °children of Lot for a possession.

^m 20 (That also was accounted a land of °giants: °giants dwelt therein in old time; and the Ammonites call them °Zamzum-mims;

21 A people great, and many, and tall, as the °Anakims; but °the LORD °destroyed them before them; and they succeeded them, and dwelt in their stead:

22 As He did to the °children of Esau,

2. 4—3. 28 (f, p. 288). OBEDIENCE REHEARSED. (Extended and Repeated Alternation.)

^f ^L ¹ ^k 2. 4. Passage through Edom.

¹ 2. 5-9. Command as to Edom and Moab.

^m 2. 10-12. Former inhabitants and Moab.

^L ² ^k 2. 13-18. Passage over Zered.

¹ 2. 19. Command as to Ammon.

^m 2. 20-23. Former inhabitants and Ammon.

^L ³ ^k 2. 24-29. Passage over Arnon.

¹ 2. 24-29. Command as to Amorites.

^m 2. 30—3. 28. Former inhabitants and Israel.

5 because, &c. Cp. Gen. 32. 3; 33. 6-8; 36. 8. Josh. 24. 4.

a possession. Heb. *yārash* (because given). Also in vv. 9, 12, and 3. 19, 20, &c.; in Deut. not *'āhaz* (because seized), as in other books; though *'āhaz* is used in ch. 32. 49.

6 meat. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (Ap. 6) for all kinds of food.

7 the LORD thy God. Jehovah thy Elohim = the triune God.

hand. Some codices, with some early printed editions, and Sam., Jon., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "hands", forty years. Cp. Neh. 9. 21.

nothing. Heb. "not a word": i. e. of what Jehovah had promised. Cp. 8. 2-4.

8 passed by. Cp. Num. 20. 21; 21. 11-13. 2 Chron. 20. 10.

from Elath, &c. Gulf of Akabah. Cp. Num. 33. 35, 36, and 1 Kings 9. 26.

wilderness of Moab. See the route, Judg. 11. 16-18.

9 the LORD [Heb. Jehovah] said unto me (or Moses). Occurs thirteen times in Deut.: 2. 9, 31; 3. 2, 26; 4. 10; 5. 28; 9. 12; 10. 1, 11; 18. 17; 31. 2, 14, 16; 34. 4.

Distress not, &c. God judged both (2 Chron. 20. 1-25. Amos 1. 13-15).

10 Emims = terrible ones (Gen. 14. 5). A race of the *Nephilim*. See Ap. 25.

Anakims. See on 1. 28, and Ap. 25.

11 giants. Heb. *Rephaim*, another name for the *Nephilim*, from one Rapha. See Ap. 25. Connected with *healing*, and with Egypt (Gen. 50. 2). See Ap. 23.

12 Horims. Another race or name of the *Nephilim*. See Ap. 25. Cp. Gen. 14. 6. See Ap. 25.

destroyed = exterminated. Heb. *shāmad*.

stead = room. These are the Canaanites with whom Satan had preoccupied the land to thwart God's purpose in Abraham. Cp. Gen. 12. 6; 13. 7, and see Ap. 25. All these had to be destroyed, as the *Nephilim* were destroyed by the Flood. Cp. Gen. 6. 4, which tells of a later irruption. See Gen. 14. 5.

possession . . . gave. See ch. 3. 20, and note on v. 5.

13 Now. Some codices, with Sam. and Sept., read "Now therefore".

brook Zered, which flows into the Arnon, the frontier between Moab and Ammon. Num. 21. 13.

14 thirty and eight years. Cp. the antitype of Israel in the flesh, John 5. 8.

15 destroy = shake off. Heb. *hāmam*.

16 Ammon. See Gen. 19. 36-38, and cp. Judg. 11. 15.

20 Zamzumims. A name given them by the Ammonites = noisy ones. See vv. 10-12, and Ap. 25.

21 Anakims. See note on 1. 28, and Ap. 25.

22 destroyed = exterminated. Heb. *shāmad*.

23 Avims. Another name for these *Nephilim*. Josh. 13. 3. (Ap. 25.)

which dwelt in Seir, when He °destroyed the Horims from before them; and they succeeded them, and dwelt in their stead even unto this day:

23 And the °Avims which dwelt in Hazerim

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even unto °Azzah, the °Caphtorims, which came forth out of Caphtor, ²²destroyed them, and dwelt in their stead.)

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24 'Rise ye up, °take your journey, and pass over the river Arnon: behold, I have given into thine hand Sihon the Amorite, king of Heshbon, and his land:

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begin to possess it, and contend with him in battle.

25 This day will I begin to °put the dread of thee and the fear of thee upon the nations that are under the whole heaven, who shall hear report of thee, and shall tremble, and be in anguish because of thee.'

26 And I °sent messengers out of the wilderness of °Kedemoth unto Sihon king of Heshbon with words of peace, saying,

27 'Let me pass through thy land: I will go along by the high way, I will neither turn unto the right hand nor to the left.

28 Thou °shalt sell me °meat for money, that I may eat; and give me water for money, that I may drink: only I will pass through on my feet;

29 (°As the °children of Esau which dwell in Seir, and the Moabites which dwell in Ar, did unto me;) until I shall pass over Jordan into the land which °the LORD our °God giveth us.'

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30 But °Sihon king of Heshbon would not let us pass by him: for °the LORD thy °God °hardened his °spirit, and made his heart obstinate, that He might deliver him unto thy hand, as appeareth this day.

31 And °the LORD °said unto me, °Behold, I have begun to give Sihon and his land before thee: begin to possess, that thou mayest inherit his land.'

32 Then Sihon °came out against us, he and all his people, to fight at Jahaz.

33 And °the LORD our °God delivered him before us; and we smote him, and his °sons, and all his people.

34 And we took all his cities at that time, and utterly °destroyed the °men, and the women, and the little ones, of every city, we left none to remain:

35 Only the cattle we took for °a prey unto ourselves, and the spoil of the cities which we took.

36 From °Aroer, which is by the brink of the river of Arnon, and from °the city that is by the river, even unto Gilead, there was not one city too strong for us: °the LORD our °God °delivered all unto us:

37 Only unto the land of the °children of Ammon thou camest not, nor unto any place of the river Jabbok, nor unto the cities in the mountains, nor unto whatsoever °the LORD our °God forbade us.

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3 Then we turned, and went up the way to °Bashan: and Og the king of Bashan °came out against us, he and all his People, to battle at Edrei.

2 And °the LORD °said unto me, 'Fear him not: for I will deliver him, and all his People, and his land, into thy °hand; and thou shalt do unto him °as thou didst unto Sihon

Azzah = Gaza. Gen. 10. 19. 1 Sam. 6. 17. Cp. 1 Kings 4. 24. Jer. 25. 20. Acts 8. 26.

Caphtorims. Another name, for those that came out of Caphtor. Gen. 10. 14. Amos 9. 7. Jer. 47. 4. Sometimes identified with Crete, or the Delta.

24 take your journey. Cp. Num. 21. 13.

25 put the dread. Fulfilment of Ex. 15. 14, 15. Cp. Josh. 2. 9, 10.

26 sent messengers. Num. 21. 21, 22. Judg. 11. 19. Kedemoth. Cp. Num. 21. 21-24. Afterward a Levitical city (Josh. 13. 18; 21. 37. 1 Chron. 6. 64, 79).

28 shalt sell. Edom refused to let Israel pass through, but did sell, as here stated. Cp. Num. 20. 17-21. Moab, too, "sold", but did not meet as a friend (28. 4, where *kāram* means to offer unasked). Cp. Isa. 21. 17.

29 As = According as.

2. 30-3. 29 (m³, p. 241). FORMER INHABITANTS (Division).

m³ | M¹ | 2. 30-37. Conquest of Sihon.

M² | 3. 1-29. Conquest of Og.

30 Sihon ... would not. Cp. Num. 21. 23. Judg. 11. 20.

God = Elohim, acting as the Creator with a creature. See Ap. 4.

hardened. Heb. *kāshāh*. See note on Ex. 4. 21.

spirit - Heb. *rūach*. See Ap. 9.

31 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

32 came out. Sihon was the aggressor. Num. 21. 23. Judg. 11. 20.

33 sons. So read, but written in Heb. text "son" (sing.).

34 destroyed = devoted to destruction. Heb. *hāram*. Cp. 3. 6; 7. 2; 20. 17.

men. Heb. *mēthim*. See Ap. 14. v.

35 a prey. For the law governing this see Num. 31.

36 Aroer. Num. 32. 34. The name is on the Moabite Stone. See Ap. 54.

the city: i.e. Ar of Moab. Num. 21. 15.

delivered. Cp. Judg. 11. 21, 22, 26. "For His mercy endureth for ever", Ps. 136. 18-22.

3. 1-29 (M², above). THE CONQUEST OF OG. (Introversion.)

M² | n | 1, 2. Command of Jehovah's.

o | 3-11. Land. Conquest.

o | 12-17. Land. Division { Manasseh, 12-15.
Reuben, 16, 17.

n | 18-29. Commands of Moses.

1 Bashan. Cp. Num. 21. 33, 34.

came out. Og was the aggressor. Num. 21. 33.

2 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

said. See note on 2. 9.

hand. Some codices, with three early printed editions, Sept., and Vulg., read "hands".

as = according as.

3 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

delivered. Cp. 2. 36.

4 threescore cities. They can all be seen, and counted to-day. (See Dr. Porter's *Giant Cities of Bashan*.)

region. Heb. = "cord". Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the region marked out by it.

Argob. Cp. 1 Kings 4. 13. Ps. 136. 18-22.

king of the Amorites, which dwelt at Heshbon.'

3 So °the LORD our °God °delivered into our hands Og also, the king of Bashan, and all his people: and we smote him until none was left to him remaining.

4 And we took all his cities at that time, there was not a city which we took not from them, °threescore cities, all the °region of °Argob, the kingdom of Og in Bashan.

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5 All these °cities were fenced with high walls, gates, and bars; beside unwall'd towns a great many.

6 And we utterly °destroyed them, as we did unto Sihon king of Heshbon, utterly °destroying the °men, °women, and children, of every city.

7 But all the cattle, and the °spoils of the cities, we took for a prey to ourselves.

8 And we took at that time out of the hand of the two kings of the Amorites the land that was °on this side Jordan, from the river of Arnon °unto mount °Hermon;

9 (°Which Hermon the Sidonians call °Sirion; and the Amorites call it °Shenir;)

10 All the cities of the plain, and all °Gilead, and all Bashan, unto Salchah and Edrei, cities of the kingdom of Og in Bashan.

11 (For only Og king of Bashan remained of the remnant of °giants; °behold, his °bedstead was a bedstead of °iron; °is it not in °Rabbath of the °children of Ammon? nine °cubits was the length thereof, and four °cubits the breadth of it, after the °cubit of a °man.)

(p. 241) 12 And this land, which we possessed °at that time, from Aroer, which is by the river Arnon, and half mount Gilead, and the cities thereof, gave I unto the Reubenites and to the Gadites.

13 And the rest of Gilead, and all Bashan, being the kingdom of Og, gave I unto the half tribe of Manasseh; all the region of Argob, with all Bashan, which was called the land of °giants.

14 (Jair the son of Manasseh took all the country of Argob unto the °coasts of Geshuri and Maachathi; and called them after his own name, °Bashan-havoth-jair, °unto this day.)

15 And I gave Gilead unto Machir.

16 And unto the Reubenites and unto the Gadites I gave from Gilead even unto the river Arnon half the valley, and the border even unto the river Jabbok, which is the border of the °children of Ammon;

17 The plain also, and Jordan, and the °coast thereof, from °Chinnereth even unto the sea of °the plain, even the salt sea, under °Ashdath-pisgah eastward.

(p. 242) 18 And °I commanded you at that time, saying, 2 The LORD your °God hath given you this land to possess it: ye shall pass over armed before your brethren the °children of Israel, all that are °meet for the war.

19 But your wives, and your little ones, and your cattle, (for I know that ye have much cattle,) shall abide in your cities which I have given you;

20 Until 2 the LORD have given rest unto your brethren, as well as unto you, and until they also possess the land which 2 the LORD your °God hath given them beyond Jordan: and then shall ye °return every man unto his possession, which I have given you.

q 21 And 18 I commanded Joshua at that time, saying, 'Thine eyes have seen all that 2 the LORD your °God hath done unto these two kings: so shall 2 the LORD do unto all the kingdoms whither thou passest.

5 cities. See note on v. 4.

6 destroyed... destroying = devoted to destruction. Heb. *hāram*. Cp. 7. 2.

men. Heb. *mēthim* = adult males. Ap. 14. v. women. Some codices, with Jon., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "and the women".

7 spoil. For laws regulating this, see Num. 31.

8 on this side = across, a neutral term. See note on 1. 1.

unto. Some codices, with Sam., Sept., and Syr., read "and (or even) unto".

Hermon = high mountain.

9 Which. Note these topographical parentheses, vv. 9, 11, 14, cp. 2. 20-23, 29.

Sirion = breastplate.

Shenir = coat of mail.

10 Gilead = the rough country.

11 giants. Heb. "*Rephaim*", descendants of one Rapha, a branch of the *Nephilim*. See Ap. 25.

behold. A special various reading called *Sevir* (see Ap. 34) reads "and behold".

bedstead = bed or couch, but not the usual word which is *mishkāb*. It is 'eres, and is exactly the same measurement as the tomb of Marduk in Babylon. The mythological significance of 'eres (Bab. *irsu*) is nuptial bed, or funeral couch. Probably = tomb.

iron. Probably basalt.

is it not...? Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

Rabbath was the capital of Ammon, where the temple of Milchom was: and where Og's tomb would naturally be.

children = sons.

cubits. See Ap. 51. III. 2.

cubit of a man = a common cubit = a man's forearm.

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

12 at that time. Cp. Num. 32. 33; 21. 24. Josh. 12. 1-6; 13. 8-12, 15-32.

14 coasts = borders.

Bashan-havoth-jair = the villages (or cluster of villages) of Jair in Bashan. Heb. *Havoth* = towns, used only of Jair's. Cp. Num. 32. 41. Josh. 13. 30. Judg. 10. 4. 1 Kings 4. 13. 1 Chron. 2. 23.

unto this day: unto the time of writing. Here the time mentioned is from Num. 21 to the eleventh month of the fortieth year (Deut. 1. 3).

17 Chinnereth. Afterward called Gennesaret, cp. Num. 34. 11. Josh. 19. 35. So called from its shape, *kinnōr*, a harp.

the plain. Heb. *'Arābāh*. See 1. 1.

Ashdath-pisgah = the springs of Pisgah. Note the Fig. *Polyonymia* (Ap. 6) in this verse.

18-28 (n, p. 241). COMMANDS OF MOSES. (Alternation.)

n | 18-20. Manasseh and Reuben to go over.

q | 21, 22. Charge to Joshua.

p | 23-27. Moses not to go over.

q | 28, 29. Charge to Joshua.

18 I commanded. See Num. 32. 20-24.

meet for the war. Heb. = sons of valour. Fig. *Antimereia* (of Noun), Ap. 6 = valiant men. Emphasis on valiant. Cp. 2 Sam. 2. 7. 1 Kings 1. 52.

20 return. Cp. Josh. 22. 4.

22 not fear. Cp. 1. 29, 30. Ex. 14. 13, 14.

24 Lord GOD = *Adonai Jehovah*. See Ap. 4. This prayer not mentioned elsewhere.

22 Ye shall °not fear them: for 2 the LORD your °God shall fight for you.'

23 And I besought 2 the LORD at that time, saying,

24 'O °Lord GOD, Thou hast begun to shew Thy servant Thy greatness, and Thy mighty

1452 °hand: for what °GOD *is there* in heaven or in earth, that can do according to Thy works, and according to Thy might?

25 I pray Thee, let me go over, and see °the good land that *is beyond* Jordan, that goodly mountain, and Lebanon.

26 But °the LORD was °wroth with me for your sakes, and would not hear me: and °the LORD °said unto me, 'Let it suffice thee; speak no more unto Me of this matter.'

27 Get thee up into the top of Pisgah, and lift up thine eyes °westward, °and northward, and southward, and eastward, and behold *it* with thine eyes: for thou shalt °not go over this Jordan.

q (p. 242) 28 But °charge Joshua, and encourage him, and strengthen him: for he shall go over before this People, and he shall cause them to inherit the land which thou shalt see.

29 So we abode in the valley over against °Beth-peor.

a N t (p. 243) 4 Now therefore hearken, O Israel, unto the °statutes and unto the °judgments, which I °teach you, °for to do *them*,

u that ye may live, and go in and possess the land which °the LORD °God of your fathers giveth you.

v 2 °Ye shall not add unto the word which I command you, neither shall ye diminish *ought* from it, that ye may keep the commandments of °the LORD your °God which I command you.

w 3 Your eyes have seen what °the LORD did because of Baal-peor: for all the °men that followed °Baal-peor, °the LORD thy °God hath °destroyed them from among you.

4 But ye that did cleave unto °the LORD your °God *are* alive every one of you this day.

t 5 °Behold, I have taught you °statutes and °judgments, even as the LORD my °God commanded me,

u that ye should do so in the land whither ye go to possess it.

r 6 Keep therefore and do *them*;

w for this *is* your wisdom and your °understanding in the sight of the nations, which shall hear all these statutes, and say, 'Surely this great nation *is* a wise and °understanding People.'

7 For °what nation *is there* so great, who hath °God so °nigh unto them, as °the LORD our °God *is* in all *things* that we call upon Him for?

8 And °what nation *is there* so great, that hath °statutes and °judgments °so righteous as all this law, which I set before you this day?

O r x 9 Only °take heed to thyself, and keep °thy soul diligently, lest thou forget the things which thine eyes have seen, and lest they depart from thy heart all the days of thy life: but teach them thy sons, and thy sons' sons;

10 °Specially the day that thou stoodest before °the LORD thy °God in °Horeb, when

hand. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, put for works wrought by the hand.

GOD. Heb. 'El = God as the omnipotent One. See Ap. 4. IV.

25 the good land. Cp. Ps. 106. 24. Num. 13. 27.

26 wroth. See Num. 20. 12.

said. See note on 2. 9.

27 westward, &c. The points of the compass here are seaward, darkness-ward, Teman-ward, and sunrise-ward. Teman-ward (i. e. south of Edom) first used for south in Ex. 26. 18. See Num. 27. 12.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton*, Ap. 6, emphasising the extent of the view.

not go over. Cp. Num. 27. 13.

28 charge Joshua. Cp. Num. 27. 18, 19.

29 Beth-peor = the house (or temple) of Peor, where Baal was worshipped (Num. 23. 28; 25. 3. Deut. 4. 3. Here Moses was buried (Deut. 34. 6). It was a Moabite holy place (Num. 25. 18; 31. 16. Josh. 22. 17). Allotted to Reuben (Josh. 13. 20).

4. 1-5. 33 (a, p. 238). INJUNCTIONS IN HOREB: RETROSPECTIVE (*Introversion and Alternation*).

a N | 4. 1-8. Statutes announced.

O | r | 4. 9-20. Warnings against idolatry.

s | 4. 21, 22. Moses (Death announced).

O | r | 4. 23-40. Warnings against idolatry.

s | 4. 41-48. Moses (Cities of Refuge severed).

N | 4. 44 - 5. 33. Statutes recited.

4. 1-8 (N, above). STATUTES ANNOUNCED. (*Extended alternation*).

N | t | 1-. Statutes: Hearken.

u | -1. Object.

v | 2. Injunction.

w | 3, 4. Motive (from experience).

t | 5-. Statutes: Behold.

u | -5. Object.

v | 6-. Injunction.

w | -6-8. Motive (from privilege).

1 statutes = ordinances: Godward. Ex. 12. 24, 43; 30. 21. Heb. 9. 1.

judgments = duties and punishments, manward. First occurrence in plural in Ex. 21. 1. The two often united. See 5. 1; 6. 1; 12. 1. Mal. 4. 4, &c.

teach. Heb. *lāmad* (whence "Talmud") = to cause to learn. First occurrence.

for to do. Old English idiom: modern idiom = to do. the LORD God = Jehovah 'Elohim.

2 Ye shall not add. Cp. ch. 12. 32. Prov. 30. 5, 6. Jer. 23. 28; 26. 2. Ezek. 2. 5, 7. Rev. 22. 18, 19.

3 men. Heb. *'ish*. See Ap. 14. II.

Baal-peor. See note on 3. 29 and Num. 25. 1-5, 9. Ps. 106. 28. Hos. 9. 10. 1 Cor. 10. 8.

destroyed = exterminated. Heb. *shmadh*.

5 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

6 understanding = discernment.

understanding = discerning.

7 what...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

God - a god, or gods. Heb. 'Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

nigh = nigh to help. Cp. Ps. 32. 9; 34. 18; 119. 151; 145. 18. Neh. 13. 4.

8 so righteous. See Ap. 15. Cp. 2 Sam. 7. 23.

9-20 (r, above). WARNINGS AGAINST IDOLATRY. (*Alternation*).

r | x | 9-13. Law at Horeb. No similitude.

y | 14. Intention—Command.

x | 15-19. Law at Horeb. No similitude.

y | 20. Intention—Act.

9 take heed. Note the three occurrences in this chapter (vv. 9, 15, 23).

thy soul = thyself. Heb. *thy nephesh*, cp. yourselves, v. 15. Ap. 13.

10 Specially. Fig. *Ellipsis*. Ap. 6. Might be supplied by the word "Remember". Horeb. Occurs three times before Deut. (viz. Ex. 3. 1; 17. 6; 33. 6). Sinai is the general word, but occurs only once in Deut. (33. 2).

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¹the LORD °said unto me, 'Gather Me the People together, and I will make them hear My words, that they may learn to fear Me all the days that they shall live upon the earth, and that they may teach their children.'

11 And ye came near and stood under the mountain; and the mountain burned with fire unto the midst of heaven, with darkness, clouds, and °thick darkness,

12 And ¹the LORD °spake unto you out of the midst of the fire: ye heard the voice of the words, but °saw no °similitude; only ye heard a voice.

13 And He declared unto you His covenant, which He commanded you to perform, even ten commandments; and He °wrote them upon two tables of stone.

y (p. 243) 14 And ¹the LORD commanded °me at that time to teach you ¹statutes and ¹judgments, that ye might do them in the land whither ye go over to possess it.

x 15 Take ye therefore good heed unto °yourselves; for ye saw no manner of ¹²similitude on the day that ¹the LORD ¹²spake unto you in Horeb out of the midst of the fire:

16 Lest ye corrupt yourselves, and make you a °graven image, the ¹²similitude of any °figure, the °likeness of male or female,

17 The likeness of any beast that is on the earth, the likeness of any winged fowl that flieth in the air,

18 The likeness of any thing that creepeth on the ground, the likeness of any fish that is in the waters beneath the earth:

19 And lest thou lift up thine eyes unto heaven, and when thou seest the sun, and the moon, and the stars, even all the °host of heaven, shouldest be driven to worship them, and serve them, which ¹the LORD thy ¹God hath divided unto all nations under the whole heaven.

y 20 But ¹the LORD hath taken you, and brought you forth out of the °iron furnace, even out of Egypt, °to be unto Him a People of inheritance, as ye are this day.

s 21 Furthermore ¹the LORD was °angry with me for your sakes, and sware that I should not go over Jordan, and that I should not go in unto that good land, which ¹the LORD thy ¹God giveth thee for an inheritance:

22 But I must die in this land, I must not go over Jordan: but ye shall go over, and possess that good land.

r a (p. 244) 23 Take heed unto yourselves, lest ye forget the covenant of ¹the LORD your ¹God, which He made with you, and make you a ¹⁶graven image, or the ¹⁶likeness of any thing, which ¹the LORD thy ¹God hath °forbidden thee.

24 (For ¹the LORD thy ¹God is °a consuming fire, even a jealous °GOD.)

25 When thou shalt beget °children, and °children's °children, and ye shall have remained long in the land, and shall corrupt yourselves, and make a graven image, or the ²³likeness of any thing, and shall do °evil in the sight of ¹the LORD thy ¹God, to provoke Him to anger:

b 26 °I call °heaven and earth to witness

said. See note on 2, 9.

11 thick darkness. See Ex. 20. 21, and cp. Heb. *araphel*. 2 Sam. 22. 10. 1 Kings 8. 12. Ps. 97. 2.

12 spake. See note on 2, 1.

saw. Fig. *zeugma*. Ap. 6. i.: by which one verb "saw" is used with two objects and suits only the first. A second verb "heard" must be supplied: cp. Ex. 3. 16. 2 Kings 11. 12. 1 Tim. 4. 3. It is for the purpose of calling attention to the emphasis thus put on the verb "saw"; an idol being that which is seen. similitude = appearance of form, or likeness.

13 even ten. Heb. the ten.

wrote. See note on Ex. 17. 14; only here and 10. 4 in Deut. See also Ap. 47.

14 me. Emphasis on "me" to call attention to the mediation of Moses.

15 yourselves = your souls. Heb. *nephesh*. See v. 9 above and Ap. 13.

16 graven image. Heb. *peṣel* = a sculpture (Ex. 20. 4). figure. Heb. *ṣemel* = only here, 2 Chron. 33. 7, 15, and Ezek. 8. 3, 5.

likeness = form. Heb. *tablinith* = model.

19 host of heaven: sun, moon, and stars. This sin foreknown. 2 Kings 17. 18; 23. 4. Cp. Amos 5. 26 with Acts 7. 42, 43.

20 iron furnace. Cp. Gen. 15. 17. Ex. 3. 2, 3. 1 Kings 8. 51-53. Jer. 11. 4.

to be, &c. Cp. Ex. 19. 5. Deut. 9. 29; 32. 9.

21 angry. Cp. 1. 37; 3. 2.

23-40 (r, p. 243). WARNINGS AGAINST IDOLATRY (*Alternation*).

r a | 23-25. Sin.

b | 26-28. Threatening—Dispersion.

a | 29, 30. Repentance.

b | 31-40. Promise. Reason.

23 forbidden thee. Heb. *zivvah*, a Homonym—to command, and to forbid. Here it = forbid, also in Judg. 13. 14, where it is wrongly rendered "command".

24 a consuming fire. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. Cp. Ex. 24. 17. Heb. 12. 29.

GOD. Heb. *El*. See Ap. 4.

children = sons.

25 evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

26 I call. Fig. *Deasis*. Ap. 6. Cp. 31. 28.

heaven and earth = the heavens and the earth (always plural and with Heb. particle *'eth*, except Gen. 2. 1. See note on 1. 1). One of the thirteen occurrences of the Heb. expressions noted in the Massorah. Gen. 1. 1. Ex. 20. 11; 31. 17. Deut. 4. 26; 30. 19; 31. 28. 2 Kings 19. 15. 2 Chron. 2. 12. Isa. 37. 16. Jer. 23. 24; 32. 17. Hag. 2. 6, 21.

this day. A solemn idiom, used for great emphasis. Occurs forty-two times (see Ap. 10) in this book: 4. 26, 39, 40; 5. 1; 6. 6; 7. 11; 8. 1, 11, 19; 9. 1, 3; 10. 13; 11. 2, 8, 13, 26, 27, 28, 32; 13. 18; 15. 5, 15; 19. 9; 26. 3, 16, 17, 18; 27. 1, 4, 10; 28. 1, 13, 14, 15; 30. 2, 8, 11, 15, 16, 18, 19; 32. 46. It is this Old Testament idiom in Luke 23. 43.

destroyed = exterminated. Heb. *shmad*.

27 scatter. Heb. *pāz* = disperse. See Gen. 10. 18; 11. 4, 9, not used in Lev. 26. 33, but is used in Jer. 30. 11, and frequently: also in Ezek. Cp. Deut. 28. 64, and Ezek. 20. 23.

nations = peoples.

heathen = nations.

against you °this day, that ye shall soon utterly perish from off the land whereunto ye go over Jordan to possess it; ye shall not prolong your days upon it, but shall utterly be °destroyed.

27 And ¹the LORD shall °scatter you among the °nations, and ye shall be left few in number among the °heathen, whither ¹the LORD shall lead you.

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28 And there ye shall °serve gods, the work of °men's hands, wood and stone, which neither see, nor hear, nor eat, nor smell.

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29 But if from thence °thou shalt °seek ¹the LORD thy ¹God, thou shalt find *Him*, if thou °seek Him with all thy heart and with all thy °soul.

30 When thou art in tribulation, and all these things are come upon thee, *even* in °the latter days, if thou turn to ¹the LORD thy ¹God, and shalt be obedient unto His voice;

b

31 (For ¹the LORD thy ¹God *is* a merciful ²⁴GOD); °He will not forsake thee, neither ²⁶destroy thee, nor forget the covenant of thy fathers which He swore unto them.

32 For ask now of °the days that are past, which were before thee, since the day that ¹God °created °man upon the earth, and *ask* from the one side of heaven unto the other, whether there hath been *any such thing* as this great thing *is*, or hath been heard like it?

33 °Did *ever* people hear the voice of °God speaking out of the midst of the fire, °as thou hast heard, and live?

34 Or °hath °God assayed to go *and* take Him a nation °from the midst of *another* nation, by °temptations, by signs, °and by wonders, and by °war, and by a mighty hand, and by a stretched out arm, and by great terrors, according to all that ¹the LORD your ¹God did for you in Egypt before your eyes?

35 Unto thee it was shewed, that thou mightest know that ¹the LORD °*is* ¹God; *there is* none else beside Him.

36 Out of heaven He made thee to hear His voice, that He might instruct thee: and upon earth He shewed thee His great fire; and thou heardest His words out of the midst of the fire.

37 And °because He loved thy fathers, therefore He chose their seed after them, and brought thee out in His sight with His mighty power out of Egypt;

38 To drive out nations from before thee greater and mightier than thou *art*, to bring thee in, to give thee their land *for* an inheritance, as *it is* this day.

39 Know therefore ²⁶this day, and consider *it* in thine heart, that ¹the LORD °*is* °God in heaven above, and upon the earth beneath: *there is* none else.

40 Thou shalt keep therefore His ¹statutes, and His commandments, which ³command thee ²⁶this day, that it may go well with thee, and with thy children after thee, and that thou mayest prolong *thy* days upon the earth, which ¹the LORD thy ¹God giveth thee, °for ever."

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41 °Then °Moses °severed three cities on this side Jordan toward the sunrising;

42 That the slayer might flee thither, which should kill his neighbour unawares, and °hated him not in times past; and that fleeing unto one of these cities he might live:

43 *Namely*, Bezer in the wilderness, in the plain country, of the Reubenites; and Ramoth

28 serve gods. Cp. Dan 5. 23. Rev. 9. 20. men's. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. 1.

29 thou shalt. This agrees with the Sam. Text., but the printed Heb. Text has "ye shall".

seek. Cp. Lev. 26. 40. Jer. 29. 13, &c. soul. Heb. *nephesh*. See Ap. 13.

30 the latter days—the end of the days.

31 He will not forsake. First occurrence of this promise. Repeated in 31. 6 for the journey. Repeated to Joshua for conflict, Josh. 1. 5, 6; to Solomon for work, 1 Chron. 28. 20; to us for daily provision and comfort, Heb. 13. 5, 6.

32 the days. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, put for the events which took place in them. created (sing.). These two words occur together three times (Gen. 1. 1; 2. 3, and here).

man = Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. 1.

33 Did . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

God: or, a god.

as = according as.

34 hath . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

God: or, a god.

from the midst. Here we have the whole of Exodus, cp. Jer. 32. 21.

temptations = trials, or, provings.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), in this verse.

war—fightings. Ex. 14. 25.

35 He is God. Cp. 1 Kings 18. 39. Isa. 45. 21.

37 because. Cp. 7. 7; 9. 5; 10. 15.

39 God. Heb. *hā-'ēlohīm* = the God.

40 for ever = all the days: i. e. for all time.

41 Then. Emphatic, marking the end of his first address.

Moses. Change to third person, not because it is now editorial, but because the first direct address is ended. See note on 1. 1.

severed = separated. Cp. Ex. 21. 13. Num. 35. 6-29.

42 hated = he hated.

4. 44—5. 32 (N, p. 243). STATUTES RECITED. (*Alternation*.)

N c | 4. 44—5. 4. The Law. General.

d | 5. 5. Mediation of Moses.

c | 5. 6-21. The Law. Particular.

d | 5. 22-33. Mediation of Moses.

44 this: i. e. which hereafter followeth. The commencement of the new section according to the Structure.

children = sons.

45 testimonies. Heb. *'ād*, to say again and again, hence, testifyings, affirmations, &c.

statutes, and the judgments. See note on 4. 1.

46 smote. Cp. Num. 21. 24. Deut. 1. 4.

47 of Og. Cp. Num. 21. 33. Deut. 3. 3.

in Gilead, of the Gadites; and Golan in Bashan, of the Manassites.

44 And °this *is* the law which Moses set before the °children of Israel:

45 These *are* the °testimonies, and the °statutes, and the °judgments, which Moses spake unto the "children of Israel, after they came forth out of Egypt,

46 On this side Jordan, in the valley over against Beth-peor, in the land of Sihon king of the Amorites, who dwelt at Heshbon, whom Moses and the "children of Israel °smote, after they were come forth out of Egypt:

47 And they possessed his land, and the land °of Og king of Bashan, two kings of the

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Amorites, which *were* on this side Jordan toward the sunrising;

48 From Aroer, which *is* by the bank of the river Arnon, even unto mount °Sion, which *is* Hermon,

49 And all the plain °on this side Jordan eastward, even unto the sea of the plain, under the springs of Pishgah.

5 And °Moses called all Israel, and said unto them, "Hear, O Israel, the °statutes and °judgments which I speak in your ears °this day, that ye may learn them, and °keep, and do them.

2 °The LORD our °God °made a covenant with us in Horeb.

3 °The LORD °made not this covenant with °our fathers, but with °us, °even us, who are all of us here alive this day.

4 °The LORD °talked with you face to face in the mount out of the midst of the fire,

d 5 °I stood between °the LORD and you at that time, to shew you the word of °the LORD: for ye were afraid by reason of the fire, and went not up into the mount;) °saying,

c 6 °I am °the LORD thy °God, Which brought thee out of the land of Egypt, from the house of °bondage.

7 Thou shalt have none other gods before Me.

8 Thou shalt not make thee any °graven image, or any °likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that *is* in the earth beneath, or that *is* in the waters beneath the earth:

9 Thou shalt not bow down thyself unto them, nor serve them: for I °the LORD thy °God am a jealous °GOD, visiting the °iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate Me,

10 And shewing °mercy unto thousands of them that love Me and keep My commandments.

11 Thou shalt not take the name of °the LORD thy °God in vain: for °the LORD will not hold him guiltless that taketh His name in vain.

12 Keep the sabbath day to sanctify it, °(as °the LORD thy °God hath commanded thee).

13 Six days thou shalt °labour, and do all thy work:

14 But the seventh day *is* the sabbath of °the LORD thy °God: *in it* thou shalt not do any work, *thou*, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, nor thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thine ox, nor thine ass, nor any of thy cattle, nor thy stranger that *is* within thy gates; that thy manservant and thy maidservant may rest as well as thou.

15 (°And remember that thou wast a servant in the land of Egypt, and that °the LORD thy °God brought thee out thence °through a mighty hand and by a stretched out arm: therefore °the LORD thy °God commanded thee to keep the sabbath day.)

16 Honour thy father and thy mother, as °the LORD thy °God hath commanded thee; that thy days may be prolonged, and that it may go well with thee, in the land which °the LORD thy °God giveth thee.

17 Thou shalt not kill.

48 Sion. Written for Sirion. See Deut. 3. 9.

49 on this side = across: a neutral term. Cp. 1. 1.

5. 1 Moses called. Here begins his second address. See note on 1. 1.

statutes and judgments. See note on 4. 1.

this day. See note on 4. 26.

keep, and do = observe to do.

2 The LORD our God. *Jehovah our 'Elohim.*

made. Heb. cut, because covenants were made by cutting the sacrifice in twain and passing between the parts. See Gen. 15. 10. Jer. 34. 18, 19. Heb. 9. 16, 17. Gal. 3. 20, the latter referring to the one of the two necessary parties to a covenant.

3 our fathers °our fathers only.

us, even us. Fig. *Epizeuxis*, Ap. 6, well rendered.

4 talked. Cp. Ex. 19. 19, 20.

5 I stood. Cp. Ex. 20. 19.

saying. Cp. Ex. 20. 1-17.

6 bondage = Heb. servants, put for servitude.

8 graven image. Heb. *pesel*, a sculpture. First occurrence is Ex. 20. 4. See note on 4. 16.

likeness = form.

9 GOD. Heb. 'El. See Ap. 4. IV.

iniquity. Heb. 'āwāh. Ap. 44. iv.

10 mercy = kindness.

12 as = according as.

13 labour. This word is emphasised by the Heb. accent *zarhā*, to show that the fourth Commandment is twofold, and that the one day's rest cannot be enjoyed without the preceding six days of labour.

15 And remember. A parenthetical break in Moses' recital, in view of their shortly having servants of their own.

through = by.

21 or. Fig. *Paradiastole*. Ap. 6.

his ox. Some codices, with Sept. and Syr., read "or his ox".

22 spake. See note on 2. 1.

wrote. See note on Ex. 17. 14; and Ap. 47.

in = on.

24 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

man. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.

25 why...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

18 Neither shalt thou commit adultery.

19 Neither shalt thou steal.

20 Neither shalt thou bear false witness against thy neighbour.

21 Neither shalt thou desire thy neighbour's wife, neither shalt thou covet thy neighbour's house, his field, °or his manservant, or his maidservant, °his ox, or his ass, or any thing that *is* thy neighbour's.

22 These words °the LORD °spake unto all your assembly in the mount out of the midst of the fire, of the cloud, and of the thick darkness, with a great voice: and He added no more. And He °wrote them °in two tables of stone, and delivered them unto me.

23 And it came to pass, when ye heard the voice out of the midst of the darkness, (for the mountain did burn with fire,) that ye came near unto me, *even* all the heads of your tribes, and your elders;

24 And ye said, °Behold, °the LORD our °God hath shewed us His glory and His greatness, and we have heard His voice out of the midst of the fire: we have seen this day that °God doth talk with °man, and he liveth.

25 Now therefore °why should we die? for this great fire will consume us: if we hear the voice of °the LORD our °God any more, then we shall die.

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26 For ° who is there of all flesh, that hath heard the voice of ° the living ° God speaking out of the midst of the fire, as we have, and lived?

27 Go thou near, and hear all that ° the LORD our ° God shall say: and speak thou unto us all that ° the LORD our ° God shall speak unto thee; and we will hear it, and do it.

28 And ° the LORD heard the voice of your words, when ye spake unto me; and ° the LORD ° said unto me, 'I have heard the voice of the words of this people, which they have spoken unto thee: they have well said all that they have spoken.

29 ° O that there were such an heart in them, that they would fear Me, and keep all My ° commandments ° always, that it might be well with them, and with their children for ever!

30 Go say to them, 'Get you into your tents again.'

31 But as for thee, stand thou here by Me, and I will speak unto thee all the ° commandments, and the ° statutes, and the ° judgments, which thou shalt teach them, that they may do them in the land which I give them to possess it.

32 Ye shall observe to do therefore ° as ° the LORD your ° God hath commanded you: ye shall not turn aside to the right hand or to the left.

33 Ye shall walk in all the ways which ° the LORD your ° God hath commanded you, that ye may live, and that it may be well with you, and that ye may prolong your days in the land which ye shall possess.

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6 Now ° these are the ° commandments, the ° statutes, and the ° judgments, which ° the LORD your ° God commanded to teach you, that ye might do them in the land whither ye ° go to possess it:

2 That thou mightest fear ° the LORD thy ° God, to keep all His ° statutes and His ° commandments, which I command thee, thou, and thy son, and thy son's son, all the days of thy life; and that thy days may be prolonged.

3 ° Hear therefore, O Israel, and ° observe to do it; that it may be well with thee, and that ye may increase mightily, ° as ° the LORD ° God of thy fathers hath promised thee, in ° the land that floweth with milk and honey.

4 ° Hear, O Israel: ° The LORD our ° God is ° one ° LORD:

5 And thou shalt ° love ° the LORD thy ° God with all thine heart, and with all thy ° soul, and with all thy might.

6 And these words, which I command thee ° this day, shall be in thine heart:

7 And thou shalt ° teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.

8 And thou shalt ° bind them for a sign upon

26 who . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. the living God. Both plurals. First occurrence of this title, always in contrast with idols, latent or expressed. Cp. Acts 14. 16. 1 Thess. 1. 9, &c.

28 said. See note on 2. 9.

29 O that, &c. Fig. *Æonismos*. Ap. 6.

always = every day, or all the days.

31 commandments. Heb. pl. "all the commandment", i.e. this whole Law.

statutes, and the judgments. See note on 4. 1.

6. 1-11. 25 (b, p. 219). INJUNCTIONS ON ENTRY INTO LAND (*Introversion and Alternations*).

b | O | 6. 1-3. Conditions of blessing.

P | e | 6. 4, 5. "Hear, O Israel."

f | 6. 6. "These words" (heart).

g | i | 6. 7. "Thou shalt teach."

k | 6. 8. "Thou shalt bind."

h | 6. 9. "Thou shalt write."

Q¹ | 1¹ | 6. 10-7. 26. Warnings.

m¹ | 8. 1-9. Command to remember.

Q² | 1² | 8. 10-20. Warnings.

m² | 9. 1-. Command to hear.

Q³ | 1³ | 9. 1-10. 11. Warnings.

m³ | 10. 12-11. 12. Command to obey.

P | e | 11. 13-17. "Ye shall hear."

f | 11. 18-. "These my words" (heart).

g | k | 11. -18. "Bind them."

i | 11. 19. "Ye shall teach them."

h | 11. 20, 21. "Thou shalt write."

O | 11. 22-25. Conditions of blessing.

1 these are. Heb. "this is".

commandments. See note on 5. 31.

statutes, and the judgments. See note on 4. 1.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

go. Heb. pass over.

3 Hear . . . observe. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6), used for emphasis: *v'shāmā'tā . . . v'shāmārtā*.

May be Englished "Hear . . . Heed".

as = according as.

the land, &c. Cp. Gen. 17. 8. Ex. 8. 8, 17; 13. 5;

33. 3. Num. 13. 27; 14. 8; 16. 13, 14. Josh. 5. 6. Jer.

11. 5; 32. 22. Ezek. 20. 6, 15.

4 Hear. In the Heb. text this word (*shām'a*) has the last letter majuscular (i.e. larger than the others) as also the last letter of the last word (*'echād*), to emphasise "the first and great commandment" (Matt. 22. 38. Mark 12. 29, 30). These two letters taken together make 'ed - "a witness", because God is a witness and looketh on the heart (1 Sam. 16. 7).

In Heb. *shēm'a yisrā'el yēhōvā 'ēhād yēhōvā 'echād* = "Hear, O Israel, Jehovah (the Self and ever existing One), our Elohim is one Jehovah".

one. Heb. *'ēhād* = a compound unity (Lat. *unus*), one made up of others: Gen. 1. 5, one of seven; 2. 11, one of four; 2. 21, one of twenty-four; 2. 24, one made up of two; 3. 22, one of the Trinity: 49. 16, one of twelve; Num. 13. 23, one of a cluster. So Ps. 34. 20, &c. It is not *yāhīd*, which is (Lat.) *unicus*, unique—a single, or only one, occurs twelve times: Gen. 22. 2, 12, 16. Judg. 11. 34. Ps. 22. 20; 25. 16; 35. 17; 68. 6. Prov. 4. 3. Jer. 6. 26. Amos 8. 10. Zech. 12. 10. Heb. of all other words for "one" is *'echād*.

5 love. The Law founded on love.

soul. Heb. *nephesh*. See Ap. 13.

6 this day. See note on 4. 26.

7 teach. Heb. "sharpen" or "whet" = rub them in by repetition.

8 bind. Still practised by orthodox Jews.

4-9 One of the four Phylacteries. Ex. 13. 1-10; 13. 11-16. Deut. 6. 4-9; 11. 13-21. See note on Ex. 13. 1. Compare the Structures of the second pair (above).

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1452 thine °hand, and they shall be °as °frontlets between thine eyes.

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(p. 247) 9 And thou shalt °write them upon the °posts of thy house, and on thy gates.

Q¹ o¹ 10 And it shall be, when ¹the LORD thy ¹God shall have brought thee into the land which He sware unto thy fathers, to °Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give thee great and goodly cities, which thou buildedst not,

11 And houses full of all good *things*, which thou filledst not, and wells digged, which thou diggedst not, vineyards and olive trees, which thou plantedst not; when thou shalt have eaten and be full;

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(p. 248) 12 Then beware lest thou forget the °LORD, Which brought thee forth out of the land of Egypt, from the house of °bondage.

13 °Thou shalt fear ¹the LORD thy ¹God, and serve Him, and shalt swear by His name.

14 Ye shall not go after other gods, of the gods of the people which *are* round about you;

15 (For ¹the LORD thy ¹God *is* a jealous °GOD among you) lest the anger of ¹the LORD thy ¹God be kindled against thee, and °destroy thee from off the face of the °earth.

16 °Ye shall not °tempt ¹the LORD your ¹God, °as ye tempted Him in Massah.

17 Ye shall diligently keep the ¹commandments of ¹the LORD your ¹God, and His testimonies, and His ¹statutes, which He hath commanded thee.

18 And thou shalt do *that which is* right and good in the sight of ¹the LORD:

Q¹ that it may be well with thee, and that thou mayest go in and possess the good land which ¹the LORD sware unto thy fathers,

19 To cast out all thine enemies from before thee, as ¹the LORD hath spoken.

n² o² 20 And when thy son asketh thee °in time to come, saying, 'What *mean* the testimonies, and the ¹statutes, and the ¹judgments, which ¹the LORD our ¹God hath commanded you?'

p² 21 Then thou shalt say unto thy son, 'We were Pharaoh's bondmen in Egypt; and ¹the LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand:

22 And ¹the LORD shewed signs and wonders, great and °sore, upon Egypt, upon Pharaoh, and upon all his household, before our eyes:

23 And He brought us out from thence,

Q² that He might bring us in, to give us the land which He sware unto our fathers.

24 And ¹the LORD commanded us to do all these ¹statutes, to fear ¹the LORD our ¹God, for our good °always, that He might preserve us alive, as *it is* at this day.

25 And it shall be °our righteousness, if we observe to do all these ¹commandments before ¹the LORD our ¹God, °as He hath commanded us.'

o³ 7 When °the LORD thy °God shall bring thee into the land whither thou goest to

hand. Some codices, with Sam., read pl. "hands". as = for.

frontlets. Gr. phylacteries = guards or watch-posts. 9 write. See note on Ex. 17. 4 and Ap. 47. posts = door-posts. Heb. m^ezūāh. Used to-day, for cases containing the Phylactery.

6. 10—7. 26 (¹p. 247). WARNINGS. PROSPECTIVE.

(Repeated and Extended Alternations.)

1 ¹	n ¹	o ¹	6. 10, 11. Hypothesis. Possession.
			p ¹ 6. 12-18-. Warning. Forgetfulness.
n ²	o ²	q ¹	6. -18, 19. Reason: "that."
			q ¹ 6. 20. Hypothesis. Inquiry of son.
n ³	o ³	p ²	6. 21-23-. Direction as to answer.
			q ² 6. -23-25. Reason: "that."
n ⁴	o ⁴	p ³	7. 1, 2-. Hypothesis. Possession.
			q ³ 7. -2-5. Injunction. Destroy.
n ⁵	o ⁵	p ⁴	7. 6-11. Reason: "For."
			q ⁴ 7. 12-. Hypothesis. Obedience.
n ⁵	o ⁵	p ⁴	7. -12-15. Blessing: "that."
			q ⁴ 7. 16. Injunction. Not to spare.
n ⁵	o ⁵	p ⁵	7. 17. Hypothesis. Inability.
			q ⁵ 7. 18-21-. Injunction. Not to fear.
n ⁵	o ⁵	p ⁵	7. 21-26. Reason: "for."
			q ⁵ 7. -21-26. Reason: "for."

10 Abraham, &c. Note inclusion of all three patriarchs. See note on 1. 8.

12 LORD = Jehovah. Some codices, with Sam., Jon., Sept., Syr., add "thy God". bondage. Heb. bondmen, put by Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for their bondage.

13 Thou shalt fear. Read this verse as follows, and preserve the emphasis on "Him", and the Fig. Polysyndeton, Ap. 6:—

"Jehovah, thy Elohim, Him shalt thou reverence, And Him shalt thou serve, And by His Name shalt thou swear."

15 GOD. Heb. 'El. See Ap. 4, and note parenthesis (Ap. 6).

destroy = cut off; exterminate. Heb. shāmad.

earth. Heb. 'ādāmāh, ground, cultivated land.

16 Ye, &c. Quoted by the Lord to Satan, and changed to sing. by adaptation. See Matt. 4. 7.

tempt = try: by questioning Jehovah's presence. This was the point in Matt. 4. 7.

as = according as. Cp. Ex. 17. 2-7.

20 in time to come. Heb. "to-morrow". Definite date put for indefinite.

22 sore. Heb. r'ā = inflicted evil, not moral. Cp. Jer. 18. 11. Amos 3. 6, and see note on Isa. 45. 7.

24 always = for all time. Heb. all the days.

25 our righteousness. This is superseded by Rom. 10. 4, 5. Gal. 3. 12. That true then: this true now. No discrepancy if the Dispensations are rightly divided according to 2 Tim. 2. 15.

7. 1 the LORD thy God = Jehovah thy Elohim.

nations. Ten altogether are mentioned by name, here seven only. Other lists name six. Girgashites generally omitted. In the days of Ezra (9. 1) five were still in the land. In the Tel-el-Amarna Tablets eight are named.

2 destroy them = devote them to destruction. Heb. hāram. Cp. Ex. 23. 24; 34. 12-17, and see note on v. 16.

possess it, and hath cast out many °nations before thee, the Hittites, and the Girgashites, and the Amorites, and the Canaanites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites, seven nations greater and mightier than thou;

2 And when ¹the LORD thy ¹God shall deliver them before thee;

thou shalt smite them, and utterly °destroy

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them; thou shalt make no covenant with them, nor shew mercy unto them:

3 Neither shalt thou make marriages with them; thy daughter thou shalt not give unto his son, nor his daughter shalt thou take unto thy son.

4 For they will turn away thy son from following °Me, that °they may serve other gods: so will the anger of °the LORD be kindled against you, and °destroy thee suddenly.

5 °But thus shall ye deal with them; ye shall °destroy their altars, and °break down their images, and cut down their groves, and °burn their °graven images with fire.

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6 For thou art an °holy people unto °the LORD thy °God: °the LORD thy °God hath °chosen thee to be a °special people unto Himself, above all °people that are upon the face of the °earth.

7 °The LORD did not set his °love upon you, nor choose you, because ye were more in number than any people; for ye were the fewest of all people:

8 But because °the LORD °loved you, and because He would keep the oath which He had sworn unto your fathers, hath °the LORD brought you out with a mighty hand, and redeemed you out of the house of °bondmen, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt.

9 Know therefore that °the LORD thy °God, °He is °God, the faithful °GOD, Which keepeth covenant and °mercy with them that °love Him and keep His °commandments to a thousand generations;

10 And repayeth them that hate Him to their face, to °destroy them: °He will not be slack to him that hateth Him, He will repay him to his face.

11 Thou shalt therefore keep the commandments, °and the °statutes, and the °judgments, which °command thee °this day, to do them.

o⁴ 12 Wherefore it shall come to pass, if ye hearken to these °judgments, and keep, and do them,

q⁴ that °the LORD thy °God shall keep unto thee the covenant and the mercy which He swore unto thy fathers:

13 °And He will °love thee, and bless thee, and multiply thee: He will also bless the fruit of thy womb, °and the fruit of thy land, thy corn, °and thy °wine, and thine oil, the °increase of thy kine, and the °flocks of thy sheep, in the land which He swore unto thy fathers to give thee.

14 Thou shalt be blessed above all °people: there shall not be male or female °barren among you, or among your cattle.

15 And °the LORD will take away from thee all sickness, and will put none of the evil °diseases of Egypt, which thou knowest, upon thee; but will lay them upon all them that hate thee.

p⁴ 16 And thou °shalt consume all the people which °the LORD thy °God shall deliver thee; thine eye shall have no pity upon them: neither shalt thou serve their gods; for that will be a snare unto thee.

4 Me. The very words of Jehovah introduced. they. Some codices, with Sam., Syr., and Vulg., read "he".

destroy = cut off. Heb. *shamad*.

5 But = But rather, or, Verily.

destroy = break down. Heb. *nāthaz*.

break down = break into fragments. Heb. *shābab*.

burn = burn up. See Ap. 48. I. viii.

graven images = sculptures.

6 holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

chosen. This is the word emphasised by the Heb. accent (*paseh*), "thee hath Jehovah chosen". This is the basis of all else that is here stated.

special = peculiar. See note on Ex. 19. 5, or "His people as a treasure". Cp. 26. 18. 1 Pet. 2. 9.

people. Heb. Peoples. earth = ground.

7 love = affection. Heb. *hāshak*, a love which joins one to what is loved = to set one's love upon.

8 loved. Heb. *āhab*, love in its highest sense, love that delights in its object.

bondmen. Cp. 5. 6, and Ex. 20. 2.

9 GOD = °EL, the great and mighty God. See Ap. 4. iv. mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.

commandments. Heb. text written singular, but read plural.

10 destroy = cause them to perish. Heb. *abad*.

He. Some codices with one early printed edition, Jon., Onk., Sept., and Vulg., read "and He".

11 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6).

statutes, and the judgments. See note on 4. 1.

this day. See note on 4. 26.

13 wine. Heb. *tirōsh*. See Ap. 27. II.

increase. Heb. *sheger*, only here, 28. 4, 18, 51, and Ex. 13. 12 ("cometh of") in the sense of multiplying by generation.

flocks. Only here, and Deut. 28. 4, 18, 51. These three words are peculiar to Deut.

14 barren. Cp. Ex. 23. 26.

15 diseases. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Septand Vulg., read "disease". Cp. Ex. 23. 22, 25.

16 shalt consume. This command never fully obeyed. Cp. Ezra 9. 1, and see Ex. 23. 24, 32; 34. 12-17.

17 how . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6).

19 temptations = trials, as manifested in Jehovah's wonderful works.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6).

20 hornet = a fierce kind of wasp. May be taken literally or by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), for the terror caused by it. Cp. Ex. 23. 27, and Deut. 2. 25. Or, by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), for Egypt; the hornet being the royal symbol. Occurs three times. Ex. 23. 28 and Deut. 7. 20, prophecy, and once fulfilment, Josh. 24. 12.

21 mighty = great.

terrible = to be feared.

17 If thou shalt say in thine heart, 'These nations are more than I; °how can I dispossess them?' o⁵

18 Thou shalt not be afraid of them: but shalt well remember what °the LORD thy °God did unto Pharaoh, and unto all Egypt; p⁵

19 The great °temptations which thine eyes saw, °and the signs, and the wonders, and the mighty hand, and the stretched out arm, whereby °the LORD thy °God brought thee out: so shall °the LORD thy °God do unto all the people of whom thou art afraid.

20 Moreover °the LORD thy °God will send the °hornet among them, until they that are left, and hide themselves from thee, be °destroyed.

21 Thou shalt not be affrighted at them:

for °the LORD thy °God is among you, a °mighty °GOD and °terrible. q⁵

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22 And ¹the LORD thy ¹God will put out those nations °before thee by °little and little: thou mayest not consume them at once, lest the beasts of the field increase upon thee.

23 But ¹the LORD thy ¹God shall deliver them unto thee, and shall °destroy them with a mighty °destruction, until they be °destroyed.

24 And He shall deliver their kings into thine hand, and thou shalt ²³destroy their name from under heaven: there shall no °man be able to stand before thee, until thou have ²³destroyed them.

25 The graven images of their gods shall ye °burn with fire: thou shalt not desire the silver or gold *that is* on them, nor take *it* unto thee, lest thou be snared therein: for *it is* an abomination to ¹the LORD thy ¹God.

26 Neither shalt thou bring an abomination into thine house, lest thou be °a cursed thing like it: *but* thou shalt utterly detest it, and thou shalt utterly abhor it; for *it is* °a cursed thing.

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8 All the °commandments which ³command thee °this day shall ye observe to do, that ye may live, and multiply, and go in and possess the land which °the LORD swore unto your fathers.

s 2 And thou shalt remember all the way which ¹the LORD thy °God led thee these °forty years in the wilderness, to humble thee, and to prove thee, °to know what was in thine heart, whether thou wouldest keep His °commandments, or no.

3 And He humbled thee, and suffered thee to hunger, and fed thee with °manna, which thou knewest not, neither did thy fathers know; that He might make thee know that °man doth not live °by °bread only, but °by every word that proceedeth out of the °mouth of ¹the LORD doth man live.

4 °Thy raiment waxed not old upon thee, neither did thy foot swell, these forty years.

5 Thou shalt also consider in thine heart, that, °as °a man °chasteneth °his son, so ¹the LORD thy ²God chasteneth thee.

r 6 Therefore thou shalt keep the commandments of ¹the LORD thy ²God, to walk in His ways, and to fear ⁵him.

s 7 For ¹the LORD thy ²God bringeth thee into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and depths that spring out of valleys and °hills;

8 A land of wheat, and barley, and °vines, and fig trees, and pomegranates; a land of oil olive, and honey;

9 A land wherein thou shalt eat bread without °scarceness, thou shalt not lack any *thing* in it; a land whose stones are iron, and out of whose hills thou mayest dig °brass.

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10 When thou hast eaten and art full, then thou shalt bless ¹the LORD thy ²God for the good land which He hath given thee.

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11 Beware that thou °forget not ¹the LORD thy ²God, in not keeping His commandments, and His °judgments, and His °statutes, which ³command thee ¹this day:

22 before thee. Heb. "before thy face".

little by little: referring to all the nations of Canaan. (Ex. 23. 29, 30). Cp. 9. 3, "quickly", which refers to Israel and the "sons of Anak" (9. 2).

23 destroy = discomfit. Heb. *hūm*, to put in consternation.

destruction = discomfiture.

destroyed = exterminated. Heb. *shāmad*. Cp. v. 26.

24 man. Heb. *ish*. See Ap. 14.

25 burn = burn up. See Ap. 48. I. viii.

26 a cursed thing. Heb. a thing devoted to destruction; cp. 13. 17. Josh. 6. 18. Isa. 34. 5; 43. 28 Mal. 4. 6. Heb. *hērem*. Cp. other words in vv. 23, 24.

8. 1-9 (m¹, p. 247). COMMAND TO REMEMBER.
(*Alternation.*)

m¹ | r | 1. Command (particular).
s | 2-5. Motives. Preservation.
r | 6. Command.
s | 7-9. Motives. Provision.

1 commandments. Heb. sing. = every commandment.

this day. See note on 4. 26.

the LORD = Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 God = Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

forty. The number of Probation. See Ap. 10.

to know = get to know. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. commandments. Written in Heb. text plural, but read singular, cp. 6. 25 = the whole Law regarded as one great command.

3 manna. See note on Ex. 16. 31.

man. Heb. *ādām*. This verse quoted by Christ. Matt. 4. 4. Luke 4. 4.

by. Fig. Ellipsis (Ap. 6) = "by [eating] bread".

bread = food, by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), Ap. 6.

by every. Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) = "by [keeping] every word": or by obeying.

mouth. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

4 Thy raiment. Cp. 29. 5. Neh. 9. 20, 21. Not mentioned in Ex., Lev., or Num.

5 as = according as.

a man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II.

chasteneth = correcteth, applicable to instruction as well as chastisement. 2 Sam. 7. 14. Ps. 89. 32. Prov. 3. 12. his son. Cp. Prov. 3. 12 and Heb. 12. 5, 6.

7 hills = mountains.

8 vines. All three (fig, olive, and vine) mentioned in this verse. See notes on Judg 9. 8-12.

9 scarceness. Heb. *miškēnuth* = poverty, misery; occurs only here.

brass = bronze, or copper.

10-20 (l², p. 247). WARNINGS; PROSPECTIVE.
(*Repeated Alternation.*)

l² | t¹ | 10. Hypothesis: "When thou hast eaten,"

u¹ | 11. Warning. Forgetfulness.

t² | 12, 13. Hypothesis: "When thou hast eaten."

u² | 14-16. Warning. Forgetfulness.

t³ | 17. Hypothesis: "If thou say."

u³ | 18. Warning. Memory.

t⁴ | 19-. Hypothesis: "If thou forget."

u⁴ | -19-21. Warning. Destruction.

11 forget. Note the emphasis put on this by the Structure, as in the whole book. Cp. Judg. 3. 7. Hos. 18. 6.

judgments, and . . . statutes. See note on 4. 1.

12 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), in vv. 12 and 13.

12 Lest *when* thou hast eaten °and art full, and hast built goodly houses, and dwelt *therein*;

13 And *when* thy herds and thy flocks multiply, and thy silver and thy gold is multiplied, and all that thou hast is multiplied;

t²

u² 14 Then thine heart be lifted up, and thou
(p. 250) 1452 forget ¹the LORD thy ²God, Which brought thee forth out of the land of Egypt, from the house of °bondage;

15 Who led thee through that great and terrible °wilderness, wherein were fiery °serpents, and scorpions, and °drought, where there was no water; °Who brought thee forth water out of the rock of flint;

16 Who fed thee in the wilderness with ³manna, which thy fathers knew not, that He might humble thee, and that He might prove thee, to do thee good at thy latter end;

t³ 17 And thou say in thine heart, 'My power and the might of mine hand hath gotten me this °wealth.'

u³ 18 But thou shalt remember ¹the LORD thy ²God: for it is ³He that giveth thee power to get ¹⁷wealth, that He may establish His covenant which He swore unto thy fathers, as it is this day.

t⁴ 19 And it shall be, if thou do at all forget ¹the LORD thy ²God, and walk after other gods, and serve them, and worship them,

u¹ I testify against you ¹this day that ye shall surely perish.

20 As the nations which ¹the LORD °destroyeth before your face, so shall ye perish; because ye would not be obedient unto the voice of ¹the LORD your ²God.

m² 9 Hear, O Israel:

(p. 247) 1³ v¹ w Thou art to pass over Jordan °this day, to go in to possess °nations greater and mightier than thyself, cities great and fenced up to heaven,

2 A People great and tall, the °children of the °Anakims, whom thou knowest, and of whom thou hast heard say, 'Who can stand before the °children of Anak!'

x 3 Understand therefore ¹this day,

y z¹ that °the LORD thy °God is ³He which goeth over before thee; as a °consuming fire ³He °shall destroy them, and ³He shall bring them down before thy face: so shalt thou drive them out, °and destroy them °quickly, °as °the LORD hath said unto thee.

a 4 Speak not thou in thine heart, after that ³the LORD thy ³God hath cast them out from before thee, saying, 'For my righteousness ³the LORD hath brought me in to possess this land:'

z² but for the °wickedness of these nations ³the LORD doth drive them out from before thee.

a 5 °Not for thy righteousness, or for the uprightness of thine heart, dost thou go to possess their land:

z³ but for the °wickedness of these nations ³the LORD thy ³God doth drive them out from before thee, and that He may perform the word which ³the LORD swore unto °thy fathers, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

x 6 Understand therefore,

w that ³the LORD thy ³God giveth thee not this

14 bondage = bondmen, put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6.

15 wilderness = desert, cp. 1. 19.

serpents. Heb. *nachash*.

drought. Heb. *zimm'on*. Only here and Ps. 107. 33, and Isa. 35. 7.

Who brought. Cp. Ps. 114. 8.

17 wealth. Heb. = strength, put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct) for the wealth it procures. Ap. 6.

20 destroyeth. Heb. *'abad*, cause to perish.

9. 1—10. 11 (1³, p. 247). WARNINGS. (Division.)

1³ | v¹ | 9. 1-6. Prospective.
| v² | 9. 7—10. 11. Retrospective.

9. 1-6 (v¹, above). WARNINGS; PROSPECTIVE. (Introversion and Repeated Alternation.)

v¹ | w | 1, 2. Possession given by Jehovah.
| x | 3-. "Understand therefore."
| y | z¹ | -3. Jehovah going before.
| a | 4-. Warning (negative).
| z² | -4. Jehovah driving out.
| a | 5-. Warning (negative).
| z¹ | -5. Jehovah driving out.
| x | 6-. "Understand therefore."
| w | -6. Possession given by Jehovah.

1 this day: i. e. it is declared this day that, &c. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, where the action is put for the declaration concerning it. Punctuate thus: "Hear, O Israel this day", &c. See note on 4. 26.

nations. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for the countries inhabited by them.

2 children = sons.

Anakims. The descendants of Anak; the progeny of the second irruption of fallen angels (see Gen. 6. 4 and Ap. 25, and cp. Josh. 11. 22).

3 the LORD thy God = Jehovah thy 'Elohim. Ap. 4. consuming fire. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. shall destroy. Heb. *shamad*, exterminate. and destroy. Heb. *'abad*, cause to perish. quickly. See note on 7. 22.

as - according as. See Ex. 23. 29, 30. Moab subdued (Judg. 3. 30); Midian subdued (Judg. 8. 28); Ammon subdued (Judg. 11. 33); Philistines subdued (1 Sam. 7. 13). Cp. Neh. 9. 24.

4 wickedness. Heb. *rash'a*. Ap. 44. x.

5 Not. Cp. Tit. 3. 5. Rom. 11. 6. 2 Tim. 1. 9.

thy fathers. All three named in connection with the oath.

9. 7—10. 11 (v², above). RETROSPECTIVE WARNINGS (Repeated Alternation).

v² | b¹ | 9. 7, 8. People. Provocation.
| c¹ | 9. 9-11. Moses. Ascent of Mount.
| b² | 9. 12-14. People. Provocation.
| c² | 9. 15. Moses. Descent. Tables carried.
| b³ | 9. 16. People. Provocation.
| c³ | 9. 17. Moses. Tables broken.
| b⁴ | 9. 18, 19-. People. Provocation.
| c⁴ | 9. -19-21. Moses. Intercession.
| b⁵ | 9. 22-24. People. Provocation.
| c⁵ | 9. 25—10. 5. Moses. Intercession and second Tables.
| b⁶ | 10. 6-11. People. Journeying.

good land to possess it for thy righteousness; for thou art a stiffnecked People.

7 Remember, and forget not, how thou provokedst ³the LORD thy ³God to wrath in the

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wilderness: from the day that thou didst depart out of the land of Egypt, until °ye came unto this place, ye have been rebellious against °the LORD.

8 Also in Horeb ye provoked °the LORD to wrath, so that °the LORD was angry with you to have °destroyed you.

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9 When I was gone up into the mount to receive the tables of stone, *even* the tables of the covenant which °the LORD made with you, then I abode in the mount °forty days and forty nights, I neither did eat bread nor drink water:

10 And °the LORD delivered unto me two tables of stone °written with the finger of °God; and on them *was written* according to all the words, which °the LORD spake with you in the mount out of the midst of the fire in the day of the assembly.

11 And it came to pass at the end of forty days and forty nights, *that* °the LORD gave me the two tables of stone, *even* the tables of the covenant.

b²

12 And °the LORD °said unto me, 'Arise, get thee down quickly from hence; for thy People which thou hast brought forth out of Egypt have corrupted *themselves*; they are quickly turned aside out of the way which I commanded them; they have made them a molten image.'

13 Furthermore °the LORD °spake unto me, saying, 'I have seen this People, and, °behold, it is a stiffnecked People:

14 °Let Me alone, that I may °destroy them, and blot out their name from under heaven: and I will make of thee a nation mightier and greater than they.'

c²

15 So °I turned and came down from the mount, and the mount burned with fire: and the two tables of the covenant *were* in my two hands.

b³

16 And I looked, and, °behold, ye had °sinned against °the LORD your °God, *and* had made you a molten calf: ye had turned aside quickly out of the way which °the LORD had commanded you.

c³

17 And °I took the two tables, and cast them out of my two hands, and brake them before your eyes.

b⁴

18 And I fell down before °the LORD, as at the first, forty days and forty nights: I did neither eat bread, nor drink water, because of all your °sins which ye °sinned, in doing °wickedly in the sight of °the LORD, to provoke Him to anger.

19 For I was °afraid of the anger and hot displeasure, wherewith °the LORD was wroth against you to °destroy you.

c⁴

But °the LORD hearkened unto me at that time also.

20 And °the LORD was very angry with Aaron to have °destroyed him: and I prayed for Aaron also the same time.

21 And I took your sin, the calf which ye had made, and °burnt it with fire, and stamped it, *and* ground it very small, *even* until it was

7 ye came. So some codices, with Sam., Sept., and Syr.; but Heb. text reads "thou camest".

8 destroyed. Heb. *shamad*, exterminate, or cut off.

9 forty days. Ex. 24. 18; 34. 28. See Ap. 10.

10 written. See note on Ex. 17. 14 and Ap. 47.

12 said. See note on 2. 9, and cp. Ex. 32. 7, 8.

13 spake. See note on 2. 1.

behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

14 Let Me alone. Cp. Ps. 46. 10, where it is rendered "Be still".

15 I turned. Cp. Ex. 32. 15.

16 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

sinned. Heb. *chāt'a*. See Ap. 44. i.

17 I took. Cp. Ex. 32. 19.

18 wickedly. Heb. *rā'a*, the wicked thing: i. e. idolatry. See Ap. 44. viii.

19 afraid = alarmed.

21 burnt it = burnt it up. Heb. *sārāph*. Ap. 43. I. viii.

descended. Cp. Ex. 32. 20, which is here explained.

22 And, &c. Note the Parenthesis of vv. 22-24.

Taberah. Cp. Num. 11. 1-3.

Massah. Cp. Ex. 17. 7.

Kibroth-hattaavah. Cp. Num. 11. 34.

23 commandment. Heb. mouth. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), for what is spoken by it. Ap. 6.

26 I prayed. Cp. Ex. 32. 11-13.

Lord GOD = Adonai Jehovah. God's ownership emphasised by this title. See Ap. 4. viii. 2.

27 stubbornness = obduracy, or obstinacy.

wickedness. Heb. *rāsh'a*. See Ap. 44. x.

as small as dust: and I cast the dust thereof into the brook that °descended out of the mount.

22 °(And at °Taberah, and at °Massah, and at °Kibroth-hattaavah, ye provoked °the LORD to wrath.

23 Likewise when °the LORD sent you from Kadesh-barnea, saying, 'Go up and possess the land which I have given you;' then ye rebelled against the °commandment of °the LORD your °God, and ye believed Him not, nor hearkened to His voice.

24 Ye have been rebellious against °the LORD from the day that I knew you.)

25 Thus I fell down before °the LORD forty days and forty nights, as I fell down *at the first*; because °the LORD had said He would °destroy you.

26 °I prayed therefore unto °the LORD, and said, 'O °Lord °GOD, °destroy not Thy People and Thine inheritance, which Thou hast redeemed through Thy greatness, which Thou hast brought forth out of Egypt with a mighty hand.

27 Remember Thy servants, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; look not unto the °stubbornness of this people, nor to their °wickedness, nor to their °sin:

28 Lest the land whence thou broughtest us out say, 'Because °the LORD was not able to bring them into the land which He promised them, and because He hated them, He hath brought them out to slay them in the wilderness.'

29 Yet *they are* Thy People and Thine inheritance, which Thou broughtest out by Thy mighty power and by Thy stretched out arm.'

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10 At that time °the LORD °said unto me, 'Hew thee two tables of stone like unto the first, and come up unto Me into the mount, and make thee an °ark of wood.

2 And I will °write on the tables the words that were in the first tables which thou °brakest, and thou shalt put them in the ark.'

3 And I made an ¹ark of shittim wood, and hewed two tables of stone like unto the first, and went up into the mount, having the two tables in mine hand.

4 And He ²wrote on the tables, according to the first ²writing, the ten °commandments, which ¹the LORD °spake °unto you in the mount out of the midst of the fire in the day of the °assembly: and ¹the LORD gave them unto me.

5 And I turned myself and came down from the mount, and put the tables in the ark which I had made; and there they be, °as ¹the LORD commanded me.

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6 (And the °children of Israel took their journey from °Beeroth of the children of Jaakan to Mosera: there Aaron died, and there he was buried; and Eleazar his son ministered in the priest's office in his stead.

7 From thence they journeyed unto Gudgodah; and from Gudgodah to Jotbath, a land of rivers of waters.)

8 At that time ¹the LORD °separated the tribe of °Levi, to bear the ark of the covenant of ¹the LORD, to °stand before ¹the LORD to minister unto Him, and to bless in His name, unto this day.

9 Wherefore Levi hath no part nor inheritance with his brethren; ¹the LORD °is his inheritance, according as ¹the LORD thy °God promised him.

10 And ³°stayed in the mount, according to the first time, forty days and forty nights; and ¹the LORD hearkened unto me at that time also, °and ¹the LORD would not °destroy thee.

11 And ¹the LORD ¹said unto me, 'Arise, °take thy journey before the people, that they may go in and possess the land, which I swear unto their fathers to give unto them.'

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12 And now, Israel, °what doth ¹the LORD thy °God require of thee, but to fear ¹the LORD thy °God, to walk in all His ways, and to love Him, and to serve ¹the LORD thy °God with all thy heart and with all thy °soul,

13 To keep the commandments of ¹the LORD, and His °statutes, which ³command thee °this day

e f for thy good?

14 °Behold, the heaven and the °heaven of heavens ^{is} ¹the LORD'S thy °God, the earth also, with all that therein ^{is}.

15 Only ¹the LORD had a delight in thy fathers to love them, and He chose their seed after them, even you above all °people, as ^{it} ^{is} this day.

16 °Circumcise therefore the foreskin of your heart, and be no more stiffnecked.

17 For °the LORD your °God °is °God of °gods, and °Lord of °lords, a great °GOD,

10. 1 the LORD = Jehovah. Ap. 4. I.

said. See note on 2. 9.

ark. First used of Joseph's coffin (Gen. 50. 26); used of money-box (2 Kings 12. 9). Not the ark of the covenant made later, but a temporary box.

2 write. See note on Ex. 17. 14, and Ap. 47.

brakest = breakedst in pieces, or smashed.

4 commandments = words. Cp. Ex. 34. 4, 28.

spake. See note on 2. 1.

unto. Some codices, with Sam., Onk., and Jon., read "with".

assembly. Heb. *kāhal*, convocation of called-out people.

5 as = according as.

6 children = sons.

Beeroth, &c. = the wells of the sons of Jaakan. Cp. Num. 20. 22-29; 33. 31-33.

8 separated. Cp. Num. 3. 5-12.

Levi. (1) On account of loyalty. Ex. 32. 26, and Deut. 33. 8. (2) After revolt of Korah, &c. Num. 16; 17.

(3) After the sin of People with Moabites. Num. 25. 6-13. Ps. 106. 30. Mal. 2. 4, 5; 3. 3.

stand = serve. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, put for all service and ministration.

9 is. Heb. "he [is]".

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

10 stayed. Cp. Ex. 34. 28.

and. Some codices, with Sam., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "therefore".

destroy. Heb. *shāhath* = infliction of judgments.

11 take thy journey. Cp. Num. 10. 11.

10. 12-11. 12 (m³, p. 227). COMMAND TO OBEY (*Alternation and Introversion*).

m³ d | 10. 12, 13-. To fear and love Him.
e | f | 10. -13. Intention: "for thy good."
g | 10. 14-19. Motives and reasons.
d | 10. 20, 21. To fear and praise Him.
e | g | 10. 22-11. 8-. Motives and reasons.
f | 11. -8-12. Intention: "that ye may be strong."

12 what...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Cp. Mic. 6. 8. Hos. 12. 6. Josh. 22. 5. 1 Sam. 15. 22.

soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

statutes. See note on 4. 1.

13 this day. See note on 4. 26.

14-19 (g, above). MOTIVES AND REASONS. (*Alternations*).

g | h | k | 14. Jehovah. Power unchallengeable.
l | 15. Jehovah. Love without cause.
i | 16. Reason. Circumcision of heart.
h | k | 17. Jehovah. Power irresistible.
l | 18. Jehovah. Judgment impartial.
i | 19. Reason. Love to others required.

14 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

heaven of heavens. Fig. *Polyptōton*. Ap. 6. = the highest heavens.

15 people. Heb. peoples.

16 Circumcise. Here charged as a duty. In 30. 6 promised as a future blessing. Cp. Lev. 26. 41. Jer. 6. 10. Acts 7. 51. Circumcision mentioned after Ex. 12. 48 only in Josh. 5. 3-7 and Jer. 9. 25. Uncircumcision of Gentiles shows that circumcision was practised. Cp. Isa. 52. 1. Jer. 9. 25, 26. Ezek. 31. 18.

17 the LORD your God = Jehovah your 'Elohim (Ap. 4).

is. Heb. "he [is]".

God = 'Elohē. Ap. 4.

gods = 'Elohim. Ap. 4. I. Cp. Josh. 22. 22. Dan. 2. 47.

Lord = Adonai. Ap. 4. viii. 2.

lords = Adonim. Ap. 4. viii. 8.

GOD = 'El. See Ap. 4. iv.

1452 a mighty, and a °terrible, Which regardeth not persons, nor °taketh reward:

(p. 253) 18 He doth execute the judgment of the °fatherless and widow, and loveth the stranger, in giving him food and raiment.

i 19 °Love ye therefore the °stranger: for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt.

d 20 Thou shalt fear °the LORD thy °God; °Him shalt thou serve, and to Him shalt thou °cleave, and swear by His name.

21 He is thy °praise, and He is thy °God, that hath done for thee these °great and terrible things, which thine eyes have seen.

g m (p. 254) 22 Thy fathers °went down into Egypt with °threescore and ten °persons; and now °the LORD thy °God hath made thee °as the stars of heaven for multitude.

n 11 Therefore thou shalt love °the LORD thy °God, °and keep His charge, and His °statutes, and His °judgments, and His commandments, alway.

m 2 And know ye °this day: for I speak not with your children which have not known, and which have not seen the chastisement of °the LORD your °God, His greatness, °His mighty hand, °and His stretched out arm,

3 And His miracles, and His °acts, which He did in the midst of Egypt unto Pharaoh the king of Egypt, and unto all his land;

4 And what He did unto the army of Egypt, unto their horses, and to their chariots; how He made the water of the Red sea to overflow them as they pursued °after you, and how °the LORD hath °destroyed them unto this day;

5 And what He did unto you in the °wilderness, until ye came into this place;

6 And what He did unto °Dathan and Abiram, the sons of Eliab, the son of Reuben: how the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed them up, and their households, and their tents, and all the °substance that was in their possession, in the midst of all Israel:

7 But your eyes have seen all the great °acts of °the LORD which He did.

n 8 Therefore shall ye keep all the °commandments which I command you °this day,

f (p. 253) that ye may be strong, and go in and possess the land, whither ye °go to possess it;

9 And that ye may prolong your days °in the land, which °the LORD sware unto your fathers to give unto them and to their seed, a land that floweth with milk and honey.

10 For the land, whither thou goest in to possess it, °is not °as the land of Egypt, from whence ye came out, where thou sowedst thy seed, and °wateredst it with thy °foot, as a garden of herbs:

11 But the land, whither ye °go to possess it, is a land of hills and valleys, and °drinketh water of the rain of heaven:

12 A land which °the LORD thy °God careth for: the °eyes of °the LORD thy °God are always upon it, from the beginning of the year even unto the end of the year.

P e (p. 247) 13 And it shall come to pass, if ye shall

terrible = to be feared.

taketh reward = accepteth a bribe. 2 Chron. 19. 7. Acts 10. 34. Rom. 2. 11. 1 Pet. 1. 17.

18 fatherless, &c. Cp. Ps. 68. 5; 146. 9. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), Ap. 6, put for all the afflicted.

19 Love ye, &c. Cp. Lev. 19. 34.

stranger = sojourner.

20 Him. Some codices, with Sam., Onk., Jon., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "and Him".

cleave. Cp. Josh. 23. 8. 2 Kings 17. 36.

21 praise = song of praise.

great. Cp. 2 Sam. 7. 23.

10. 22—11. 8- (g, above). MOTIVES AND REASONS (*Alternation*.)

g m | 10. 22. Fulfilment of promises to the fathers.

n | 11. 1. Therefore, love and obey.

m | 11. 2-7. Fulfilment of judgment to enemies.

n | 11. 8-. Therefore, obey.

22 went down. Cp. Gen. 46. 27. Ex. 1. 5. threescore and ten. See notes on Gen. 46. 27. Acts 7. 14.

persons = souls. Heb. pl. of *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

as the stars. Cp. Gen. 22. 17; 26. 4. Ex. 32. 13. 1 Chron. 27. 23. Neh. 9. 23. Fig. *Paroemia*. Ap. 6.

11. 1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* in this verse. Ap. 6. statutes, and . . . judgments. See note on 4. 1.

2 this day. See note on 4. 26.

His. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Sam., Jon., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "and His".

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in vv. 2, 3.

3 acts. Cp. Ps. 103. 7, as distinguished from His

"ways" shown only to Moses.

4 after you. One important codex, quoting others, reads "after them".

destroyed = caused to perish. Cp. Ex. 14. 28.

5 wilderness. Cp. Ex. 15. Num. 32.

6 Dathan and Abiram. Cp. Num. 16.

substance = living things.

8 commandments. See note on 6. 1, 25; 7. 11.

go = are going over.

9 in the land = on the ground.

10 is not = "it [is] not".

as the land of Egypt. Rain very rare in Egypt.

Cp. Zech. 14. 18.

wateredst . . . foot. Referring to the system of irrigation, by which the water was turned into different channels by the foot.

11 go = are going.

drinketh = drinketh continually.

12 eyes. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

13-21 One of the *Phylacteries*. See note on 6. 4-9.

soul. Heb. *nephesh*. See Ap. 13.

14 first rain = "early rain". Falling middle of October to January, preparing ground for seeds. First occurrence of these rains.

latter rain. Falling in March and April, bringing on the harvest. Cp. Lev. 26. 3, 4. Joel 2. 23. Jer. 5. 24. Zech. 10. 1. James 5. 7.

wine. Heb. *tirōsh*, new wine. See Ap. 27. ii.

15 And I will send grass in thy fields for thy cattle, that thou mayest eat and be full.

16 Take heed to yourselves, that your heart

harken diligently unto My commandments which I command you °this day, to love °the LORD your °God, and to serve Him with all your heart and with all your °soul,

14 That I will give you the rain of your land in his due season, the °first rain and the °latter rain, that thou mayest gather in thy corn, and thy °wine, and thine oil.

15 And I will send grass in thy fields for thy cattle, that thou mayest eat and be full.

16 Take heed to yourselves, that your heart

1452 be not deceived, and ye turn aside, and serve other gods, and worship them;

17 And *then* ¹the LORD's wrath be kindled against you, and He °shut up the heaven, that there be no rain, and that the land yield not her fruit; and *lest* ye perish quickly from off the good °land which ¹the LORD giveth you.

f (p. 247) 18 Therefore shall ye lay up these My words in your heart and in your ¹²soul,

g k and bind *them* for a sign upon your hand, that they may be °as frontlets between your eyes.

i 19 And ye shall teach *them* your children, speaking of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.

h 20 And thou shalt °write them upon the door posts of thine house, and upon thy gates:
21 That your days may be multiplied, and the days of your children, °in the land which ¹the LORD swear unto your fathers to give them, as the days of heaven upon the earth.

O 22 For if ye shall diligently keep all these commandments which ³°command you, to do them, to love ¹the LORD your ¹God, to walk in all His ways, and to cleave unto Him;

23 Then will ¹the LORD drive out all these nations from before you, and ye shall possess greater nations and mightier than yourselves.

24 °Every place whereon the soles of your feet shall tread shall be yours: from the wilderness and Lebanon, °from the °river, the river Euphrates, unto the uttermost sea shall your °coast be.

25 There shall no °man be able to stand before you: *for* ¹the LORD your ¹God shall lay the fear of you and the dread of you upon all the land that ye shall tread upon, °as He hath said unto you.

J o (p. 255) 26 °Behold, ³ set before you ²this day a blessing and a curse;

p q 27 °A blessing, if ye obey the commandments of ¹the LORD your ¹God, which ³command you ²this day:

r 28 And °a curse, if ye will not obey the commandments of ¹the LORD your ¹God, but turn aside out of the way which ³command you ²this day, to go after other gods, which ye have not known.

s 29 And it shall come to pass, when ¹the LORD thy ¹God hath brought thee in unto the land whither thou goest to possess it,

p q that thou shalt put the blessing upon mount °Gerizim,

r and the curse upon mount °Ebal.

s 30 °Are they not on the °other side Jordan, by the way where the sun goeth down, in the land of the Canaanites, which dwell in the °champaign over against °Gilgal, °beside the plains of °Moreh?

31 For ye shall pass over Jordan to go in to possess the land which ¹the LORD your ¹God

17 shut up. The power of the Creator thus manifested. Cp. 1 Kings 8. 35. Jas. 5. 17.

land=ground. Heb. 'ādamāh.

18 as=for.

20 write. See note on Ex. 17. 14, and Ap. 47.

22 command. Some codices, with Sam., Sept., and Syr., read "command this day". Cp. the idiom of Luke 23. 43.

24 Every place. Cp. Josh. 1. 3-5; 23. 5. Ex. 23. 31. from. Some codices, with Sam., Sept., and Syr., read "and from".

river. Heb. nāhār, a flood, not nahal, a Wady. Some codices, with Sept. and Vulg., read "great river". coast=border.

25 man. Heb. 'ish. See Ap. 14. ii.

as=according as.

26-32 (J, p. 238). BLESSINGS AND CURSES. (Introversion and Extended Alternation.)

J | o | 26. This day. The blessing and the curse.

p | q | 27. The blessing.

r | 28. The curse.

s | 29-. The place: "In the land."

p | q | -29-. The blessing (Gerizim).

r | -29. The curse (Ebal).

s | 30, 31. The place: "In the land."

o | 32. This day. Statutes and judgments.

26 Behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

27 A blessing=the blessing.

28 a curse=the curse.

29 Gerizim. North of Shechem. Cp. Josh. 8. 33, 34, and see Deut. 27. 12.

Ebal. South of Shechem. Both mounts here named for first time. Not mentioned after Judges.

30 Are they not . . . ? Fig. Erotēsis. Ap. 6.

other side. These particulars connect this place with the rehearsing of the law to Abraham. Cp. Gen. 12. 6.

champaign=plain. Heb. 'arābāh. Cp. 1. 1.

Gilgal=enclosure. Not the Gilgal near Jericho.

beside=near. Hence thirty miles from the Gilgal of Josh. 5. 9.

Moreh. Cp. Gen. 12. 6, 7; 35. 4.

12. 1-27. 10 (F, p. 219). LAWS IN THE LAND. (Introversions and Alternations.)

F | R | t | 12. 1. These statutes.

u | 12. 2-14. 29. Sacred places and meats.

S¹ | 15. 1-16. 17. Ecclesiastical laws (Sabbath, &c.).

T | v | 16. 18-17. 13. Laws. Civil.

w | 17. 14-20. The KING.

S² | 18. 1-8. Laws. Ecclesiastical (Levites, &c.).

T | w | 18. 9-22. The PROPHET.

v | 19. 1-25. 19. Laws. Civil.

S³ | 26. 1-15. Laws. Ecclesiastical (First-fruits).

R | t | 26. 16-19. These statutes.

u | 27. 1-10. Sacred places and worship.

1 statutes and judgments. See note on 4. 1.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

earth=ground. Heb. 'ādamāh.

giveth you, and ye shall possess it, and dwell therein.

32 And ye shall observe to do all the ¹statutes and judgments which ³set before you ²this day.

12 These are the °statutes and judgments, which ye shall observe to do in the land, which °the LORD °God of thy fathers giveth thee to possess it, all the days that ye live upon the °earth.

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2 Ye shall utterly destroy all the places, wherein the nations which ^{ye} shall possess served their gods, upon the high mountains, and upon the hills, and under every °green tree:

3 And ye shall overthrow their altars, and °break their °pillars, and burn their °groves with fire; and ye shall hew down the °graven images of their gods, and °destroy the names of them out of that place.

y a 4 Ye shall not do so unto ¹the LORD your ¹God.

b 5 But unto °the place which ¹the LORD your ¹God shall choose out of all your tribes to put His name there, *even* unto His habitation shall ye seek, and thither thou shalt come:

6 And thither ye shall bring your burnt offerings, °and your sacrifices, and your tithes, and heave offerings of your hand, and your vows, and your freewill offerings, and the firstlings of your herds and of your flocks:

7 And there ye shall eat before ¹the LORD your ¹God, and ye shall rejoice in all that ye °put your hand unto, ^{ye} and your households, wherein ¹the LORD thy ¹God hath blessed thee.

8 Ye shall not do after all *the things* that we do here this day, °every man whatsoever is right in his own eyes.

9 For ye are not as yet come to the °rest and to the inheritance, which ¹the LORD your ¹God giveth you.

10 But *when* ye go over Jordan, and dwell in the land which ¹the LORD your ¹God giveth you to inherit, and *when* He giveth you °rest from all your enemies round about, so that ye dwell in safety;

11 Then there shall be °a place which ¹the LORD your ¹God shall choose to cause His name to dwell there; thither shall ye bring all that ³command you; your burnt offerings, and your sacrifices, your tithes, and the heave offering of your hand, and all your choice vows which ye vow unto ¹the LORD:

12 And ye shall °rejoice before ¹the LORD your ¹God, ^{ye}, and your sons, and your daughters, and your menservants, and your maidservants, and the Levite that *is* within your °gates; forasmuch as he hath no part nor inheritance °with you.

13 Take heed to thyself that thou offer not thy burnt offerings in every place that thou seest:

14 But in the place which ¹the LORD shall choose in one of thy tribes, there thou shalt offer thy burnt offerings, and there thou shalt do all that ³command thee.

e 15 Notwithstanding thou mayest kill and eat flesh in all thy gates, whatsoever °thy soul °lusteth after, according to the blessing of ¹the LORD thy ¹God which He hath given thee: the unclean and the clean may eat thereof, as of the roebuck, and as of the hart.

f 16 Only ye shall not eat the blood; ye shall pour it upon the earth as water.

d 17 Thou mayest not eat within thy gates the

12. 2—14. 29 (u, p. 255). SACRED PLACES AND MEATS (*Division*).

u U¹ | 12. 2-32. Places.
U² | 13. 1-18. Idolatry.
U³ | 14. 1-29. Meats.

12. 2-32 (U¹, above). SACRED PLACES. (*Alternation*.)

U¹ | x | 2, 3. False gods. Destruction of places.
y | 4-28. Jehovah: "Not so."
x | 29, 30. False gods. Destruction of worship.
y | 31, 32. Jehovah: "Not so."

2 green. Heb. *z'anan*. First occurrence.

3 break = smash.

pillars. These "menhirs" constantly dug up to-day.

groves = Heb. *'asherah*. See Ap. 42.

graven images = sculptures, as in 7. 25.

destroy = cause to perish. Heb. *'abad*. Cp. Ex. 23. 24; 34. 13. Judg. 2. 2; 6. 28. 2 Kings 10. 19; 11. 1. Ezek. 6. 3.

4-28 (y, above). JEHOVAH: "NOT SO." (*Introversion and Alternation*.)

y a | 4. Command. General (negative).

b | 5-14. Restrictions.

c | e | 15. Exception.

f | 16. Prohibition of foods.

d | 17-19. Tenths.

c | e | 20-22. Exceptions.

f | 23-25. Prohibition of foods.

b | 26, 27. Restrictions.

a | 28. Commands. General (positive).

5 the place. Only in the Land could these laws be carried out. See the Structure above. Cp. Ex 20. 24.

6 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in vv. 6, 7.

7 put your hand unto. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, hand used for all works done by it.

8 every man. Heb. *'ish*. See Ap. 14. ii.

9 rest. Cp. Josh. 23. 1. Deut. 25. 19. 1 Kings 8. 56.

11 a place. The ark of the covenant would be the place until the temple was built.

12 rejoice. Cp. Lev. 23. 40.

gates. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), put for the whole city.

with you. Cp. 10. 8, 9. Num. 3. 11-13.

15 thy soul = thyself. Heb. *nephesh*. See Ap. 13.

lusteth after = longeth for.

17 wine. Heb. *tirsh*. Ap. 27. ii.

hand. Some codices, with Sam., Jon., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "hands" (pl.).

18 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* in this verse.

19 as long as thou livest. Heb. = all the days.

20 as = according as.

tithe of thy corn, or of thy °wine, or of thy oil, or the firstlings of thy herds or of thy flock, nor any of thy vows which thou vowest, nor thy freewill offerings, or heave offering of thine °hand:

18 But thou must eat them before ¹the LORD thy ¹God in the place which ¹the LORD thy ¹God shall choose, thou, °and thy son, and thy daughter, and thy manservant, and thy maidservant, and the Levite that *is* within thy gates: and thou shalt rejoice before ¹the LORD thy ¹God in all that thou puttest thine hands unto.

19 Take heed to thyself that thou forsake not the Levite °as long as thou livest upon the ¹earth.

20 When ¹the LORD thy ¹God shall enlarge thy border, °as He hath promised thee, and

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thou shalt say, I will eat flesh, because °thy soul longeth to eat flesh; thou mayest eat flesh, whatsoever °thy soul lusteth after.

21 If the place which °the LORD thy °God hath chosen to put His name there be too far from thee, then thou shalt °kill of thy herd and of thy flock, which °the LORD hath given thee, as I have commanded thee, and thou shalt eat in thy gates whatsoever °thy soul lusteth after.

22 Even as the roebuck and the hart is eaten, so thou shalt eat them: the unclean and the clean shall eat of them alike.

(p. 256) 23 Only be sure that thou eat not the blood: for °the blood is °the life; and thou mayest not eat °the life with the flesh.

24 °Thou shalt not eat it; thou shalt pour it upon the earth as water.

25 °Thou shalt not eat it; that it may go well with thee, and with thy children after thee, when thou shalt do that which is right in the sight of °the LORD.

26 Only thy holy things which thou hast, and thy vows, thou shalt take, and go unto the place which °the LORD shall choose:

27 And thou shalt °offer thy burnt offerings, the flesh and the blood, upon the altar of °the LORD thy °God: and the blood of thy sacrifices shall be poured out upon the altar of °the LORD thy °God, and thou shalt eat the flesh.

28 Observe and hear all these words which °I command thee, that it may go well with thee, and with thy children after thee for ever, when thou doest that which is good and right in the sight of °the LORD thy °God.

29 When °the LORD thy °God shall cut off the nations from before thee, whither thou goest to possess them, and thou succeedest them, and dwellest in their land;

30 Take heed to thyself that thou be not snared by following them, after that they be destroyed from before thee; and that thou enquire not after their gods, saying, °How did these nations serve their gods? even so will °I do likewise.

31 Thou shalt not do so unto °the LORD thy °God: for every abomination to °the LORD, which He hateth, have they done unto their gods; for even their sons and their daughters they have °burnt in the fire to their gods.

32 °What thing soever °I command you, observe to do it: thou shalt not add thereto, nor diminish from it.

V¹ g¹ (p. 257) 13 °If there arise among you a prophet,

h¹ and giveth thee a sign or a wonder,

2 And the sign or the wonder come to pass, whereof he spake unto thee, saying, 'Let us go after other gods,' which thou hast not known, and let us serve them;

i¹ 3 Thou shalt not hearken unto the words of that prophet, or that dreamer of dreams: for °the LORD your °God °proveth you. to know whether ye love °the LORD your °God with all your heart and with all °your soul.

thy soul = thyself. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

21 kill = kill in sacrifice. Ap. 43. I. iv. Cp. 1 Sam. 16. 5 ("sacrifice").

23 the blood is the life. Heb. "the blood it [is] the soul". Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. Cp. Lev. 17. 11, 14, and v. 16 above.

the life = the soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

24 Thou shalt not eat it. Repeated in v. 25. Fig. *Anaphora* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

27 offer = prepare. See Ap. 43. I. iii.

30 How . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

31 burnt - burnt up. See Ap. 43. I. viii.

32 What, &c. Close of third address. See note on 1. 1.

13. 1-18 (U², p. 256). IDOLATRY. (Extended and Repeated Alternations.)

U ² V ¹	g ¹ 1. The instigator. False prophet.
	h ¹ -1, 2. Seduction.
	i ¹ 3, 4. Prohibition.
	k ¹ 5-. Punishment.
	l ¹ -6. Evil removed.
V ²	g ² 6-. Instigator. A brother.
	h ² -6, 7. Seduction.
	i ² 8. Prohibition.
	k ² 9, 10. Punishment.
	l ² 11. Evil removed.
V ³	g ³ 12. Instigator. A city.
	h ³ 13. Seduction.
	i ³ 14. Inquiry.
	k ³ 15, 16. Destruction.
	l ³ 17, 18. Evil removed.

1 If, &c. Beginning of Moses' fourth address. See note on 1. 1.

3 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4.

proveth: i. e. suffereth you to be proved. Heb. idiom, which speaks of doing what one allows to be done.

your soul = yourself. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

4 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), to emphasise each item.

cleave. Cp. 10. 20.

5 bondage = bondmen. See note on 5. 6.

eleven times in this book: 13. 5; 17. 7, 12; 19. 13, 19; 21. 9, 21; 22. 21, 22, 24; 24. 7.

So shalt thou put . . . away. This expression occurs put . . . away. Heb. *bā'ar*, to burn up in order to clear out.

the evil = the wicked thing. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

6 own soul = own self. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

entice . . . secretly. Both (Heb.) words used here for the first time.

4 Ye shall walk after °the LORD your °God, °and fear Him, and keep His commandments, and obey His voice, and ye shall serve Him, and °cleave unto Him.

5 And that prophet, or that dreamer of dreams, shall be put to death; because he hath spoken to turn you away from °the LORD your °God, Which brought you out of the land of Egypt, and redeemed you out of the house of °bondage, to thrust thee out of the way which °the LORD thy °God commanded thee to walk in.

°So shalt thou °put °the evil away from the midst of thee.

6 If thy brother, the son of thy mother, or thy son, or thy daughter, or the wife of thy bosom, or thy friend, which is as thine °own soul, °entice thee °secretly,

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saying, 'Let us go and serve other gods,' which thou hast not known, thou, nor thy fathers;

7 *Namely*, of the gods of the people which are round about you, nigh unto thee, or far off from thee, from the *one* end of the earth even unto the *other* end of the earth;

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8 Thou shalt not consent unto him, nor hearken unto him; neither shall thine °eye pity him, neither shalt thou spare, neither shalt thou conceal him:

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9 But thou shalt surely kill him; thine hand shall be first upon him to put him to death, and afterwards the hand of all the people.

10 And thou shalt stone him with stones, that he die; because he hath sought to thrust thee away from °the LORD thy °God, Which brought thee out of the land of Egypt, from the house of °bondage.

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11 And all Israel shall hear, and fear, and shall do no more any such °wickedness as this is among you.

V³ g³

12 If thou shalt hear say in one of thy cities, which °the LORD thy °God °hath given thee to dwell there, saying,

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13 'Certain °men, the °children of °Belial, are gone out from among you, and have withdrawn the inhabitants of their city, saying, 'Let us go and serve other gods,' which ye have not known;'

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14 Then shalt thou enquire, and make search, and ask °diligently; and, °behold, if it be truth, and the thing certain, that such abomination is wrought among you;

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15 Thou shalt surely smite the inhabitants of that city with the °edge of the sword, °destroying it utterly, and all that is therein, and the cattle thereof, with the °edge of the sword.

16 And thou shalt gather all the spoil of it into the midst of the street thereof, and shalt °burn with fire the city, and all the spoil thereof every whit, for °the LORD thy °God: and it shall be an °heap for ever; it shall not be built again.

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17 And there shall cleave nought of the °cursed thing to thine hand: that °the LORD may turn from the fierceness of His anger, and shew thee mercy, and have compassion upon thee, and multiply thee, °as He hath sworn unto thy fathers;

18 When thou shalt hearken to the voice of °the LORD thy °God, to keep all His commandments which °I command thee °this day, to do that which is right in the eyes of °the LORD thy °God.

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14 *Ye are the children of °the LORD your °God: °ye shall not cut yourselves, nor make any baldness between your eyes for °the dead.*

2 For thou art an °holy people unto °the LORD thy °God, and °the LORD hath chosen thee to be a °peculiar people unto Himself, above all the nations that are upon °the earth.

X m o¹

3 Thou shalt not eat any abominable thing.

8 eye. Fig. *Prosopopœia*. Ap. 6.

11 wickedness. Heb. *rā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii.

12 hath given = giveth.

13 men. Heb. pl. of *'ish* or *'enōsh*. Ap. 14. children = sons.

Belial. First occurrence. A word denoting all that is wicked and worthless; hopeless, as to character and destiny. Put by Fig. *Metonymy*, Ap. 6, for the Evil One as the instigator of all the uncleanness of heathenism. Cp. 2 Cor. 6. 15.

14 diligently = thoroughly. Occurs only here and 17. 4; 19. 18. behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

15 destroying = exterminating. Heb. *hāram*. edge. Heb. "mouth". Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for edge.

16 burn = burn up. Heb. *sārāph*. Ap. 43. I. viii.

heap for ever. Cp. Josh. 8. 28.

17 cursed = devoted [to destruction]. Cp. Josh. 6. 18; 7. 1. as = according as.

18 this day. See note on 4. 26.

14. 1-29 (U³, p. 256). MEATS. (Introversion and Alternation.)

U³ W | 1, 2. Jehovah thy 'Elohim. Choosing.
X | m | 3-21. Meats (negative and positive).

n | 22, 23. Tithes.

X | m | 24-26. Meats (positive).

n | 27-29-. Tithes.

W | -29. Jehovah thy 'Elohim. Blessing.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

ye shall not, &c. Cp. Lev. 19. 27, 28; 21. 5. Jer. 16. 6; 41. 5; 47. 5.

the dead = dead people (not dead bodies). No art. in Sept. Cp. 28. 26 with art., and rendered rightly "carcase".

2 holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

the LORD. (Heb. Jehovah.) Some codices, with Sam., Jon., Sept., and Syr., add "thy God".

peculiar = as a treasure. See note on Ex. 19. 5. Cp. Deut. 7. 6.

the earth = the face of the soil. Fig. *Pleonasm*. Ap. 6. Heb. *'ādāmāh*.

3-21 (m, above). MEATS. (Enumeration.)

m | o¹ | 3-8. Beasts.

o² | 9, 10. Fish.

o³ | 11-20. Birds.

o⁴ | 21-. What dieth of itself.

o⁵ | -21. Kid.

4 These. There are eleven animals named in Deuteronomy which are not included in Leviticus and Numbers. More names known after forty years from Egypt. Cp. Lev. 11.

5 roebuck = gazelle (R.V.).

fallow deer = roebuck.

pygarg = mountain goat.

wild ox = antelope (R.V.).

chamois = mountain sheep (R.V.).

6 parteth the hoof. Cp. Lev. 11. 2, 8.

cleaveth the cleft. Fig. *Polyptoton*. Ap. 6.

4 °These are the beasts which ye shall eat: the ox, the sheep, and the goat,

5 The hart, and the °roebuck, and the °fallow deer, and the wild goat, and the °pygarg, and the °wild ox, and the °chamois.

6 And every beast that °parteth the hoof, and °cleaveth the cleft into two claws, and cheweth the cud among the beasts, that ye shall eat.

7 Nevertheless these ye shall not eat of them that chew the cud, or of them that divide the cloven hoof; as the camel, and the hare, and

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8 And the swine, because it divideth the hoof, yet cheweth not the cud, it is unclean unto you: ye shall not eat of their flesh, nor touch their dead carcase.

o² 9 ° These ye shall eat of all that are in the waters: all that have fins and scales shall ye eat:

10 And whatsoever hath not fins and scales ye may not eat; it is unclean unto you.

o³ 11 Of all clean birds ye shall eat.

(p. 258) 12 But ° these are they of which ye shall not eat: the eagle, and the ° ossifrage, and the ospray,

13 And the ° glede, and the ° kite, and the ° vulture after his kind,

14 And every raven after his kind,

15 And the ° owl, and the night hawk, and the ° cuckow, and the hawk after his kind,

16 The little owl, and the great owl, and the ° swan,

17 And the pelican, and the ° gier eagle, and the cormorant,

18 And the stork, and the ° heron after her kind, and the ° lapwing, and the bat.

19 And every ° creeping thing that flieth ° is unclean unto you: ° they shall not be eaten.

20 But of all clean fowls ye may eat.

o⁴ 21 Ye shall not eat of any thing that ° dieth of itself: thou shalt give it unto the stranger that is in thy gates, that he may eat it; or thou mayest sell it unto an alien: for thou art an ° holy people unto ° the LORD thy ° God.

o⁵ Thou shalt not ° seethe a kid in his mother's milk.

X n 22 Thou shalt truly ° tithe all the increase of thy seed, that the field bringeth forth year by year.

23 And thou shalt ° eat before ° the LORD thy ° God, in the place which He shall choose ° to place His name there, the tithe of thy corn, of thy ° wine, and of thine oil, and the ° firstlings of thy herds and of thy flocks; that thou mayest learn to fear ° the LORD thy ° God always.

m 24 And if the way be too long for thee, so that thou art not able to carry it; or if the place be too far from thee, which ° the LORD thy ° God shall choose to set His name there, when ° the LORD thy ° God hath blessed thee:

25 Then shalt thou ° turn it into money, and bind up the money in thine hand, and shalt go unto the place which ° the LORD thy ° God shall choose:

26 And thou shalt bestow that money for whatsoever ° thy soul ° lusteth after, for oxen, or for sheep, or for ° wine, or for ° strong drink, or for whatsoever ° thy soul ° desireth: and thou shalt eat there before ° the LORD thy ° God, and thou shalt rejoice, thou, and thine household,

n 27 And ° the Levite that is within thy gates; thou shalt not forsake him; for he hath no part nor inheritance with thee.

28 At the end of three years thou shalt bring forth all the tithe of thine increase the same year, and shalt lay it up within thy gates:

7 coney. Heb. *shaphan*. R.V. margin, called "Hy-rax Syriacus", or rock-badger.

9 These. Cp. Lev. 11. 9-12.

12 these. Cp. Lev. 11. 13-20.

ossifrage = gier eagle (R.V.).

13 glede. Probably = vulture.

kite = falcon (R.V.).

vulture = kite (R.V.).

15 owl = ostrich (R.V.).

cuckow = seamew (R.V.): i. e. sea-gull.

16 swan = horned owl (R.V.).

17 gier eagle = vulture (R.V.) or bittern.

18 heron. Very doubtful; probably = parrot.

lapwing = hoopoe (R.V.).

19 creeping thing = swarming creature: i. e. rapidly multiplying. Cp. Gen. 1. 20, 21; 7. 21; 8. 17; 9. 7. Ex. 8. 3. Lev. 11. 29, &c.

is. Heb. "it [is]".

they. A special reading, called *Sevir*, reads, "it". See Ap. 34.

21 dieth, &c. Cp. Ex. 22. 31. Lev. 11. 39; 17. 15; 22. 8. Ezek. 4. 14.

seethe = boil. Cp. Ex. 23. 19; 34. 26.

22 tithe. Cp. Lev. 27. 30. Num. 18. 24, 30. Deut. 12. 6; 14. 28; 26. 12.

23 eat. Tithes were eaten. Amos 4. 4.

to place - to make a habitation.

wine. Heb. *tirōsh*. See Ap. 27. ii.

firstlings. Cp. Gen. 4. 4. Ex. 13. 11-15; 23. 19. Lev.

27. 26. Num. 18. 16-17, and Neh. 10. 36.

25 turn it into money: as in Matt. 21. 12. Mark

11. 15. Luke 19. 45, and John 2. 14, 15.

26 thy soul = thyself. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

lusteth after = longeth for.

wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. I.

strong drink = *shēkār*. See Ap. 27. iv.

desireth = asketh of thee.

27 the Levite. Cp. 12. 19.

15. 1—16. 17 [For Structures see next page].

1 seven years = when the seventh year has arrived. Cp. Ex. 23. 10, 11. Lev. 25. 3, 4.

release. Cp. Ex. 23. 10, 11. Lev. 25. 6, 7. In Ex. and Lev. rest for the land. In Deut. release for the debtor. The noun, *shāmat*, only here and 31. 10. The verb, only in Ex. 23. 11 = to let lie down.

2 the LORD'S. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

4 Save when. This rendering not in any ancient version. A.V. margin has "that there be no poor", &c. R.V. = howbeit. Cp. v. 11, shall never cease: i. e. or die from your neglect; which would be the case if these laws were not carried out.

29 And the Levite, (because he hath no part nor inheritance with thee,) and the stranger, and the fatherless, and the widow, which are within thy gates, shall come, and shall eat and be satisfied;

that ° the LORD thy ° God may bless thee in all the work of thine hand which thou doest.

15 At the end of every ° seven years thou shalt make a ° release.

2 And this is the manner of the ° release: Every creditor that lendeth ought unto his neighbour shall release it; he shall not exact it of his neighbour, or of his brother; because it is called ° the LORD'S ° release.

3 Of a foreigner thou mayest exact it again: but that which is thine with thy brother thine hand shall ° release;

4 ° Save when there shall be no poor among you;

W

Y' p' r
(p. 260)

(p. 260) s for ²the LORD shall greatly bless thee in the
1452 land which ²the LORD thy ° God giveth thee
for an inheritance to possess it:

r 5 Only if thou carefully hearken unto the
voice of ²the LORD thy ° God, to observe to
do all these commandments which ³command
thee ° this day.

s 6 For ²the LORD thy ° God blesseth thee, ° as
He promised thee: and thou shalt °lend unto
many nations, but thou shalt not borrow; and
thou shalt °reign over many nations, but they
shall not °reign over thee.

q¹ t v 7 If there be among you a poor man of one of
thy brethren within any of thy gates in thy land

w which ²the LORD thy ° God giveth thee,

u x thou shalt not harden thine heart, nor shut
thine hand from thy poor brother:

y 8 But thou shalt open thine hand wide unto
him, and shalt surely lend him sufficient for
his need, *in that* which he wanteth.

u x 9 Beware that there be not a ° thought in thy
° wicked heart, saying, 'The seventh year, the
year of ¹release, is at hand;' and thine eye be
evil against thy poor brother, and thou givest
him nought; and he cry unto ²the LORD
against thee, and it be °sin unto thee.

y 10 Thou shalt surely give him, and thine
heart shall not be grieved when thou givest
unto him: because that for this thing ²the
LORD thy ° God shall bless thee in all thy
works, and in all that thou puttest thine hand
unto.

v 11 For the poor shall ° never cease out of the
land:

w therefore ³command thee, saying,
'Thou shalt open thine hand wide unto thy
brother, to thy poor, and to thy needy, in thy
land.'

p² 12 And if thy ° brother, an ° Hebrew man,
or an Hebrew woman, be sold unto thee,
and serve thee six years; then in the seventh
year thou shalt let him go free from thee.

13 And when thou sendest him out free from
thee, thou shalt not let him go away empty:

14 Thou shalt furnish him liberally out of thy
flock, and out of thy ° floor, and out of thy
winepress: *of that* wherewith ²the LORD thy
° God hath blessed thee thou shalt give unto
him.

15 And thou shalt remember that thou wast
a bondman in the land of Egypt, and ²the
LORD thy ° God redeemed thee: therefore ³
command thee this thing ° to day.

q² 16 And it shall be, ° if he say unto thee, 'I
will not go away from thee;' because he
loveth thee and thine house, because he is
well with thee:

17 Then thou shalt take an ° aul, and thrust
it through his ear unto the door, and he shall
be thy servant ° for ever. And also unto thy
maidservant thou shalt do likewise.

p³ 18 It shall not seem hard unto thee, when
thou sendest him away free from thee; for he
hath been worth a ° double hired servant to

15. 1-16. 17 (S¹, p. 256). LAWS: ECCLESIASTICAL (Enumeration).

S¹ | Y¹ | 15. 1-18. Sabbatical year.
Y² | 15. 19-23. Firstlings.
Y³ | 16. 1-17. Three feasts.

15. 1-18 (Y¹, above). SABBATICAL YEAR. (Repeated Alternation.)

Y¹ | p¹ | 1-6. Release.
q¹ | 7-11. Hypothetical case.
p² | 12-15. Release.
q² | 16, 17. Hypothetical case.
p³ | 18. Release.

1-6 (p¹, above). RELEASE. (Alternation.)

p¹ | r | 1-4-. Command.
s | -4. Reason. Blessing.
r | 5. Obedience.
s | 6. Reason. Blessing.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4.

5 this day. See note on 4. 26.

6 as = according as.

lend = lend in pledge.

reign = rule.

7-11 (q¹, above). HYPOTHETICAL CASE, POVERTY (Introversion and Alternation).

q¹ | t | v | 7-. Case of poverty.
w | -7-. Thy land.
u | x | -7. Warning.
y | 8. Command.
u | x | 9. Warning.
y | 10. Command.
t | v | 11-. Cases of poverty.
w | -11. Thy land.

9 thought = word (= thought expressed).

wicked heart = heart of Belial.

sin = Heb. *chāf'ā*. See Ap. 44. i.

11 never cease. See note on v. 4.

12 brother. Supply the Ellipsis (Ap. 6) by adding
"or thy sister".

Hebrew man. Cp. Ex. 21. 2. Jer. 34. 13, 14.

14 floor = threshing-floor.

16 if he say. Cp. Ex. 21. 5, 6.

17 aul. Only here, and Ex. 21. 6.

for ever. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Whole), Ap. 6,
whole time put for part of time.

18 double. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), put for that
which is more than one. Ap. 6.

19-23 (Y², above). FIRSTLINGS. (Extended Alternation).

Y² | a | b | 19-. Without blemish.
c | -19. Prohibition. Not worked.
d | 20. Eating (positive).
a | b | 21-. Without blemish.
c | -21. Prohibition. Not sacrificed.
d | 22, 23. Eating (negative).

19 All, &c. Cp. Ex. 34. 19, 20.

thee, in serving thee six years: and ²the
LORD thy ° God shall bless thee in all that
thou doest.

19 ° All the firstling males that come of thy
herd and of thy flock thou shalt sanctify unto
° the LORD thy ° God:

thou shalt do no work with the firstling of
thy bullock, nor shear the firstling of thy
sheep.

d 20 Thou shalt eat *it* before ²the LORD thy
(p. 260) ⁴God year by year in the place which ²the
1452 LORD shall choose, *then* and thy household.

b 21 And if there be *any* °blemish therein, as
if it be lame, or blind, or have any ill blemish,
c thou shalt not sacrifice it unto ²the LORD thy
⁴God.

d 22 Thou shalt eat it within thy gates: the
unclean and the clean *person shall eat it*
alike, as the roebuck, and as the hart.

23 Only °thou shalt not eat the blood
thereof; thou shalt pour it upon the ground
as water.

e¹ f¹ g 16 °Observe the month of °Abib, and keep
(p. 261) the passover unto °the LORD thy °God:
for in the month of Abib °the LORD thy °God
brought thee forth out of Egypt by night.

h i 2 Thou shalt therefore sacrifice the passover
unto ¹the LORD thy ¹God, of the flock and the
herd, in the place which ¹the LORD shall
choose °to place His name there.

k 3 Thou shalt eat no leavened bread with it;
seven days shalt thou eat unleavened bread
therewith, *even* the °bread of affliction; for
thou camest forth out of the land of Egypt
°in haste: that thou mayest remember the
day when thou camest forth out of the land
of Egypt all the days of thy life.

4 And there shall be no °leavened bread
seen with thee in all thy coast seven days;
neither shall there *any thing* of the flesh,
which thou sacrificedst the first day at even,
remain all night until the morning.

h i 5 Thou mayest not sacrifice the passover
within any of thy °gates, which ¹the LORD
thy ¹God giveth thee:

6 But at the place which ¹the LORD thy ¹God
shall choose ²to place His name in, there thou
shalt sacrifice the passover at even, at the
going down of the sun, at the season that
thou camest forth out of Egypt.

k 7 And thou shalt °roast and eat *it* in the
place which ¹the LORD thy ¹God shall choose:
and thou shalt turn in the morning, and go
unto thy tents.

g 8 Six days thou shalt eat unleavened bread:
and on the °seventh day *shall be* a solemn
assembly to ¹the LORD thy ¹God: thou shalt
do no work *therein*.

f² l n 9 Seven weeks shalt thou number unto thee:
begin to number the seven weeks from *such*
time as thou beginnest to put the sickle to the
°corn.

o 10 And thou shalt keep the feast of weeks
unto ¹the LORD thy ¹God with a tribute of
a freewill offering of thine hand,

m which thou shalt give unto the LORD thy God,
according as ¹the LORD thy ¹God hath blessed
thee:

m 11 °And thou shalt rejoice before ¹the LORD
thy ¹God, *then*, and thy son, and thy daughter,
and thy manservant, and thy maidservant,
and the Levite that *is* within thy gates, and
the stranger, and the fatherless, and the

21 blemish. Cp. Lev. 22, 20-22. Mal. 1, 8.

23 thou. Some codices, with Onk., Jon., Sept., and
Syr., read "ye".

16. 1-17 (Y³, p. 260). THREE FEASTS. (Division.)

Y³ | e¹ | 1-15. Particular.
| e² | 16, 17. General.

1-15 (e¹, above). PARTICULAR (FEASTS). (Enumeration.)

e¹ | f¹ | 1-8. Passover.
| f² | 9-12. Weeks.
| f³ | 13-15. Tabernacles.

1-8 (f¹, above). PASSOVER (FEAST). (Introversion and Alternation.)

f¹ | g | 1. The feast. Ordinance.
| h | i | 2. The chosen place (positive).
| | k | 3, 4. The manner.
| h | i | 5, 6. The chosen place (negative).
| | k | 7. The manner.
| g | 8. The feast. Ordinance.

1 Observe. Cp. Ex. 13, 3, 4. Lev. 23, 5, 6. Num.
28, 16.

Abib is Egyptian and means "green ears". Cp. Ex.
9, 31. Lev. 2, 14. Not found again after this passage.
"Nisan" substituted for it.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4, II.
God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4, I.

2 to place = to make a habitation for.

3 bread of affliction. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject)
= bread which is the symbol of their affliction in Egypt.
in haste. Not the reason given in Ex. 12, 17 for the
Exodus. But here the reason why the bread was un-
leavened. There was no time for it to "rise" by
fermentation.

4 leavened = fermented. Cp. Ex. 13, 7; 12, 18-20.

5 gates. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6, put for the
cities themselves. Note the Introversion of the lines
of this member (i), vv. 5, 6.

7 roast = cook.

8 seventh day. Cp. Ex. 12, 16; 13, 6.

9 corn = standing corn.

9-12 (f², above). WEEKS (FEAST).

(Introversion and Alternation.)

f² | l | n | 9. Command. "Thou shalt remember".
| o | 10-. Feast. "Thou shalt keep".
| m | -10. Offering of gift. "Thou shalt
| | give".
| m | 11. Offering of praise. "Thou shalt
| | rejoice".
| l | n | 12-. Command. "Thou shalt remember".
| o | -12. Feast. "Thou shalt observe".

11 And. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* in this verse.
See Ap. 6.

12 in Egypt. Some codices, with Sam. and Sept.,
have "in the land of Egypt".

13-15 [For Structure see next page].

widow, that *are* among you, in the place
which ¹the LORD thy ¹God hath chosen °to
place His name there.

12 And thou shalt remember that thou wast
a bondman °in Egypt:

and thou shalt observe and do these statutes.

13 Thou shalt observe the feast of taber-
nacles seven days,

r
(p. 262) after that thou hast gathered in thy °corn
1452 and thy °wine:

s 14 °And thou shalt rejoice in thy feast,
thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, and
thy manservant, and thy maidservant, and
the Levite, the stranger, and the fatherless,
and the widow, that are within thy gates.

p q 15 Seven days shalt thou keep a solemn
feast unto °the LORD thy °God

r in the place which °the LORD shall choose:

s because °the LORD thy °God shall bless thee
in all thine increase, and in all the works
of thine hands, therefore thou shalt surely
rejoice.

Y³ e²
(p. 261) 16 Three times in a year shall all thy males
°appear before °the LORD thy °God in the
place which He shall choose; in the feast
of unleavened bread, and in the feast of
weeks, and in the feast of tabernacles: and
they shall not °appear before °the LORD
empty:

17 Every °man shall give as he is able,
according to the blessing of °the LORD thy
°God which He hath given thee.

v A
(p. 262) 18 Judges and officers shalt thou make thee
in all thy °gates, which °the LORD thy °God
giveth thee, throughout thy tribes: and they
shall judge the people with just judgment.

19 Thou shalt not wrest judgment; °thou
shalt not respect persons, neither take a °gift:
for a °gift doth blind the eyes of the wise, and
pervert the words of the righteous.

20 That which is °altogether just shalt thou
follow, that thou mayest live, and inherit the
land which °the LORD thy °God giveth thee.

B 21 Thou shalt not plant thee a °grove of any
trees near unto the altar of °the LORD thy
°God, which thou shalt make thee.

22 Neither shalt thou set thee up any
°image; which °the LORD thy °God hateth.

B 17 Thou shalt not sacrifice unto °the LORD
thy °God any bullock, or sheep, wherein
is blemish, or any evilfavouredness: for that is
an abomination unto °the LORD thy °God.

t v w 2 If there be found among you, within any
of thy gates which °the LORD thy °God giveth
thee, °man or woman,

x that hath wrought °wickedness in the sight
of °the LORD thy °God, in °transgressing His
covenant,

3 And hath gone and served other gods, and
worshipped them, either the sun, or moon, or
any of the host of heaven, which I have °not
commanded;

y 4 And it be told thee, and thou hast heard
of it, and enquired °diligently, and, °behold,
it be true, and the thing certain, that such
abomination is wrought in Israel:

w 5 Then shalt thou bring forth that man or
that woman,

x which have committed that °wicked thing,
unto thy gates, even that man or that woman,
and shalt stone them with stones, till they
die.

13-15 (f³, p. 261). TABERNACLES (FEAST).
(Extended Alternation.)

f³ p | q | 13-. The feast. Seven days.
r | -13. Time.
s | 14. Rejoicing. Command.
p | q | 15-. The feast. Seven days.
r | -15-. Place.
s | -15. Rejoicing. Reason.

13 corn = threshing-floor } Put by Fig. Metonymy (of
wine = winepress } Adjunct), Ap. 6, for what
is produced from them.

14 And. Note the Fig. Polysyndeton. Ap. 6.

16 appear. See note on Ex. 23. 15, 17.

17 man. Heb. 'ish. See Ap. 14. II.

16. 18-17. 13 (v, p. 255). LAWS. CIVIL.
(Introversion.)

v | A | 16. 18-20. Judges. Appointment.
B | 16. 21, 22. Illegal acts.
B | 17. 1. Illegal offerings.
A | 17. 2-13. Judges. Duties.

19 thou shalt not. A special reading, known as
Sevir, has "neither shalt thou". See Ap. 34.
gift = bribe.

20 altogether just. This is the rendering of the
Fig. Epizeuxis (Ap. 6). Heb. "just, just", i. e. perfectly
just.

21 grove. Heb. 'āshērāh. See Ap. 42. Here in the
fem. gender.

22 image = pillar.

17. 2-13 (A, above). JUDGES. DUTIES.
(Alternation.)

A | t | 2-7-. Law. Simple cases.
u | -7. Intention. Removal of evil.
t | 8-12. Law. Difficult cases.
u | 13. Intention. Removal of evil.

2-7 (t, above). LAW. SIMPLE CASES.
(Extended Alternation.)

t | v | w | 2-. Criminals.
x | -2, 3. Crime. Commission.
y | 4. Proof.
v | w | 5-. Criminals.
x | -5. Crime. Punishment.
y | 6, 7-. Proof.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

2 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

wickedness. Heb. rā'a'. Ap. 44. viii.

transgressing. Heb. 'ābar. Ap. 44. VII.

3 not commanded. Equally authoritative in
matters of faith and worship to-day.

4 diligently. See note on 13. 14.

behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

6 mouth. Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), put for the
witness borne by it. Ap. 6.

two. Cp. Num. 35. 30, and see Matt. 18. 16. 2 Cor. 13. 1.
1 Tim. 5. 19.

7 put the evil away. See note on 13. 5.

8-12 [For Structure see next page].

8 between. Some codices, with Sam., Jon., Sept.,
and Syr., read "or between".

6 At the °mouth of °two witnesses, or three
witnesses, shall he that is worthy of death be
put to death; but at the mouth of one witness
he shall not be put to death.

7 The hands of the witnesses shall be first
upon him to put him to death, and afterward
the hands of all the people. So thou shalt
°put the evil away from among you.

8 If there arise a matter too hard for thee in
judgment, between blood and blood, °between

t a
(p. 263)

1452 plea and plea, and between °stroke and stroke, being matters of controversy within thy gates:

b then shalt thou arise, and get thee up into the place which °the LORD thy °God shall choose; (p. 263) 9 And thou shalt come unto °the priests the Levites, and unto the judge that shall be in those days, and enquire; and they shall shew thee the sentence of judgment:

10 °And thou shalt do according to the sentence, which they of that place which °the LORD shall choose shall shew thee; and thou shalt observe to do according to all that they inform thee:

11 According to the sentence of the law which °they shall teach thee, and according to the judgment which they shall tell thee, thou shalt do: thou shalt not decline from the sentence which they shall shew thee, to the right hand, nor to the left.

a 12 And the °man that will do presumptuously, and will not hearken unto the priest that standeth to minister there before °the LORD thy °God, or unto the judge,

b even that °man shall die: and thou shalt °put away the evil from Israel.

13 And all the people shall hear, and fear, and do no more presumptuously.

w c 14 When thou art come unto the land which °the LORD thy °God giveth thee, and shalt possess it, and shalt dwell therein, °and shalt say, 'I will set a king over me, like as all the nations that are about me;'

d 15 Thou shalt in any wise set him king over thee, whom °the LORD thy °God shall choose: one from among thy brethren shalt thou set king over thee: thou mayest not set a °stranger over thee, which is not thy brother.

e 16 But he shall not multiply horses to himself, nor cause the people to return to Egypt, to the end that he should multiply horses: forasmuch as °the LORD hath said unto you, 'Ye shall henceforth return no more that way.'

17 Neither shall he multiply °wives to himself, that his heart turn not away: neither shall he greatly multiply to himself silver and gold.

e 18 And it shall be, when he sitteth upon the throne of his kingdom,

d that he shall °write him a copy of this law °in a book out of that which is before °the priests the Levites:

c 19 And it shall be with him, and he shall read therein all the days of his life: that he may learn to fear °the LORD his °God, to keep all the words of this law and these statutes, to do them:

20 That his heart be not lifted up above his brethren, and that he °turn not aside from the commandment, to the right hand, or to the left: to the end that he may prolong his days in his kingdom, he, and his children, in the midst of Israel.

S² f¹ 18 The priests the Levites, and all the tribe of Levi, shall have no part nor

17. 8-12 (t, above). LAW. DIFFICULT CASES. (Alternation.)

t a | 8-. Cases. Difficult.
b | -8-11. Process and sentence.
a | 12-. Cases. Presumptuous.
b | -12, 13. Punishment—Death.

stroke = punishment. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), Ap. 6.

9 the priests the Levites. First occurrence of this expression. Occurs six times in Deut.; elsewhere in Josh. 3. 31; 8. 33. 2 Chron. 30. 27. Neh. 11. 20. Isa. 66. 21. Jer. 33. 21. Ezek. 44. 15. The expression refers to the Levitical priests as distinct from the Tribal priests (or Levites).

10 This is the middle verse of Deut.

11 they shall teach thee. This was the great duty of the Priests. See 33. 10. Lev. 10. 11. Ezra 7. 10. Jer. 18. 18. Hag. 2. 11, 12. Mal. 2. 7.

14 and shalt say. A prophetic contingency provided for. Cp. Gen. 36. 31.

14-20 (w, p. 255). THE KING. (Introversion.)

w c | 14. If a king desired.
d | 15. Jehovah's choice: his credential.
e | 16, 17. Commands (negative).
e | 18-. Command (positive).
d | -18. Jehovah's law: his study.
c | 19, 20. The king desirable.

15 stranger = foreigner.

17 wives. Cp. 1 Kings 11. 1-3.

18 write. See note on Ex. 17. 14 and Ap. 47. in a book. See Ap. 47.

20 turn not aside. See 28. 14. 2 Kings 22. 2. Josh. 1. 7; 23. 6.

18. 1-8 (S², p. 255). LAWS ECCLESIASTICAL: THE LEVITES (Division).

S² | f¹ | 1, 2. General (negative and positive, alternately).
f² | 3-8. Particular.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 is. Heb. "he [is]".

3 priest's due - priest's custom. Cp. 1 Sam. 2. 13, 28, 29. Lev. 7. 33, 34. Num. 18. 8-14.

offer = sacrifice. See Ap. 43. I. iv.

4 wine. Heb. *tirōsh*. Ap. 27. ii.

5 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

6 a Levite: i. e. a Tribal Levite who devoted himself to the Aaronic service. Cp. Lev. 25. 33.

his mind = his soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

inheritance with Israel: they shall eat the offerings of °the LORD made by fire, and His inheritance.

2 Therefore shall they have no inheritance among their brethren: °the LORD °is their inheritance, as He hath said unto them.

3 And this shall be the °priest's due from the people, from them that °offer a sacrifice, whether it be ox or sheep; and they shall give unto the priest the shoulder, and the two cheeks, and the maw. {²

4 The firstfruit also of thy corn, of thy °wine, and of thine oil, and the first of the fleece of thy sheep, shalt thou give him.

5 For °the LORD thy °God hath chosen him out of all thy tribes, to stand to minister in the name of °the LORD, him and his sons for ever.

6 And if °a Levite come from any of thy gates out of all Israel, where he sojourned, and come with all the desire of °his mind unto the place which °the LORD shall choose;

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7 Then he shall minister in the name of ¹ the LORD his ⁵ God, as all his brethren the Levites do, which stand there before ¹ the LORD.

8 They shall have like portions to eat, beside that which cometh of the sale of his patrimony.

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9 When thou art come into the land which ¹ the LORD thy ⁵ God giveth thee, thou shalt not learn to do after the ^o abominations of those nations.

10 There shall not be found among you any one that maketh his son or his daughter to pass through the fire, or that useth divination, or an observer of times, ^o or an enchanter, or a witch,

11 Or a charmer, or a consulter with ^o familiar spirits, or a wizard, or a ^o necromancer.

h 12 For all that do these things are an abomination unto ^o the LORD: and because of these abominations ¹ the LORD thy ⁵ God doth drive them out from before thee.

g 13 Thou shalt be ^o perfect with ¹ the LORD thy ⁵ God.

h 14 For these nations, which thou shalt possess, hearkened unto observers of times, and unto diviners: but as for thee, ¹ the LORD thy ⁵ God hath not suffered thee so to do.

D i 15 ¹ The LORD thy ⁵ God ^o will raise up unto thee a Prophet from the midst of thee, of thy brethren, like unto me;

k unto Him ye shall ^o hearken;

16 According to all that thou desiredst of ¹ the LORD thy ⁵ God in Horeb in the day of the assembly, saying, 'Let me not hear again the voice of ¹ the LORD my ⁵ God, neither let me see this great fire any more, that I die not.'

17 And ¹ the LORD ^o said unto me, 'They have well spoken that which they have spoken.'

D i 18 ^o I will raise them up ^o a Prophet from among their brethren, like unto thee, and ^o will put My words in His mouth; and He shall speak unto them all that I shall command Him.

k 19 And it shall come to pass, that whosoever will not ¹⁵ hearken unto My words which He shall speak in My name, ^o I will require it of him.

C l 20 But the prophet, which shall presume to speak a word in My name, which I have not commanded him to speak, or that shall speak in the name of other gods,

m even that prophet shall die.

l 21 And if thou say in thine heart, ^o 'How shall we know the word which ¹ the LORD hath not spoken?'

22 When a prophet speaketh in the name of ¹ the LORD, if the thing follow not, nor come to pass, that is the thing which ¹ the LORD hath not spoken, but the prophet hath spoken it presumptuously:

m thou shalt not be afraid of him.

v n p E

19 ^o When ^o the LORD thy ^o God hath cut off the nations, whose land ^o the LORD thy ^o God giveth thee, and thou ^o succeedest them, and dwellest in their cities, and in their houses;

F 2 Thou shalt separate ^o three cities for thee

18. 9-22 (w, p. 255). THE PROPHET. (Introversion and Alternations.)

w	C	g	9-11. Command. Jehovah thy God	} False prophet: heathen.
		h	12. Reason. Abomination	
		g	13. Command. Jehovah thy God	
		h	14. Reason. Harkening	
		D	i 15-. "Like unto Moses"	} THE PROPHET.
			k -15-17. Hearken. Command (positive)	
		D	i 18. "Like unto Moses"	
			k 19. Hearken. Command (negative)	
	C	l	20-. Presumptuous prophet. Utterance	} False prophet: Israel.
		m	-20. Not to live (negative)	
		l	21, 22-. Presumptuous prophet. Testimony	
		m	-22. Not to be feared (negative)	

9 abominations. See Ap. 42.

10 or. Note the Fig. *Paradiastole*. Ap. 6.

11 familiar spirits. See note on Lev. 19. 31.

necromancer = a seeker unto the dead; a medium.

12 the LORD (Heb. Jehovah). Some codices, with Sam., Sept., and Syr., add "thy God".

13 perfect = devoted, or single-hearted.

15 will raise up. Note the transition, and the Structure above.

hearken. Cp. Matt. 17. 5. Acts 3. 22, 23.

17 said. See note on 2. 9. This was said before leaving Horeb, so that "the Prophet like unto Moses" was promised at Sinai!

18 I will raise. Cp. John 6. 14. Acts 3. 22; 7. 37.

a Prophet (Dent. 18. 18), a Priest (Ps. 110. 4), a King (Zech. 6. 13).

will put My words, &c. Cp. John 12. 48, 49, and note John 8. 34; 7. 16; 8. 28, 47; 12. 49; 14. 10, 24; 17. 8.

19 I will require it. Cp. John 12. 48, and Heb. 4. 12, where "discerner" means "able to judge" (Gr. *kritikos*). That "Word" is the "critic" (or judge), and will judge all other "critics".

21 How shall we know . . . ? Cp. Jer. 28. 9.

19. 1-25. 19 (v, p. 235). LAWS: CIVIL.
(Alternation.)

v n | 19. 1-21. Israel.

o | 20. 1-20. The nations. War.

n | 21. 1-25. 16. Israel.

o | 25. 17-19. The nations. War.

19. 1-21 (n, above). ISRAEL.
(Introversion.)

n p | 1-12. Persons. Manslayer.

q | 14. Property. Landmarks.

p | 15-21. Persons. Witnesses.

1-13 (p, above). PERSONS: MANSLAYER.
(Extended Alternations and Introversions.)

p E | 1. Prospective. "When."

F | 2, 3-. Cities. Separation of three.

G | r¹ | -3. Purpose.

s¹ | 4, 5-. Case of ignorance.

s¹ | -5. Provision. Flight.

r¹ | 6, 7. Purpose.

E | 8, 9-. Prospective. "If."

F | -9. Cities. Addition of three.

G | r² | 10. Purpose.

s² | 11. Case of intention.

s² | 12, 13-. Provision. Death.

r² | -13. Purpose.

19. 1 When. Cp. Num. 35. 10, 11.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

succeedest = dispossessest.

2 three cities. Cp. Num. 35. 14.

in the midst of thy land, which ¹ the LORD thy ¹ God giveth thee to possess it.

3 Thou shalt prepare thee a way, and divide

1452 the °coasts of thy land, which °the LORD thy
 1 God giveth thee to inherit, into three parts,
 G r¹ that every slayer may flee thither.

(p. 264) 4 And this is the case of the slayer, which
 s¹ shall flee thither, that he may live: Whoso
 killeth his neighbour °ignorantly, whom he
 hated not in time past;

5 °As when a man goeth into the wood with
 his neighbour to hew wood, and his hand
 fetcheth a stroke with the axe to cut down the
 tree, and the °head slippeth from the °helve,
 and lighteth upon his neighbour, that he die;

s¹ he shall flee unto one of those cities, and live:

r¹ 6 Lest the °avenger of the blood pursue the
 slayer, while his heart is hot, and overtake
 him, because the way is long, and °slay him;
 whereas he was not worthy of death, inas-
 much as he hated him not in time past.

7 Wherefore I command thee, saying, 'Thou
 shalt separate three cities for thee.

E 8 And if °the LORD thy °God enlarge thy
 °coast, °as He hath sworn unto thy fathers,
 and give thee all the land which He promised
 to give unto thy fathers;

9 If thou shalt keep all these commandments
 to do them, which I command thee °this day,
 to love °the LORD thy °God, and to walk ever
 in His ways;

F then shalt thou °add three cities more for
 thee, beside these three:

G r² 10 That innocent blood be not shed in thy
 land, which °the LORD thy °God giveth thee
 for an inheritance, and so °blood be upon thee.

s² 11 But if any °man °hate his neighbour, and
 lie in wait for him, and rise up against him,
 and °smite him mortally that he die, and
 fleeth into one of these cities:

s² 12 Then the elders of his city shall send and
 fetch him thence, and deliver him into the hand
 of the °avenger of °blood, that he may die.

13 Thine eye shall not pity him, but thou
 shalt °put away the guilt of innocent blood
 from Israel,

r² that it may go well with thee.'

q 14 Thou shalt °not remove thy neighbour's
 °landmark, which they of old time have set
 in thine inheritance, which thou shalt inherit
 in the land that °the LORD thy °God giveth
 thee to possess it.

p t (p. 265) 15 °One witness shall not rise up against
 a °man for any °iniquity, or for any °sin, in
 any sin that he sinneth:

u at the mouth of two witnesses, or at the
 mouth of three witnesses, shall the matter
 be established.

t 16 If °a false witness rise up against °any man
 to testify against him that which is wrong;

u 17 Then both the men, between whom the
 controversy is, shall stand before °the LORD,
 °before the priests and the judges, which
 shall be in those days;

18 And the judges shall make °diligent
 inquisition: and, °behold, if the witness be

3 coasts = borders, or confines.

4 ignorantly. Cp. Ex. 21. 12.

5 As when. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), Ap. 6, one
 example put for every kind. head. Heb. - iron.
 helve = handle. Heb. = wood, which may mean the
 handle or the tree. 6 avenger = kinsman avenger.
 slay him = slay his soul. Heb. *nephesh* (Ap. 13), i. e.
 take his life. 8 as = according as.

9 this day. See note on 4. 26.

add. Done by Joshua, ch. 20. 7, 8.

10 blood = guilt. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), the blood
 shed put for guilt incurred.

11 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II. Case of presumption.
 hate. Cp. Ex. 21. 14.

smite him mortally = smite his soul. Heb. *nephesh*
 (Ap. 13) take his life. Cp. v. 6.

12 blood = murder. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6.
 Cp. v. 10. 13 put away, &c. See note on 13. 5.

14 not remove. Cp. 27. 17. Hos. 5. 10. Prov. 22. 28.
 landmark. Not to be removed: but " 'stumbling-
 blocks' to be taken out of the way". Lev. 19. 14. Isa.
 57. 14. Rom. 14. 13.

15-21 (p. 264). PERSONS: WITNESSES. (Alternation.)

p t | 15-. True witness. One insufficient.

u | -15. Direction. Two or three necessary.

t | 16. False witness. One insufficient.

u | 17-21. Direction (Trial, 17, 18; Penalty, 19-21).

15 One witness. Cp. 17. 6.

iniquity. See Ap. 44. iv.

sin. See Ap. 44. i.

16 a false witness. Cp. Ex. 23. 1, and Deut. 19. 16.

17 before. Some codices, with Sam., Sept., and Syr.,
 read "even before".

18 diligent. See note on 13. 14.

behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

20 evil. See Ap. 44. viii.

21 eye. Fig. *Prosopopæia* (Ap. 6).

life = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. Cp. Ex. 21. 23-25.

20. 1-20 (o, p. 264). THE NATIONS: WAR. (Extended and Repeated Alternation.)

o H¹ | t¹ | 1. War.

u¹ | 2-8. Enemy. Proclamation.

v¹ | 9. Action as to leaders.

H² | t² | 10-. War.

u² | -10, 11. Enemy. Proclamation to city.

v² | 12. Action. Siege.

H³ | t³ | 13-. War.

u³ | -13, 14. Enemy. Treatment.

v³ | 15. Action towards distant cities.

H⁴ | t⁴ | 16-. War. Canaanite nations.

u⁴ | -16, 17. Enemy. Treatment.

v⁴ | 18. Action towards them.

H⁵ | t⁵ | 19-. War. Any siege.

u⁵ | -19. Treatment as to trees.

v⁵ | 20. Action as to other trees.

20. 1 enemies. Heb. text has sing., but some
 codices, with Sam., Onk., Syr., and Vulg., read the
 plural, as A.V.

a false witness, and hath testified falsely
 against his brother;

19 Then shall ye do unto him, °as he had
 thought to have done unto his brother: so
 shalt thou °put the evil away from among you.

20 And those which remain shall hear, and
 fear, and shall henceforth commit no more
 any such °evil among you.

21 And thine °eye shall not pity; but °life
 shall go for °life, eye for eye, tooth for tooth,
 hand for hand, foot for foot.

20 When thou goest out to battle against
 thine °enemies, and seest horses, and
 chariots, and a people more than thou, be not

H¹ t¹

1452 afraid of them: for °the LORD thy °God is with thee, Which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt.

u¹ (p. 265) 2 And it shall be, when ye are come nigh unto the battle, that the priest shall approach and speak unto the people,

3 And shall say unto them, 'Hear, O Israel, ye approach this day unto battle against your enemies: let not your hearts °faint, fear not, and do not °tremble, neither be ye terrified because of them;

4 For °the LORD your °God is He that goeth with you, °to fight for you against your enemies, to save you.'

5 And the officers shall speak unto the people, saying, 'What °man is there that hath built a new house, and hath not dedicated it? let him go and return to his house, lest he die in the battle, and another man dedicate it.

6 And °what man is he that hath planted a vineyard, and hath not yet eaten of it? let him also go and return unto his house, lest he die in the battle, and another man eat of it.

7 And °what man is there that hath betrothed a wife, and hath not taken her? let him go and return unto his house, lest he die in the battle, and another man take her.'

8 And the officers shall speak further unto the people, and they shall say, °What man is there that is fearful and fainthearted? let him go and return unto his house, lest his brethren's heart °faint as well as his heart.'

v¹ 9 And it shall be, when the officers have made an end of speaking unto the people, that they shall make captains of the armies to lead the people.

H² t² 10 When thou comest nigh unto a city to fight against it,

u² then °proclaim peace unto it.

11 And it shall be, if it make thee answer of peace, and open unto thee, then it shall be, that all the people that is found therein shall be tributaries unto thee, and they shall serve thee.

v² 12 And if it will make no peace with thee, but will make war against thee, then thou shalt besiege it:

H³ t³ 13 And when °the LORD thy °God hath delivered it into thine hands,

u³ thou shalt smite every male thereof with the edge of the sword:

14 But the women, and the little ones, and the cattle, and all that is in the city, even all the °spoil thereof, shalt thou °take unto thyself; and thou shalt eat the spoil of thine enemies, which °the LORD thy °God hath given thee.

v³ 15 Thus shalt thou do unto all the cities which are very far off from thee, which are not of the cities of these nations.

H⁴ t⁴ 16 But of the cities of these people, which

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

3 faint. This and the following three words = Fig. *Synonymia*. Ap. 6.

tremble = be excited. (Heb. = make haste.)

4 to fight for you. Cp. Ex. 14. 25. Ps. 3. 8; 35. 1.

5 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

6 what. Fig. *Erotēsis*.

8 faint = melt.

10 proclaim peace: i. e. if it belong not to the Canaanites. Cp. Matt. 10. 12, 13.

14 spoil... take = take as a prey. These two words, "spoil" and "prey", occur in the name Maher-shalal-hash-baz. Isa. 8. 1.

16 breatheth. Heb. n'shāmāh = that hath breath. See Ap. 16.

17 utterly destroy. Because descendants of the Nephilim. Ap. 25. Cp. ch. 7. 1, 2.

namely. Only six mentioned here.

as = according as.

18 That = to the intent that.

sin. Idolatry was, and still is, the great sin. Cp. Gal. 5. 20.

19 man's. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.

21. 1—25. 16 (n, p. 264). ISRAEL. (Repeated Alternation.)

n J¹ | 21. 1—22. 8. Persons and property.

K¹ | 22. 9, 10. Sowing and ploughing.

J² | 22. 11—23. 23. Persons.

K² | 23. 24, 25. Vineyards and cornfields.

J³ | 24. 1—18. Persons.

K³ | 24. 19—22. Harvests.

J⁴ | 25. 1—3. Persons.

K⁴ | 25. 4. Threshing.

J⁵ | 25. 5—16. Persons and property.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4.

lying = fallen down.

1 the LORD thy °God doth give thee for an inheritance,

thou shalt save alive nothing that °breatheth: 17 But thou shalt °utterly destroy them; °namely, the Hittites, and the Amorites, the Canaanites, and the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites; °as °the LORD thy °God hath commanded thee:

18 °That they teach you not to do after all their abominations, which they have done unto their gods; so should ye °sin against °the LORD your °God.

19 When thou shalt besiege a city a long time, in making war against it to take it,

thou shalt not destroy the trees thereof by forcing an axe against them: for thou mayest eat of them, and thou shalt not cut them down (for the tree of the field is °man's life) to employ them in the siege:

20 Only the trees which thou knowest that they be not trees for meat, thou shalt destroy and cut them down; and thou shalt build bulwarks against the city that maketh war with thee, until it be subdued.

21 If one be found slain in the land which °the LORD thy °God giveth thee to possess it, °lying in the field, and it be not known who hath slain him:

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2 Then thy elders and thy judges shall come forth, and they shall measure unto the cities which are round about him that is slain:

d 3 And it shall be, *that* the city *which is* next unto the slain man,

e even the elders of that city shall take an heifer, which hath not been wrought with, *and* which hath not drawn in the yoke;

4 And the elders of that city shall bring down the heifer unto a °rough valley, which is neither °eared nor sown, and shall °strike off the heifer's neck there in the valley:

a b c

5 And °the priests the sons of Levi shall come near; for them °the LORD thy °God hath chosen to minister unto Him, and to bless in the name of °the LORD; and by their °word shall every controversy and every °stroke be °tried:

d 6 And all the elders of that city, *that are* next unto the slain *man*, shall wash their hands over the heifer that is beheaded in the valley:

e 7 And they shall answer and say, 'Our hands have not shed this blood, neither have our eyes seen it.

8 °Be merciful, O °LORD, unto Thy people Israel, whom Thou hast redeemed, and lay not °innocent blood unto Thy people of Israel's charge.' And the blood °shall be forgiven them.

z 9 So shalt thou °put away the °guilt of °innocent blood from among you, when thou shalt do *that which is* right in the sight of °the LORD.

L¹ x y¹

10 When thou goest forth to war against thine enemies, and °the LORD thy °God hath delivered them into thine °hands, and thou hast taken them captive,

11 And seest among the captives a beautiful woman, and hast a desire unto her, that thou wouldest have her to thy wife;

12 Then thou shalt bring her home to thine house; and she shall shave her head, and pare her nails;

13 And she shall put the °raiment of her captivity from off her, and shall remain in thine house, and bewail her father and her mother °a full month: and after that thou shalt go in unto her, and be her °husband, and she shall be thy wife.

14 And it shall be, if thou have no delight in her, then thou shalt let her go °whither she will; but thou shalt not sell her at all for money, thou shalt not °make merchandise of her, because thou hast humbled her.

y² f

15 °If a °man have two wives, one beloved, and another hated, and they have born him children, *both* the beloved and the hated; and *if* the firstborn son be hers that was hated:

g 16 Then it shall be, °when he maketh his sons to inherit *that which* he hath,

f *that* he may not make the son of the beloved by giving him a double portion of all that he g

21. 1-22. 8 (J¹, p. 266). PERSONS AND PROPERTY (Division).

J¹ | L¹ | 21. 1-23. Persons.
| L² | 22. 1-8-. Property.

21. 1-23 (L¹, above). PERSONS. (Introversion and Enumeration.)

L¹ | w | 1-9. Crime. Dead body found slain.
| x | y¹ | 10-14. Captives.
| | y² | 15-17. Two wives. } Living Persons.
| | y³ | 18-21. Rebellious son. }
| w | 22, 23. Crime. Dead body, hanged.

1-9 (w, above). CRIME. DEAD BODY FOUND SLAIN (Introversion, and Alternations).

w | z | 1. The guilt incurred.
| a | b | c | 2. Elders and Judges.
| | d | 3-. City next to crime.
| | e | -3, 4. Elders of that city.
| a | b | c | 5. Priests, the sons of Levi.
| | d | 6. City next to crime.
| | e | 7, 8. Elders of that city.
| z | 9. The guilt put away.

4 rough valley = ravine, or rough gully.

eared = ploughed. Old English idiom.

strike off = behead, or break the neck.

5 the priests the sons of Levi. See note on 17. 9. word. Heb. mouth. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for what is uttered by it.

stroke = punishment. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), Ap. 6. Cp. 17. 8.

tried. Better to supply "settled", or "decided".

8 Be merciful = Be propitious, or make expiation or atonement.

innocent blood. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), for the guilt which shed it. See Ap. 6.

shall be = shall assuredly be.

9 put away, &c. See note on 13. 5.

guilt of innocent blood = blood-guiltiness, blood being put for guilt. See note on v. 8.

10 hands. Heb. text reads "hand"; but some codices, with Jon., Sept., and Syr., read "hands", as A.V.

13 raiment of her captivity = mantle in which she was taken captive. "Of" = Genitive of relation (see Ap. 17).

a full month. Heb. = a moon of days.

husband. Heb. Baal, or lord. Cp. first occurrence of verb, Gen. 20. 3.

14 whither she will = according to her soul. Heb. *nephesh*. See Ap. 13.

make merchandise. Heb. 'amar. In this sense, only here and 24. 7.

15-17 (y², above). TWO WIVES. (Alternation.)

y² | f | 15. Firstborn
| g | 16-. Inheritance } Case.
| f | -16, 17-. Firstborn } Prohibition.
| g | -17. Inheritance }

15 If. Cp. 1 Sam. 1. 2. 2 Chron. 24. 3.

man. Heb. 'ish. See Ap. 14. II.

16 when. Heb. in the day. See Ap. 18.

firstborn before the son of the hated, *which is* indeed the firstborn:

17 But he shall acknowledge the son of the hated *for* the firstborn,

1452 hath: for ^his is the beginning of his ^ostrength;
the right of the firstborn is ^ohis.

y³ h (p. 268) 18 If a man have a ^ostubborn and ^orebellious
son, which will not obey the voice of his
father, or the voice of his mother, and *that*,
when they have chastened him, will not
hearken unto them:

i 19 Then shall his father and his mother
lay hold on him, and bring him out unto the
elders of his city, and unto ^othe gate of his
place;

20 And they shall say unto the elders of
his city, 'This our son is ¹⁸stubborn and
¹⁸rebellious, he will not obey our voice;
he is a ^oglutton, and a drunkard.'

i 21 And all the ^omen of his city shall stone
him with stones, that he die:

h so shalt thou ^oput evil away from among you;
and all Israel shall hear, and fear.

w (p. 267) 22 And if ¹⁵a man have committed a sin
worthy of death, and he be to be put to death,
and thou ^ohang him on ^oa tree:

23 His body shall not remain all night upon
the tree, but thou shalt in any wise bury him
that day; (for he that is hanged is ^oaccursed
of ¹God;) that thy ^oland be not defiled, which
¹the LORD thy ¹God giveth thee *for* an in-
heritance.

L² k (p. 268) 22 Thou shalt ^onot see thy brother's ox
or his sheep go astray, and hide thy-
self from them: thou shalt in any case bring
them again unto thy brother.

2 And if thy brother be not nigh unto thee,
or if thou know him not, then thou shalt bring
it unto thine own house, and it shall be with
thee until thy brother seek after it, and thou
shalt restore it to him again.

3 In like manner shalt thou do with his ass;
and so shalt thou do with his raiment; and
with all lost thing of thy brother's, which he
hath lost, and thou hast found, shalt thou do
likewise: thou mayest not hide thyself.

4 Thou shalt ¹not see thy brother's ass or
his ox fall down by the way, and hide thyself
from them: thou shalt surely ^ohelp him to
lift *them* up again.

l 5 The woman shall not wear ^othat which
pertaineth unto a ^oman, neither shall a man
put on a ^owoman's garment: for all that do
so *are* abomination unto ^othe LORD thy ^oGod.

h 6 If a bird's nest chance to be before thee in
the way in any tree, or on the ground, *whether*
they be young ones, or eggs, and the dam
sitting upon the young, or upon the eggs,
thou shalt not take the dam with the ^oyoung:

7 *But* thou shalt in any wise let the dam go,
and take the young to thee; that it may be
well with thee, and *that* thou mayest prolong
thy days.

l 8 When thou buildest a new house, then
thou shalt make a ^obattlement for thy roof,
that thou bring not blood upon thine house,
if any man fall from thence.

K¹ (p. 266) 9 Thou shalt not sow thy vineyard with
^odivers seeds: lest the fruit of thy seed which

17 he. Cp Gen. 49. 3.
strength. Heb. 'āvōn. Homonym = strength, here
and Gen. 49. 3 and Job 31. 25 (A.V. "wealth");
but -suffering, &c., in Gen. 35. 18 (marg.). Deut. 26. 14,
and Hos. 9. 4.

his. Some codices, with Sam., Onk., Sept., Syr., and
Vulg., read "his therefore".

21. 18-21 (y³, p. 267). REBELLIOUS SON. (Introversion.)

y³ h | 18. Evil case.

i | 19, 20. Prosecution.

i | 21-. Penalty.

h | -21. Evil put away.

18 stubborn = rebellious.

rebellious = refractory.

19 the gate: i. e. the place of judgment.

20 glutton, &c. Cp. Matt. 11. 19.

21 men. Heb. pl. of 'ish, or 'endsh. Ap. 14.

22 hang - hang up: i. e. after putting to death, not
to put to death by hanging.

a tree - timber: i. e. a wooden stake. Cp. Josh. 8. 29;
10. 26, 27. Gal. 3. 13.

23 accursed = a curse. Cp. Num. 25. 4. 2 Sam. 21. 6.
land - soil. Heb. 'ādāmāh.

22. 1-8 (L², p. 267). PROPERTY. (Alternation.)

L² k | 1-4. Lost. (Animals, astray.)

i | 5. Dress.

k | 6, 7. Found. (Birds.)

i | 8. Dwellings.

1 not see. Cp. Ex. 23. 4, 5.

4 help. See note on Ex. 23. 5.

5 that which: i. e. any article of ornament or apparel.
man - *geber*. See Ap. 14. III.
woman's garment. Generally red, and eschewed by
men.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

6 young. A special various reading called *Sevir* (Ap.
34) reads "their laying nest": i. e. before all the eggs
are laid.

8 battlement: i. e. a low wall about three feet high
running round the flat roof.

9 divers = two kinds. Cp. Lev. 19. 19.

10 ox and an ass. One clean, the other unclean;
one tall, the other short, therefore cruel under the
same yoke.

22. 11-23. 25 (J², p. 267). PERSONS. (Repeated Alternation.)

J² m¹ | 22. 11, 12. Men.

n¹ | 22. 13-30. Women.

m² | 23. 1-16. Men.

n² | 23. 17, 18. Women.

m³ | 23. 19-23. Men.

11 woollen and linen. One animal, the other
vegetable. Linen used of Divine righteousness (Rev.
19. 8), and not to be mixed with animal or fleshly
labour.

12 fringes = twisted cords. In Matt. 23. 5 the Greek
is *craspeda*, because hanging like locks of hair. Not the
same as Num. 15. 38, which was ordained to distinguish
Israel from the nations.
quarters. Heb. "wings".

thou hast sown, and the fruit of thy vineyard,
be defiled.

10 Thou shalt not plow with an ^oox and an
ass together.

11 Thou shalt not wear a garment of ^odivers
sorts, as of ^owoollen and linen together.

12 Thou shalt make thee ^ofringes upon the
four ^oquarters of thy vesture, wherewith thou
coverest *thyself*.

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13 If any °man take a wife, and go in unto her, and hate her,

14 And give occasions of speech against her, and bring up an evil name upon her, and say, 'I took this woman, and when I came to her, I found her not a maid:'

15 Then shall the father of the damsel, and her mother, take and bring forth *the tokens of the damsel's °virginity* unto the elders of the city in the gate:

16 And the damsel's father shall say unto the elders, 'I gave my daughter unto this man to wife, and he hateth her;

17 And, °lo, *he* hath given occasions of speech °against her, saying, 'I found not thy daughter a maid;' and yet these *are the tokens of my daughter's* ¹⁵virginity.' And they shall spread the cloth before the elders of the city.

18 And the elders of that city shall take that man and chastise him;

19 And they shall °amerce him in an hundred *shekels* of silver, and give *them* unto the father of the damsel, because he hath brought up an evil name upon a virgin of Israel: and she shall be his wife; he may not put her away all his days.

20 But if this thing be true, *and the tokens of* ¹⁵virginity be not found for the damsel:

21 Then they shall bring out the damsel to the °door of her father's house, and the °men of her city shall stone her with stones that she die: because she hath wrought folly in Israel, to play the whore in her father's house: so shalt thou °put evil away from among you.

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22 If a man be found lying with a woman married to an husband, then they shall both of them die, *both* the man that lay with the woman, and the woman: so shalt thou ²¹put away evil from Israel.

23 If a damsel *that is* a virgin be °betrothed unto an husband, and a man find her in the city, and lie with her;

24 Then ye shall bring them both out unto the gate of that city, and ye shall stone them with stones that they die; the damsel, because she cried not, *being* in the city; and the man, because he hath humbled his neighbour's °wife: so thou shalt ²¹put away evil from among you.

25 But if a ¹³man find a betrothed damsel in the field, and the man force her, and lie with her: then the man only that lay with her shall die:

26 But unto the damsel thou shalt do nothing; *there is* in the damsel no sin *worthy* of death: for °as when a man riseth against his neighbour, and slayeth °him, even so *is* this matter:

27 For he found her in the field, *and the betrothed damsel cried, and there was none to save her.*

28 If a ¹³man find a damsel *that is* a virgin, which is not betrothed, and lay hold on her, and lie with her, and they be found;

29 Then the ²⁵man that lay with her shall give unto the damsel's father fifty *shekels* of silver, and she shall be his wife; because he hath humbled her, he may not put her away all his days.

22. 13-30 (n¹, p. 268). WOMEN. (Division.)

n¹ | o¹ | 13-21. Wives.

| o² | 22-30. Violations.

13 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

15 virginity. The Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6. explained by these words, "the tokens of".

17 lo. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

against her. These words are not in Heb. text, but are contained in some codices, with Sam., Sept., Syr. and Vulg.

19 amerce him = fine him. Old English.

21 door = entrance.

men. Heb. pl. of 'ish, or 'enosh. Ap. 14.

put evil away. See note on 13. 5.

23 betrothed. This, taken with "wife" (v. 24) explains Matt. 1. 19, 20.

24 wife. See note on v. 23, above.

26 as = according as.

him = his soul. Heb. *nephesh* (Ap. 13).

30 skirt. Put by Fig. *Euphemy* (Ap. 6), for nakedness. Cp. Lev. 18. 7, 8; 20. 11.

23. 1-16 (m², p. 246). MEN. (Enumeration.)

m² | p¹ | 1-8. Congregation (exclusions).

| p² | 9-14. Camp (cleanness).

| p³ | 15, 16. Home (slave).

1 congregation = assembly.

the LORD = Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

3 Moabite. Heb. masc. Therefore not excluding Ruth the Moabitess. Matt. 1. 5. Cp. Ruth 1. 14-16.

4 they hired. Cp. Num. 22. 5. Jude 11. Neh. 13. 1, 2.

Mesopotamia. Heb. = Aram-Naharaim, i. e. "Syria of the two rivers".

5 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

7 Thou. Some codices, with Sam., Onk., Syr., Vulg., read "But thou".

thy brother. The posterity of Esau. Gen. 25. 25-30. Obad. 10, 12. Num. 20. 14.

30 A ²⁵man shall not take his father's wife, nor discover his father's °skirt.

23 He that is wounded in the stones, or hath his privy member cut off, shall not enter into the °congregation of °the LORD.

2 A bastard shall not enter into the congregation of °the LORD; even to his tenth generation shall he not enter into the °congregation of °the LORD.

3 An Ammonite or °Moabite shall not enter into the congregation of °the LORD; even to their tenth generation shall they not enter into the °congregation of °the LORD for ever:

4 Because they met you not with bread and with water in the way, when ye came forth out of Egypt; and because °they hired against thee Balaam the son of Beor of Pethor of °Mesopotamia, to curse thee.

5 Nevertheless °the LORD thy °God would not hearken unto Balaam; but °the LORD thy °God turned the curse into a blessing unto thee, because °the LORD thy °God loved thee.

6 Thou shalt not seek their peace nor their prosperity all thy days for ever.

7 °Thou shalt not abhor an Edomite; for he is °thy brother: thou shalt not abhor an Egyptian; because thou wast a stranger in his land.

8 The children that are begotten of them

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1452 °shall enter into the ¹congregation of ¹the LORD in their third generation.

p² (p. 269) 9 When the host goeth forth against thine enemies, then keep thee from every wicked thing.

10 If there be among you any °man, that is not clean by reason of uncleanness that chanceth him by night, then shall he go abroad out of the camp, he shall not come within the camp:

11 But it shall be, when evening cometh on, he shall °wash himself with water: and when the sun is down, he shall come into the camp again.

12 Thou shalt have a place also without the camp, whither thou shalt go forth abroad:

13 And thou shalt have a °paddle upon thy °weapon; and it shall be, when thou °wilt ease thyself abroad, thou shalt dig therewith, and shalt turn back and cover that which cometh from thee:

14 For ¹the LORD thy °God °walketh in the midst of thy camp, to deliver thee, and to give up thine enemies before thee; therefore shall thy °camp be °holy: that He see no unclean thing in thee, and turn away from thee.

p³ 15 Thou shalt not deliver unto his master the servant which is escaped from his master unto thee:

16 He shall dwell with thee, *even* among you, in that place which he shall choose in one of thy gates, where it liketh him best: thou shalt not oppress him.

n² a (p. 270) 17 There shall be no °whore of the daughters of Israel,

b nor a °sodomite of the sons of Israel.

a 18 Thou shalt not bring the hire of a °whore, b or the price of a °dog, into the house of ¹the LORD thy °God for any vow: for even both these are abomination unto ¹the LORD thy °God.

m³ q¹ 19 Thou shalt not lend upon °usury to thy brother; usury of money, usury of victuals, usury of any thing that is lent upon usury:

20 Unto a stranger thou mayest lend upon usury; but unto thy brother thou shalt not lend upon usury: that ¹the LORD thy °God may bless thee in all that thou settest thine hand to in the land whither thou goest to possess it.

q² 21 When thou shalt °vow a vow unto ¹the LORD thy °God, thou shalt not slack to pay it: for ¹the LORD thy °God will surely require it of thee; and it would be °sin in thee.

22 But if thou shalt forbear to vow, it shall be no ²¹sin in thee.

23 That which is gone out of thy lips thou shalt keep and perform; *even* a freewill offering, according as thou hast vowed unto ¹the LORD thy °God, which thou hast promised with thy mouth.

K² r s 24 When thou comest into thy neighbour's vineyard,

t then thou mayest eat grapes thy fill °at thine own pleasure;

u but thou shalt not put *any* in thy vessel.

8 shall enter into the congregation, &c. The Massorah (Ap. 30) quotes the Babylonian Codex, which reads "shall enter unto you in the assembly of Jehovah", by reading *lakem*, "unto you," instead of the second *lakem* which the R.V. ignores, and the A.V. paraphrases. The present Heb. text reads "shall enter unto them", which can only mean unto the Edomite and Egyptian, which is incongruous. The reading of the Babylonian Codex makes all clear.

9 wicked. See Ap 44 viii

10 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

11 wash himself with water. See note on Lev. 14. 9.

13 paddle = blade. weapon = staff.

wilt ease. Heb. sit down. Beautiful *Euphemy* (Ap. 6), when dealing with physical uncleanness, but plain speaking when dealing with moral uncleanness.

14 walketh. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. Cp. Gen. 3. 8. Lev. 26. 12.

camp. Some codices, with Sam., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "camps".

holy = separated. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

23. 17, 18 (n², p. 268). WOMEN.

n² a | 17-. Whore (*K'deshah*).

b | -17. Sodomite.

a | 18-. Whore (*Zonah*).

b | -18. Dog.

17 whore = sodomitess. Heb. means one consecrated as such in connection with heathen worship. Hence her name *k'deshah*, a separated one. Cp. 1 Kings 14. 24; 15. 12; 22. 46. Job 36. 14 ("unclean" = temple women). Hos. 4. 14. The Laws of Khammurabi refer to these (§§ 181, 187, 192).

sodomite. First occurrence. See above note.

18 whore = a prostitute. Heb. *zonah*, different from v. 17.

dog. Heb. *keleb*; but here, probably = *priest* (of the above orgies), same as Arabic *kaleb*.

19-23 (m³, p. 268). MEN (*Division*).

m³ | q¹ | 19, 20. Usury.

| q² | 21-23. Vows.

19 usury. Cp. Ex. 22. 25. Lev. 25. 35-37.

21 vow a vow. Fig. *Polyptoton* (Ap. 6) - make a solemn vow. Cp. Num. 30. 2.

sin. See Ap 44. i.

23. 24, 25 (K², p. 266). VINEYARDS AND CORNFIELDS (*Extended Alternation*).

K ²	r	s	24-. Vineyard	} Vineyard.
	t	-24-. Permission		
	u	-24. Prohibition		
	r	s	25-. Cornfields	} Cornfields.
	t	-25-. Permission		
	u	-25. Prohibition		

24 at thine own pleasure = as thy soul [desireth]. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

25 standing corn. Cp. Matt. 12. 1.

24. 1 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II. Cp. Matt. 5. 31; 19. 7, 8.

write. See note on Ex. 17. 14 and Ap. 47. Cp. Matt. 5. 31.

25 When thou comest into the °standing corn of thy neighbour,

then thou mayest pluck the ears with thine hand;

but thou shalt not move a sickle unto thy neighbour's standing corn.

24 When a °man hath taken a wife, and married her, and it come to pass that she find no favour in his eyes, because he hath found some uncleanness in her: then let him °write her a bill of divorcement, and give it in her hand, and send her out of his house.

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2 And when she is departed out of his house, she may go and be another man's wife.

3 And if the latter husband hate her, and write her a bill of divorcement, and giveth it in her hand, and sendeth her out of his house; or if the latter husband die, which took her to be his wife;

4 Her former husband, which sent her away, may not take her again to be his wife, after that she is defiled; for that is abomination before the LORD: and thou shalt not cause the land to sin, which the LORD thy God giveth thee for an inheritance.

w¹ (p. 271) 5 When a man hath taken a new wife, he shall not go out to war, neither shall he be charged with any business: but he shall be free at home one year, and shall cheer up his wife which he hath taken.

x¹ 6 No man shall take the nether or the upper millstone to pledge: for he taketh a man's life to pledge.

M² v² 7 If a man be found stealing any of his brethren of the children of Israel, and maketh merchandise of him, or selleth him; then that thief shall die; and thou shalt put evil away from among you.

w² 8 Take heed in the plague of leprosy, that thou observe diligently, and do according to all that the priests the Levites shall teach you: as I commanded them, so ye shall observe to do.

9 Remember what the LORD thy God did unto Miriam by the way, after that ye were come forth out of Egypt.

x² 10 When thou dost lend thy brother any thing, thou shalt not go into his house to fetch his pledge.

11 Thou shalt stand abroad, and the man to whom thou dost lend shall bring out the pledge abroad unto thee.

12 And if the man be poor, thou shalt not sleep with his pledge:

13 In any case thou shalt deliver him the pledge again when the sun goeth down, that he may sleep in his own raiment, and bless thee: and it shall be righteousness unto thee before the LORD thy God.

M³ v³ 14 Thou shalt not oppress an hired servant that is poor and needy, whether he be of thy brethren, or of thy strangers that are in thy land within thy gates:

15 At his day thou shalt give him his hire, neither shall the sun go down upon it; for he is poor, and setteth his heart upon it: lest he cry against thee unto the LORD, and it be sin unto thee.

w³ 16 The fathers shall not be put to death for the children, neither shall the children be put to death for the fathers: every man shall be put to death for his own sin.

x³ 17 Thou shalt not pervert the judgment of the stranger, nor of the fatherless; nor take a widow's raiment to pledge:

18 But thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in Egypt, and the LORD thy God redeemed thee thence: therefore I command thee to do this thing.

24. 1-18 (J³, p. 244). PERSONS. (Extended and Repeated Alternations.)

J ³	M ¹	v ¹	1-4. Divorce. w ¹ 5. Remarriage. x ¹ 6. Pledge.
	M ²	v ²	7. Slavery. w ² 8, 9. Leprosy. x ² 10-13. Pledge.
	M ³	v ³	14, 15. Service. w ³ 16. Punishments. x ³ 17, 18. Pledge.

4 may not take her again. Cp. Jer. 3. 1. Isa. 50. 1. sin. See Ap. 44. i.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

5 When, &c. Cp. 20. 7.

6 millstone. Hand-mills found in every house. Corn ground daily.

pledge. Heb. *kabal* = something tied up with a cord, hence the term bond (= bound); cp. Ex. 22. 26: transferred to the person so bound. Cp. v. 10-13.

life = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

7 any = a soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. Cp. Ex. 21. 16. him. A special various reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 34), reads "her", fem. to agree with *nephesh*; or else a female in contrast with the "him" in next sentence. put evil away. See note on 13. 5.

8 as = according as. But a special various reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 34) reads "which", or "for that".

9 Miriam. Cp. Num. 12. 10.

10 lend. Cp. Ex. 22. 25-27.

brother = neighbour.

pledge. Heb. *abot*. = a security. Not the same word in vv. 10, 11, 12, 13 as in vv. 6 and 17.

13 raiment = the mantle given to this day; not only for debt, but as a token that a business promise will be kept.

14 oppress = defraud. Cp. Lev. 19. 13.

15 the sun go down. Cp. Jas. 5. 4.

and setteth = and he lifteth up.

his heart = his soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

16 for the children. This is Jehovah's law for man. His own right of judgment remains. Cp. 2 Kings 14. 6. 2 Chron. 25. 4.

17 fatherless. Some codices, with Jon. and Sept., read "or the widow".

pledge. Not Heb. *abot* as v. 10-13, but *kabal*, as in v. 6.

18 in Egypt. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Onk., and Sept., read "in the land of Egypt". as in v. 22.

19-22 (K³, p. 244). HARVESTS. (Extended and Repeated Alternations.)

K ³	N ¹	y ¹	19-. Harvest. Wheat. z ¹ 19-. Prohibition. a ¹ 19. Reason.
	N ²	y ²	20-. Harvest. Olives. z ² 20-. Prohibition. a ² 20. Reason.
	N ³	y ³	21-. Harvest. Grapes. z ³ 21-. Prohibition. a ³ 21. Reason.

19 harvest, put for "corn" by Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct). See Ap. 6.

stranger... fatherless... widow. Not the tramp, or ne'er-do-well, or the drunkard. And in kind, not money.

19 When thou cuttest down thine harvest in thy field, and hast forgot a sheaf in the field, thou shalt not go again to fetch it: it shall be for the stranger, for the fatherless, and for the widow:

that the LORD thy God may bless thee in all the work of thine hands.

K³ N¹ y¹z¹a¹

y² 20 When thou beatest thine olive tree,
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z²
a² it shall be for the ¹⁹stranger, for the fatherless, and for the widow.
y³ 21 When thou gatherest the grapes of thy vineyard,
z³ thou shalt not glean *it* afterward:
a³ it shall be for the ¹⁹stranger, for the fatherless, and for the widow.
22 And thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in the land of Egypt: therefore I command thee to do this thing.

J¹ 25 If there be a controversy between °men,
(p. 266) and they come unto judgment, that *the judges* may judge them; then they °shall justify the righteous, and condemn the °wicked.
2 And it shall be, if the wicked man be worthy to be beaten, that the judge shall cause him to lie down, and to be beaten before his face, according to his fault, by a certain number.
3 °Forty stripes he may give him, *and* not exceed: lest, *if* he should exceed, and beat him above these with many stripes, then thy brother should seem °vile unto thee.

K¹ 4 Thou shalt °not muzzle the ox when he treadeth out *the* corn.

b O¹ d¹ 5 °If brethren dwell together, and one of
(p. 272) them die, and have no child,
e¹ the wife of the dead shall not marry without unto a °stranger: her husband's brother shall go in unto her, and take her to him to wife, and perform the duty of an husband's brother unto her.

f¹ 6 And it shall be, *that* the firstborn which she beareth shall succeed in the name of his brother *which is* dead, that his name be not °put out of Israel.

O² d² 7 And if the °man like not to take his brother's wife,

e² then let his brother's wife go up to the gate unto the elders, and say, 'My husband's brother refuseth to raise up unto his brother a name in Israel, he will not perform the duty of my husband's brother.'

f² 8 Then the elders of his city shall call him, and speak unto him:

O³ d³ and *if* he stand *to it*, and say, 'I like not to take her;'

e³ 9 Then shall his brother's wife come unto him °in the presence of the elders, and °loose his °shoe from off his foot, and spit in his face, and shall answer and say, 'So shall it be done unto that man that will not build up his brother's house.'

f³ 10 And his name shall be called in Israel, The house of him that hath his shoe loosed.

c 11 When ¹men strive together one with another, and the wife of the one draweth near for to deliver her husband out of the hand of him that smiteth him, and putteth forth her hand, and taketh him by the secrets:

25. 1-3 (J⁴, see p. 266). PERSONS.

1 men. Heb. pl. of 'ish, or 'endosh. Ap. 14. shall justify. Cp. 16. 18; 17. 8. Ex. 23. 7. Prov. 17. 16.

wicked. Heb. rāsh'a. See Ap. 44. x.

3 Forty stripes. To ensure obedience to this law, tradition made the stripes 39, and gave three strokes with a thong of thirteen cords. Cp. 2 Cor. 11. 24. vile = mean, or lightly esteemed.

4 (K⁴, p. 266). THRESHING.

4 not muzzle. Animals generally muzzled in the East. Cp. 1 Cor. 9. 9. 1 Tim. 5. 18.

5-16 (J⁵, p. 266). PERSONS AND PROPERTY.
(Introversion.)

J⁵ | b | 5-10. Injustice *re* Seed.
| c | 11, 12. Unfairness *re* Striving.
| b | 13-16. Injustice *re* Dealing.

5-10 (b, above). INJUSTICE *re* SEED.
(Repeated and Extended Alternation.)

b O¹ | d¹ | 5-. Case. Refusal.
| e¹ | -5. Command.
| f¹ | 6. Result. Succession.
O² | d² | 7-. Case. Refusal.
| e² | -7. Declaration.
| f² | 8-. Result. Remonstrance.
O³ | d³ | 8. Case. Persistence.
| e³ | 9. Action.
| f³ | 10. Result. Stigma.

5 If brethren, &c. Cp. Gen. 38. 8. Ruth 4. 5, &c. Matt. 22. 24. Mark 12. 19. Luke 20. 28. stranger = foreigner.

6 put out = blotted out.

7 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II. Cp. Ruth 3. 12, 13; 4. 5, 6.

9 in the presence, &c. Ruth 4. 11.

loose his shoe. Cp. Ruth 4. 7, 8.

shoe = sandal.

13 divers weights. Heb. a stone and a stone. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), for any weight. Ap. 6.

14 divers measures. Heb. an ephah and an ephah. Cp. Lev. 19. 35, 36. Prov. 11. 1; 20. 10. See Ap. 51. III. 3.

15 in the land - on the soil or ground.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4.

17 Remember. Cp. Ex. 17. 8-16. An event ordered to be written down.

Amalek. Name of a man, put for his posterity, by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6.

12 Then thou shalt cut off her hand, thine eye shall not pity *her*.

13 Thou shalt not have in thy bag °divers weights, a great and a small.

14 Thou shalt not have in thine house °divers measures, a great and a small.

15 *But* thou shalt have a perfect and just weight, a perfect and just measure shalt thou have: that thy days may be lengthened °in the land which °the LORD thy ¹⁵God giveth thee.

16 For all that do such things, *and* all that do unrighteously, *are* an abomination unto ¹⁵the LORD thy God.

17 °Remember what °Amalek did unto thee by the way, when ye were come forth out of Egypt;

18 How he met thee by the way, and smote the hindmost of thee, *even* all *that were* feeble behind thee, when thou wast faint and weary; and he feared not ¹⁵God.

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19 Therefore it shall be, when ¹⁵ the LORD thy ¹⁵ God hath given thee rest from all thine enemies round about, in the land which ¹⁵ the LORD thy ¹⁵ God giveth thee for an inheritance to possess it, *that* thou shalt ° blot out the ° remembrance of ° Amalek from under heaven; thou shalt not forget *it*.

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26 And it shall be, when thou *art* come in unto the ° land which ° the LORD ° thy God giveth thee for an inheritance, and possessest it, and dwellest therein;

h 2 That thou shalt take of the first of all the fruit of the ° earth, which thou shalt bring of thy land that ¹ the LORD thy ¹ God giveth thee, and shalt put *it* in a ° basket, and shalt go unto the place which ¹ the LORD thy ¹ God shall choose ° to place His name there.

3 And thou shalt go unto the priest that shall be in those days, and say unto him, 'I ° profess ° this day unto ¹ the LORD thy ¹ God, that I am come unto the country which ¹ the LORD sware unto our fathers for to give us.'

4 And the priest shall take the ² basket out of thine hand, and set it down before the altar of ¹ the LORD thy ¹ God.

5 And thou shalt ° speak and say before ¹ the LORD thy ¹ God,

R i 'A ° Syrian ° ready to perish *was* my father, and he went down into Egypt, and sojourned there with a few, and became there a nation, great, ° mighty, and populous:

k 6 And the Egyptians evil entreated ^{us}, and afflicted us, and laid upon us hard bondage:

l 7 And when ° we cried unto ¹ the LORD ¹ God of our fathers,

l ¹ the LORD heard our voice, and looked on our affliction, and our labour, and our oppression:

k 8 And ¹ the LORD brought us forth out of Egypt with a mighty hand, and with an outstretched arm, and with great terribleness, and with signs, and with wonders:

i 9 And He hath brought us into this place, and hath given us this land, *even* a land that floweth with milk and honey.

h 10 And now, ° behold, I have brought the firstfruits of the ° land, which Thou, O ¹ LORD, hast given me.' And thou shalt set it before ¹ the LORD thy ¹ God, and worship before ¹ the LORD thy ¹ God:

g 11 And thou shalt rejoice in every good *thing* which ¹ the LORD thy ¹ God hath given unto thee, and unto thine house, *thou*, and the Levite, and the stranger that *is* among you.

P² m 12 When thou hast made an end of ° tithing all the tithes of thine increase the third year *which is* the year of tithing,

n and hast given *it* unto the Levite, the stranger, the fatherless, and the widow, that they may eat within thy gates, and be filled;

13 Then thou shalt say before ¹ the LORD thy ¹ God, 'I have brought away the ° hallowed things out of *mine* house, and also have given them unto the Levite, and unto the stranger, to the fatherless, and to the widow, according to all Thy commandments which Thou hast

19 blot out. Fulfilled in the time of Esther in 482 B.C. See Ap. 50. vii. 5.

remembrance. Heb. *zekar*, not *zakar*, males; as Joab seems to have understood it in 1 Kings 11. 15, 16. Amalek. Cp. 1 Sam. 15. 2, 3. Num. 24. 20.

26. 1-15 (S³, p. 255). LAWS: ECCLESIASTICAL. (Division.)

S³ | P¹ | 1-11. Basket of firstfruits.
| P² | 12-15. Tithes.

1-11 (P¹, above). BASKET OF FIRSTFRUITS. (Introversions.)

P¹ | Q | g | 1. Inheritance possessed.
| h | 2-5-. Command.
| R | i | -5. Unworthiness of grace.
| k | 6. Egypt. Bondage.
| l | 7-. Cry made.
| R | l | -7. Cry heard.
| k | 8. Egypt. Deliverance.
| i | 9. Grace for the unworthy.
| Q | h | 10. Obedience.
| g | 11. Inheritance enjoyed.

1 land. Heb. *'ereṣ* = Canaan. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. thy God = thy Elohim. Ap. 4. I. This was omitted in A.V. of 1611.

2 earth. Heb. = ground or soil, *'ādāmāh*, as in Ex. 23. 19; 34. 26. Lev. 2. 12; 23. 10. Num. 15. 20, 21. Deut. 18. 4. Prov. 3. 9, 10.

basket. Heb. *men'e* (woven), only here and 28. 5, 17. to place = to cause to dwell.

3 profess = declare.

this day. See note on 4. 26.

5 speak and say. Note the idiom, generally rendered "answer and say", where the first verb must always be rendered according to the context. Here "confess and say".

Syrian = an Aramaean: *i.e.* Jacob.

ready to perish = perishing. Gen. 42. 1, 2.

mighty. Some codices, with Sam., Onk., Jon., and Sept., read "and mighty". Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), thus produced.

7 we cried. See Ex. 2. 23-25; 3. 7, &c. Ps. 107. 6, and cp. Josh. 24. 7. Judg. 4. 3; 10. 12. 2 Chron. 13. 14. Neh. 9. 27 and Ps. 107. 8, 28.

10 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

land. Heb. *'ādāmāh* = ground or soil, as in references on "earth" in v. 2.

12-15 (P², above). TITHES (Introversion).

P² | m | 12-. Tithes gathered.
| n | -12, 13. Duly appropriated (positive).
| n | 14. Duly appropriated (negative).
| m | 15. Prayer offered.

12 tithing all the tithes. Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6) = carefully and completely tithed thy increase. Cp. 14. 28, 29.

13 hallowed = holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

transgressed = passed over. Heb. *'ābar*. Ap. 44. vii.

14 mourning. Heb. *'āvōn*, a Homonym: here = suffering, or sorrow (as in Gen. 35. 18 (marg.), and Hos. 9. 4), but = might in Gen. 49. 3. Deut. 21. 17. Job 31. 25. for the dead. Probably = defilement for touching a dead body.

15 holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

commanded me: I have not ° transgressed Thy commandments, neither have I forgotten *them*:

14 I have not eaten thereof in my ° mourning, neither have I taken away *ought* thereof ° for any unclean use, nor given *ought* thereof ° for the dead: *but* I have hearkened to the voice of ¹ the LORD my ¹ God, and have done according to all that Thou hast commanded me.

15 Look down from Thy ° holy habitation, from heaven, and bless Thy people Israel, and

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the ¹⁰land which Thou hast given us, ° as Thou swarest unto our fathers, a ¹land that floweth with milk and honey.

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¹⁶ This day ¹the LORD thy ¹God hath commanded thee to do these ° statutes and judgments: thou shalt therefore keep and do them with all thine heart, and with all thy ° soul.

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¹⁷ Thou hast ° avouched ¹the LORD ³this day to be thy ¹God, ° and to walk in His ways, and to keep His ¹⁶statutes, and His commandments, and His ¹⁶judgments, and to hearken unto His voice:

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¹⁸ And ¹the LORD hath avouched thee ³this day to be His ° peculiar people, as He hath promised thee, and that thou shouldest keep all His commandments;

¹⁹ And to make thee high above all nations which He hath made, in praise, and in name, and in honour;

o

and that thou mayest be an ¹⁵holy people unto ¹the LORD thy ¹God, ° as He hath spoken."

u q

²⁷ ° And Moses with the elders of Israel commanded the people, saying, "Keep all the commandments which ³command you ° this day.

r s

² And it shall be ° on the day when ye shall pass over Jordan unto the land which ° the LORD thy ° God giveth thee,

t

that thou shalt set thee up great ° stones, and plaister them with ° plaister:

³ And thou shalt ° write upon them all the words of ° this law, when thou art passed over, that thou mayest go in unto the land which ²the LORD thy ²God giveth thee, a land that floweth with milk and honey; ° as ²the LORD ²God of thy fathers hath promised thee.

r s

⁴ Therefore it shall be when ye be gone over Jordan,

t

that ye shall set up these ²stones, which ³command you ¹this day, ° in mount Ebal, and thou shalt plaister them with ° plaister.

⁵ And there shalt thou build an altar unto ²the LORD thy ²God, an altar of ²stones: thou shalt not lift up any ° iron tool upon them.

⁶ Thou shalt build the altar of ²the LORD thy ²God of whole stones: and thou shalt offer burnt offerings thereon unto ²the LORD thy ²God:

⁷ And thou shalt offer peace offerings, and shalt eat there, and rejoice before ²the LORD thy ²God.

⁸ And thou shalt ³write upon the stones all the words of this law ° very plainly."

g

⁹ And Moses and the priests the Levites spake unto all Israel, saying, ° "Take heed, and hearken, O Israel; ¹this day thou art become the people of ²the LORD thy ²God.

¹⁰ Thou shalt therefore obey the voice of ²the LORD thy ²God, and do His ° commandments and His statutes, which ³command thee ¹this day."

d S¹ u

¹¹ And Moses charged the people the same day, saying,

¹⁵ as = according as.

a land. Heb. 'erez, the land of Canaan.

26. 16-19 (R, t, p. 265). THESE STATUTES. (Introversion.)

t

o | ¹⁶. Command.

p | ¹⁷. Jehovah avouched by people.

p | ¹⁸, ¹⁹-. People avouched by Jehovah.

o | ¹⁹. Purpose.

¹⁶ statutes and judgments. See note on 4. 1. soul. Heb. *nepesh*. Ap. 13.

¹⁷ avouched = avowed.

and. Note Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in vv. 17-19.

¹⁸ peculiar = as a treasure. Cp. 7. 6, and see note on Ex. 19. 5.

¹⁹ as = according as. This is the end of the fourth address. See note on 1. 1.

27. 1-10 (R, u, p. 255). SACRED PLACES. (Introversion and Alternation.)

u

q | 1. Command.

r | s | ²-. Passage of Jordan.

t | ², ³. Sacred stones.

r | s | ⁴-. Passage of Jordan.

t | ⁴-⁸. Sacred stones.

q | ⁹, ¹⁰. Command.

¹ And Moses. This is the beginning of the fifth address. See note on 1. 1.

this day. See note on 4. 26.

² on the day = in the day, or, when. See Ap. 18.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

stones: i.e. rough and unhewn. Cp. Ex. 20. 25.

plaister = gypsum. A hard white cement.

³ write. See note on Ex. 17. 14. Cp. Josh. 8. 30-32.

this law: i.e. which follows, viz. the blessings and curses.

as = according as.

⁴ in mount Ebal. The stones, therefore, carried thither from Jordan. Ebal = heaps.

⁵ iron. Probably a technical name for a chisel, as we now associate it with a laundry or a prison.

⁸ very plainly. A useful hint for us = plainly and well.

⁹ Take heed = keep silence, or, take note.

¹⁰ commandments. In Hebrew text written singular, but read plural, as here.

27. 11-26 (d, p. 236). GERIZIM AND EBAL. (Division.)

d

S¹ | ¹¹-¹³. Arrangement of tribes.

S² | ¹⁴-²⁶. Curses.

11-13 (S¹, above). ARRANGEMENT OF TRIBES. (Alternation.)

S¹

u | ¹¹, ¹²-. On Gerizim to bless.

v | ¹²-. Tribes detailed.

u | ¹³-. On Ebal to curse.

v | ¹³-. Tribes detailed.

¹² Simeon. For order of tribes see Ap. 45.

¹² "These shall stand upon mount Gerizim to bless the people, when ye are come over Jordan;

° Simeon, and Levi, and Judah, and Issachar, and Joseph, and Benjamin:

¹³ And these shall stand upon mount Ebal to curse;

Reuben, Gad, and Asher, and Zebulun, Dan, and Naphtali.

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14 And the Levites shall °speak, and say unto all the °men of Israel with a loud voice, 15 °Cursed be the man that maketh °any graven or molten image, an abomination unto °the LORD, the work of the hands of the craftsman, and putteth it in a secret place. And all the people shall answer and say, °Amen.

16 °Cursed be he that °setteth light by his father or his mother. And all the people shall say, °Amen.

17 °Cursed be he that °removeth his neighbour's landmark. And all the people shall say, °Amen.

18 °Cursed be he that maketh °the blind to wander out of the way. And all the people shall say, °Amen.

19 °Cursed be he that perverteth the judgment of the °stranger, fatherless, and widow. And all the people shall say, °Amen.

20 °Cursed be he that °lieth with his father's wife; because he uncovereth his father's skirt. And all the people shall say, °Amen.

21 °Cursed be he that lieth with any manner of °beast. And all the people shall say, °Amen.

22 °Cursed be he that lieth with °his sister, the daughter of his father, or the daughter of his mother. And all the people shall say, °Amen.

23 °Cursed be he that lieth with his °mother in law. And all the people shall say, °Amen.

24 °Cursed be he that °smiteth his neighbour secretly. And all the people shall say, °Amen.

25 °Cursed be he that taketh °reward to slay an innocent °person. And all the people shall say, °Amen.

26 °Cursed be he that °confirmeth not °all the words of this law to do them. And all the people shall say, °Amen.

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28 And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of °the LORD thy °God, to observe °and to do all His commandments which 3 command thee °this day,

x that °the LORD thy °God will set thee on high °above all nations of the earth:

2 And all °these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee,

w if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of °the LORD thy °God.

x 3 °Blessed shalt thou be in the city, and blessed shalt thou be in the field.

4 Blessed shall be the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy ground, and the fruit of thy cattle, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep.

5 Blessed shall be thy °basket and thy °store.

6 Blessed shalt thou be when thou °comest in, and blessed shalt thou be when thou goest out.

7 °The LORD shall cause thine enemies that rise up against thee to be smitten before thy face: they shall come out against thee one way, and flee before thee seven ways.

8 °The LORD shall command the blessing

14 speak, and say. Note idiom, usually rendered in New Testament "answer and say". The first verb is to be rendered according to the context. Here = "curse and say".

men. Heb. pl. of 'ish or 'enosh. Ap. 13.

15 Cursed. Fig. *Anaphora*. See Ap. 6. "Cursed" twelve times.

any graven = a sculpture. Cp. 4. 23. Lev. 19. 4. Amen. Note the Fig. *Epistrophe* (see Ap. 6), each clause ending with the same word "Amen."

16 setteth light. Cp. Ex. 21. 17. Lev. 19. 3.

17 removeth. Cp. 19. 14.

18 the blind. Cp. Lev. 19. 14.

19 stranger = foreigner. These three put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species) for all kinds of afflicted. Ap. 6. Cp. 24. 17. Ex. 22. 21, 22. Jer. 22. 3.

20 lieth. Cp. 22. 30. Lev. 18. 3; 20. 11.

21 beast. Cp. Ex. 22. 19. Lev. 18. 23; 20. 15.

22 his sister. Cp. Lev. 18. 9; 20. 17.

23 mother in law. Cp. Lev. 18. 17; 20. 14.

24 smiteth. Cp. Ex. 21. 12.

25 reward = bribe. Cp. 10. 17; 16. 19. Ex. 23. 7, 8. Ps. 15. 5.

person = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

26 confirmeth not. Cp. 28. 1, 15. Jer. 11. 3-5. Gal. 3. 10.

all. Some codices, with Sam. and Sept., have this "all" in the text.

28. 1-68 (c, p. 238). BLESSINGS AND CURSES. (Division.)

c | T¹ | 1-14. Blessings.
| T² | 15-68. Curses.

1-14 (T¹, above). BLESSINGS (Alternation).

T¹ | w | 1-. Obedience.

x | -1, 2-. Blessings (general).

w | -2. Obedience.

x | 3-14. Blessings (particular).

1 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II. God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

and to do. No "and" in Hebrew text, but it is read in some codices with Sam., Jon., Sept., Syr., and Vulg. this day. See note on 4. 26.

above all nations. See 26. 19.

2 these blessings. Fig. *Hypotyposis*. Ap. 6.

3 Blessed. Fig. *Anaphora*. Ap. 6. "Blessed" six times. Cp. note on "Cursed", 27. 15.

5 basket. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject) for its contents. Ap. 6. Cp. 26. 2, 4.

store = kneading-troughs, put for the dough in them.

6 comest in. Cp. Ps. 121. 8.

8 storehouses = barns. Heb. 'asam. Occurs only here and Prov. 3. 10.

settest thine hand = lettest thine hand go forth. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause) for all that is wrought by it. Ap. 6.

hand. Some codices, with three early printed editions, Sam., Jon., Vulg., read "hands".

9 holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5. as = according as.

10 people = Peoples.

11 in goods = for good; or, in that which is good.

upon thee in thy °storehouses, and in all that thou °settest thine °hand unto; and He shall bless thee in the land which °the LORD thy °God giveth thee.

9 °The LORD shall establish thee an °holy people unto Himself, °as He hath sworn unto thee, if thou shalt keep the commandments of °the LORD thy °God, and walk in His ways.

10 And all °people of the earth shall see that thou art called by the name of °the LORD; and they shall be afraid of thee.

11 And °the LORD shall make thee plenteous °in goods, in the fruit of thy body, and in the

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fruit of thy cattle, and in the fruit of °thy ground, °in the land which °the LORD sware unto thy fathers to give thee.

12 °The LORD shall open unto thee His good treasure, the heaven to give the rain unto thy land in his °season, and to bless all the work of thine °hand: and thou shalt °lend unto many nations, and thou shalt not borrow.

13 And °the LORD shall make thee °the head, and not the tail; and thou shalt be °above only, and thou shalt not be beneath; if that thou hearken unto the commandments of °the LORD thy °God, which °I command thee °this day, to observe and to do *them*:

14 And thou shalt not °go aside from any of the words which °I command thee °this day, to the right hand, or to the left, to go after other gods to serve them.

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15 But it shall come to pass, if thou wilt not hearken unto the voice of °the LORD thy °God, to observe to do all His commandments and His °statutes which °I command thee °this day;

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that all °these curses shall come upon thee, and overtake thee:

16 Cursed shalt thou be in the city, and cursed shalt thou be in the field.

17 Cursed shall be thy °basket and thy °store.

18 Cursed shall be the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy land, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep.

19 Cursed shalt thou be when thou comest in, and cursed shalt thou be when thou goest out.

20 °The LORD shall send upon thee cursing, vexation, and rebuke, in all that thou settest thine hand unto for to do, until thou be destroyed, and until thou perish quickly; because of the °wickedness of thy doings, whereby thou hast forsaken Me.

21 °The LORD shall make the °pestilence cleave unto thee, until He have consumed thee from off the °land, whither thou goest to possess it.

22 °The LORD shall smite thee with a °consumption, and with a °fever, and with an °inflammation, and with an °extreme burning, and with the sword, and with blasting, and with mildew; and they shall pursue thee until thou perish.

23 And thy heaven that is over thy head shall be brass, and the earth that is under thee shall be iron.

24 °The LORD shall make the rain of thy land powder and dust: from heaven shall it come down upon thee, until thou be destroyed.

25 °The LORD °shall cause thee to be smitten before thine enemies: thou shalt go out one way against them, and flee seven ways before them: and shalt be removed into all the kingdoms of the earth.

26 And °thy carcase shall be meat °unto all fowls of the air, and unto the beasts of the earth, and no man shall °fray them away.

27 °The LORD will smite thee with the °botch of Egypt, and with the °emerods, and with the °scab, and with the °itch, whereof thou canst not be healed.

28 °The LORD shall smite thee with

thy ground = thy soil.

in the land = on the soil. Heb. 'ādāmāh.

12 season. Cp. 11. 14.

hand. Some codices, with two early printed editions, Sam., Jon., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "hands".

lend. Cp. 15. 6 and Prov. 22. 7.

13 the head, and not the tail. Fig. Pleonasm (Ap. 6) for great emphasis.

above . . . and not beneath. Fig. Pleonasm. See note above.

14 go aside. Cp. 17. 11, 20. Prov. 4. 27.

28. 15-68 (T², p. 275). CURSES (Alternation).

T² y | 15-. Disobedience.

z | -15-57. Curses.

y | 58. Disobedience.

z | 59-68. Curses.

15 statutes. See note on 4. 1.

these curses. Fig. Hypotyposis. Ap. 6.

20 wickedness. Heb. rā'a'. Ap. 44. viii.

21 pestilence. Probably true Oriental plague. land = soil. Heb. 'ādāmāh.

22 consumption. Probably phthisis.

fever. Probably a continued fever of some kind. inflammation. Probably the rigor and heat of malarial intermittent fever.

extreme burning. Probably prickly-heat.

25 shall cause. Note the fulfilment of vv. 25, 37, 46, 48, 49, 50, 52, 62, reaching down to the present day.

26 thy carcase. Sept. hoī nekroti, with article, denoting corpses as distinct from the people who are dead.

unto all fowls. Some codices, with Sam., Onk., Sept., and Syr., read "for the bird".

fray = frighten (Old English).

27 botch = elephantiasis.

emerods = Old English spelling of modern Hæmorrhoids, or "piles". Written "posteriors" in Hebrew text, but read "tumours" by way of Fig. Euphemism.

scab = aggravated psoriasis.

itch = prurigo.

30 lie with. Heb. Euphemism for "ravish".

32 might = power. Heb. 'el. Ap. 4. iv.

hand. Some codices, with three early printed editions and Syr., read plural, "hands".

33 labours. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Cause) for the result or fruit of them. Ap. 6.

madness, and blindness, and astonishment of heart:

29 And thou shalt grope at noonday, °as the blind gropeth in darkness, and thou shalt not prosper in thy ways: and thou shalt be only oppressed and spoiled evermore, and no man shall save thee.

30 Thou shalt betroth a wife, and another man shall °lie with her: thou shalt build an house, and thou shalt not dwell therein: thou shalt plant a vineyard, and shalt not gather the grapes thereof.

31 Thine ox shall be slain before thine eyes, and thou shalt not eat thereof: thine ass shall be violently taken away from before thy face, and shall not be restored to thee: thy sheep shall be given unto thine enemies, and thou shalt have none to rescue them.

32 Thy sons and thy daughters shall be given unto another people, and thine eyes shall look, and fail with longing for them all the day long: and there shall be no °might in thine °hand.

33 The fruit of thy land, and all thy °labours, shall a nation which thou knowest not eat up;

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and thou shalt be only oppressed and crushed always:

34 So that thou shalt be mad for the sight of thine eyes which thou shalt see.

35 ¹The LORD shall smite thee in the knees, and in the legs, with a sore botch that cannot be healed, from the sole of thy foot unto the top of thy head.

36 ¹The LORD shall bring thee, and thy king which thou shalt set over thee, unto a nation which neither thou nor thy fathers have known; and there shalt thou serve other gods, wood and stone.

37 And thou shalt become an astonishment, a proverb, and a byword, among all ° nations whither ¹the LORD shall lead thee.

38 Thou shalt carry much seed out into the field, and shalt gather *but* little in; for the ° locust shall consume it.

39 Thou shalt plant vineyards, and dress them, but shalt neither drink of the wine, nor gather *the grapes*; for the worms shall eat them.

40 Thou shalt have olive trees throughout all thy ° coasts, but thou shalt not anoint *thyself* with the oil; for thine olive shall cast *his fruit*.

41 Thou shalt beget sons and daughters, but thou shalt not enjoy them; for they shall go into captivity.

42 All thy trees and fruit of thy land shall the ° locust ° consume.

43 The stranger that *is* within thee shall get up above thee ° very high; and thou shalt come down ° very low.

44 He shall lend to thee, and thou shalt not lend to him: he shall be the head, and thou shalt be the tail.

45 Moreover all these curses shall come upon thee, and shall pursue thee, and overtake thee, till thou be destroyed; because thou hearkenedst not unto the voice of ¹the LORD thy ¹God, to keep His commandments and His ° statutes which He commanded thee:

46 And they shall be upon thee for a sign and for a wonder, and upon thy seed ° for ever.

47 Because thou servedst not ¹the LORD thy ¹God with joyfulness, and with gladness of heart, for the abundance of all *things*;

48 Therefore shalt thou serve thine enemies which ¹the LORD shall send against thee, in hunger, and in thirst, and in nakedness, and in want of all *things*: and he shall put a ° yoke of iron upon thy neck, until he have destroyed thee.

49 ¹The LORD shall bring a nation against thee from far, from the end of the earth, as *swift* ° as the eagle flieth; a nation whose tongue thou shalt not ° understand;

50 A nation ° of fierce countenance, which shall not regard the person of the old, nor shew favour to the young:

51 And he shall eat the fruit of thy cattle, and the fruit of thy land, until thou be destroyed: which *also* shall not leave thee *either* corn, ° wine, or oil, or the increase of thy kine, or flocks of thy sheep, until he have destroyed thee.

52 And he shall besiege thee in all thy gates, until thy high and fenced walls come down,

37 nations = peoples. Cp. 1 Kings 9. 8. Ps. 44. 13, 14.

38 locust. Heb. *'arbeh*. Used of the Egyptian plague. Ex. 10. 4, &c. Cp. v. 42.

40 coasts = borders, or confines.

42 locust = grasshopper. Heb. *lāzal*, from noise of its wings.

consume. Heb. possess.

43 very high. Heb. "high, high". Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6.

very low. Heb. "low, low". Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6. Cp. the Fig. Isa. 26. 3, &c.

45 statutes. See note on 4. 1.

46 for ever. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Whole). Ap. 6. The whole of time put for a part of it.

48 yoke of iron. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct) (Ap. 6) for a heavy yoke or a grievous bondage.

49 thee. The judgments that follow are for "the Jew first", but also for the Gentile. Cp. Isa. 13. 9. Rom. 2. 7-10.

as = according as.

understand. Heb. "hear". Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct) for understanding. Ap. 6.

50 of fierce countenance. Heb. = strong of face: "strong" put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct) for boldness or fierceness. Cp. Isa. 5. 26-29. Jer. 5. 15-17.

51 wine. Heb. *tirōsh*. See Ap. 27. II. Some codices, with Sam. and Syr., read "or new wine".

53 eat. Cp. Jer. 19. 9.

54 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

56 adventure. Old English idiom for "venture to go".

58 written. See note on Ex. 17. 14.

this book. See Ap. 47, and cp. v. 61 below.

name. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct) for Him who bears it. Ap. 6.

THE LORD THY GOD = Jehovah thy Elohim. For words in large capitals in A.V. and R.V. see Ap. 48.

wherein thou trustedst, throughout all thy land: and he shall besiege thee in all thy gates throughout all thy land, which ¹the LORD thy ¹God hath given thee.

53 And thou shalt ° eat the fruit of thine own body, the flesh of thy sons and of thy daughters, which ¹the LORD thy ¹God hath given thee, in the siege, and in the straitness, wherewith thine enemies shall distress thee:

54 So that the ° man that is tender among you, and very delicate, his eye shall be evil toward his brother, and toward the wife of his bosom, and toward the remnant of his children which he shall leave:

55 So that he will not give to any of them of the flesh of his children whom he shall eat: because he hath nothing left him in the siege, and in the straitness, wherewith thine enemies shall distress thee in all thy gates.

56 The tender and delicate woman among you, which would not ° adventure to set the sole of her foot upon the ground for delicateness and tenderness, her eye shall be evil toward the husband of her bosom, and toward her son, and toward her daughter,

57 And toward her young one that cometh out from between her feet, and toward her children which she shall bear: for she shall eat them for want of all *things* secretly in the siege and straitness, wherewith thine enemy shall distress thee in thy gates.

58 If thou wilt not observe to do all the words of this law that are ° written in ° this book, that thou mayest fear this glorious and fearful ° name, ° THE LORD THY GOD;

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59 Then ¹the LORD will make thy plagues wonderful, and the plagues of thy seed, even great plagues, and of long continuance, and sore sicknesses, and of long continuance.

60 Moreover He will bring upon thee all the diseases of Egypt, which thou wast afraid of; and they shall cleave unto thee.

61 Also every sickness, and every plague, which is not ⁶⁸written in ^othe book of this law, them will ¹the LORD bring upon thee, until thou be destroyed.

62 And ye shall be left few in number, whereas ye were as the stars of heaven for multitude; because thou wouldest not obey the voice of ¹the LORD thy ¹God.

63 And it shall come to pass, that ⁴⁹as ¹the LORD rejoiced over you to do you good, and to multiply you; so ¹the LORD will rejoice over you to destroy you, and to bring you to nought; and ye shall be plucked from off the land whither thou goest to possess it.

64 And ¹the LORD shall scatter thee among ^oall people, from the one end of the earth even unto the other; and there thou shalt serve other gods, which neither thou nor thy fathers have known, even wood and stone.

65 And among these nations shalt thou find no ease, neither shall the sole of thy foot have rest: but ¹the LORD shall give thee there a trembling heart, and failing of eyes, and sorrow of ^omind:

66 And thy life shall hang in doubt before thee; and thou shalt ^ofear day and night, and shalt have none assurance of thy life:

67 In the morning thou shalt say, ^o'Would God it were even!' and at even thou shalt say, ^o'Would God it were morning!' for the fear of thine heart wherewith thou shalt fear, and for the sight of thine eyes which thou shalt see.

68 And ¹the LORD shall bring thee ^ointo Egypt again with ^oships, by the way whereof I spake unto thee, 'Thou shalt see it no more again:' and there ye shall be ^osold unto your enemies for bondmen and bondwomen, and no man shall ^obuy you."

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29 These are the words of the ^ocovenant, which ^othe LORD commanded Moses to make with the ^ochildren of Israel in the land of Moab, beside the covenant which He made with them in Horeb.

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2 And ^oMoses called unto all Israel, and said unto them, "Ye have seen all that ¹the LORD did before your eyes in the land of Egypt unto Pharaoh, and unto all his servants, and unto all his land;

3 The great temptations which thine eyes have seen, the signs, and those great miracles:

4 Yet ¹the LORD hath not given you an heart to perceive, and eyes to see, and ears to hear, unto this day.

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5 And I have led you forty years in the wilderness: your clothes are ^onot waxen old upon you, and thy shoe is not waxen old upon thy foot.

6 Ye have not eaten bread, neither have ye drunk ^owine or ^ostrong drink: that ye might know that ³am ¹the LORD your ^oGod.

61 the book of this law = this book of the law. Cp. v. 58. Deut. 29. 21; 30. 10. 2 Kings 22. 13, and Ap. 47.

64 all people = all kinds of peoples. Put by Fig. Synecdoche (of Genus). Ap. 6.

65 mind. Heb. *nephesh*, soul. Ap. 13.

66 fear. Heb. *Homonym*: *pāhad*, to fear, here and Job 23. 15; but = rejoice, Isa. 60. 5 (cp. A. V. and R. V.). Hos. 3. 5.

67 Would God. Fig. *Euche*. Ap. 6.

68 into Egypt. So Hos. 8. 13; 9. 3. May be put by Fig. *Metonymy* for servitude.

ships. Second occurrence in O. T. See Gen. 49. 13. sold = put up for sale.

buy you. This is the end of Moses' fifth address. See note on 1. 6.

29. 1-17 (a, p. 288). INJUNCTIONS plus HOREB. RETROSPECTIVE.

(Alternation and Introversion.)

a	U		1. Command.
	W		b 2-4. Egypt. Retrospective.
			c 5-8. Past days (wilderness).
	U		9. Command.
	W		c 10-15. This day.
			b 16, 17. Egypt. Retrospective.

1 covenant. See 2 Kings 23. 2, 3.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

children = sons.

2 Moses called. This begins his sixth address. See note on 1. 1.

5 not waxen old. See ch. 8. 4, and Neh. 9. 21.

6 wine. Heb. *yāyīn*. See Ap. 27. I.

strong drink. Heb. *shēkar*. See Ap. 27. iv.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

9 Keep. Cp. 1 Kings 2. 3. Ps. 1. 3.

10 men. Heb. pl. of *'ish* or *'enōsh*. See Ap. 14.

12 maketh = confirmeth.

13 to Abraham, &c. All three Patriarchs named. See note on Gen. 50. 24.

7 And when ye came unto this place, Sihon the king of Heshbon, and Og the king of Bashan, came out against us unto battle, and we smote them:

8 And we took their land, and gave it for an inheritance unto the Reubenites, and to the Gadites, and to the half tribe of Manasseh.

9 Keep therefore the words of this covenant, and do them, that ye may prosper in all that ye do.

10 Ye stand this day all of you before ¹the LORD your ^oGod; your captains of your tribes, your elders, and your officers, with all the men of Israel,

11 Your little ones, your wives, and thy stranger that is in thy camp, from the hewer of thy wood unto the drawer of thy water:

12 That thou shouldest enter into covenant with ¹the LORD thy ^oGod, and into His oath, which ¹the LORD thy ^oGod ^omaketh with thee this day:

13 That He may establish thee to day for a people unto Himself, and that He may be unto thee a ^oGod, as He hath said unto thee, and as He hath sworn unto thy fathers, ^oto Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

14 Neither with you only do ³make this covenant and this oath;

15 But with him that standeth here with us this day before ¹the LORD our ^oGod, and also with him that is not here with us this day:

16 (For ye know how we have dwelt in the land of Egypt; and how we came through the nations which ye passed by;

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17 And ye have seen their abominations, and their °idols, wood and stone, silver and gold, which *were* among them:)

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18 Lest there should be among you man, or woman, or family, or °tribe, whose heart turneth away this day from ¹the LORD our °God, to go *and* serve the gods of these nations; lest there should be among you a root that beareth gall and wormwood;

19 And it come to pass, when he heareth the words of this curse, that he bless himself in his heart, saying, 'I shall have peace, though I walk in the imagination of mine heart, to add drunkenness to thirst:'

20 ¹The LORD will not spare him, but then the anger of ¹the LORD and His jealousy shall °smoke against that man, and all the curses that are °written in this book shall lie upon him, and ¹the LORD shall °blot out his name from under heaven.

21 And ¹the LORD shall separate him unto °evil out of all the tribes of Israel, according to all the curses of the covenant that are °written in this book of the law:

e 22 So that the generation to come of your children that shall rise up after you, and the stranger that shall come from a far land, shall say, when they see the plagues of that land, and the sicknesses which ¹the LORD hath laid upon it;

23 *And that* the whole land thereof *is* brimstone, and salt, *and* burning, *that* it is not sown, nor beareth, nor any grass groweth therein, like the overthrow of Sodom, and Gomorrah, Admah, and Zeboim, which ¹the LORD overthrew in His anger, and in His wrath:

24 Even all nations shall say, 'Wherefore hath ¹the LORD done thus unto this land? °what *meaneth* the heat of this great anger?'

25 Then men shall say, 'Because they have forsaken the covenant of ¹the LORD °God of their fathers, which He made with them when He brought them forth out of the land of Egypt:

26 For they went and served other gods, and worshipped them, gods whom they knew not, and *whom* He had not °given unto them:

27 And the anger of ¹the LORD was kindled against this land, to bring upon it all the curses that are °written in this book:

28 And ¹the LORD rooted them out of their land in anger, and in wrath, and in great indignation, and cast them into another land, as *it is* this day.'

Y f

29 The °secret *things* belong unto ¹the LORD our °God: but those *things* which are revealed belong unto us and to our children for ever,

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that we may do all the words of this law.

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30 And it shall come to pass, when all these things are come upon thee, the blessing and the curse, which I have set before thee, and thou shalt call them to mind among all the nations, whither °the LORD thy °God hath driven thee,

2 And shalt return unto ¹the LORD thy °God, and shalt obey His voice according to all that

17 idols = either as manufactured, or derived from *gālāl* = dung = rotten, or detestable.

29. 18 — 30. 20 (b, p. 288). INJUNCTIONS ON DISPERSION. PROSPECTIVE (*Alternations*).

b X d | 29. 18-21. Apostasy of persons.
e | 29. 22-28. Land. Judgment on.
Y f | 29. 29-. The word of Jehovah. Re-
vealed.
g | 29. -29. Object: that we may do.
X d | 30. 1, 2. Repentance of people.
e | 30. 3-10. Land. Return to.
Y f | 30. 11-14. The word of Jehovah. Plain.
g | 30. 15-20. Object: that they may do.

18 tribe. Dan and Ephraim not named in Rev. 7. Cp. Judg. 17 Ephraim, and 18, Dan. See Ap. 45.

20 smoke. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

written. See note on Ex. 17. 14, and Ap. 47.

blot out. See note on v. 18 above.

21 evil. See Ap. 44. viii.

24 what. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Sept., and Syr., read "and what".

26 given = divided.

29 secret. The italics in A.V. (put in roman type in R.V.) show that the Hebrew was not clear to the translators. They make good sense in English, but this is not the sense of the Hebrew text. The words rendered "unto the LORD our God" have the extraordinary points (Ap. 31) to show that they form no part of the text, and should come out. The meaning, then, is:

"The secret things, even the revealed things, [belong] to us and our children for ever, that we may do all the words of this law"; i.e. the revealed things, and the secret things which have not been, but will yet be revealed.

30. 1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

2 this day. See note on 4. 26.

soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 18.

3 turn thy captivity. Fig. *Paronomasia*. Ap. 6. Heb. *v'shāb* . . . *eth-sh'vūthkā*. Cp. Amos 9. 14, 15. Jer. 30. 3. Idiom for relief from any trouble. Cp. Job 42. 10. nations = peoples.

6 will circumcise. Cp. 10. 16. Jer. 32. 39. Ezek. 11. 19; 36. 26.

8 thou shalt return. Cp. Hos. 6. 1; 14. 1.

3 command thee °this day, thou and thy children, with all thine heart, and with all thy °soul;

3 That then ¹the LORD thy °God will °turn thy captivity, and have compassion upon thee, and will return and gather thee from all the °nations, whither ¹the LORD thy °God hath scattered thee.

4 If any of thine be driven out unto the outmost *parts* of heaven, from thence will ¹the LORD thy °God gather thee, and from thence will He fetch thee:

5 And ¹the LORD thy °God will bring thee into the land which thy fathers possessed, and thou shalt possess it; and He will do thee good, and multiply thee above thy fathers.

6 And ¹the LORD thy °God °will circumcise thine heart, and the heart of thy seed, to love ¹the LORD thy °God with all thine heart, and with all thy °soul, that thou mayest live.

7 And ¹the LORD thy °God will put all these curses upon thine enemies, and on them that hate thee, which persecuted thee.

8 And °thou shalt return and obey the voice

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9 And ¹the LORD thy ¹God will make thee plenteous in every work of thine °hand, in the fruit of thy body, and in the fruit of thy cattle, and in the fruit of thy land, for good: for ¹the LORD will again °rejoice over thee for good, °as He rejoiced over thy fathers:

10 If thou shalt hearken unto the voice of ¹the LORD thy ¹God, to keep His commandments and His °statutes which are written in °this book of the law, and if thou turn unto ¹the LORD thy ¹God with all thine heart, and with all thy ²soul.

f h (p. 280) 11 For this commandment which I command thee ²this day, it is °not hidden from thee,

i neither is it far off.

k 12 It is not in heaven, that thou shouldest say, 'Who shall go up for us to heaven, and bring it unto us, that we may hear it, and do it?'

k 13 Neither is it beyond the sea, that thou shouldest say, 'Who shall go over the °sea for us, and bring it unto us, that we may hear it, and do it?'

i 14 But the word is very nigh unto thee,

h in thy mouth, and in thy heart, that thou mayest do it.

g l 15 °See, I have set before thee ²this day °life and good, and death and °evil;

16 °In that I command thee ²this day to love ¹the LORD thy ¹God, to walk in His ways, and to keep His commandments and His ¹⁰statutes and His judgments,

m that thou mayest live and multiply: and ¹the LORD thy ¹God shall bless thee in the land whither thou goest to possess it.

17 But if thine heart turn away, so that thou wilt not hear, but shalt be drawn away, and worship other gods, and serve them;

18 I °denounce unto you ²this day, that ye shall surely perish, and that ye shall not prolong your days upon the land, whither thou passest over Jordan to go to possess it.

l 19 °I call °heaven and earth °to record ²this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live:

m 20 That thou mayest love ¹the LORD thy ¹God, and that thou mayest obey His voice, and that thou mayest cleave unto Him: for He is thy life, and the length of thy days: that thou mayest dwell °in the land which ¹the LORD swore unto °thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give °them."

G n 31 And Moses went and spake °these words unto all Israel.

2 And he said unto them, "I am an hundred and twenty years old this day; I can no more go out and come in: also °the LORD hath said unto me, 'Thou shalt not go over this Jordan.'

3 °The LORD thy °God, He will go over before thee,

the LORD = Jehovah. Some codices, with Sam., Onk., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., add "thy Elohim".

9 hand. Some codices, with three early printed editions, Sam., Onk., Sept., and Vulg., read plural 'hands'.

rejoice. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. Cp. 28. 63. Jer. 32. 41. as = according as.

10 statutes. See note on 4. 1.

this book of the law. See Ap. 47, and cp. 2 Kings 22. 8; 23. 25. See note on Ex. 17. 14.

30. 11-14 (f, p. 279). THE WORD OF JEHOVAH (PLAIN) (*Introversion*).

f | h | 11-. Not hidden.

i | -11. Distance. Not far off.

k | 12. Not in heaven. Hear and do.

k | 13. Not over seas. Hear and do.

i | 14-. Distance. Very nigh.

h | -14. Not hidden. In mouth and heart.

11 not hidden = not too wonderful. Cp. Rom. 10. 6, &c.

13 sea. Cp. Rom. 10. 7.

30. 15-20 (g, p. 279). OBJECT: THAT THEY MAY CHOOSE (*Alternation*).

g | l | 15, 16-. Life and good, &c.

m | -16-18. Object.

l | 19. Life and good, &c.

m | 20. Object.

15 See = Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6. life and good, and death and evil. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect). Ap. 6. Put for the good things which end in life, and evil things which end in death. Cp. Amos 5. 14. evil. See Ap. 44. viii.

16 In that. The Sept. reads, "For thou must keep the commandments of Jehovah thy God which", instead of "In that". So that this clause apparently was in the MS. from which the Sept. was translated.

18 denounce = declare.

19 I call. Fig. *Deasis*, or, *Obtestatio*. Ap. 6. heaven and earth = the heavens and the earth. One of thirteen occurrences. See note on 4. 26.

to record = to witness.

20 in the land = on the soil. Heb. 'ādāmāh.

thy fathers. All three Patriarchs are named. See note on Gen. 50. 24.

them. This is the end of the sixth address. See note on 1. 1.

31. 1-8 (G, p. 238). POSSESSION WEST OF JORDAN (*Introversion and Alternation*).

G | n | 1-3-. Jehovah to go before.

o | p | -3-. Jehovah to act.

q | -3. Joshua.

o | p | 4-6. Jehovah to act.

q | 7. Joshua.

n | 8. Jehovah to go before.

1 these words. The Massorah itself, with Onk., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "all these words". This is the beginning of the seventh address, which ends with v. 6.

2 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

3 the LORD = Jehovah. Note the Fig. *Epanadiplōsis* (Ap. 6) in this verse, which in the Hebrew text begins and ends with "Jehovah".

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

as = according as. Cp. the references to past statements: 2. 9; 3. 28. Ex. 23. 20, 23; 33. 2. Num. 27. 15-23.

and He will destroy these nations from before thee, and thou shalt possess them:

and Joshua, He shall go over before thee, °as °the LORD hath said.

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4 ° And 2 the LORD shall do unto them 3 as He did to Sihon and to Og, kings of the Amorites, and unto the land of them, whom He destroyed.

5 4 And 2 the LORD shall give them up before your face, that ye may do unto them according unto all the commandments which I have commanded you.

6 ° Be strong and of a good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them: for 2 the LORD thy 3 God, 5e it is that doth go with thee; ° He will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.

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7 And ° Moses called unto Joshua, and said unto him in the sight of all Israel, 6 ° Be strong and of a good courage: for thou must ° go with this people unto the land which 2 the LORD hath sworn unto their fathers to give them; and thou shalt cause them to inherit it.

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8 And 2 the LORD, 5e it is that doth go before thee; 5e will be with thee, 6 He will not fail thee, neither forsake thee: fear not, neither be dismayed."

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9 And Moses ° wrote this law, and delivered it unto ° the priests the sons of Levi, which bare the ark of the covenant of 2 the LORD, and unto all the elders of Israel.

10 And Moses commanded them, saying, ° "At the end of every seven years, in the ° solemnity of the ° year of release, in the feast of ° tabernacles,

11 When all Israel is come ° to appear before 2 the LORD thy 3 God in the place which He shall choose, thou shalt ° read this law before all Israel in their hearing.

12 Gather the people together, ° men, and women, and ° children, and thy stranger that is within thy gates, that they may hear, and that they may learn, and fear 2 the LORD your 3 God, and observe to do all the words of this law:

13 And that their ° children, which have not known any thing, may hear, and learn to fear 2 the LORD ° your 3 God, ° as long as ye live in the land whither ye go over Jordan to possess it."

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14 And 2 the LORD ° said unto Moses, ° "Behold, thy days approach that thou must die: call Joshua, and present yourselves in the ° tabernacle of the congregation, that I may give him a charge." And Moses and Joshua went, and presented themselves in the ° tabernacle of the congregation.

15 And 2 the LORD appeared in the 14 tabernacle in a ° pillar of a cloud: and the pillar of the cloud stood over the ° door of the 14 tabernacle.

16 And 2 the LORD said unto Moses, 14 "Behold, thou ° shalt sleep with thy fathers; and this people will rise up, and ° go a whoring after the gods of the strangers of the land, whither they go to be among them, and will forsake Me, and break My covenant which I have made with them.

17 Then My anger ° shall be kindled against them in that day, and I will forsake them, and I will ° hide My face from them, and they shall be devoured, and many ° evils and troubles shall ° befall them; so that they will say in that day, ° "Are not these ° evils come upon us, because our 3 God is not among us?"

4 And the LORD (Heb. Jehovah). Note Fig. *Anadiplosis* (Ap. 6) in vv. 4, 5, each beginning with these words.

6 Be strong, &c. Cp. vv. 7, 23. Josh. 1. 6, 9, 18; 10. 25. 1 Chron. 22. 13; 28. 20. 2 Chron. 32. 7. Isa. 35. 3, 4.

He will not fail, &c. Cp. 4. 31. Josh. 1. 5. 1 Chron. 28. 20. See note on 4. 31.

This is the end of Moses' seventh address.

7 go with=bring in.

31. 9—32. 47 (F, p. 238). LAWS AND SONG: IN AND OUT OF THE LAND (*Introversion*).

F r | 31. 9-30. Laws re the Song.

s | 32. 1-43. The Song itself.

r' | 32. 44-47. Laws re the Song.

9-30 (r, above). LAWS re THE SONG.
(*Repeated Alternation*.)

r t1 | 9-13. Laws written and read.

u1 | 14-18. Charge to Moses and Joshua.

t2 | 19. Song to be written.

u2 | 20, 21. Charge to People.

t3 | 22. Song written.

u3 | 23. Charge to Joshua.

t4 | 24. Song written.

u4 | 25-29. Charge to Levites.

t5 | 30. Song recited.

9 wrote. See note on Ex. 17. 14, and Ap. 47.

the priests, &c.=the Kohathites. Num. 4. 1-15.

10 At the end, &c. Cp. 15. 1.

solemnity=appointed time. Heb. *mō'ed*.

year of release. So called in 15. 9. The "release" is referred to in 15. 1, 2, 3. The noun "release" occurs only in these two passages. The verb occurs in Ex. 23. 11.

11 to appear. See note on Ex. 23. 15 and 34. 20. read this law. Cp. 16. 13-15, and see Neh. 8. 1-18.

12 men. Heb. pl. of *'ish* or *'enōsh*. Ap. 14.

children=little ones.

13 children=sons.

your God. A special various reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 34), with some codices and four early printed editions, read "their God".

as long as=all the days.

14 said. See note on 2. 9.

Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

tabernacle=tent. Heb. *'ohel*. Ap. 40. The only reference to it in Deuteronomy.

15 pillar of a cloud. The only reference to it in Deuteronomy. door=entrance.

16 shalt sleep with thy fathers=shalt lie down to sleep. A beautiful *Euphemism* (Ap. 6) for death. This is the first occurrence. It is used alike of good people and evil: of Ahab as well as David; of all the kings, even Jehoiaikim, who had no burial. See 2 Sam. 7. 12. 1 Kings 1. 21; 2. 10; 11. 21, 43; 14. 20, 31; 15. 8, 24; 16. 6, 28; 22. 40, 50. 2 Kings 8. 24; 10. 35; 13. 9, 13; 14. 16, 22, 29; 15. 7, 22, 38; 16. 20; 20. 21; 21. 18; 24. 6. 2 Chron. 9. 31; 12. 16; 14. 1; 16. 13; 21. 1; 26. 2, 23; 27. 9; 28. 27; 32. 33; 33. 20.

go a whoring. The constant idiom for idolatry.

17 shall be kindled. Cp. 2 Kings 22. 17. Hos. 5. 3-6. Mic. 3. 4.

hide My face. Some codices, with Sam., Onk., Jon., Sept., and Syr., add "from them". Cp. 32. 20. Isa. 8. 17; 54. 8; 59. 2; 64. 7. See also Gen. 4. 14.

evils. See Ap. 44. viii.

befall=find. Fig. *Prosopopoeia* (Ap. 6).

Are not...? &c. Should be "Have not these evils found me out, because my God is not in my midst?"

18 And 3 will surely 17 hide My face in that day for all the evils which they shall have wrought, in that they are turned unto other gods.

^{t2} (p. 281) 1452 ¹⁹ Now therefore ⁹ write ye ⁰ this song for you, and ⁰ teach it the ¹³ children of Israel: put it in their mouths, that this song may be a witness for Me against the ¹³ children of Israel.

^{u2} ²⁰ For when I shall have brought them ⁰ into the land which I swear unto their fathers, that floweth with milk and honey; and they shall have eaten and filled themselves, and waxen fat; then will they turn unto other gods, and serve them, and provoke Me, and break My covenant.

²¹ And it shall come to pass, when many ¹⁷ evils and troubles are ¹⁷ befallen them, that ⁰ this song shall ⁰ testify against them as a witness; for it shall ⁰ not be forgotten out of the mouths of their seed: for I know their imagination which they go about, even now, before I have brought them into the land which ⁰ I swear."

^{t3} ²² Moses therefore ⁹ wrote ⁰ this song the same day, and taught it the ¹⁹ children of Israel.

^{u3} ²³ And ⁰ He gave Joshua the son of Nun a charge, and said, ⁰ "Be strong and of a good courage: for thou shalt bring the ¹⁹ children of Israel into the land which ³ I swear unto them: and I will be with thee."

^{t4} ²⁴ And it came to pass, when Moses had made an end of ⁹ writing the words of this law ⁰ in a book, until they were finished,

^{u4} ²⁵ That Moses commanded ⁹ the Levites, which bare the ark of the covenant of ² the LORD, saying,

²⁶ "Take ⁰ this book of the law, and put it ⁰ in the side of the ark of the covenant of ² the LORD your ² God, that it may be there for a witness against thee.

²⁷ For ³ I know thy rebellion, and thy stiff neck: ⁰ behold, while I am yet alive with you this day, ye have been rebellious against ² the LORD; and how much more after my death?

²⁸ Gather unto me all the elders of your tribes, and your officers, that I may speak these words in their ears, and call ⁰ heaven and earth to record against them.

²⁹ For ⁰ I know that after my death ye will utterly corrupt yourselves, and turn aside from the way which I have commanded you; and ¹⁷ evil ¹⁷ will befall you in ⁰ the latter days; because ye will do ¹⁷ evil in the sight of ² the LORD, to provoke Him to anger through ⁰ the work of your hands."

^{t5} ³⁰ And ⁰ Moses spake in the ears of all the ⁰ congregation of Israel the words of ⁰ this song, until they were ended.

^A (p. 283) **32** ⁰ "Give ear, O ye heavens, and I will speak;

And hear, O earth, the words of my mouth.

² My doctrine shall drop as the rain,

⁰ My speech shall distil ⁰ as the dew,

As the small rain upon the tender herb,
And as the ⁰ showers upon the grass:

³ Because I will publish the name of ⁰ the LORD:

Ascribe ye greatness unto our ⁰ God.

⁴ He is the ⁰ Rock, His work is perfect:

¹⁹ this song. First reference to the "Song of Moses". See ch. 32. The last in Rev. 15. 3.

teach it. To be both written and taught. Cp. v. 22.

²⁰ into the land = on to the soil. Heb. 'ādāmāh.

²¹ this song. Second mention of this song.

testify against = answer them to their face.

not be forgotten. This song quoted and referred to more than any other part of Pentateuch.

I swear. The Sam., Sept., and Syr. add "unto their fathers".

²² this song. The third reference to it.

²³ He: i.e. Jehovah.

Be strong. See note on v. 6.

²⁴ in a book. See Ap. 47. This was the "book" found by Hilkiah. 2 Kings 22. 8. 2 Chron. 34. 14.

²⁵ the Levites = Kohathites, v. 9. Cp. Num. 3. 31, 32. 2 Sam. 15. 24.

²⁶ this book of the law. See the effect of finding it by Jeremiah's father, 2 Kings 22. 8, and note the references to it in vv. 13, 16, 17 (Deut. 29. 25-27), v. 19 (Deut. 28. 36, 37, 45, words used). Cp. also 2 Kings 23. 1-3 with Deut. 29. 1; and v. 21 with Deut. 16. 1-8; and v. 24 with Deut. 18. 10, 11 ("put away" occurs only in Deut.); and v. 25 with Deut. 30. 10. in, or by.

²⁷ behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

²⁸ heaven and earth. One of the thirteen occurrences. See note on 4. 26.

²⁹ I know. Cp. Acts 20. 28, 29.

the latter days. Cp. Gen. 49. 1 (Num. 24. 14). Used by Moses, 4. 30. Found also in Jer. 23. 20; 48. 47; 49. 39. Ezek. 38. 16. Hos. 3. 6. Mic. 4. 1.

the work, &c., viz., idolatry and other evils.

³⁰ Moses spake. Beginning of his eighth address. this song. The fourth reference to it. It is the key to the Apocalypse, Rev. 15. 3. See note on Ex. 15. 1.

32. 1-43 [For Structure see next page].

¹ Give ear. Fig. *Apostrophe*. Ap. 6. Cp. Isa. 1. 2.

² doctrine. Heb. *leḡāh*. First occurrence. = good teaching.

My speech = the words of my mouth.

as the dew. Cp. Mic. 5. 7.

showers. First occurrence. Heb. *reḇibīm*. Elsewhere: Ps. 65. 10; 72. 6. Jer. 3. 3; 14. 22. Mic. 5. 7.

³ the LORD = Jehovah. See Ap. 4. II.

God = Elohim. See Ap. 4. I.

⁴ Rock. Omit "He is", and read "The Rock, His work is perfect". Used of Jehovah in this song five times (the number of Grace. See Ap. 10), vv. 4, 15, 18, 30, 31. Used twice in irony (Ap. 6), vv. 31, 37. Cp. 2 Sam. 22. 31, 32.

GOD = Heb. 'ēl. See Ap. 4. IV.

iniquity. See Ap. 44. vi.

⁵ They have, &c. The Nom., "generation", is put last by Fig. *Hyperbaton* (Ap. 6), for emphasis, in contrast with "the Rock" of v. 4, which is there put first. Cp. v. 20. Render the verse thus:

"A perverse and crooked generation hath corrupted itself:

[To be] no sons of His is their blemish."

spot = blemish. children = sons.

⁶ Do . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

For all His ways are judgment:

A ⁰ GOD of truth and without ⁰ iniquity,
Just and right is He.

⁵ ⁰ They have corrupted themselves, their
⁰ spot is not the spot of his ⁰ children:
They are a perverse and crooked generation.

⁶ ⁰ Do ye thus requite ³ the LORD,
O foolish People and unwise?
Is not He thy Father that hath bought thee?

Hath He not made thee, and established thee?

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- 7 Remember the days ° of old,
Consider the years of many generations:
Ask thy father, and he will shew thee;
Thy elders, and they will tell thee.
- 8 °When the °MOST HIGH °divided to the
nations their inheritance,
When He separated the sons of Adam,
He set the bounds of the °People
According to the number of the °children
of Israel.
- 9 For °the LORD'S portion is His People;
Jacob is the °lot of His inheritance.
- 10 He found °him in a desert land,
And in the waste howling wilderness;
He led him about, He instructed him,
He kept him as the °apple of His eye.
- 11 As an eagle °stirreth up her °nest,
Fluttereth over her young,
Spreadeth abroad her °wings, taketh them,
Beareth them on her °wings:
- 12 So °the LORD alone did lead °him,
And there was no strange °GOD with
him.
- 13 He made him ride on the high places of
the earth,
°That he might eat the °increase of the
fields;
And He made him to suck °honey out of
the °rock,
And °oil out of the °flinty rock;
- 14 Butter of kine, and milk of sheep,
With fat of lambs,
And rams of the breed of °Bashan, and
goats,
With the °fat of kidneys of wheat;
And thou didst drink the °pure °blood of
the grape.
- 15 But °Jeshurun waxed fat, and °kicked:
°Thou art waxen fat, thou art grown
thick, thou art covered with fatness;
Then he forsook °E D D Which made him,
And lightly esteemed the °Rock of his
salvation.
- 16 °They provoked Him to °jealousy with
°strange gods,

"In a desert land He found him,

In the waste howling wilderness, about, He led him,
apple. First occurrence of Heb. *bābah*, used of the small round dark pupil of the eye. Heb. = hole, gate, or door of the eye. Cp. Ps. 17. 8. See note on Zech. 2. 8. Called "pupil" from Latin *pupilla* = a little girl.
11 stirreth up = fluttereth. Same word as Gen. 1. 2. nest. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Subject), Ap. 6, for the young in it. Cp. Ex. 19. 4. Isa. 63. 9. wings. Heb. *kānaph*: in which lie the feathers. wings. Heb. *'ēber*: in which lie the strength. We may read vv. 11, 12 thus:
"As an eagle that stirreth up her nest,
That fluttereth over her young,
[So] He spread abroad His wings; He took him;

12 him. Note Fig. Epistrophe (Ap. 6), each line ending with same word "him" in Hebrew and English for emphasis, as v. 10. GOD. Heb. *'ēl*. (See Ap. 4. IV.) 13 That he might eat. Sam. and Sept. read "caused him to eat". Hebrew text reads "And he did eat". increase. Heb. *nūb*, fruit from land. First occurrence. honey . . . oil. Put by Fig. Synecdoche (of Species) for all delicious things. rock. Heb. *sel'a* = a rock, as a fortress, immovable. flinty rock. Heb. *ḡar* = rock in situ, sharp and precipitous. Hence a refuge and security. 14 Bashan. Confirming the promise of v. 13 as to high or mountainous places. fat of kidneys = white of the kernels. pure = unmixed. blood. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct) for red juice, blood of grapes. Fig. Catachresis. Ap. 6. 15 Jeshurun = the Upright One. First occurrence. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the ideal Israel (cp. 33. 5, 26. Isa. 44. 2) as chosen by God. kicked = trampled under foot. Hence, to contemn. Heb. *bā'aṭ*. First occurrence. Thou. Note the Fig. Anaphora in this verse (Ap. 6). E D D = Eloah. The God in respect of worship. First occurrence. Ap. 4. V. Rock. Heb. *ḡar*, as in v. 13. 16 Note the Introversion of these four lines:

"They provoked Him to jealousy
with foreign gods:
with abominations
They provoked Him to anger."

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- s A | 1-6. Call to hear: and the reason. The publishing of Jehovah's name: His perfect work and righteous ways.
- B | 7-14. The goodness and bounty of Jehovah to Israel. (Period of the Pentateuch.)
- C | 15-19. Israel's evil return for that goodness. Their pride: forsaking of God; despising the Rock of their Salvation; moving Him to anger. (Period, past history. The Historical books.)
- D | 20. Divine reflections on the period while Israel is "Lo Ammi" (not my people). (Period of Minor Prophets, especially Hosea.)
- E | 21. Jehovah's provocation of Israel. (Period of Acts and present Dispensation)
- E | 22-25. Jehovah's threatening of judgment on Israel in the great tribulation.
- D | 26-33. Divine reflections on the period while Israel is scattered. (Hosea.)
- C | 34-38. Israel's evil return for Jehovah's goodness. Their helpless condition moving Him to pity. He not forsaking them. Their rock useless. (Period of present history.)
- B | 39-42. The judgments of Jehovah. (The period of the Apocalypse.)
- A | 43. Call to rejoice: and the reason. The publishing of Jehovah's Kingdom. Vengeance on Israel's enemies. Mercy for His "Land" and for His "People". (Fulfilment of all prophecy.)

7 of old, or, the days of long ago. Cp. Ps. 77. 5.

8 When, &c., i.e. He foreknew His purposes concerning Israel. See Gen. 10. 32. This was 200 years before Abraham.

MOST HIGH = *'el'yon*. See Ap. 4.
divided. As an inheritance. Cp. v. 9. Heb. *nāḥal* = to possess. See note on v. 9. Not Heb. *pālag* (Gen. 10. 25), which = to cleave by disruption, or *pārur* (Gen. 10. 5, 32), which = to divide by breaking off. (See note Ap. 50. I.)
People = Peoples.

9 lot = line. Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6, because the inheritance was allotted by a cord or line. Cp. 1 Chron. 16. 18. Ps. 16. 6; 19. 4. Mic. 2. 5.

10 him: i.e. Jacob. Emphasis on "him" marked by Fig. Epistrophe (Ap. 6), by which each clause ends with the same word. Here (in Heb.) "him".

He instructed him,

As the apple of His eye He kept him."

He instructed him, As the apple of His eye He kept him."

He bare him on His pinions: Jehovah alone did lead him, And [there was] no strange god with him."

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From this, "abominations" generally means idols. jealousy. Fig. Anthropopatheia. Ap. 6. Cp. Ps. 78. 58.

strange = foreign.

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With abominations provoked they Him
to anger.

17 They sacrificed unto °devils, not to
°GOD;

To °gods whom they knew not,
To °new gods that came °newly up,
Whom your fathers °feared not.

18 Of the ¹⁵Rock That begat thee thou art
unmindful,

And hast forgotten °GOD That formed
thee.

19 And when °the LORD saw it, He °ab-
horred them,

Because of the provoking °of His sons,
and of His daughters.

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20 And He said, 'I will °hide My face from
them,

I will see what their end shall be:
For they are a very °froward generation,
Children in whom is no faith.

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21 They have moved Me to ¹⁵jealousy with
that which is °not GOD;

They have °provoked Me to anger with
their vanities:

And I will move them to jealousy with
those which are °not a People;

I will provoke them to anger with a
foolish nation.

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22 For a fire is kindled in Mine anger,
And shall burn unto the lowest °hell,

And shall consume the earth with her
increase,

And °set on fire the foundations of the
mountains.

23 I will heap °mischiefs upon them;
I will spend Mine °arrows upon them.

24 They shall be burnt with hunger,
And devoured with °burning heat,

And with bitter destruction:
I will also send the teeth of beasts upon
them,

With the poison of °serpents of the dust.

25 The sword without,
And terror °within,

Shall °destroy both the young man and
the virgin,

The suckling also with the °man of gray
hairs.

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26 I said, I would °scatter them into
corners,

I would make the remembrance of them
to cease from among °men:

27 Were it not that °I feared the wrath of
the enemy,

Lest their adversaries should °behave
themselves strangely,

And lest they should say, 'Our hand is
high,

And °the LORD hath not done all this.'

28 For they are a nation void of °counsel,
Neither is there any understanding in
them.

29 °O that they were wise, that they under-
stood this,

That they would consider their latter end!

30 How should °one chase a thousand,
And two put ten thousand to flight,

Except their ¹⁵Rock had sold them,
And °the LORD had shut them up?

17 devils = demons. Heb. *shēd*. First occurrence.
Cp. Ps. 106. 37. 1 Cor. 10. 20.

GOD = 'eloah. See Ap. 4.

gods = 'elohim. Ap. 4. I.

new = recent, lately. Heb. *kārob*, as in Judg. 5. 8.

newly = recently.

feared = trembled at. Heb. *sā'ar*. Not *gūr*, reverence.

19 abhorred. Cp. Ps. 106. 40.

of. Gen. of origin = the provocation produced by the
conduct of His People.

20 hide My face. See note on 31. 17.

froward = perverse. Heb. *hāphakpak*. First occ.

21 Note the alternation of the four lines, marked by
"jealousy, anger, jealousy, anger".

not GOD = no 'el. Ap. 4. IV.

provoked. Cp. Rom. 10. 19.

not a People = no People. Cp. Rom. 10. 19; 11. 11.
See Ap. 35.

22 hell = *sh'eol*.

set on fire. Heb. *lāhaṭ*. First occurrence.

23 mischiefs. See Ap. 44. viii.

arrows. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. They are
named in v. 24.

24 burning heat. Heb. *resheph*. First occ. = fever.
serpents. Heb. *zāhal* = to crawl or creep. First occ.

25 within = from the inner chambers.

destroy = bereave.

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

26 scatter them into corners = disperse them,
scatter as with the wind. The verb *pā'ah* occurs only
here. The Severus Codex (Ap. 34) divides the one

word 'aph'ēyhem (disperse them) into the three words
'aph, 'ēy, hem, "[I said] in anger, Where are they?"

men. Heb. 'ēnōsh = mortals. Ap. 14. III.

27 I feared. Fig. *Anthropopatheia* (Ap. 6).

behave themselves strangely = mistake it. Heb.
nākar, a *Homonym* with three meanings: (1) to mis-

take, Deut. 32. 27; (2) to acknowledge, Job 34. 19;

(3) to deliver. 1 Sam. 23. 7. Both A.V. and R.V. miss

the first (R.V. = misdeem), admit the second and third
(though the R.V. margin suggests "alienated" for

"delivered").

the LORD = Jehovah. Note the five Divine Titles in
this song. Ap. 4.

28 counsel = deliberation. Heb. *yā'az*.

29 O that. Fig. *Æonismos*. Ap. 6. Cp. Ps. 81. 13, 14.

30 one chase, &c. Cp. Lev. 26. 8. Josh. 23. 10.

2 Chron. 24. 24. Isa. 30. 17.

31 For, &c. Cp. 1 Sam. 2. 2, and note on v. 4, above.

33 wine. Heb. *yayin*. See Ap. 27. i.

34 Is not this. Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

35 To Me. Hebrew text is *li* - "to Me", but
Dr. Ginsburg thinks it is an abbreviation for *liyom*,

"for the day", as seems evident from Sam., Onk., and
Sept., and from agreeing with the next line. So that

vv. 34, 35 will read:

"Is not this laid up in store with Me,

Sealed up in My treasures?

For the day of vengeance and recompence,

For the time when their foot shall slip?"

This shows that the *Ellipsis* is wrongly supplied in
the A.V.; and that the R.V. misses the point

31 °For their ¹⁵rock is not as our ¹⁵Rock,
Even our enemies themselves being judges.

32 For their vine is of the vine of Sodom,
And of the fields of Gomorrah:

Their grapes are grapes of gall,

Their clusters are bitter:

33 Their °wine is the poison of dragons,
And the cruel venom of asps.

34 °Is not this laid up in store with Me,
And sealed up among My treasures?

35 °To Me belongeth vengeance, and re-
compence;

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Their foot shall slide in *due* time:
For the day of their calamity *is* at hand,
And the things that shall come upon them
make haste.

36 For ³the LORD shall °judge His People,
And repent Himself for His servants,
When He seeth that *their* °power is
gone,

And *there is* none °shut up, or left.

37 And He shall say, °Where *are* their
gods,

Their ¹⁵rock in whom they °trusted,

38 Which did eat the fat of their sacri-
fices,

And drank the ³³wine of their drink
offerings?

Let them rise up and help you,

°And be your protection.

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39 See now that °*ÿ*, even *ÿ*, am *ÿe*,
And *there is* no god with Me:

°*ÿ* kill, and I make alive;

°I wound, and *ÿ* heal:

Neither *is there* any that can deliver out
of My hand.

40 For °I lift up My hand to heaven,
And say, *ÿ* live for ever.

41 If I whet My glittering °sword,
And Mine hand take hold on °judg-
ment;

I will render vengeance to Mine enemies,
And will reward them that hate Me.

42 I will make Mine °arrows °drunk with
blood,

And My °sword shall °devour flesh;

And *that* with the blood of the slain and
of the captives,

°From the beginning of revenges upon the
enemy.

A 43 °Rejoice, O ye °nations, *with* His
people:

For He will avenge the blood of His serv-
ants,

And will render vengeance to His adver-
saries,

And will °be merciful unto His °land, *and*
to His °people."

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44 And Moses came and spake all the words
of °this song in the ears of the people, *ÿe*, and
°Hoshea the son of Nun.

45 And Moses made an end of speaking all
these words to all Israel:

46 And he said unto them, °"Set your hearts
unto all °the words which *ÿ* testify among you
°this day, which *yeshall* command your children
to observe °to do, all the words of this law.

47 For it *is* not a vain thing for you; because
it *is* your life: and through this thing ye shall
prolong *your* days °in the land, whither *ge*
go over Jordan to possess it."

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48 And ³the LORD °spake unto Moses that
selfsame day, saying,

49 "Get thee up into this mountain Abarim,
unto mount Nebo, which *is* in the land of
Moab, that *is* over against Jericho; and
behold the land of Canaan, which *ÿ* give
unto the °children of Israel for a posses-
sion:

50 And °die in the mount whither thou goest
up, and °be gathered unto thy people; °as

36 judge = vindicate. Cp. Lev. 26. 25. Judg. 2. 18.
Ps. 7. 8; 135. 14. Jer. 51. 6.

power. Heb. "hand". Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of
Adjunct), Ap. 6, for power contained in it.

shut up, or left. Heb. 'āzab, is a *Homonym*, with
two meanings: (1) to leave, or forsake, Gen. 2. 24; 39. 6.
Neh. 5. 10. Ps. 49. 10. Mal. 4. 1. (2) To help, restore,
strengthen, shut in, or fortify, as in Ex. 23. 5.
1 Kings 14. 10. 2 Kings 14. 26. Neh. 3. 8. Jer. 49. 25.
See the notes on these passages. Hence, here, v. 36 -
defended and protected. Note the perplexity mani-
fested in the margins of A.V. and R.V.

37 Where . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

trusted. Heb. ḥaṣa. See Ap. 69.

38 And be. Sam., Onk., Sept., Syr., and Vulg. read
"Let them be".

39 I, even I, am He. Cp. Isa. 44. 8.

I kill. Cp. 1 Sam. 2. 6. 2 Kings 5. 7.

I wound. Cp. Job 5. 18. Hos. 6. 1.

40 I lift up My hand - I swear. The lifting of the
hand being put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6,
for the thing signified by it.

41 sword. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. Cp. Rev. 19. 15.
judgment = justice, or retribution. Cp. Isa. 1. 24.

42 arrows. Fig. *Prosopopatheia*. Ap. 6.

drunk = devour. Fig. *Prosopopatheia*. Ap. 6.

From the beginning = from [the flesh] of the chief
leader of. Note the alternation:

"I will make Mine arrows drunk with blood,

And My sword shall devour much flesh;

With the blood of the slain and of the captives,

With [the flesh] of the chief leader of the enemy."

Cp. Rev. 19. 17-21, to which this refers. See also Ezek.
39. 17-20.

43 Rejoice. Fig. *Pæanismos*. Ap. 6. The song
began with *Apostrophe*, Ap. 6, and thus ends, with
the same Figure, Moses' eighth address. See note
on 1. 6.

nations. Cp. Ps. 67. 1-7.

be merciful = be propitious. Cp. Joel 2. 18. Rom. 15. 9.

land . . . people = the two great subjects of the song
and of the Old Testament.

44 this song. This is the fifth and last contextual
reference to "the Song of Moses".

Hoshea = the old spelling of Joshua. Later it was
"Jeshua" (Ezra 2. 2). This was adopted by the Sept.,
and ultimately became "Jesus".

46 Set your hearts. Moses' ninth address. See
note on 1. 6.

the words. Not merely the Word of God as
a whole, but the "words" of which it is made up. Cp.
Jer. 15. 16. John 17. 8, 14, 17.

this day. See note on 4. 26.

to do. Some codices, with one early printed edition,

Sam., Sept., Jon., and Syr., read "and to do".

47 in the land = on the soil. The end of Moses'
ninth address. See note on 1. 1.

48 spake. See note on 2. 1.

49 children = sons.

50 die . . . be gathered. Fig. *Heterōsis* (of Mood),
Ap. 6. Imperative for Indicative. Cp. Gen. 25. 8, 17.

as Aaron = according as Aaron. Cp. Num. 20. 24;
27. 12-14.

51 Because. Cp. Num. 20. 12.

trespassed. Heb. mā'al. Ap. 44. xi.

Aaron thy brother died in mount Hor, and
was gathered unto his people:

51 °Because ye °trespassed against Me among
the children of Israel at the waters of Meribah-
Kadesh, in the wilderness of Zin; because ye
sanctified Me not in the midst of the °children
of Israel.

52 Yet thou shalt see the land before *thee*;
but thou shalt not go thither unto the land
which *ÿ* give the °children of Israel."

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33 And °this is the °blessing, wherewith
Moses °the man of °God blessed the
°children of Israel before his death.

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2 And he said,
°“The LORD °came from Sinai,
And °rose up from Seir unto them;
He °shined forth from mount Paran,
And He °came with ten thousands of
°saints:
From His right hand went a fiery °law
for them.”

3 Yea, He °loved the people;
All His °saints are in Thy °hand:
And °they sat down at Thy °feet;
Every one °shall receive of Thy words.”

4 Moses commanded us a law,
Even the inheritance of the °congregation
of Jacob.

5 And °He was king in °Jeshurun,
When the heads of the people and the tribes
of Israel °were gathered together.

v¹

6 “Let °Reuben °live, and not die;
And °let not his °men be few.”

v²

7 And this is the blessing of °Judah: and
he said,
“Hear, °LORD, the voice of Judah,
And bring him unto his people:
Let his hands be sufficient for him;
And °be Thou an help to him from his
enemies.”

v³

8 And of Levi he said,
“Let Thy °Thummim and Thy °Urim be
with °Thy holy one,
Whom Thou didst prove at Massah,
And with whom Thou didst strive at the
waters of Meribah;

9 Who said unto his father and to his
mother, ‘I have not seen him;’
Neither did he acknowledge his brethren,
°Nor knew his own °children:
For they have observed Thy °word,
And kept Thy covenant.

10 They shall °teach Jacob Thy judgments,
and Israel Thy law:

They shall put incense °before Thee, and
whole burnt sacrifice upon Thine altar.

11 Bless, °LORD, his substance,
And accept the work of his hands:
Smite through the loins of them that rise
against him,
And of them that hate him, that they rise
not again.”

v

12 °And of Benjamin he said,
“The beloved of °the LORD shall dwell in
safety °by Him;
And the LORD shall cover him all the day
long,
And he shall dwell between His shoulders.”

v⁵

13 And of Joseph he said,
°“Blessed of °the LORD be his land,
For the precious things of heaven,
For the dew, °and for the deep that coucheth
beneath,

14 And for the precious fruits brought forth
by the sun,
And for the precious things put forth by
the °moon,

15 And for the chief things of the °ancient
mountains,

33. 1-29 (C, p. 236). THE BLESSING OF THE
TRIBES (*Introversion and Numeration*).

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G | 2-5. Israel, collectively, with Jehovah king.

H | v¹ | 6. Reuben.v² | 7. Judah.v³ | 8-11. Levi.v⁴ | 12. Benjamin.v⁵ | 13-17. Joseph.v⁶ | 18, 19. Zebulun and Issachar.v⁷ | 20, 21. Gad.v⁸ | 22. Dan.v⁹ | 23. Naphtali.v¹⁰ | 24, 25. Asher.

G | 26, 27. Israel, collectively, with Jehovah king.

F | 28, 29. Conclusion.

1 this. Moses' tenth (and last) address. See note
on 1. 1.

blessing. To be distinguished from the Song.
the man of God. First occurrence. See Ap. 49.
God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.
children = sons.

2 The LORD = Jehovah. Ap. 4.
came. Heb. *bō'*, to come, or enter on business. Cp.
Hab. 3. 3.

rose up. Heb. *zārah*, to break forth as light.
shined forth. Heb. *yāph'a*, to shine forth in glory.
came. Heb. *'āthāh*, to come with speed. Cp. *maran-
athah* = the LORD cometh, 1 Cor. 16. 22.

saints = holy ones, i. e. angels. Cp. Ps. 68. 17. Acts 7. 53.
Gal. 3. 19. Hab. 2. 2. Jude 14. And see note on Ex. 3. 5.

law. Heb. *dath*, an edict, or mandate. Imperial
mandate.

3 loved. Heb. “loveth”. *Chābāb*, used only here,
and only of Jehovah's love to Israel.

hand . . . feet. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.
they sat down. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part). Ap. 6.
Put for teaching thus received.

shall receive = bore, or carried away.

4 congregation = assembly.

5 He = Jehovah, from v. 2. See the Structure G,
above.

Jeshurun. See note on 32. 15.

were gathered together = gathered themselves to-
gether.

6 Reuben. For the order of the tribes see Ap. 45.
live, and not die. Fig. *Pleonasm* (Ap. 6) for em-
phasis, reversing Gen. 49. 3, 4.

let not. The word “not” is rightly repeated from
preceding clause, to supply the Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6).

men. Heb. *mēthim*, men as opposed to women
and children. Ap. 14. V.

7 Judah. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6, including
Simeon; for their inheritance and blessing were one.
Josh. 19. 1. Judg. 1. 3. be = become.

8 Thummim . . . Urim. See note on Ex. 28. 30.
Num. 26. 55.

Thy holy one = Thy man (*'ish*, Ap. 14. II.) of loving-
kindness, or gracious One = the High Priest who was
of the tribe of Levi. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

9 Nor knew. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), put for not
caring for. Ap. 6.

children = sons. Written in Hebrew text “son”,
but read “sons”. word = sayings.

10 teach. This was the great work of the priests.
Cp. Lev. 10. 11. Deut. 17. 9, 10. Ezra 7. 10. Jer. 18. 18.
Hag. 2. 11. Mal. 2. 7.

before Thee = to Thy nose. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*.
Ap. 6.

12 And of. This “and” is contained in some
codices, with Sam., Sept., and Syr.
by Him. Sam. and Sept. omit “by Him”.

13 Blessed. Cp. Gen. 49. 25.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* in vv. 14-18. Ap. 6.

14 moon. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct) for
months. Ap. 6.

15 ancient mountains = mountains of old. Cp. v. 27.

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And for the precious things of the °lasting hills,

16 And for the precious things of the earth and fulness thereof,
And for the good will of Him That dwelt in °the bush:

Let the blessing come upon the head of Joseph,

And upon the top of the head of him that was °separated from his brethren.

17 His glory is like the firstling of his bullock,

And his °horns are like the °horns of °unicorns:

With them he shall push the °people together to the ends of the °earth:

And they are the ten thousands of Ephraim,
And they are the thousands of Manasseh."

v⁶
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18 And of Zebulun he said,
"Rejoice, Zebulun, in thy going out;
And, Issachar, in thy tents.

19 They shall call the °people unto the mountain;

There they shall offer sacrifices of righteousness:

For they shall suck of the abundance of the seas,

And of °treasures hid in the sand."

v⁷

20 And of Gad he said,
"Blessed be He That enlargeth Gad:
He dwelleth as a lion,
And teareth the arm °with the crown of the head.

21 And he provided the first part for himself,
Because there, °in a portion of the law-giver, °was he °seated;

And he came with the heads of the people,
He executed the justice of °the LORD, and His judgments with Israel."

v⁸

22 And of °Dan he said,
"Dan is a lion's whelp:
He shall leap from Bashan."

v⁹

23 And of °Naphtali he said,
"O Naphtali, satisfied with favour,
And full with the blessing of °the LORD:
Possess thou the west and the south."

v¹⁰

24 And of °Asher he said,
"Let Asher be blessed with children;
Let him be acceptable to his brethren,
And let him °dip his foot in oil.

25 Thy °shoes shall be iron and brass;
And °as thy °days, so shall thy °strength be."

G

26 There is °none like unto the °GOD of °Jeshurun,

"Who °rideth upon the heaven in thy help,
And in His excellency on the sky.

27 The eternal °God is thy °refuge,
And underneath are the everlasting °arms:
And He shall thrust out the enemy from before thee;
And shall say, 'Destroy them.'

F

28 °Israel then shall °dwell in safety alone:

The °fountain of °Jacob shall be upon a land of corn and °wine;

Also his heavens shall drop down dew.

29 Happy art thou, °O Israel:

lasting = everlasting. Cp. Gen. 49. 26.

16 the bush. Cp. Ex. 3. 2. The word occurs only in these two places.

separated. Cp. Gen. 49. 26.

17 horns. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for Ephraim and Manasseh.

unicorns. See note on Num. 23. 22.

people = peoples.

earth, or land.

19 treasures hid in the sand = hidden treasures of the sand: amber, agate, jet, pearls, glass, &c.

20 with = likewise, or, yea.

21 in. Omit.

was he seated = was reserved.

22 Dan. Cp. Gen. 49. 16-18.

23 Naphtali. Cp. Gen. 49. 21, and Josh. 19. 32-39.

24 Asher. Cp. Gen. 49. 20.

dip his foot in oil. Oil found there when water failed. See 1 Kings 17. 9, and cp. Josh. 19. 24-28.

25 shoes = under thy shoes, as A.V. margin, i.e. above the ground, olives and oil; beneath, iron and copper. Refers to rich ores.

as thy days = as the length of thy days (not "day", as often quoted).

strength = sufficiency, or security, as in a fold.

26 none like. See note on Ex. 15. 11.

GOD. Heb. 'EL. See Ap. 4.

Jeshurun = Upright, i.e. the ideal Israel (cp. v. 29) as the "upright" nation, possessing all these laws. See note on first occurrence, 32. 15.

rideth. Cp. Ps. 68. 4, 33.

27 refuge = abode. Ps. 90. 1; 91. 9. Or,

"Above is the everlasting God

And beneath are His everlasting arms."

arms. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for the strength which is in them. Also Fig. *Anthropopathia*. Ap. 6.

28 Israel... Jacob. The name of a man put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause) for his posterity. Ap. 6. Note the name, "Israel" connected with Divine safety, and "Jacob" with earthly substance.

dwell... alone. Cp. Num. 23. 9. Jer. 23. 6.

fountain, or eye... [shall look] upon.

wine. See Ap. 27. ii. Heb. *tiros*.

29 O Israel. The ideal nation, viewed as Jeshurun the upright. See note on 32. 15.

saved by the LORD. This their greatest glory.

shall be found liars = shall submit themselves. Cp. 2 Sam. 22. 45. Ps. 66. 3.

high places. The end of Moses' tenth (and last) address. See note on 1. 1.

34. 1-7 (D, p. 236). MOSES' DEATH AND BURIAL. (*Introversion and Alternation*.)

D | J | x | 1-. His ascent.
y | -1-4. His eye caused to see.
K | 5. His death.
K | 6. His burial.
J | x | 7-. His age.
y | -7. His eye not dim.

This chapter is editorial and historical. Always part of the Pentateuch. Probably by Joshua, Samuel, or School of the Prophets. See Ap. 47.

Who is like unto thee, O people °saved by °the LORD,

The shield of thy help,

And who is the sword of thy excellency!

And thine enemies °shall be found liars unto thee;

And thou shalt tread upon their °high places."

34 And Moses went up from the plains of Moab unto the mountain of Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, that is over against Jericho.

DJ x
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- 1452 And °the LORD °shewed him all the land of
y Gilead, unto °Dan,
(p. 287) 2 And all Naphtali, and the land of Ephraim,
and Manasseh, and all the land of Judah, unto
the °utmost sea,
3 And the °south, and the plain of the valley
of Jericho, the city of palm trees, unto Zoar.
4 And °the LORD °said unto him, "This is
the land which °I swear °unto Abraham, unto
Isaac, and unto Jacob, saying, 'I will give it
unto thy seed:' I have caused thee to see it
with thine eyes, but thou shalt not go over
thither."
- K 5 So °Moses the servant of °the LORD died
there in the land of Moab, according to the
°word of °the LORD.
- K 6 And °He buried him in a valley in the land
of Moab, over against Beth-peor: but no °man
knoweth of his sepulchre unto this day.
- Jx 7 And Moses was °an hundred and twenty
years old when he died:
y his eye was not dim, nor his °natural force
abated.
- A L 8 And the °children of Israel wept for Moses
(p. 288) in the plains of Moab °thirty days: so the days
of weeping and mourning for Moses were
ended.
- M 9 And °Joshua the son of Nun was full of
the °spirit of wisdom; for Moses had laid his
hands upon him:
M and the °children of Israel hearkened unto
him, and did °as °the LORD commanded Moses.
- L 10 And there arose not °a prophet since in
Israel like unto Moses, whom °the LORD knew
°face to face,
11 In all the signs and the wonders, which
°the LORD sent him to do in the land of
Egypt to Pharaoh, and to all his servants,
and to all his land,
12 And in all that mighty hand, and in all
the great terror which Moses shewed in the
sight of all Israel.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Cp. Ap. 4. II.
shewed him = caused him to see. Cp. Matt. 4. 8.
Luke 4. 5.

Dan. Cp. Gen. 14. 14. Not Judg. 18. 29.

2 utmost sea. Called "the great sea". See Joel 2. 20,
and Zech. 14. 8, where A.V. and R.V. not correct.

3 south = the "Negeb". See note on Gen. 12. 8, 9;
15. 3, &c.

4 said. See note on 2. 9.

I swear. See Gen. 12. 7; 13. 17; and cp. Deut. 3. 27.
unto Abraham. All three Patriarchs named.

5 Moses the servant of the LORD. First occur-
rence. Occurs eighteen times. See Josh. 1. 1, 13, 15;
8. 31, 33; 11. 12; 12. 6, 6; 13. 8; 14. 7; 18. 7; 22. 2, 4, 5.
2 Kings 18. 12. 2 Chron. 1. 3; 24. 6; and cp. Heb. 3. 1-6.
Cp. for other variations of Moses as a servant, Ex. 14. 31.
Num. 12. 7. 1 Kings 8. 53. 1 Chron. 6. 49.

word. Heb. mouth. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6,
put for what is spoken by it.

6 He buried him = Jehovah buried Moses. Said of
no other. Hence, when raised for the Transfiguration,
Satan, who has the power of death (Heb. 2. 14), "con-
tended" with Michael about his body, Jude 9. So God
has buried the Law for those who, being "in Christ",
have died and are dead to the Law. Cp. Rom. 6. 2, 6-8;
7. 1-5, 6 (margin).

man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

an hundred and twenty years old. Moses died
the youngest of any of his kindred, e.g. Levi was 137,
Kohath 133, Amram 137, Aaron 123, Miriam 126 or
more.

natural force = moisture, or freshness.

34. 8-12 (A, p. 286). CONCLUSION (*Introversion*).

A | L | 8. Moses. Mourned.

M | 9-. Joshua. Qualified.

M | -9. Joshua. Obeyed.

L | 10-12. Moses. Praised.

8 children = sons.

thirty days. The mourning lasted from thirtieth
day of the eleventh month (Sebat) till the twenty-
ninth (and last) day of the twelfth month (Adar). See
Ap. 51. III. 5. Thus the forty years were completed:
from 1st Abib, 1491. See Ap. 50. VII. 4.

9 Joshua. Cp. Num. 27. 23.

spirit. Heb. *rûach*. Ap. 9.

as = according as.

10 a prophet. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Genus). Ap. 6.
A common name put for a proper name, Moses being
the prophet. Ap. 6.

face to face. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. Cp. 5. 4, 5.

JOSHUA.

THE STRUCTURE OF THE BOOK AS A WHOLE.

(Introversion.)

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EPILOGUE to the whole Book (24. 29-33).

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For the relation of JOSHUA to the Earlier and Later Prophets, see Ap. 1.
For the relation of JOSHUA to the Earlier Prophets, see below.

- x | JOSHUA. Israel's settlement in the LAND ; under JOSHUA and PRIESTS.
- y | JUDGES. Israel's *failure* under PRIESTS.
- x | SAMUEL. Israel's settlement in the LAND ; under SAMUEL and KINGS.
- y | KINGS. Israel's *failure* under KINGS.

THE BOOK OF °JOSHUA.

A A
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1 °Now °after the death of °Moses the servant of °the LORD it came to pass, that °the LORD spake unto Joshua the son of Nun, Moses' °minister, saying,

B a

2 °“Moses My servant °is dead; now therefore arise, go over this Jordan, thou, and all this People, unto the land which °I do give to them, even to the °children of Israel.

3 Every place that the sole of your foot shall tread upon, that have I given unto you, °as I °said unto Moses.

4 °From the wilderness and this Lebanon even unto the great river, the river Euphrates, all the land of the Hittites, and unto the great sea toward the going down of the sun, shall be your °coast.

b

5 There shall not any °man be able to stand before thee all the days of thy life: as I was with Moses, so °I will be with thee: I WILL °NOT FAIL THEE, NOR FORSAKE THEE.

6 Be strong and of a good courage: for unto this people shalt °thou divide for an inheritance the land, which I swear unto their fathers to give them.

7 Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest °observe to do according to all the law, which Moses My servant commanded thee: turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that thou mayest °prosper whithersoever thou goest.

8 °This book of the law shall not depart out of thy °mouth; but thou shalt °meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest °observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy °way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.

9 °Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for °the LORD thy °God is °with thee whithersoever thou goest.”

B b

10 Then Joshua commanded the officers of the People, saying,

11 “Pass through the host, and command the People, saying, ‘Prepare you victuals; for °within three days ye shall pass over this

TITLE, Joshua. Heb. *Jehōshua* = “Jehovah the Saviour”. In Greek “Jesus”. See Acts 7. 45. Heb. 4. 8, and Matt. 1. 18.

The great subject is the LAND, as that of the Pentateuch was the PEOPLE.

1. 1-18 (**A**, p. 289). JOSHUA ENTERING ON HIS WORK. (*Introversion, Double*.)

A	A	1. Joshua. Appointment over the People.
	B	a 2-4. History rehearsed. (Jehovah's Promises.)
		b 5-9. Admonition (Jehovah to Joshua).
	B	b 10, 11. Admonition (Joshua to People).
		a 12-15. History rehearsed. (Reubenites' Promises.)
	A	16-18. Joshua. Obedience of the People.

1 Now. Heb. “And”. Linked on to Pentateuch as the books of Pentateuch are thus linked on to each other; and as the four books of earlier Prophets are linked on to Joshua. See Ap. 1. Joshua not necessarily the author, but doubtless is so, as asserted by Talmud. Book referred to in Old and New Testament: Judg. 18. 31. 1 Sam. 1. 3, 9, 24; 3. 21. Ps. 44. 2, 3; 68. 12, 13; 78. 54, 55; 114. 1-8. Isa. 28. 1. Hab. 3. 11-13. Acts 7. 45; 13. 19. Heb. 11. 32. Jas. 2. 25.

No MS. of the five books yet found with Joshua bound up with them, making a sixth (or a so-called and hitherto unheard of “Hexateuch”).

after the death of Moses, in the eleventh month of fortieth year. Cp. Deut. 1. 3, 38; 34. 5, 9, and see Ap. 50. v, vii, viii. Cp. the beginning of the Book of Judges.

Moses the servant of the LORD. See note on Deut. 34. 5, and cp. Heb. 3. 5.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. the LORD spake = Jehovah spake. When Moses is dead. Moses is a type of Law, Joshua of the Messiah. The Law is “until Christ”, Gal. 3. 24.

Jehovah spake at four sundry times, and in three divers manners:

To Joshua, 1. 1; 4. 1.

To Joshua to command the priests, 4. 15.

To Joshua to speak to the sons of Israel, 20. 1.

minister. Cp. Ex. 24. 13. Num. 11. 28. Deut. 1. 38.

2 Moses My servant. See note on Num. 12. 7, 8.

is dead. Cp. John 1. 17. Rom. 7. 1-6.

I do give = I, even I, am giving.

children = sons.

3 as = according as. Cp. Deut. 11. 24.

said unto Moses. Cp. Deut. 11. 24. Josh. 14. 9.

4 From. For these boundaries, cp. Gen. 15. 18. Ex. 23. 31. Num. 34. 3-12. Deut. 11. 24.

coast = border or boundary.

5 man. Heb. *'ish*. See Ap. 14. II.

I will be. Heb. *'ehyeh*. Cp. Ex. 3. 14, part of title Jehovah. not fail thee. This promise first made to Jacob, Gen. 28. 15. Passed on by Moses, Deut. 31. 6. See note on Deut. 4. 31.

6 thou. Emphatic. This is the great subject of the book. **7 observe** = take heed. Some codices, with two early printed editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read “observe and do”.

8 This book of the law: i.e. the five books referred to as one throughout the Old Testament. See Ap. 47. **mouth**. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), for what is spoken by it (Ap. 6), i.e. Joshua is to continually speak of it.

meditate = talk to thyself. Cp. Ps. 1. 2 = audible musing.

way. Some codices, with one early printed edition, read “ways”. **9 Have not I?** Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4.

with thee. Cp. Ex. 3. 12. **11 within three days** = after three days. Spoken 6th or 7th of Abib. Cp. 4. 19. Spies probably already sent (2. 16, 22; 3. 1, 2).

1451 Jordan, to go in to possess the land, which
 1 the LORD your ⁹God giveth you to possess
 it."

a
 (p. 291) 12 And to the Reubenites, and to the Gadites,
 and to half the tribe of Manasseh, spake
 Joshua, saying,

13 "Remember ° the word which 1 Moses the
 servant of 1 the LORD commanded you, saying,
 1 'The LORD your ⁹God hath given you rest,
 and hath given you this land.'

14 Your wives, ° your little ones, and your
 cattle, shall remain in the land which Moses
 gave you on this side Jordan; but ye shall
 pass before your brethren ° armed, all the
 mighty men of valour, and help them;

15 Until 1 the LORD have given your brethren
 rest, as He hath given you, and they also have
 possessed the land which the LORD your ⁹God
 giveth ° them: then ye shall return unto the
 land of your possession, and enjoy it, which
 1 Moses the 1 LORD'S 1 servant gave you on
 this side Jordan toward the sunrising."

A c
 (p. 292) 16 And they answered Joshua, saying, ° "All
 that thou commandest us we will do, and
 whithersoever thou sendest us, we will go.

17 According as we hearkened unto Moses
 in all things, so will we hearken unto thee:

d only 1 the LORD thy ⁹God ° be with thee, as
 He was with Moses.

c 18 Whosoever he be that ° doth rebel against
 thy ° commandment, and will not hearken
 unto thy words in all that thou ° commandest
 him, he shall be put to death:

d only be strong and of a good courage."

B C e 2 And ° Joshua the son of Nun ° sent out of
 Shittim two ° men to spy secretly, saying,
 "Go ° view the land, even ° Jericho."

f g And they went, and ° came into an ° harlot's
 house, named ° Rahab, and lodged there.

h 2 And it was told the king of Jericho, saying,
 ° "Behold, there came 1 men in hither to night
 of the ° children of Israel to search out the
 country."

3 And the king of Jericho sent unto Rahab,
 saying, "Bring forth the 1 men that are come
 to thee, which are entered into thine house:
 for they be come to search out ° all the
 country."

4 And the woman took the two 1 men, and
 hid them, and said thus, "There came men
 unto me, but I ° wist not whence they were:

5 And it came to pass about the time of shut-
 ting of the gate, when it was dark, that the
 1 men went out: ° whither the men went I
 ° wot not: pursue after them quickly; for ye
 shall overtake them."

6 But she had brought them up to the roof
 of the house, and hid them with the ° stalks
 of flax, which she had laid in order upon the
 roof.

7 And the 1 men pursued after them the way
 to Jordan unto the fords: and as soon as they
 which pursued after them were gone out, they
 shut the gate.

g i k 8 And before they were laid down, she came
 up unto them upon the roof;

13 the word. Cp. Num. 32. 20-24.

14 your. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg.,
 read "and your". Hence note Fig. *Polysyndeton*
 (Ap. 6).

armed. Heb. = marshalled by fives (see Ap. 10). Cp.
 Ex. 13. 18, where it is rendered "harnessed".

15 them. A special various reading called *Sevir*
 (Ap. 34) reads "you", as in next clause, with many
 codices, and three early printed editions.

16-18 (A, p. 291). JOSHUA. OBEDIENCE OF
 PEOPLE. (*Alternation.*)

A | c | 16, 17-. Whatsoever. Positive.
 d | -17. Only. Jehovah "be with thee".
 c | 18-. Whatsoever. Negative.
 d | -18. Only. "Be strong."

16 All = whatsoever, as in v. 18.

17 be with thee. Cp. Ex. 3. 14.

18 doth = shall.

commandment. Heb. "mouth", put by Fig.
Metonymy (of Cause), for what is uttered by it. See
 Ap. 6.

commandest = shalt command.

2. 1-7. 26 (B, p. 289). JORDAN. EVENTS
 CONNECTED THEREWITH. (*Alternation.*)

B | C | 2. 1-24. Joshua's two spies.
 D | 3. 1-5. 12. Jordan. The passage of it.
 C | 5. 13-16. Jehovah's one Captain.
 D | 6. 1-7. 26. Jericho. The taking of it.

2. 1-24 (C, above). JOSHUA'S TWO SPIES.
 (*Alternation.*)

C | e | 1-. Their mission.
 f | -1-22. Events. Their happening.
 e | 23-. Their return.
 f | -23, 24. Events. Their narration.

-1-22 (f, above). EVENTS. THEIR HAPPENING.
 (*Alternation.*)

f | g | -1. The Spies. Their Arrival.
 h | 2-7. Search of king.
 g | 8-22-. The Spies. Their Entertainment.
 h | -22. Search of king.

1 Joshua. He had been one of the twelve spies
 himself. Num. 13. 8, 16.

sent = had sent. See 1. 11. Cp. 1. 2.

men. Heb. pl. of *'ish* or *'ēnōsh*. See Ap. 14.

view. Some codices, with one early printed edition,
 Sept., and Vulg., read "and view".

Jericho. In Num. eleven times *Y'ērēchō*. Here
Y'ērīchō. Showing difference of authorship.

came. The Sept. preserves the primitive text by
 adding "to Jericho and came". Omitted by Fig.
Homoteleuton. See Ap. 6.

harlot's. Word to be taken in usual sense.

Rahab. See Matt. 1. 5. Heb. 11. 31. Jas. 2. 25.

2 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.
 children = sons.

3 all. Some codices, with Sept. and Syr., omit "all".

4 wist not. Anglo-Saxon for "knew not". It is
 this record that is inspired, not the act and words of
 Rahab.

5 whither. Some codices, with one early printed
 edition, read "and whither".

wot. Anglo-Saxon "know".

6 stalks of flax. Heb. = flax of stalks. Fig. *Hypal-
 lage*, Ap. 6. Flax now ripe: just before the Passover.
 Cp. Ex. 9. 31 with Josh. 4. 19; 5. 10.

8-22- (g, above). ENTERTAINMENT OF SPIES.
 (*Extended Alternation.*)

g | i | k | 8-14. Treaty with Rahab.
 l | 15. Dismissal of Spies.
 m | 16. Advice given.
 i | k | 17-21-. Treaty with Rahab.
 l | -21. Dismissal of Spies.
 m | 22-. Advice taken.

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9 And she said unto the men, ° "I know that ° the LORD hath given you the land, and that your terror is fallen upon us, and that all the inhabitants of the land ° faint because of you.

10 For we have ° heard how ° the LORD ° dried up the water of the Red sea for you, when ye came out of Egypt; and what ye did unto the two kings of the Amorites, that were on the ° other side Jordan, Sihon and Og, whom ye utterly destroyed.

11 And as soon as we had heard *these things*, our hearts did ° melt, neither did there ° remain any more ° courage in ° any man, because of you: for ° the LORD your ° God, he is ° God in heaven above, and in earth beneath.

12 Now therefore, I pray you, swear unto me by ° the LORD, since I have shewed you kindness, that ye will also shew kindness unto my father's house, ° and give me a true token:

13 And that ye will save alive my father, and my mother, and my brethren, and my sisters, and all that they have, and deliver our ° lives from death."

14 And the ° men answered her, "Our ° life for yours, if ° ye utter not this our business. And it shall be, when ° the LORD hath given us the land, that we will deal ° kindly and truly with thee."

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15 Then she let them down by a ° cord through the window: for her house was ° upon the town wall, and she dwelt ° upon the wall.

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16 And she said unto them, "Get you to the mountain, lest the pursuers meet you; and hide yourselves there three days, until the pursuers be returned: and afterward may ye go your way."

k

17 And the ° men said unto her, "We will be blameless of this thine oath which thou hast made us swear.

18 ° Behold, when we come into the land, thou shalt bind this ° line of scarlet thread in the window which thou didst let us down ° by: and thou shalt ° bring thy father, and thy mother, and thy brethren, and all thy father's household, ° home unto thee.

19 And it shall be, that whosoever shall go out of the doors of thy house into the street, his blood shall be upon his head, and we will be guiltless: and whosoever shall be with thee in the house, his blood shall be on our head, if any hand be upon him.

20 And if thou utter this our business, then we will be quit of thine oath which thou hast made us to swear."

21 And she said, "According unto your words, so be it."

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And she sent them away, and they departed: and she bound the scarlet line in the window.

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22 And they went, and came unto the mountain, and abode there three days, until the pursuers were returned:

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and the pursuers sought them throughout all the way, but found them not.

9 I know. Faith's conclusion, from what she had heard, *vv.* 10, 11. Corresponds with Sarah's "she judged" in Heb. 11. 11.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
faint. Heb. = have melted. Cp. v. 11.

10 heard. This is the "ground" (Heb. 11. 1) of faith. Cp. Rom. 10. 17.

dried up. Cp. Ex. 14. 21.

other side. This written in the Land. Cp. Num. 21. 31.

11 melt. Cp. Ex. 15. 14, 15. Prophecy fulfilled.

remain. Heb. = rise up.

courage. Heb. *rûach*, spirit. See Ap. 9.

any man. Heb. *'ish*. See Ap. 14. II.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

12 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) here and v. 13, showing the earnestness of the appeal.

13 lives. Heb. "souls". See Ap. 13.

14 ye. Some codices, with one early printed edition, and Vulg., read "thou".

kindly and truly = in lovingkindness and faithfulness. Perhaps Fig. *Hendiadys* (Ap. 6), "in true lovingkindness".

15 cord = the rope. Cp. Sept. here with Acts 9. 25, and 2 Cor. 11. 33. Cp. 1 Cor. 11. 10.

upon the town wall = [built] into the *hōmah*; i. e. the outer or lower wall.

upon the wall = in the *kir*; i. e. the inner or higher wall.

18 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

line. Heb. "hope", put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the line which was the token of it.

by = through: referring to the window. Cp. v. 21.

bring = gather.

home = unto the house. The "line" was outside, for Joshua to see; not for the inmates. Cp. Ex. 12. 13, "When I see, &c." So the ground of our assurance is not experience within, but the token without.

3. 1-5. 12 (D, p. 292). JORDAN. THE PASSAGE OF IT. (*Division*.)

D | E¹ | 3. 1-4. 24. Event. The Passage.

| E² | 5. 1-12. Event. After the Passage.

3. 1-4. 24 (E¹, above). EVENT. THE PASSAGE. (*Extended Alternation*.)

E¹ | F | n | 3. 1-6. The Ark going before.

o | 3. 7. Joshua magnified. (Promise.)

p | 3. 8. Commands to Priests.

q | r | 3. 9-17. Cutting off of the waters.

s | 4. 1-10. Memorial.

F | n | 4. 11-13. The Ark going before.

o | 4. 14. Joshua magnified. (Performance.)

p | 4. 15-17. Commands to Priests.

q | r | 4. 18, 19. Return of the waters.

s | 4. 20-24. Memorial.

1 early in the morning: i. e. after the command in 1. 2. children = sons.

2 after = at the end of.
host camp.

23 So the two ° men returned, and descended from the mountain, and passed over, and came to Joshua the son of Nun,

and told him all *things* that befell them:

24 And they said unto Joshua, "Truly ° the LORD hath delivered into our hands all the land; for even all the inhabitants of the country do ° faint because of us."

3 And Joshua rose ° early in the morning; and they removed from Shittim, and came to Jordan, he and all the ° children of Israel, and lodged there before they passed over.

2 And it came to pass ° after three days, that the officers went through the ° host;

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Abib
f

E¹ F n
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3 And they commanded the People, saying, "When ye see °the ark of the covenant of °the LORD your °God, and the priests °the Levites °bearing it, then ye shall remove from your place, and go after it.

4 Yet there shall be °a space between you and it, about two thousand °cubits by measure: come not near unto it, that ye may know the way by which ye must go: for ye have not passed *this* way heretofore."

5 And Joshua said unto the People, "Sanctify yourselves: for to-morrow °the LORD will do wonders among you."

6 And Joshua spake unto the priests, saying, "Take up °the ark of the covenant, and pass over before the People." And they took up °the ark of the covenant, and went before the People.

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7 And °the LORD said unto Joshua, "This day will I begin to magnify thee in the sight of all Israel, that they may know that, °as I was with Moses, so I will be with thee.

p

8 And thou shalt command the priests that bear the ark of the covenant, saying, 'When ye are come to the brink of the water of Jordan, ye shall stand still in Jordan.'

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9 And Joshua said unto the °children of Israel, "Come hither, and hear the words of °the LORD your °God."

10 And Joshua said, "Hereby ye shall know that the °living °GOD is among you, and that He will without fail drive out from before you the Canaanites, °and the Hittites, and the Hivites, and the Perizzites, and the Girgashites, and the Amorites, and the Jebusites.

11 °Behold, the ark of the covenant of °the Lord of all the earth passeth over before you into Jordan.

12 Now therefore take you °twelve °men out of the tribes of Israel, out of every tribe a man.

w

13 And it shall come to pass, as soon as the soles of the feet of the priests that bear the ark of °the LORD, °the Lord of all the earth, shall rest in the waters of Jordan, that the waters of Jordan shall be °cut off from the waters that come down from above; and they shall stand upon °an heap."

v

14 And it came to pass, when the People removed from their tents, to pass over Jordan, and the priests bearing the °ark of the covenant before the People;

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15 And as they that °bare the ark were come unto Jordan, and the feet of the priests that bare °the ark were dipped in the brim of the water, (°for Jordan °overfloweth all his °banks all the time of °harvest,)

16 That the waters which came down from above stood and rose up upon an heap very far from the city °Adam, that is beside °Zaretan: and those that came down toward the °sea of the plain, even the °salt sea, failed, and were cut off: and °the People passed over right against Jericho.

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17 And the priests that bare °the ark of the covenant of °the LORD stood firm on dry ground in the midst of Jordan, and °all the Israelites passed over on dry ground, until

3. 9-4. 10 (r, p. 293). CUTTING OFF, AND MEMORIAL. (Alternation.)

r | 3. 9-16. The cutting off.
u | 3. 17. Priests' feet standing firm.
t | 4. 1-9. The Memorial.
u | 4. 10. Priests' feet standing firm.

3. 9-16 (t, above). THE CUTTING OFF. (Alternation.)

t | v | 3. 9-12. Ark going before.
w | 13. Prediction. Waters.
v | 14. Ark going before.
w | 15, 16. Fulfilment. Waters.

3 the ark. Not the cloud, but the ark; as from Sinai. Cp. Num. 10. 33.

the LORD your God = Jehovah your Elohim. Ap. 4. the Levites. Some codices, with three early printed editions, Sept., and Syr., read "and the Levites" bearing it. Supply the Ellipsis (Ap. 6. III) by adding "[going before]" from next clause.

4 a space. This is very significant. Cp. Ex. 19. 12, 13, 22. Lev. 10. 3.

cubits. See Ap. 51. III. 2. About 1½ miles.

7 the LORD (Heb. Jehovah) said unto Joshua (or him), at nine sundry times: 3. 7; 5. 2; 6. 2; 7. 10; 8. 1, 18; 10. 8; 11. 6; 13. 1. as = according as.

10 living. This title always has a latent reference to idols. Here, to the gods of the idolatrous nations named. GOD. Heb. 'el. Ap. 4. IV.

and. Note the Fig. Polysyndeton (Ap. 6), to emphasise the seven nations.

11 Behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

the Lord of all the earth. Heb. the Adōn of all the earth. A title connected with sovereignty in the earth. Cp. 3. 11, 13. Zech. 6. 5, the only three occurrences of this full title. See Ap. 4. VIII. (1); and cp. Ps. 97. 5. Mic. 4. 13. Zech. 4. 14.

12 twelve. The number of governmental perfection. See Ap. 10. men. Heb. 'ish. See Ap. 14. II.

13 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. out off. Three times: here, for Israel; 2 Kings 2. 8, for Elijah; and 2 Kings 2. 14, for Elisha.

an heap = one heap. Cp. Ps. 114. 3.

15 for. Note the parenthesis.

overfloweth. So to the present day.

banks. Heb. found only four times in O.T.; here, 4. 18. 1 Chron. 12. 15. Isa. 8. 7. All but the last, of the Jordan.

harvest = barley harvest. Cp. note on 2. 6.

16 Adam. The waters were divided at (or near) the city "Adam", and they were heaped up at (or near) "Zaretan", another city far off from "Adam".

Zaretan: in the land of Manasseh. Called Zartanah in 1 Kings 4. 12. The brazen vessels of the temple were cast there in the plain of Jordan (1 Kings 7. 46).

sea of the plain: i. e. the Dead Sea.

salt sea. Fig. Polyonymia. Ap. 6.

the People passed over. A way cleft through the sea (Ex. 14), through the river (Josh. 3), and in the future through the air (Phil. 3. 14. 1 Thess. 4. 17).

17 all the Israelites: better = all Israel.

were passed clean over = finished passing over.

4. 1-9 [For Structure see next page].

1 were clean passed over = were finished passing over.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

spake. See note on 1. 1.

all the People ° were passed clean over Jordan.

4 And it came to pass, when all the People ° were clean passed over Jordan, that ° the LORD ° spake unto Joshua, saying,

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1451 2 "Take you twelve ° men out of the People,
out of every tribe a ° man,
a¹ 3 And command ye them, saying,

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'Take you hence out of the midst of Jordan,
out of the place where the priests' feet stood
firm, twelve stones, and ye shall carry them
over with you,

y¹ and leave them in the lodging place, where ye
shall lodge this night.'"

z² 4 Then Joshua called the twelve ° men, whom
he had prepared of the ° children of Israel, out
of every tribe a man :

a² 5 And Joshua said unto them, "Pass over
° before the ark of ° the LORD your ° God into
the midst of Jordan, and take ye up every man
of you a stone upon his shoulder, according
unto the number of the tribes of the ° children
of Israel :

y² 6 That this may be a sign among you, *that*
when your ° children ask ° *their fathers* in time
to come, saying, 'What *mean* ye by these
stones ?'

7 Then ye shall answer them, 'That the
waters of Jordan were cut off before the ark
of the covenant of ° the LORD ; when it passed
over Jordan, the waters of Jordan were cut
off : ' and these stones shall be for a memorial
unto the ° children of Israel for ever."

a³ 8 And the ° children of Israel did so ° as
Joshua commanded, and ° took up twelve
stones out of the midst of Jordan, ° as ° the
LORD spake unto Joshua,

z³ according to the number of the tribes of the
° children of Israel, and carried them over with
them

y³ unto the place where they lodged, and laid
them down ° there.

9 And Joshua set up ° twelve stones in the
midst of Jordan, in the place where the feet of
the priests which bare the ark of the covenant
stood : and they are there unto this day.

u (p. 294) 10 For the priests which bare the ark stood
in the midst of Jordan, until every thing was
finished that ° the LORD commanded Joshua
to speak unto the People, according to all that
Moses commanded Joshua : and the People
hasted and passed over.

F n (p. 293) 11 And it came to pass, when all the People
° were clean passed over, that the ark of ° the
LORD passed over, and the priests, in the
presence of the People.

12 And the ° children of ° Reuben, and the
° children of Gad, and half the tribe of Manas-
seh, passed over ° armed before the ° children
of Israel, ° as Moses spake unto them :

13 About forty thousand ° prepared for war
passed over before ° the LORD unto battle, to
the plains of Jericho.

o 14 ° On that day ° the LORD magnified Joshua
in the sight of all Israel ; and they feared him,
° as they feared Moses, all the days of his life.

p 15 And ° the LORD ° spake unto Joshua,
saying,

4. 1-9 (t, p. 294). THE MEMORIAL. (Repeated Alternation and Introversion.)

t	x ¹	z ¹	1, 2. Twelve men.
		a ¹	3-. Twelve stones.
		y ¹	-3. The Place.
	x ²	z ²	4. Twelve men.
		a ²	5. Twelve stones.
		y ²	6, 7. The Memorial.
	x ³	a ³	8-. Twelve stones.
		z ³	-8-. Twelve men.
		y ³	-8, 9. The Place.

2 men. Pl. of 'ish or 'ēnōsh. See Ap. 14.
man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

4 children = sons.

5 before = in the presence of.
God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

6 their fathers. These words are read in some
codices, with four early printed editions, as in v. 21.

8 as = according as.

took up. Four things said of these memorial stones
in vv. 8 and 9 : (1) taken up ; (2) carried over ; (3) laid
down ; (4) set up.

there. See note on 8. 30.

9 twelve. Sept. has "other twelve". There were
two twelves.

12 Reuben. Cp. Num. 32. 27. Cp. 1. 12.

armed = by fives. Cp. 6. 7, 9. These formed the
van.

13 prepared for war = ready armed.

14 On that day. Cp. 3. 7.

20 took out. Cp. vv. 8, 9.

23 which He dried up. Ex. 14. 21.

24 People = Peoples.

16 "Command the priests that bear the ark
of the testimony, that they come up out of
Jordan."

17 Joshua therefore commanded the priests,
saying, "Come ye up out of Jordan."

18 And it came to pass, when the priests that
bare the ark of the covenant of ° the LORD
were come up out of the midst of Jordan, *and*
the soles of the priests' feet were lifted up unto
the dry land, that the waters of Jordan re-
turned unto their place, and flowed over all
his banks, as *they did* before.

q r

19 And the People came up out of Jordan
on the tenth day of the first month, and
encamped in Gilgal, in the east border of
Jericho.

10th
Abib

20 And those twelve stones, which they °
took out of Jordan, did Joshua pitch in
Gilgal.

21 And he spake unto the ° children of Israel,
saying, "When your ° children shall ask their
fathers in time to come, saying, 'What *mean*
these stones ?'

22 Then ye shall let your ° children know,
saying, 'Israel came over this Jordan on dry
land.

23 For ° the LORD your ° God dried up the
waters of Jordan from before you, until ye
were passed over, as ° the LORD your ° God
did to the Red sea, ° which He dried up from
before us, until we were gone over :

24 That all the ° People of the earth might
know the hand of ° the LORD, that it is mighty :
that ye might fear ° the LORD your ° God for
ever."

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5 And it came to pass, when all the kings of the Amorites, which were on the side of Jordan westward, and all the kings of the Canaanites, which were by the sea, heard that °the LORD had dried up the waters of Jordan from before the °children of Israel, until °we were passed over, that their heart °melted, neither was there °spirit in them any more, because of the °children of Israel.

2 At that time °the LORD said unto Joshua, "Make thee sharp knives, and circumcise °again the °children of Israel °the second time."

3 And Joshua made him sharp knives, and circumcised the °children of Israel at the hill of the foreskins.

4 And this is the cause why Joshua did circumcise: All the People that came out of Egypt, that were males, even all the °men of war, died in the wilderness by the way, after they came out of Egypt.

5 Now all the People that came out were circumcised: but all the People that were born in the wilderness by the way as they came forth out of Egypt, them they had not circumcised.

6 For the °children of Israel walked forty years in the wilderness, till all the °People that were °men of war, which came out of Egypt, were consumed, because they °obeyed not the voice of °the LORD: unto whom °the LORD swore that He would not shew them the land, which °the LORD swore unto their fathers that He would give us, a land that floweth with milk and honey.

7 And their °children, whom He raised up in their stead, them Joshua circumcised: for they were uncircumcised, because they had not circumcised them by the way.

11th-
13th
Abib
8 And it came to pass, when they had done circumcising all the °People, that they °abode in their places in the camp, till they were whole.

9 And °the LORD said unto Joshua, "This day have I °rolled away the reproach of Egypt from off you." Wherefore the name of the place is called °Gilgal unto this day.

14th
Abib
10 And the °children of Israel encamped in Gilgal, and °kept the passover on the fourteenth day of the month at even in the plains of Jericho.

11 And they did eat of the old corn of the land on °the morrow after the passover, unleavened cakes, and parched corn in the self-same day.

16th
Abib
12 And the manna ceased on the morrow after they had eaten of the old corn of the land; neither had the °children of Israel manna any more; but they did eat of the °fruit of the land of Canaan that year.

C b¹
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13 And it came to pass, °when Joshua was by Jericho, that he lifted up his eyes and looked, and, behold, there stood °a Man over against him with His sword drawn in His hand:

c¹
and Joshua went unto Him, and said unto Him, "Art Thou for us, or for our adversaries?"

b²
14 And He said, "Nay; but as °Captain of the °host of °the LORD am I now come."

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. children = sons.

we. So written, but read "they". Some codices have "they", both written and read, with three early printed editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg.

melted. See note on 2. 9, 11.

spirit. Heb. *rûach*. Ap. 9.

2 said. See note on 3. 7.

again . . . the second time. Not repeated as an act on the person, but on the nation on a second occasion (cp. for this usage Isa. 11. 11 and Jude 5), implying that the rite was performed in Egypt. See vv. 4-7.

4 men. Heb. pl. of *'ish* or *'ênôsh*. Ap. 14. II.

6 People = nation. Some codices, with two early printed editions, read "generation".

obeyed not = hearkened not unto.

8 abode. 11th to 13th Abib.

9 rolled away = Heb. *gallôthi*. Hence Gilgal = rolling.

10 kept the passover. Some codices, with two early printed editions, and MS. of Aramaic, add "in the first [month]". The second of the ten Passovers recorded. See note on Ex. 12. 28.

11 the morrow. Feast of unleavened bread ended 21st Abib at even, exactly forty years from Ex. 12. 41.

12 fruit = produce.

13-15 (C, p. 292). JEHOVAH'S ONE CAPTAIN.
(Repeated Alternation.)

C | b¹ | 13-. The Captain. Vision.

c¹ | -13. Joshua. Question asked.

b² | 14-. The Captain. Revelation.

c² | -14. Joshua. Worship accepted.

b³ | 15-. The Captain. Direction.

c³ | -15. Joshua. Obedience given.

13 when. Between 15th and 21st Abib.

a Man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

14 Captain, or Prince.

host = Israel as Jehovah's host. Cp. Ex. 12. 41.

worship. Therefore Divine. Cp. Rev. 19. 10; 22. 9.

my Lord = *Adonai*. Ap. 4. VIII (2).

15 Loose thy shoe. Cp. Ex. 3. 5. The origin of a solemn Eastern custom of reverence observed to this day. Cp. Ex. 3. 5.

is holy. Heb. "it [is] holy". See note on Ex. 3. 5.

6. 1-7. 26 (D, p. 292). JERICO: THE TAKING OF IT. (Division.)

D | G¹ | 6. 1-27. The Taking of Jericho.

G² | 7. 1-26. The Trespass of Achan.

6. 1-27 (G¹, above). THE TAKING OF JERICO. (Division.)

G¹ | H¹ | 1-19. The City Given.

H² | 20-27. The City Taken.

6. 1-19 [For Structure see next page].

1 was straitly shut up. Heb. "was shutting up and was shut up". Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6) for emphasis, thus beautifully rendered. See note on Gen. 26. 28. children = sons.

And Joshua fell on his face to the earth, and did °worship, and said unto Him, "What saith °my Lord unto His servant?" c²

15 And the Captain of °the LORD's host said unto Joshua, "Loose thy shoe from off thy foot; for the place whereon thou standest °is holy." b¹

And Joshua did so. c³

6 Now Jericho °was straitly shut up because of the °children of Israel: none went out, and none came in. D G¹ H¹ d (p. 297)

1451 2 And °the LORD °said unto Joshua, °“See, °I have given into thine hand Jericho, and the king thereof, and the mighty °men of valour.

e f (p. 297) 3 And ye shall compass the city, all ye men of war, and go round about the city once. Thus shalt thou do six days.

4 And seven priests shall bear before the ark seven trumpets of °rams' horns: and °the seventh day ye shall compass the city seven times, and the priests shall blow with the trumpets.

g 5 And it shall come to pass, that when they make a long blast with the °ram's horn, and when ye hear the sound of the trumpet, all the people shall shout with a great shout; and the wall of the city shall fall down °flat, and the People shall ascend up °every man straight before him.”

e f 6 And Joshua the son of Nun called the priests, and said unto them, “Take up the ark of the covenant, and let seven priests bear seven trumpets of °rams' horns before the ark of °the LORD.”

7 And °he said unto the People, “Pass on, and compass the city, and let him that is armed pass on before the ark of °the LORD.”

8 And it came to pass, when Joshua had spoken unto the People, that the seven priests bearing the seven trumpets of °rams' horns passed on °before °the LORD, and blew with the trumpets: and the ark of the covenant of °the LORD followed them.

9 And the armed men °went before the priests that blew with the trumpets, and the °re-reward °came after the ark, the priests °going on, and blowing with the trumpets.

10 And Joshua had commanded the People, saying, “Ye shall not shout, nor °make any noise with your voice, neither shall any word proceed out of your mouth, until the day I bid you shout; then shall ye shout.”

22nd Abib 11 So the ark of °the LORD compassed the city, going about it once: and they came into the camp, and lodged in the camp.

12 And Joshua rose early in the morning, and the priests took up the ark of °the LORD.

13 And seven priests bearing seven trumpets of °rams' horns before the ark of °the LORD went on continually, and blew with the trumpets: and the armed men went before them; but the °rereward came after the ark of °the LORD, the priests going on, and blowing with the trumpets.

28th Abib 14 And the second day they compassed the city once, and returned into the camp: so they did six days.

15 And it came to pass on the seventh day, that they rose early about the dawning of the day, and compassed the city after the same manner seven times: only on that day they compassed the city seven times.

g 16 And it came to pass at °the seventh time, when the priests blew with the trumpets, Joshua said unto the People, “Shout;

d for °the LORD hath given you the city.

6. 1-19 (H¹, p. 296). THE CITY GIVEN. (Introversion and Alternation.)

H¹ d | 1, 2. The City given.
e | f | 3, 4. Encompassing.
g | 5. Promise.
e | f | 6-15. Encompassing.
g | 16-. Promise.
d | -16-19. The City. Exceptions in Gift.

2 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. said. This is the continuation of the Captain's words, 5. 15. See note on 3. 7.

See. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

I have given. It was Jehovah's to give.

men. Heb. pl. of 'ish or 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. II.

4 rams' horns = trumpets of Jubilee, of long sound. Ex. 19. 13.

the seventh day = on the seventh day.

5 flat = under it. Probably into the ground. Cp. 11. 13. Jer. 49. 2. See note on v. 20.

every man = Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

7 he. In Heb. text written “they”, but read “he”. In some codices, with five early printed editions, both written and read “he”.

8 before. Some codices, with five early printed editions, and Aram., Syr., and Vulg., add “the ark of”.

9 went = marching.

rereward = the main or central body. Cp. Num. 10. 25.

came = marched.

going = marching.

10 make = cause your voice to be heard.

16 the seventh time. Cp. Heb. 11. 30.

17 accursed = devoted. Probably because this was the “first-fruit” of conquest. Num. 31. 54. Cp. v. 19. she hid. Cp. 2. 4.

18 trouble it. A warning of Achan's sin (7. 25).

19 vessels = utensils, or weapons.

are. Heb. = “they are”.

consecrated = holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

20-27 (H², p. 296). THE CITY TAKEN. (Introversion and Alternation.)

H² h | 20. The city taken.
i | k | 21. The city destroyed.
l | 22, 23. Exception. Rahab.
i | k | 24-. The city burned.
l | -24, 25. Exception. Rahab, &c.
h | 26, 27. The city cursed.

20 flat = under itself. Cp. v. 5. Jericho was thrice built, and thrice destroyed; so that the city of Joshua's

17 And the city shall be °accursed, even it, and all that are therein, to °the LORD: only Rahab the harlot shall live, she and all that are with her in the house, because °she hid the messengers that we sent.

18 And ye, in any wise keep yourselves from the accursed thing, lest ye make yourselves accursed, when ye take of the °accursed thing, and make the camp of Israel a curse, and °trouble it.

19 But all the silver, and gold, and °vessels of brass and iron, °are °consecrated unto °the LORD: they shall come into the treasury of °the LORD.”

20 So the People shouted when the priests blew with the trumpets: and it came to pass, when the People heard the sound of the trumpet, and the People shouted with a great shout, that the wall fell down °flat, so that the

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1451 People went up into the city, ⁵every man straight before him, and they took the city.

i k (p. 297) 21 And they utterly ^odestroyed all that was in the city, both man and woman, young and old, and ox, and sheep, and ass, ^owith the edge of the sword.

l 22 But Joshua had said unto the two men that had spied out the country, "Go into the harlot's house, and bring out thence the woman, and ^oall that she hath, ^oas ye sware unto her."

23 And the young men that were spies went in, ^oand brought out Rahab, and her father, and her mother, and her brethren, and all that she had; and they brought out all her kindred, and left them without the camp of Israel.

i k 24 And they burnt the city with fire, and all that was therein:

l only the silver, ²³and the gold, and the vessels of brass and of iron, they put into the treasury of the house of ²the LORD.

25 ²³And Joshua saved ^oRahab the harlot alive, ²⁴and her father's household, and all that she had; and she dwelleth ^oin Israel even ^ounto this day; because she hid the messengers, which Joshua sent to spy out Jericho.

h 26 And Joshua adjured *them* at that time, saying, "Cursed be the ^oman before ²the LORD, that riseth up and ^obuildeth this city Jericho: ^ohe shall lay the foundation thereof ^oin his firstborn, and in his youngest son shall he set up the gates of it."

27 So ²the LORD was with Joshua; and his fame was *noised* throughout all the country.

G² J (p. 298) 7 But the ^ochildren of Israel committed ^oa trespass in the ^oaccursed thing: for ^oAchan, the son of Carmi, the son of Zabdi, the son of Zerab, of the tribe of Judah, ^otook of the ^oaccursed thing: and the anger of ^othe LORD was kindled against the ^ochildren of Israel.

K m 2 And Joshua sent ^omen from Jericho to ^oAi, which *is* beside ^oBeth-aven, on the east side of ^oBeth-el, and spake unto them, saying, "Go up and view the country." And the men went up and viewed Ai.

n 3 And they returned to Joshua, and said unto him, "Let not all the People ^ogo up; but let about two or three thousand ^omen go up and smite Ai; and make not all the People to labour thither; for *they are but few*."

n 4 So there went up thither of the People about three thousand ³men: and they fled before the men of Ai.

5 And the ²men of Ai smote of them about thirty and six men: for they chased them *from* before the gate even unto Shebarim, and smote them in the going down: wherefore the hearts of the People ^omelted, and became as water.

m 6 And Joshua rent his clothes, and fell to the earth upon his face before the ark of ¹the

time has not yet been reached by recent excavations. The city, rebuilt by Hiel in Ahab's reign (822-790 B.C.), was captured by the Herodians (3 B.C.) and rebuilt by Archelaus (A.D. 2). This was the Jericho of our Lord's day, which was destroyed by Vespasian, A.D. 68.

21 destroyed = devoted [to destruction]. Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), to be thus supplied.

with the edge = according to the mouth. "Mouth" by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6 = without quarter.

22 all that she hath = all her household, v. 17.

as = according as. Cp. 2. 14. Heb. 11. 31.

23 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* in vv. 23-25. Ap. 6.

25 Rahab. Cp. Matt. 1. 5. Married to Salmon, in the line of the Messiah.

in = in the midst of.

unto this day. Written therefore during her lifetime.

26 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

buildeth this city: i.e. its walls and gates (v. 26), for Joshua himself gave it to the Benjamites, 18. 12. Cp. 2 Sam. 10. 5. See note on v. 20.

he shall lay. Prophecy fulfilled in Hiel the Beth-elite. 1 Kings 16. 34.

in = in [the death of] his firstborn.

7. 1-26 (G², p. 296). THE TRESPASS OF ACHAN. (Introversion.)

G² J | 1. Achan's trespass committed. Jericho.

K | 2-9. Consequence. Defeat at Ai.

K | 10-12. Cause of defeat explained.

J | 13-26. Achan's trespass to be put away. Achor.

1 children = sons.

a trespass = a treachery, unfaithfulness. Heb. *ma'al*. Ap. 43. xi. Cp. Lev. 6. 2. Deut. 32. 51. 1 Chron. 5. 25: breach of faith or trust.

accursed = devoted. Cp. 6. 17, &c.

Achan = Troubler; called Achar, 1 Chron. 2. 7.

took. Sept. has *enosphisanto* = took for themselves, i.e. sacrilege. Same word as in Acts 5. 1, 2 of Ananias and Sapphira.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

2-9 (K, above). CONSEQUENCE. DEFEAT AT AI. (Introversion.)

K | m | 2. Joshua's mission.

n | 3. Advice given. Report.

n | 4, 5. Advice taken. Result.

m | 6-9. Joshua's mourning.

2 men. Heb. pl. of *'ish* or *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14.

Ai. Near Beth-el. Cp. Gen. 12. 8; 13. 3.

Beth-aven = House of vanity.

Beth-el = House of God. Cp. Gen. 28. 19.

3 go up = go toilingly thither.

men = Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

5 melted = became as water. Fig. *Hyperbolē*. Ap. 6.

7 Alas. Fig. *Ecphrōnēsis*. Ap. 6.

Lord GOD = Adonai *Jehovah*. See Ap. 4. II, VIII (2), and X.

wherefore . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

would to God. Heb. "would that". No "to God" in Heb. text.

LORD until the eventide, *he* and the elders of Israel, and put dust upon their heads.

7 And Joshua said, ^o"Alas, O ^oLord ^oGOD, ^owherefore hast Thou at all brought this people over Jordan, to deliver us into the hand of the Amorites, to destroy us? ^owould to God we had been content, and dwelt on the other side Jordan!"

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8 ° O LORD *, what shall I say, when Israel ° turneth their backs before their enemies !

9 For the Canaanites and all the inhabitants of the land shall hear of it, and shall environ us round, and cut off our name from the earth : and ° what wilt Thou do unto Thy great name ? "

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10 And ¹ the LORD ° said unto Joshua, " Get thee up ; ° wherefore liest thou thus upon thy face ?

11 Israel hath sinned, ° and they have also transgressed My covenant which I commanded them : ° for they have even taken of the ¹ accursed thing, and have also stolen, and dissembled also, and they have put it even among their own stuff.

12 Therefore the ¹ children of Israel could not stand before their enemies, but turned their backs before their enemies, because they were ¹ accursed : neither will I be with you any more, except ye destroy the ¹ accursed from among you.

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(p. 299)

13 Up, sanctify the People, and say, ' Sanctify yourselves against to morrow : for thus saith ¹ the LORD ° God of Israel, ' There is an ¹ accursed thing in the midst of thee, O Israel : thou canst not stand before thine enemies, until ye take away the ¹ accursed thing from among you.

14 In the morning therefore ye shall be brought according to your tribes : and it shall be, that the tribe which ¹ the LORD ° taketh shall come according to the families thereof ; and the family which ¹ the LORD shall take shall come by households ; and the household which ¹ the LORD shall take shall come ° man by ° man.

15 And it shall be, that he that is ¹⁴ taken with the ¹³ accursed thing shall be ° burnt with fire, he and all that he hath : because he hath transgressed the covenant of ¹ the LORD, and because he hath wrought folly in Israel. ' "

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16 So Joshua rose up early in the morning, and brought Israel by their tribes ; and the tribe of Judah was taken :

17 And he brought the ° family of Judah ; and he took the family of the Zarahites : and he brought the family of the Zarahites ° man by man ; and Zabdi was taken :

18 And he brought his household ¹⁷ man by man ; and Achan, the son of Carmi, the son of Zabdi, the son of Zerah, of the tribe of Judah, was taken.

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19 And Joshua said unto Achan, " My son, ° give, I pray thee, glory to ¹ the LORD ¹³ God of Israel, and make confession unto Him ; and tell me now what thou hast done ; hide it not from me."

20 And Achan answered Joshua, and said, " Indeed I have sinned against ¹ the LORD ¹³ God of Israel, and thus and thus have I done :

21 When I saw among the spoils ° a goodly ° Babylonish garment, and two hundred ° shekels of silver, and a ° wedge of gold of fifty ° shekels weight, then I coveted them, and took them ; and, ° behold, they are hid in the earth in the midst of my tent, and the silver under ° it."

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22 So Joshua sent messengers, and they ran

8 O LORD *, Heb. O Adonai ; but this is one of the 134 places altered from Jehovah to Adonai by the *Sopherim*.

turneth = hath [once] turned.

9 what . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

10 said. See note on 3. 7.

11 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton*. Ap. 6.

for = and. All these "ands" might be well rendered "moreover".

10-13. There is a minute correspondence between vv. 10-12 and 13, an *Extended Alternation* of five members each, for which we have no space ; also between vv. 14 and 16-18.

13-26 (J, p. 298). ACHAN'S TRESPASS PUT AWAY. (*Introversions*.)

J | o | q | 13-15. The trouble to be removed.

| r | 16-18. The troubler to be discovered.

| p | 19-21. Joshua and Achan. Conviction.

| p | 22-24. Joshua and Achan. Proof.

| o | r | 25, 26-. The troubler stoned.

| q | -26. The trouble removed.

13 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

14 taketh - taketh [by lot], i.e. by the *Urim* and *Thummim*. See note on Ex. 28. 30 and Num. 26. 55. The *Urim* stone bringing to "light" the guilty, and the *Thummim* declaring the "perfection" or innocence. man = *geber*. Ap. 14. IV.

15 burnt = burnt up, but not necessarily alive. Heb. *sārāph*. See Ap. 43. I. viii.

17 family. Some codices, with Sept. and Vulg., read pl. "families".

man by man. Some codices, with two early printed editions, Syr., and Vulg., read "by their households".

19 give . . . glory to the LORD. All the Vulgate versions corrupt this passage by omitting "to Him". The Portuguese version of Figuerado changes "Him" to "me".

21 a one.

Babylonish. Heb. - "of Shinar", i.e. of Babylonia. shekels. See Ap. 51. II.

wedge = bar. Heb. tongue : put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct) for a coin of this shape (Ap. 6).

behold. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6).

it. Fem. Probably referring to the garment.

23 the midst. Fig. *Pleonasm* (Ap. 6).

24 son of Zerah. Put by Fig. *Synecdochē* (of Species) for great-grandson. Ap. 6.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), emphasising each particular.

25 Why . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6).

troubled . . . trouble. Heb. *Achored* . . . *Achor*. stoned them : i.e. the people, not the property.

unto the tent ; and, ²¹ behold, it was hid in his tent, and the silver under ²¹ it.

23 And they took them out of ° the midst of the tent, and brought them unto Joshua, and unto all the ¹ children of Israel, and laid them out before ¹ the LORD.

24 And Joshua, and all Israel with him, took Achan the ° son of Zerah, ° and the silver, and the garment, and the ²¹ wedge of gold, and his sons, and his daughters, and his oxen, and his asses, and his sheep, and his tent, and all that he had : and they brought them unto the valley of Achor.

25 And Joshua said, ° " Why hast thou ° troubled us ? ° the LORD shall ° trouble thee this day." And all Israel stoned him with stones, and ¹⁵ burned them with fire, after they had ° stoned them with stones.

26 And they raised over him a great heap of stones unto this day.

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^g So ¹ the LORD turned from ° the fierceness of His anger. Wherefore the name of that place was called, The valley of ²⁴ Achor, unto this day.

^{C L Q} ^(p. 300) **8** And ° the LORD ° said unto Joshua, "Fear not, neither be thou dismayed: take all the People of war with thee, and arise, go up to Ai: ° see, I have given into thy hand the king of Ai, ° and his People, and his city, and his land:

2 And thou shalt do to Ai and her king as thou didst unto ° Jericho and her king: only the spoil thereof, and ° the cattle thereof, shall ye take for a prey unto yourselves: lay thee an ambush for the city behind it."

^{R s} 3 So Joshua arose, and all the People of war, to go up against Ai: and Joshua chose out thirty thousand mighty men of valour, and sent them away by night.

4 And he commanded them, saying, ° "Behold, ye shall lie in wait against the city, *even* behind the city: go not very far from the city, but be ye all ready:

^t 5 And ³, and all the People that *are* with me, will approach unto the city: and it shall come to pass, when they come out against us, as at the first, that we will flee before them,

^u 6 (For they will come out after us) till we have drawn them from the city; for they will say, 'They flee before us, as at the first:' therefore we will flee before them.

^v 7 Then ye shall rise up from the ambush, and seize upon the city: for ¹ the LORD your ° God will deliver it into your ° hand.

8 And it shall be, when ye have taken the city, *that* ye shall set the city on fire: according to the commandment of ¹ the LORD shall ye do. ° See, I have commanded you."

^S 9 Joshua therefore sent them forth: and they went to lie in ambush, and abode ° between Beth-el and Ai, on the west side of Ai: but Joshua lodged that night among the People.

10 And Joshua rose up early in the morning, and ° numbered the People, and went up, he and the elders of Israel, before the People to Ai.

11 And all the People, *even the people* of war that *were* with him, went up, and drew nigh, and came before the city, and pitched on the north side of Ai: now *there was* a valley between them and Ai.

12 And he took about five thousand men, and set them to lie in ambush between Beth-el and Ai, on the west side ° of the city.

13 And when they had set the People, *even* all the host that *was* on the north of the city, and their liers in wait on the west of the city, Joshua ° went that night into the midst of the valley.

^{R s} 14 And it came to pass, when the king of Ai saw *it*, that they hastened and rose up early, and the ° men of the city went out against Israel to battle, he and all his People, at a time appointed, before the plain; but he ° wist not that *there were* liers in ambush against him behind the city.

26 the fierceness. Fig. *Anthropopatheia* (Ap. 6).

8. 1-12. 24 (C, p. 289). CONQUEST OF THE LAND. (*Introversion and Alternation*.)

^C L | 8. 1-29. Conquest of Ai.
M | O | 8. 30-35. Joshua's obedience.
P | 9. 1-27. League with Gibeonites.
N | 10. 1-43. Confederacy against Gibeonites by Adoni-zedec.
N | 11. 1-17. Confederacy against Israel by Jabin.
M | O | 11. 18. Joshua's obedience.
P | 11. 19, 20. League with Gibeonites.
L | 11. 21-12. 24. Conquest of other cities.

8. 1-29 (L, above). CONQUEST OF AI. (*Introversion and Extended Alternation*.)

^L Q | 1, 2. The Promise.
R | s | 3, 4. The Ambush.
t | 5. The Residue and Decoy } Command.
u | 6. The Pursuit
v | 7, 8. Seizure of City
S | 9-13. Arrangement.
R | s | 14. The Ambush.
t | 15. The Residue and Decoy } Obedience.
u | 16, 17. The Pursuit
v | 18-22. Seizure of City
Q | 23-29. The Performance.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

said. See note on 3. 7.

see. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6).

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) emphasising each particular.

2 Jericho. Cp. 6. 21. the cattle. Cp. Deut. 20. 14.

4 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

7 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

hand. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause) for the power which is in it (Ap. 6). Cp. v. 20, where it is rendered "power".

8 See. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

9 between Beth-el and Ai. The place of Abraham's altar, Gen. 12. 8: so that the place where the promise of the Land was made, is the place where it began to be fulfilled. Abraham had come down from Sichem: Joshua goes up to Sichem, and builds his altar on the same spot where Abraham had built his. Cp. Gen. 12. 6-8 with Josh. 8. 30-35 and Deut. 11. 30.

10 numbered = inspected or mustered.

12 of the city. Another school of Massorites read "of Ai", with many codices and Aramaic.

13 went. Some codices, with three early printed editions, read "lodged in".

14 men. Heb. pl. of 'ish or 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14.

wist not = knew not. Anglo-Saxon *witan*, to know.

15 made as if they were beaten. The only form of the verb in the Heb. Bible.

16 in Ai. Some codices read "in the city".

17 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

18 spear = a short javelin. First occurrence of Heb. *kidōn*.

15 And Joshua and all Israel ° made as if they were beaten before them, and fled by the way of the wilderness.

16 And all the People that *were* ° in Ai were called together to pursue after them: and they pursued after Joshua, and were drawn away from the city.

17 And there was not a ° man left in Ai or Beth-el, that went not out after Israel: and they left the city open, and pursued after Israel.

18 And ¹ the LORD ¹ said unto Joshua, "Stretch out the ° spear that *is* in thy hand toward Ai; for I will give it into thine hand."

1451 And Joshua stretched out the °spear that he had in his hand toward the city.

19 And the ambush arose quickly out of their place, and they ran as soon as he had stretched out his hand: and they entered into the city, and took it, and hasted and set the city on fire.

20 And when the men of Ai looked behind them, they saw, and, °behold, the smoke of the city ascended up to heaven, and they had no °power to flee this way or that way: and the People that fled to the wilderness turned back upon the °pursuers.

21 And when Joshua and all Israel saw that the ambush had taken the city, and that the smoke of the city ascended, then they turned again, and slew the men of Ai.

22 And the other issued out of the city against them; so they were in the midst of Israel, some on this side, and some on that side: and they smote them, so that they °let none °of them remain or escape.

Q w (p. 301) 23 And the king of Ai they took alive, and brought him to Joshua.

x 24 And it came to pass, when Israel had made an end of slaying all the inhabitants of Ai in the field, in the wilderness wherein they chased them, and when they were all fallen on the edge of the sword, until they were °consumed, that all the Israelites returned unto Ai, and smote it with the edge of the sword.

25 And so it was, that all that fell that day, both of men and women, were twelve thousand, even all the men of Ai.

26 For Joshua drew not his hand back, wherewith he stretched out the 18 spear, until he had utterly °destroyed all the inhabitants of Ai.

y 27 Only °the cattle and the spoil of that city Israel took for a prey unto themselves, according unto the word of 1 the LORD which He °commanded Joshua.

x 28 And Joshua burnt Ai, and made it an °heap for ever, even a desolation unto this day.

w 29 And the king of Ai he hanged on a tree until eventide: and °as soon as the sun was down, Joshua commanded that they should take his carcase down from the tree, and cast it at the entering of the gate of the city, and raise thereon a great heap of stones, °that remaineth unto this day.

O a 30 Then Joshua built an altar unto 1 the LORD 7 God of Israel in mount Ebal,

31 As °Moses the servant of 1 the LORD commanded the °children of Israel, °as it is written in the °Book of the Law of Moses, an altar of °whole stones, over which no man hath lift up any iron: and they offered thereon burnt offerings unto 1 the LORD, and sacrificed peace offerings.

b 32 And °he wrote there upon the stones °a copy of the law of Moses, which he wrote in the presence of the 31 children of Israel.

b 33 And all Israel, and their elders, °and officers, and their judges, stood on this side the ark and on that side before the priests the

20 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6. power. Heb. hands. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), for the power put forth by them (Ap. 6). pursuers = the pursuing force (sing.). 22 let none. Cp. Deut. 7. 2. of them. One Massoretic reading is remain "to him".

23-29 (Q, p. 300). THE PERFORMANCE.
(Introversion.)

Q w | 23. The king.
x | 24 26 The city.
y | 27. The spoil.
x | 28. The city.
w | 29. The king.

24 consumed = spent.

26 destroyed = devoted.

27 the cattle. Cp. Num. 31. 22-28.

commanded Joshua. Cp. v. 2.

28 heap. Its only name to-day is "Tell" = the Heap.

29 as soon as. Cp. Deut. 21. 22, 23 and Josh. 10. 27. that remaineth. Fig. *Parenthesis* (relative). Ap. 6.

30-35 (O, p. 300). JOSHUA'S OBEDIENCE.
(Introversion.)

O a | 30, 31. Moses's command.
b | 32. Words written.
b | 33, 34. Words read.
a | 35. Moses's command.

31 Moses the servant of the LORD. See note on Deut. 34. 5.

children = sons.

as = according as.

Book of the Law. See note on Ex. 17. 14; 24. 4; and Ap. 47. So that Joshua had a copy of Deuteronomy.

whole stones. Cp. Ex. 20. 25. Deut. 27. 5.

32 he wrote. See note on Ex. 17. 14.

a copy duplicate.

33 and officers. Some codices, with Aram. and Syr., read "and their officers".

before = at the first.

35 the congregation = assembly (as mustered), were conversant. Heb. walked.

9. 1-27 [For Structure see next page].

1 the Canaanite, the Perizzite. Some codices, with two early printed editions, read "and the Canaanite and the Perizzite".

Levites, which bare the ark of the covenant of 1 the LORD, as well the stranger, as he that was born among them; half of them over against mount Gerizim, and half of them over against mount Ebal; 31 as Moses the servant of 1 the LORD had commanded °before, that they should bless the People of Israel.

34 And afterward he read all the words of the law, the blessings and cursings, according to all that is written in the 31 Book of the Law.

35 There was not a word of all that Moses commanded, which Joshua read not before all °the congregation of Israel, with the women, and the little ones, and the strangers that °were conversant among them.

9 And it came to pass, when all the kings which were on this side Jordan, in the hills, and in the valleys, and in all the coasts of the great sea over against Lebanon, the Hittite, and the Amorite, °the Canaanite, °the Perizzite, the Hivite, and the Jebusite, heard thereof;

Pc
(p. 302)

1451 2 That they gathered themselves together, to fight with Joshua and with Israel, with one accord.

d e¹ (p. 302) 3 And when the inhabitants of Gibeon heard what Joshua had done unto Jericho and to Ai,

4 They did work wilily, and went and made as if they had been ambassadors, and took old sacks upon their asses, and wine bottles, old, and rent, and bound up;

5 And old shoes and clouted upon their feet, and old garments upon them; and all the bread of their provision was dry and mouldy.

f¹ 6 And they went to Joshua unto the camp at Gilgal, and said unto him, and to the men of Israel, "We be come from a far country: now therefore make ye a league with us."

7 And the men of Israel said unto the Hivites, "Peradventure ye dwell among us; and how shall we make a league with you?"

8 And they said unto Joshua, "We are thy servants." And Joshua said unto them, "Who are ye? and from whence come ye?"

e² 9 And they said unto him, "From a very far country thy servants are come because of the name of the LORD thy God: for we have heard the fame of Him, and all that He did in Egypt,

10 And all that He did to the two kings of the Amorites, that were beyond Jordan, to Sihon king of Heshbon, and to Og king of Bashan, which was at Ashtaroth.

11 Wherefore our elders and all the inhabitants of our country spake to us, saying, 'Take victuals with you for the journey, and go to meet them, and say unto them, 'We are your servants:''

f² therefore now make ye a league with us.

e³ 12 This our bread we took hot for our provision out of our houses on the day we came forth to go unto you; but now, behold, it is dry, and it is mouldy:

13 And these bottles of wine, which we filled, were new; and, behold, they be rent: and these our garments and our shoes are become old by reason of the very long journey."

f³ 14 And the men took of their victuals, and asked not counsel at the mouth of the LORD.

15 And Joshua made peace with them, and made a league with them, to let them live: and the princes of the congregation sware unto them.

e⁴ 16 And it came to pass at the end of three days after they had made a league with them, that they heard that they were their neighbours, and that they dwell among them.

17 And the children of Israel journeyed, and came unto their cities on the third day. Now their cities were Gibeon, and Chephirah, and Beeroth, and Kirjath-jearim.

f⁴ 18 And the children of Israel smote them not, because the princes of the congregation had sworn unto them by the LORD God of Israel. And all the congregation murmured against the princes.

9. 1-27 (P, p. 300). LEAGUE WITH THE GIBEONITES.

(Introversion and Repeated Alternation.)

P c | 1, 2. What Joshua had done. Cause.

d e¹ | 3-5. Deception proposed.

f¹ | 6-8. League proposed.

e² | 9-11-. Deception carried out.

f² | -11. League proposed.

e³ | 12, 13. Deception successful.

f³ | 14, 15. League made.

e⁴ | 16, 17. Deception discovered.

f⁴ | 18. League questioned.

e⁵ | 19-21. Deception compounded.

c | 22-27. What Joshua did. Consequence.

2 accord. Heb. "mouth": put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for what is said by it: i.e. one consent.

3 inhabitants. The Gibeonites were Hivites (v. 7), condemned to extermination as mixed with the descendants of the *Nephilim* (Ap. 25). Ex. 23. 32; 34. 12-15. Num. 33. 51-56. Deut. 7. 1, 2; 20. 16. They were aware of this. Hence their mission; by which they exposed themselves to the enmity of the other nations (10. 1-4).

Gibeon = High place. About six and a half miles from Beth-el, eight miles north-north-west of Jerusalem.

what. Some codices, with Sept. and Vulg., read "all that".

4 They = They too.

made as if they had been ambassadors. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "furnished themselves with provisions", as in vv. 11 and 12. bottles = skins: i.e. wine-skins.

5 clouted = patched. (Anglo-Saxon, *clút*.)

mouldy = become crumbly.

6 men. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

9 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

11 with you. Heb. = in your hand.

12 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

14 the men. Heb. pl. of 'ish or 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14.

took of their victuals. Probably tasted, or partook of their food; or, ate with them - a token of friendship.

asked not: i.e. by "Urim and Thummim". Cp. Ex. 28. 30, note.

mouth. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the counsel given by the mouth.

15 made a league = solemnised a covenant.

17 children = sons.

21 be = become.

promised. Cp. v. 15.

22-27. Note the expansion of P c (an *Alternation*).

x | 22. The question of Joshua.

y | 23. The sentence of Joshua. "Now therefore," &c.

x | 24. Reply to question by Gibeonites.

y | 25-27. The sentence submitted to. "Now behold," &c.

19 But all the princes said unto all the congregation, "We have sworn unto them by the LORD God of Israel: now therefore we may not touch them."

20 This we will do to them; we will even let them live, lest wrath be upon us, because of the oath which we sware unto them."

21 And the princes said unto them, "Let them live; but let them be hewers of wood and drawers of water unto all the congregation;" as the princes had promised them.

22 And Joshua called for them, and he spake unto them, saying, "Wherefore have ye beguiled us, saying, 'We are very far from you;' when ye dwell among us?"

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23 Now therefore ye are cursed, and there shall none of you be freed from being bondmen, and hewers of wood and drawers of water for the house of my °God."

24 And they answered Joshua, and said, "Because it was certainly told thy servants, how that °the LORD thy °God °commanded His servant Moses to give you all the land, and to destroy all the inhabitants of the land from before you, therefore we were sore afraid of °our lives because of you, and have done this thing.

25 And now, ¹² behold, we are in thine hand: as it seemeth good and right unto thee to do unto us, do."

26 And so did he unto them, and delivered them out of the hand of the ¹⁷ children of Israel, that they slew them not.

27 And Joshua made them that day hewers of wood and drawers of water for the congregation, and for the altar of °the °LORD, °even unto this day, °in the place which He should choose.

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10 Now it came to pass, when Adoni-zedec king of °Jerusalem had heard how Joshua had °taken Ai, and had utterly destroyed it; °as he had done to Jericho and her king, so he had done to Ai and her king; and how the inhabitants of Gibeon had made peace with Israel, and were among them;

2 That they feared greatly, because Gibeon was a great city, as one of the royal cities, and because it was greater than Ai, and all the °men thereof were mighty.

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3 Wherefore Adoni-zedec king of Jerusalem sent unto Hoham king of Hebron, and unto Piram king of Jarmuth, and unto Japhia king of Lachish, and unto Debir king of Eglon, saying,

4 "Come up unto me, and help me, that we may smite Gibeon:

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for it hath made peace with Joshua and with the °children of Israel."

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5 Therefore the five kings of the Amorites, the king of Jerusalem, the king of Hebron, the king of Jarmuth, the king of Lachish, the king of Eglon, gathered themselves together, and went up, they and all their hosts, and encamped before Gibeon, and made war against it.

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6 And the men of Gibeon sent unto Joshua to the camp to Gilgal, saying, "Slack not thy °hand from thy servants; come up to us quickly, and save us, and help us:

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for all the kings of the Amorites that dwell in the °mountains are gathered together against us."

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7 So Joshua ascended from Gilgal, he, and all the people of war with him, and all the mighty men of valour.

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8 And °the LORD °said unto Joshua, "Fear them not: for I have delivered them into thine °hand; °there shall not a °man of them stand before thee."

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9 Joshua therefore came unto them suddenly, and went up from Gilgal all night.

24 commanded. Cp. Deut. 7. 1-6.

our lives=our souls. Heb. *Nephesh*. See Ap. 13.

27 LORD. There is an *Homœoteleuton* (Ap. 6) here, preserved in the Sept.; a scribe going back to the former of the two words "LORD"; and reading "the altar of Jehovah [and the inhabitants of Gibeon became hewers of wood and drawers of water for the altar of Jehovah]", even unto this day, &c.

even. Supply Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), thus = "[as they are] even".
in=for.

10. 1-11. 17 (N N, p. 300). CONFEDERACY AGAINST GIBEONITES.

(Extended Alternation.)

N T | 10. 1, 2. Confederacy against Gibeon, Adoni-zedec.

U | 10. 3-27. Kings.

V | 10. 28-39. Cities.

W | 40-43. Territory.

N T | 11. 1-. Confederacy against Israel.

U | 11. -1-9. Kings.

V | 11. 10-14. Cities.

W | 11. 15-17. Territory.

1 Jerusalem=vision of peace. First occ. is connected with war, and next mention is siege and fire (Judg. 1. 8); called Jebus (Judg. 19. 10-11). Assigned by Joshua to Benjamin (Josh. 18. 28).

taken Ai. Cp. 8. 23-29.

as=according as.

2 men. Heb. pl. of 'ish or 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14.

3-27 (U, above). KINGS.

(Extended Alternation.)

U | g | 3, 4-. Message of Adoni-zedec to the kings.

h | -4. Reason.

i | 5. Enemies' assemblage for war.

g | 6-. Message of Gibeonites to Joshua.

h | -6. Reason.

i | 7-27. Israel's assemblage for war.

4 children=sons.

6 hand. So some codices, with two early printed editions; but Heb. text has "hands".
mountains=hill country.

7-27 (i, above). ISRAEL'S ASSEMBLAGE FOR WAR. (Alternation.)

i | j | 7. March.

k | 8. Promise.

j | 9. March.

k | 10-27. Performance.

8 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

said. See note on 3. 7.

hand. Written plural, but read singular in Heb. text. In some codices and six early printed editions, "hand" both written and read. Other codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "hands".

there. Some codices, with two early printed editions, read "and not", i.e. "and there shall not", &c., or "and not a man".

man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

10-27 [For Structures see next page].

10 Beth-horon=the Upper Beth-horon, which stood at the head of the Pass to the coast.

Azekah. Near Shochoh, where Goliath afterwards opposed Israel (1 Sam. 17. 1).

10 And °the LORD discomfited them before Israel; and slew them with a great slaughter at Gibeon, and chased them along the way that goeth up to °Beth-horon, and smote them to °Azekah, and unto Makkedah.

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11 And it came to pass, as they fled from before Israel, and were in the going down to Beth-horon, that ⁸the LORD cast down great stones from ^oheaven upon them unto Azekah, and they died: *they were* more which died with hailstones than *they* whom the ⁴children of Israel slew with the sword.

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12 Then spake Joshua to ⁸the LORD in the day when ⁸the LORD delivered up the Amorites before the ⁴children of ^oIsrael, and he said in the sight of Israel,

^o"Sun, ^ostand thou still ^oupon Gibeon;
And thou, Moon, in the valley of Ajalon."

13 And the sun ^ostood still, and the moon stayed,

Until the People had avenged themselves upon their enemies.

Is not this written in ^othe book of Jasher? So the ¹²sun ^ostood still in the midst of ¹¹heaven, and hasted not to go down about a whole day.

14 And there was no day like that before it or after it, that ⁸the LORD hearkened unto the voice of a ⁸man: for ⁸the LORD fought for Israel.

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15 And Joshua returned, and all Israel with him, unto the camp to Gilgal.

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16 But these five kings fled, and hid themselves in a cave at Makkedah.

17 And it was told Joshua, saying, "The five kings are found hid in a cave at Makkedah."

18 And Joshua said, "Roll great stones upon the mouth of the cave, and set ^omen by it for to keep them:

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19 And stay ye not, *but* pursue after your enemies, and smite the hindmost of them; suffer them not to enter into their cities: for ⁸the LORD your ^oGod hath delivered them into your hand."

20 And it came to pass, when Joshua and the ⁴children of Israel had made an end of slaying them with a very great slaughter, till they were consumed, that the rest *which* remained of them entered into fenced cities.

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21 And all the people returned to the camp to Joshua at Makkedah in peace: none moved his tongue against any of the ⁴children of Israel.

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22 Then said Joshua, "Open the mouth of the cave, and bring out those five kings unto me out of the cave."

23 And they did so, and brought forth those five kings unto him out of the cave, the king of Jerusalem, the king of Hebron, the king of Jarmuth, the king of Lachish, and the king of Eglon.

24 And it came to pass, when they brought out those kings unto Joshua, that Joshua called for all the ^omen of Israel, and said unto the captains of the ^omen of war which went with him, "Come near, put your feet upon the necks of ^othese kings." And they came near, and put their feet upon the necks of them.

25 And Joshua said unto them, "Fear not, nor be dismayed, ^obe strong and of good

10-27 (k, p. 303). PERFORMANCE. (Division.)

k | ¹¹ | 10-14. By Jehovah before the Flight.
| ¹² | 15-27. By Joshua after the Flight.

10-14 (l¹, above). BY JEHOVAH BEFORE THE FLIGHT. (Division.)

l¹ | m¹ | 10. By the sword of Israel.
| m² | 11. By hailstones from the clouds.
| m³ | 12-14. By the sun in the heavens.

11 heaven = the heavens; i. e. the clouds.

12 Israel. Here the Sept. supplies the words omitted by *Homoteleuton* (Ap. 6) of the word "Israel, [when He destroyed them in Gibeon, and they were destroyed before the sons of] Israel".

Sun = the sun itself, because of what is said in the next verse.

stand thou still. Hab. 3. 11. This is not the only miracle in connection with the sun. See shadow going back (2 Kings 20. 11. Isa. 38. 8). Going down at noon (Amos 8. 9). No more going down (Isa. 60. 20). Darkened (Isa. 13. 10. Ezek. 32. 7. Joel 2. 10, 31; 3. 15. Matt. 24. 29. Rev. 6. 12; 8. 12; 9. 2; 16. 8). Miracle to be again performed (Luke 23. 44, 45). His motion described (Ps. 19. 4-6).

upon = in, as in next line.

13 stood still = waited silently.

the book of Jasher. Why may not this be "the book of the Upright", another name for Israel, like Jeshurun? See note on Deut. 32. 15. It is so in Arabic and Syriac. It is mentioned in 2 Sam. 1. 18. In the Targum it is "the book of the Law". Josephus appeals to it as a book in the temple, which probably perished with it. Two spurious books so called, A. D. 1394 and 1625.

15-27 (l², above). BY JOSHUA AFTER THE FLIGHT. (Introversion and Alternation.)

l² | n | p | 15. Return to camp at Gilgal.
| q | 16-18. Five kings shut up.
| o | 19, 20. Pursuit of hosts.
n | p | 21. Return to camp at Makkedah.
q | 22-27. Five kings brought out.

18 men. Pl. of 'ish or 'enosh. Ap. 14.

19 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

24 men. Pl. of 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

these kings. Some codices, with three early printed editions, read "these five kings".

25 be strong, &c. See note on Deut. 31. 6.

27 took them down. Cp. Deut. 21. 22, 23.

28-39 [For Structure see next page].

28 souls. Pl. of *nephesh*. Ap. 14. Seven times in this chapter: v. 40 puts "all that breathed" instead.

courage: for thus shall ⁸the LORD do to all your enemies against whom ye fight."

26 And afterward Joshua smote them, and slew them, and hanged them on five trees: and they were hanging upon the trees until the evening.

27 And it came to pass at the time of the going down of the sun, *that* Joshua commanded, and they ^otook them down off the trees, and cast them into the cave wherein they had been hid, and laid great stones in the cave's mouth, *which remain* until this very day.

28 And that day Joshua took Makkedah, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and the king thereof he utterly destroyed, ^othem, and all the ^osouls that were therein; he let

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1451 none remain: and he did to the king of Makkedah °as he did unto the king of Jericho.

s¹ 29 Then Joshua passed from Makkedah, and
(p. 305) all Israel with him, unto °Libnah, and fought against Libnah:

r² 30 And °the LORD delivered it also, and the king thereof, into the hand of Israel; and he smote it with the °edge of the sword, and all the 28 souls that were therein; he let none remain in it; but did unto the king thereof 28 as he did unto the king of Jericho.

s² 31 And Joshua passed from Libnah, and all Israel with him, unto °Lachish, and encamped against it, and fought against it:

r³ 32 And °the LORD delivered 31 Lachish into the hand of Israel, which took it °on the second day, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and all the 28 souls that were therein, according to all that he had done to Libnah.

33 Then Horam king of °Gezer came up to help Lachish; and Joshua smote him and his people, until he had left him none remaining.

s³ 34 And from Lachish Joshua passed unto °Eglon, and all Israel with him; and they encamped against it, and fought against it:

r⁴ 35 And they took it on that day, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and all the 28 souls that were therein he utterly destroyed that day, according to all that he had done to Lachish.

s⁴ 36 And Joshua went up from Eglon, and all Israel with him, unto °Hebron; and they fought against it:

r⁵ 37 And they took it, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and the king thereof, and all the cities thereof, and all the 28 souls that were therein; he left none remaining, according to all that he had done to Eglon; but destroyed it utterly, and all the 28 souls that were therein.

s⁵ 38 And Joshua returned, and all Israel with him, to °Debir; and fought against it:

r⁶ 39 And he took it, and the king thereof, and all the cities thereof; and they smote them with the edge of the sword, and utterly destroyed all the 28 souls that were therein; he left none remaining: as he had done to Hebron, so he did to Debir, and to the king thereof; 28 as he had done also to Libnah, and to her king.

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(p. 303) 40 So Joshua smote all the °country of the hills, and of the south, and of the vale, and of the springs, and all their kings: he left none remaining, but utterly destroyed all that °breathed, 28 as °the LORD 19 God of Israel °commanded.

41 And Joshua smote them from °Kadesh-barnea even unto Gaza, and all the country of Goshen, even unto Gibeon.

42 And all these kings and their land did Joshua take at one time, because °the LORD 19 God of Israel °fought for Israel.

43 And Joshua returned, and all Israel with him, unto the camp to Gilgal.

28-39 (V, p. 303). CITIES OF THE KINGS. (Repeated Alternation.)

V | r¹ | 28. Makkedah taken.
s¹ | 29. Advance to Libnah.
r² | 30. Libnah taken.
s² | 31. Advance to Lachish.
r³ | 32, 33. Lachish taken.
s³ | 34. Advance to Eglon.
r⁴ | 35. Eglon taken.
s⁴ | 36. Advance to Hebron.
r⁵ | 37. Hebron taken.
s⁵ | 38. Advance to Debir.
r⁶ | 39. Debir taken.

as=according as.

29 Libnah. Afterward one of the cities of the priests. Josh. 21. 13. See note on 2 Chron. 21. 10.

30 edge=mouth. Fig. Pleonasm. Ap. 6.

31 Lachish. Destroyed and rebuilt seven times. A strong city, as shown by recent explorations.

32 on the second day. A most significant statement. In 2 Kings 18. 17. 2 Chron. 32. 9, Sennacherib besieged it; yet when Rabshakeh returned from Jerusalem he found the siege raised (2 Kings 19. 8). Similar proof of its strength given in Jer. 34. 7.

33 Gezer. See note on 1 Kings 9. 16, 17.

34 Eglon, about two miles east of Lachish, now Ajlan.

36 Hebron, before called Kirjath-arba, Judg. 1. 10. Some Canaanites afterwards returned here, Judg. 1. 9-11.

38 Debir = Oracle: south of Hebron. Called Kirjath-sepher = Book Town (15. 15. Judg. 1. 11), and Kirjath-sannah = Precept Town (15. 49).

40 country of the hills - the land of the hill country.

breathed = had n'shāmāh. Ap. 16.

commanded. Cp. Deut. 20. 16, 17.

41 Kadesh-barnea. This verse describes Joshua's conquests West, South, and North.

42 fought for Israel. For the reason, see Ap. 23 and 25.

11. -1-9 (U, p. 303). KINGS. (Extended Alternation.)

U | t | u | -1-5. Kings' assemblage.
v | 6-. Promise of Jehovah. Given.
w | -6. Command to Joshua.
t | u | 7. Kings smitten.
v | 8. Promise of Jehovah. Fulfilled.
w | 9. Obedience of Joshua.

1 when Jabin... heard. Note the stages: (1) Jericho, unresisting; (2) Ai, a sortie; (3) Gibeon, confederacy; (4) Jabin, aggressive.

Hazor. Celebrated in Judg. 4. 2, 17.

2 of the mountains = in the hill country.

of the plains - in the low country.

Chinneroth. Cp. Num. 34. 11. Deut. 3. 17. Afterward called Lake of Gennesareth, Sea of Galilee, and Sea of Tiberias (Matt. 4. 14-18, 23).

borders = uplands. Used only in connection with Dor. Heb. nāphāh. Cp. 12. 23 "coast", and 1 Kings 4. 11 "region".

west = sea, or coast.

11 And it came to pass, °when Jabin king of °Hazor had heard those things,

that he sent to Jobab king of Madon, and to the king of Shimron, and to the king of Achshaph,

2 And to the kings that were on the north °of the mountains, and °of the plains south of °Chinneroth, and in the valley, and in the °borders of Dor on the °west,

3 And to the Canaanite on the east and on the west, and to the Amorite, and the Hittite, and the Perizzite, and the Jebusite in the

1451 mountains, and to the Hivite under Hermon in
to the land of ° Mizpeh.

1444 4 And ° they went out, they and all their
hosts with them, much people, even ° as the
sand that is upon the sea shore in multitude,
with horses and chariots very many.

5 And when all these kings were ° met to-
gether, they came and pitched together at the
waters of Merom, to fight against Israel.

v (p. 305) 6 And ° the LORD ° said unto Joshua, "Be
not afraid because of them: for to morrow
about this time will I deliver them up all
slain before Israel:

w thou shalt ° hough their horses, and burn their
chariots with fire."

t u 7 So Joshua came, and all the people of war
with him, against them by the waters of
Merom suddenly; and they fell upon them.

v 8 And ° the LORD delivered them into the
hand of Israel, who smote them, and chased
them unto great Zidon, and unto ° Misrephoth-
maim, and unto the valley of Mizpeh east-
ward; and they smote them, until they left
them none remaining.

w 9 And Joshua did unto them ° as ° the LORD
bade him: he houghed their horses, and burnt
their chariots with fire.

v Y x (p. 306) 10 And Joshua at that time turned back,
and took Hazor, and smote the king thereof
with the sword: for Hazor beforetime was the
head of all those kingdoms.

y 11 And they smote all the ° souls that were
therein with the ° edge of the sword, utterly
destroying them: there was not any left to
° breathe:

z and he burnt Hazor with fire.

Z 12 And all the cities of those kings, and all
the kings of them, did Joshua take, and smote
them with the ° edge of the sword, and he
utterly destroyed them, ° as ° Moses the servant
of ° the LORD commanded.

z 13 But as for the cities that stood still in
their strength, Israel burned none of them,
save Hazor only; that did Joshua burn.

Y x 14 And all the spoil of these cities, and the
cattle, the ° children of Israel took for a prey
unto themselves;

y but every ° man they smote with the edge of
the sword, until they had destroyed them,
neither left they any to ° breathe.

Z 15 ° As ° the LORD commanded Moses his
servant, ° so did Moses command Joshua, and
° so did Joshua; he left nothing undone of all
that ° the LORD commanded Moses.

W (p. 303) 16 So Joshua took all that land, ° the hills,
and all the south country, and all the land of
Goshen, and the valley, and the plain, and the
mountain of Israel, and the ° valley of the
same;

17 Even from the mount Halak, that goeth
up to Seir, even unto Baal-gad in the valley
of Lebanon under mount Hermon: and all
their kings he took, and smote them, and slew
them.

3 Mizpeh = Watch-tower.

4 they went out, &c. Cp. v. 4 with Rev. 20. 8, 9,
as, &c. Fig. *Paræmia*. Ap. 6.

5 met together: i. e. by appointment. Cp. Amos 3. 3.

6 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

said. See note on 3. 7.

hough = sever the hamstring.

8 Misrephoth-maim. Salt, or glass, works.

9 as = according as.

10-15 (V, p. 303). CITIES. (*Involved Introversion and
Alternation.*)

V	X	Y	x	10. Hazor taken.
		y	11-. Inhabitants slain.	
		z	11. Hazor burned.	
		Z	12. Moses's command.	
		z	13. Cities not burned.	
X	Y	x	14-. Spoil taken.	
		y	14. Inhabitants slain.	
		Z	15. Moses's command.	

11 souls. Heb. pl. of *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

edge. Heb. mouth. Fig. *Pleonasm*. Ap. 6.

breathe. Heb. *n'shāmāh*. Ap. 16.

12 as = according as. Cp. Num. 33. 52. Deut. 7. 2;
20. 16, 17. See also Structure, vv. 15, &c.

Moses the servant of the LORD. See note on
Deut. 34. 5.

14 children = sons.

man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

15 As = according as. Cp. Ex. 34. 11.

so. Cp. Deut. 7. 2.

16 the hills = the hill country.

valley = the low country.

18 a long time = many days.

20 of the LORD. Because they were the descend-
ants of the *Nephilim*; and it was as necessary for the
Sword to destroy these, as the Flood those.

11. 21-12. 24 (L, p. 300). CONQUEST OF
OTHER KINGS. (*Alternation.*)

L	c ¹	11. 21-12. 1. General.
	d	12. 2-8. Particular (East of Jordan).
	c ²	12. 7, 8. General.
	d	12. 9-24-. Particular (West of Jordan).
	c ³	12. -24. General.

21 Anakims = the descendants of the second incursion
of evil angels (Gen. 6. 4) through one, Anak. See Ap. 23
and 25, and notes on Num. 13. 22 and Deut. 1. 28.

mountains = hill country.

from Anab. Some codices, with two early printed
editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "and from
Anab".

18 Joshua made war ° a long time with all
those kings.

19 There was not a city that made peace
with the ° children of Israel, save the Hivites
the inhabitants of Gibeon: all other they took
in battle.

20 For it was ° of ° the LORD to harden their
hearts, that they should come against Israel in
battle, that He might destroy them utterly, and
that they might have no favour, but that He
might destroy them, as ° the LORD commanded
Moses.

21 And at that time came Joshua, and cut off
the ° Anakims from the ° mountains, from He-
bron, from Debir, ° from Anab, and from all the
° mountains of Judah, and from all the ° mount-
ains of Israel: Joshua destroyed them utterly
with their cities.

22 There was none of the ° Anakims left in
the land of the ° children of Israel: only in
Gaza, in Gath, and in Ashdod, there remained.

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23 So Joshua took the whole Land, according to all that ⁶the LORD said unto Moses; and Joshua gave it for an inheritance unto Israel ⁶according to their divisions by their tribes. And the Land rested from war.

12 Now these *are* the kings of the Land, which the ⁶children of Israel smote, and possessed their Land on the other side Jordan toward the rising of the sun, from the river Arnon unto mount Hermon, and all the plain on the east:

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2 ⁶Sihon king of the Amorites, who dwelt in Heshbon, *and* ruled from Aroer, which *is* upon the bank of the river Arnon, and from the middle of the river, and from half Gilead, even unto the river Jabbok, *which is* the border of the ¹children of Ammon;

3 And from the plain to the sea of ⁶Chinneroth on the east, and unto the sea of the plain, *even* the salt sea on the east, the way to Beth-jeshimoth; and from the south, under Ashdoth-pisgah:

4 And the ⁶coast of Og king of Bashan (*which was* of the remnant of the ⁶giants) that dwelt at Ashtaroth and at Edrei,

5 And reigned in mount Hermon, and in Salcah, and in all Bashan, unto the border of the Geshurites and the Maachathites, and half Gilead, the border of Sihon king of Heshbon.

6 Them did ⁶Moses the servant of ⁶the LORD and the ¹children of Israel smite: and ⁶Moses the servant of ⁶the LORD gave it *for* a possession unto the Reubenites, and the Gadites, and the half tribe of Manasseh.

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7 And these *are* the kings of the country which Joshua and the ¹children of Israel smote on this side Jordan on the west, from Baal-gad in the valley of Lebanon even unto the mount Halak, that goeth up to Seir; which Joshua gave unto the tribes of Israel *for* a possession ⁶according to their divisions;

8 In the ⁶mountains, and in the valleys, and in the plains, and in the springs, and in the wilderness, and in the south country; the Hittites, the Amorites, and the Canaanites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites:

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9 The king of ⁶Jericho, ⁶one;
The king of ⁶Ai, which *is* beside Beth-el, ⁶one;

10 The king of ⁶Jerusalem, ⁶one;

The king of Hebron, ⁶one;

11 The king of Jarmuth, ⁶one;

The king of Lachish, ⁶one;

12 The king of Eglon, ⁶one;

The king of ⁶Gezer, ⁶one;

13 The king of ⁶Debir, ⁶one;

The king of Geder, ⁶one;

14 The king of Hormah, ⁶one;

The king of ⁶Arad, ⁶one;

15 The king of ⁶Libnah, ⁶one;

The king of Adullam, ⁶one;

16 The king of ⁶Makkedah, ⁶one;

The king of Beth-el, ⁶one;

17 The king of Tappuah, ⁶one;

The king of Hopher, ⁶one;

18 The king of Aphek, ⁶one;

The king of Lasharon, ⁶one;

19 The king of Madon, ⁶one;

The king of ⁶Hazor, ⁶one;

23 according to. Cp. Num. 26. 53. But some codices, with seven early printed editions, Sept., and Syr., read "in their portions".

12. 1 children = sons.

2 Sihon. Cp. Num. 21. 23, 24. Deut. 3. 6.

3 Chinneroth. See note on 11. 2.

4 coast = border, or confines.

giants. Heb. *Rephaim*. Another branch of the *Nephilim*, called so after one, *Rapha*; as the *Anakim* after *Anak*. See Ap. 23 and 25.

6 Moses the servant of the LORD. See note on Deut. 34. 5.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4.

7 according to their. Some codices, with five early printed editions, and Syr., read "in their".

8 mountains = hill country.

9 Jericho. Cp. 6. 2.

one. These names (vv. 9-24) are written thus in the Hebrew MSS. and printed editions.

Ai. Cp. 8. 29.

10 Jerusalem. Cp. 10. 23.

12 Gezer. Cp. 10. 33; and see note on 1 Kings 9. 16, 17.

13 Debir. Cp. 10. 38.

14 Arad. Cp. Num. 21. 1-3.

15 Libnah. Cp. 10. 30.

16 Makkedah. Cp. 10. 28.

19 Hazor. Cp. 11. 10.

23 coast. See note on "borders", 11. 2.

13. 1-21. 45 (C, p. 289). DIVISION OF THE LAND. (*Introversion and Alternation.*)

C	A		13. 1. Jehovah's gifts. Unpossessed.
	B		C 13. 2-17. 18. Civil. Unallotted land.
			D 18. 1. Sacred. Tabernacle in Shiloh.
	B		C 18. 2-19. 51. Civil. Unappropriated cities.
			D 20. 1-21. 42. Sacred. Cities.
	A		21. 43-45. Jehovah's gifts. Possessed.

1 old and stricken in years. Fig. *Synonymia*. Ap. 6. Joshua now in his 101st year (1544). the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. said. See note on 3. 7.

13. 2-17. 18 (C, above). CIVIL. UN-ALLOTTED LAND. (*Division.*)

C	E ¹		13. 2-14. 5. By Moses.
	E ²		14. 6-17. 18. By Joshua.

13. 2-14. 5 (E¹, above). BY MOSES. (*Alternation.*)

E ¹	F		13. 2-7. Command as to the 9} tribes.
	G		13. 8-33. East of Jordan.
	F		14. 1, 2. Obedience as to the 9} tribes.
	G		14. 3-5. East of Jordan.

2 borders = circuit. Heb. *g'ilah*, a rare word.

20 The king of Shimron-meron, ⁶one;

The king of Achshaph, ⁶one;

21 The king of Taanach, ⁶one;

The king of Megiddo, ⁶one;

22 The king of Kedesh, ⁶one;

The king of Jokneam of Carmel, ⁶one;

23 The king of Dor in the ⁶coast of Dor, ⁶one;

The king of the nations of Gilgal, ⁶one;

24 The king of Tirzah, ⁶one;

All the kings ⁶thirty and one. c³

13 Now Joshua was ⁶old *and* stricken in years; and ⁶the LORD ⁶said unto him, "Thou art old *and* stricken in years, and there remaineth yet very much land to be possessed.

C A
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2 This *is* the land that yet remaineth: all the ⁶borders of the Philistines, and all Geshuri,

B E¹ F

1544
to
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3 From ° Sihor, which *is* before Egypt, even unto the borders of Ekron northward, *which* is counted to the Canaanite: five ° lords of the Philistines; the Gazathites, and the Ashdothites, the Eshkalonites, ° the Gittites, and the Ekronites; also the Avites:

4 ° From the south, all the land of the Canaanites, and Mearah that *is* beside the Sidonians, unto Aphek, to the borders of the Amorites:

5 And the land of the Giblites, and all Lebanon, toward the sunrising, from Baal-gad under mount Hermon unto ° the entering into Hamath.

6 All the inhabitants of the hill country from Lebanon unto Misrephoth-maim, *and* all the Sidonians, them will \int drive out from before the ° children of Israel: only divide thou it by lot unto the Israelites for an inheritance, ° as I have commanded thee.

7 Now therefore divide this land for an inheritance unto the nine tribes, and the half tribe of ° Manasseh,

G a
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8 With whom the Reubenites and the Gadites have received their inheritance, which ° Moses gave them, beyond Jordan eastward, ° *even* as

Moses the servant of ° the LORD gave them;
9 From Aroer, that *is* upon the bank of the river Arnon, and the city that *is* in the midst of the river, and all the plain of Medeba unto Dibon;

10 And all the cities of Sihon king of the Amorites, which reigned in Heshbon, unto the border of the ° children of Ammon;

11 And Gilead, and the border of the Geshurites and Maachathites, and all mount Hermon, and all Bashan unto Salcah;

12 All the kingdom of Og in Bashan, which reigned in Ashtaroth and in Edrei, who remained of the remnant of the ° giants: for these did Moses smite, and cast them out."

13 Nevertheless the ° children of Israel expelled not the Geshurites, nor the Maachathites: but the Geshurites and the Maachathites dwell among the Israelites until this day.

b 14 Only unto the tribe of Levi he gave none inheritance; the sacrifices of ° the LORD ° God of Israel made by fire *are* their inheritance, as He said unto them.

a 15 And Moses gave unto the tribe of the ° children of Reuben *inheritance* according to their families.

16 And their ° coast was from Aroer, that *is* on the bank of the river Arnon, and the city that *is* in the midst of the river, and all the plain ° by Medeba;

17 Heshbon, and all her cities that *are* in the plain; Dibon, and Bamoth-baal, and Beth-baal-meon,

18 And Jahaza, and Kedemoth, and Me-phaaath,

19 And Kirjathaim, and Sibmah, and ° Zareth-shahar in the mount of the valley,

20 And Beth-peor, and Ashdoth-pisgah, and Beth-jeshimoth,

21 And all the cities of the plain, and all the kingdom of Sihon king of the Amorites, which reigned in Heshbon, whom Moses smote with the princes of Midian, Evi, and Rekem, and

3 Sihor. Heb. "the Sihor".

lords. Heb. *geren*, a prince; first occurrence. Used only of the Philistine princes. Josh. 13. 3. Judg. 3. 3; 16. 5, 8, 18, 18, 23, 27, 30. 1 Sam. 5. 8, 11; 6. 4, 4, 12, 16, 18; 7. 7; 29. 2, 6, 7. 1 Chron. 12. 19.

the Gittites. Some codices, with three early printed editions, Sept., and Syr., read "and the."

4 From = on. The Syr. punctuates vv. 3 and 4, thus: "also the Avites on the south".

5 the entering into = the pass of.

6 children = sons.

as according as.

7 Manasseh. The Sept. adds, "from the Jordan to the Great Sea westward thou shalt give it: the Great Sea shall be the boundary; and to the two tribes, and to the half tribe of Manasseh".

8-33 (G, p. 307). EAST OF JORDAN. (Alternation.)

G a | 8-13. General.

b | 14. Exception. Tribe of Levi.

a | 15-32. General.

b | 33. Exception. Tribe of Levi.

8 Moses gave. Cp. Num. 32. 33. Deut. 3. 13. Josh. 22. 4.

even as. So a special reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 34), but Heb. text reads "as".

Moses the servant of the LORD. See note on Deut. 34. 5.

12 giants. Heb. *Rephaim*. See note on 12. 4.

14 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. 1.

16 coast = border.

by. A special various reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 34) reads "as far as", with some codices, and three early printed editions, Aram., Syr., and Sept.

19 Zareth-shahar = light of the dawn, because it catches the rays of the rising sun. Cp. Subscription to Ps. 22.

21 dukes = anointed [leaders], called kings in Num. 31. 8.

22 Balaam. Cp. Num. 22. 5; 24. 3, 15; 31. 8. Deut. 23. 4.

26 And. This is the middle verse of this book.

Zur, and Hur, and Reba, *which were* ° dukes of Sihon, dwelling in the country.

22 ° Balaam also the son of Beor, the soothsayer, did the ° children of Israel slay with the sword among them that were slain by them.

23 And the border of the ° children of Reuben was Jordan, and the border *thereof*. This was the inheritance of the ° children of Reuben after their families, the cities and the villages thereof.

24 And Moses gave *inheritance* unto the tribe of Gad, *even* unto the ° children of Gad according to their families.

25 And their ° coast was Jazer, and all the cities of Gilead, and half the land of the ° children of Ammon, unto Aroer that *is* before Rabbah;

26 ° And from Heshbon unto Ramath-mizpeh, and Betonim; and from Mahanaim unto the border of Debir;

27 And in the valley, Beth-aram, and Beth-nimrah, and Succoth, and Zaphon, the rest of the kingdom of Sihon king of Heshbon, Jordan and *his* border, *even* unto the edge of the sea of Chinnereth on the other side Jordan eastward.

28 This *is* the inheritance of the ° children of Gad after their families, the cities, and their villages.

29 And Moses gave *inheritance* unto the

1444 half tribe of Manasseh: and *this was the pos-*
1443 *session* of the half tribe of the ° children of Manasseh by their families.

30 ° And their ° coast was from Mahanaim, ° all Bashan, all the kingdom of Og king of Bashan, and all the ° towns of Jair, which *are* in Bashan, threescore cities:

31 And half Gilead, and Ashtaroth, and Edrei, cities of the kingdom of Og in Bashan, *were pertaining* unto the ° children of Machir the son of Manasseh, *even* to the one half of the ° children of ° Machir by their families.

32 *These are the countries* which Moses did distribute for inheritance in the plains of Moab, on the other side Jordan, by Jericho, eastward.

l (p. 308) 33 But unto the tribe of Levi Moses gave not *any* inheritance: ° the LORD ° God of Israel ° was their inheritance, ° as He said unto them.

F 14 And *these are the countries* which the ° children of Israel inherited in the land of Canaan, which ° Eleazar the priest, and Joshua the son of Nun, and the heads of the fathers of the tribes of the ° children of Israel, distributed for inheritance to them.

2 ° By lot *was* their inheritance, ° as ° the LORD commanded by the hand of Moses, ° for the nine tribes, and *for* the half tribe.

G 3 For Moses had given the inheritance of two tribes and an half tribe on the other side Jordan: but unto the Levites he gave none inheritance among them.

4 For the ° children of Joseph were two tribes, Manasseh and Ephraim: therefore they gave no part unto the Levites in the land, save cities to dwell *in*, with their suburbs for their cattle and for their substance.

5 ° As ° the LORD commanded Moses, so the ° children of Israel did, and they ° divided the land.

E² H¹ c¹ (p. 309) 6 Then the ° children of Judah came unto Joshua in Gilgal: and Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenezite said unto him,

d "Thou knowest the thing that ° the LORD said unto Moses the man of ° God concerning me ° and thee in Kadesh-barnea.

7 Forty years old *was* I when ° Moses the servant of ° the LORD sent me from Kadesh-barnea to espy out the land; and I brought him word again ° as *it was* ° in mine heart.

8 Nevertheless my brethren that went up with me made the heart of the People melt: but I wholly followed ° the LORD my ° God.

9 And ° Moses swore on that day, saying, 'Surely the Land whereon thy feet have trodden shall be thine inheritance, and thy children's for ever, because thou hast wholly followed ° the LORD my ° God.'

10 And now, ° behold, ° the LORD hath kept me alive, as He said, these ° forty and five years, even since ° the LORD spake this word unto Moses, while *the children of Israel* wandered in the wilderness: and now, ° lo, I *am* this day fourscore and five years old.

11 As yet I *am* as strong this day as I *was* in the day that Moses sent me: as my strength

30 And their. Some codices in the margin read "and all their".

all. Some codices, with one early printed edition, and Sept., read "and all".

towns - villages. Heb. Havoth Jair. Cp. Deut. 3. 14. Heb. daughters. Fig. *Prosopopœia* (Ap. 6).

31 Machir. Cp. Num. 32. 39.

33 was. Lit. "He [was]".

as = according as. Cp. Num. 18. 20.

14. 1 children = sons.

Eleazar the priest now acts with Joshua, because the land is to be divided by lot (v. 2); and he alone has the lot, i. e. the Urim and Thummim by which the lots were drawn from the bag behind the breastplate. See notes on Ex. 28. 30. Num. 26. 55.

2 By lot. See note on v. 1.

as - according as, but a special various reading called *Sevir*, reads "which".

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

for. Instead of "for", some codices, with one early printed edition, and Syr., read "to be given to".

5 As = according as. Cp. Num. 35. 2. Josh. 14. 2-5. divided = "divided [by lot]". Fig. *Ellipsis*. Ap. 6.

14. 6-17. 18 (E², p. 807). BY JOSHUA.
(Division.)

E² | H¹ | 14. 6-15. 63. Judah.
| H² | 16. 1-17. 18. Joseph.

14. 6-15. 63 (H¹, above). JUDAH.
(Alternation.)

H¹ | c¹ | 14. 6-. The Tribe.
| d | 14. -6-15. Caleb.
| c² | 15. 1-12. The Tribe.
| d | 15. 13-19. Caleb.
| c³ | 15. 20-63. The Tribe.

6 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

and thee. Supply the Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) thus: "and [concerning] thee".

7 Moses the servant of the LORD. See note on Deut. 34. 5. as = according as.

in - with: i. e. "in accordance with my heart".

9 Moses swore. Cp. Deut. 1. 34, 36 (cp. Judg. 1. 20).

10 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

forty and five. See note on Ap. 50. III (p. 53).

10. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

12 Anakims. See note on Num. 13. 22. Deut. 1. 28, and Ap. 23 and 25.

14 Hebron . . . became. Cp. 21. 12.

15 Kirjath-arba. Arba was the great man among the Anakims. See Ap. 23 and 25. Heb. "city of Arba, be [was] the greatest man", &c.

had rest. During the first Sabbatic year. See Ap. 50. IV (p. 53).

was then, even so *is* my strength now, for war, both to go out, and to come in.

12 Now therefore give me this mountain, whereof ° the LORD spake in that day; for thou heardest in that day how the ° Anakims *were* there, and *that* the cities *were* great and fenced: if so be ° the LORD *will* be with me, then I shall be able to drive them out, ° as ° the LORD said."

13 And Joshua blessed him, and gave unto Caleb the son of Jephunneh Hebron for an inheritance.

14 ° Hebron therefore ° became the inheritance of Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenezite unto this day, because that he wholly followed ° the LORD ° God of Israel.

15 And the name of Hebron before *was* ° Kirjath-arba; *which* Arba was a great man among the ° Anakims. And the land ° had rest from war.

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15 This then was ° the lot of the tribe of the ° children of Judah by their families; even to the border of Edom the wilderness of Zin southward was the uttermost part of the south coast.

2 And their south border was from the shore of the salt sea, from the bay that looketh southward:

3 And it went out to the south side to Maa-leh-acrabbim, and passed along to Zin, and ascended up on the south side unto Kadesh-barnea, and passed along to Hezron, and went up to Adar, and ° fetched a compass to Karkaa:

4 From thence it passed toward Azmon, and went out unto the river of Egypt; and the goings out of that coast were at the sea: this shall be your south ° coast.

5 And the east border was the salt sea, even unto the end of Jordan. And their border in the north quarter was from the ° bay of the sea at the uttermost part of Jordan:

6 And the border went up to Beth-hogla, and passed along by the north of Beth-arabah; and the border went up to the stone of Bohan the son of Reuben:

7 And the border went up toward Debir from the valley of Achor, and so northward, looking toward Gilgal, that is before the going up to Adummim, which is on the south side of the river: and the border passed toward the waters of En-shemesh, and the goings out thereof were at En-rogel:

8 And the border went up by the valley of the son of Hinnom unto the south side of the Jebusite; the same is Jerusalem: and the border went up to the top of the mountain that lieth before the valley of ° Hinnom westward, which is at the end of the valley of the ° giants northward:

9 And the border was drawn from the top of the hill unto the fountain of the water of Nephtoah, and went out to the cities of mount Ephron; and the border was drawn to Baalah, which is Kirjath-jearim:

10 And the border compassed from Baalah westward unto mount Seir, and passed along unto the side of mount Jearim, which is Chesalon, on the north side, and went down to Beth-shemesh, and passed on to Timnah:

11 And the border went out unto the ° side of Ekron northward: and the border was drawn to Shicron, and passed along to mount Baalah, and went out unto Jabneel; and the goings out of the border were at the sea.

12 And the west border was to the great sea, and the ° coast thereof. This is the coast of the ° children of Judah round about according to their families.

d 13 And unto Caleb the son of Jephunneh he gave a part among the ° children of Judah, according to the commandment of ° the LORD to Joshua, even the city of ° Arba the father of Anak, which city is Hebron.

14 And ° Caleb drove thence the three sons of Anak, Sheshai, and Ahiman, and Talmi, the ° children of Anak.

15 And he went up thence to the inhabitants of ° Debir: and the name of Debir before was ° Kirjath-sepher.

15. 1 the lot. See note on 14. 1.

children = sons.

3 fetched a compass. English idiom. Heb. turned about. Cp. Acts 28. 13.

4 coast - border or boundary.

5 bay - tongue.

8 Hinnom. Some codices, with three early printed editions, and Syr., read "the sons of Hinnom".

giants = the *Rephaim*. See note on 12. 4.

11 side, or slope, or shoulder.

13 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

Arba. Cp. note on 14. 15.

14 Caleb drove thence. Cp. Judg. 1. 10. It seems that some evidently returned and repossessed it.

15 Debir. Place of the Oracle.

Kirjath-sepher = Book Town.

18 she lighted off. Cp. Gen. 24. 64. 1 Sam. 25. 23.

What wouldst thou? Lit. "What to thee?" = "What aileth thee?"

19 a blessing = a present. Cp. Judg. 1. 15. 1 Sam. 25. 27.

springs of water. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), i. e. land containing them (Ap. 6).

he. Some codices, with four early printed editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "Caleb".

25 Hazor. Fig. *Epanadiplosis* (Ap. 6).

32 and Ain, and Rimmon: should be "and En-Rimmon".

16 And Caleb said, "He that smiteth ° Kirjath-sepher, and taketh it, to him will I give Achsah my daughter to wife."

17 And Othniel the son of Kenaz, the brother of Caleb, took it: and he gave him Achsah his daughter to wife.

18 And it came to pass, as she came unto him, that she moved him to ask of her father a field: and ° she lighted off her ass; and Caleb said unto her, ° "What wouldst thou?"

19 Who answered, "Give me ° a blessing; for thou hast given me a south land; give me also ° springs of water." And ° he gave her the upper springs, and the nether springs.

20 This is the inheritance of the tribe of the ° children of Judah according to their families. c³

21 And the uttermost cities of the tribe of the ° children of Judah toward the coast of Edom southward were Kabzeel, and Eder, and Jagur,

22 And Kinah, and Dimonah, and Adadah,

23 And Kedesh, and Hazor, and Ithnan,

24 Ziph, and Telem, and Bealoth,

25 And ° Hazor, Hadattah, and Kerioth, and Hezron, which is ° Hazor,

26 Amam, and Shema, and Moladah,

27 And Hazar-gaddah, and Heshmon, and Beth-palet,

28 And Hazar-shual, and Beer-sheba, and Bizjothjah,

29 Baalah, and Iim, and Azem,

30 And Eltolad, and Chesil, and Hormah,

31 And Ziklag, and Madmannah, and Sansannah,

32 And Lebaoth, and Shilhim, ° and Ain, and Rimmon: all the cities are twenty and nine, with their villages:

33 And in the valley, Eshtaol, and Zoreah, and Ashnah,

34 And Zanoah, and En-gannim, Tappuah, and Enam,

35 Jarmuth, and Adullam, Socoh, and Azekah,

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36 And Sharaim, and Adithaim, and Gederah, and Gederothaim; fourteen cities with their villages:

37 Zenan, and Hadashah, and Migdal-gad, 38 And Dilean, and Mizpeh, and Joktheel, 39 Lachish, and Bozkath, and Eglon, 40 And Cabbon, and Lahmam, and Kithlish, 41 And Gederoth, Beth-dagon, and Naamah, and Makkedah; sixteen cities with their villages:

42 Libnah, and Ether, and Ashan, 43 And Jiphtah, and Ashnah, and Nezib, 44 And Keilah, and Achzib, and Mareshah; nine cities with their villages:

45 Ekron, with her towns and her villages: 46 ° From Ekron even unto the sea, all that lay near Ashdod, with their villages:

47 Ashdod with her towns and her villages, Gaza with her towns and her villages, unto the river of Egypt, and the great sea, and the border thereof:

48 And in ° the mountains, Shamir, and Jattir, and Socoh,

49 And Dannah, and Kirjath-sannah, which is Debir,

50 And Anab, and Eshtemoh, and Anim, 51 And Goshen, and Holon, and Giloh; eleven cities with their villages:

52 Arab, and Dumah, and Eshean, 53 And Janum, and Beth-tappuah, and A-phekah,

54 And Humtah, and ° Kirjath-arba, which is Hebron, and Zior; nine cities with their villages:

55 Maon, Carmel, and Ziph, and Juttah, 56 And Jezreel, and Jokdeam, and Zanoah, 57 Cain, Gibeah, and Timnah; ten cities with their villages:

58 Halhul, Beth-zur, and Gedor, 59 And Maarath, and Beth-anoth, and Eltekon; six cities with their villages:

60 Kirjath-baal, which is Kirjath-jearim, and Rabbah; two cities with their villages:

61 In the wilderness, Beth-arabah, Middin, and Secacah,

62 And Nibshan, and the city of Salt, and Engedi; six cities with their villages:

63 As for the Jebusites the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the ° children of ° Judah could not drive them out: but the Jebusites dwell with the ° children of Judah at Jerusalem unto this day.

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16 And ° the lot of the ° children of Joseph ° fell from Jordan by Jericho, unto the water of Jericho on the east, to the wilderness that goeth up from Jericho throughout mount Beth-el,

2 And goeth out from ° Beth-el to Luz, and passeth along unto the borders ° of Archi to Ataroth,

3 And goeth down westward to the coast of Japhleti, unto the coast of Beth-horon the nether, and to Gezer: and the goings out thereof are at the sea.

4 So the ° children of Joseph, Manasseh and Ephraim, took their inheritance.

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5 And ° the border of the ° children of Ephraim according to their families ° was thus: even the border of their inheritance on the

46 From. Some codices, with four early printed editions, read "and from".

48 the mountains = the hill country.

54 Kirjath-arba. Cp. 14. 15 and 15. 13.

63 Judah could not, &c. Cp. Judg. 1. 8. Caleb succeeded at Hebron. Not until David's day was this thoroughly accomplished (2 Sam. 5. 3, 6, 7).

16. 1—17. 18 (H², p. 309). JOSEPH.

(Division.)

H² | J¹ | 16. 1-4. Collectively.

| J² | 16. 5—17. 18. Severally.

1 the lot. See note on 14. 1. children = sons.

fell = came forth, i. e. from the bag behind the High Priest's breastplate, the Thummim meaning "Yes". See notes on Ex. 28. 30 and Num. 26. 55.

2 Beth-el to Luz. Cp. Gen. 28. 19 and Judg. 1. 26: the "Mount" Beth-el of v. 1.

of Archi = the Archite. Cp. 2 Sam. 15. 32; 16. 16.

16. 5—17. 18 (J², above). SEVERALLY.

(Alternation.)

J² | e | 16. 5-9. Ephraim. Possessed.

f | 16. 10. Unexpelled.

e | 17. 1-11. Manasseh. Possessed.

f | 17. 12-18. Unexpelled.

5 the border, or boundary. Note the Fig. *Topographia* (Ap. 6), in vv. 5 and 6.

was thus = turned out to be.

10 drave not out . . . Gezer. Gross disobedience to the repeated command of Jehovah. Cp. Ex. 23. 31. Deut. 7. 2, &c. See note on 1 Kings 9. 16, 17.

17. 1-11 (e, above). MANASSEH. POSSESSED.

(Repeated Alternation.)

e | g¹ | 1, 2. Manasseh. East and West of Jordan.

h¹ | 3, 4. Daughters of Zelophehad.

g² | 5. Manasseh. West of Jordan.

h² | 6-. Daughters of Zelophehad.

g³ | 7-11. Manasseh. West and East of Jordan.

1 a lot = the lot. Cp. 16. 1, above.

firstborn of Joseph. Gen. 41. 51; 46. 20; 50. 23. Num. 32. 39.

east side was Ataroth-addar, unto Beth-horon the upper;

6 And the border went out toward the sea to Michmethah on the north side; and the border went about eastward unto Taanath-shiloh, and passed by it on the east to Janohah;

7 And it went down from Janohah to Ataroth, and to Naarath, and came to Jericho, and went out at Jordan.

8 The border went out from Tappuah westward unto the river Kanah; and the goings out thereof were at the sea. This is the inheritance of the tribe of the ° children of Ephraim by their families.

9 And the separate cities for the ° children of Ephraim were among the inheritance of the ° children of Manasseh, all the cities with their villages.

10 And they ° drave not out the Canaanites that dwelt in ° Gezer: but the Canaanites dwell among the Ephraimites unto this day, and serve under tribute.

17 There was also ° a lot for the tribe of Manasseh; for he was the ° firstborn of Joseph; to wit, for Machir the firstborn of

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1444 Manasseh, the father of Gilead: because he
1443 was a °man of war, therefore he had Gilead
and Bashan.

2 There was also a lot for the rest of the
°children of Manasseh by their families; for
the °children of Abiezer, and for the °children
of Helek, and for the °children of Asriel, and
for the °children of Shechem, and for the °child-
ren of Hephher, and for the °children of She-
mida: these were the male °children of Manas-
seh the son of Joseph by their families.

h¹ 3 But °Zelophehad, the son of Hephher, the
(p. 311) son of Gilead, the son of Machir, the son of
Manasseh, had no sons, °but daughters: and
these are the names of his daughters, Mahlah,
and Noah, Hoglah, °Milcah, and Tirzah.

4 And they came near before °Eleazar the
priest, and before Joshua the son of Nun, and
before the princes, saying, °“The LORD com-
manded °Moses to give us an inheritance
among our brethren.” Therefore according
to the commandment of °the LORD he gave
them an inheritance among the brethren of
their father.

g² 5 And °there fell ten portions to Manasseh,
beside the land of Gilead and Bashan, which
were on the other side Jordan;

h² 6 Because the daughters of Manasseh had an
inheritance among his sons:

g³ and the rest of Manasseh's sons had the land
of Gilead.

7 And the coast of Manasseh was from Asher
to Michmethah, that lieth before Shechem;
and the border went along on the right hand
unto the inhabitants of En-tappuah.

8 Now Manasseh had the land of Tappuah:
but Tappuah on the border of Manasseh
belonged to the °children of Ephraim;

9 And the coast descended unto the river
Kanan, southward of the river: these cities
of Ephraim are among the cities of Manasseh:
the coast of Manasseh also was on the north
side of the river, and the °outgoings of it were
at the sea:

10 Southward it was Ephraim's, and north-
ward it was Manasseh's, and the sea is his
border; and they met together in Asher on the
north, and in Issachar on the east.

11 And Manasseh had in Issachar and in
Asher Beth-shean and her °towns, and Ibleam
and her °towns, and the inhabitants of Dor and
her °towns, and the inhabitants of En-dor
and her °towns, and the inhabitants of Ta-
anach and her °towns, and the inhabitants of
Megiddo and her °towns, even three countries.

f 12 Yet the °children of Manasseh °could not
drive out the inhabitants of those cities; but
the Canaanites would dwell in that land.

13 Yet it came to pass, when the °children of
Israel were waxen strong, that they put the
Canaanites to tribute; but did not utterly
drive them out.

14 And the °children of Joseph spake unto
Joshua, saying, “Why hast thou given me
but one lot and one °portion to inherit, seeing
I am a great People, °forasmuch as °the LORD
hath blessed me hitherto?”

15 And Joshua answered them, “If thou be
a great People, then get thee up to the wood

man = Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

2 children = sons.

3 Zelophehad. Cp. Num. 26. 33; 27. 1; 36. 2.

but = but [only]: or “but [he had]”.

Milcah. Some codices, with three early printed
editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read “and Milcah”.

4 Eleazar the priest. His presence necessary for
the casting of lots, with the Urim and Thummim.
See notes on Ex. 28. 30, and Num. 26. 55.

The LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

Moses. Some codices, with three early printed
editions, Sept., and Vulg., read “by the hand of
Moses”: “hand” being put by Fig. Metonymy (of
Cause), for what is done by it (Ap. 6).

5 there fell: i. e. by lot. Cp. v. 1, and note.

9 outgoings = utmost limits. English idiom.

11 towns = Heb. daughters. Fig. Prosopopœia (Ap. 6)
= villages.

12 could not drive out. Cp. 15. 63; 16. 10; and see
Ex. 23. 31. Deut. 7. 2, &c.

14 children of Joseph = sons of Joseph, i. e. Manas-
seh. Note their selfishness, so well reproved by Joshua
(vv. 15-18), who was of that tribe himself.

portion. Heb. “line”, put by Fig. Metonymy (of
Cause), for the territory marked out by it (Ap. 6).

forasmuch = to such a degree.

15 cut down = carve out, or create as in Gen. 1. 1.
giants. Heb. Rephaim. See note on Num. 13. 22.
Deut. 1. 28, and Ap. 23 and 25.

18. 2-19. 51 (B, p. 307). CIVIL. UNINHERITED
CITIES (THE SEVEN TRIBES). (Introversion.)

B | K | 18. 2, 3. Survey proposed.

L | 18. 4-6. Directions.

L | 18. 7. Exceptions.

K | 18. 8-19. 51. Survey executed.

1 children = sons.

Shiloh = tranquillity or rest. Cp. Gen. 49. 10; eight
times in this book. See 18. 1, 8, 9, 10; 19. 51; 21. 2; 22.
9, 12. See note on Judg. 18. 31.

tabernacle. Heb. 'ohel = tent (Ap. 40). It remained
here (Judg. 21. 12. 1 Sam. 1. 3; 3. 3) till the Philistines took
the ark (1 Sam. 4. 11). In the days of Saul it was at Nob
(of Benjamin, 1 Sam. 21. 1; 22. 19), and at Gibeon at
beginning of Solomon's reign (1 Kings 3. 5. 2 Chron.
1. 3). Cp. Ps. 78. 60, 67, 68. Jer. 7. 12.

country, and °cut down for thyself there in
the land of the Perizzites and of the °giants,
if mount Ephraim be too narrow for thee.”

16 And the °children of Joseph said, “The hill
is not enough for us: and all the Canaanites
that dwell in the land of the valley have
chariots of iron, both they who are of Beth-
shean and her °towns, and they who are of
the valley of Jezreel.”

17 And Joshua spake unto the house of
Joseph, even to Ephraim and to Manasseh,
saying, “Thou art a great People, and hast
great power: thou shalt not have one lot only:

18 But the mountain shall be thine; for it is
a wood, and thou shalt cut it down: and the
outgoings of it shall be thine: for thou shalt
drive out the Canaanites, though they have
iron chariots, and though they be strong.”

18 And the whole congregation of the
°children of Israel assembled together
at °Shiloh, and set up the °tabernacle of the
congregation there. And the land was sub-
dued before them.

2 And there remained among the °children of

D

B K

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1444 Israel seven tribes, which had not yet received
to their inheritance.

1448 3 And Joshua said unto the ¹children of Israel, "How long *are ye* slack to go to possess the land, which ^othe LORD ^oGod of your fathers hath given you?"

L (p. 312) 4 Give out from among you three ^omen for each tribe: and I will send them, and they shall rise, and ^ogo through the Land, and describe it according to the inheritance of them; and they shall come *again* to me.

5 And they shall ^odivide it into seven parts: Judah shall abide in their ^ocoast on the south, and the house of Joseph shall abide in their ^ocoasts on the north.

6 ^{De} shall therefore ^odescribe the Land *into* seven parts, and bring ^othe description hither to me, that I may cast lots for you here before ³the LORD our ³God.

L 7 But the Levites have no part among you; for the priesthood of ³the LORD *is* their inheritance: and Gad, and Reuben, and half the tribe of Manasseh, have received their inheritance beyond Jordan on the east, which ^oMoses the servant of ³the LORD gave them."

K M (p. 313) 8 And the men arose, and went away: and Joshua charged them that went to ^odescribe the Land, saying, "Go and ^owalk through the Land, and describe it, and come again to me, that I may here cast lots for you before ³the LORD in ¹Shiloh."

9 And the ⁴men went and passed through the Land, and described it by cities into seven parts ^oin a book, and came *again* to Joshua to the host at ¹Shiloh.

N 10 And ^oJoshua cast lots for them in ¹Shiloh before ³the LORD: and there Joshua divided the Land unto the ¹children of Israel ^oaccording to their divisions.

M 11 And the lot of the tribe of the ¹children of Benjamin came up according to their families: and the ^ocoast of their lot ^ocame forth between the ¹children of Judah and the ¹children of Joseph.

12 And their border on the north side was from Jordan; and the border went up to the side of Jericho on the north side, and went up through the ^omountains westward; and the goings out thereof were at the wilderness of Beth-aven.

13 And the border went over from thence toward Luz, to the side of Luz, which *is* Beth-el, southward; and the border descended to Ataroth-adar, near the hill that *lieth* on the south side of the nether Beth-horon.

14 And the border was drawn *thence*, and compassed the corner of the sea southward, from the hill that *lieth* before Beth-horon southward; and the goings out thereof were at Kirjath-baal, which *is* Kirjath-jearim, a city of the ¹children of Judah: this *was* the west quarter.

15 And the south quarter *was* from the end of Kirjath-jearim, and the border went out on the west, and went out to the well of waters of Nephtoah:

16 And the border came down to the end of the mountain that *lieth* before the valley of

3 the LORD, God = *Jehovah Elohim*. Ap. 4. I, II.

4 men. Heb. pl. of *'ish* or *'enosh*. Ap. 14.
go through = walk to and fro.

5 divide it. Tracing the boundaries by the ravines, it is said that there is some resemblance in outline to the tribal signs, as given in notes on Num. 2.
coast = boundary; put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct) for territory. Ap. 6.

6 describe = map out.

the description. The Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) here may be filled in by saying "the surveys or maps".

7 Moses the servant of the LORD. See note on first occurrence, Deut. 34. 5.

18. 8—19. 51 (K, p. 312). SURVEY EXECUTED. (*Alternation*.)

K M | 18. 8, 9. Joshua's survey of land.

N | 18. 10. The division by lot.

M | 18. 11—19. 50. Joshua's allotment of land.

N | 19. 51. The division by lot.

8 walk. See note on "go", v. 4.

9 in a book. See note on Ex. 17. 14 and Ap. 47.

10 Joshua cast lots. He directing Eleazar the priest, without whom no lot could be cast. See note on Ex. 28. 30. Num. 26. 55.

according to. Some codices, with five early printed editions, read "in their portions".

18. 11—19. 50 (M, above). JOSHUA'S ALLOTMENT. (*Divisions*.)

M | ¹¹ 18. 11—28. Benjamin.

¹² 19. 1—9. Simeon.

¹³ 19. 10—16. Zebulun.

¹⁴ 19. 17—23. Issachar.

¹⁵ 19. 24—31. Asher.

¹⁶ 19. 32—39. Naphtali.

¹⁷ 19. 40—48. Dan.

¹⁸ 19. 49, 50. Joshua.

11 came forth. i. e. from the bag containing the Urim and Thummim. See note on Ex. 28. 30. Num. 26. 55.

12 mountains = hill country.

13 giants. Heb. *Rephaim*. See note on Num. 13. 22. Deut. 1. 28. Also Ap. 23 and 25.

18 Arabah. See note on Dent. 1. 1.

the son of Hinnom, *and* which *is* in the valley of the ^ogiants on the north, and descended to the valley of Hinnom, to the side of Jebusi on the south, and descended to En-rogel,

17 And was drawn from the north, and went forth to En-shemesh, and went forth toward Geliloth, which *is* over against the going up of Adummim, and descended to the stone of Bohan the son of Reuben,

18 And passed along toward the side over against ^oArabah northward, and went down unto Arabah:

19 And the border passed along to the side of Beth-hoglah northward: and the outgoings of the border were at the north bay of the salt sea at the south end of Jordan: this *was* the south coast.

20 And Jordan was the border of it on the east side. This *was* the inheritance of the ¹children of Benjamin, by the ^ocoasts thereof round about, according to their families.

21 Now the cities of the tribe of the ¹children of Benjamin according to their families were Jericho, and Beth-hoglah, and the valley of Keziz,

1444 22 And Beth-arabah, and Zemaraim, and
to Beth-el,
1448 23 And Avim, and Parah, and Ophrah,
24 And Chephar-haammonai, and Ophni,
and Gaba; twelve cities with their villages:
25 Gibeon, and Ramah, and Beeroth,
26 And Mizpeh, and Chephirah, and Mozah,
27 And Rekem, and Irpeel, and Taralah,
28 And Zelah, Eleph, and Jebusi, which is
Jerusalem, Gibeath, and Kirjath; fourteen
cities with their villages. This is the inher-
itance of the ¹children of Benjamin according to
their families.

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¹² 19 And the second °lot came forth to
Simeon, even for the tribe of the °chil-
dren of Simeon according to their families:
and their inheritance was within the inher-
itance of the °children of Judah.

2 And they had in their inheritance Beer-
sheba, and Sheba, and Moladah,

3 And Hazar-shual, and Balah, and Azem,

4 And Eltolad, and Bethul, and Hormah,

5 And Ziklag, and Beth-marcaboth, and
Hazar-susah,

6 And Beth-lebaoth, and Sharuhén; thirteen
cities and their villages:

7 Ain, Remmon, and Ether, and Ashan; four
cities and their villages:

8 And all the villages that were round about
these cities to Baalath-beer, Ramath of the
south. This is the inheritance of the tribe of
the ¹children of Simeon according to their
families.

9 Out of the portion of the ¹children of Judah
was the inheritance of the ¹children of Simeon:
for the part of the ¹children of Judah was too
much for them: therefore the ¹children of
Simeon had their inheritance within the in-
heritance of them.

¹³ 10 And the third lot °came up for the ¹chil-
dren of Zebulun according to their families:
and the border of their inheritance was unto
Sarid:

11 And their border went up toward the
sea, and Maralah, and reached to Dabbasheth,
and reached to the river that is before Jok-
neam;

12 And turned from Sarid eastward toward
the sunrising unto the border of Chisloth-
tabor, and then goeth out to Daberath, and
goeth up to Japhia,

13 And from thence passeth on along on
the east to Gittah-hepher, to Ittah-kazin, and
goeth out to Remmon-methoar to Neah;

14 And the border compasseth it on the north
side to Hannathon: and the outgoings thereof
are in the valley of Jiphthah-el:

15 And Kattath, and Nahallal, and Shimron,
and Idalah, and Beth-lehem: twelve cities
with their villages.

16 This is the inheritance of °the ¹children
of Zebulun according to their families, these
cities with their villages.

¹⁴ 17 And the fourth lot °came out to Issachar,
for the ¹children of Issachar according to their
families.

18 And their border was toward Jezreel, and
Chesulloth, and Shunem,

19. 1 lot came forth. See note on Ex. 28. 30. Num.
26. 55.

children. Heb. sons.

10 came up. i. e. out of the bag. See v. 1.

16 the children of Zebulun = the sons of Zebulun.
Some codices, with Sept. and Vulg., read "the tribe of
the sons of Zebulun".

17 came out. See note on vv. 1 and 10.

22 coast = boundary.

33 outgoings = utmost limits.

38 Chinnereth. In New Testament called Gen-
nesareth. Cp. Num. 34. 11. Deut. 3. 17. Josh. 11. 2; 13. 27.

19 And Haphraim, and Shihon, and Anaha-
rath,

20 And Rabbith, and Kishion, and Abez,

21 And Remeth, and En-gannim, and En-
haddah, and Beth-pazzez;

22 And the °coast reacheth to Tabor, and
Shahazimah, and Beth-shemesh; and the out-
goings of their border were at Jordan: sixteen
cities with their villages.

23 This is the inheritance of the tribe of the
¹children of Issachar according to their fami-
lies, the cities and their villages.

24 And the fifth lot ¹⁷came out for the tribe ¹⁵
of the ¹children of Asher according to their
families.

25 And their border was Helkath, and Hali,
and Beten, and Achshaph,

26 And Alammelech, and Amad, and Mi-
sheal; and reacheth to Carmel westward, and
to Shihor-libnath;

27 And turneth toward the sunrising to Beth-
dagon, and reacheth to Zebulun, and to the
valley of Jiphthah-el toward the north side of
Beth-emek, and Neiel, and goeth out to Cabul
on the left hand,

28 And Hebron, and Rehob, and Hammon,
and Kanah, even unto great Zidon;

29 And then the coast turneth to Ramah,
and to the strong city Tyre; and the coast
turneth to Hosah; and the outgoings thereof
are at the sea from the coast to Achzib:

30 Ummah also, and Aphek, and Rehob:
twenty and two cities with their villages.

31 This is the inheritance of the tribe of the
¹children of Asher according to their families,
these cities with their villages.

32 The sixth lot ¹came out to the ¹children of
Naphtali, even for the ¹children of Naphtali ¹⁶
according to their families.

33 And their ²²coast was from Heleph, from
Allon to Zaanannim, and Adami, Nekeb, and
Jabneel, unto Lakum; and the °outgoings
thereof were at Jordan:

34 And then the ³³coast turneth westward to
Aznoth-tabor, and goeth out from thence to
Hukkok, and reacheth to Zebulun on the
south side, and reacheth to Asher on the west
side, and to Judah upon Jordan toward the
sunrising.

35 And the fenced cities are Ziddim, Zer, and
Hammath, Rakkath, and °Chinnereth,

36 And Adamah, and Ramah, and Hazor,

37 And Kedesh, and Edrei, and En-hazor,

38 And Iron, and Migdal-el, Horem, and
Beth-anath, and Beth-shemesh; nineteen cities
with their villages.

1444 39 This is the inheritance of the tribe of
to the ¹children of Naphtali according to their
1443 families, the cities and their villages.

17 40 And the seventh lot ¹⁷ came out for the
(p. 313) tribe of the ¹children of Dan according to their
families.

41 And the ³³ coast of their inheritance was
Zorah, and Eshtaol, and Ir-shemesh,

42 And Shaalabbin, and Ajalon, and Jethlah,

43 And Elon, and Thimnathah, and Ekron,

44 And Eltekeh, and Gibbethon, and Baalath,

45 And Jehud, and Bene-berak, and Gath-
rimmon,

46 And Me-jarkon, and Rakkon, with the
border before Japho.

47 And the ³³ coast of the ¹children of Dan
went out *too little* for them: therefore the
¹children of Dan went up to fight against
Leshem, and took it, and smote it with the
edge of the sword, and possessed it, and dwelt
therein, and called Leshem, Dan, after the
name of Dan their father.

48 This is the inheritance of the tribe of the
¹children of Dan according to their families,
these cities with their villages.

18 49 When they had made an end of dividing
the Land for inheritance by their ³³ coasts,
the ¹children of Israel gave an inheritance to
Joshua the son of Nun among them:

50 According to the ° word of ° the LORD they
gave him the city which he asked, *even* Tim-
nath-serah in mount Ephraim: and he ° built
the city, and dwelt therein.

N 51 These are the inheritances, which Eleazar
the priest, and Joshua the son of Nun, and
the heads of the fathers of the tribes of the
¹children of Israel, divided for an inheritance
by lot in ° Shiloh before ° the LORD, at the door
of the ° tabernacle of the congregation. So
they made an end of dividing the country.

D O¹ m 20 ° The LORD also ° spake unto Joshua,
(p. 315) saying,

2 "Speak to the ° children of Israel, saying,
'Appoint out for you cities of refuge, whereof
I spake unto you by the hand of Moses:

n 3 That the slayer that ° killeth any person
unawares and ° unwittingly may flee thither:
and they shall be your refuge from the avenger
of blood.

4 And when he that doth flee unto one of
those cities shall stand at the entering of the
gate of the city, and shall declare his cause in
the ears of the elders of that city, they shall
take him into the city unto them, and give him
a place, that he may dwell among them.

5 And if the avenger of blood pursue after
him, then they shall not deliver the slayer up
into his hand; because he smote his neighbour
unwittingly, and hated him not beforetime.

6 And he shall dwell in that city, ° until he
stand before the congregation for judgment,
and until the death of the high priest that
shall be in those days: then shall the slayer
return, and come unto his own city, and unto
his own house, unto the city from whence he
fled."

30 word. Heb. = mouth. Put by Fig. *Metonymy*
(of Cause) for what is spoken by it. Ap. 6.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.
built = rebuilt.

51 Shiloh. See note on 18. 1.

tabernacle = tent. See Ap. 40.

20. 1-21. 42 (D, p. 307). SACRED. CITIES.
(Division.)

D | O¹ | 20. 1-9. Cities of Refuge.

| O² | 21. 1-42. Cities of the Levites.

20. 1-9 (O¹, above). CITIES OF REFUGE.
(Alternation.)

O¹ | m | 1. 2. Command.

| n | 3-6. Intention.

| m | 7-9. Obedience.

| n | -9. Intention.

1 The LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
spake. See note on 1. 1.

2 children = sons.

3 killeth any person = smiteth a soul. Heb. *nephesh*.
See Ap. 13. Lit. a killer, smiting a soul.

unwittingly = unknowingly (Anglo-Saxon).

6 until. The cities of refuge, being cities of the
priests, bore the sin of the manslayer. What the high
priest was to the Levites, the Levites were to the
nation. On the Day of Atonement, therefore, all the
sins of the nation came into his hand. On his death
he was freed from the Law (Rom. 6. 7; 7. 1-4), and
those whom he represented were freed also. Cp.
Rom. 5. 9-11. Heb. 7. 23-25 for the contrast.

7 appointed = separated, and thus sanctified.

9 killeth any person = "smiteth a soul". Heb.
nephesh. See Ap. 13.

21. 1-42 (O², above). CITIES OF THE LEVITES.
(Introversion.)

O² | P | 1. 2. Levites. Application made.

| Q | 3. Cities granted. Collectively.

| Q | 4 40. Cities granted. Severally.

| P | 41, 42. Levites. Application granted.

1 Eleazar the priest. See note on 14. 1.
children = sons.

7 And they ° appointed Kedesh in Galilee in *m*
mount Naphtali, and Shechem in mount Eph-
raim, and Kirjath-arba, which *is* Hebron, in
the mountain of Judah.

8 And on the other side Jordan by Jericho
eastward, they assigned Bezer in the wilder-
ness upon the plain out of the tribe of Reuben,
and Ramoth in Gilead out of the tribe of
Gad, and Golan in Bashan out of the tribe of
Manasseh.

9 These were the cities appointed for all the
² children of Israel, and for the stranger that
sojourneth among them,

that whosoever ° killeth any person at unawares *n*
might flee thither, and not die by the hand of
the avenger of blood, until he stood before the
congregation.

21 Then came near the heads of the fathers *O' P*
of the Levites unto ° Eleazar the priest,
and unto Joshua the son of Nun, and unto the
heads of the fathers of the tribes of the ° chil-
dren of Israel;

1444 2 And they spake unto them at °Shiloh in
to the land of Canaan, saying, °“The LORD com-
1448 manded by the °hand of Moses to give us
cities to dwell in, with the °suburbs thereof
for our cattle.”

Q 3 And the ¹children of Israel gave unto the
(p. 315) Levites out of their inheritance, at the com-
mandment of °the LORD, these cities and their
²suburbs.

Q o p 4 And the lot °came out for the families of
(p. 316) the Kohathites: and the ¹children of Aaron
the priest, *which were* of the Levites, had by
lot out of the tribe of Judah, and out of the
tribe of Simeon, and out of the tribe of Ben-
jamin, thirteen cities.

5 And the rest of the ¹children of Kohath
had by lot out of the families of the tribe of
Ephraim, and out of the tribe of Dan, and out
of the half tribe of Manasseh, ten cities.

q 6 And the ¹children of Gershon *had* by lot out
of the families of the tribe of Issachar, and out
of the tribe of Asher, and out of the tribe of
Naphtali, and out of the half tribe of Manasseh
in Bashan, thirteen cities.

r 7 The ¹children of Merari by their families
had out of the tribe of Reuben, and out of the
tribe of Gad, and out of the tribe of Zebulun,
twelve cities.

8 And the ¹children of Israel gave by lot unto
the Levites these cities with their ²suburbs,
°as ³the LORD commanded by the hand of
Moses.

o p 9 And they gave out of the tribe of the ¹child-
dren of Judah, and out of the tribe of the
¹children of Simeon, these cities *which are*
here mentioned by name,

10 Which the ¹children of Aaron, *being* of
the families of the Kohathites, *who were* of
the ¹children of Levi, had: for theirs was the
first lot.

11 And they gave them the city of °Arba the
father of Anak, *which city is* Hebron, in the
hill *country* of Judah, with the ²suburbs thereof
round about it.

12 But the fields of the city, and the villages
thereof, gave they to °Caleb the son of Je-
phunneh for his possession.

13 Thus they gave to the ¹children of Aaron
the priest Hebron with her ²suburbs, *to be*
a city of refuge for the slayer; and Libnah
with her ²suburbs,

14 And Jattir with her ²suburbs, and Esh-
temoa with her ²suburbs,

15 And °Holon with her ²suburbs, and Debir
with her ²suburbs,

16 And Ain with her ²suburbs, and Juttah
with her ²suburbs, and °Beth-shemesh with
her ²suburbs; nine cities out of those two
tribes.

17 And out of the tribe of Benjamin, Gibeon
with her ²suburbs, Geba with her ²suburbs,

18 °Anathoth with her ²suburbs, and Almon
with her ²suburbs; four cities.

19 All the cities of the ¹children of Aaron, the
priests, *were* thirteen cities with their ²suburbs.

20 And the families of the ¹children of Kohath,
the Levites which remained of the ¹children of

2 Shiloh. See note on 18. 1.

The LORD commanded = Jehovah commanded. Cp.
Num. 35. 1-4. Lev. 25. 33.

hand. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause) for what is
effected by it.

suburbs = common lands, or pasture lands; and so
throughout the chapter, fifty-seven times.

3 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

4-40 (Q, p. 315). CITIES GRANTED. SEVERALLY.
(*Extended Alternation.*)

Q	o	p		4, 5. Kohath	} Severally.
				q 6. Gershon	
				r 7, 8. Merari	
	o	p		9-26. Kohath	} In detail, and sum.
				q 27-33. Gershon	
				r 34-40. Merari	

4 came out. i. e. out of the bag containing the Urim
and Thummim. See note on Ex. 28. 30. Num. 26. 55.

8 as the LORD. According as Jehovah.

11 Arba. Cp. 14. 12-15. 1 Chron. 6. 55.

12 Caleb. Cp. 14. 14. 1 Chron. 6. 56.

15 Holon. In 1 Chron. 6. 58 = Hilon.

16 Beth-shemesh. Some codices, with four early
printed editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read “and
Beth-shemesh”.

18 Anathoth. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and
Vulg., read “and Anathoth”.

21 in mount = in the hill country of.

23 Gibbethon. Some codices, with three early
printed editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read “and
Gibbethon”.

24 Aijalon. Some codices, with two early printed
editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read “and Aijalon”.

29 En-gannim. Some codices, with one early
printed edition, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read “and
En-gannim”.

31 Helkath. Some codices, with two early printed
editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read “and Helkath”.

Kohath, even they had the cities of their lot
out of the tribe of Ephraim.

21 For they gave them Shechem with her
²suburbs °in mount Ephraim, *to be* a city of
refuge for the slayer; and Gezer with her
²suburbs,

22 And Kibzaim with her ²suburbs, and Beth-
horon with her ²suburbs; four cities.

23 And out of the tribe of Dan, Eltekeh with
her ²suburbs, °Gibbethon with her ²suburbs,

24 °Aijalon with her ²suburbs, Gath-rimmon
with her ²suburbs; four cities.

25 And out of the half tribe of Manasseh,
Tanach with her ²suburbs, and Gath-rimmon
with her ²suburbs; two cities.

26 All the cities *were* ten with their ²suburbs
for the families of the ¹children of Kohath that
remained.

27 And unto the ¹children of Gershon, of the
families of the Levites, out of the *other* half
tribe of Manasseh *they gave* Golan in Bashan
with her ²suburbs, *to be* a city of refuge for the
slayer; and Beesh-terah with her ²suburbs;
two cities.

28 And out of the tribe of Issachar, Kishon
with her ²suburbs, Dabareh with her ²suburbs,

29 Jarmuth with her ²suburbs, °En-gannim
with her ²suburbs; four cities.

30 And out of the tribe of Asher, Mishal with
her ²suburbs, Abdon with her ²suburbs,

31 °Helkath with her ²suburbs, and Rehob
with her ²suburbs; four cities.

1444 to 1418 32 And out of the tribe of Naphtali, Kedesh in Galilee with her ²suburbs, *to be* a city of refuge for the slayer; and Hammoth-dor with her ²suburbs, and Kartan with her ²suburbs; three cities.

33 All the cities of the Gershonites according to their families *were* thirteen cities with their ²suburbs.

^r (p. 316) 34 And unto the families of the ¹children of Merari, the rest of the Levites, out of the tribe of Zebulun, Jokneam with her ²suburbs, and ^oKartah with her ²suburbs,

35 Dimnah with her ²suburbs, Nahalal with her ²suburbs; four cities.

36 ^oAnd out of the tribe of ^oReuben, ^oBezer with her ²suburbs, ^oand Jahazah with her ²suburbs,

37 ^oKedemoth with her ²suburbs, and Me-phaaath with her ²suburbs; four cities.

38 And out of the tribe of Gad, Ramoth in Gilead with her ²suburbs, *to be* a city of refuge for the slayer; and Mahanaim with her ²suburbs,

39 Heshbon with her ²suburbs, Jazer with her ²suburbs; four cities in all.

40 So all the cities for the ¹children of Merari by their families, which were remaining of the families of the Levites, were by their lot twelve cities.

^{O² P} (p. 315) 41 All the cities of the Levites within the possession of the ¹children of Israel *were* forty and eight cities with their ²suburbs.

42 These cities were every one with their ²suburbs round about them: thus *were* all these cities.

^A (p. 307) 43 And ²the LORD gave unto Israel all the Land which He sware to give unto their fathers; and they possessed it, and dwelt therein.

44 And ²the LORD gave them rest round about, according to all that He sware unto their fathers: and there stood not a ^oman of all their enemies before them; ³the LORD delivered all their enemies into their hand.

45 There failed not ought of any good thing which ²the LORD had spoken unto the house of Israel; all came to pass.

^{B B a} (p. 317) 22 Then Joshua called the Reubenites, and the Gadites, and the half tribe of Manasseh,

^b 2 And said unto them, "Ye have kept all that ^oMoses the servant of ^othe LORD commanded you, and have obeyed my voice in all that I commanded you:

3 Ye have not left your brethren these many days unto this day, but have kept the charge of the commandment of ²the LORD your ^oGod.

4 And now ²the LORD your ³God hath given rest unto your brethren, ^oas He promised ^othem: therefore now return ye, and get you unto your tents, *and* unto the Land of your possession, which ²Moses the servant of ²the LORD gave you on the other side Jordan.

5 But take diligent heed to do the commandment and the Law, which ²Moses the servant of ²the LORD charged you, to love ²the LORD your ³God, ^oand to walk in all His ways, and to keep His commandments, and to cleave unto

34 Kartah. Some codices, with five early printed editions, Aram., and Vulg., read "and Kartah".

36 And out of the tribe of Reuben. See note on v. 38.

Reuben. Some codices, with one early printed edition, add "a city of refuge for the manslayer".

Bezer. Some codices, with Sept. and Vulg., add "in the desert".

and Jahazah. Some codices omit this "and".

37 Kedemoth. Some codices, with six early printed editions, and Sept., read "and Kedemoth".

38 By an *Homœoteleuton* (Ap. 6) some scribe, writing as far as "four cities" at end of v. 35, went back with his eye to the same words at the end of v. 37, and so omitted, by an accident, the two verses 36 and 37, and continued at v. 38, which commences with the same words which end v. 35. Hence they are not contained in the current text of the Hebrew Bible. The A.V. puts these verses in, however, without a note; the R.V. also, but with a note. The two verses are contained in all the early printed Hebrew Bibles, the Sept. and Vulg., and very many codices. They were first omitted by Jacob ben Chayim (1524, 1525), and the current Hebrew printed texts have followed him.

44 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

22. 1-34 (^B, p. 289). JORDAN. EVENTS CONNECTED THEREWITH. (*Division*.)

^B | ^{A¹} | 1-9. West of Jordan.
| ^{A²} | 10-34. East of Jordan.

1-9 (^{A¹}, above). WEST OF JORDAN.
(*Alternation*.)

^{A¹} | ^B | a | 1. Two and a half tribes. Called.
| | b | 2-6. Their charge.
^B | a | 7-. The half tribe. Allotted.
| | b | -7-9. Their dismissal and return.

2 Moses the servant of the LORD. See note on Deut. 34. 5.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

3 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

4 as=according as.

them. A special various reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 34), with many codices and two early printed editions, reads "to you".

5 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in this verse.

soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

8 divide=share.

9 children=sons.

Shiloh. See note on 18. 1.

Him, and to serve Him with all your heart and with all your ^osoul."

6 So Joshua blessed them, and sent them away: and they went unto their tents.

7 Now to the *one* half of the tribe of Manasseh Moses had given *possession* in Bashan: but unto the *other* half thereof gave Joshua among their brethren on this side Jordan westward.

And when Joshua sent them away also unto their tents, then he blessed them,

8 And he spake unto them, saying, "Return with much riches unto your tents, ^oand with very much cattle, with silver, and with gold, and with brass, and with iron, and with very much raiment: ^odivide the spoil of your enemies with your brethren."

9 And the ^ochildren of Reuben and the ^ochildren of Gad and the half tribe of Manasseh returned, and departed from the ^ochildren of Israel out of ^oShiloh, which *is* in the land of

1443 Canaan, to go unto the country of Gilead, to the Land of their possession, whereof they were possessed, according to the ° word of ° the LORD by the hand of Moses.

A² c (p. 318) 10 And when they came unto the ° borders of Jordan, that *are* in the land of Canaan, the ° children of Reuben and the ° children of Gad and the half tribe of Manasseh built there an altar by Jordan, a great altar ° to see to.

d 11 And the ° children of Israel heard say, ° "Behold, the ° children of Reuben and the ° children of Gad and the half tribe of Manasseh have built an altar ° over against the land of Canaan, in the borders of Jordan, ° at the passage of the ° children of Israel."

12 And when the ° children of Israel heard of *it*, the whole congregation of the ° children of Israel gathered themselves together at ° Shiloh, to go up to war against them.

e 1442 13 And the ° children of Israel sent unto the ° children of Reuben, and to the ° children of Gad, and to the half tribe of Manasseh, into the land of Gilead, Phinehas the son of Eleazar the priest,

14 And with him ten princes, of each chief house a prince throughout all the tribes of Israel; and each one was an head of the house of their fathers among the thousands of Israel.

f g 15 And they came unto the ° children of Reuben, and to the ° children of Gad, and to the half tribe of Manasseh, unto the land of Gilead, and they spake with them, saying,

16 "Thus saith the whole congregation of ° the LORD, 'What ° trespass *is* this that ye have committed against the ° God of Israel, to turn away this day from following ° the LORD, in that ye have builded you an altar, that ye might rebel this day against ° the LORD?'

h 17 *Is* the ° iniquity of ° Peor too little for us, from which we are not cleansed until this day, although there was a plague in the congregation of ° the LORD,

g 18 But that ye must turn away this day from following ° the LORD? and it will be, *seeing* ye rebel to day against ° the LORD, that to morrow He will be wroth with the whole congregation of Israel.

19 Notwithstanding, if the Land of your possession *be* unclean, *then* pass ye over unto the land of the possession of ° the LORD, wherein ° the LORD'S ° tabernacle dwelleth, and take possession among us: but rebel not against ° the LORD, nor rebel against us, in building you an altar beside the altar of ° the LORD our ° God.

h 20 Did not Achan the son of Zerah commit a ° trespass in the accursed thing, and wrath fell on all the congregation of Israel? and that man perished not alone in his ° iniquity.' "

f i l 21 Then the ° children of Reuben and the ° children of Gad and the half tribe of Manasseh answered, and said unto the heads of the thousands of Israel,

22 ° "The LORD GOD of gods, ° the LORD GOD of gods, *He* knoweth, and Israel *he* shall know; if *it* *be* in rebellion, or if in ° transgression against ° the LORD, (° save us not this day,

word. Heb. "mouth", put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for what was spoken by it.

10-34 (A², p. 317). EAST OF JORDAN. (*Introversion*.)

A² c | 10. The altar erected.
d | 11, 12. Offence. War proposed
e | 13, 14. Mission of Phinehas.
f | 15-20. Expostulation.
f | 21-29. Explanation.
e | 30-32. Approbation of Phinehas.
d | 33. Offence removed. War averted.
c | 34. The altar named.

10 borders = windings or bendings.
to see to - to look at, i.e. in appearance.

11 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6).

over against = in front of, i.e. on the east side of Jordan. at the passage of - beyond, or opposite to.

15-20 (f, above). EXPOSTULATION. (*Alternation*.)

f | g | 15, 16. Trespass pointed out.
h | 17. Example of Peor adduced.
g | 18, 19. Rebellion pointed out.
h | 20. Example of Achan adduced.

16 trespass. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

17 iniquity = perverseness. Heb. *'āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv. Peor. Cp. Num. 25. 3, 4.

19 tabernacle. Habitation. Heb. *mishkān*. Ap. 40.

21-29 (f, above). EXPLANATION. (*Introversion and Alternation*.)

f | i | l | 21, 22. Rebellion disclaimed.
m | 23. Offerings disclaimed.
k | 24-27. Real purpose: a witness.
k | 28. Real purpose: a pattern.
i | l | 29-. Rebellion disclaimed.
m | -29. Offerings disclaimed.

22 The LORD GOD of gods. Heb. El Elohim Jehovah. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6).

transgression. Heb. *mā'al*. Ap. 44. xi.

save us not this day. Note the Fig. *Parenthesis*. Ap. 6.

23 offer = offer up. See Ap. 43. I. vi.

offer - make ready. Ap. 43. I. iii.

24 What have ye . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

27 a witness. Cp. Gen. 31. 48, and see v. 34 below, and ch. 24. 27.

23 That we have built us an altar to turn from following ° the LORD, or if to ° offer thereon burnt offering or meat offering, or if to ° offer peace offerings thereon, let ° the LORD Himself require *it*;

24 And if we have not *rather* done it for fear of *this* thing, saying, 'In time to come your ° children might speak unto our ° children, saying, ° "What have ye to do with ° the LORD ° God of Israel?'"'

25 For ° the LORD hath made Jordan a border between us and you, ye ° children of Reuben and ° children of Gad; ye have no part in ° the LORD: so shall your ° children make our ° children cease from fearing ° the LORD.

26 Therefore we said, 'Let us now prepare to build us an altar,' not for burnt offering, nor for sacrifice:

27 But *that* it *may be* ° a witness between us, and you, and our generations after us, that we might do the service of ° the LORD before Him with our burnt offerings, and with our sacrifices, and with our peace offerings; that your ° children may not say to our ° children in time to come, 'Ye have no part in ° the LORD.'

28 Therefore said we, that it shall be, when

1442 they should so say to us or to our generations in time to come, that we may say *again*, ° *Behold the ° pattern of the altar of ° the LORD, which our fathers made, not for burnt offerings, nor for sacrifices; but it is a witness between us ° and you.*'

i l (p. 318) 29 ° God forbid that we should rebel against ° the LORD, and turn this day from following ° the LORD,

m to build an altar for burnt offerings, for meat offerings, or for sacrifices, beside the altar of ° the LORD our ° God that is before His ° tabernacle."

e 30 And when Phinehas the priest, and the princes of the congregation and heads of the thousands of Israel which were with him, heard the words that the ° children of Reuben and the ° children of Gad and the ° children of Manasseh spake, ° it pleased them.

31 And Phinehas the son of Eleazar the priest said unto the ° children of Reuben, and to the ° children of Gad, and to the ° children of Manasseh, "This day we perceive that ° the LORD is among us, because ye have not committed this ° trespass against ° the LORD: now ye have delivered the ° children of Israel out of the hand of ° the LORD."

32 And Phinehas the son of Eleazar the priest, and the princes, returned from the ° children of Reuben, and from the ° children of Gad, out of the land of Gilead, unto the land of Canaan, to the ° children of Israel, and brought them word again.

d 33 And the thing pleased the ° children of Israel; and the ° children of Israel blessed ° God, and did not intend to go up against them in battle, to destroy the Land wherein the ° children of Reuben and Gad dwelt.

c 34 And the ° children of Reuben and the ° children of Gad called the altar ° *Ed*: for it shall be a witness between us that ° the LORD is ° God.

A C (p. 319) 23 And it came to pass ° a long time after that ° the LORD had given rest unto Israel from all their enemies round about, that Joshua waxed ° old and stricken in age.

D E n 2 And Joshua ° called for all Israel, and for their elders, ° and for their heads, and for their judges, and for their officers, and said unto them, "I am ° old and stricken in age:

o 3 And ye have seen all that ° the LORD your ° God hath done unto all these nations because of you; for ° the LORD your ° God is ° *He* That hath fought for you.

p 4 ° Behold, I have divided unto you by lot these nations that remain, to be an inheritance for your tribes, from Jordan, with all the nations that I have cut off, even unto the great sea westward.

F q 5 And ° the LORD your ° God, ° *He* shall expel them from before you, and drive them from out of your sight; and ye shall possess their land, ° as ° the LORD your ° God hath promised unto you.

28 Behold = behold ye. Not the Fig. *Asterismos*. pattern = construction.

and you. Note Fig. *Ellipsis*, "and [between] you." Ap. 6.

29 God forbid = far be it from us.

30 it pleased them. Heb. "was good in their eyes".

34 Ed. Heb. 'ed, "a witness." This, and the verb "shall be", not in the received Hebrew text. (Some codices have it.) Lit. "called the altar. A witness it is, &c." God = the God. Heb. *hā' Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

23. 1-24. 28 (A, p. 289). JOSHUA ENDING HIS WORK. (*Alternation*.)

A | C | 23. 1. Time. Israel at rest.
D | 23. 2-16. Address to Israel.
C | 24. 1. Place. Assembling of Israel.
D | 24. 2-28. Address to Israel.

1 a long time after. Eight years. See Ap. 50. IV, p. 53. the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II. old and stricken in age. Aged 102. Cp. 13. 1. Fig. *Pleonasm*. Ap. 6. Heb. "old and advanced in (or come into) the days".

2-16 (D, above). ADDRESS TO ISRAEL. (*Introversion, with Extended and Simple Alternation*.)

D | E | n | 2. Advancing age.
o | 3. Appeal to Jehovah's faithfulness.
p | 4. Division of the land. Accomplished.
F | q | 5. Promise.
r | 6-8. Exhortation.
F | q | 9, 10. Promise.
r | 11-13. Exhortation.
E | n | 14-. Approaching death.
o | -14. Appeal to Jehovah's goodness.
p | 15, 16. Forfeiture of land. Possible.

2 called. Probably at Shiloh.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton*. Ap. 6.

3 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

4 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

5 as = according as.

6-8 (r, above). EXHORTATION. (*Introversion*.)

r | s | 6. To observe the Law of Moses.
t | 7-. Warning against Canaanites.
t | -7. Command against their idolatry.
s | 8. To cleave to Jehovah.

6 the Book of the Law. See note on Ex. 17. 14, and Ap. 47.

that ye turn not. Cp. Deut. 5. 32; 28. 14.

9 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

10 for. The Hebrew accent (*Legarmeh*) puts the pause or emphasis on this word, as calling attention to the basis of all blessing and success.

6 Be ye therefore very courageous to keep and to do all that is written in ° the Book of the Law of Moses, ° that ye turn not aside therefrom to the right hand or to the left;

7 That ye come not among these nations, these that remain among you;

neither make mention of the name of their gods, nor cause to swear by them, neither serve them, nor bow yourselves unto them:

8 But cleave unto ° the LORD your ° God, ° as ye have done unto this day.

9 For ° the LORD hath driven out from before you great nations and strong: but as for you, no ° man hath been able to stand before you unto this day.

10 One man of you shall chase a thousand: ° for ° the LORD your ° God, ° *He* it is that fighteth for you, as He hath promised you.

r u (p. 320) 11 Take good heed therefore unto your °selves, that ye love ¹ the LORD your ³ God.

1442 *v* 12 °Else if ye do in any wise go back, and cleave unto the remnant of these nations, *even* these that remain among you, and shall make marriages with them, and go in unto them, and they to you:

v 13 Know for a certainty that ¹ the LORD your ³ God will no more drive out °any of these nations from before you; but °they shall be snares and traps unto you, and scourges in your sides, and thorns in your eyes, until ye perish from off

u this good land which ¹ the LORD your ³ God hath given you.

E n (p. 319) 14 And, °behold, this day *I am* going the way of all the earth:

o and ye know in all your hearts and in all your °souls, that not one °thing hath failed of all °the good things which ¹ the LORD your ³ God spake concerning you; all are come to pass unto you, *and* not one °thing hath failed thereof.

p 15 Therefore it shall come to pass, *that* as all good ¹⁴ things are come upon you, which ¹ the LORD your ³ God promised you; so shall ¹ the LORD bring upon you all °evil ¹⁴ things, until He have destroyed you from off this good Land which ¹ the LORD your ³ God hath given you.

16 When ye have transgressed the covenant of ¹ the LORD your ³ God, which He commanded you, and have gone and served other gods, and bowed yourselves to them; then shall the anger of ¹ the LORD be kindled against you, and ye shall perish quickly from off the good Land which He hath given unto you."

D w (p. 320) 1435 **24** And Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and called for the elders of Israel, and for their heads, and for their judges, and for their officers; and they presented themselves before °God.

x G¹ 2 And Joshua said unto all the People, °"Thus °saith °the LORD °God of Israel, °Your fathers dwelt on the other side of the °flood in old time, *even* Terah, the father of Abraham, and the father of Nachor: and they served other gods.

3 And °I took your father Abraham from the other side of the °flood, and led him throughout all the land of Canaan, and multiplied his seed, °and gave him Isaac.

4 And I gave unto Isaac °Jacob and Esau: and I gave unto °Esau mount Seir, to possess it; °but Jacob and his °children went down into Egypt.

5 °I sent Moses also and Aaron, and I plagued Egypt, according to that which I did among them: and afterward I brought you out.

6 And I brought your fathers out of °Egypt: and ye came unto the sea; and the Egyptians pursued after your fathers with chariots and horsemen unto the Red sea.

7 And when they cried unto ² the LORD, He put °darkness between you °and the Egyptians, and brought the sea upon them, and covered them; and your eyes °have seen what I °have

11-13 (*r*, p. 319). EXHORTATION. (*Introversion*.)

r u | 11. Jehovah your God. Love to be given Him.

v | 12. Warning against Canaanites. Alliances.

v | 13-. Warning against Canaanites. Consequences.

u | -13. Jehovah your God. Land given by Him.

11 selves=souls. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

12 Else. The Hebrew accent (*Legarmeh*) puts the pause or emphasis on this word, as marking the solemn alternative.

13 any of these. Some codices, with four early printed editions, read "all these".

they shall be. Cp. Ex. 23. 33. Num. 33. 55. Deut. 7. 16.

14 behold, this day I, &c. Punctuate "behold this day, I am, &c." Joshua lived 8 years longer. Cp. Deut. 4. 16.

souls. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

thing=word. Cp. 21. 45.

the good things=the good words.

15 evil things=the evils threatened.

24. 1-28 (*D*, p. 319). ADDRESS TO ELDERS (*Introversion*.)

D w | 1. Assemblage of elders.

x | 2-24. Covenant made.

x | 25-27. Covenant ratified.

w | 28. Dismissal of People.

1 God. Heb. *hā-ʾĒlohim*, the God. Ap. 4. I. Cp. 22. 34.

2-24 (*x*, above). COVENANT MADE.

(Repeated Alternation.)

x | G¹ | 2-15. Joshua. History and exhortations.

H¹ | 16-18. People. Assent.

G² | 19, 20. Joshua. Alternatives.

H² | 21. People. Assent affirmed.

G³ | 22-. Joshua. Appeal.

H³ | -22. People. Assent.

G⁴ | 23. Joshua. Exhortation.

H⁴ | 24. People. Promise.

2 Thus saith the LORD. A supplementary revelation by the Spirit of God, who knows all (Heb. Jehovah).

saith=hath said.

the LORD God. Heb. Jehovah Elohim. Ap. 4. I, II.

flood=the river Euphrates.

3 I took. Gen. 11. 31-12. 1.

and gave. Gen. 21. 1-3.

4 Jacob and Esau. Cp. Gen. 25. 25, 26.

Esau. Cp. Gen. 36. 8. Deut. 2. 5.

but Jacob. Cp. Gen. 46. 6.

children=sons.

5 I sent. Cp. Ex. 3. 10; 4. 14-16.

6 Egypt. After this word the Sept. preserves a sentence omitted by Fig. *Homoteleuton*: "And they became there a great, populous, and mighty people, and were afflicted by Egypt"; the scribe's eye going back to this preceding word Egypt and continuing from there.

the Red sea. Cp. Ex. 14. 9.

7 darkness. Heb. *'ophēlāh*, thick and intense darkness.

Occ. only here.

and the. Note Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) = "and [between] the".

have seen=saw.

have done=did.

8 they fought. Cp. Num. 21. 32.

9 sent. Cp. Num. 22. 5. Deut. 23. 4.

done in Egypt: and ye dwelt in the wilderness a long season.

8 And I brought you into the Land of the Amorites, which dwelt on the other side Jordan; and °they fought with you: and I gave them into your hand, that ye might possess their Land; and I destroyed them from before you.

9 Then Balak the son of Zippor, king of Moab, arose and warred against Israel, and °sent and called Balaam the son of Beor to curse you:

10 But I would not hearken unto Balaam;

1435 therefore he blessed you still: so I delivered
to you out of his hand.

1434 11 And ye went over Jordan, and came unto
Jericho: and the °men of Jericho fought against
you, the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the
Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Girgash-
ites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites; and I de-
livered them into your hand.

12 And I sent the hornet before you, which
drave them out from before you, even the °two
kings of the Amorites; but not with thy sword,
nor with thy bow.

13 And I have given you a land for which ye
did not labour, and cities which ye built not,
and ye dwell in them; of the vineyards and
oliveyards which ye planted not do ye eat.

14 Now therefore fear °the LORD, and serve
him in sincerity and in truth: and put away
the gods which your fathers served on the
other side of the flood, °and in Egypt; and
serve ye °the LORD.

15 And if it seem evil unto you to serve °the
LORD, choose you this day whom ye will serve;
whether the gods which your fathers served
that were on the other side of the flood, or the
gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell:
but as for me and my house, we will serve °the
LORD."

H¹ 16 And the People answered and said, ° "God
(p. 320) forbid that we should forsake °the LORD, to
serve other gods;

17 For °the LORD our °God, °He it is that
brought us up and our fathers out of the land
of Egypt, from the house of bondage, and
which did those great signs in our sight, and
preserved us in all the way wherein we went,
and among all the °people through whom we
passed:

18 And °the LORD drave out from before us all
the °people, even the Amorites which dwelt
in the land: therefore will we also serve °the
LORD; for He it is our °God."

G² 19 And Joshua said unto the People, ° "Ye
cannot serve °the LORD: for He is an °holy
°God; He is a jealous °GOD; He will not for-
give your transgressions nor your °sins.

20 If ye forsake °the LORD, and serve strange
gods, °then He will turn and do you hurt, and
consume you, after that He hath done you good."

H² 21 And the People said unto Joshua, "Nay;
but we will serve °the LORD."

G³ 22 And Joshua said unto the People, "Ye
are witnesses against yourselves that ye have
chosen you °the LORD, to serve him."

H³ And they said, "We are witnesses."

G⁴ 23 "Now therefore put away," said he, "the
°strange gods which are among you, and incline
your heart unto °the LORD °God of Israel."

H⁴ 24 And the People said unto Joshua, ° "The
LORD our °God will we serve, and His voice
will we obey."

x 25 So Joshua °made a covenant with the
People that day, and set them a statute and an
ordinance in Shechem.

26 And Joshua wrote these words in °the

11 men=lords or rulers. Heb. *ba'al*.

12 two kings. Promise began to be fulfilled here.
See Ex. 23. 28. Deut. 7. 20.

14 and in Egypt. So that they were idolaters
there. Cp. Ezek. 23. 8. Three systems of idolatry
referred to in vv. 14, 15: Chaldean, Egyptian, and
Canaanite.

16 God forbid = Far be it from us.

17 He. The italics not needed. There is a Fig.
Homæoteleuton (Ap. 6), which the Sept. supplies: "He
[is God. He] brought us up", &c. The scribe's eye
went back to the latter "He".

people = peoples.

19 Ye cannot serve. The Ellipsis must be supplied
by adding from v. 14. "Unless ye put away your idols".
See Ap. 6. iii. 1.

holy. See note on Ex. 6. 5.

GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

sins. Ap. 44. i.

20 then. Cp. 23. 15.

23 strange gods = strangers' (or foreigners') gods.

25 made a covenant: i.e. by sacrifice. Cp. Jer.

34. 18, 19.

26 the Book of the Law. See note on Ex. 17. 14

and Ap. 47.

an = the.

27 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

it hath heard. Fig. *Prosopopœia*. Ap. 6.

28 every man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

24. 29-33 (p. 289). EPILOGUE.

X y | 29, 30. Death and burial of Joshua.

z | 31. Obedience to Jehovah's command.

z | 32. Obedience to Joseph's command.

y | 33. Death of Eleazar.

29 died. In 1434, after living seventeen years in the
Land. Ap. 50. IV, p. 53.

30 mount = the hill country.

Gaash. The Sept. adds here: "And they placed
with him in the tomb in which they buried him the
knives of stone with which he circumcised the sons
of Israel in Gilgal, when he brought them out of
Egypt, as the LORD appointed them; and there they
are until this day."

31 all the days. The expression is not necessarily
a long period. In 11. 18 it = seven years; in 23. 1 =
within ten years; here it = three years. See Ap. 50.
IV, p. 53.

works = work.

Book of the Law of °God, and took a great
stone, and set it up there under °an oak, that
was by the sanctuary of °the LORD.

27 And Joshua said unto all the People,
° "Behold, this stone shall be a witness unto
us; for °it hath heard all the words of °the
LORD which He spake unto us: it shall be
therefore a witness unto you, lest ye deny
your °God."

28 So Joshua let the People depart, °every
man unto his inheritance. w

29 And it came to pass after these things, that
Joshua the son of Nun, the servant of °the
LORD, °died, being an hundred and ten years old.

30 And they buried him in the border of his
inheritance in Timnath-serah, which is in
°mount Ephraim, on the north side of the
hill of °Gaash.

31 And Israel served °the LORD all the days
of Joshua, and °all the days of the elders that
overlived Joshua, and which had known all
the °works of °the LORD, that He had done for
Israel. z

X y
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32 And ° the bones of Joseph, which the 'children of Israel brought up out of Egypt, buried they in ° Shechem, in a parcel of ground which ° Jacob bought of the sons of Hamor the father of Shechem for an hundred pieces of silver: and it became the inheritance of the 'children of Joseph.

y

33 And ° Eleazar the son of Aaron died; and they buried him in a hill *that pertained to* Phinehas his son, which was given him in ^{so} mount ° Ephraim.

32 the bones of Joseph. Cp. Gen. 50. 25. Heb. 11. 22. Shechem. Where God first appeared to Abraham in Canaan (Gen. 12. 6), and where he built his first altar (Gen. 12. 6, 7).

Jacob bought. Cp. Gen. 33. 19. Not Acts 7. 16, nor Gen. 23, which was quite a different transaction.

33 Eleazar. He dies and is succeeded by his son Phinehas. Cp. Judg. 20. 28. Phinehas had been acting as deputy High Priest as far back as 1444; ten or twelve years before his father died. Cp. 22. 13-32.

Ephraim. The Sept. adds here: "In that day the sons of Israel took the ark of God, and carried it about among them; and Phinees exercised the priest's office in the room of Eleazar his father, till he died, and he was buried in his own place Gabaar.

But the sons of Israel departed every one to their place, and to their own city. And the sons of Israel worshipped Astarte (i. e. the Asherah; see Ap. 42) and Astaroth, and the gods of the nations round about them; and the Lord delivered them into the hands of Eglom king of Moab, and he ruled over them eighteen years".

JUDGES.

THE STRUCTURE OF THE BOOK AS A WHOLE.

(Alternation and Introversion.)

A | **C** | 1. 1—2. 5. ISRAEL AND OTHER PEOPLES. AGGRESSIONS.

| **D** | 2. 6—8. 35. GOVERNMENT.

| **B** | 9. 1—57. INTERNAL DISORDERS.

A | **D** | 10. 1—16. 31. GOVERNMENT.

| **C** | 17. 1—18. 31. ISRAEL AND OTHER PEOPLES. AGGRESSIONS.

| **B** | 19. 1—21. 25. INTERNAL DISORDERS.

THE BOOK OF JUDGES.

A a c
(p. 325)
1434

1 Now after the death of Joshua it came to pass, that the children of Israel asked the LORD, saying, "Who shall go up for us against the Canaanites first, to fight against them?"

2 And the LORD said, "Judah shall go up; behold, I have delivered the land into his hand."

3 And Judah said unto Simeon his brother, "Come up with me into my lot, that we may fight against the Canaanites; and likewise will go with thee into thy lot." So Simeon went with him.

4 And Judah went up; and the LORD delivered the Canaanites and the Perizzites into their hand: and they slew of them in Bezek ten thousand men.

5 And they found Adoni-bezek in Bezek: and they fought against him, and they slew the Canaanites and the Perizzites.

6 But Adoni-bezek fled; and they pursued after him, and caught him, and cut off his thumbs and his great toes.

7 And Adoni-bezek said, "Threescore and ten kings, having their thumbs and their great toes cut off, gathered their meat under my table: as I have done, so God hath requited me." And they brought him to Jerusalem, and there he died.

8 Now the children of Judah had fought against Jerusalem, and had taken it, and smitten it with the edge of the sword, and set the city on fire.

9 And afterward the children of Judah went down to fight against the Canaanites, that dwelt in the mountain, and in the south, and in the valley.

10 And Judah went against the Canaanites that dwelt in Hebron: (now the name of Hebron before was Kirjath-arba;) and they slew Sheshai, and Ahiman, and Talmi.

11 And from thence he went against the inhabitants of Debir: and the name of Debir before was Kirjath-sepher:

12 And Caleb said, "He that smiteth Kirjath-sepher, and taketh it, to him will I give Achsah my daughter to wife."

13 And Othniel the son of Kenaz, Caleb's younger brother, took it: and he gave him Achsah his daughter to wife.

9 mountain = hill country.

south. Heb. *Negeb*.

the Fig. *Paranthesis* (Ap. 6), and cp. with v. 17. Kirjath-arba. Cp. Gen. 23. 2. Josh. 14. 15; 20. 7.

11 Debir . . . Kirjath-sepher. See note on Josh. 11. 21 and 15. 49. here; and 3. 9-11. Josh. 15. 17; and 1 Chron. 4. 13.

TITLE, Judges. The Heb. name is *Shōph'tim* = rulers; from verb to put right and then rule. Not Judges, as modern English. For origin and description of name, cp. 2. 7-19. In Sept. = *kritai*; Latin, *Liber Judicum*. The office peculiar to Israel. The book records the history of thirteen Judges (twelve called of God and one a usurper), whose names by Gematria make a multiple of eight and thirteen (see Ap. 10); six "evil" doings (see note on 2. 11); six oppressors and oppressions (see note on 2. 14); and six deliverances (see note on 2. 16).

1. 1-2. 5 (C, p. 323). CONQUESTS. ISRAEL AND OTHER NATIONS. (Alternation.)

C | A | 1. 1-20. By the tribe of Judah.
| B | 1. 21. Unexpelled inhabitants.
| A | 1. 22-26. By the house of Joseph.
| B | 1. 27-2. 5. Unexpelled inhabitants.

1-20 (A, above). BY THE TRIBE OF JUDAH. (Alternations.)

A | a | c | 1-4. Judah.
| d | 5-8. Conquest. Jerusalem.
| b | e | 9. Judah.
| f | 10. Conquest. Hebron.
| a | c | 11. Judah.
| d | 12-16. Conquest. Debir.
| b | e | 17. Judah.
| f | 18-20. Conquest. Hebron.

1 Now = And. Commencing with the same word as the preceding books; thus connecting them all together. The book of Joshua = the inheritance possessed: Judges = the inheritance despised. Records the failure of the People, and the faithfulness of Jehovah. The Epilogue (21. 26) gives the key to the whole book. See note on 17. 6.

Joshua. Cp. Josh. 24. 29. children = sons. asked = enquired: i. e. by Urim and Thummim, as in 18. 5; 20. 18. See note on Ex. 28. 30. Num. 26. 55.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. Who . . . ? All had been commanded. Deut. 20. 17. Josh. 10. 40.

2 behold. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6). Some codices, with three early printed editions, read "and behold". **4** men. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

5 Adoni-bezek = Lord of Bezek. Bezek was seventeen miles south of Shechem. Cp. 1 Sam. 11. 8. Cp. Josh. 15. 13-19.

6 cut off. As he had done to others. See v. 7.

7 gathered. i. e. [the pieces].

as = according as.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

8 Jerusalem. The first occurrence is in Josh. 10. 1, in connection with Adoni-zedek's fear of its being "utterly destroyed" like Ai. Here, in v. 8, we have a picture of its future history in miniature. See Ap. 53. The *Tel-el-Amarna* tablets contain a long correspondence with Egypt about 1400 B. C.

taken it. The citadel not taken till 2 Sam. 5. 6-9, by David.

valley = lowlands.

10 now. Note

Hebron. Cp. Num. 13. 22. Josh. 14. 13.

Sheshai. These are sons of Anak. Cp. v. 20.

13 Othniel. Mentioned only

1484 14 And it came to pass, when she came ° to
to him, that she moved him to ask of her father
1481 ° a field: and she lighted from off her ass; and
Caleb said unto her, ° "What wilt thou?"

15 And she said unto him, "Give me a blessing: for thou hast given me a south land; give me also springs of water." And Caleb gave her the upper springs and the nether springs.

16 And the ° children of the ° Kenite, Moses' father in law, went up out of the city of ° palm trees with the ° children of Judah into the wilderness of Judah, which lieth in the south of Arad; and they went and dwelt among ° the People.

b e (p. 325) 17 And Judah went with Simeon his brother, and they slew the Canaanites that inhabited Zephath, and utterly ° destroyed it. (And the name of the city was called ° Hormah.)

f 18 Also Judah ° took Gaza with the ° coast thereof, and Askelon with the ° coast thereof, and Ekron with the ° coast thereof.

19 And ° the LORD was with Judah; and ° he drave out the inhabitants of the ° mountain; but could not drive out the inhabitants of the ° valley, because they had ° chariots of iron.

20 And they gave Hebron unto Caleb, ° as Moses said: and he expelled thence the ° three sons of Anak.

B 21 And the ° children of Benjamin ° did not drive out the Jebusites that inhabited Jerusalem; but the Jebusites dwell with the ° children of Benjamin in Jerusalem unto this day.

A g i (p. 326) 22 And the house of Joseph, they also went up against Beth-el: and ° the LORD was with them.

23 And the house of Joseph sent to descry Beth-el.

k (Now the name of the city before was ° Luz.)

h 24 And the ° spies saw a man come forth out of the city, and they said unto him,

h "Shew us, we pray thee, the entrance into the city, and we will shew thee mercy."

g i 25 And when he shewed them the entrance into the city, they smote the city with the edge of the sword; but they let go the man and all his family.

k 26 And the man went into the land of the ° Hittites, and built a city, and called the name thereof Luz: which is the name thereof unto this day.

C¹ l n 27 ° Neither did Manasseh ° drive out the inhabitants of Beth-shean and her towns, ° nor Taanach and her towns, nor the inhabitants of Dor and her towns, nor the inhabitants of Ibleam and her towns, nor the inhabitants of Megiddo and her towns: but the Canaanites would dwell in that land.

o 28 And it came to pass, when Israel was strong, that they put the Canaanites to tribute, and did not utterly drive them out.

m p 29 ° Neither did Ephraim ° drive out the Canaanites that ° dwelt in Gezer; but the Canaanites ° dwelt in Gezer among them.

14 to him. Supply Fig. *Ellipsis* with "home". a - the.

What wilt thou? or, What aileth thee? Josh. 15. 18, 19.

16 Kenite. A non-Israelite race (Gen. 15. 19, Num. 24. 21, &c. 1 Sam. 27. 10; 30. 29). See Saul's correspondence with them (1 Sam. 15. 6). One branch in the north (4. 11).

palm trees: i. e. Jericho, 3. 13. Deut. 34. 3.

the People: i. e. Israel.

17 destroyed = devoted.

Hormah = utter destruction.

18 took Gaza, &c. These were wholly or partially retaken by the enemy, cp. 14. 19; 16. 1. 1 Sam. 5. 10. Perhaps this accounts for the Sept. reading, "Judah too did not inherit".

coast = border.

19 he drave out = he possessed. (Omit italics.)

mountain - hill country. valley = lowlands.

chariots of iron. Cp. 4. 3.

20 as = according as. Cp. Num. 14. 24. Josh. 14. 13; 15. 13. three sons of Anak. See their names in v. 10 and Ap. 23 and 25.

21 did not drive out. Cp. Josh. 15. 63; 18. 28. 2 Sam. 5. 6-10.

22-26 (A, p. 325). BY THE HOUSE OF JOSEPH. (*Introversion and Alternation.*)

A | g | i | 2, 23-. Beth-el besieged.

k | -23. Name explained.

h | 24-. Spies. Mission.

h | 24. Spies. Action.

g | i | 25. Beth-el taken.

k | 26. Name explained.

23 Luz. Cp. Gen. 28. 19, and see Josh. 16. 1, 2. Luz and Beth-el not two cities.

24 spies = sentries.

26 Hittites. A nation north of Syria, mentioned on Egyptian inscriptions from 1500 B. C.

1. 27-2. 5 (B, p. 325). UNEXPULLED INHABITANTS. (*Division.*)

B | C¹ | 1. 17-36. Non-expulsion. The sin.
C² | 2. 1-5. Non-expulsion. The punishment.

27-36 (C¹, above). NON-EXPULSION. SIN. (*Introversion and Alternation.*)

C¹ | l | n | 27. Manasseh.

o | 28. Made them tributaries.

m | p | 29, 30-. Ephraim and Zebulun.

q | -30. Made them tributaries.

m | p | 31-33-. Asher and Naphtali.

q | -33. Made them tributaries.

l | n | 34, 35-. Dan.

o | -35, 36. Made them tributaries.

27 Neither ... nor. Note the Fig. *Paradiastolē* (Ap. 6) in vv. 29-33. Emphasising the unfaithfulness and disobedience, the cause of all subsequent trouble.

drive out = possess.

29 dwelt: i. e. in friendly relations. Ps. 133. 1. 2 Kings 4. 13. See note on 1 Kings 9. 16, 17.

32 dwelt among - dwelt in the inside, as in the heart or bowels of the Canaanites; vv. 27-30 are very different.

30 Neither did Zebulun ° drive out the inhabitants of Kitron, nor the inhabitants of Nahalol;

but the Canaanites dwelt among them, and became tributaries. q

31 Neither did Asher ° drive out the inhabitants of Accho, nor the inhabitants of Zidon, nor of Ahlab, nor of Achzib, nor of Helbah, nor of Aphik, nor of Rehob: m p

32 But the Asherites ° dwelt among the

1434 Canaanites, the inhabitants of the land: for
to they did not drive them out.

1431 33 Neither did Naphtali ²⁷ drive out the inhabitants of Beth-shemesh, nor the inhabitants of Beth-anath; but he ³² dwelt among the Canaanites, the inhabitants of the land:

q nevertheless the inhabitants of Beth-shemesh
(p. 326) and of Beth-anath became tributaries unto them.

l n 34 And the Amorites forced the ¹ children of Dan into the mountain: for they would not suffer them to come down to the valley:

35 But the Amorites would dwell in mount Heres in Aijalon, and in Shaalbim:

o yet the ^o hand of the house of Joseph prevailed, so that they became tributaries.

36 And the ^o coast of the Amorites was from the going up to Akrabbim, from the rock, and upward.

C² r 2 And ^o an ^o Angel of ^o the LORD came up
(p. 327) from Gilgal to ^o Bochim, and said, "I made
1434 you to go up out of Egypt, and have brought
to you unto the land which I swear unto your
1100 fathers; and ^o I said, 'I will never break My covenant with you.

2 And ^o ye shall make no league with the inhabitants of this land; ^o ye shall throw down their altars:' but ye have not obeyed My voice: ^o why have ye done this?

s 3 Wherefore I also said, 'I will not drive them out from before you; but they shall ^o be as thorns in your sides, and their gods shall be a snare unto you.'"

r 4 And it came to pass, when the Angel of ¹ the LORD spake these words unto all the ^o children of Israel, that the people lifted up their voice, and wept.

s 5 And they called the name of that place ¹ Bochim: and they sacrificed there unto ¹ the LORD.

D¹ t 6 And when Joshua had ^o let the People go, the ⁴ children of Israel went every ^o man unto his inheritance to possess the land.

u 7 And the People served ¹ the LORD all the days of Joshua, and all the days of the elders that outlived Joshua, ^o who had seen all the great ^o works of ¹ the LORD, that He did for Israel.

t 8 And Joshua the son of Nun, the servant of
1434 ¹ the LORD, died, *being* an hundred and ten years old.

9 And they buried him in the border of his inheritance in ^o Timnath-heres, in the ^o mount of Ephraim, on the north side of the hill Gaash.

10 And also all that generation were gathered unto their fathers:

u and there arose another generation after them, which ^o knew not ¹ the LORD, nor yet the ⁷ works which He had done for Israel.

D² E¹ v 11 And the ⁴ children of Israel did ^o evil in the sight of ¹ the LORD, and served Baalim:

35 hand. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, by which the hand is put for the power exerted by it.

36 coast = border or boundary.

2. 1-5 (C², p. 326). NON-EXPULSION. PUNISHMENT. (*Alternation.*)

C² r | 1, 2. Expostulation. Cause. Disobedience.
s | 3. Threatening.
r | 4. Expostulation. Effect. Weeping.
s | 5. Worship.

Chapter 2 gives a summary of events from 3. 1-16. 31. The period it covers is therefore 1434-1100, i. e. 334 years.

1 an Angel = the Angel or Captain of Jehovah's host, Who had appeared to Joshua in Gilgal. Josh. 5. 13-15 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

Bochim = weepers. I said. Cp. Gen. 17. 7.

2 ye shall make no league. Cp. Ex. 23. 32. Deut. 7. 2, 5, &c.

ye shall throw down. Cp. Ex. 34. 12, 13. Deut. 12. 3. why...? Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6). Or, "what [is] this [that] ye have done?"

3 be as thorns in your sides. Some codices read "be adversaries to you". Cp. Num. 33. 55. Josh. 23. 13. 4 children = sons.

2. 6-8. 32 (D, p. 323). GOVERNMENT. (*Division.*)

D | D¹ | 2. 6-10. Antecedent.
D² | 2. 11-8. 32. Subsequent.

2. 6 10 (D¹, above). ANTECEDENT. (*Alternation.*)

D¹ | t | 6. Joshua's life.
u | 7. Predecessors. Knowledge. Obedience.
t | 8-10-. Joshua's death.
u | 10. Successors. Ignorance. Disobedience.

6 let the People go. Cp. Josh. 24. 28-31.

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

7 who. Some codices, with two early printed editions, Syr., and Vulg., read "and who". works = work.

9 Timnath-heres. Some codices, with Syr. and Vulg., read "Timnath-serah". Cp. Josh. 19. 50; 24. 30. mount = hill country.

10 knew not. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause). Ap. 6. Put for obeyed not or cared not for.

2. 11-8. 32 (D², above). SUBSEQUENT. (*Division.*)

D² | E¹ | 2. 11-3. 4. The People and their Apostasies.
E² | 3. 5-8. 2. The oppressors and Deliverers.

2. 11-3. 4 (E¹, above). THE PEOPLE AND THEIR APOSTASIES. (*Extended Alternation.*)

E¹ | v | 2. 11-13. Evil committed.
w | 2. 14-. Anger of Jehovah.
x | 2. -14, 16. Punishment. Sold to enemies.
v | 2. 16-19. Evil repeated.
w | 2. 20-. Anger of Jehovah.
x | 2. -20-3. 4. Punishment. Proved by enemies.

11 evil = the evil. Heb. *rā'ā'*. See Ap. 44. viii. Six "evil" doings recorded in this book (Ap. 10): 3. 7, 12; 4. 1; 6. 1; 10. 6; 13. 1.

12 forsook. Religion is not a gradual evolution to what is higher, but a declension to what is lower. See note on Josh. 24. 14.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. people = peoples.

12 And they ^o forsook ¹ the LORD ^o God of their fathers, Which brought them out of the land of Egypt, and followed other gods, of the gods of the ^o people that were round about them, and bowed themselves unto them, and provoked ¹ the LORD to anger.

1434 to 1100 w (p. 327) x 13 And they ¹²forsook ¹the LORD, and served Baal and °Ashtaroth.

14 And the anger of ¹the LORD was hot against Israel,

and He delivered them into the hands of °spoilers that spoiled them, and He sold them into the hands of their °enemies round about, so that they could not any longer stand before their enemies.

15 Whithersoever they went out, the hand of ¹the LORD was against them for °evil, as ¹the LORD had said, and °as ¹the LORD had sworn unto them: and they were greatly distressed.

v y (p. 328) z 16 Nevertheless ¹the LORD raised up °judges, which °delivered them out of the hand of those that spoiled them.

a 17 And yet they would not hearken unto their judges, but they went a whoring after other gods, and bowed themselves unto them: they turned quickly out of the way which their fathers walked in, obeying the commandments of ¹the LORD; but they did not so.

y 18 And when ¹the LORD raised them up judges,

z then ¹the LORD was with the judge, and ¹⁶delivered them out of the hand of their enemies °all the days of the judge: for it repented ¹the LORD because of their groanings by reason of them that oppressed them and vexed them.

a 19 And it came to pass, °when the judge was dead, that they returned, and corrupted themselves more than their fathers, in following other gods to serve them, and to bow down unto them; they ceased not from their own doings, nor from their stubborn way.

w (p. 327) 20 And the anger of ¹the LORD was hot against Israel; and He said,

x b¹ (p. 328) "Because that this °people hath °transgressed My covenant which I commanded their fathers, and have not hearkened unto My voice;

21 I also will not henceforth drive out any from before them of the nations which Joshua left when he died:

c¹ 22 That through them I may prove Israel, whether they will keep the way of ¹the LORD to walk °therein, as their fathers did keep it, or not."

b² 23 Therefore ¹the LORD left those nations, without °driving them out hastily; neither delivered He them into the hand of Joshua.

c² 1434 to 1431 3 Now these are the nations which °the LORD left, to prove Israel by them, even as many of Israel as had not known all the wars of Canaan;

2 Only that the generations of the °children of Israel might know, to teach them war, at the least such as before knew nothing thereof;

b¹ 3 Namely, °five lords of the Philistines, and all the Canaanites, and the Sidonians, and the Hivites that dwelt in mount Lebanon, from mount Baal-hermon unto the °entering in of Hamath.

c³ 4 And they were to prove Israel by them, to

13 Ashtaroth. The special evil of Canaanite nations. Name derived from the *Ashērah* (see Ap. 42). The *Ashērah* was idolatry of the most revolting form of immorality under the guise of religion. All virtue surrendered. The "going a whoring" is more than a figure of speech. See Ex. 34. 13. Deut. 7. 5; 12. 3; 16. 21. Note all the occurrences of *Ashtārōth*: Deut. 1. 4. Josh. 9. 10; 12. 4; 13. 12, 31. Judg. 2. 13; 10. 6. 1 Sam. 7. 3, 4; 12. 10; 31. 10.

14 spoilers . . . enemies. Six oppressors and servitudes named: Judg. 3. 8, 12; 4. 2; 6. 1; 10. 7; 13. 1.

15 evil. Heb. *rā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii.

as=according as. Cp. Lev. 26. Deut. 28.

16-19 (v, p. 327). EVIL REPEATED. (Extended Alternation.)

v y | 16-. Judges raised up.

z | -16. Deliverance.

a | 17. Apostasy.

y | 18-. Judges raised up.

z | -18. Deliverance.

a | 19. Apostasy.

16 judges. This word gives the name to the book=one who put right what was wrong; hence, a ruler. delivered=saved. Six deliverances: 3. 9, 15; 4. 23; 8. 28; 11. 33; 16. 30.

18 all the days, &c. This raises the question as to Deborah's call. See note on 4. 4.

19 when. Cp. 3. 12.

2. 20-3. 4 (x, p. 327). PUNISHMENT. PROVING. (Repeated Alternation.)

x b¹ | 2. -20, 21. Non-expulsion.

c¹ | 2. 22. Trial.

b² | 2. 23. Non-expulsion.

c² | 3. 1, 2. Trial.

b³ | 3. 3. Non-expulsion.

c³ | 3. 4. Trial.

20 people=nation.

transgressed. Heb. *'ābar*. Ap. 44. vii.

22 therein. A special various reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 34), with some codices, Sept., and Vulg., read "in it": i. e. in Jehovah's way.

23 driving them out=dispossessing.

3. 1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 children=sons.

3 five lords. See note on Josh. 13. 2-6.

entering in=pass.

3. 5-8. 32 (E², p. 327). OPPRESSORS AND DELIVERERS. (Introversion.)

E² | F | 3. 5-11. Chushan-rishathaim. (Othniel.)

G | 3. 12-30. Eglon. (Ehud.)

H | 3. 31. Shamgar. (Philistines.)

G | 4. 1-5. 31. Jabin. (Barak.)

F | 6. 1-8. 35. Midian. (Gideon.)

3. 5-11 (F, above). CHUSHAN-RISHATHAIM, AND OTHNIEL. (Extended Alternation.)

F | d | 5-7. Evil committed.

e | 8-. Oppressor. (Chushan-rishathaim.)

f | -8. Servitude. Eight years.

d | 9-. Evil repented of.

e | -9, 10. Deliverer. (Othniel.)

f | 11. Rest. Forty years.

5 dwelt among. Not the Canaanites dwelling in Israel, but Israel dwelling among the Canaanites, who were to be exterminated. Ex. 3. 8, 17; 23. 23-28. Deut. 7. 1-5.

know whether they would hearken unto the commandments of ¹the LORD, which He commanded their fathers by the hand of Moses.

5 And the ²children of Israel °dwelt among the Canaanites, Hittites, and Amorites, and Perizzites, and Hivites, and Jebusites:

E² F d

6 And they ° took their daughters to be their wives, and gave their daughters to their sons, and served their gods.

7 And the ² children of Israel did ° evil in the sight of ¹ the LORD, and forgot ¹ the LORD their ° God, and served Baalim and ° the groves.

e (p. 328) 8 Therefore the anger of ¹ the LORD was hot against Israel,

f 1431 and He ° sold them into the hand of Chushan-rishathaim king of Mesopotamia: and the ² children of Israel served Chushan-rishathaim eight years.

d 9 And when the ² children of Israel cried unto ¹ the LORD,

e ¹ the LORD raised up a ° deliverer to the ² children of Israel, who ° delivered them, even ° Othniel the son of Kenaz, Caleb's younger brother.

10 And ° the Spirit of ¹ the LORD came upon him, and he judged Israel, and went out to war: and ¹ the LORD delivered Chushan-rishathaim king of Mesopotamia into his hand; and his hand prevailed against Chushan-rishathaim.

f 1423 to 1383 11 And the land ° had rest forty years. And Othniel the son of Kenaz died.

G g (p. 329) 12 And the ² children of Israel did ⁷ evil again in the sight of ¹ the LORD:

h and ¹ the LORD strengthened Eglon the king of Moab against Israel, because they had done evil in the sight of ¹ the LORD.

13 And he gathered unto him the ² children of Ammon and ° Amalek, and went and smote Israel, and possessed the city of ° palm trees.

i 1383 to 1365 14 So the ² children of Israel served Eglon the king of Moab eighteen years.

g 15 But when the ² children of Israel cried unto ¹ the LORD,

h ¹ the LORD raised them up a ° deliverer, Ehud the son of Gera, a Benjamite, a man lefthanded:

j¹ k¹ l and by him the ² children of Israel sent a present unto Eglon the king of Moab.

m 16 But Ehud made him a dagger which had two edges, of a ° cubit length; and he did gird it under his raiment upon his right thigh.

l 17 And he brought the ° present unto Eglon king of Moab: and Eglon was a very fat ° man.

18 And when he had made an end to ° offer the present, he sent away the people that bare the ¹⁷ present.

k² n 19 But he himself turned again from the ° quarries ° that were by Gilgal, and said, "I have a secret ° errand unto thee, O king:" who said, "Keep silence." And all that stood by him went out from him.

20 And Ehud came unto him; and he was sitting in a ° summer parlour, which he had for himself alone. And Ehud said, "I have a ° message from ° God unto thee." And he arose out of his ° seat.

o 21 And Ehud put forth ° his left hand, and took the dagger from his right thigh, and thrust it into his belly:

22 And the ° haft also went in after the blade; and the fat closed upon the blade, so that he

6 took their daughters, contrary to Jehovah's express command. Ex. 34. 16. Deut. 7. 3.

7 evil. Heb. "the evil"; i.e. the special evil (idolatry) which had been forbidden as such. See Ap. 44. viii. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

the groves = *Asherim*. Ap. 42. See note on Ex. 34. 13. 8 sold. Cp. 2. 14. 490 years since Abraham left Mesopotamia. See Ap. 50. IV.

9 deliverer = saviour.

delivered = saved. Cp. Luke 1. 68-70.

Othniel. Cp. Josh. 15. 16, 17.

10 the Spirit of the LORD. Of Jehovah, Ap. 4. II, not *Elohim*. The spirit (Heb. *rûach*, Ap. 9) of Jehovah bestowing *gifts* rather than power or might (Gen. 1. 2). Cp. Isa. 11. 2; 61. 1.

11 had rest. Repeated four times: 3. 11, 30; 5. 31; 8. 20, to prevent the periods of rest and servitude being "telescoped". See Ap. 50. I, Introduction.

12-30 (G, p. 328). EGLON. (EHUD.)
(Extended Alternation.)

G | g | 12-. Evil committed.

h | -12, 13. Oppressor. (Eglon.)

i | 14. Servitude. Eighteen years.

g | 15-. Evil repented of.

h | -15-30-. Deliverer. (Ehud.)

i | -30. Rest. Eighty years.

13 Amalek. See note on Ex. 17. 16. palm trees. Cp. Deut. 34. 3.

-15-30 (h, above). DELIVERER. (EHUD.)
(Division.)

h | j¹ | -15-26. Assassination of Eglon.

j² | 27-30. Slaughter of Moabites.

-15-26 (j¹, above). ASSASSINATION OF EGLON.
(Division and Introversion.)

j¹ | k¹ | l | -15. Present sent.

m | 16. Dagger prepared.

l | 17, 18. Present brought.

k² | n | 19, 20. Interview sought.

o | 21, 22. Dagger used.

n | 23-26. Interview ended.

16 cubit. Occurs only here = a cut. Sept. *spithamē*, a dirk, about 9 inches long.

17 present = admittance-offering. Heb. *korban*. Ap. 43. II. i.

man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14.

18 offer = bring near. Heb. *kārab*. Ap. 43. I. i.

19 quarries = graven images. So Sept., Vulg., and Targum, here and v. 26. Heb. *pēgūlim*. Deut. 7. 5, 25; 12. 3. 2 Kings 17. 41. Ps. 78. 53, &c.

that were by Gilgal. Heb. the same [as] at Gilgal. errand. Heb. word. See note on "message", v. 20.

20 summer parlour. Cooling room. Occurs only here and v. 24.

message = word; put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject) for what is meant by it: here it is the "errand" of v. 19.

God = Elohim. Ap. 4. I. The Creator to the creature; not Jehovah (the Covenant God) to His servant.

seat = throne.

21 his left hand. Note the seven weak things in this book, illustrating 1 Cor. 1. 27. 2 Cor. 12. 9: left hand (3. 21); ox goad (3. 31); a woman (4. 4); a nail (4. 21); piece of a millstone (9. 53); pitcher and trumpet (7. 20); jawbone of an ass (15. 16). So in later times. Luther (a miner's son), Calvin (a cooper's son), Zwingle (a shepherd's son), Melancthon (an armourer's son), John Knox (a plain burgess's son).

22 haft = handle. Heb. *nizzab*, occurs only here.

could not draw the dagger out of his belly; and the dirt came out.

23 Then Ehud went forth through the porch, and shut the doors of the ²⁰ parlour upon him, and locked them.

24 When he was gone out, his servants came; and when they saw that, °behold, the doors of the parlour were locked, they said, "Surely he °covereth his feet in his ²⁰ summer chamber."

25 And they tarried till they were ashamed: and, ²⁴ behold, he opened not the doors of the parlour; therefore they took °a key, and opened them: and, ²⁴ behold, their lord was fallen down dead on the earth.

26 And Ehud escaped while they tarried, and °passed °beyond the °quarries, and escaped unto Seirath.

^j² (p. 329) 27 And it came to pass, when he was come, that he blew a trumpet in the mountain of Ephraim, and the ²children of Israel went down with him from °the mount, and he before them.

28 And he said unto them, "Follow after me: for ¹the LORD hath delivered your enemies the Moabites into your hand." And they went down after him, and took the fords of Jordan toward Moab, and suffered not a °man to pass over.

29 And they slew of Moab at that time about ten thousand ²⁸ men, all lusty, and all ²⁸ men of valour; and there escaped not a ²⁸ man.

30 So Moab was subdued that day under the hand of Israel.

ⁱ 1865 to 1285 H (p. 328) And the land ¹¹ had rest fourscore ° years.

31 And after him was °Shamgar the son of Anath, which slew of the Philistines six hundred men with °an ox goad: and he also delivered Israel.

^G^J¹^p (p. 330) 4 And the ° children of Israel again did ° evil in the sight of °the LORD, when Ehud was dead.

^q 2 And ¹the LORD sold them into the hand of °Jabin king of Canaan, that reigned in Hazor; the captain of whose host was Sisera, ° which dwelt in Harosheth of the Gentiles.

^p 3 And the ¹children of Israel cried unto ¹the LORD: for he had nine hundred chariots of iron;

^q 1285 to 1265 ^J² K and °twenty years he mightily oppressed the ¹children of Israel.

4 And Deborah, °a prophetess, the wife of Lapidoth, ° she judged Israel °at that time.

5 And she °dwelt under the palm tree of Deborah between Ramah and Beth-el in mount Ephraim: and the ¹children of Israel came up to her for judgment.

^L ^M 6 And she sent and called Barak the son of Abinoam out of Kedesh-naphtali, and said unto him, ° "Hath not ¹the LORD ° God of Israel commanded, saying, 'Go and draw toward mount Tabor, and take with thee ten thousand °men of the ¹children of Naphtali and of the ¹children of Zebulun?'"

^N ^r 7 And I will draw unto thee to the °river Kishon Sisera, the captain of Jabin's army, with his chariots and his multitude;

^s and I will deliver him into thine °hand."

^t 8 And Barak said unto her, "If thou wilt go with me, then I will go: but if thou wilt not go with me, then I will not go."

24 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6. covereth his feet. Fig. *Euphemism* for act performed while stooping, and causing feet to be covered.

25 a key = the key.

26 passed = he passed.

beyond = by.

quarries = the graven images of Ehud. Cp. v. 19.

27 the mount = the hill country.

28 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

30 years. The Sept. adds "until he died".

31 Shamgar. Cp. 5. 6-8.

an ox goad. See note on 3. 21. No weapons. Cp. 5. 8. 1 Sam. 13. 19-22.

4. 1-5. 31 (G, p. 329). JABIN. (DEBORAH.) (*Division*.)

G | ^J¹ | 4. 1-3. Oppression by Jabin.
| ^J² | 4. 4-5. 31. Deliverance by Barak.

1-3 (^J¹, above). OPPRESSION BY JABIN. (*Alternation*.)

^J¹ | p | 1. Evil wrought.
| q | 2. Oppression.
| p | 3-. Evil repented of.
| q | -3. Oppression.

1 children = sons.

evil = the evil: i. e. idolatry. See Ap. 44. viii.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4.

2 Jabin. Another king. Cp. Josh. 11. 1-10.

which = and he.

3 twenty years. A long time to wait for deliverance.

4. 4-5. 31 (^J², above). DELIVERANCE BY DEBORAH. (*Alternation*.)

^J² | K | 4. 4, 5. Deliverer raised up.
| L | 4. 6-24. Deliverance.
| K | 5. 1-31-. Deliverers' song.
| L | 5. -31. Rest.

4 a prophetess. Not therefore a "judge" in the strict sense of the title. Like Miriam, Ex. 15. 20; Huldah, 2 Kings 22. 14. Cp. her prophecy in vv. 7, 9.

she. Some codices, with two early printed editions, read "and she". Note the two women connected with Barak, Deborah and Jael, vv. 17-21. See note on v. 17, and cp. 5. 7, 11, 24, 30.

at that time. Yet Israel was "mightily oppressed", contrary to 2. 18. The words "she judged" state a fact: but do they imply a Divine appointment to the office? She was "a prophetess", but was she "a judge" in the proper sense of the word?

5 dwelt = sat [as judge]: near where her namesake, Rebekah's nurse, died. Gen. 35. 8.

6-24 (L, above). DELIVERANCE.

(*Introversion and Extended Alternation*.)

L | M | 6. Command given by Jehovah.
| N | r | 7-. Place of battle.
| s | -7. Victory promised.
| t | 8, 9. Instruments. Barak and a woman.
N | r | 10-13. Place of battle.
| s | 14-16. Victory. Promise fulfilled.
| t | 17-22. Instruments. Barak and a woman.
M | 23, 24. Victory given by Jehovah.

6 Hath not . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4.

men. Heb. *'ish* or *'enōsh*. Ap. 14.

7 river Kishon. Cp. Ps. 83. 9, 10.

hand. Some codices, with two early printed editions, Sept., and Syr., read "hands".

9 And she said, "I will surely go with thee: notwithstanding the journey that thou takest shall not be for thine honour; for ¹the LORD shall sell Sisera into the hand of a woman."

And Deborah arose, and went with Barak to Kedesh.

N 10 And Barak °called Zebulun and Naphtali to Kedesh; and he went up with ten thousand men at his feet: and Deborah went up with him. (p. 330)

11 Now Heber the Kenite, *which was* of the children of °Hobab the father in law of Moses, had severed himself from the Kenites, and pitched his tent °unto the plain of Zaanaim, *which is* by Kedesh.

12 And they shewed Sisera that Barak the son of Abinoam was gone up to mount Tabor.

13 And Sisera °gathered together all his chariots, *even* nine hundred chariots of iron, and all the people that *were* with him, from Harosheth of the Gentiles unto the river of Kishon.

s 14 And Deborah said unto Barak, "Up; for this *is* the day in which ¹the LORD hath delivered Sisera into thine hand: °is not ¹the LORD gone out before thee?" So Barak went down from mount Tabor, and ten thousand men after him.

15 And °the LORD discomfited Sisera, and all *his* chariots, and all *his* host, with the edge of the sword before Barak; so that Sisera lighted down off *his* chariot, and fled away on his feet.

16 But Barak pursued after the chariots, and after the host, unto Harosheth of the Gentiles: and all the host of Sisera fell °upon the edge of the sword; *and* there was °not a man left.

t u 17 Howbeit Sisera fled away on his feet to (p. 331) °the tent of Jael the wife of Heber the °Kenite: for *there was* peace between Jabin the king of Hazor and the house of Heber the Kenite.

v 18 And Jael went out to meet Sisera, and said unto him, "Turn in, my lord, turn in to me; fear not."

w And when he had turned in unto her into the tent, she covered him with a °mantle.

19 And he said unto her, "Give me, I pray thee, a little water to drink; for I am thirsty." And she opened a °bottle of °milk, and gave him drink, and covered him.

20 Again he said unto her, "Stand in the °door of the tent, and it shall be, when °any man doth come and enquire of thee, and say, 'Is there °any man here?' that thou shalt say, °No."

x 21 Then Jael Heber's wife took a °nail of the tent, and took an hammer in her hand, and went softly unto him, and smote the °nail into his temples, and fastened it into the ground: for *he* was fast asleep and weary. °So he died.

u 22 And, °behold, as Barak pursued Sisera, *v* Jael came out to meet him, and said unto him, "Come, and I will shew thee the man whom *w* thou seekest."

x And when he came into her *tent*, behold, Sisera lay dead, and the ²¹nail *was* in his temples.

M 23 So °God subdued on that day Jabin the (p. 330) king of Canaan before the ¹children of Israel.

24 And the hand of the ¹children of Israel °prospered, and prevailed against Jabin the king of Canaan, until they had destroyed Jabin king of Canaan.

10 called: i. e. by proclamation.

11 Hobab. Cp. Num. 10. 29.

unto the plain. Or, at the oak. Josh. 19. 33.

13 gathered: i. e. by proclamation. Cp. v. 10.

14 is not . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

15 the LORD discomfited = Jehovah discomfited. Cp. Ps. 83. 9. The word implies supernatural phenomena. Cp. 5. 20-22. Ex. 14. 24. Josh. 10. 10. 2 Sam. 22. 15. Ps. 18. 15.

16 upon = by.

not a man. Heb. not so much as one.

17-22 (*t*, p. 330). INSTRUMENT. A WOMAN. (Extended Alternation.)

t u | 17. Flight of Sisera.

v | 18-. Jael meeting Sisera.

w | -18-20. Concealment.

x | 21. Sisera slain.

u | 22-. Pursuit by Barak.

v | -22-. Jael meeting Barak.

w | -22-. Discovery.

x | -22. Sisera dead.

17 the tent of Jael. Note, not of Heber: the woman's tent, which itself brought Sisera under the death penalty. But there is nothing to apologise for here. The Author and Giver of life came on Jael as on Ehud, and enabled her to save the daughters of Israel from a fate worse than death. Cp. 5. 7, 11, 24, 30.

Kenite. Cp. v. 11.

18 mantle = rug. Heb. *sēmikāh* occurs only here.

19 bottle = skin.

milk. Rendered "butter" in 5. 25; probably = butter-milk, much used in the East.

20 door = entrance.

any man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

No - there is not.

21 nail of the tent = a tent peg. Constantly tents are taken down and put up by the women to the present day.

So he died. The first of ten recorded deaths at the hands of women: Sisera (Judg. 4. 21); Abimelech (Judg. 9. 53. 2 Sam. 11. 21); Sheba (2 Sam. 20. 22); the harlot's child (1 Kings 3. 19); prophets (1 Kings 18. 4); Naboth (1 Kings 21. 9, 10); a son by his mother (2 Kings 6. 29); seed royal (2 Kings 11. 1. 2 Chron. 22. 10); Haman's sons (Est. 9. 13, 14); John Baptist (Matt. 14. 8).

22 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

24 prospered. Fig. *Polyptōton*. Ap. 6. Heb. going on went on. R.V. = prevailed more and more.

5. 1-31- (*K*, p. 330). THE DELIVERERS' SONG. (Introversions.)

K | O | 1, 2-. Praise to Jehovah. Avenging of Israel.

P | *y* | -2, 3. Israel. People's voluntary service.

z | 4-8. Contrasted states of the country

y | 9. Israel. Leaders' voluntary service.

Q | 10, 11. Contrasted states of the country.

Q | 12-18. Contrasted conduct of tribes.

P | *a* | 19-22. Enemy. Battle and defeat.

b | 23-27. Contrasted succour for Israel.

a | 28-30. Enemy. Presumption and defeat.

O | 31-. Praise to Jehovah. Avenging of Israel.

1 Then sang. No singing till after victory. Cp. Ex. 15. 1. Only weeping before. Cp. 2. 4 with Ex. 23, 24. See note on Ex. 15. 1 for the ten songs.

2 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

5 °Then sang Deborah and Barak the son of Abinoam on that day, saying,

2 "Praise ye °the LORD for the avenging of Israel,

When the People willingly offered themselves.

K O

P y

3 Hear, O ye kings; give ear, O ye princes;
 ° 3, even 3, will sing unto ° the LORD;
 I will sing praise to ° the LORD ° God of Israel.

4 ° LORD, ° when Thou wentest out of Seir,
 When Thou marchest out of the field of Edom,
 The earth trembled, and the heavens
 ° dropped,
 The clouds also ° dropped water.

5 ° The mountains melted from before ° the LORD,
 Even that Sinai from before ° the LORD
 ° God of Israel.

6 In the days of ° Shamgar the son of Anath,
 In the days of Jael, ° the highways were
 unoccupied,
 And the travellers walked through by-ways.

7 ° The inhabitants of the villages ° ceased,
 they ° ceased in Israel,
 Until that ° I Deborah arose,
 That ° I arose a mother in Israel.

8 They chose ° new gods;
 Then was war in the gates:
 ° Was there a shield or spear seen
 Among forty thousand in Israel?

9 My heart ° is toward the governors of Israel,
 That offered themselves willingly among
 the People.
 Bless ye ° the LORD.

10 Speak, ye that ride on white asses,
 Ye that sit in judgment,
 And walk by the way.

11 ° They that are delivered from the noise of
 archers in ° the places of drawing water,
 There shall they rehearse the righteous
 acts of ° the LORD,
 Even the righteous acts toward ° the in-
 habitants of his villages in Israel:
 Then shall the People of ° the LORD go
 down to the gates.

12 ° Awake, awake, Deborah:
 ° Awake, awake, utter a song:
 Arise, Barak, and ° lead thy captivity cap-
 tive, thou son of Abinoam.

13 ° Then He made him that remaineth have
 dominion over the nobles among the
 people:
 ° The LORD made me have dominion over
 the mighty.

14 Out of Ephraim ° was there ° a root of
 them against Amalek;
 After thee, Benjamin, among thy people;
 Out of Machir came down governors,
 And out of Zebulun they that ° handle the
 ° pen of the ° writer.

15 ° And the princes of Issachar were with
 Deborah;
 ° Even Issachar, and also Barak:
 ° He was sent on foot into the valley.

° For the divisions of Reuben
 There were great thoughts of heart.
 16 ° Why abodest thou among the sheepfolds,
 To hear the bleatings of the flocks?

3 I, even I. Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

4 when. Cp. Ex. 19. 18. dropped = dripped.

5 The mountains melted = from the mountains
 flowed down streams.

6 Shamgar. Cp. 3. 31.

the highways, &c. = the highways were closed.

7 The inhabitants. Why not supply the Fig.
Ellipsis (Ap. 6) by the words "the women", considering
 the objects of Jabin's oppression? see notes on 4. 4, 17;
 5. 7, 11, 24, 30.

ceased = ceased [to be]. Same word as "unoccu-
 pied" in v. 6. I arose. Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6.

8 new gods. Cp. Deut. 32. 16.

Was there . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

9 is toward. Supply "saith to", instead of "is".
 The next clause gives the words spoken.

11 the places of drawing water: i.e. where the
 women were to be found. See notes on 4. 4, 17; 5. 7, 30.
 Cp. Gen. 24. 11. Ex. 2. 15-19.

Translate v. 11 thus:—

Instead of the shouting of the archers among the
 wells,

There they laud the righteous acts of Jehovah,

The righteous acts of His rule over Israel.

Then the People of Jehovah hastened to the gates.

12-18 (Q, p. 331). CONTRASTED CONDUCT OF TRIBES. (*Introversion*.)

Q | c | 12-15-. Warriors.

d | -15-17. Absentees.

c | 18. Warriors.

12 Awake, awake. Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6.

lead thy captivity captive = lead thy captives
 captive; "captivity" put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject)
 for the persons made captive = lead captive thy
 captive train.

13 Some codices and Sept. divide the two lines thus:—
 Then came down a remnant of the nobles,
 And the People of Jehovah [came down] with me
 against the mighty ones.

14 was there. Supply Fig. *Ellipsis* thus: "came
 down", from vv. 13 and 15.

a root, &c. = whose root was in Amalek. Cp. 12. 15.
 Or, according to Sept., "they who rooted them out in
 Amalek."

handle = draw, in the sense of numbering, enrolling,
 or mustering, as in 4. 6.

pen = rod (used in numbering). Lev. 27. 32. Ezek.
 20. 37. Nowhere else rendered pen.

writer = numberer. Heb. *sāphar*, translated scribe.
 Cp. 2 Kings 25. 19. 2 Chron. 26. 11.

15 And = But.

Even = Yea.

He was sent, &c. = into the valley they rushed at his
 feet. For = among.

16 Why . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

17 breaches = creeks or bays.

18 lives = souls. Heb. *nephesh*. See Ap. 13.

19 gain = plunder.

15 For the divisions of Reuben

There were great searchings of heart.

17 Gilead abode beyond Jordan:

And 16 why did Dan remain in ships?

Asher continued on the sea shore,

And abode in his ° breaches.

18 Zebulun and Naphtali were a people that
 jeopardized their ° lives unto the death
 in the high places of the field.

19 The kings came and fought,
 Then fought the kings of Canaan
 In Taanach by the waters of Megiddo;
 They took no ° gain of money.

P a
 (p. 331)

20 They fought from heaven;
The stars in their courses ° fought against
Sisera.

21 The ° river of ° Kishon ° swept them away,
That ancient river, the river Kishon.
O my ° soul, thou hast trodden down
strength.

22 Then were the horsehoofs broken
By the means of ° the pransings, the prans-
ings of their mighty ones.

b e (p. 333) 23 'Curse ye Meroz,' said the Angel of ° the
LORD,
f 'Curse ye bitterly the inhabitants thereof;
Because they came not to the help of ° the
LORD,
To the help of ° the LORD against the
mighty.

e 24 ° Blessed above women shall Jael
The wife of Heber the Kenite be,
Blessed shall she be above women in the
tent.

f 25 He asked water, and she gave him milk;
She brought forth ° butter in a lordly dish.

26 She put her hand to the nail,
And her right hand to the workmen's
hammer;
And with the hammer she smote Sisera,
she smote off his head,
When she had pierced and stricken through
his temples.

27 ° At her feet ° he bowed, he fell, he lay
down:
At her feet ° he bowed, he fell:
Where he bowed, there he fell down ° dead.

a 28 ° The mother of Sisera looked out at ° a
window, and cried through the lattice,
'Why is his chariot so long in coming?
Why tarry the wheels of his chariots?'

29 Her ° wise ladies answered her,
Yea, she ° returned answer to herself,

30 ° Have they not ° sped? ° have they not
divided the prey;
° To every ° man a ° damsel or two;
To Sisera a prey of divers colours,
A prey of divers colours of needlework,
Of divers colours of needlework on both
sides,

Meet for the necks of them that take the
° spoil?'

o 31 ° So let all Thine enemies perish, O ° LORD:
But let them that love Him be as the sun
when he goeth forth in his might."

L And the land ° had rest forty years.

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F R¹ g

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6 And the ° children of Israel did ° evil in the
sight of ° the LORD:

h and ° the LORD delivered them into the hand
of Midian

i seven years.

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h 2 And the hand of Midian prevailed against
Israel: and because of the Midianites the
° children of Israel made them the dens which
are in the mountains, and caves, ° and strong
holds.

3 And so it was, when Israel had sown, that

20 fought. Fig. *Prosopopœia*. Ap. 6. Cp. Josh. 10. 11.
21 river = torrent.

Kishon. Rising in Mount Tabor and running into
the Mediterranean near Mount Carmel.

swept. Swollen by the heavy rains (v. 4).
soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

22 the pransings. Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6.

23-27 (b, p. 331). CONTRASTED SUCCOUR FOR
ISRAEL. (*Alternation*.)

b | e | 23-. Curse.

f | -23. Reason.

e | 24. Blessing.

f | 25-27. Reason.

24 Blessed above women. Cp. Luke 1. 28 "among".
See notes on 4. 4, 17; 5. 7, 11, 30.

25 butter. See note on 4. 19.

27 At her feet. Note the Fig. *Asyndeton*. Ap. 6.
he bowed, he fell. Fig. *Epibolē*. Ap. 6.
dead = destroyed.

28 The mother. A woman active on each side,
with other women involved (v. 30). a = the.

30 Have . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

sped - found; i. e. the damsels they were fighting for:
and while doing so they were defeated by a woman.

To every man = to every head of a man; "head" put
by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap. 6, for the whole
person.

man. Heb. *geber* (Ap. 14. IV) = a strong man.

damsel. Heb. womb. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the
Part) for the whole person, to emphasise the motive
underneath. This was the one object of Jabin's
oppression. See notes on 4. 4, 17; 5. 7, 11, 24.

spoil. Fig. *Aposiopesis*. Ap. 6.

31 So. Fig. *Epiphonēma*. Ap. 6.

had rest. See note on 3. 11.

6. 1-8. 35 (F, p. 328). MIDIAN. (GIDEON.)
(*Division*.)

F | R¹ | 6. 1-10. Midian.

R² | 6. 11-8. 35. Gideon.

6. 1-10 (R¹, above). MIDIAN. (*Introversion*.)

R¹ | g | 1-. The evil wrought.

h | -1-. The oppressor.

i | -1. Servitude (seven years)

h | 2-6-. The oppression.

g | -6-10. The evil repented of.

1 children = sons.

evil. Heb. *rā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

2 and = the. 5 grasshoppers = locusts.

8 a prophet. Heb. "a man (*'ish*, Ap. 14. II) a
prophet".

the Midianites came up, and the Amalekites,
and the ° children of the east, even they came
up against them;

4 And they encamped against them, and de-
stroyed the increase of the earth, till thou come
unto Gaza, and left no sustenance for Israel,
neither sheep, nor ox, nor ass.

5 For they came up with their cattle and their
tents, and they came as ° grasshoppers for
multitude; for both they and their camels
were without number: and they entered into
the land to destroy it.

6 And Israel was greatly impoverished be-
cause of the Midianites;

and the ° children of Israel cried unto ° the
LORD.

7 And it came to pass, when the ° children of
Israel cried unto ° the LORD because of the
Midianites,

8 That ° the LORD sent ° a prophet unto the

1219 ¹children of Israel, which said unto them,
1218 “‘Thus saith ¹the LORD ° God of Israel, ³
brought you up ° from Egypt, and brought you
forth out of the house of ° bondage ;

9 And I delivered you out of the hand of the
Egyptians, and out of the hand of all that
oppressed you, and drave them out from before
you, and gave you their land ;

10 And I said unto you, ‘³ am ¹the LORD
your ° God ; fear not the gods of the Amorites,
in whose land ye dwell :’ but ye have not
obeyed My voice.”

S¹ j o¹ 11 And there came an Angel of ¹the LORD,
(p. 334) and sat under ° an oak which was in Ophrah,
that pertained unto ° Joash the Abi-ezrite :

p¹ and his son ° Gideon threshed wheat ° by the
winepress, to hide it from the Midianites.

o² 12 And the ° Angel of ¹the LORD appeared
unto him, and said unto him, ¹“The LORD is
with thee, thou ° mighty man of valour.”

p³ 13 And Gideon said unto Him, “Oh ° my Lord,
if ¹the LORD be with us, why then is all this
befallen us ? and where be all His miracles
which our fathers told us of, saying, ‘Did not
¹the LORD bring us up from Egypt ?’ but now
¹the LORD hath forsaken us, and delivered us
into the hands of the Midianites.”

o³ 14 And ¹the LORD looked upon him, and said,
“Go in this ° thy might, and thou shalt save
Israel from the hand of the Midianites : have
not I sent thee ?”

p³ 15 And he said unto Him, “Oh ° my LORD*,
wherewith shall I save Israel ? ° behold, my
° family is ° poor in Manasseh, and ³ am the
least in my father’s house.”

o⁴ 16 And ¹the LORD said unto him, “Surely
° I will be with thee, and thou shalt smite the
Midianites as one ° man.”

k¹ q¹ 17 And he said unto Him, “If now I have
(p. 335) found grace in Thy sight, then shew me a sign
that ° Thou talkest with me.

18 Depart not hence, I pray Thee, until I come
unto Thee, and bring forth my ° present, and
set it before Thee.”

r¹ And He said, “³ will tarry until thou come
again.”

q² 19 And Gideon went in, and made ready a
° kid, and ° unleavened cakes of an ° ephah of
flour : the flesh he put in ° a basket, and he put
the broth in ° a pot, and brought it out unto
Him under the oak, and presented it.

r² 20 And the Angel of ° God said unto him,
“Take the flesh and the unleavened cakes,
and lay them upon ° this rock, and pour out the
broth.” And he did so.

21 Then the Angel of ¹the LORD put forth
the end of the staff that was in His hand, and
touched the flesh and the unleavened cakes ;
and there ° rose up ° fire out of the rock, and
consumed the flesh and the unleavened cakes.
Then the Angel of ¹the LORD departed out of
his sight.

q³ 22 And when Gideon perceived that ³e was
an Angel of ¹the LORD, Gideon said, “Alas,

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.
from Egypt. Some codices, with Sept. and Syr.,
read “from the land of Egypt”.
bondage. Heb. bondmen. Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct).
Ap. 6.

6. 11—8. 35 (R², p. 333). GIDEON. (Repeated
Alternation.)

R² S¹ | 6. 11—7. 18. The Deliverer. Raised up.
T¹ | 7. 19—8. 23. Deliverance.
S² | 8. 24—27. The Deliverer. Rewarded.
T² | 8. 28. Rest (forty years).
S³ | 8. 29—35. The Deliverer. Forgotten.

6. 11—7. 18 (S¹, above). THE DELIVERER.
RAISED UP.

(Extended Alternation, with Introversion.)

S¹ U | j | 6. 11—16. Angel of Jehovah. Message to
Gideon.
k | 6. 17—24. Sign. Fire.
l | 6. 25—27. Command.
V | m | 6. 28—32. Obedience of Gideon.
n | 6. 33. Midianites.
U | j | 6. 34, 35. Spirit of Jehovah. Message to
tribes.
k | 6. 36—40. Signs. Fleece.
l | 7. 1—11. Directions.
V | n | 7. 12—14. Midianites.
m | 7. 15—18. Obedience of Gideon.

6. 11—16 (j, above). ANGEL OF JEHOVAH.
MESSAGE, &c. (Repeated Alternation.)

j | o¹ | 11. Angel. Place.
p¹ | 11. Gideon. Employment.
o² | 12. Angel. Encouragement.
p² | 13. Gideon. Complaint.
o³ | 14. Angel. Mission.
p³ | 15. Gideon. Question.
o⁴ | 16. Angel. Answer.

11 an oak = the oak, as being well known.

Joash = Jehovah gave.

Gideon = cutter down.

by the winepress = in the winepress. Shows the
straits of the people. Cp. vv. 2—6. Threshing-floor
exposed, winepress sunk in ground.

12 Angel of the LORD = angel of Jehovah ; i. e. the
Covenant God “with” His servant (Gideon). Cp. v. 20
angel of Elohim, the Creator working a miracle for
His creature.

mighty man. Heb. *gibbôr*. Adj. of Ap. 14. IV.

13 my Lord = *Adonai*. Ap. 4. VIII (2).

14 thy might. His might lay in the knowledge of
Jehovah’s strength (v. 13) and his own weakness.

15 my LORD*. This is one of the 134 places where
the primitive text “Jehovah” has been altered to
“Adonai”. See Ap. 32.

behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

family = thousand (1 Sam. 10. 19).

poor = the meanest.

16 I will be with thee. Cp. Ex. 3. 12. Isa. 7. 14.
Matt. 1. 23. man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II.

17—24 [For Structure see next page].

17 Thou talkest. Supply Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) thus :
“Thou [art Jehovah Who] talkest”.

18 present = Heb. *minhah*. Ap. 43. II. iii.

19 kid = kid of the goats.

unleavened. For offering : quickly made.

ephah. See Ap. 51. III. 3.

a basket = the tray. Heb. *gal*, always connected with
royalty, or sacrifice. a pot = the pot.

20 God = Elohim. See note on v. 12, above.

this = you.

21 rose up fire. This fire was the token of Jeho-
vah’s acceptance. See note on “respect”, Gen. 4. 4.
fire = the fire.

1219 ° O Lord ° GOD! ° for because I have seen an
1218 Angel of ° the LORD face to face."

r³ 23 And ° the LORD said unto him, "Peace be
(p. 335) unto thee; fear not: thou shalt not die."

q⁴ 24 Then Gideon built an altar there unto
° the LORD, and called it ° Jehovah-shalom:
unto this day it is yet in Ophrah of the Abi-
ezrites.

1 25 And it came to pass the same night, that
(p. 334) ° the LORD said unto him, "Take thy father's
young bullock, ° even the second bullock of
seven years old, and throw down the altar of
Baal that thy father hath, and cut down ° the
grove that is by it:

26 And build an altar unto ° the LORD thy
° God upon the top of this ° rock, in the ° ordered
place, and take the second bullock, and ° offer
a burnt sacrifice with the wood of the grove
which thou shalt cut down."

27 Then Gideon took ten ° men of his serv-
ants, and did ° as ° the LORD had said unto
him: and so it was, because he feared his
father's household, and the men of the city,
that he could not do it by day, that he did it by
night.

V m 28 And when the men of the city arose early
in the morning, ° behold, the altar of Baal was
cast down, and the grove was cut down that
was by it, and the second bullock was ° offered
upon the altar that was built.

29 And they said one to another, "Who hath
done this thing?" And when they enquired
and asked, they said, "Gideon the son of Joash
hath done this thing."

30 Then the men of the city said unto Joash,
"Bring out thy son, that he may die: because
he hath cast down the altar of Baal, and be-
cause he hath cut down ° the grove that was
by it."

31 And Joash said unto all that stood against
him, "Will ye plead for Baal? will ye save
him? he that will plead for him, let him be put
to death whilst it is yet morning: if ye be a
god, let him plead for himself, because one
hath cast down his altar."

32 Therefore on that day he called him
° Jerubbaal, saying, "Let Baal plead against
him, because he hath thrown down his altar."

n 33 Then all the Midianites and the Ama-
lekites and the children of the east were
gathered together, and went over, and pitched
in the valley of Jezreel.

U j 34 But the ° Spirit of ° the LORD ° came upon
Gideon, and he blew a trumpet; and Abi-ezer
was ° gathered after him.

35 And he sent messengers throughout all
Manasseh; who also was ° gathered after him:
and he sent messengers unto Asher, and unto
Zebulun, and unto Naphtali; and they came
up to meet them.

k s (p. 335) 36 And Gideon said unto ° God, "If Thou wilt
save Israel by mine hand, ° as Thou hast said,
37 ° Behold, I will put a fleece of wool in the
° floor; and if the dew be on the fleece only,
and it be dry upon all the earth beside, then
shall I know that Thou wilt save Israel by
mine hand, as Thou hast said."

17-24 (k, p. 334). SIGN. FIRE. (Repeated Alternation.)

k¹ | q¹ | 17, 18-. Gideon. Request.
r¹ | -18. Angel. Compliance.
q² | 19. Gideon. Offering.
r² | 20, 21. Angel. Acceptance.
q³ | 22. Gideon. Fear.
r³ | 23. Angel. Assurance.
q⁴ | 24. Gideon. Worship.

22 O Lord GOD = O Adonai Jehovah. Ap. 4. II,
VIII (2).

for because = forasmuch as.

24 Jehovah-shalom. Jehovah [gives] peace. One
of the Jehovah titles. See Ap. 4. II.

25 even, or "and".

the grove = the 'ashērah. See Ex. 34. 13. Ap. 42.

26 rock = strong place.

ordered place, or due order.

offer. See Ap. 43. I. vi.

27 men. Heb. pl. of 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

as = according as.

32 Jerubbaal = Let Baal plead. 1 Sam. 12. 11. 2 Sam.
11. 21. 34 Spirit = Heb. rūach. See Ap. 9.

came upon = clothed (1 Chron. 12. 18. 2 Chron.
24. 20). Heb. labash, to put on so as to fill.

gathered: gathered by proclamation.

36-40 (k, p. 334). SIGN. FLEECE. (Alternation.)

k | s | 36, 37. Request.
t | 38. Compliance.
s | 39. Request.
t | 40. Compliance.

36 God. See note on v. 12.

37 floor = threshing-floor.

39 God = hā-'Elohim. The God. Ap. 4. I.

7. 1-11 (l, p. 334). DIRECTION.

(Introversion and Repeated Alternation.)

l | u | 1. Gideon. Obedience.
v | w¹ | 2, 3-. Jehovah's objection.
x¹ | -3. Result.
w² | 4. Jehovah's objection.
x² | 5, 6. Result.
w³ | 7. Jehovah's selection.
x³ | 8. Result.
u | 9-11. Gideon. Command.

1 host = camp.

2 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

38 And it was so: for he rose up early on the
morrow, and thrust the fleece together, and
wringed the dew out of the fleece, a bowl full
of water.

39 And Gideon said unto ° God, "Let not
Thine anger be hot against me, and I will
speak but this once: let me prove, I pray
Thee, but this once with the fleece; let it now
be dry only upon the fleece, and upon all the
ground let there be dew."

40 And ° God did so that night: for it was
dry upon the fleece only, and there was dew
on all the ground.

7 Then Jerubbaal, who is Gideon, and all
the People that were with him, rose up
early, and pitched beside the well of Harod:
so that the ° host of the Midianites were on the
north side of them, by the hill of Moreh, in the
valley.

2 And ° the LORD said unto Gideon, "The
People that are with thee are too many for
Me to give the Midianites into their hands,

1219 °lest Israel vaunt themselves against Me, say-
1218 ing, 'Mine own hand hath saved me.'

3 Now therefore go to, proclaim in the ears of the People, saying, 'Whosoever *is* fearful and afraid, let him return and depart early from °mount Gilead.'

x¹ And there returned of the People °twenty and
(p. 335) two thousand; and there remained ten thousand.

w² 4 And °the LORD said unto Gideon, "The People *are* yet *too* many; bring them down unto the water, and I will try them for thee there: and it shall be, *that* of whom I say unto thee, 'This shall go with thee,' the same shall go with thee; and of whomsoever I say unto thee, 'This shall not go with thee,' the same shall not go."

x² 5 So he brought down the People unto the water: and °the LORD said unto Gideon, "Every one that °lappeth of the water with his tongue, °as a dog lappeth, him shalt thou set by himself; likewise every one that boweth down upon his knees to drink."

6 And the number of them that lapped, *putting* their hand to their mouth, were three hundred °men: but all the rest of the People bowed down upon their knees to drink water.

w³ 7 And °the LORD said unto Gideon, "By the three hundred °men that lapped will I save you, and deliver the Midianites into thine hand: and let all the *other* People go °every man unto his place."

x³ 8 So °the People took victuals in their hand, and their trumpets: and he sent all *the rest* of Israel °every man unto his tent, and retained those three hundred °men: and the °host of Midian was beneath him in the valley.

u 9 And it came to pass the same night, that °the LORD said unto him, "Arise, get thee down unto the °host; for I have delivered it into thine hand.

10 But if thou fear to go down, go thou with Phurah thy servant down to the °host:

11 And thou shalt hear what they say; and afterward shall thine hands be strengthened to go down unto the °host." Then went he down with Phurah his servant unto the outside of the armed men that *were* in the °host.

vⁿ 12 And the Midianites and the °Amalekites
(p. 334) and all the °children of the east lay along in the valley like °grasshoppers for multitude; and their camels *were* without number, °as the sand by the sea side for multitude.

13 And when Gideon was come, °behold, *there* was a °man that told °a dream unto his fellow, and said, °"Behold, I dreamed a dream, and, °lo, a cake of barley bread tumbled into the host of Midian, and came unto a tent, and smote it that it fell, and overturned it, that the tent lay along."

14 And his fellow answered and said, "This *is* nothing else save the sword of Gideon the son of Joash, a °man of Israel: *for* into his hand hath °God delivered Midian, and all the °host."

m 15 And it was so, when Gideon heard the

lest, &c. This is the real reason of this direction.

3 mount Gilead. What was more natural than that the half tribe of Manasseh on the west side of Jordan should so name a mount in *their* tribe in compliment to the famous mount on the east side? (Gen. 31. 21-25; 37. 25. Num. 32. 1, 40. Deut. 3. 15. Josh. 17. 1). Gideon was of that tribe. Probably "the wood of Ephraim", on east side; so named here out of compliment to the half tribe on west side (2 Sam. 18. 6).

twenty = probably 20 + 2,000 = 2,020. Cp. 12. 6, 1 Sam. 6. 19. If there remained 10,000, there must have been 10,000 + 2,020 = 12,020; and, as only 300 remained, 9,700 must have gone away at the second testing. Only 1,000 of each tribe = 12,000, sent out to fight in Num. 31. 4, 5.

5 lappeth: i. e. without kneeling down as idolaters were accustomed to do (1 Kings 19. 18. 2 Chron. 29. 9. See note on Est. 3. 2. as = according as.

6 men. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

8 the People. So the 300 are called.

12 Amalekites. See note on Ex. 17. 16. children = sons.

grasshoppers = locusts.

as the sand, &c. Fig. *Paræmia*. Ap. 6.

13 behold . . . Behold . . . lo. Fig. *Asterismos* (three times). Ap. 6.

a dream. See note on Gen. 20. 3.

14 God = *hā-'Ēlohim* here (= the God), because in connection with Midianites, His creatures. Not Jehovah. Ap. 4. I, II.

16 lamps = torches, which smoulder till waved in the air.

18 The sword. These words are supplied by Fig. *Ellipsis* from v. 20. But some codices, with Aram. and Syr., read these words in the text. Lit. "For Jehovah and for Gideon".

7. 19-8. 23 (T¹, p. 334). DELIVERANCE. (*Alternation and Introversion*.)

T¹ y | 7. 19, 20. The assault.

z | a | 7. 21, 22. Midianite host. Flight.

b | 7. 23. Pursuit by Naphtali.

y | 7. 24, 25. The victory.

z | b | 8. 1-12. Pursuit by Gideon.

a | 8. 13-23. Midianite kings. Capture.

telling of the dream, and the interpretation thereof, that he worshipped, and returned into the °host of Israel, and said, "Arise; for °the LORD hath delivered into your hand the °host of Midian."

16 And he divided the three hundred °men into three companies, and he put a trumpet in every man's hand, with empty pitchers, and °lamps within the pitchers.

17 And he said unto them, "Look on me, and do likewise: and, behold, when I come to the outside of the camp, it shall be *that*, as I do, so shall ye do.

18 When I blow with a trumpet, I and all that *are* with me, then blow ye the trumpets also on every side of all the camp, and say, °"The sword of °the LORD, and of Gideon."

19 So Gideon, and the hundred °men that *were* with him, came unto the outside of the camp in the beginning of the middle watch; and they had but newly set the watch: and they blew the trumpets, and brake the pitchers that *were* in their hands.

20 And the three companies blew the trumpets, and brake the pitchers, and held the lamps in their left hands, and the trumpets in their right hands to blow *withal*: and they

T¹ y
(p. 336)

1219 cried, "The sword °of ²the LORD, and of
1218 Gideon."

z a 21 And they stood ⁶every man in his place
(p. 336) round about the camp: and all the ¹host ran,
and cried, and fled.

22 And the three hundred blew the trumpets,
and ²the LORD set ⁶every man's sword against
his fellow, even throughout all the ¹host: and
the ¹host fled to Beth-shittah in Zererath, and
to the border of Abel-meholah, unto Tabbath.

b 23 And the ⁶men of Israel gathered them-
selves together out of Naphtali, and out of
Asher, and out of all Manasseh, and pursued
after the Midianites.

y 24 And Gideon sent messengers throughout
all °mount Ephraim, saying, "Come down
against the Midianites, and take before them
the waters unto Beth-barah and Jordan."
Then all the ⁶men of Ephraim gathered them-
selves together, and took the waters unto
Beth-barah and Jordan.

25 And they took °two princes of the Midian-
ites, Oreb and Zeeb; and they slew Oreb upon
the rock Oreb, and Zeeb they slew at the
winepress of Zeeb, and pursued Midian, and
brought the heads of Oreb and Zeeb to Gideon
on the other side Jordan.

z b c 8 And the °men of Ephraim said unto him,
(p. 337) "Why hast thou served us thus, that
thou calledst us not, when thou wentest to
fight with the Midianites?" And they did
°chide with him sharply.

2 And he said unto them, °"What have
I done now in comparison of you? °Is not
the gleaning of the grapes of Ephraim better
than the vintage of Abiezer?"

3 °God hath delivered into your hands the
princes of Midian, Oreb and Zeeb: and what
was I able to do in comparison of you?" Then
their °anger was abated toward him, when he
had said that.

d e g 4 And Gideon came to Jordan, and passed
over, he, and the three hundred ¹men that were
with him, faint, yet pursuing them.

5 And he said unto the °men of Succoth,
"Give, I pray you, loaves of bread unto the
people that follow me; for they be faint, and
I am pursuing after Zebah and Zalmunna,
kings of Midian."

6 And the princes of Succoth said, "Are the
hands of Zebah and Zalmunna now in thine
hand, that we should give bread unto thine
army?"

7 And Gideon said, "Therefore when °the
LORD hath delivered Zebah and Zalmunna
into mine hand, then I will tear your flesh
with the thorns of the wilderness and with
briers."

h 8 And he went up thence to Penuel, and spake
unto them likewise: and the ⁵men of Penuel
answered him as the ⁵men of Succoth had
answered him.

9 And he spake also unto the ⁵men of Penuel,
saying, "When I come again in peace, I will
break down this tower."

f 10 Now Zebah and Zalmunna were in

20 of the LORD = of Jehovah. Lit. "A sword for
Jehovah and Gideon."

24 mount = hill country.

25 two princes. Cp. Ps. 83. 11. Isa. 10. 26.

8. 1-23 (z, p. 336). PURSUIT AND CAPTURE. (Introversion and Alternation.)

z c | 1-3. Men of Ephraim, and Gideon.

d | e | g | 4-7. Succoth. Colloquy.

h | 8, 9. Penuel. Colloquy.

f | 10-12. Kings taken.

d | e | g | 13-16. Succoth. Retribution.

h | 17. Penuel. Retribution.

f | 18-21. Kings slain.

c | 22, 23. Men of Israel, and Gideon.

1 men. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

Why . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

chide. This was the beginning of the strife which
ended in the division of the kingdom (1 Kings 12).

2 What . . . ? Is not . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

3 God = Elohim delivered His creatures; not Jehovah
the Covenant-God. Ap. 4. I, II.

anger. Heb. *rūach*, spirit (Ap. 9). Put by Fig.
Metonymy (of Cause) for the angry manifestations of it.

5 men = folk. Heb. 'enōsh. Ap. 14.

7 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

10 hosts = camps.

children. Heb. sons.

11 host = camp.

15 Are . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

18 a = the.

Karkor, and their °hosts with them, about
fifteen thousand *men*, all that were left of all
the ¹hosts of the °children of the east: for
there fell an hundred and twenty thousand
⁵men that drew sword.

11 And Gideon went up by the way of them
that dwelt in tents on the east of Nobah and
Jogbehah, and smote the °host: for the °host
was secure.

12 And when Zebah and Zalmunna fled, he
pursued after them, and took the two kings of
Midian, Zebah and Zalmunna, and discomfited
all the ¹host.

13 And Gideon the son of Joash returned from
battle before the sun *was up*, d e g

14 And caught a young man of the ⁵men of
Succoth, and enquired of him: and he described
unto him the princes of Succoth, and the elders
thereof, *even* threescore and seventeen ¹men.

15 And he came unto the ⁵men of Succoth,
and said, "Behold Zebah and Zalmunna, with
whom ye did upbraid me, saying, °'Are the
hands of Zebah and Zalmunna now in thine
hand, that we should give bread unto thy ⁵men
that are weary?'"

16 And he took the elders of the city, and
thorns of the wilderness and briers, and with
them he taught the ⁵men of Succoth.

17 And he beat down the tower of Penuel, h
and slew the ⁵men of the city.

18 Then said he unto Zebah and Zalmunna, f
"What manner of ⁵men *were they* whom ye
slew at Tabor?" And they answered, "As
thou *art*, so *were they*; each one resembled
the ¹⁰children of °a king."

19 And he said, "They *were* my brethren,
even the sons of my mother: as ⁷the LORD
liveth, if ye had saved them alive, I would not
slay you."

1219 20 And he said unto Jether his firstborn,
1218 "Up, and slay them." But the youth drew not his sword: for he feared, because he was yet a youth.

21 Then Zebah and Zalmunna said, "Rise thou, and fall upon us: for as the ¹man is, so is his strength." And Gideon arose, and slew Zebah and Zalmunna, and took away the ^oornaments that were on their camels' necks.

(p. 337) 22 Then the ¹men of Israel said unto Gideon, "Rule thou over us, both thou, and thy son, and thy son's son also: for thou hast delivered us from the hand of Midian."

23 And Gideon said unto them, "I will not rule over you, neither shall my son rule over you: ¹the LORD shall rule over you."

S² (p. 334) 24 And Gideon said unto them, "I would desire a request of you, that ye would give me ¹every man the ^oearrings of his prey." (For they had golden earrings, ^obecause they were Ishmaelites.)

25 And they answered, "We will willingly give them." And they spread ¹⁸a garment, and did cast therein ¹every man the earrings of his prey.

26 And the weight of the golden ²⁴earrings that he requested was a thousand and seven hundred *shekels* of gold; beside ornaments, and collars, and purple raiment that was on the kings of Midian, and beside the chains that were about their camels' necks.

27 And Gideon made an ^oephod thereof, and put it in his city, even in Ophrah: and all Israel went thither a whoring after it: which thing became a snare unto Gideon, and to his house.

T² 1218 28 Thus was Midian subdued before the
1178 ^ochildren of Israel, so that they ^olifted up their heads no more. And the country ^owas in quietness forty years in the days of Gideon.

S³ 29 And Jerubbaal the son of Joash went and dwelt in his own house.

30 And Gideon had threescore and ten sons of his body begotten: for he had many wives.

31 And his concubine that was in Shechem, ~~she~~ also bare him a son, whose name he called Abimelech.

32 And Gideon the son of Joash died in a good old age, and was buried in the sepulchre of Joash his father, in Ophrah of the Abiezrites.

33 And it came to pass, as soon as Gideon was dead, that the ¹⁸children of Israel turned again, and went a whoring after Baalim, and made Baal-berith their god.

34 And the ¹⁸children of Israel remembered not ⁷the LORD their ³God, Who had delivered them out of the hands of all their enemies on every side:

35 Neither shewed they kindness to the house of Jerubbaal, *namely*, Gideon, according to all the goodness which he had shewed unto Israel.

B A (p. 338) 9 And Abimelech the son of Jerubbaal went to Shechem unto his mother's ^obrethren, and communed with them, and with all the

21 ornaments = crescent-shaped ornaments used still on necks of horses and camels.

24 earrings. Heb. *Nezem*. Any ring worn in ear or nose = a nose ring in Gen. 24. 47. Prov. 11. 22. Isa. 3. 21. Ezek. 16. 12; and "earring" in Gen. 35. 4 and Ex. 32. 2. Other passages doubtful (v. 25. Job 42. 11. Prov. 25. 12. Hos. 2. 13).

because. This parenthetical remark solves the difficulty of Gen. 37. 25, 28, 36, and 39. 1. Ishmael and Midian were half-brothers, sons of Abraham by Hagar and Keturah (Gen. 16. 11, 12; 25. 1, 2). All Midianites were Ishmaelites, but all Ishmaelites were not Midianites.

27 ephod. Probably the priests were lax in restoring the worship of the true God. So that Gideon would have meant well and desired to judge well. Cp. 17. 5, where Micah made another. The reason given being that "there was no king, and every man did what was right in his own eyes", 17. 6; and 18. 5, where it was used to "ask counsel"; and for the same reason, 18. 1.

28 children = sons.

lifted up their heads no more = made no more attempts to vex.

was in quietness. See note on 3. 11.

9. 1-57 (B, p. 323). INTERNAL DISORDERS. (Introversion.)

B | A | 1-6. Abimelech's usurpation.

B | 7-21. Action of Jotham.

B | 22-56. Action of God.

A | 56, 57. Abimelech's usurpation avenged.

1 brethren. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species) for other relatives. Ap. 6.

2 men = masters, lords, or owners. Heb. *baalim*.

persons = Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

3 men. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

4 light = rash.

persons. Heb. *'enosh*. Ap. 14. III.

6 plain = oak.

of the pillar. Gen. of Apposition (Ap. 6) = that is to say, the pillar made of oak. See Josh. 24. 26. Cp. Gen. 28. 18, 22; 31. 13, 45; 35. 14, 20. 2 Sam. 18. 18.

7-21 [For Structure see next page].

family of the house of his mother's father, saying,

2 "Speak, I pray you, in the ears of all the ^omen of Shechem, 'Whether is better for you, either that all the sons of Jerubbaal, *which are* threescore and ten ^opersons, reign over you, or that one reign over you? remember also that I am your bone and your flesh.'"

3 And his mother's brethren spake of him in the ears of all the ^omen of Shechem all these words: and their hearts inclined to follow Abimelech; for they said, "~~He~~ is our brother."

4 And they gave him threescore and ten *pieces* of silver out of the house of Baal-berith, wherewith Abimelech hired vain and ^olight ^opersons, which followed him.

5 And he went unto his father's house at Ophrah, and slew his brethren the sons of Jerubbaal, *being* threescore and ten ²persons, upon one stone: notwithstanding yet Jotham the youngest son of Jerubbaal was left; for he hid himself.

6 And all the ²men of Shechem gathered together, and all the house of Millo, and went, and made Abimelech king, by the ^oplain ^oof the pillar that was in Shechem.

7 And when they told it to Jotham, he went and stood in the top of mount Gerizim, and lifted up his voice, and cried, and said unto

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1178 them, "Hearken unto me, ye ² men of Shechem, that ° God may hearken unto you.

d (p. 339) 8 ° The trees ° went forth *on a time* to anoint a king over them; and they said unto ° the olive tree, 'Reign thou over us.'

9 But the olive tree said unto them, 'Should I leave my fatness, wherewith by me they ° honour ° God and ° man, and ° go to be promoted over the trees?'

10 And the trees said to ° the fig tree, 'Come thou, and reign over us.'

11 But the fig tree said unto them, 'Should I ° forsake my sweetness, and my good fruit, and go to be promoted over the trees?'

12 Then said the trees unto ° the vine, 'Come thou, and reign over us.'

13 And the vine said unto them, 'Should I ° leave my ° wine, which cheereth ° God and ° man, and go to be promoted over the trees?'

14 Then said all the trees unto ° the bramble, 'Come thou, and reign over us.'

15 And the bramble said unto the trees, 'If in truth ye anoint me king over you, *then* come and ° put your trust in my shadow: and if not, let fire come out of the bramble, and devour the cedars of Lebanon.'

d 16 Now therefore, if ye have done truly and sincerely, in that ye have made Abimelech king, and if ye have dealt well with Jerubbaal and his house, and have done unto him according to the deserving of his hands;

17 ° (For my father fought for you, and adventured his ° life far, and delivered you out of the hand of Midian:

18 And ye are risen up against my father's house this day, and have slain his sons, threescore and ten ² persons, upon one stone, and have made Abimelech, the son of his maid-servant, king over the ² men of Shechem, because he is your brother;)

19 If ye then have dealt truly and sincerely with Jerubbaal and with his house this day, *then* rejoice ye in Abimelech, and let him also rejoice in you:

20 But if not, let fire come out from Abimelech, and devour the ² men of Shechem, and the house of Millo; and let fire come out from the ³ men of Shechem, and from the house of Millo, and devour Abimelech."

c 21 And Jotham ran away, and fled, and went to Beer, and dwelt there, for fear of Abimelech his brother.

C¹ D 22 When Abimelech had ° reigned ° three years over Israel,

1178 to 23 Then ° God sent ° an evil spirit between Abimelech and the ² men of Shechem; and the 1176 ² men of Shechem dealt treacherously with Abimelech:

E F 24 That the cruelty *done* to the threescore and ten sons of Jerubbaal might come, and their blood be laid upon Abimelech their brother, which slew them;

G and upon the ² men of Shechem, which aided him in the killing of his brethren.

C² H¹ e 25 And the ² men of Shechem set liers in wait for him in the top of the mountains, and they robbed all that came along that way by them: and it was told Abimelech.

7-21 (B, p. 338). ACTION OF JOTHAM. (Introversion.)

B | c | 7. Jotham's coming forth.

d | 8-15. Parable given.

d | 16-20. Parable interpreted.

c | 21. Jotham's fleeing away.

7 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. Not Jehovah in covenant.

8 The trees. This is pure allegory (Ap. 6). The interpretation is local and historical. The application is dispensational.

went forth. Verb, duplicated by Fig. *Polypstōton* (Ap. 6). Very emphatic—"a going forth they went forth", or went forth with great earnestness of purpose the olive tree - Israel's religious privileges. Rom. 11.

9 honour. Cp. Ex. 27. 20, 21. Lev. 2. 1. 'The interpretation of these three—"honour", &c.—is clear from the context. An application may be made as to what should be seen in Israel and in ourselves.

man. Heb. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

go = march about, instead of fulfilling my mission.

10 the fig tree. Israel's national privileges (Matt. 21. 19, 20. Mark 11. 13, 20, 21. Luke 13. 6-9).

11 forsake. Same Heb. as "leave" in vv. 9 and 13.

12 the vine = Israel's spiritual privileges (Isa. 5. John 15).

13 leave. Same Heb. as "forsake" (v. 11).

wine = new wine. Heb. *tirōsh*. Ap. 27. II.

14 the bramble. This is prophetic of the false nation under the rule of Antichrist, which will devour the nation as foreshown in v. 20.

15 put your trust = flee for refuge. Heb. *ḥaṣah*. Ap. 69. ii.

17 Note the parenthesis of vv. 17, 18.

life = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

22-55 (B, p. 338). ACTION OF GOD. (Alternation and Introversion.)

B | C¹ | D | 22, 23. Evil spirit sent out.

E | F | 24-. Against Abimelech.

G | -24. Against Shechemites.

C² | D | 25-41. Evil spirit in operation.

E | G | 42-49. Against Shechemites.

F | 50-55. Against Abimelech. } Purpose.

22 reigned - exercised power over. Heb. *sār*. Occurs only here, and Hos. 8. 4; 12. 4.

three years. A usurpation, and therefore not included in *Anno Dei* reckoning. See Ap. 50. 4. They are concurrent with Tola's first three.

23 God = Elohim. Not Jehovah. Ap. 4. I, II. an evil spirit = an evil *rūach*. Ap. 9.

25-55 (C², above). EVIL SPIRIT IN OPERATION. (Alternations.)

C² | H¹ | e | 25. Shechemites.

f | 26-. Gaal.

e | -26, 27. Shechemites.

f | 28, 29. Gaal.

J¹ | 30-33. Zebul. Conspiracy.

H² | g | 34. Abimelech.

h | 35-. Gaal.

g | -35. Abimelech.

h | 36-38. Gaal.

J² | 39-41. Zebul. Flight.

H³ | i | 42-45. Shechemites.

k | 46-49. Tower of Shechem.

i | 50. Thebez.

k | 51-55. Tower of Thebez.

26 And Gaal the son of Ebed came with his brethren, and went over to Shechem:

and the ² men of Shechem put their confidence in him.

27 And they went out into the fields, and

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gathered their vineyards, and trode *the grapes*, and made merry, and went into the house of their god, and did eat and drink, and cursed Abimelech.

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28 And Gaal the son of Ebed said, ° “Who *is* Abimelech, and ° who *is* ° Shechem, that we should serve him? ° *is not he* the son of Jerubbaal? and Zebul his officer? serve the ° men of Hamor the father of Shechem: for ° why should *we* serve him?

29 And ° would to God this people were under my hand! then would I remove Abimelech.” ° And he said to Abimelech, “Increase thine army, and come out.”

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30 And when Zebul the ruler of the city heard the words of Gaal the son of Ebed, his anger was kindled.

31 And he sent messengers unto Abimelech ° privily, saying, ° “Behold, Gaal the son of Ebed and his brethren be come to Shechem; and, ° behold, they fortify the city against thee.

32 Now therefore up by night, *thou* and the people that *is* with thee, and lie in wait in the field:

33 And it shall be, *that* in the morning, as soon as the sun is up, thou shalt rise early, and set upon the city: and, behold, *when* he and the people that *is* with him come out against thee, then mayest thou do to them ° as thou shalt find occasion.”

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34 And Abimelech rose up, and all the people that *were* with him, by night, and they laid wait against Shechem in four companies.

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35 And Gaal the son of Ebed went out, and stood in the entering of the gate of the city:

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and Abimelech rose up, and the people that *were* with him, from lying in wait.

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36 And when Gaal saw the people, he said to Zebul, ³¹ “Behold, there come people down from the top of the mountains.” And Zebul said unto him, “*Thou* seest the shadow of the mountains as *if they were* ²⁸ men.”

37 And Gaal spake again and said, “See there come people down by the middle of the land, and another company come along by the ° plain of Meonenim.”

38 Then said Zebul unto him, ° “Where *is* now thy mouth, wherewith thou saidst, ° ‘Who *is* Abimelech, that we should serve him?’ ° *is not this* the people that thou hast despised? go out, I pray ° now, and fight with them.”

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39 And Gaal went out before the ² men of Shechem, and fought with Abimelech.

40 And Abimelech chased him, and he fled before him, and many were overthrown and wounded, *even unto* the entering of the gate.

41 And Abimelech ° dwelt at Arumah: and Zebul thrust out Gaal and his brethren, that they should not dwell in Shechem.

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42 And it came to pass on the morrow, that the people went out into the field; and they told Abimelech.

43 And he took the people, and divided them into three companies, and laid wait in the field, and looked, and, ³¹ behold, the people

28 Who . . . ? who . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Shechem. Some codices, with Sept., read “the son of Shechem”.

is not . . . ? why . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. men. Heb. *’ēnōsh*. Ap. 14.

29 would to God = would that. Fig. *Ecphōnēsis*. Ap. 6.

And he said. The Sept. reads “and say”.

31 privily = deceitfully or craftily.

Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

33 as = according as.

37 plain = oak.

38 Where . . . ? Who . . . ? is not . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

now. A special various reading called *Sevīr* has “thou” (emphatic) instead of “now” = I pray thee, thou, &c.

41 dwelt = waited, or sat down.

44 ran = rushed.

46-49 (k, p. 339). THE TOWER OF SHECHEM.

51-55 (k, p. 339). THE TOWER OF THEBEZ.
(Extended Alternation and Introversion.)

H ³	k	l	46, 47. Refuge.
	m	o	48. Brushwood.
		p	49-. Burning.
		n	-49. Deaths. Shechemites.
	k	l	51. Refuge.
	m	p	52. Burning.
		o	53. Millstone.
		n	54, 55. Death. Abimelech.

46 Berith = covenant = a sanctuary.

48 trees = brushwood.

were come forth out of the city; and he rose up against them, and smote them.

44 And Abimelech, and the company that was with him, rushed forward, and stood in the entering of the gate of the city: and the two other companies ° ran upon all the people that were in the fields, and slew them.

45 And Abimelech fought against the city all that day; and he took the city, and slew the people that was therein, and beat down the city, and sowed it with salt.

46 And when all the ² men of the tower of Shechem heard *that*, they entered into an hold of the house of the god ° Berith.

47 And it was told Abimelech, that all the ² men of the tower of Shechem were gathered together.

48 And Abimelech gat him up to mount Zalmon, he and all the people that were with him; and Abimelech took an axe in his hand, and cut down a bough from the ° trees, and took it, and laid it on his shoulder, and said unto the people that were with him, “What ye have seen me do, make haste, and do as I have done.”

49 And all the people likewise cut down ³ every man his bough, and followed Abimelech, and put them to the hold, and set the hold on fire upon them;

so that all the ²⁸ men of the tower of Shechem died also, about a thousand ³ men and women.

50 Then went Abimelech to Thebez, and encamped against Thebez, and took it.

51 But there was a strong tower within the city, and thither fled all the ²⁸ men and women,

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1176 and all they of the city, and shut it to them, and gat them up to the top of the tower.

m p (p. 340) 52 And Abimelech came unto the tower, and fought against it, and went °hard unto the door of the tower to burn it with fire.

o 53 And a certain woman cast °a piece of a millstone upon Abimelech's head, and °all to brake his skull.

n 54 Then he called hastily unto the young man his armourbearer, and said unto him, "Draw thy sword, and slay me, that men say not of me, °'A woman slew him.'" And his young man thrust him through, and he died.

55 And when the °men of Israel saw that Abimelech was dead, they departed every man unto his place.

A (p. 338) 56 Thus °God rendered the °wickedness of Abimelech, which he did unto his father, in slaying his seventy brethren:

57 And all the evil of the °men of Shechem did °God render upon their heads: and upon them came the curse of Jotham the son of Jerubbaal.

DA (p. 341) 10 And after Abimelech there arose to °defend Israel Tola the son of Puah, the son of Dodo, a °man of Issachar; and he dwelt in Shamir in °mount Ephraim.

1178 to 1155 2 And he judged Israel °twenty and three years, and died, and was buried in Shamir.

1155 to 1151 3 And after him arose Jair, a Gileadite, and judged Israel °twenty and two years.

4 And he had thirty sons that rode on thirty ass colts, and they had thirty cities, which are called Havoth-jair unto this day, which are in the land of Gilead.

5 And Jair died, and was buried in Camon.

B C 6 And the °children of Israel did °evil °again in the sight of °the LORD, and served Baalim, and °Ashtaroth, and the °gods of Syria, and the °gods of Zidon, and the °gods of Moab, and the gods of the °children of Ammon, and the °gods of the Philistines, and forsook °the LORD, and served not Him.

D 7 And the anger of °the LORD was hot against Israel, and He sold them into the hands of the Philistines, and into the hands of the °children of Ammon.

E 8 And that year they °vexed and oppressed the °children of Israel: eighteen years, all the °children of Israel that were on the other side Jordan in the land of the Amorites, which is in Gilead.

9 Moreover the °children of Ammon passed over Jordan to fight also against Judah, and against Benjamin, and against the house of Ephraim; so that Israel was sore distressed.

Ca 10 And the °children of Israel cried unto °the LORD, saying, "We have sinned against Thee, both because we have forsaken °our God, and also served Baalim."

b 11 And °the LORD said unto the °children of Israel, °"Did not I deliver you from the Egyptians, and from the Amorites, from the °children of Ammon, and from the Philistines?"

12 The Zidonians also, and the Amalekites,

52 hard = close.

53 a piece of a = an upper.

all to brake = altogether brake. (Obsolete.)

54 A woman slew. See note on 4. 21.

55 men. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

56 rendered = requited. Heb. brought back. wickedness. Heb. rā'a'. Ap. 44. viii.

10. 1-16. 31 (D, p. 323). GOVERNMENT. (Alternation.)

D | A | 10. 1-5. Judges. (Tola and Jair.)
B | 10. 6-12. 7. Ammonites and Jephthah.
A | 12. 8-15. Judges. (Ibzan, Elon, Abdon.)
B | 13. 1-16. 31. Philistines and Samson.

1 defend = save or deliver.

man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 4. II.

mount = hill country.

2 twenty, &c. See note on 9. 22.

3 twenty. See note, Ap. 50. IV, p. 55.

10. 6-12. 7 (B, above). AMMONITES AND JEPHTHAH. (Extended Alternation.)

B | C | 10. 6. The evil wrought.
D | 10. 7. Selling to Philistines and Ammonites.
E | 10. 8, 9. Oppression (eighteen years).
C | 10. 10-16. The evil repented of.
D | 10. 17-12. 6. Deliverance by Jephthah.
E | 12. 7. Government by Jephthah (six years).

6 children = sons.

evil. Heb. rā'a'. Ap. 44. viii.

again. Cp. 2. 11; 3. 7; 4. 1; 6. 1; 13. 1.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

Ashtaroth, pl. = the Ashtoreths. Cp. 2. 11-13.

gods of Syria. Gen. 35. 3-6.

gods of Zidon. 1 Kings 11. 5 (Baal, Astarte).

gods of Moab. 11. 24 (Chemosh). 1 Kings 11. 33 (Milcom or Molech).

gods of the Philistines: e. g. Dagon (16. 23).

8 vexed and oppressed = brake and crushed. See note on v. 3, above.

10-16 (C, above). THE EVIL REPENTED OF. (Alternation.)

C | a | 10. Confession.
b | 11-14. Reproach.
a | 15, 16-. Confession.
b | -16. Pity.

10 our God. Heb. Elohim (Ap. 4. I). Some codices, with Aram., Sept., and Vulg., read "Jehovah our God".

11 Did not I...? Fig. Erotēsis. Ap. 6.

12 Maonites. Cp. 2 Chron. 26. 7, 8. A mixture of Moabites and Ammonites = the two words combined.

13 Yet. Cp. Deut. 32. 15. Jer. 2. 13.

14 Go. Fig. Eironeia (Divine Irony). Ap. 6.

ye have chosen. Cp. Deut. 32. 37, 38. Jer. 2. 28.

16 strange gods = gods of strangers or foreigners.

His soul = He (emph.). Heb. nephesh (Ap. 13). Attributed by Fig. Anthropopatheia to God (Ap. 6).

and the °Maonites, did oppress you; and ye cried to Me, and I delivered you out of their hand.

13 °Yet ye have forsaken Me, and served other gods: wherefore I will deliver you no more.

14 °Go and cry unto the gods which °ye have chosen; let them deliver you in the time of your tribulation."

15 And the °children of Israel said unto °the LORD, "We have sinned: do Thou unto us whatsoever seemeth good unto Thee; deliver us only, we pray Thee, this day."

16 And they put away the °strange gods from among them, and served °the LORD:

and °His soul was grieved for the misery of Israel.

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17 Then the °children of Ammon were °gathered together, and encamped in Gilead. And the °children of Israel assembled themselves together, and encamped in Mizpeh.

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18 And the people and princes of Gilead said one to another, "What °man is he that will begin to fight against the °children of Ammon? he shall be head over all the inhabitants of Gilead."

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11 Now °Jephthah the °Gileadite was a son of an harlot: and Gilead begat Jephthah. 2 And Gilead's wife bare him sons; and his wife's sons grew up, and they thrust out Jephthah, and said unto him, "Thou shalt not inherit in our father's house; for thou art the son of a °strange woman."

3 Then Jephthah fled °from his brethren, and dwelt in the land of °Tob: and there were gathered °vain °men to Jephthah, and went out with him.

F² G²

4 And it came to pass in process of time, that the °children of Ammon made war against Israel.

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5 And it was so, that when the °children of Ammon made war against Israel, the elders of Gilead went to fetch Jephthah out of the land of Tob:

6 And they said unto Jephthah, "Come, and be our captain, that we may fight with the °children of Ammon."

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7 And Jephthah said unto the elders of Gilead, "Did not ye hate me, and expel me out of my father's house? and why are ye come unto me now when ye are in distress?"

8 And the elders of Gilead said unto Jephthah, "Therefore we turn again to thee now, that thou mayest go with us, and fight against the °children of Ammon, and be our head over all the inhabitants of Gilead."

9 And Jephthah said unto the elders of Gilead, "If ye bring me home again to fight against the °children of Ammon, and °the LORD deliver them before me, shall I be your head?"

10 And the elders of Gilead said unto Jephthah, "The LORD °be witness between us, if we do not so according to thy words."

11 Then Jephthah went °with the elders of Gilead, and the people made him head and captain over them: and Jephthah uttered all his words °before °the LORD °in Mizpeh.

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12 And Jephthah sent messengers unto the king of the °children of Ammon, saying, "What hast thou to do with me, that thou art come against me to fight in my land?"

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13 And the king of the °children of Ammon answered unto the messengers of Jephthah, "Because Israel took away my land, when they came up out of Egypt, from Arnon even unto Jabbok, and unto Jordan: now therefore restore those lands again peaceably."

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14 And Jephthah sent messengers again unto the king of the °children of Ammon:

15 °And said unto him, "Thus saith Jephthah, 'Israel took not away the land of Moab, nor the land of the °children of Ammon:

17 gathered = gathered by proclamation. Note the extended alternation in this verse "children, gathered, encamped".

18 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

10. 17—12. 6 (D, p. 341). DELIVERANCE BY JEPHTHAH. (Repeated Alternations.)

D	F ¹	G ¹	10.	17.	Ammonite invasion.
			H ¹	c ¹	10. 18. A Leader needed.
					d ¹
	F ²	G ²	11.	4.	Ammonite war.
			H ²	c ²	11. 5, 6. Jephthah called.
					d ²
	F ³	G ³	11.	12-28.	Ammonite negotiation.
			H ³	c ³	11. 29. Jephthah inspired.
					d ³
	F ⁴	G ⁴	11.	32, 33.	Ammonite defeat.
			H ⁴	c ⁴	11. 34-. Jephthah's return.
					d ⁴
	F ⁵	G ⁵	12.	1.	Ephraimite dispute.
			H ⁵	c ⁵	12. 2, 3. Jephthah's answer.
					d ⁵

11. 1 Jephthah = He will deliver. Note the Fig. *Epanadiplosis* (Ap. 6), to call attention to the facts of this verse, introducing Jephthah. All was irregular: no king, no judge, no priest.

Gileadite = son of the man Gilead.

man. Heb. *gibbôr*. Ap. 14. IV.

2 strange = foreign.

3 from. Heb. "from the face of". Fig. *Pleonasm*. Ap. 6.

Tob = fruitful land. East of Syria.

vain = unemployed, or bankrupt.

men. Heb. pl. of 'enōsh. Ap. 14. III.

4 children = sons.

9 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

10 be witness = be a hearer.

11 with. Some codices, with three early printed editions, read "unto".

before the LORD = in the presence of Jehovah.

in Mizpeh. Cp. 10. 17.

12-28 (G³, above). AMMONITE NEGOTIATION. (Alternation.)

G ³	e	12. First message.
	f	13. King's answer.
	e	14-27. Second message.
	f	28. King's obstinacy.

12 What . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

15 And said. A special reading (*Sevir*, Ap. 34) and some codices read "and they said". Heb. text = he.

17 me. Most codices, with Syr., read "us" as in v. 19. Cp. Num. 20. 14.

18 went along = went on.

but came not. Cp. Num. 21. 13, 24.

16 But when Israel came up from Egypt, and walked through the wilderness unto the Red sea, and came to Kadesh;

17 Then Israel sent messengers unto the king of Edom, saying, 'Let °me, I pray thee, pass through thy land:' but the king of Edom would not hearken thereto. And in like manner they sent unto the king of Moab: but he would not consent: and Israel abode in Kadesh.

18 Then they °went along through the wilderness, and compassed the land of Edom, and the land of Moab, and came by the east side of the land of Moab, and pitched on the other side of Arnon, °but came not within the border of Moab: for Arnon was the border of Moab.

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19 And °Israel sent messengers unto Sihon king of the Amorites, the king of Heshbon; and Israel said unto him, 'Let °us pass, we pray thee, through thy land into my place.'

20 But Sihon °trusted not Israel to pass through his °coast: but Sihon gathered all his people together, and pitched in Jahaz, and fought against Israel.

21 And °the LORD °God of Israel delivered Sihon and all his people into the hand of Israel, and they smote them: so Israel possessed all the land of the Amorites, the inhabitants of that country.

22 And they possessed all the °coasts of the Amorites, from Arnon even unto Jabbok, and from the wilderness even unto Jordan.

23 So now °the LORD °God of Israel hath dispossessed the Amorites from before His People Israel, and °shouldst thou possess °it?

24 °Wilt not thou possess that which Chemosh thy god giveth thee to possess? So whomsoever °the LORD our °God shall drive out from before us, them will we possess.

25 And now °art thou any thing better than Balak the son of Zippor, king of Moab? did he ever strive against Israel, or did he ever fight against them,

26 While Israel dwelt in Heshbon and her towns, and in Aroer and her towns, and in all the cities that be along by the °coasts of Arnon, °three hundred years? why therefore did ye not recover them within that time?

27 Wherefore ¶ have not °sinned against thee, but thou doest me wrong to war against me: °the LORD the Judge be judge this day between the °children of Israel and the °children of Ammon.'

f (p. 342) 28 Howbeit the king of the °children of Ammon hearkened not unto the words of Jephthah which he sent him.

H³ c³ 29 Then °the Spirit of °the LORD came upon Jephthah, and he passed over Gilead, and Manasseh, and passed over Mizpeh of Gilead, and from Mizpeh of Gilead he passed over °unto the °children of Ammon.

d³ 30 And Jephthah °vowed a vow unto °the LORD, and said, "If thou shalt without fail deliver the °children of Ammon into mine hands,

31 Then it shall be, that °whatsoever cometh forth of the doors of my house to meet me, when I return in peace from the °children of Ammon, shall surely be °the LORD'S, °and I will offer it up for a burnt offering."

F¹ G⁴ 32 So Jephthah passed over unto the °children of Ammon to fight against them; and °the LORD delivered them into his hands.

33 And he smote them from Aroer, even till thou come to Minnith, even twenty cities, and unto the plain of the vineyards, with a very great slaughter. Thus the °children of Ammon were subdued before the °children of Israel.

H⁴ c⁴ 34 And Jephthah came to Mizpeh unto his house,

d⁴ g (p. 343) and, °behold, his daughter came out to meet him with °timbrels and with dances: and she was his only child; °beside her he had neither son nor daughter.

35 And it came to pass, when he saw her, that he rent his clothes, and said, °"Alas, my

19 Israel sent. Cp. Deut. 2. 26.

us. Cp. v. 17 and Deut. 2. 27.

20 trusted = stayed or rested on. See Ap. 69. coast = border.

21 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

23 shouldst thou...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

it = him: i.e. Israel. Being *masc.* (in Heb.), cannot refer to the land of v. 21; and *sing.*, so that it cannot refer to coasts of v. 22.

24 Wilt not thou...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Jephthah does not recognise Chemosh as a god. The emphasis is on "thy" and "our", and is the argument *a fortiori*: and, taking them on their own ground, it is the *argumentum ad hominem*.

25 art thou...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Cp. Num. 22. 2. Deut. 23. 4. Josh. 24. 9.

26 three hundred years. Not a "round number". See Ap. 50. IV, p. 54.

27 sinned. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

29 the Spirit. Heb. *rūach* (fem.). See Ap. 9.

unto. This word is read in the text of some codices with Aram., Syr., and Vulg.

30 vowed a vow. Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6) = made a solemn vow. See notes on Lev. 27. 1-8.

31 whatsoever. This is *masculine*. But the issuer from his house was *feminine*. Thus his rash vow was impossible of fulfilment, and was to be repented of.

and = or. The Heb. *vav* (Vav) is a connective Particle, and is rendered in many different ways. It is also used as a *disjunctive*, and is often rendered "or" (or, with a negative, "nor"). See Gen. 41. 44. Ex. 20. 4; 21. 15, 17, 18. Num. 16. 14; 22. 26 (R. V. "nor"); Deut. 3. 24. 2 Sam. 3. 29. 1 Kings 18. 10, 27. With a negative = "nor", "neither". Ex. 20. 17. Deut. 7. 25. 2 Sam. 1. 21. Ps. 26. 9. Prov. 6. 4; 30. 3, &c. See note on "but", 1 Kings 2. 9. Here, Jephthah's vow consisted of two parts: (1) He would either dedicate it to Jehovah (according to Lev. 27); or (2) if unsuitable for this, he would offer it as a burnt offering. He performed his vow, and dedicated his daughter to Jehovah by a perpetual virginity (vv. 36, 39, 40); but he did not offer her as a burnt offering, because it was forbidden by Jehovah, and could not be accepted by Him (Lev. 18. 21; 20. 2-5).

11. -34-40 (d⁴, p. 342). THE VOW PERFORMED. (*Alternation.*)

d⁴ | g | -34-36. Performance.

h | 37, 38. Suspension.

g | 39-. Performance.

h | -39, 40. Commemoration.

34 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

timbrels = drums. See note on Ex. 15. 20.

beside her. Fig. *Pleonasm*. Ap. 6. The fact is stated in two ways, in order to emphasise it.

35 Alas! Fig. *Ecphrōnesis*. Ap. 6.

opened my mouth. Hebraism for making a formal, prepared, and solemn statement.

37 go up and down = wander about.

daughter! thou hast brought me very low, and thou art one of them that trouble me: for ¶ have °opened my mouth unto °the LORD, and I cannot go back."

36 And she said unto him, "My father, if thou hast °opened thy mouth unto °the LORD, do to me according to that which hath proceeded out of thy mouth; forasmuch as °the LORD hath taken vengeance for thee of thine enemies, even of the °children of Ammon."

37 And she said unto her father, "Let this thing be done for me: let me alone two months, that I may °go up and down upon the mountains, and bewail my virginity, ¶ and my fellows."

38 And he said, "Go." And he sent her away

1151 for two months: and she went with her companions, and bewailed her virginity upon the mountains.

g (p. 343) 39 And it came to pass at the end of two months, that she returned unto her father, who °did with her according to his 30 vow which he had vowed: °and she knew no °man.

h °And it was a custom in Israel,
40 That the daughters of Israel went yearly °to lament the daughter of Jephthah the Gileadite °four days in a year.

F⁵ G⁵ (p. 342) 12 And the °men of Ephraim gathered themselves together, and went northward, and said unto Jephthah, "Wherefore passedst thou over to fight against the °children of Ammon, and didst not call us to go with thee? we will burn thine house upon thee with fire."

H⁵ c⁵ 2 And Jephthah said unto them, "3 and my people were at great strife with the 1 children of Ammon; and when I called you, ye delivered me not out of their hands.

3 And when I saw that ye delivered me not, I put °my life in my hands, and passed over against the 1 children of Ammon, and °the LORD delivered them into my hand: wherefore then are ye come up unto me this day, to fight against me?"

d⁵ 4 Then Jephthah gathered together all the °men of Gilead, and fought with Ephraim: and the °men of Gilead smote Ephraim, because they said, "Ye Gileadites are fugitives of Ephraim among the Ephraimites, °and among the Manassites."

5 And the Gileadites took the °passages of Jordan before the Ephraimites: and it was so, that when those Ephraimites which were escaped said, "Let me go over;" that the °men of Gilead said unto him, "Art thou an Ephraimite?" If he said, "Nay;"

6 Then said they unto him, "Say now 'Shibboleth:'" and he said "Sibboleth:" for he could not °frame to pronounce it right. Then they took him, and slew him at the passages of Jordan: and there fell at that time of the Ephraimites °forty and two thousand.

E (p. 341) 7 And Jephthah °judged Israel six years. Then died Jephthah the Gileadite, and was 1151-1145 °buried in one of the cities of Gilead.

A i¹ j¹ (p. 344) 8 And after him Ibzan of Beth-lehem judged Israel.

9 And he had thirty sons, and thirty daughters, whom he sent abroad, and took in thirty daughters from abroad for his sons.

k¹ 1145-1138 And he judged Israel seven years.

l¹ 10 Then died Ibzan, and was buried at Beth-lehem.

i² j² 11 And after him Elon, a Zebulonite, judged Israel;

k² 1138-1128 and he judged Israel ten years.

l² 12 And Elon the Zebulonite died, and was buried in Aijalon in the country of Zebulun.

i³ j³ 1128-1120 13 And after him Abdon the son of Hillel, a Pirathonite, judged Israel.

39 did with her according to his vow which he had vowed = He did not offer her as a burnt offering; for Jehovah could not accept that. Therefore Jephthah must have dedicated her to the LORD by a perpetual virginity. Such a vow was provided for in Lev. 27. See note on v. 31.

and she knew no man. This is conclusive. It has nothing to do with a sacrificial death, but it has to do with a dedicated life to Jehovah. Thus was Jephthah's vow fulfilled. man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

And it was = and it became.

40 to lament = to rehearse with, as in 5. 11; to celebrate [her dedication] in praises.

four days in a year. Thus annually her friends "went", evidently to Jephthah's daughter, to rehearse with her this great event of her life: not of her death.

12. 1 men. Heb. 'ish or 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. children = sons.

3 my life = my soul. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13. II.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

4 men. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

and. This "and" is read in the text in some codices, with two early printed editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg. 5 passages = fords.

6 frame = take heed, give attention.

forty and two thousand = 40 + 2,000 = 2,040. The whole tribe numbered only 32,500 at previous census (Num. 26. 37; see note on 7. 3), and that was less than the first numbering (Num. 1. 33). Only 1,000 from each tribe formed the army. Num. 31. 4, 5.

7 judged. First, deliverance; then rule.

buried in one of the cities. City unnamed. Memory not honoured, though mentioned in Heb. 11. 32; yet the last name in that list.

8-15 (A, p. 341). JUDGES (IBZAN, ELON, ABDON). (Extended Alternation.)

A i¹ j¹ | 8, 9-. Ibzan.

k¹ | -9. Government (seven years).

l¹ | 10. Death.

i² j² | 11-. Elon.

k² | -11. Government (ten years).

l² | 12. Death.

i³ j³ | 13, 14-. Abdon.

k³ | -14. Government (eight years).

l³ | 15. Death.

14 nephews = grandsons.

15 mount = hill country.

13. 1-16. 31 (B, p. 341). PHILISTINES AND SAMSON. (Alternation.)

B J | 13. 1-. Delivered to oppressors.

K | 13. -1. Time of servitude (forty years).

J | 13. 2-16. 31-. Delivered by Samson.

K | 16. -31. Time of government (twenty years).

1 children = sons.

did evil again = Heb. added to commit.

evil. Heb. rā'ā'. Ap. 44. viii.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

forty years. 1120-1080.

14 And he had forty sons and thirty °nephews, that rode on threescore and ten ass colts:

and he judged Israel eight years.

15 And Abdon the son of Hillel the Pirathonite died, and was buried in Pirathon in the land of Ephraim, in the °mount of the Amalekites.

13 And the °children of Israel °did °evil again in the sight of °the LORD;

and °the LORD delivered them into the hand of the Philistines °forty years.

k³
1128-1120

l³

B J

K

J L m¹ n
(p. 345)
1120-1100

2 And there was a certain °man of Zorah, of the family of the Danites, whose name was Manoah;

and his wife was barren, and bare not.

3 And °the Angel of °the LORD appeared unto the woman, and said unto her, °“Behold now, thou art barren, and bearest not: but thou shalt conceive, and bear a son.

4 Now therefore beware, I pray thee, and °drink not wine nor strong drink, and eat not any unclean thing:

5 For, °lo, thou shalt conceive, and bear a son; and no razor shall come on his head: for °the child shall be °a Nazarite unto °God from the womb: and he shall begin to deliver Israel out of the hand of the Philistines.”

n 6 Then the woman came and told her husband, saying, °“A Man of °God came unto me, and His °countenance was like the °countenance of an Angel of °God, very °terrible: but I asked Him not whence he was, neither told He me His name:

7 But He said unto me, °“Behold, thou shalt conceive, and bear a son; and now drink no wine nor strong drink, neither eat any unclean thing: for °the child shall be °a Nazarite to °God from the womb to the day of his death.”

m² p 8 Then Manoah intreated °the LORD, and said,

q “O °my LORD,* let the °Man of °God Which thou didst send come again unto us, and teach us what we shall do unto °the child that shall be born.”

p 9 And °God hearkened to the voice of Manoah; and the Angel of °God °came again unto the woman as she sat in the field: but Manoah her husband was not with her.

10 °And the woman made haste, and ran, and shewed her husband, and said unto him, °“Behold, °the Man hath appeared unto me, That came unto me the other day.”

11 And Manoah arose, and went after his wife, and came to °the Man, and said unto Him, “Art Thou °the Man That spakest unto the woman?” And He said, “I am.”

q 12 And Manoah said, “Now °let Thy words come to pass. °How shall we order °the child, and °how shall we do unto him?”

13 And °the Angel of °the LORD said unto Manoah, “Of all that I said unto the woman let her beware.

14 She may not eat of any thing that cometh of the vine, neither let her drink wine or strong drink, nor eat any unclean thing: all that I °commanded her let her observe.”

m³ r 15 And Manoah said unto the Angel of °the LORD, “I pray Thee, let us detain Thee, until we shall have made ready °a kid for Thee.”

16 And the Angel of °the LORD said unto Manoah, “Though thou detain Me, I will not eat of thy °bread: and if thou wilt °offer a burnt offering, thou must °offer it unto °the LORD.”

s t For Manoah knew not that he was an Angel of °the LORD.

u 17 And Manoah said unto the Angel of °the

13. 2-16. 31- (J, p. 344). DELIVERED BY SAMSON. (Introversion.)

J | L | 13. 2-21. Promise. A deliverer.
M | 13. 22, 23. Parents. Fear, and Cheer.
M | 13. 24, 25. Child. Growth, and Power.
L | 14. 1-16. 31-. Promise fulfilled. Deliverer.

13. 2-21 (L, above). PROMISE. A DELIVERER. (Division.)

L | m¹ | 2-7. First appearance of Angel.
m² | 8-14. Second appearance of Angel.
m³ | 15-21. Detention of Angel.

13. 2-7 (m¹, above). FIRST APPEARANCE OF ANGEL. (Introversion.)

m¹ | n | 2-. Manoah, alone.
o | -2. His wife, alone.
o | 3-5. His wife, and Angel.
n | 6, 7. Manoah, and wife.

2 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 4. II.

3 the Angel = Messenger. From vv. 18, 19, 22, the same that appeared to Gideon (6. 12).

Behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

4 drink. Cp. Num. 6. 2, 3.

5 lo. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

the child. Heb. na'ar.

a Nazarite unto God = one separate unto Elohim.

6 A Man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II. This was according to the woman's apprehension.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

countenance = appearance.

terrible = awe-inspiring.

8-14 (m², above). SECOND APPEARANCE OF ANGEL. (Alternation.)

m² | p | 8-. Reappearance intreated.
q | -8. Direction sought.
p | 9-11. Reappearance vouchsafed.
q | 12-14. Direction given.

8 my LORD* = 'Adonai. Should be “Jehovah”. This is one of the 134 changes indicated in the Massorah. Ap. 32.

9 God - The God: ha-'Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

came. Some codices, with three early printed editions, read “appeared”.

10 And. Note the Fig. Polysyndeton (Ap. 6) in this verse.

12 How shall we order the child, and how shall we do unto him? Heb. “What shall be the rule of (Gen. of relation = concerning) the boy, and what shall be his work?”

14 commanded = forbade. The verb zivvah is a Homonym here and Deut. 4. 23, where it is correctly rendered “forbid”. Elsewhere “command”.

15 21 (m³, above). DETENTION OF THE ANGEL. (Alternation and Introversion.)

m³ | r | 15, 16-. Invitation of Manoah.
s | t | -16. Manoah's ignorance.
u | 17, 18. Angel's name. “Wonderful.”
r | 19-. Offering of Manoah.
s | u | -19-21-. Angel's action. “Wonderful.”
t | -21. Manoah's knowledge.

15 a kid = a kid of the goats.

16 bread. Fig. Synecdoche (of Species). Ap. 6. Put for all kinds of food.

offer = prepare. Ap. 43. I. iii.

offer it = cause it to ascend. Ap. 43. I. vi.

LORD, “What is Thy name, that when Thy sayings come to pass we may do Thee honour?”

1120 18 And the Angel of ¹the LORD said unto
to him, "Why askest thou thus after My name,
1100 seeing it *is* °secret?"

^r (P. 345) 19 So Manoah took ¹⁵a kid with a meat
offering, and ¹⁶offered it upon a rock unto ¹the
LORD:

^{s u} and the Angel did °wonderously; (and Manoah
and his wife looked on).

20 For it came to pass, when °the flame went
up toward heaven from off °the altar, that the
Angel of ¹the LORD ascended in the flame of
the altar. And Manoah and his wife looked
on it, and fell on their faces to the ground.

21 But the Angel of ¹the LORD did no more
appear to Manoah and to his wife.

^{t u} Then Manoah knew that ⁵he was an Angel of
¹the LORD.

^M 22 And Manoah said unto his wife, "We
shall surely die, because we have seen °God."

23 But his wife said unto him, "If ¹the LORD
were pleased to kill us, He would not have
°received a burnt offering and a meat offering
at our hands, neither would He have shewed
us all these *things*, nor would as at this time
have told us *such things* as these."

^M 24 And the woman bare a son, and °called
his name Samson: and °the child °grew, and
¹the LORD blessed him.

25 And °the Spirit of ¹the LORD °began to
°move him °at times in °the camp of Dan
between Zorah and °Eshtaol.

^{L A P¹ v} (P. 346) 14 And Samson went down to Timnath,
and saw a woman in Timnath of the
daughters of the Philistines.

2 And he came up, and told his father and
his mother, and said, "I have seen a woman
in Timnath of the daughters of the Philistines:
now therefore get her for me to wife."

3 Then his father and his mother said unto
him, "Is there never a woman among the
daughters of thy brethren, or among all my
People, that thou goest to °take a wife of the
uncircumcised Philistines?" And Samson
said unto his father, "Get her for me; for ⁵he
°pleaseth me well."

4 But his father and his mother knew not
that it was of °the LORD, that ⁵he sought an
°occasion against the Philistines: for at that
time the Philistines had dominion over Israel.

^w 5 Then went Samson down, and his father
and his mother, to Timnath, and came to the
vineyards of Timnath: and, °behold, °a young
lion roared °against him.

6 And °the Spirit of °the LORD came mightily
upon him, and he rent him as he would have
rent a kid, and he had nothing in his hand:

^x but he told not his father or his mother what
he had done.

^v 7 And he went down, and talked with the
woman; and she pleased Samson well.

^w 8 And after a time he returned to take her,
and he turned aside to see the carcase of the
lion: and, °behold, there was a swarm of bees
and honey in the carcase of the lion.

9 And he took thereof in his hands, and went

18 secret. Heb. wonderful. Same as Isa. 9. 6.

19 wonderfully = a wonderful thing.

20 the flame went up. See note on Gen. 4. 4.
the altar. The rock is deemed the altar.

23 received. It is the acceptance of our Substitute
by God which saves, not our acceptance of Him. This
was sound reasoning.

24 called his name = called him. Fig. Pleonasm.
Ap. 6.

grew. Israel waited twenty years for deliverance.
Cp. 15. 20; 16. 31.

25 the Spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

began. They had yet to wait. Cp. 15. 20.

move him = stir him with trouble. See Gen. 41. 8.
Ps. 77. 3. Dan. 2. 1, 3.

at times = to and fro.

the camp of Dan, where Israel lay in a fortified
place. Cp. 18. 12.

Eshtaol. On the borders of Judah.

14. 1-16. 31- (L, p. 345). PROMISE FULFILLED.
(*Alternation and Introversion.*)

L | N | A | 14. 1-20. Marriage.

B | 15. 1-19. Slaughter, in life.

O | 15. 20. Government, twenty years.

N | A | 16. 1-20. Harlots.

B | 16. 21-31-. Slaughter, in death.

1-20 (N, above). MARRIAGE.
(*Division.*)

N | P¹ | 1-9. Proposals.

P² | 10-20. Feast.

1-9 (P¹, above). PROPOSALS.
(*Extended Alternations.*)

P¹ | v | 1-4. Wife.

w | 5, 6-. Lion. Rent.

x | -6. Concealment.

v | 7. Wife.

w | 8, 9-. Lion. Honey in it.

x | -9. Concealment.

3 take a wife of, &c. An unlawful connection.
Cp. Ex. 34. 16. Deut. 7. 3, with Josh. 23. 12.

pleaseth me well. Heb. is right in mine eyes.

4 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

occasion = opportunity.

5 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

a young lion. Lions once abounded in Palestine.

Hence names *Lebath* (Josh. 15. 32; 19. 6). *Arieh*

(2 Kings 15. 25). *Laish* (Judg. 18. 7). See also 1 Sam.

17. 36. 1 Kings 13. 24, &c.).

against him = at meeting him.

6 the Spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

10-20 (P², above). THE FEAST.
(*Introversion and Alternation.*)

P² | y | 10, 11. Wife and companions.

z | 12, 13. Conditions proposed.

a | b | 14. Riddle put forth.

c | 15-17. Wife's deceit.

a | b | 18-. Riddle solved.

c | -18. Wife's deceit.

z | 19. Conditions fulfilled.

y | 20. Wife and companions.

11 when they saw him: i. e. saw what sort of man
he was. Note emphasis on "him".

on eating, and came to his father and mother,
and he gave them, and they did eat:

but he told not them that he had taken the
honey out of the carcase of the lion. ^x

10 So his father went down unto the woman:
and Samson made there a feast; for so used
the young men to do.

11 And it came to pass, °when they saw him, ^{P² y}

1120 to that they brought thirty companions to be
1100 with him.

z 12 And Samson said unto them, "I will now
(p. 346) put forth a riddle unto you: if ye can certainly
declare it me within the seven days of the
feast, and find it out, then I will give you
thirty °sheets and thirty change of garments:
13 But if ye cannot declare it me, then shall
ye give me thirty 12 sheets and thirty change of
garments." And they said unto him, "Put
forth thy riddle, that we may hear it."

a b 14 And he said unto them,
"Out of the eater came forth meat,
And out of the strong came forth sweetness."
And they could not in three days expound the
riddle.

c 15 And it came to pass on the °seventh day,
that they said unto Samson's wife, "Entice
thy husband, that he may declare unto us the
riddle, lest we burn ~~the~~ and thy father's
house with fire: have ye called us to take that
we have? °is it not so?"

16 And Samson's wife wept before him, and
said, "Thou dost but hate me, and lovest me
not: thou hast put forth a riddle unto the
°children of my people, and hast not told it
me." And he said unto her, "Behold, I have
not told it my father nor my mother, and shall
I tell it thee?"

17 And she wept before him the seven days,
while their feast lasted: and it came to pass
on the seventh day, that he told her, because
she lay sore upon him: and she told the riddle
to the 16 children of her people.

a b 18 And the °men of the city said unto him
on the seventh day before the sun went down,
"What is sweeter than honey?
And what is stronger than a lion?"
And he said unto them,

c "If ye had not plowed with my heifer,
Ye had not found out my riddle."

z 19 And °the Spirit of °the LORD came upon
him, and he went down to Ashkelon, and
slew thirty °men of them, and took their spoil,
and gave change of garments unto them which
expounded the riddle. And his anger was
kindled, and he went up to his father's house.

y 20 But Samson's wife was given to his com-
panion, whom he had used as °his friend.

B Q¹ d 15 But it came to pass within a while after,
(p. 347) in the time of wheat harvest, that
Samson visited his wife with a °kid; and he
said, "I will go in to my wife into the
chamber." But her father would not suffer
him to go in.

2 And her father said, "I verily thought that
thou hadst utterly hated her; therefore I gave
her to thy companion: is not her younger
sister fairer than she? take her, I pray thee,
instead of her."

e 3 And Samson said °concerning them, "Now
shall I be more blameless than the Philistines,
though I do them a displeasure."

4 And Samson went and caught three hun-
dred °foxes, and took °firebrands, and turned
tail to tail, and put a firebrand in the midst
between two tails.

12 I will = Let me.

sheets = linen wraps, or shirts.

14 Out of. Fig. *Enigma*. Ap. 6.

15 seventh. The Sept. reads "fourth".
is it not so? The italics reveal the uncertainty of
A.V. Many codices read "hither", which yields better
sense. Heb. text reads simply "not".

16 children = sons.

18 men. Heb. pl. of 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

What...? Fig. *Anteisagogē*. Ap. 6.

If. Fig. *Parœmia*. Ap. 6.

19 men. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

20 his friend. This was strictly in accordance with
the laws of Khammurabi, §§ 159, 163, 164.

15. 1-19 (B, p. 346). SLAUGHTER, IN LIFE.
(*Division*.)

B | Q¹ | 1-8. First slaughter.
| Q² | 9-19. Second slaughter.

1-8 (Q¹, above). FIRST SLAUGHTER.
(*Alternation*.)

Q¹ | d | 1, 2. Wife refused.
| e | 3-5. Retribution. Burning.
| d | 6. Wife burnt.
| e | 7, 8-. Retribution. Slaughter.

1 kid = kid of the goats.

I will go in = Let me come in.

3 concerning = to.

Now = this once.

4 foxes = jackals. These go in packs, foxes go alone.
firebrands = torches.

6 burnt her and her father. Some codices, with
one early printed edition, Sept., and Syr., read "burned
the house of her father".

7 this = like [this]: i. e. on this wise.

-8-19 (Q², above). SECOND SLAUGHTER.
(*Alternation*.)

Q² | f | -8-16. Expected retaliation.
| g | 17. Meaning of place. *Ramath-lehi*.
| f | 18, 19-. Expected retaliation.
| g | -19. Meaning of place. *En-hakkore*.

-8-16 (f, above). EXPECTED RETALIATION.
(*Alternation*.)

f | h | -8. Etam. Samson there.
| i | 9. Philistines. Camp at Lehi.
| h | 10-13. Etam. Mission to Samson.
| i | 14-16. Philistines. Slaughter at Lehi.

8 went down. Some codices, with one early
printed edition, and Syr., read "went".
top = cleft.

5 And when he had set the brands on fire, he
let *them* go into the standing corn of the
Philistines, and burnt up both the shocks, and
also the standing corn, with the vineyards
and olives.

6 Then the Philistines said, "Who hath done
this?" And they answered, "Samson, the
son in law of the Timnite, because he had
taken his wife, and given her to his com-
panion." And the Philistines came up, and
°burnt *her* and her father with fire.

7 And Samson said unto them, "Though ye
have done °this, yet will I be avenged of you,
and after that I will cease."

8 And he smote *them* hip and thigh with
a great slaughter:

and he °went down and dwelt in the °top of
the rock Etam.

d

e

Q² f h

9 Then the Philistines went up, and ° pitched in Judah, and spread themselves in Lehi.

10 And the ° men of Judah said, "Why are ye come up against us?" And they answered, "To bind Samson are we come up, to do to him ° as he hath done to us."

11 Then three thousand men of Judah went to the ° top of the rock Etam, and said to Samson, "Knowest thou not that the Philistines are rulers over us? what is this that thou hast done unto us?" And he said unto them, ° "As they did unto me, so have I done unto them."

12 And they said unto him, "We are come down to bind thee, that we may deliver thee into the hand of the Philistines." And Samson said unto them, "Swear unto me, that ye will not fall upon me yourselves."

13 And they spake unto him, saying, "No; but we will bind thee fast, and deliver thee into their hand: but surely we will not kill thee." And they bound him with two new cords, and brought him up from the rock.

14 And when he came unto Lehi, the Philistines shouted ° against him: and ° the Spirit of ° the LORD came mightily upon him, and the cords that were upon his arms became as flax that was burnt with fire, and his bands loosed from off his hands.

15 And he found a new ° jawbone of an ass, and put forth his hand, and took it, and slew a thousand ° men therewith.

16 And Samson said,
° "With the jawbone of an ass,
Heaps upon heaps,
With the jaw of an ass
Have I slain a thousand ° men."

17 And it came to pass, when he had made an end of speaking, that he cast away the jawbone out of his hand, and called that place ° Ramath-lehi.

18 And he was sore athirst, and called on ° the LORD, and said, "Thou hast given this great deliverance into the hand of Thy servant: and now shall I die for thirst, and fall into the hand of the uncircumcised?"

19 But ° God ° clave an hollow place that was in the jaw, and there came water thereout; and when he had drunk, his ° spirit came again, and he revived:

wherefore he called the name thereof ° En-hakkore, which is in Lehi unto this day.

20 And he judged Israel in the days of the Philistines ° twenty years.

16 ° Then went Samson to ° Gaza, and saw there ° an harlot, and went in unto her.

2 And it was told the Gazites, saying, "Samson is come hither." And they compassed him in, and laid wait for him all night in the gate of the city,

and were quiet all the night, saying, "In the morning, when it is day, we shall kill him."

3 And Samson lay till midnight, and arose at midnight, and ° took the doors of the gate

° pitched=camped.

10 men. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.
as = according as.

14 against=at meeting him, or to meet him.
the Spirit. Heb. rūach. Ap. 9. No art. here.
the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

15 jawbone of an ass. One of the seven "weak things" in Judges. See note on 3. 21.

16 With. Note the alternation of four lines. Another pointing of the second line given in Sept. is, *chāmōr chāmārtim*="destroying I destroyed them", which by Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6) = I utterly destroyed them. There is also the Fig. *Antanacsis* (Ap. 6) in the words *chāmōr*, "ass", and "destroyed".

17 Ramath-lehi = the uplifting of the jawbone.

19 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I. Not Jehovah. A sign of distant or withdrawn relationship. In 13. 24, 25, and 14. 4, 6, we have Jehovah, but not again in Samson's history till he is humbled, 16. 20; then he prays to Jehovah, v. 28.

clave an hollow place that was in the jaw =
clave open the hollow that is in Lehi.

spirit=courage. Heb. rūach. Ap. 9.

En-hakkore = the Caller's Fount.

20 twenty. See note on 13. 24.

16. 1-20 (A, p. 346). HARLOTS. (Division.)

A | j¹ | 1-3. In Gaza.
| j² | 4-20. In Sorek.

1-3 (j¹, above). IN GAZA. (Introversion.)

j¹ | k | 1. Samson. Harlot of Gaza.
| 1 | 2-. Information given. } Gazites.
| l | -2. Expectation roused. }
| k | 3. Samson. Gates of Gaza.

1 Then = and.

Gaza. About thirty-five miles south of his native place.
an harlot. He could rend a lion, but not his lusts.
He could break his bonds, but not his habits. He could conquer the Philistines, but not his passions. Now *Ghuzzeh*.

3 took the doors: i.e. unhinged both leaves. Cp. Isa. 45. 1. an hill = the hill.

before = over against.

4-20 (j², above). IN SOREK. (Introversion.)

j² | m | 4. Samson. Gaza to Sorek.
| n | 5. Delilah's bribe.
| n | 6-20. Delilah's snares.
| m | 21-31-. Samson. Sorek to Gaza.

5 lords. See note on Josh. 13. 3.

afflict = humble.

eleven hundred. One of the two occurrences of this number. Eleven = the number of defective administration (-12-1. See Ap. 10). Cp. 17. 2, where similar want of rule is seen. This 1,100 ruined them politically; the other (17. 2) ruined them religiously.

of the city, and the two posts, and went away with them, bar and all, and put them upon his shoulders, and carried them up to the top of ° an hill that is ° before Hebron.

4 And it came to pass afterward, that he loved a woman in the valley of Sorek, whose name was Delilah.

5 And the ° lords of the Philistines came up unto her, and said unto her, "Entice him, and see wherein his great strength lieth, and by what means we may prevail against him, that we may bind him to ° afflict him: and we will give thee every one of us ° eleven hundred pieces of silver."

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6 And Delilah said to Samson, "Tell me, I pray thee, wherein thy great strength *lieth*, and wherewith thou mightest be bound to afflict thee."

r¹

7 And Samson said unto her, "If they bind me with seven °green withs that were never dried, then shall I be weak, and be as another °man."

s¹

8 Then the lords of the Philistines brought up to her seven green °withs which had not been dried, and she bound him with them.

t¹

9 Now *there were* men lying in wait, abiding with her in the chamber. And she said unto him, "The Philistines *be* upon thee, Samson." And he °brake the °withs, °as a thread of °tow is broken when it °toucheth the fire. So his strength was not known.

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10 And Delilah said unto Samson, ° "Behold, thou hast mocked me, and told me lies: now tell me, I pray thee, wherewith thou mightest be bound."

r²

11 And he said unto her, "If they bind me fast with new ropes that never were occupied, then shall I be weak, and be as another °man."

s²

12 Delilah therefore took new ropes, and bound him therewith, and said unto him, "The Philistines *be* upon thee, Samson." And *there were* liers in wait abiding in the chamber.

t²

And he °brake them from off his arms like a thread.

p³ q³

13 And Delilah said unto Samson, "Hitherto thou hast mocked me, and told me lies: ° tell me wherewith thou mightest be bound."

r³

And he said unto her, "If thou weavest the seven locks of my head ° with the web."

s³

14 And she fastened *it* with the pin, and said unto him, "The Philistines *be* upon thee, Samson."

t³

And he awaked °out of his sleep, and went away with the pin of the beam, and with the web.

o² u

15 And she said unto him, ° "How canst thou say, 'I love thee,' when thine heart *is* not with me? thou hast mocked me these three times, and hast not told me wherein thy great strength *lieth*."

16 And it came to pass, when she pressed him daily with her words, and urged him, so that his °soul was °vexed °unto death;

17 That he told her all his heart, and said unto her, "There hath not come a razor upon mine head; for I *have been* °a Nazarite unto °God from my mother's womb: if I be shaven, then my strength will go from me, and I shall become weak, and be like any *other* °man."

18 And when Delilah saw that he had told her all his heart, she sent and called for the °lords of the Philistines, saying, "Come up this once, for he hath shewed me all his heart." Then the °lords of the Philistines came up unto her, and brought money in their hand.

v

19 And she made him sleep upon her knees;

16. 6-20 (n, p. 348). DELILAH'S SNARES. (Division.)

n | o¹ | 6-14. Delilah's attempts. Failure.
| o² | 15-20. Delilah's attempts. Success.

6-14 (o¹, above). DELILAH'S FAILURE. (Repeated and Extended Alternation.)

o¹ | p¹ | q¹ | 6. Binding.
| | r¹ | 7. Means. Green withs.
| | s¹ | 8. Used.
| | t¹ | 9. Broken.
p² | q² | 10. Binding.
| | r² | 11. Means. New ropes.
| | s² | 12-. Used.
| | t² | -12. Broken.
p³ | q³ | 13-. Binding.
| | r³ | -13. Means. Web and pin.
| | s³ | 14-. Used.
| | t³ | -14. Carried away.

7 green withs = green twigs. Anglo-Saxon, a willow, because of its twining and flexibility.

man. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.

9 brake = snapped.

as = according as.

tow. Old English. Coarse flax or hemp for spinning or twining. Occurs only here and Isa. 1. 31. Very inflammable.

toucheth = smelleth (before it toucheth).

10 Behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

13 tell me. Some codices, with one early printed edition, and Sept. add "I pray thee".

with the web. Note the *Homœoteuton*. In the primitive text these words were probably followed by "and fasten them with a pin". For the Sept. adds "I shall be as another man. And it came to pass that when he was asleep that Delilah took the seven locks of his head and wove them with the web, and she fastened them with a pin". Ginsburg suggests that some ancient scribe, in copying the first words, "fasten them with a pin", carried his eye back to these last words, and omitted the whole of this clause, which has been preserved in the Sept.

14 out of his sleep: i.e. the sleep mentioned in the *Homœoteuton* above.

15-20 (o², above). DELILAH'S SUCCESS. (Introversion.)

o² | u | 15-18. Strength. Secret given.
| v | 19. Sleeping.
| v | 20-. Waking.
| u | -20. Strength. Secret gone.

15 How . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

16 soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

vexed. Became impatient, or grieved.

unto death = to make him die.

17 a Nazarite unto God = separate unto God.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

19 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

20 wist not = knew not. See note on Ex. 34. 29.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II. Since 14. 6, only *'Elohim*. See note on 15. 19.

and she called for a °man, and she caused him to shave off the seven locks of his head; and she began to afflict him, and his strength went from him.

20 And she said, "The Philistines *be* upon thee, Samson." And he awoke out of his sleep, and said, "I will go out as at other times before, and shake myself."

And he °wist not that °the LORD was departed from him.

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21 But the Philistines took him, and put out his eyes, and brought him down to Gaza, and bound him with °fettters of brass;

x and he did °grind in the prison house.

y 22 Howbeit the hair of his head began to grow again after he was shaven.

z 23 Then the °lords of the Philistines gathered them together for to °offer a great sacrifice unto Dagon their god, and °to rejoice: for they said, "Our god hath delivered Samson our enemy into our hand."

24 And when the people saw him, they praised their god: for they said, "Our god hath delivered into our hands our enemy, and the destroyer of our country, which slew many of us."

2 25 And it came to pass, when their hearts were merry, that they said, "Call for Samson, that he may °make us sport." And they called for Samson out of the prison house; and he made °them sport: and they set him between the pillars.

26 And Samson said unto the lad that held him by the hand, °"Suffer me that I may feel the pillars whereupon the house standeth, that I may lean upon them."

27 Now the house was full of °men and women; and all the lords of the Philistines were there; and there were upon the roof about three thousand °men and women, that beheld while Samson made sport.

y 28 And Samson called unto 20 the LORD, and said, "O °Lord °GOD, remember me, I pray Thee, and strengthen me, I pray Thee, only this once, O 17 God, that I may be at once avenged of the Philistines for my two eyes."

x 29 And Samson took hold of °the two middle pillars upon which the house stood, and on which it was borne up, of the one with his right hand, and of the other with his left.

30 And Samson said, "Let °me die with the Philistines." And he bowed himself with all his might; and the house fell upon the lords, and upon all the people that were therein. So the dead which he slew at his death were more than they which he slew in his life.

w 31 Then °his brethren and all the house of his father came down, and took him, and brought him °up, and buried him °between Zorah and Eshtaol in the buryingplace of Manoah his father.

K And he °judged Israel twenty years.

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17 And there was a °man of °mount Ephraim, whose name was Micah.

2 And he said unto his mother, "The °eleven hundred shekels of silver that were °taken from thee, about which thou cursedst, and spakest of also in mine ears, °behold, the silver is with me; I took it." And his mother said, "Blessed be thou of °the LORD, my son."

3 And when he had restored the eleven hundred shekels of silver to his mother, his mother said, "I had °wholly dedicated the silver unto 2 the LORD from my hand for my son, to make a graven image and a molten

21 fetters of brass. Heb. "two brasses". Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), for the two fetters made of brass. Ap. 6.

grind. The work of women and slaves. Denotes the condition to which he was reduced. Cp. Ex. 11. 5. Isa. 47. 2.

16. 21-31 (B, p. 346). SLAUGHTER IN DEATH.
(Introversion.)

B w | 21-. Servitude.

x | -21. Prison-house. Labour.

y | 22. Hair growing.

z | 23, 24. Festival.

z | 25-27. Sport.

y | 28. Strength restored.

x | 29, 30. Prison-house. Destruction.

w | 31-. Burial.

23 offer. Heb. "slay". See Ap. 43. I. v.

to rejoice. Fig. *Antimeria* (of Noun). Ap. 6. Noun "rejoicing", put for verb "to rejoice"=for a rejoicing.

25 make us sport. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "make sport before us".

them sport=sport before them.

26 Suffer me that=Let me alone that, &c.

27 men. Heb. 'ish or 'enosh. Ap. 14.

28 Lord GOD=Adonai Jehovah. Ap. 4. VIII(2) and II.

29 the two middle pillars. Recent excavations at Gaza have laid bare two smooth stone bases close together in the centre, on (not in) which these two pillars stood. On these the main beams rested, and by which the whole house was sustained. Samson had only to pull these pillars out of the perpendicular, to effect his object.

30 me=my soul. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13.

31 his brethren. Probably his parents were now dead.

up: i.e. from Gaza, v. 21.

between Zorah and Eshtaol. Where the Spirit had first come upon him, 13. 25.

judged Israel. But he only began to deliver Israel. See 13. 5.

17. 1-18. 31 (C, p. 323). ISRAEL AND OTHER PEOPLES. AGGRESSIONS. (Division.)

C | A¹ | 17. 1-18. 1-. The idolatry of Micah.

A² | 18. -1 31. Aggression of Danites.

17. 1-18. 1- (A¹, above). IDOLATRY OF MICAH.
(Extended Alternation.)

A¹ | a | 17. 1-4. Micah's house. Fabrication of image.

b | 17. 5. Consecration of his son.

c | 17. 6. "No king".

a | 17. 7-11. Micah's house. Arrival of Levite.

b | 17. 12, 13. Consecration of Levite.

c | 18. 1-. "No king".

1 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

mount=hill country of Ephraim, where Joshua dwelt and was buried (Josh. 24. 30).

2 eleven hundred. See note on 16. 5.

taken. Idolatry in Israel commenced with dishonesty.

behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

3 wholly dedicated. Fig. *Polyptoton* (Ap. 6). Heb. "dedicating I had dedicated it".

4 money=silver (v. 2).

image: now therefore I will restore it unto thee."

4 Yet he restored the °money unto his mother; and his mother took two hundred

1423 *shekels* of silver, and gave them to the
to founder, who made thereof ³a graven image
1388 and a molten image: and they were in the
house of Micah.

b 5 And the ¹man Micah had an ° house of
(p. 350) gods, and made an ° ephod, and teraphim, and
° consecrated one of his sons, who became ° his
priest.

c 6 In those days *there was* ° no king in Israel,
but ¹every man did *that which was right* in his
own eyes.

a 7 And there was ° a young man out of ° Beth-
lehem-judah of the family of Judah, who *was*
a Levite, and he sojourned there.

8 And the man departed out of the city from
° Beth-lehem-judah ° to sojourn where he could
find *a place*: and he came to ¹mount Ephraim
to the house of Micah, as he journeyed.

9 And Micah said unto him, "Whence comest
thou?" And he said unto him, "I *am* a Levite
of Beth-lehem-judah, and I go ⁸to sojourn
where I may find *a place*."

10 And Micah said unto him, "Dwell with
me, and be unto me a father and a priest, and
I will give thee ten *shekels* of silver by the
year, and a suit of apparel, and thy victuals."
So the Levite went in.

11 And the Levite was content to dwell with
the ¹man; and ⁷the young man was unto him
as one of his sons.

b 12 And Micah ° consecrated the Levite; and
° the young man became ° his priest, and was
in the house of Micah.

13 Then said Micah, "Now know I that ²the
LORD will ° do me good, seeing I have a Levite
to my priest."

c 18 In ° those days *there was* ° no king in
Israel:

A² d and in those days the tribe of the ° Danites
(p. 351) sought them an inheritance to dwell in; for
unto that day *all their* inheritance had not
fallen unto them among the tribes of Israel.

e f 2 And the ° children of Dan sent of their
family five ° men from their ° coasts, ° men of
valour, from Zorah, and from Eshtaol, to spy
out the land, and to search it; and they said
unto them, "Go, search the land:" who when
they came to ° mount Ephraim, to the house
of Micah, they lodged there.

3 When *they were* by the house of Micah,
they knew the voice of ° the young man the
Levite: and they turned in thither, and said
unto him, "Who brought thee hither? and
what ° makest thou in this *place*? and what
hast thou here?"

4 And he said unto them, "Thus and thus
dealeth Micah with me, and hath hired me,
and I am his priest."

5 And they said unto him, "° Ask counsel,
we pray thee, of ° God, that we may know
whether our way which we go shall be
prosperous."

6 And the priest said unto them, "Go in
peace: before ° the LORD *is* your way wherein
ye go."

g 7 Then the five ²men departed, and came to

5 house of gods. The true house of God was
neglected, and as hard to find as it is to-day (21. 19);
and, when found, dancing was the prominent feature,
not sacrifice or worship (21. 21-23).

ephod. In imitation of Aaron's. Ex. 25. 7; 28. 4.
consecrated. See note on Ex. 28. 41. Lev. 9. 17.
his priest. Not Jehovah's, but "made with hands".

6 no king. First occurrence of four, see 18. 1; 19. 1;
21. 25. Two conform to the structure here; and two
in chs. 19. 1, and 21. 25.

7 a young man. See note on 18. 30.

Beth-lehem-Judah. To distinguish it from Beth-le-
hem in Zebulun (Josh. 19. 15).

8 to sojourn. True worship neglected. Priests and
Levites unemployed. Idolaters busy making idols and
dancing.

12 his priest. Not Jehovah's; see on v. 5.

13 do me good. The "good" (as in all such cases)
never came. For Micah is afterward robbed both of his
idols and his priest.

18. -1-31 (A², p. 350). AGGRESSION OF DANITES. (Introversion and Alternation.)

A ²	d		-1. Danites. Inheritance.
	e		f 2-6. Mission of spies.
			g 7-10. Security of Laish.
	e		f 11-26. Expedition of Danites.
			g 27-29. Conquest of Laish.
	d		30, 31. Danites. Idolatry.

1 those days. Chs. 17-21 thought by some to
record earlier events in the days of Othniel by Fig.
Hysteresis (Ap. 6). See note on 17. 1, and Structure.
no king. No true "house of God" religiously (17. 5),
leads to "no king" nationally (18. 1); and nationally to
apostasy. See note on v. 6, above.

Danites. See note on Gen. 49. 17.

2 children - sons.

men. Heb. pl. of 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

coasts = borders.

men of valour = sons of valour.

mount = hill country of.

3 the young man. Cp. 17. 7.

makest = doest.

5 Ask counsel. By the use of the ephod. See 17. 5.
God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. Not Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

6 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

7 Laish. Called Leshem. Josh. 19. 47.

quiet and secure. Probably arising from the enervating
effects of malaria now endemic there. If so, it may
be identified with *Tel-el-kadi* in the fever-ridden district
at the head of the Jordan.

man = Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.

9 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

° Laish, and saw the people that *were* therein,
how they dwelt careless, after the manner of
the Zidonians, ° quiet and secure; and *there*
was no magistrate in the land, that might put
them to shame in *any* thing; and *they were*
far from the Zidonians, and had no business
with *any* ° man.

8 And they came unto their brethren to
Zorah and Eshtaol: and their brethren said
unto them, "What say ye?"

9 And they said, "Arise, that we may go up
against them: for we have seen the land, and,
° behold, it *is* very good: and *are* ye still? be
not slothful to go, and to enter to possess the
land.

10 When ye go, ye shall come unto a people
secure, and to a large land: for ° God hath
given it into your hands; a place where *there*
is no want of any thing that *is* in the earth."

efh 11 And there went from thence of the family
(p. 352) of the ¹Danites, out of Zorah and out of
1423 Eshtaol, six hundred °men °appointed with
to weapons of war.

1383 12 And they went up, and pitched in Kirjath-jearim, in Judah: wherefore they called that place °Mahaneh-dan unto this day: ° behold, it is behind Kirjath-jearim.

13 And they passed thence unto ²mount Ephraim, and came unto the house of Micah.

i 14 Then answered the five ²men that went to spy out the country of Laish, and said unto their brethren, °“Do ye know that there is in these houses an ephod, and teraphim, and a graven image, and a molten image? now therefore consider what ye have to do.”

15 And they turned thitherward, and came to the house of ³the young man the Levite, even unto the house of Micah, and saluted him.

16 And the six hundred ¹¹men ¹¹appointed with their weapons of war, which were of the ²children of Dan, stood by the entering of the gate.

17 And the five ²men that went to spy out the land went up, and came in thither, and took the graven image, and the ephod, and the teraphim, and the molten image: and the priest stood in the entering of the gate with the six hundred ¹¹men that were ¹¹appointed with weapons of war.

18 And these went into Micah's house, and fetched the carved image, °the ephod, and the teraphim, and the molten image. Then said the priest unto them, “What do ye?”

19 And they said unto him, “Hold thy peace, °lay thine hand upon thy mouth, and go with us, and be to us a father and a priest: is it °better for thee to be a priest unto the house of one man, or that thou be a priest unto a tribe and a family in Israel?”

20 And the priest's heart was glad, and he took the ephod, °and the teraphim, and the graven image, and went in the midst of the people.

h 21 So they turned and departed, and put the little ones and the cattle and the °carriage before them.

i 22 And when they were a good way from the house of Micah, °the men that were in the houses near to Micah's house were gathered together, and overtook the ²children of ¹Dan.

23 And they cried unto the ²children of ¹Dan. And they turned their faces, and said unto Micah, “What aileth thee, °that thou comest with such a company?”

24 And he said, “Ye have taken away my gods which I made, and the priest, and ye are gone away: and what have I more? and what is this that ye say unto me, ‘What aileth thee?’”

25 And the ²children of ¹Dan said unto him, “Let not thy voice be heard among us, lest angry fellows run upon thee, and thou lose thy °life, with the °lives of thy household.”

26 And the ²children of ¹Dan went their way: and when Micah saw that they were too strong for him, he turned and went back unto his house.

18. 11-26 (*f*, p. 351). EXPEDITION OF DANITES.
(*Alternation*.)

f *h* { 11-13. Expedition.
14-20. Interview with Levite.
h { 21. Expedition.
22-26. Interview with Micah.

11 men. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.
appointed = girded.

12 Mahaneh-dan = camp of Dan (13. 25).

14 Do ye know . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

18 the ephod. Sept. reads “and the ephod”. Cp. v. 17. The Heb. text has “the carved image of the ephod”.

19 lay thine hand, &c. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct) for “be silent”. Ap. 6.

better. Man's priest soon gets promotion.

20 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton*. Ap. 6.

21 carriage = goods. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct) for things carried.

23 that thou comest, &c. Heb. “that thou hast called thyself out”.

25 life = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

lives = souls. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

27 unto. Some codices, with one early printed edition, and Sept. read “as far as”.

28 business = dealings.

29 after the name. Cp. Josh. 19.

30 set up. On account of this, Dan is not named in Rev. 7, and Ephraim is there merged in Joseph.

Manasseh. This word is one of the four that has a suspended letter. Here the letter (נ), *nun* (n), is written partly in the line and partly above the line, to show that originally it formed no part of the word, but was put in to make it spell “Manasseh” instead of “Moses”. Jonathan was the grandson of Moses (his contemporary Phinehas, the grandson of Aaron, being mentioned in 20. 28). This was done for two reasons: (1) to spare the honour of Moses' memory and name; (2) to put the sin upon one who committed so gross a sin. The Talmud gives this latter as the reason. Jonathan's name is omitted in 1 Chron. 23. 15, 16, and 26. 24. The Chald. paraphrase says that “Shebuel”, there substituted, is meant for Jonathan after his repentance and restoration. Shebuel = “he returned to God”. The A.V. follows Sept. and Chald. by putting “Manasseh” in the text; R.V. follows Vulg., and those codices and early editions which have “n” suspended, by putting “Moses” in the text and “Manasseh” in the margin.

27 And they took the things which Micah had made, and the priest which he had, and came °unto Laish, unto a people that were at quiet and secure: and they smote them with the edge of the sword, and burnt the city with fire.

28 And there was no deliverer, because it was far from Zidon, and they had no °business with any °man; and it was in the valley that lieth by Beth-rehob. And they built a city, and dwelt therein.

29 And they called the name of the city ¹Dan, °after the name of ¹Dan their father, who was born unto Israel: howbeit the name of the city was Laish at the first.

30 And the children of ¹Dan °set up the graven image: and Jonathan, the son of Gershom, the son of °Manasseh, he and his sons were priests to the tribe of Dan until the day of the captivity of the land.

31 And they ³⁰set them up Micah's graven

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image, which he made, all the time that ° the house of ° God was in ° Shiloh.

B A
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C a

19 And it came to pass ° in those days, when *there was* ° no king in Israel,

that there was ° a certain Levite sojourning on the side of ° mount Ephraim, who took to him a concubine out of Beth-lehem-judah.

2 And his concubine played the whore against him, and went away from him unto her father's house to Beth-lehem-judah, and was there ° four whole months.

3 And her husband arose, and went after her, to speak ° friendly unto her, *and* to bring her again, having his servant with him, and a couple of asses: and she brought him into her father's house: and when the father of the damsel saw him, he rejoiced to meet him.

4 And his father in law, the damsel's father, retained him; and he abode with him three days: so they did eat and drink, and lodged there.

5 And it came to pass on the fourth day, when they arose early in the morning, that he rose up to depart: and the damsel's father said unto his son in law, "Comfort thine heart with a morsel of bread, and afterward go your way."

6 And they sat down, and did eat and drink both of them together: for the damsel's father had said unto the ° man, "Be content, I pray thee, and tarry all night, and let thine heart be merry."

7 And when the ° man rose up to depart, his father in law urged him: therefore he lodged there again.

8 And he arose early in the morning on the fifth day to depart: and the damsel's father said, "Comfort thine heart, I pray thee." And they tarried until afternoon, and they did eat both of them.

9 And when the ° man rose up to depart, *he*, and his concubine, and his servant, his father in law, the damsel's father, said unto him, "Behold, now the day draweth toward evening, I pray you tarry all night: behold, the day groweth to an end, lodge here, that thine heart may be merry; and to morrow get you early on your way, that thou mayest go home."

b 10 But the ° man would not tarry that night, but he rose up and departed, and came over against ° Jebus, which *is* Jerusalem; and *there were* with him two asses saddled, his concubine also *was* with him.

11 And when *they were* by ° Jebus, the day was far spent; and the servant said unto his master, "Come, I pray thee, and let us turn in into this city of the Jebusites, and lodge in it."

12 And his master said unto him, "We will not turn aside hither into the city of a stranger, that *is* not of the ° children of Israel; we will pass over to ° Gibeah."

13 And he said unto his servant, "Come, and let us draw near to one of these places to lodge all night, in Gibeah, or in Ramah."

14 And they passed on and went their way; and the sun went down upon them *when they were* by Gibeah, which *belongeth* to Benjamin.

31 the house of God: i.e. the Tabernacle of Moses, but not recognised as the house of Jehovah, the Covenant God.

God. Heb. *hā'Ēlohim* = the [true] God. Ap. 4. Shiloh. First of five occurrences in Judges, cp. 21. 12, 19, 21, 21. For the eight occurrences in Joshua see note on Josh. 18. 1.

19. 1-21. 25 (B, p. 323). INTERNAL DISORDERS. (*Introversion and Alternation.*)

B A | 19. 1-. "No king".
B | C | 19. -1-28. The Provocation.
D | 19. 29-20. 11. Resentment.
B | C | 20. 12-46. The civil war.
D | 20. 47-21. 24. The Regret.
A | 21. 25. "No king".

19. -1-28 (C, above). THE PROVOCATION. (*Alternation.*)

C a | -1-9. At father-in-law's house.
b | 10-15. Journey.
a | 16-26. At old man's house.
b | 27, 28. Journey.

1 in those days. In the same days as ch. 18. 1. Soon after the death of Joshua. Fig. *Hysterologia*. Ap. 6. no king. See note on 18. 1.

a certain Levite. The house of God neglected. Priests and Levites unemployed and wandering about. Cp. 17. 7. mount = the hill country of.

2 four whole months. Heb. "days, four months", so some think = "a year and four months".

3 friendly. Heb. "to her heart" = affectionately.

6 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

9 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

10 Jebus. At that time still occupied by Canaanites. See Josh. 10. 1; 15. 63. 12 children = sons.

Gibeah. City of Benjamin; later, the residence of Saul (1 Sam. 10. 26; 11. 4).

15 street = open place.

16 men. Heb. *'enōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

18 going. His direction was towards mount Ephraim, not to Shiloh!

the house of the LORD. So Micah's temple was already called. Cp. 18. 31.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

19 servants. Some codices, with three early printed editions, Aram., and Syr., read "servant" (Singular).

15 And they turned aside thither, to go in *and* to lodge in Gibeah: and when he went in, he sat him down in a ° street of the city: for *there was* no ° man that took them into his house to lodging.

16 And, ° behold, there came an old ° man from his work out of the field at even, which *was* also of mount Ephraim; and *he* sojourned in Gibeah: but the ° men of the place *were* Benjamites.

17 And when he had lifted up his eyes, he saw a wayfaring ° man in the street of the city: and the old ° man said, "Whither goest thou? and whence comest thou?"

18 And he said un'° him, "We are passing from Beth-lehem-judah toward the side of mount Ephraim; from thence *am* I: and I went to Beth-lehem-judah, but I *am now* ° going to ° the house of ° the LORD; and there *is* no ° man that receiveth me to house.

19 Yet there is both straw and provender for our asses; and there is bread and wine also for me, and for thy handmaid, and for the young man *which is* with thy ° servants: *there is* no want of any thing."

20 And the old ° man said, "Peace be with

1423 thee; howsoever *let* all thy wants *lie* upon
to me; only lodge not in the street."

1388 21 So he brought him into his house, and gave provender unto the asses: and they washed their feet, and did eat and drink.

22 Now as they were making their hearts merry, behold, the ¹⁶men of the city, certain sons of Belial, beset the house round about, and beat at the door, and spake to the master of the house, the old man, saying, "Bring forth the ¹⁶man that came into thine house, that we may know him."

23 And the man, the master of the house, went out unto them, and said unto them, "Nay, my brethren, nay, I pray you, do not so wickedly; seeing that this man is come into mine house, do not this folly."

24 Behold, here is my daughter a maiden, and his concubine; them I will bring out now, and humble ye them, and do with them what seemeth good unto you: but unto this man do not so vile a thing."

25 But the ¹⁶men would not hearken to him: so the man took his concubine, and brought her forth unto them; and they knew her, and abused her all the night until the morning: and when the day began to spring, they let her go.

26 Then came the woman in the dawning of the day, and fell down at the door of the man's house where her lord was, till it was light.

b (p. 353) 27 And her lord rose up in the morning, and opened the doors of the house, and went out to go his way: and, behold, the woman his concubine was fallen down at the door of the house, and her hands were upon the threshold.

28 And he said unto her, "Up, and let us be going." But none answered. Then the man took her up upon an ass, and the man rose up, and gat him unto his place.

D c (p. 354) 29 And when he was come into his house, he took a knife, and laid hold on his concubine, and divided her, together with her bones, into twelve pieces, and sent her into all the coasts of Israel.

30 And it was so, that all that saw it said, "There was no such deed done nor seen from the day that the children of Israel came up out of the land of Egypt unto this day: consider of it, take advice, and speak your minds."

d 20 Then all the children of Israel went out, and the congregation was gathered together as one man, from Dan even to Beer-sheba, with the land of Gilead, unto the LORD in Mizpeh.

2 And the chief of all the people, even of all the tribes of Israel, presented themselves in the assembly of the people of God, four hundred thousand footmen that drew sword.

3 Now the children of Benjamin heard that the children of Israel were gone up to Mizpeh. Then said the children of Israel, "Tell us, how was this wickedness?"

c 4 And the Levite, the husband of the woman that was slain, answered and said, "I came into Gibeah that belongeth to Benjamin, and my concubine, to lodge.

22 sons of Belial = worthless scoundrels, sons of the devil.

door. Like Sodom (Gen. 19. 4), a sign of the moral corruption which follows apostasy and accompanies idolatry.

23 the man. Another Lot in another Sodom. wickedly. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

24 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

26 door = entrance.

28 an = the.

19. 29—20. 11 (D, p. 353). RESENTMENT. (Alternation.)

D c | 19. 29, 30. Message to tribes.

d | 20. 1-3. Unanimity.

c | 20. 4-7. Recital to tribes.

d | 20. 8-11. Unanimity.

29 coasts = borders.

30 no such deed done. "The days of Gibeah" became proverbial. Cp. Hos. 9. 9; 10. 9.

20. 1 Then. These chapters (20, 21), by Fig. *Hystero-logia* (Ap. 6), describe events which took place soon after Joshua's death. See notes on 18. 1 and 19. 1. children = sons.

as one man. All this excitement, unanimity, and bloodshed about an injury done to a woman; no sense of the evil of idolatry and sin against God, recorded in ch. 19.

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 God. Heb. *hā-'Ēlohim* = the [true] God. Ap. 14.

See note on 18. 31.

3 Now. Note the Fig. *Parenthesis* in this verse. Ap. 6. Mizpeh on the south-west border of Benjamin, not Mizpeh on the east of Jordan (10. 17; 11. 11, 29).

wickedness. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

4 the Levite. Heb. = "the man, the Levite".

5 men = masters or head-men.

7 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

10 men. Heb. *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

11 men. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

12-46 [For Structures see next page].

5 And the men of Gibeah rose against me, and beset the house round about upon me by night, and thought to have slain me: and my concubine have they forced, that she is dead.

6 And I took my concubine, and cut her in pieces, and sent her throughout all the country of the inheritance of Israel: for they have committed lewdness and folly in Israel.

7 Behold, ye are all children of Israel; give here your advice and counsel."

8 And all the people arose as one man, saying, "We will not any of us go to his tent, neither will we any of us turn into his house."

9 But now this shall be the thing which we will do to Gibeah; we will go up by lot against it;

10 And we will take ten men of an hundred throughout all the tribes of Israel, and an hundred of a thousand, and a thousand out of ten thousand, to fetch victual for the People, that they may do, when they come to Gibeah of Benjamin, according to all the folly that they have wrought in Israel."

11 So all the men of Israel were gathered against the city, knit together as one man.

12 And the tribes of Israel sent ¹⁰men through all the tribe of Benjamin, saying, "What wickedness is this that is done among you?"

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f 13 Now therefore deliver *us* the ¹⁰ men, the
(p. 355) ¹ children of Belial, which *are* in Gibeah, that
1423 to we may put them to death, and put away evil
1383 from Israel."

f But the ¹ children of Benjamin would not
hearken to the voice of their brethren the
¹ children of Israel:

e 14 But the ¹ children of Benjamin gathered
themselves together out of the cities unto
Gibeah, to go out to battle against the ¹ chil-
dren of Israel.

F 15 And the ¹ children of Benjamin were num-
bered at that time out of the cities twenty and
six thousand ° men that drew sword, beside
the inhabitants of Gibeah, which were num-
bered seven hundred chosen ° men.

16 Among all this people *there were* seven
hundred chosen men ° lefthanded; every one
could sling stones at an ° hair ° breadth, and
not ° miss.

F 17 And the ¹⁵ men of Israel, beside Benjamin,
were numbered four hundred thousand men
that drew sword: all these *were* men of war.

E G¹ g i 18 And the ¹ children of Israel arose, and
went up to the house of ° God, and asked
counsel of ° God, and said, "Which of us shall
go up first to the battle against the ¹ children
of Benjamin?" And ° the LORD said, "Judah
shall go up first."

k 19 And the ¹ children of Israel rose up in the
morning, and encamped against Gibeah.

20 And the men of Israel went out to battle
against Benjamin; and the men of Israel put
themselves in array to fight against them at
Gibeah.

h 21 And the ¹ children of Benjamin came forth
out of Gibeah, and destroyed down to the
ground of the Israelites that day twenty and
two thousand men.

g l 22 And the People the ¹⁵ men of Israel en-
couraged themselves, and set their battle
again in array in the place where they put
themselves in array the first day.

i 23 (° And the ¹ children of Israel went up and
wept ° before ° the LORD until even, and ° asked
counsel of ° the LORD, saying, "Shall I go up
again to battle against the children of Benja-
min my brother?" And ° the LORD said, "Go
up against him.")

h 24 And the ¹ children of Israel came near
against the ¹ children of Benjamin the second
day.

25 And Benjamin went forth against them
out of Gibeah the second day, and destroyed
down to the ground of the ¹ children of Israel
again eighteen thousand men; all these drew
the sword.

G² H¹ 26 Then all the ¹ children of Israel, and all the
People, went up, and came unto ° the house of
¹⁸ God, and wept, and sat there before ° the
LORD, and fasted that day until even, and
° offered burnt offerings and peace offerings
before ° the LORD.

27 And the ¹ children of Israel enquired of

20. 12-46 (C, p. 353). THE CIVIL WAR. (Introversion.)

C E | 12-14. Negotiations.
F | 15, 16. Army of Benjamites.
F | 17. Army of Israelites.
E | 18-46. Hostilities.

12-14 (E, above). NEGOTIATIONS. (Introversion.)

E | e | 12. Expostulation.
f | 13-. Requisition.
f | -13. Refusal.
e | 14. Preparation.

13 men. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.
16 lefthanded. Heb. lame, or bound, in his right
hand.

hair breadth = a hair. No *Ellipsis*, omit "breadth".
miss. Heb. *chātā'*. See Ap. 44. i.

18-46 (E, above). HOSTILITIES. (Division.)

E | G¹ | 18-25. Unsuccessful.
G² | 26-46. Successful.

18-25 (G¹, above). UNSUCCESSFUL. (Alternation and Introversion.)

G¹ | g | i | 18. Inquiry.
k | 19, 20. Array.
h | 21. Slain of Israel (22,000).
g | k | 22. Array.
i | 23. Inquiry.
h | 24, 25. Slain of Israel (18,000).

18 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4.
23 And. Note the Fig. *Parenthesis*. Ap. 6.
before the LORD. At Shiloh (18. 31).
asked counsel. By Phinehas, with Urim and Thum-
mim. Cp. v. 28, and see notes on Ex. 28. 30. Num. 26. 55.

26-46 (G², above). SUCCESSFUL. (Division.)

G² | H¹ | 26-28. Promise.
H² | 29-46. Fulfilment.

26 the house of God. Not to be rendered "Beth-el"
as in Sept., Syr., &c.; for the house of God was in
Shiloh (18. 31), also the camp of Israel (21. 12).

offered = offered up. See Ap. 43. I. vi.
28 Phinehas. The grandson of Aaron, the con-
temporary of Jonathan the grandson of Moses (18. 30).
This is the only mention of the high priest throughout
the book.

Aaron. Some codices, with Syr., add "the priest".

29-46 [For Structures see next page].

¹ the LORD, (for the ark of the covenant of
²⁶ God was there in those days,

28 And ° Phinehas, the son of Eleazar, the
son of ° Aaron, stood before it in those days,) saying,
"Shall I yet again go out to battle
against the ¹ children of Benjamin my brother,
or shall I cease?" And ° the LORD said, "Go
up; for to-morrow I will deliver them into thine
hand."

29 And Israel set liers in wait round about
Gibeah.

30 And the ¹ children of Israel went up
against the ¹ children of Benjamin on the
third day, and put themselves in array against
Gibeah, as at other times.

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n 31 And the ¹children of Benjamin went out
(p. 356) against the People, *and* were drawn away
1423 from the city; and they began to smite of the
to People, *and* kill, as at other times, in the high-
1383 ways, of which one goeth up to ° the house of
¹⁸ God, and the other to Gibeah in the field,
about thirty ¹⁵ men of Israel.

32 And the children of Benjamin said, "They
are smitten down before us, as at the first."

m But the ¹children of Israel said, "Let us flee,
and draw them from the city unto the high-
ways."

33 And all the ¹⁵ men of Israel rose up out of
their place, and put themselves in array at
Baal-tamar:

l and the liers in wait of Israel came forth out
of their places, *even* out of the ° meadows of
Gibeah.

K o 34 And there came against Gibeah ten thou-
sand chosen ¹⁵ men out of all Israel, and the
battle was sore:

p but they knew not that ° evil *was* near them.

q 35 And ¹the LORD smote Benjamin before
Israel: and the ¹children of Israel destroyed of
the Benjamites that day twenty and five thou-
sand and an hundred ¹⁵ men: all these drew the
sword.

p 36 So the ¹children of Benjamin saw that they
were smitten: for the ¹⁵ men of Israel gave
place to the Benjamites, because they ° trusted
unto the liers in wait which they had set
beside Gibeah.

o 37 And the liers in wait hasted, and rushed
upon Gibeah; and the liers in wait ° drew
themselves along, and smote all the city with
the edge of the sword.

J r 38 Now there was an appointed sign between
the ¹⁵ men of Israel and the liers in wait, that
they should make a great flame with smoke
rise up out of the city.

s 39 And when the ¹⁵ men of Israel retired in
the battle, Benjamin began to smite *and* kill
of the ¹⁵ men of Israel about thirty persons: for
they said, "Surely they *are* smitten down before
us, as *in* the first battle."

r 40 But when the flame began to arise up out
of the city with a pillar of smoke, the Ben-
jamites looked behind them, and, ° behold, the
flame of ° the city ascended up to heaven.

s 41 And when the ¹⁵ men of Israel turned
again, the ¹⁵ men of Benjamin were amazed:
for they saw that ³⁴ evil *was* come upon them.

K t 42 Therefore they turned *their backs* before
the ¹⁵ men of Israel unto the way of the wilder-
ness; but the battle overtook them;

u and them which *came* out of the cities they
destroyed in the midst of them.

43 Thus they inclosed the Benjamites round
about, *and* chased them, *and* trode them down
with ease ° over against Gibeah toward the
sunrising.

44 And there fell of Benjamin eighteen
thousand ¹⁵ men; all these *were* ¹⁵ men of
valour.

20. 29-46 (H², p. 355). FULFILMENT.
(*Alternation.*)

H² J | 29-33. Ambuscade.
K | 34-37. Defeat.
J | 38-41. Ambuscade.
K | 42-46. Defeat.

29-33 (J, above). AMBUSCADE.
(*Introversion.*)

J | 1 | 29. Ambuscade.
m | 30. Array.
n | 31, 32-. Slain of Israel (thirty).
m | -32, 33-. Pretended flight.
l | -33. Ambuscade.

31 the house of God = Beth-el. Here it denotes Beth-
el. One of the three cities mentioned.

33 meadows. Probably = forest.

34-37 (K, above). DEFEAT.
(*Introversion.*)

K | o | 34-. Attack by ambuscade.
p | -34. Danger unknown.
q | 35. Slain of Benjamites (25,000).
p | 36. Danger known.
o | 37. Attack by ambuscade.

34 evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

36 trusted. Confided or placed hope in. Heb.
bātah. Ap. 69. I.

37 drew themselves along = marched forward.

38-41 (J, above). AMBUSCADE.
(*Alternation.*)

J | r | 38. Signal arranged.
s | 39. Slain of Israel.
r | 40. Signal given.
s | 41. Amazement of Benjamites.

40 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.
the city = the whole city, or the holocaust of the
city.

42-46 (K, above). DEFEAT.
(*Alternation.*)

K | t | 42-. Flight.
u | -42-44. Slain of Benjamites.
t | 45-. Flight.
u | -45, 46. Slain of Benjamites.

43 over against - as far as over against.

47-21. 24 (D, p. 353). REGRET.
(*Alternation and Introversion.*)

D | v | 20. 47. The 600 fugitives (Rimmon).
w | x | 20. 48. Destruction of others.
y | 21. 1-12. First expedient.
v | 21. 13-15. The 600 fugitives (Rimmon).
w | y | 21. 16-23-. Second expedient.
x | 21. -23, 24. Reparation.

47 six hundred. Cp. 21. 13.

45 And they turned and fled toward the
wilderness unto the rock of Rimmon:

and they gleaned of them in the highways
five thousand ¹⁵ men; and pursued hard after
them unto Gidom, and slew two thousand
¹⁵ men of them.

46 So that all which fell that day of Ben-
jamin were twenty and five thousand ¹⁵ men
that drew the sword; all these *were* ¹⁵ men of
valour.

47 But ° six hundred ¹⁵ men turned and fled to
the wilderness unto the rock Rimmon, and
abode in the rock Rimmon four months.

48 And the ¹⁵ men of Israel turned again

1423 upon the ¹children of Benjamin, and smote
to them with the edge of the sword, as well ^o the
1383 men of *every* city, as the beast, and all that
came to hand: also they set on fire all the cities
that they came to.

y z b **21** Now the ^omen of Israel ^ohad sworn in
(p. 357) Mizpeh, saying, "There shall not any
of us give his daughter unto Benjamin to
wife."

c **2** And the people came to ^othe house of
^oGod, and abode there till even before ^oGod,
and lifted up their voices, and ^owept sore;

3 And said, "O ^oLORD ^oGod of Israel, why
is this come to pass in Israel, that there should
be to day one tribe lacking in Israel?"

4 And it came to pass on the morrow, that
the People rose early, and built there an altar,
and ^ooffered burnt offerings and peace offer-
ings.

a **5** And the ^ochildren of Israel said, "Who *is*
there among all the tribes of Israel that came
not up with the ^ocongregation unto ³the
LORD?" For they had made a great oath
concerning him that came not up to ³the LORD
to Mizpeh, saying, "He shall surely be put to
death."

z c **6** And the ⁵children of Israel repented them
for Benjamin their brother, and said, "There
is one tribe cut off from Israel this day.

b **7** How shall we do for wives for them that
remain, seeing we have sworn by ³the LORD
that we will not give them of our daughters to
wives?"

a **8** And they said, "What one *is there* of the
tribes of Israel that came not up to Mizpeh to
³the LORD?" And, ^obehold, there came none
to the camp from Jabesh-gilead to the as-
sembly.

9 For the People were numbered, and, ⁸be-
hold, *there were* none of the inhabitants of
Jabesh-gilead there.

10 And the congregation sent thither twelve
thousand ¹men of the valiantest, and com-
manded them, saying, "Go and smite the in-
habitants of Jabesh-gilead with the edge of
the sword, with the women and the ^ochild-
ren.

11 And this *is* the thing that ye shall do, Ye
shall utterly destroy every male, and every
woman that hath lain by ^oman."

12 And they found among the inhabitants of
Jabesh-gilead four hundred ^oyoung ^ovirgins,
that had known no man by lying with any
male: and they brought them unto the camp to
^oShiloh, which *is* in the land of Canaan.

c **13** And the whole congregation sent *some* to
speak to the ¹children of Benjamin that *were*
in the rock Rimmon, and to ^ocall peaceably
unto them.

14 And Benjamin came again at that time;
and they gave them wives which they had
saved alive of the women of Jabesh-gilead:
and yet so they sufficed them not.

15 And the People repented them for Benja-
min, because that ³the LORD had made a
breach in the tribes of Israel.

w y d¹ e **16** Then the elders of the congregation said,

48 the men = every one.

21. 1-12 (y, p. 356). FIRST EXPEDIENT.
(Alternation and Introversion.)

y	z	b	1. Oath.
		c	2-4. Sorrow.
		a	5. Absentees. Inquiry.
z	c	6. Sorrow.	
	b	7. Oath.	
	a	8-12. Absentees. Punishment.	

1 men. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

had sworn: i. e. before the fighting of ch. 20.

2 the house of God. Probably Shiloh, cp. v. 12 and 18. 31.

God. Heb. *hā-'Ēlohim*, "the [true] God". Ap. 4. I.
wept sore. Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6), "wept a great weeping". See note on Gen. 26. 28. Benjamin is indeed, now, "a son of sorrow" (*Ben-oni*, a son of sorrow, Gen. 35. 18).

3 LORD God - *Jehovah Elohim*. Ap. 4. I, II.

4 offered. Heb. *'ālāh*. Ap. 43. I. vi.

5 children = sons.

congregation = military assembly.

8 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

10 children = little children. Heb. *ṭaph*. Cp. 13. 5.

11 man = male. Heb. *zākār*.

12 young virgins. Heb. young women, virgins.
virgins. Heb. *b'ṭhūlāh*.

Shiloh. See note on 18. 31.

13 call peaceably = proclaim peace.

16-23 - (y, p. 356). SECOND EXPEDIENT.
(Division and Introversions.)

y	d ¹	e	16, 17. Deficiency. Inquiry.
		f	18. Prevention.
	e	19. Deficiency. Supply.	
d ²	g	20, 21. Advice given.	
	h	22. Conciliation.	
	g	23-. Advice taken.	

19 a feast of the LORD. Some codices, with two early printed editions, read "a feast to Jehovah".

yearly. The three feasts had come down to one. Apostasy was the cause of all their internal disorders. north side, &c. Shiloh and the house of Jehovah were so neglected that these minute instructions were necessary to enable an Israelite to find it. We have the same difficulty to-day; and when we find it we too often find, not the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, but what answers to that which we find in v. 21.

Lebanah. A.V. 1611 reads "Lebanon" by an error. Modern "Lubban", about 3½ miles north-west of Shiloh.

"How shall we do for wives for them that remain, seeing the women are destroyed out of Benjamin?"

17 And they said, "*There must be* an inheritance for them that be escaped of Benjamin, that a tribe be not destroyed out of Israel.

18 Howbeit we may not give them wives of our daughters: for the ⁵children of Israel have sworn, saying, 'Cursed be he that giveth a wife to Benjamin.'"

19 Then they said, ⁸"Behold, *there is* ^oa feast of ³the LORD in ¹²Shiloh ^oyearly in a place which *is* on the ^onorth side of Beth-el, on the east side of the highway that goeth up from Beth-el to Shechem, and on the south of ^oLebanah."

20 Therefore they commanded the ⁵children

1423 of Benjamin, saying, "Go and lie in wait in the
to vineyards;

1388 21 And see, and, ⁸ behold, if the daughters of
¹² Shiloh come out to ^o dance in dances, then
come ye out of the vineyards, and catch you
every ^o man his wife of the daughters of
¹² Shiloh, and go to the land of Benjamin.

h 22 And it shall be, when their fathers or
their brethren come unto us to complain, that
we will say unto them, 'Be favourable unto
them for our sakes: because we reserved not
to each man his wife in the war: for *ye* did not
give unto them ^o at this time, *that* ye should be
guilty.'"

g 23 And the ⁵ children of Benjamin did so, and
took *them* wives, according to their number, of
them that danced, whom they caught:

x and they went and returned unto their inher-
itance, and ^o repaired the cities, and dwelt in
them.

21 dance in dances. This is what "religion" had
come to in those days of apostasy, by which we must
judge it.

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

22 at this time, &c.: i.e. "at the time when ye
would have incurred guilt [by so doing]".

23 repaired = rebuilt, or built up.

25 no king. Note the structural arrangement of
the four occurrences of this expression. See note on
18. 1.

did = did continually. This is the Divine summing
up of the whole book, by way of Epilogue. All the evil
follows as the result of the disobedience in 1. 27-36.

24 And the ⁵ children of Israel departed
thence at that time, ²¹ every man to his tribe
and to his family, and they went out from
thence ²¹ every man to his inheritance.

25 In those days *there was* ^o no king in
Israel: ²¹ every man ^o did *that which* was right
in his own eyes.

A

RUTH.

THE STRUCTURE OF THE BOOK AS A WHOLE.

A | 1. 1-18. ELIMELECH'S FAMILY. THE DEPRESSION.

B | 1. 19-22. SYMPATHY WITH NAOMI, IN GRIEF.

C | 2. 1-23. BOAZ AND RUTH.

C | 3. 1-4. 13. RUTH AND BOAZ.

B | 4. 14-17. SYMPATHY WITH NAOMI, IN JOY.

A | 4. 18-22. ELIMELECH'S FAMILY, THE UPLIFTING.

THE °BOOK OF °RUTH.

A A¹
(p. 361)
about
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1 ° Now it came to pass in the days ° when the judges ruled, that there was ° a famine in the land. And a certain ° man of Beth-lehem-judah went to sojourn in the ° country of Moab, he, and his wife, and his two sons.

2 And the name of the ° man was ° Elimelech, and the name of his wife ° Naomi, and the name of his two sons ° Mahlon and ° Chilion, ° Ephrathites of Beth-lehem-judah. And they came into the ° country of Moab, and continued there.

3 And Elimelech Naomi's husband died; and she was left, and her two sons.

B¹ **4** And they ° took them wives of the women of Moab; the name of the one was ° Orpah, and the name of the other ° Ruth: and they dwelled there about ten years.

1336 to 1326 **5** And Mahlon and Chilion died also both of them; and the woman was ° left of her two sons and her husband.

A² **6** Then she arose with her daughters in law, that she might ° return from the ° country of Moab: for she had heard in the ° country of Moab how that ° the LORD had ° visited His People in giving them bread.

7 Wherefore she went forth out of the place where she was, and her two daughters in law with her; and they went on the way to return unto the land of Judah.

B² a¹ **8** And Naomi said unto her two daughters in law, "Go, return each to her mother's house: ° the LORD deal kindly with you, ° as ye have dealt with the dead, and with me.

9 ° The LORD grant you that ye may find ° rest, each of you in the house of her husband." Then she kissed them;

b¹ and they lifted up their voice, and wept.

10 And they said unto her, "Surely ° we will return with thee unto thy People."

a² **11** And Naomi said, "Turn again, my daughters: ° why will ye go with me? are there yet any more sons in my womb, that they may be your husbands?"

12 Turn again, my daughters, go your way; for I am too old to have an husband. If I ° should say, I have hope, if I should have an husband also to night, and should also bear sons;

13 ° Would ye tarry for them till they were grown? ° would ye stay for them from having husbands? nay, my daughters; for it grieveth me much for your sakes that the hand of ° the LORD is gone out against me."

b² **14** And they lifted up their voice, and wept again: and Orpah kissed her mother in law; but Ruth clave unto her.

TITLE, Book. For its place in the Hebrew Canon, see Ap. 1. The second of the five *Megillôth*, or Scrolls. Read at the Feast of Pentecost. Their order determined by the order of the feasts. Written as being necessary for the link it affords in the Genealogy of David and Christ "the son of David", Matt. 1. 5-16. Placed in the Canon after Judges by the Sept. Followed by all the versions.

Ruth. Two books with names of women: Ruth, a Gentile, marries a Hebrew husband; Esther, a Jewess, marries a Gentile husband. Two tokens that Gentiles, as such, were to be blessed only through Abraham's seed, according to Gen. 12. 3; 18. 18; 22. 18; 26. 4. Ps. 72. 17. Acts 3. 25.

1. 1-18 (A, p. 359). ELIMELECH'S FAMILY. THE DEPRESSION. (Alternation.)

A¹ | 1-3. Departure from Beth-lehem.

B¹ | 4, 5. Daughters-in-law. Bereavement.

A² | 6, 7. Departure for Beth-lehem.

B² | 8-18. Daughters-in-law. Colloquy.

1 Now it came to pass in the days. Occurs five times. Always denotes impending trouble, followed by happy deliverance. Cp. Gen. 14. 1. Est. 1. 1. Isa. 7. 1. Jer. 1. 3.

when the judges ruled. Doubtless, in the early days, before the sin of Judg. 1 developed the later internal disorders, and outward oppressions.

a famine. See note on Gen. 12. 10.

man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

country = fields.

2 Elimelech = My God is king.

Naomi = My pleasant one.

Mahlon = Sick.

Chilion = Pining.

Ephrathites. Ephrath was the ancient name of Beth-lehem, where Rachel was buried (Gen. 35. 19; 48. 7).

4 took them wives. Canaanitish wives forbidden (Deut. 7. 3, &c.), but not Moabitish wives; though a Moabite man might not enter the congregation of Jehovah. See note, Deut. 23. 3.

Orpah = Hind or Fawn.

Ruth = Beauty. Wife of Mahlon the elder.

5 left = left survivor.

6 return. This was in 1326, the year before the second jubilee (1325-1324). See Ap. 50. IV, p. 54.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

visited. Cp. Ex. 4. 31. Ps. 132. 15. Luke 1. 68.

8-18 (B², above). DAUGHTERS-IN-LAW. COLLOQUY. (Repeated Alternation.)

B² | a¹ | 8, 9-. Advice to leave her.

b¹ | -9, 10. Reception. Refusal of both.

a² | 11-13. Advice to leave her.

b² | 14. Reception. Refusal of Ruth.

a³ | 15. Advice to leave her.

b³ | 16-18. Reception. Resolve of Ruth.

8 as - according as.

9 rest. Cp. 3. 1. A characteristic word in this Book.

10 we will return with thee. This liberty was allowed by the laws of Khammurabi, §§ 171-173 and 177.

11 why . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

12 should say - should have said.

13 Would . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

^a₃ (p. 361) 1326 15 And she said, ° "Behold, thy sister in law is gone back unto her People, and unto her gods: return thou after thy sister in law."

^b₃ 16 And Ruth said, "Intreat me not to leave thee, or to return from following after thee: for whither thou goest, I will go; and where thou lodgest, I will lodge: thy People *shall be* my People, and thy ° God my ° God:

17 Where thou diest, will I die, and there will I be buried: ° the LORD do so to me, and more also, *if ought* but death part thee and me."

18 When she saw that she was stedfastly minded to go with her, then she left speaking unto her.

^B_C (p. 362) 19 So they two went until they came to ° Beth-lehem.

^D And it came to pass, when they were come to Beth-lehem, that all the city was moved about them, and they said, "Is this Naomi?"

^D 20 And she said unto ° them, "Call me not Naomi, call me Mara: for ° the ALMIGHTY hath dealt very bitterly with me.

21 ¶ went out full, and ° the LORD hath brought me home again empty: why *then* call ye me Naomi, seeing ° the LORD hath testified against me, and ° the ALMIGHTY hath afflicted me?"

^C 22 So ° Naomi returned, and Ruth ° the Moabitess, her daughter in law, with her, which returned out of the country of Moab: and they came to Beth-lehem in the beginning of ° barley harvest.

^C_c 2 And Naomi had a kinsman of her husband's, a mighty ° man of wealth, of the family of Elimelech; and his name was Boaz.

^d_e 2 And Ruth ° the Moabitess said unto Naomi, "Let me now go to the field, and glean ears of corn after *him* in whose sight I shall find grace." And she said unto her, "Go, my daughter."

^f 3 And she went, and came, and ° gleaned in the field after the reapers: and her ° hap was to light on a part of the field *belonging* unto Boaz, who was of the kindred of Elimelech.

^g 4 And, ° behold, Boaz came from Beth-lehem, and said unto the reapers, ° "The LORD be with you." And ° they answered him, ° "The LORD bless thee."

5 Then said Boaz unto his servant that was set over the reapers, "Whose damsel is this?"

6 And the servant that was set over the reapers answered and said, "¶ *is* ° the Moabitish damsel that came back with Naomi out of the country of Moab:

7 And she said, 'I pray you, let me glean and gather after the reapers among the sheaves: ' so she came, and hath continued even ° from the morning until now, that she tarried a little in the house."

8 Then said Boaz unto Ruth, ° "Hearest thou not, my daughter? Go not to glean in another field, neither go from hence, but abide here ° fast by my maidens:

15 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

16 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4.

19-22 (^B, p. 359). SYMPATHY WITH NAOMI. IN GRIEF. (*Introversion*.)

^B | ^C | 19-. Beth-lehem. Arrival.

| ^D | -19. Sympathy given.

| ^D | 20, 21. Sympathy needed.

| ^C | 22. Beth-lehem. Settlement.

19 Beth-lehem = House of bread.

20 them. Fem., and the verb "call" is fem. also, so that Naomi was addressing the women.

the ALMIGHTY = *Shaddai*. See Ap. 4.

22 the Moabitess. So called five times. In Deut. 23. 3, it is masculine, and does not affect Ruth.

barley harvest. Therefore at the Passover.

2. 1-23 (^C, p. 359). BOAZ AND RUTH.

(*Introversion and Extended Alternation*.)

^C | ^c | 1. Boaz. His kindred.

| ^d | ^e | 2. Ruth. Purpose.

| ^f | 3. Departure.

| ^g | 4 16. Colloquy. Boaz and Ruth.

| ^d | ^e | 17. Ruth. Performance.

| ^f | 18. Return.

| ^g | 19-22. Colloquy. Naomi and Ruth.

| ^c | 23. Boaz. His maidens.

1 man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II.

2 the Moabitess. See note on 1. 4, 22.

3 gleaned. Cp. Lev. 19. 9, 10; 23. 22. Deut. 24. 19. hap. From Anglo-Saxon, good luck=happy. Heb. "her chance chanced". Fig. *Polyptoton*. Ap. 6.

4 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

The LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

they answered. This tells of a time of peace, prosperity, and quiet.

7 from the morning = all the morning.

8 Hearest thou not . . . ? Fig. *Eyotēsis*. Ap. 6.

fast. Anglo-Saxon - steadfast: i. e. cleave to.

10 take knowledge. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), put for "caring for". Ap. 6.

stranger = foreigner.

12 work . . . reward . . . trust. Note the order of these three words for a spiritual application.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

wings. By Fig. *Anthropopatheia* (Ap. 6) attributed to Jehovah; denoting His tender care.

trust = flee for refuge. Heb. *ḥaṣāh*. Ap. 69. II.

9 Let thine eyes be on the field that they do reap, and go thou after them: have I not charged the young men that they shall not touch thee? and when thou art athirst, go unto the vessels, and drink of *that* which the young men have drawn."

10 Then she fell on her face, and bowed herself to the ground, and said unto him, "Why have I found grace in thine eyes, that thou shouldest ° take knowledge of me, seeing ¶ *am* a ° stranger?"

11 And Boaz answered and said unto her, "It hath fully been shewed me, all that thou hast done unto thy mother in law since the death of thine husband: and *how* thou hast left thy father and thy mother, and the land of thy nativity, and art come unto a People which thou knewest not heretofore.

12 ° The LORD recompense thy ° work, and a full ° reward be given thee of ° the LORD ° God of Israel, under Whose ° wings thou art come to ° trust."

13 Then she said, "Let me find favour in thy

1326 sight, my lord; for that thou hast comforted me, and for that thou hast spoken ° friendly unto thine handmaid, ° though § be not like unto one of thine handmaidens."

14 And Boaz said unto her, "At mealtime come thou hither, and eat of the bread, and dip thy morsel in the vinegar." And she sat beside the reapers: and he reached her parched corn, and she did eat, and was sufficed, and ° left.

15 And when she was risen up to glean, Boaz commanded his young men, saying, "Let her glean even among the sheaves, and reproach her not:

16 And let fall also some of the handfuls ° of purpose for her, and leave them, that she may glean them, and rebuke her not."

d e (p. 362) 17 So she gleaned in the field until even, and beat out that she had gleaned: and it was about an ° ephah of barley.

f 18 And she took it up, and went into the city: and her mother in law saw what she had gleaned: and she brought forth, and gave to her that she had reserved after she was sufficed.

g 19 And her mother in law said unto her, "Where hast thou gleaned to day? and where wroughtest thou? blessed be he that did ° take knowledge of thee." And she shewed her mother in law with whom she had wrought, and said, "The ° man's name with whom I wrought to day is Boaz."

20 And Naomi said unto her daughter in law, "Blessed be he of ° the LORD, Who hath not left off His ° kindness to the living and to the dead." And Naomi said unto her, "The ° man is near of kin unto us, ° one of our next kinsmen."

21 And Ruth ° the Moabitess said, "He said unto me also, 'Thou shalt keep ° fast by my young men, until they have ended all my harvest.'"

22 And Naomi said unto Ruth her daughter in law, "It is good, my daughter, that thou go out with his maidens, that they meet thee not in any other field."

c 23 So she kept fast by the maidens of Boaz to glean unto the end of barley harvest ° and of wheat harvest; and ° dwelt with her mother in law.

C E (p. 363) 3 Then Naomi her mother in law said unto her, "My daughter, ° shall I not seek ° rest for thee, that it may be well with thee?

2 And now is not Boaz of our kindred, with whose maidens thou wast? ° Behold, ° he winnoweth barley to night in the threshing floor.

3 Wash thyself therefore, and anoint thee, and put thy raiment upon thee, and get thee down to the floor: but make not thyself known unto the ° man, until he shall have done eating and drinking.

4 And it shall be, when he lieth down, that thou shalt mark the place where he shall lie, and thou shalt go in, and uncover his feet, and lay thee down; and he will tell thee what thou shalt do."

5 And she said unto her, "All that thou sayest ° unto me I will do."

13 friendly = to the heart.

though I be not. Or, Oh that I might be.

14 left = left thereof remaining.

16 of purpose = on purpose.

17 ephah. See Ap. 51. III. 3.

20 kindness = lovingkindness.

one of = "he [is]".

21 the Moabitess. See note on 1. 4, 22.

23 and of wheat harvest. Therefore near the Feast of Pentecost. This is why this book is read at that feast. See note on title.

dwelt with. Some codices read "returned unto". Vulg. commences the next chapter with this sentence.

3. 1-4. 13 (C, p. 359). RUTH AND BOAZ. (Introversion.)

C | E | 3. 1-12. Claim of kinsman. Asserted.

F | 3. 13. Promise made.

F | 3. 14-18. Promise waited for.

E | 4. 1-13. Claim of kinsman. Fulfilled.

1 shall I not . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

rest. See 1. 9.

2 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

he winnoweth. This was, and is to-day, the master's work. His servants plowed, sowed, and reaped.

3 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

5 unto me. Some codices, with Sept. and Vulg., omit these words.

9 thy skirt = wing (with Sept. and Vulg.). Other codices, with two early printed editions, read "wings". "Wing" put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause) for protective care. Ap. 6.

10 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

11 thou requirest = thou shalt say. Some codices, with Aram., Syr., and Vulg., add "unto me".

city. Heb. gate, put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part) for the people assembling there.

6 And she went down unto the floor, and did according to all that her mother in law bade her.

7 And when Boaz had eaten and drunk, and his heart was merry, he went to lie down at the end of the heap of corn: and she came softly, and uncovered his feet, and laid her down.

8 And it came to pass at midnight, that the ° man was afraid, and turned himself: and, ° behold, a woman lay at his feet.

9 And he said, "Who art thou?" And she answered, "§ am Ruth thine handmaid: spread therefore ° thy skirt over thine handmaid; for thou art a near kinsman."

10 And he said, "Blessed be thou of ° the LORD, my daughter: for thou hast shewed more kindness in the latter end than at the beginning, inasmuch as thou followedst not young men, whether poor or rich.

11 And now, my daughter, fear not; I will do to thee all that ° thou requirest: for all the ° city of my People doth know that thou art a virtuous woman.

12 And now it is true that § am thy near kinsman: howbeit there is a kinsman nearer than I.

13 Tarry this night, and it shall be in the morning, that if he will perform unto thee the part of a kinsman, well; let him do the kinsman's part: but if he will not do the part of a kinsman to thee, then will § do the part of a kinsman to thee, as ° the LORD liveth: lie down until the morning."

F (p. 363) 1326 14 And she lay at his feet until the morning: and she rose up before °one could know another. And he said, "Let it not be known that a woman came into the floor."

15 Also he said, "Bring the °vail that *thou* hast upon thee, and hold it." And when she held it, he measured six *measures* of barley, and laid it on her: and °she went into the city.

16 And when she came to her mother in law, she said, "Who *art* thou, my daughter?" And she told her all that the °man had done to her.

17 And she said, "These six *measures* of barley gave he me; for he said to me, 'Go not empty unto thy mother in law.'"

18 Then said she, "Sit still, my daughter, until thou know how the matter will fall: for the °man will not be in rest, until he have finished the thing this day."

E h (p. 364) 4 Then went Boaz up to the gate, and sat him down there: and, °behold, °the kinsman of whom Boaz spake came by; unto whom he said, "Ho, such a one! turn aside, sit down here." And he turned aside, and sat down.

2 And he took ten °men of the elders of the city, and said, "Sit ye down here." And they sat down.

3 And he said unto °the kinsman, "Naomi, that is come again out of the °country of Moab, selleth °a parcel of land, which *was* our brother Elimelech's:

4 And I thought to advertise thee, saying, 'Buy it °before the inhabitants, and before the elders of my People. If thou wilt °redeem it, °redeem it: but if °thou wilt not °redeem it, then tell me, that I may know: for *there is* none to °redeem it beside thee; and I *am* after thee.'" And he said, "I will °redeem it."

5 Then said Boaz, "What day thou buyest the field of the hand of Naomi, thou must buy it also of Ruth the Moabitess, the wife of the dead, to raise up the name of the dead upon his inheritance."

6 And °the kinsman said, "I cannot °redeem it for myself, lest I mar mine own inheritance: °redeem thou my right to thyself; for I cannot °redeem it."

7 Now this *was the manner* in former time in Israel concerning °redeeming and concerning changing, for to confirm all things; °a man plucked off his shoe, and gave it to his neighbour: and this *was a testimony* in Israel.

8 Therefore °the kinsman said unto Boaz, "Buy it for thee." So he °drew off his shoe.

9 And Boaz said unto the elders, and unto all the People, "¶ *are* witnesses this day, that I have bought all that *was* Elimelech's, and all that *was* Chilion's and Mahlon's, of the hand of Naomi.

10 Moreover Ruth the Moabitess, the wife of Mahlon, have I purchased to be my wife, to raise up the name of the dead upon his inheritance, that the name of the dead be not cut off from among his brethren, and °from the gate of his place: ¶ *are* witnesses this day."

11 And all the People that *were* in the gate, and the elders, said, "¶ *are* witnesses.

i °The LORD make the woman that is come into thine house like Rachel and like Leah, which two did build the house of Israel: and do thou

14 one = a man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

15 vail = mantle or cloak, worn by all peasants; only the town-women veiling the face. Cp. Isa. 3. 23. she went - he went. The verb is masculine. Some codices, with Syr. and Vulg., read "she".

4. 1-13 (E, p. 363). CLAIM OF KINSMAN. FULFILLED. (Introversion.)

E h | 1-11-. In detail.

| 1 | -11, 12. Prayer.

| *h* | 13. In sum.

1 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

the kinsman. Heb. *Goel* the next of kin, who has the right of redemption. See notes on Ex. 6. 6, and 13. 13.

Ho. Fig. *Exclamatio*. Ap. 6.

2 men. Heb. *'enosh*. Ap. 14. III.

3 country = fields.

a parcel of land = the parcel of the field.

4 before the inhabitants = in the presence of such as are seated here.

redeem. Heb. *ga'al*, to redeem by purchase. See Ex. 6. 6, and cp. 13. 13.

thou. Heb. text has "he". But a special various reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 34), and some codices, with Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "thou", which the A.V. seems to have followed.

7 a man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II. A custom that grew up outside the Law.

8 drew = plucked.

10 from the gate = from the people of his city, "gate" being put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part) for the people wont to assemble there. Ap. 6.

11 The LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

be famous = proclaim a name.

12 Pharez. Cp. Gen. 38. 29. 1 Chron. 2. 4. Matt. 1. 3.

13 bare a son. In the second jubilee year (1325-1324).

14-17 (B, p. 359). SYMPATHY WITH NAOMI. IN JOY. (Introversion.)

B k | 14, 15. Blessing by women.

| 1 | 16. Naomi's joy.

| *k* | 17-. Naming by women.

15 life soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

-17-22 [For Structure see next page].

worthily in Ephratah, and °be famous in Bethlehem:

12 And let thy house be like the house of °Pharez, whom Tamar bare unto Judah, of the seed which °the LORD shall give thee of this young woman."

13 So Boaz took Ruth, and she was his wife: and when he went in unto her, °the LORD gave her conception, and she °bare a son.

14 And the women said unto Naomi, "Blessed be °the LORD, Which hath not left thee this day without a °kinsman, that his name may be famous in Israel.

15 And he shall be unto thee a restorer of *thy* °life, and a nourisher of thine old age: for thy daughter in law, which loveth thee, which is better to thee than seven sons, hath born him."

16 And Naomi took the child, and laid it in her bosom, and became nurse unto it.

17 And the women her neighbours gave it a name, saying, "There is a son born to Naomi;"

and they called his name Obed: ¶ *is* the father of Jesse, the father of David.

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18 Now °these *are* the generations of °Pharez: Pharez begat Hezron,

19 And °Hezron begat Ram, and °Ram begat Amminadab,

20 And Amminadab begat °Nahshon, and Nahshon begat °Salmon,

21 And Salmon begat °Boaz, and Boaz begat Obed,

m

22 And Obed begat Jesse, and Jesse begat David.

-17-22 (A, p. 359). ELIMELECH'S FAMILY. THE UPLIFTING. (*Introversion.*)

A | m | -17. Obed, Jesse, and David.

n | 18-21. The generations of Pharez.

m | 22. Obed, Jesse, and David.

18 these are the generations. The thirteenth occurrence, out of fourteen given in the Bible. The last in O.T. See note on p. 1.

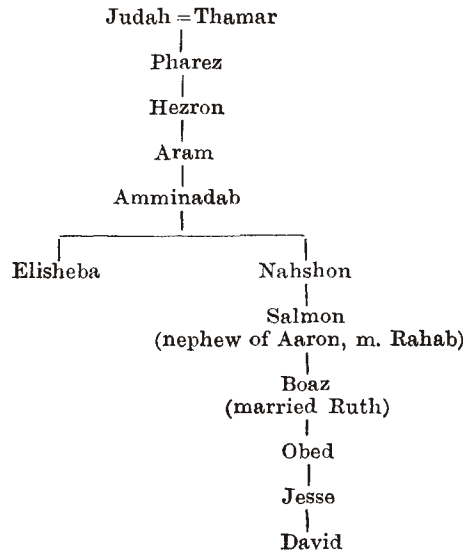
Pharez. The son of Judah. See Ap. 29. Gen. 38. 39. 1 Chron. 2. 4. Matt. 1. 3. Luke 3. 33. See note below.

19 Hezron. Cp. Gen. 46. 12.

Ram. Cp. 1 Chron. 2. 9.

20 Nahshon. Prince of Israel in the wilderness (1 Chron. 2. 10). Cp. Num. 1. 7; 7. 12; 10. 14. Salmon. Married Rahab (Matt. 1. 5). Nephew of Aaron. 21 Boaz. Married Ruth. Cp. v. 13.

THE GENERATIONS OF PHAREZ.*



* NOTE ON "THE GENERATIONS OF PHAREZ".

If SALMON married RAHAB in the year of the entry into the land (1451 B.C.); and the birth of DAVID was in 990 B.C.; then, according to the above Table of Generations, the period of 461 years is covered by only four lives; viz. SALMON, BOAZ, OBED, and JESSE.

The inference therefore seems clear that, as in a *Royal* line it is not necessary to include *every* link (as it is in the case of an ordinary man), certain names are omitted in this pedigree, in order that "the generations of PHAREZ" may be reckoned as ten generations, to accord with the principle which we observe from ADAM to ZEDEKIAH (viz. ADAM to NOAH, ten; SHEM to ABRAHAM, ten; SOLOMON to ZEDEKIAH, twice ten). So here PHAREZ to DAVID is given in ten generations.

We see the same principle at work in other Tables of our Lord's ancestry, names are omitted in order to make uniform reckonings.

For example, in Matt. 1. 1-17 we have three counts of "fourteen generations"; see notes there. In v. 1 we have the whole given in *two* links (DAVID and ABRAHAM). Ruth herself is omitted in v. 17, above.

1 AND 2 SAMUEL.

THE STRUCTURE OF THE TWO BOOKS* AS A WHOLE.

THE WHOLE.

(Division.)

A¹ | 1 Sam. 1. 1 — 7. 17. RULE UNDER THE JUDGES.

A² | 1 Sam. 8. 1 — 2 Sam. 24. 25. RULE UNDER THE KINGS.

1 Sam. 8. 1 -- 2 Sam. 24. 25 (**A²**, above). RULE UNDER THE KINGS.

(Division.)

A² | **B¹** | 1 Sam. 8. 1—2 Sam. 1. 27. KING SAUL.
| **B²** | 2 Sam. 2. 1—24. 25. KING DAVID.

2 Sam. 2. 1 — 24. 25 (**B²**, above). KING DAVID.

(Division.)

B² | **C¹** | 2 Sam. 2. 1—4. 12. KINGDOM DIVIDED.
| **C²** | 2 Sam. 5. 1—24. 25. KINGDOM UNITED.

* It is necessary that the two books should be treated as one; because, in the Hebrew Canon (as given in the MSS. and early printed editions of the Hebrew text) the two are, and always have been, presented and reckoned as one book.

They were first divided, and treated as two, by the Septuagint Translators (cent. 3 B.C.). And this division has been followed in all subsequent versions.

Probably, scrolls were more or less equal in length; and, as Greek requires at least one-third more space than Hebrew, one scroll was filled before the translation of the one long book of fifty-five chapters was completed. Hence, the poor division. Of the thirty-four *Sedarim* (or cycles for public reading), the twentieth begins with 1 Sam. 30. 25 and ends with 2 Sam. 2. 6, showing no break in the text.

The same applies to the two so-called Books of Kings; for Kings also made a long book of forty-seven chapters, and came to be divided in the same way, the four being numbered respectively the "First, Second, Third, and Fourth Book of the Kingdoms"¹; and, in the Vulgate, "of the Kings". In no Hebrew MS. or early printed edition is the book found divided into two. The thirty-five divisions, called *Sedarim*, are numbered throughout without regard to any division: the nineteenth beginning with 1 Kings 22. 43 and ending with 2 Kings 2. 14. This division must have been governed by the exigencies of the parchment, or the break would not have been made in the midst of the reign of Ahaziah and the ministry of Elijah.

The one book, Chronicles, consisting of sixty-five chapters, came under the same treatment. There are twenty-five *Sedarim* (or cycles for public reading), of which the eleventh begins with 1 Chron. 28. 10 and ends with 2 Chron. 2. 2, showing no break in the text. For the division of the book Ezra-Nehemiah, see notes on p. 616.

¹ The Structure of these four "BOOKS OF THE KINGDOMS" may be exhibited thus:

X	Y	2 Sam. 2. 1—4. 12. The Divided Kingdom.
	Z	2 Sam. 5. 1—24. 25. The United Kingdom.
	Z	1 Kings 1. 1—12. 15. The United Kingdom.
	Y	1 Kings 12. 16—2 Kings 25. 38. The Divided Kingdom.

THE °FIRST BOOK OF °SAMUEL,

° OTHERWISE CALLED,

THE FIRST BOOK OF THE KINGS.

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1 Now there was a certain man of Ramathaim-zophim, of °mount Ephraim, and his name was °Elkanah, the son of Jeroham, the son of Elihu, the son of Tohu, the son of Zuph, an Ephrathite:

2 And he had two wives; the name of the one was °Hannah, and the name of the other °Peninnah: and Peninnah had °children, but Hannah had no °children.

3 And this man went up out of his city °yearly to worship and to sacrifice unto °the LORD of hosts in °Shiloh.

D¹ And the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, the priests of °the LORD, were there.

E **4** And when the °time was that Elkanah offered, he gave to Peninnah his wife, and to all her sons and her daughters, portions:

5 But unto Hannah he gave a °worthy portion; for he loved Hannah: (but °the LORD had shut up her womb.)

6 And her adversary also provoked her sore, for to make her fret, because °the LORD had shut up her womb.

7 And as he did so year by year, when she went up to the house of °the LORD, so she provoked her; therefore she wept, and did not eat.

F a **8** Then said Elkanah her husband to her, "Hannah, °why weepest thou? and °why eatest thou not? and °why is thy heart grieved? am not °better to thee °than ten sons?"

9 So Hannah rose up after they had eaten in Shiloh, and after they had drunk. Now Eli the priest sat upon °a seat by °a post of °the temple of °the LORD.

TITLE, First Book of Samuel. See note on p. 366. For its place in the Heb. canon, see Ap. 1.

Samuel. The books follow on Judges, and yet hold a peculiar place of their own, looking backward and forward. Heb. *Shemū'el* = Asked of God, or God-heard, and the impression of this is left on the books (chs. 8, 9, 16, and 2 Sam. 7). As to authorship, cp. 1 Chron. 29. 29, which shows that the prophets kept up the national records, which accounts for such passages as 1 Sam. 27. 6. In the Books of Samuel and Kings events are viewed from the human and exoteric standpoint, while in Chronicles the same events are viewed from the Divine and esoteric standpoint. Examples of these abound. (See Ap. 56.)

otherwise called. See note on p. 366.

For the parallel passages in the Book of Chronicles, see Ap. 56.

1. 1—7. 17 (A¹, p. 366). RULE UNDER JUDGES. (Alternation.)

A¹ A | 1. 1—4. 1—. The provocation of Israel.
B | 4. —1—7. 2—. Subjection by Philistines.
A | 7. —2—6. The repentance of Israel.
B | 7. 7—17. Deliverance from Philistines.

1. 1—4. 1 (A, above). PROVOCATION OF ISRAEL. (Repeated Alternation.)

A C¹ | 1. 1—3—. Elkanah and family.
D¹ | 1. —3. The sons of Eli.
C² | 1. 4—2. 11. Elkanah and family.
D² | 2. 12—17. The sons of Eli.
C³ | 2. 18—21. Elkanah and family.
D³ | 2. 22—25. The sons of Eli.
C⁴ | 2. 26. Elkanah's son, Samuel.
D⁴ | 2. 27—36. Eli and his sons.
C⁵ | 3. 1—10. Elkanah's son, Samuel.
D⁵ | 3. 11—18. Eli and his sons.
C⁶ | 3. 19—4. 1—. Elkanah's son, Samuel.

1 mount = hill country of.

Elkanah = Acquired by God, i. e. perhaps in exchange for firstborn (Num. 3. 13, 45), a son of Korah. See Ex. 6. 24. **2** Hannah = Grace. Peninnah = Pearl. Note

the Fig. *Antimetabole*. Ap. 6. children = offspring. Heb. *yālad*. **3** yearly. Heb. "from days to days". Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6, to emphasise the regularity. the LORD of hosts = Jehovah Sabaoth, one of the Jehovah-titles. The first of 281 occurrences. Denotes the God of Israel as the Lord of all the hosts of heaven and earth. See Ap. 4. II. This title specially characterises this book. Shiloh. Where the Tabernacle and Ark were. Josh. 18. 1; 19. 51; 22. 9. Judg. 18. 31. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

1. 4—2. 11 (C², above). ELKANAH AND FAMILY. (Introversion and Alternation.)

C² E | 1. 4—7. Hannah and her adversary.
F | a | 1. 8—10. Prayer offered.
b | 1. 11. Vow made.
F | a | 1. 12—20. Prayer answered.
b | 1. 21—28. Vow fulfilled.
E | 2. 1—11. Hannah and Jehovah.

4 time = day. Punctuality thus emphasised. **5** worthy = double. **8** why...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Cp. John 20. 13, 15. better... than ten sons. Probably a *Paræmia* (Ap. 6). It is so to-day among the Arabs: such a woman being called *moonejeba* = ennobled. **9** a seat = the seat. First occurrence. Cp. Zech. 6. 13. a post = door post, or side post. the temple = palace. Heb. *heykal*. Seven mentioned in Scripture: (1) The Tabernacle, 1 Sam. 1. 9; (2) Solomon's, 1 Kings 6. 5, 17; (3) Zerubbabel's, Ezra 4. 1, 2; (4) Herod's, John 2. 20; (5) The future one of 2 Thess. 2. 4; (6) The millennial temple of Ezek. 41. 1; and (7) the heavenly temple of Rev. 21. 3, 22. Also seven references to believers as a temple in N. T.: 1 Cor. 3. 9—17; 6. 19. 2 Cor. 6. 16. Eph. 2. 20, 21. Heb. 3. 6. 1 Pet. 2. 5; 4. 17.

1061 10 And she ^{she} was in bitterness of ^osoul, and prayed unto ³the LORD, and wept sore.

b (p. 367) 11 And she ^ovowed a vow, and said, "O ³LORD of hosts, if Thou wilt indeed look on the affliction of Thine handmaid, and ^oremember me, and not forget Thine handmaid, but wilt give unto Thine handmaid a man child, then I will give him unto ³the LORD all the days of his life, and there shall ^ono razor come upon his head."

F a 12 And it came to pass, as she continued praying before ³the LORD, that Eli marked her mouth.

13 Now Hannah, ^{she} spake in her heart; only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard: therefore Eli thought she had been drunken.

14 And Eli said unto her, "How long wilt thou be drunken? put away thy wine from thee."

15 And Hannah answered and said, "No, my lord, I ^{am} a woman of a sorrowful ^ospirit: I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but have poured out my ¹⁰soul before ³the LORD.

16 Count not thine handmaid for a daughter of Belial: for out of the abundance of my complaint and grief have I spoken hitherto."

17 Then Eli answered and said, "Go in peace: and the ^oGod of Israel grant ^{thee} thy petition that thou hast asked of Him."

18 And she said, "Let thine handmaid find grace in thy sight." So the woman went her way, and did eat, and her countenance was no more sad.

19 And they rose up in the morning early, and worshipped before ³the LORD, and returned, and came to their house to ^oRamah: and Elkanah knew Hannah his wife; and ³the LORD ^oremembered her.

1060 20 Wherefore it came to pass, when the time was come about after Hannah had conceived, that she ^obare a son, and called his name ^oSamuel, ^{saying}, "Because I have asked him of ³the LORD."

b c' (p. 368) 21 And the ^oman Elkanah, and all his house, went up to ^ooffer unto ³the LORD the yearly sacrifice, and his vow.

d' 22 But Hannah went not up; for she said unto her husband, "I will not go up until the ^ochild be weaned, and ^{then} I will bring him, that he may appear before ³the LORD, and there abide ^ofor ever."

1055 23 And Elkanah her husband said unto her, "Do what seemeth thee good; tarry until thou have weaned him; only ³the LORD establish His word." So the woman abode, and gave her son suck until she weaned him.

c' 1048 24 And when she had ^oweaned him, she took him up with her, with ^othree bullocks, and one ^oephah of flour, and ^oa bottle of wine, and brought him unto the house of ³the LORD in Shiloh: (^oand the ²²child ^{was} young).

25 And they slew ^oa bullock, and brought the ²²child to Eli.

d' 26 And she said, "Oh my lord, as ^othy soul liveth, my lord, I ^{am} the woman that stood by thee here, praying unto ³the LORD.

10 soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

11 vowed a vow = made a solemn vow. Fig. *Polyptoton*. Ap. 6. See note on Gen. 26. 28.

remember me, and not forget. Fig. *Pleonasm* (Ap. 6) for great emphasis.

no razor. See Num. 6. 5. Judg. 13. 5; 16. 17.

14 How long . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

15 spirit. Heb. *ruach*. Ap. 9.

17 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

19 Ramah. Hence this was Samuel's residence.

remembered. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

20 bare a son. Thus Samuel was a descendant of Korah. See Ex. 6. 24.

Samuel. See note on Title, p. 367.

21-28 (b, p. 367). VOW FULFILLED. (Repeated Alternation.)

b | c' | 21. Worship.

d' | 22, 23. Presentation postponed.

c' | 24, 25. Worship.

d' | 26-28-. Presentation made.

c' | -28. Worship.

21 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

offer = sacrifice. Ap. 43. I. iv.

22 child = young child.

for ever. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Whole), Ap. 6. The whole put for a portion; i. e. as long as he lives. Put literally in v. 28.

24 weaned. From 2 Macc. 7. 27 it has been inferred that the time of weaning included the periods of nourishment and up-bringing, which would bring Samuel to the age of at least twelve years. Cp. Isaac's weaning at the age of five years, and see Gen. 21. 8.

three bullocks. Sept. and Syr. read "a bullock of three years". Cp. v. 25, and Gen. 15. 9.

ephah. See Ap. 51. III. 3.

a bottle = a skin bottle.

and the child ^{was} young. Heb. *v'hannar nā'ar*. Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6) = "now the boy was a child". Note also the Fig. *Parenthesis*. Ap. 6.

25 a = the.

26 thy soul = thyself. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

28 the LORD = Jehovah. Punctuate thus, "to Jehovah as long as he liveth. He shall be", &c. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6) in vv. 27, 28. "Jehovah hath given me my petition (*she'elāthi*) which I asked of Him (*shā'alti*); therefore also I have lent him (*hishiltihū*) to Jehovah."

2. 1-11 [For Structure see next page].

1 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

Mine horn. First occurrence. Part of head-dress over which the veil is thrown hanging over the shoulders; mothers making it more perpendicular. This is now fast becoming extinct. Cp. 2 Sam. 22. 3. Ps. 75. 4. Luke 1. 69.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah* (Ap. 4. II). Some codices, with two early printed editions, read "My God". Ap. 4. I. Cp. v. 17.

27 For this ²²child I prayed; and ³the LORD hath given me my petition which I asked of Him:

28 Therefore also I have lent him to ^othe LORD; as long as he liveth ^{he} shall be lent to ^othe LORD."

And he worshipped ^othe LORD there.

2 And Hannah prayed, and said,
"My heart rejoiceth in ^othe LORD,
^oMine horn is exalted in ^othe LORD:
My mouth is enlarged over mine enemies;
Because I rejoice in Thy salvation.

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2 *There is* ° none ° holy as ¹ the LORD:
For *there is* none beside Thee:
Neither *is there* ° any rock like our ° God.

3 Talk no more so ° exceeding proudly;
Let ° *not* arrogancy come out of your
mouth:

For ¹ the LORD *is* a ° GOD of knowledge,
And by Him actions are weighed.

4 The bows of the mighty men *are* broken,
And they that stumbled are girded with
strength.

5 *They that were* full have hired out them-
selves for bread;
And *they that were* hungry ceased:
So that the barren hath born seven;
And she that hath many ° children is waxed
feeble.

6 ¹ The LORD killeth, and maketh alive:
He bringeth down to ° the grave, and
bringeth up.

7 ¹ The LORD maketh poor, and maketh
rich:
He bringeth low, and lifteth up.

8 He raiseth up ° the poor out of the dust,
And lifteth up the beggar from the dung-
hill,
To set *them* among princes,
And to make them inherit the throne of
glory:

For the ° pillars of the earth *are* ¹ the
LORD'S,
And He hath set the world upon them.

9 He will keep the feet of His saints,
And the ° wicked shall be silent in dark-
ness;
For by strength shall no ° man prevail.

10 The adversaries of ¹ the LORD shall be
broken to pieces;
° Out of heaven shall He thunder upon
them:

¹ The LORD shall judge the ends of the
earth;

And He shall give strength unto ° His king,
And exalt ° the horn of ° His ° Anointed."

11 And Elkanah went to Ramah to his house.
And the ° child did minister unto ¹ the LORD be-
fore Eli the priest.

12 Now the sons of Eli *were* sons of Belial;
they knew not ¹ the LORD.

13 And the priests' custom with the people
was, that, when any ° man ° offered sacrifice,
the priest's servant came, while the flesh was
° in seething, with a fleshhook of three teeth
in his hand;

14 And he struck *it* into the pan, or kettle, or
caldron, or pot; all that the fleshhook brought
up the priest ° took for himself. So they did
in Shiloh unto all the Israelites that came
thither.

15 Also before ° they burnt the fat, the priests'
servant came, and said to the ¹³ man that
sacrificed, ° "Give flesh to roast for the priest;
for he will not have ° sodden flesh of thee, but
raw."

16 And *if* any ¹³ man said unto him, "Let
them not fail to ° burn the fat ° presently, and
then take as much as ° thy soul desireth;"
then he would answer ° him, "Nay; but thou

2. 1-11 (E, p. 367). HANNAH AND JEHOVAH.
(Repeated Alternation.)

E | e¹ | 1, 2. Jehovah. Holiness.
| f¹ | 3-. Enemies. Pride broken.
e² | -3. Jehovah. Knowledge.
| f² | 4, 5. Enemies. Weapons broken.
e³ | 6-9. Jehovah. Grace.
| f³ | 10-. Enemies. Themselves broken.
e⁴ | -10. Jehovah. Grace.

2 none holy. This is the cry of all His saints. See
note on Ex. 15. 11. holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.
any rock. Cp. Deut. 32. 4. 2 Sam. 22. 32.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4.

3 exceeding proudly. This is the true rendering
of the Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6). Heb. "proudly, proudly".
not. The latter of two or more negatives not
necessary in Heb. An Ellipsis must be supplied, as here.
See note on Gen. 2. 6.

GOD = El. Ap. 4. IV.

5 children = sons.

6 the grave. Heb. *sh'öl*. Ap. 35.

8 the poor: i. e. the oppressed. Cp. Ps. 113. 7.

pillars. Heb. *māzūk* - that which is set fast. Occurs
only here and 14. 5, where it is rendered "situate".

9 wicked = lawless. See Ap. 44. x.

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

10 Out of heaven. See 7. 10.

His king. First occurrence. Cp. Ps. 2. 6.

His Anointed - His Messiah. The first occurrence
as used of Christ. So Sept. and Vulg.

Anointed. Sept. reads "Christos" = Christ.

11 child = youth.

13 offered. Heb. *zābāh*. Ap. 43. I. iv.

in seething = boiling.

14 took for himself. Robbing the offerers of their
own portion. See Lev. 7. 31-35. Deut. 18. 3.

15 they: i. e. not the offerer, but the priest for him.
Give flesh. This was contrary to Lev. 3. 16; 7. 23, 25,
30, 31. sodden = boiled.

16 burn (as incense). See Ap. 43. I. vii.
presently = now, immediately, without delay, at once.

This English meaning is now obsolete.

thy soul = thou (emph.). Heb. *nepshesh*. Ap. 13.

him, Nay. "Nay" is to be read, instead of "him".
In some codices, with three early printed editions,
Sept., Syr., and Vulg.

17 sin. Heb. *chāṭā'*. Ap. 44. i.

men. Heb. *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

18-21 (C³, p. 367). ELKANAH AND FAMILY.
(Introversion and Alternation.)

C³ | g | 18. Samuel. Ministration.
| h | i | 19. Parents' yearly visit.
| k | 20-. Eli's blessing.
h | i | -20. Parents' return.
| k | 21-. Jehovah's visitation.
g | -21. Samuel. Growth.

18 a linen ephod. Not the High Priest's, but a simple
linen robe of the ordinary priests and Levites and others.
1 Sam. 22. 18. 2 Sam. 6. 14. Cp. Ex. 28. 42. Lev. 6. 10.

shalt give *it* me now: and if not, I will take *it*
by force."

17 Wherefore the ° sin of the young men was
very great before ¹ the LORD: for ° men ab-
horred the offering of ¹ the LORD.

18 But Samuel ministered before ¹ the LORD,
being a ¹¹ child, girded with ° a linen ephod.

19 Moreover his mother made him a little
coat, and brought *it* to him from year to year,
when she came up with her husband to ¹³ offer
the yearly sacrifice.

20 And Eli blessed Elkanah and his wife, and

C³ g

h i

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1048 to said, "The LORD give thee seed of this woman
1044 for the ° loan which is lent to ° the LORD."

h i And they went unto their own home.

(p. 369) k 21 And ° the LORD visited Hannah, so that she conceived, and bare three sons and two daughters.

g And the ° child Samuel grew before ° the LORD.

D³ 22 Now Eli was very old, and heard all that
(p. 367) his sons did unto all Israel; and how they lay with the women that assembled at the ° door of the ° tabernacle of the congregation.

23 And he said unto them, "Why do ye such things? for I hear of your ° evil dealings ° by all this People."

24 Nay, my sons; ° for it is no good report that I hear: ye make ° the LORD'S People ° to transgress.

25 If one ° man sin against another, ° the judge shall judge him: but if a ° man sin against ° the LORD, ° who shall intreat for him? ° Notwithstanding they hearkened not unto the voice of their father, because ° the LORD would slay them.

C⁴ 26 And the ° child Samuel grew on, and was in favour both with ° the LORD, and also with ° men.

D⁴ 1¹ 27 And there came a ° man of ° God unto Eli,
(p. 370) and said unto him, "Thus saith ° the LORD, ° 'Did I plainly ° appear unto the house of thy father, when ° they ° were in Egypt in Pharaoh's house?'"

28 And ° did I choose him out of all the tribes of Israel to be My priest, ° to offer upon Mine altar, to ° burn incense, to wear an ephod before Me? and ° did I give unto the house of ° thy father all the offerings made by fire of the ° children of Israel?

m¹ 29 Wherefore ° kick ye at My sacrifice and at Mine ° offering, which I have commanded in My habitation; and honourest thy sons above Me, to make yourselves fat with the chiefest of all the ° offerings of Israel My People? °

1² 30 Wherefore ° the LORD ° God of Israel saith, 'I said indeed that thy house, and the house of thy father, should walk before Me for ever: °

m² but now ° the LORD saith, 'Be it far from Me; for them that honour Me I will honour, and they that despise Me shall be lightly esteemed.

31 ° Behold, the days come, that I will cut off thine ° arm, and the ° arm of thy father's house, that there shall not be an old man in thine house.

32 And thou shalt ° see an enemy in my habitation, in all the wealth which God shall give Israel: and there shall not be an old man in thine house for ever.

33 And the ° man of thine, whom I shall not cut off from Mine altar, shall be to consume ° thine eyes, and to ° grieve ° thine ° heart: and all the increase of ° thine house shall die ° in the flower of their age.

34 And this shall be a sign unto thee, that shall come upon thy two sons, on Hophni and Phinehas; in one day they shall ° die both of them.

1³ 35 And I will raise Me up a faithful priest,

20 loan which is lent = the great gift. Fig. *Polyptoton*, for emphasis. Ap. 6.

22 door = entrance.

tabernacle = tent of meeting.

23 Why . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

by = from.

24 for. Heb. has the disjunctive accent on this word (Great *T'lisha*), emphasising the guilt of Hophni and Phinehas as (1) a public scandal (v. 23); (2) a cause of stumbling (v. 24); (3) a sin against Jehovah (v. 25).

to transgress, or cry out. Heb. *'abar*. Ap. 44. vii.

25 the judge = God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

who . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

2. 27-36 (D⁴, p. 367). ELI AND HIS SONS. (Repeated Alternation.)

D⁴ 1¹ | 27, 28. Election of priestly order.

m¹ | 29. Provocation of Eli's sons.

1² | 30-. Election of Eli.

m² | 30-34. Rejection of Eli's sons.

1³ | 35, 36. Election of Samuel.

27 man of God: i.e. a prophet. See Deut. 33. 1 and Ap. 49. Cp. Judg. 13. 6.

Did I plainly . . . ? = I did indeed, with Sept., Aram., and Syr.

appear = reveal Myself.

they. Aaron as well as Moses was in Pharaoh's house. See note on Ex. 4. 27.

were. Sept. reads "were servants". Cp. Deut. 5. 6.

28 to offer. See Ap. 43. I. vi.

burn incense. See Ap. 43. I. vii.

thy father: i.e. Aaron. Ex. 29. 27, 28. Lev. 10. 14. children = sons.

29 kick. Cp. Deut. 32. 15; its only other occurrence. offering = gift offerings. See Ap. 43. II. iii.

31 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

arm = seed.

32 see an enemy. Cp. Ps. 78. 60-64.

33 thine. Sept. reads "his".

grieve. Heb. *'adab*. Occurs only here.

heart = soul. Heb. *nephes*. Ap. 13.

in the flower of their age. Sept. reads "with the sword of men".

34 die both. See 4. 11.

35 mind = soul. Heb. *nephes*. Ap. 13.

36 to him: i.e. to the Anointed [king] of v. 10: already pointing to the High Priest as being no longer the judge, but subordinate to the king.

3. 1-10 [For Structure see next page].

1 child = youth. Heb. *na'ar*.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

was = had come to be.

precious. Heb. *yākar* = heavy (in price). Note the five precious things in Old Testament: the word of God (3. 1, its first occurrence); redemption (Ps. 49. 8); the death of His saints (Ps. 72. 14; 116. 15); the lips of knowledge (Prov. 20. 15); the thoughts of God (Ps. 139. 17). See note on the five in New Testament (Matt. 26. 7).

that shall do according to that which is in Mine heart and in My ° mind: and I will build him a sure house; and he shall walk before Mine anointed for ever.

36 And it shall come to pass, that every one that is left in thine house shall come and crouch ° to him for a piece of silver and a morsel of bread, and shall say, 'Put me, I pray thee, into one of the priests' offices, that I may eat a piece of bread.'

3 And the ° child Samuel ministered unto ° the LORD before Eli. And the word of ° the LORD ° was ° precious in those days; there was no open vision.

C³ n
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o p¹ 2 And it came to pass at that time, when Eli
(p. 371) was laid down in his place, and his eyes began
1044 to wax dim, *that* he could not ° see ;

1040 3 And ere the ° lamp of ° God went out in ° the
temple of ° the LORD, where the ark of ° God
was, and Samuel was laid down to sleep ;

4 That ° the LORD called Samuel : and he
answered, ° “ Here *am* I.”

5 And he ran unto Eli, and said, “ Here *am* I ;
for thou calledst me.” And he said, “ I called
not ; lie down again.” And he went and lay
down.

p² 6 And ° the LORD called yet again, “ Samuel.”
And Samuel arose and went to Eli, and said,
“ Here *am* I ; for thou didst call me.” And he
answered, “ I called not, my son ; lie down
again.”

7 Now Samuel did not yet know ° the LORD,
neither was the word of ° the LORD yet revealed
unto him.

o p³ 8 And ° the LORD called Samuel again the
third time. And he arose and went to Eli, and
said, “ Here *am* I ; for thou didst call me.”
And Eli perceived that ° the LORD had called
the ° child.

9 Therefore Eli said unto Samuel, “ Go, lie
down : and it shall be, if He call thee, that thou
shalt say, ‘ Speak, ° LORD ; for Thy servant
heareth.’ ” So Samuel went and lay down in
his place.

p⁴ 10 And ° the LORD came, and stood, and called
as at other times, ° “ Samuel, Samuel.” Then
Samuel answered, “ Speak ; for Thy servant
heareth.”

D⁵ q¹ 11 And ° the LORD said to Samuel, ° “ Behold,
I will do a thing in Israel, at which both the
ears of every one that heareth it shall ° tingle.

12 In that day I will perform against Eli all
things which I have spoken concerning his
house : when I begin, I will also make an end.

13 For I have told him that I will judge
his house for ever for the ° iniquity which he
knoweth ; because his sons ° made themselves
vile, and he restrained them not.

14 And therefore I have sworn unto the house
of Eli, that the ° iniquity of Eli’s house shall not
be purged with sacrifice nor offering for ever.”

r¹ 15 And Samuel lay until the ° morning, and
opened the doors of the house of ° the LORD.
And Samuel feared to shew Eli the vision.

q² 16 Then Eli called Samuel, and said, “ Samuel,
my son.” And he answered, “ Here *am* I.”

17 And he said, “ What *is* the ° thing that *the*
LORD hath said unto thee ? I pray thee hide
it not from me : ° God do so to thee, and more
also, if thou hide *any* thing from me of all the
things that He said unto thee.”

r² 18 And Samuel told him ° every whit, and
hid nothing from him.

q³ And he said, “ *It is* ° the LORD : let Him do
what seemeth Him good.”

C⁶ s 19 And Samuel grew, and ° the LORD was
with him, and did let none of his words fall to
the ground.

t 20 And all Israel from Dan even to Beer-sheba
knew that Samuel was ° established to be a
prophet of ° the LORD.

3. 1-10 (C⁵, p. 367). ELKANAH’S SON, SAMUEL
(*Alternation.*)

C ⁵	n		1. Samuel, and the word of Jehovah.
	o		p ¹ 2-5. His first call.
			p ² 6. His second call.
	n		7. Samuel, and the word of Jehovah.
	o		p ³ 8, 9. His third call.
			p ⁴ 10. His fourth call.

2 see - see clearly.

3 lamp of God = the seven-branched candlestick.
God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4.

the temple : i. e. the tabernacle. See note on 1. 9.

4 Here *am* I - Behold me.

10 Samuel, Samuel. Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6. See
note on Gen. 22. 11 for the ten reduplications.

11 18 (D⁵, p. 367). ELI AND HIS SONS.
(*Repeated Alternation.*)

D ⁵	q ¹		11-14. Eli. Threatening.
	r ¹		15. Samuel’s fear.
	q ²		16, 17. Eli. Demand.
	r ²		18-. Samuel. Compliance.
	q ³		-18. Eli. Submission.

11 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.
tingle. Cp. 2 Kings 21. 12. Jer. 19. 3.

13 iniquity. Heb. ‘*āvāh*.

made themselves vile. This is one of the eighteen
emendations of the *Sopherim*, on their own confession.
See Ap. 33. By omitting one letter they changed
this, from a mistaken sense of reverence. The primi-
tive text, preserved in the Sept., stood, “ his sons
cursed God ”.

15 morning. The copyist’s eye, in going back to this
word, went to the word at the end of the next
sentence, and thus omitted “ and rose early in the
morning ”. These words are preserved in the Sept.

17 thing word.

18 every whit = every particle. Anglo-Saxon, *wiht*.
Every bit. Heb. “ all the words ”.

3. 19-4. 1- (C⁶, p. 367). ELKANAH’S SON,
SAMUEL. (*Alternation.*)

C ⁶	s		3. 19. Samuel. Jehovah with him.
	t		3. 20. Israel. Acknowledgment.
	s		3. 21. Samuel. Jehovah’s revelation to him.
	t		4. 1-. Israel. Submission.

20 established, &c. Samuel was the first of “ the
prophets ” and last of the judges, preparing the way for
the change of government.

21 by. Or, according to.

4. -1-7. 2 (B, p. 367). SUBJECTION BY
PHILISTINES. (*Extended Alternation.*)

B	u		4. -1-. Israel in camp of war.
	v		4. -1. Philistines.
	w		4. 2. First battle, and result.
	u		4. 3-5. Israel in camp of war.
	v		4. 6-9. Philistines.
	w		4. 10-7. 2. Second battle, and result.

1 came. Cp. Acts 3. 24. Heb. 11. 32.

Eben-ezer - Stone of help. So called in anticipation
of Samuel’s victory twenty years later (7. 12).

Aphek = Fortress. Josh. 15. 53.

21 And ° the LORD appeared again in Shiloh :
for ° the LORD revealed Himself to Samuel in
Shiloh ° by the word of ° the LORD.

4 And the word of Samuel ° came to all
Israel.

Now Israel went out against the Philistines to
battle, and pitched beside ° Eben-ezer :

and the Philistines pitched in ° Aphek.

v (p. 371) 1040 2 And the Philistines put themselves in array against Israel: and when they joined battle, Israel was smitten before the Philistines: and they slew of the army in the field about four thousand °men.

u 3 And when the People were come into the camp, the elders of Israel said, ° "Wherefore hath ° the LORD smitten us to day before the Philistines? Let us fetch the ark of the covenant of ° the LORD out of Shiloh unto us, that, when it cometh among us, it may save us out of the hand of our °enemies."

4 So the People sent to ° Shiloh, that they might bring from thence the ark of the covenant of ° the LORD of hosts, which dwelleth between the cherubims: and the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, were there with the ark of the covenant of ° God.

5 And when the ark of the covenant of ° the LORD came into the camp, all Israel ° shouted with a great ° shout, so that the earth rang again.

v 6 And when the Philistines heard the ° noise of the shout, they said, "What ° meaneth the noise of this great shout in the camp of the Hebrews?" And they understood that the ark of ° the LORD was come into the camp.

7 And the Philistines were afraid, for they said, ° "God is come into the camp." And they said, ° "Woe unto us! for there hath not been such a thing heretofore.

8 ° Woe unto us! ° who shall deliver us out of the hand of these mighty Gods? these are ° the Gods that smote the Egyptians with all the plagues in the wilderness.

9 Be strong, and ° quit yourselves like ° men, O ye Philistines, that ye be not servants unto the Hebrews, ° as they have been to you: ° quit yourselves like ° men, and fight."

w G (p. 372) 10 And the Philistines fought, and Israel was smitten, and they fled ° every man into his tent: and there was a very great slaughter; for there fell of Israel thirty thousand footmen.

H 11 And the ark of ° God was taken; and the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, were slain.

G x¹ 12 And there ran a ° man of Benjamin out of the army, and came to Shiloh the same day with his clothes rent, and with earth upon his head.

y¹ 13 And when he came, ° lo, Eli sat upon ° a seat by the wayside watching: for his heart trembled for the ark of ° God.

x² 14 And when the ° man came into the city, and told it, all the city cried out.

y² 15 And when Eli heard the noise of the crying, he said, "What meaneth the ° noise of this tumult?"

x³ 16 And the ° man came in hastily, and told Eli.

y³ 17 Now Eli was ninety and eight years old; and his eyes ° were dim, that he ° could not see.

18 And the ° man said unto Eli, "I am he that came out of the army, and I fled to day out of the army." And he said, "What is there done, my son?"

19 And the messenger answered and said, "Israel is fled before the Philistines, ° and there hath been also a great slaughter among the People, and thy two sons also, Hophni and Phinehas, are dead, and the ark of ° God is taken."

2 men. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

3 Wherefore . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. enemies. Some codices, with four early printed editions, read "enemy".

4 Shiloh. See note on 1. 3. the LORD of hosts. See note on 1. 3. God = *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I. Marking His relation to His creatures.

5 shouted . . . shout. Fig. *Polypytōton*. Ap. 6. See note on Gen. 26. 28.

6 noise of the shout. Fig. *Pleonasm*. Ap. 6. Cp. v. 14. meaneth = is. Cp. Matt. 9. 13; 26. 26, 28.

7 Woe unto us! Fig. *Anaphora* (Ap. 6), repeated in v. 8.

8 who . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

9 the Gods = the Gods themselves. 9 quit yourselves like = the Heb. verb *hāyāh*, to become; as "was" should be rendered in Gen. 1. 2. men. Heb. 'ish or 'enōsh. Ap. 14.

as = according as.

4. 10—7. 2 (w, p. 371). SECOND BATTLE AND RESULT. (*Alternation*.)

w | G | 4. 10. Israel. Defeat.
H | 4. 11. Ark taken by Philistines.
G | 4. 12-22. Israel. Report of defeat.
H | 5. 1-7. 2. Ark in captivity to Philistines.

10 every man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14.

12-22 (G, above), ISRAEL. REPORT OF DEFEAT. (*Repeated Alternation*.)

G | x¹ | 12. Fugitive comes to Shiloh.
y¹ | 13-. Eli's fear for Ark.
x² | -13. Fugitive comes to people.
y² | 14-. Eli's alarm for Ark.
x³ | -14. Fugitive comes to Eli.
y³ | 15-18. Eli's death.
x⁴ | 19-. Tidings come to son's wife.
y⁴ | -19-22. Her death.

12 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

13 lo. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6. a = the. God. Heb. with Art. = the God. Ap. 14. I.

14 noise of this tumult. Fig. *Pleonasm*. Ap. 6.

15 were dim = were set, as in 1 Kings 14. 4. could not see. One of the nine cases of blindness. See note on Gen. 19. 11.

17 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* in v. 17.

19 came = came suddenly. 20 about = at.

21 I-chabod = Where is the glory? because of. Some codices add "the death of". Cp. v. 19.

18 And it came to pass, when he made mention of the ark of ° God, that he fell from off the seat backward by the side of the gate, and his neck brake, and he died: for he was an old ° man, and heavy. And he had judged Israel forty years.

19 And his daughter in law, Phinehas' wife, was with child, near to be delivered: and when she heard the tidings that the ark of ° God was taken, and that her father in law and her husband were dead,

she bowed herself and travailed; for her pains ° came upon her.

20 And ° about the time of her death the women that stood by her said unto her, "Fear not; for thou hast born a son." But she answered not, neither did she regard it.

21 And she named the child ° I-chabod, saying, "The glory is departed from Israel: because the ark of ° God was taken, and ° because of her father in law and her husband."

22 And she said, "The glory is departed from Israel: for the ark of ° God is taken."

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5 And the Philistines took the ark of °God, and brought it from °Eben-ezer unto °Ashdod.

2 When the Philistines took the ark of °God, they brought it into the house of °Dagon, and set it by Dagon.

3 And when they of Ashdod arose early on °the morrow, °behold, Dagon was fallen upon his face to the earth before the ark of °the LORD. And they took Dagon, and set him in his place again.

4 And when they arose early on the morrow morning, °behold, Dagon was fallen upon his face to the ground before the ark of °the LORD; and the head of Dagon and both the palms of his hands were cut off upon the threshold; °only the stump of °Dagon was left to him.

5 Therefore neither the priests of Dagon, nor any that come into Dagon's house, tread on the threshold of Dagon in Ashdod unto this day.

6 But the °hand of °the LORD was heavy upon them of Ashdod, and He destroyed them, and smote them with °emerods, even Ashdod and the coasts thereof.

7 And when the °men of Ashdod saw that it was so, they said, "The ark of the °God of Israel shall not abide with us: for His hand is sore upon us, and upon Dagon our god."

8 They sent therefore and gathered all the °lords of the Philistines unto them, and said, "What shall we do with the ark of the °God of Israel?" And they answered, "Let the ark of the °God of Israel be carried about unto Gath." And they carried the ark of the °God of Israel about thither.

9 And it was so, that, after they had carried it about, the hand of °the LORD was against the city with a very great destruction: and He smote the °men of the city, both small and great, and they had °emerods in their secret parts.

10 Therefore they sent the ark of °God to Ekron. And it came to pass, as the ark of °God came to Ekron, that the Ekronites cried out, saying, "They have brought about the ark of the °God of Israel to us, to slay us and our people."

11 So they sent and gathered together all the °lords of the Philistines, and said, "Send away the ark of the °God of Israel, and let it go again to his own place, that it slay us not, and our people:" for there was a deadly destruction throughout all the city; the °hand of °God was very heavy there.

12 And the °men that died not were smitten with the °emerods: and the cry of the city went up to heaven.

6 And the ark of °the LORD was in the country of the Philistines seven months.

2 And the Philistines called for the priests and the diviners, saying, "What shall we do to the ark of °the LORD? tell us wherewith we shall send it to his place."

3 And they said, "If ye send away the ark of the °God of Israel, send it not empty; but in any wise return Him a trespass offering: then ye shall be healed, and it shall be known to you why His hand is not removed from you."

5. 1-7. 2 (H, p. 372). ARK IN CAPTIVITY TO PHILISTINES. (*Introversion and Alternation.*)

H J | a | 5. 1-2. Captivity in Philistia.
b | 6. 1. Duration. Seven months.
K | 6. 2-16. Removal to Beth-shemesh.
L | 6. 17, 18. Lords of Philistines.
K | 6. 19, 20. Judgment at Beth-shemesh.
J | a | 6. 21-7. 1. Captivity of Ark ended.
b | 7. 2. Duration. Twenty years.

5. 1-12 (a, above). CAPTIVITY IN PHILISTIA. (*Repeated Alternation.*)

a | c¹ | 1. From Eben-ezer to Ashdod.
d¹ | 2-6. Judgment on Ashdodites.
c² | 7, 8. From Ashdod to Gath.
d² | 9. Judgment on Gathites.
c³ | 10. From Gath to Ekron.
d³ | 11-12. Judgment on Ekronites.

1 God. Heb. Elohim. See Ap. 4. I.

Eben-ezer. Cp. 4. 1; 7. 12.

Ashdod = fortified. Now Esdud. Cp. Josh. 13. 3. See note on Gen. 10. 14.

2 Dagon = great fish.

3 the morrow. Sept. adds "and entered into the house of Dagon, they looked and" behold, &c.

behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah, in contrast with Dagon.

Ap. 4. II.

4 only . . . Dagon. The hands and feet being gone, only Dagon (the fish part) remained.

6 hand. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the judgments inflicted by it.

emerods. See note on Deut. 28. 27.

7 men. Heb. *'enosh*. Ap. 14. III.

8 lords = princes. See note on Josh. 13. 3.

6. 1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. The Ark now gets its own Divine title.

6. 2-16 (K, above). REMOVAL TO BETH-SHEMESH. (*Alternation.*)

K | M | 2-12. Dismissal of Ark.
N | 12. Lords of Philistines following.
M | 13-15. Reception of Ark.
N | 16. Lords of Philistines returning.

2-12 (M, above). DISMISSAL OF ARK. (*Alternation.*)

M | e | 2. Consultation of Philistines.
f | 9. Test suggested.
e | 10, 11. Consultation. Result.
f | 12. Test applied.

2 8 (e, above). CONSULTATION OF PHILISTINES. (*Alternation.*)

e | g | 2. Questions. What? Wherewith?
h | 3. Answer. Trespass offering.
g | 4. Question. What?
h | 4. Answer. A new cart.

3 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

4 emerods. See note on 5. 6: i. e. models of them in gold; of which, modern "votive offerings" are the lineal descendants. Cp. v. 5.

lords. See note on Josh. 13. 3.

4 Then said they, "What shall be the trespass offering which we shall return to Him?"

They answered, "Five golden °emerods, and five golden mice, according to the number of the °lords of the Philistines: for one plague was on you all, and on your °lords."

5 Wherefore ye shall make images of your emerods and images of your mice that mar the

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land; and ye shall give glory unto the ³God of Israel: peradventure He will lighten His ^ohand from off you, and from off your gods, and from off your land.

6 Wherefore then do ye harden your hearts, ^oas the Egyptians and Pharaoh hardened their hearts? when He had wrought wonderfully among them, did they not let the people go, and they departed?

7 Now therefore make ^oa new cart, and take two milch kine, on which there hath come no yoke, and tie the kine to the cart, and bring their calves home from them:

8 And take the ark of ¹the LORD, and lay it upon the cart; and put the jewels of gold, which ye return Him for a trespass offering, in a coffer by the side thereof; and send it away, that it may go.

f (p. 373) 9 And see, if ^oit goeth up by the way of his own ^ocoast to ^oBeth-shemesh, then ^{he} hath done us ^othis great ^oevil: but if not, then we shall know that it is not His hand that smote us; it was a chance that happened to us."

10 And ^othe men did so; and took two milch kine, and tied them to the cart, and shut up their calves at home:

11 And they laid the ark of ¹the LORD upon the cart, and the coffer with the mice of gold and the images of their ⁴emerods.

f 12 And the kine took the straight way to the way of ³Beth-shemesh, and went along the highway, lowing as they went, and turned not aside to the right hand or to the left;

N and the ⁴lords of the Philistines went after them unto the border of Beth-shemesh.

M 13 And they of ³Beth-shemesh were reaping their wheat harvest in the valley: and they lifted up their eyes, and saw the ark, and rejoiced to see it.

14 And the cart came into the field of Joshua, a Beth-shemite, and stood there, where there was a great stone: and they clave the wood of the cart, and ^ooffered the kine a burnt offering unto ¹the LORD.

15 And the Levites took down the ark of ¹the LORD, and the coffer that was with it, wherein the jewels of gold were, and put them on the great stone: and the ¹⁰men of Beth-shemesh ¹⁴offered burnt offerings and ^osacrificed sacrifices the same day unto ¹the LORD.

N 16 And when the five ¹²lords of the Philistines had seen it, they returned to Ekron the same day.

L 17 And these are the golden ¹¹emerods which the Philistines returned for a trespass offering unto ¹the LORD; for ^oAshdod one, for Gaza one, for Askelon one, for Gath one, for Ekron one;

18 And the golden mice, according to the number of all the cities of the Philistines belonging to the five ⁴lords, both of fenced cities, and of country villages, even unto the great stone of Abel, whereon they set down the ark of ¹the LORD; which stone remaineth unto this day in the field of Joshua, the Beth-shemite.

K 19 And He smote the ¹⁰men of Beth-shemesh,

5 hand. See note on 5. 6.

6 as - according as.

7 a new cart. This was done in ignorance of God's requirement (Num. 4. 15; 7. 9; 10. 21). They could not have complied with the Law, even if they had known it; hence, no judgment fell on them. But contrast David's "new cart", and see note on 2 Sam. 6. 3.

9 it: i. e. the "ark", which is masc.; not the "cart", which is fem.

coast = border, or boundary.

Beth-shemesh - House of the sun, now *Ain Shems*, on the borders of Judah and Dan. Cp. Josh. 15. 10.

this. Some codices, with three early printed editions, read "all this".

evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

10 the men. Heb. *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

14 offered - offered up. Ap. 43. I. vi.

15 sacrificed sacrifices = made great sacrifices. Fig. *Polyptōton*. Ap. 6. See note on Gen. 26. 28.

17 Ashdod one. See note on Gen. 10. 14.

19 fifty thousand and threescore and ten men - 50,070. This number being out of all proportion to the size of Beth-shemesh, has led to various readings. Some codices omit 50,000. The Syr. and Arabic versions read "five" instead of fifty. Josephus reads "seventy". The Heb. text reads "seventy men two fifties and one thousand" = 70 + 100 + 1,000 = 1,170.

men. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

slaughter = smiting, making the Fig. *Polyptōton*. Ap. 6.

20 Who...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

he - it: i. e. the ark. See note on v. 9.

7. 1 men. Heb. *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

Abinadab. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Aram., Sept., and Syr., add "which is" in the hill. Or, in Gibeah.

7. 2-6 [For Structure see next page].

2 time was long. Ark remained with Philistines seven months (6. 1); sent from Ekron to Kirjath-jearim in 1040, and remained there twenty years (ch. 7). From the capture (in 1040) to its entry into Zion (in 950) was eighty-nine years (2 Sam. 7. 17).

because they had looked into the ark of ¹the LORD, even He smote of the People ^ofifty thousand and threescore and ten ^omen: and the People lamented, because ¹the LORD had smitten many of the People with a great ^oslaughter.

20 And the ¹⁰men of Beth-shemesh said, ^o"Who is able to stand before this ^oholy ¹LORD ³God? and to whom shall ^ohe go up from us?"

21 And they sent messengers to the inhabitants of Kirjath-jearim, saying, "The Philistines have brought again the ark of ¹the LORD; come ye down, and fetch it up to you."

7 And the ^omen of Kirjath-jearim came, and fetched up the ark of ^othe LORD, and brought it into the house of ^oAbinadab ^oin the hill, and sanctified Eleazar his son to keep the ark of ^othe LORD.

2 And it came to pass, while the ark abode in Kirjath-jearim, that the ^otime was long; for it was twenty years:

and all the house of Israel lamented after ¹the LORD.

J a
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b
1040 to
1020

A i
(p. 375)

1020

3 And Samuel spake unto all the house of Israel, saying, "If ye do return unto ¹the LORD with all your hearts, *then* put away the strange gods and Ashtaroth from among you, and prepare your hearts unto ¹the LORD, and serve Him only: and He will deliver you out of the hand of the Philistines."

4 Then the ^ochildren of Israel did put away Baalim and Ashtaroth, and served ¹the LORD only.

5 And Samuel said, "Gather all Israel to Mizpeh, and I will pray for you unto ¹the LORD."

6 And they gathered together to Mizpeh, and drew water, and poured *it* out before ¹the LORD, and fasted on that day, and said there, "We have ^osinned against ¹the LORD."

k And Samuel judged the ⁴children of Israel in Mizpeh.

(p. 375)

B i

7 And when the Philistines heard that the ⁴children of Israel were gathered together to Mizpeh, the ^olords of the Philistines went up against Israel. And when the ⁴children of Israel heard *it*, they were afraid of the Philistines.

8 And the ⁴children of Israel said to Samuel, "Cease not to cry unto ¹the LORD our ^oGod for us, that He will save us out of the hand of the Philistines."

9 And ^oSamuel took a sucking lamb, and ^ooffered *it* for a burnt offering wholly unto ¹the LORD: and Samuel cried unto ¹the LORD for Israel; and ¹the LORD heard him.

10 And as Samuel was ^ooffering up the burnt offering, the Philistines drew near to battle against Israel: but ¹the LORD ^othundered with a great thunder on that day upon the Philistines, and discomfited them; and they were smitten before Israel.

11 And the ¹men of Israel went out of Mizpeh, and pursued the Philistines, and smote them, until *they came* under Beth-car.

12 Then Samuel took a stone, and set *it* between Mizpeh and Shen, and called the name of it Eben-ezer, saying, "Hitherto hath ¹the LORD helped us."

13 So the Philistines were subdued, and they came no more into the ^ocoast of Israel: and the hand of ¹the LORD was against the Philistines all the days of Samuel.

14 And the cities which the Philistines had taken from Israel were restored to Israel, from Ekron even unto Gath; and the ¹³coasts thereof did Israel deliver out of the hands of the Philistines. And there was peace between Israel and the Amorites.

k 15 And Samuel judged Israel all the days of his life.

16 And he went from year to year in circuit to Beth-el, and Gilgal, and Mizpeh, and judged Israel in all those places.

17 And his return *was* to Ramah; for ^othere *was* his house; and there he judged Israel; and there he built an ^oaltar unto ¹the LORD.

B¹ Q T n

8 And it came to pass, when Samuel was ^oold, that he made his sons judges over Israel.

2 Now the name of his firstborn was Joel;

7. -2-6 (A, p. 367). REPENTANCE OF ISRAEL.

7. 7-17 (B, p. 367). DELIVERANCE FROM PHILISTINES. (Alternation.)

A | i | -2-6-. Israel. Repentance.
k | -6. Government of Samuel. Place.
B | i | 7-14. Israel. Recovery.
k | 15-17. Government of Samuel. Time.

4 children = sons.

6 sinned. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. I.

7 lords. See note on Josh. 13. 3.

8 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4.

9 Samuel took. Samuel was a Levite, and according to 1 Chron. 23. 27-32 could do this; though according to Num. 18. 3 he could not have acted in the holy place.

offered = offered up. See Ap. 43. I. vi.

10 thundered with a great thunder. Fig. *Polyptōton*. Ap. 6.

13 coast = border, or boundary.

17 there was his house. Cp. 1. 19, &c.

altar. Shiloh forsaken, and Ark separated from Tabernacle. There was no chosen "place".

1 Sam. 8. 1-2 Sam. 1. 27 (B¹, p. 366). KING SAUL. (Alternation.)

B¹ | O | 1 Sam. 8. 1-12. 25. Choice of SAUL.
P | 1 Sam. 13. 1-15. 35. Provocation of Saul.
Rejection threatened.
O | 1 Sam. 16. 1-27. 4. Choice of DAVID.
P | 1 Sam. 27. 5-2 Sam. 1. 27. Provocation of Saul. Rejection carried out.

8. 1-12. 25 (O, above). CHOICE OF SAUL. (Introversion.)

O | Q | 8. 1-10. 26. Settlement of Kingdom.
R | 10. 27. Men of Belial.
S | 11. 1-11. Aggression of Nahash.
R | 11. 12, 13. Men of Belial.
Q | 11. 14-12. 25. Inauguration of Kingdom.

8. 1-10. 26 (Q, above). SETTLEMENT OF SAUL'S KINGDOM. (Alternation.)

Q | T | 8. 1-22-. King desired.
U | 8. -22. Dismissal of People to cities.
T | 9. 1-10. 25-. King given.
U | 10. -25, 26. Dismissal of People to homes.

8. 1-22- (T, above). KING DESIRED. (Introversion and Alternation.)

T | 1 | n | 1-5. Desire expressed.
o | 6-9-. Compliance.
m | -9. Warning. (General.)
m | 10-18. Warning. (Particular.)
l | n | 19, 20. Desire persisted in.
o | 21, 22-. Compliance.

1 old. From 28. 3 he predeceased Saul by about two years. Consequently he acted for thirty-eight years after Saul's anointing (i.e. 1000-962 B.C.). When he anointed David he would be about eighty-six; and lived to about the age of Eli, ninety-eight years.

3 turned aside, &c.: i.e. stooped to extortion, took bribes: contrary to Deut. 16. 19.

5 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

and the name of his second, Abiah: *they were* judges in Beer-sheba.

3 And his sons walked not in his ways, but ^oturned aside after lucre, and ^otook bribes, and perverted judgment.

4 Then all the elders of Israel gathered themselves together, and came to Samuel unto Ramah,

5 And said unto him, ^o"Behold, *thou art* old, and thy sons walk not in thy ways: now

1004 to °make us a king to judge us like all the nations."

1000 o 6 But the thing °displeased Samuel, when they said, "Give us a king to judge us." And Samuel prayed unto °the LORD.

(p. 375) 7 And °the LORD said unto Samuel, "Hearken unto the voice of the People in all that they say unto thee: for they have not rejected thee, but they have rejected Me, that I should not reign over them.

8 According to all the works which they have done since the day that I brought them up out of Egypt even unto this day, wherewith they have forsaken Me, and served other gods, so do they also unto thee.

9 Now therefore hearken unto their voice:

m howbeit yet protest solemnly unto them, and shew them the manner of the king that shall reign over them."

m 10 And Samuel told all the words of °the LORD unto the People that asked of him a king.

11 And he said, °"This will be the manner of the king that shall reign over you: He will take your sons, and appoint them for himself, for his chariots, and to be his horsemen; and some shall run before his chariots.

12 And he will appoint him captains over thousands, and captains over fifties; and will set them to °ear his ground, and to reap his harvest, and to make his instruments of war, and instruments of his chariots.

13 And he will take your daughters to be confectionaries, and to be cooks, and to be bakers.

14 And he will take your fields, and your vineyards, and your oliveyards, even the best of them, and give them to his servants.

15 And he will take the tenth of your seed, and of °your vineyards, and give to his officers, and to his servants.

16 And he will take your menservants, and your maidservants, and your goodliest °young men, and your asses, and put them to his work.

17 He will take the tenth of your sheep: and ye shall be his servants.

18 And ye shall cry out in that day because of your king which ye shall have chosen you; and °the LORD will not °hear you in that day."

n 19 Nevertheless the People refused to obey the voice of Samuel; and they said, "Nay; but we will have a king over us;

20 That we also may be like all the nations; and that our king may judge us, and go out before us, and fight our battles."

o 21 And Samuel heard all the words of the people, and he rehearsed them in °the ears of °the LORD.

22 And °the LORD said to Samuel, "Hearken unto their voice, and make them a king."

U And Samuel said unto the °men of Israel, "Go ye every °man unto his city."

T W¹ (p. 376) 9 Now there was a °man of Benjamin, whose name was °Kish, the son of Abiel, the son of Zeror, the son of Bechorath, the son of Aphiah, °a Benjamite, a °mighty man of power.

2 And he had a son, whose name was °Saul, a choice young man, and a goodly: and there

make us a king. Cp. Hos. 13. 10, 11. Acts 13. 20, 21. Note the words "gave judges" and "desired a king". The Hebrew monarchy thus began with the choosing of Saul, and ended with the choosing of Caesar.

6 displeased = was evil in the eyes of: i.e. evil, in not waiting for God's time and for God's king, as promised. Gen. 17. 6, 16; 35. 11; 49. 10. Num. 24. 17. Deut. 17. 14-20.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

11 This will be, &c. Fulfilled, 14. 82.

12 ear = plough (Anglo-Saxon, *erian*).

15 your vineyards. Cp. 1 Kings 21. 7.

16 young men. Sept. reads "oxen".

18 hear = answer.

21 the ears. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

22 men. Heb. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

9. 1-10. 25- (T, p. 375). KING GIVEN.

(Repeated Alternation.)

T W¹ | 9. 1, 2. King designated.

X¹ | 9. 3-14. Asses lost.

W² | 9. 15-10. 13. King sought.

X² | 10. 14-16. Asses found.

W³ | 10. 17-25-. King appointed.

1 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

Kish. Cp. 14. 51. 1 Chron. 8. 33; 9. 39. For the difficulties of the genealogy, see note on 1 Chron. 8. 33.

a Benjamite. As was Saul of Tarsus (Phil. 3. 5).

mighty man. Heb. *gibbōr*. Ap. 14. IV.

2 Saul. Many points of resemblance and contrast with Saul of Tarsus. Name = Asked for: i.e. by man. children = sons.

9. 3-14 (X¹, above). ASSES LOST.

(Extended Alternation.)

X¹ Y¹ p¹ | 3-. Kish. Asses lost.

q¹ | -3. His command.

r¹ | 4. Obeyed by Saul.

Y² p² | 5. Saul's servant.

q² | 6-10-. His advice.

r² | -10. Taken by Saul.

Y³ p³ | 11. Maidens of the city.

q³ | 12, 13. Their advice.

r³ | 14. Taken by Saul.

3 lost. Contrast David, who had charge of his father's "sheep", and "kept them" (16. 11); with Saul, who lost his father's "asses" (9. 3).

servants = young men. Tradition says "Doeg". Cp. 21. 7.

4 he. Some codices, with Sept. and Vulg., read "they", as in v. 6.

mount = the hill country of.

was not among the °children of Israel a goodlier person than he: from his shoulders and upward he was higher than any of the people.

3 And the asses of Kish Saul's father were °lost.

And Kish said to Saul his son, "Take now one of the °servants with thee, and arise, go seek the asses."

4 And °he passed through °mount Ephraim, and passed through the land of Shalisha, but they found them not: then they passed through the land of Shalim, and there they were not: and °he passed through the land of the Benjamites, but they found them not.

5 And when they were come to the land of Zuph, Saul said to his °servant that was with him, "Come, and let us return; lest my father

X¹ Y¹ p¹

q¹

r¹

Y² p²

1000 leave *caring* for the asses, and ° take thought for us."

q² s (p. 377) 6 And he said unto him, ° "Behold now, *there* is in this city a ° man of ° God, and *he is* an honourable ° man; all that he saith cometh surely to pass: now let us go thither; peradventure he can shew us our way that we should go."

t 7 Then said Saul to his servant, "But, ° behold, *if* we go, what shall we bring the ° man? for the bread is spent in our vessels, and *there is* not a ° present to bring to the ° man of ° God: what have we?"

s 8 And the servant answered Saul again, and said, ° "Behold, I have here at hand the fourth part of a ° shekel of silver: ° *that* will I give to the ° man of ° God, to tell us our way."

9 (° Beforetime in Israel, when a ° man went to enquire of ° God, thus he spake, "Come, and let us go to the ° seer:" for *he that is* now called a ° Prophet was beforetime called a ° Seer.)

t 10 Then said Saul to his servant, "Well said; come, ° let us go."

r² So they went unto the city where the ° man of ° God was.

p³ (p. 376) 11 And as they went ° up the hill to the city, they found young maidens going out to draw water, and said unto them, "Is the ° seer here?"

q³ 12 And they answered them, and said, "He is; ° behold, *he is* before you: make haste now, for he came to day to the city; for *there is* a sacrifice ° of the People to day in ° the high place:

13 As soon as ye be come into the city, ye shall straightway find him, before he go up to ° the high place to eat: for the People will not eat until he come, because he doth bless the sacrifice; and afterwards they eat that be bidden. Now therefore get you up; for about this time ye shall find him."

r³ 14 And they went up into the city: and when they were come into the city, ° behold, Samuel came ° out against them, for to go up to the high place.

W² A (p. 377) 15 Now ° the LORD had ° told Samuel in his ear ° a day before Saul came, saying,

16 "To morrow about this time I will send thee a ° man out of the land of Benjamin, and thou shalt anoint him to be ° captain over My People Israel, that he may save My People out of the hand of the Philistines: for I have looked upon ° My People, because their cry is come unto Me."

17 And when Samuel saw Saul, ° the LORD said unto him, ° "Behold the ° man whom I spake to thee of! this same shall ° reign over My People."

B u 18 Then Saul drew near to Samuel ° in the gate, and said, "Tell me, I pray thee, where the seer's house is."

v 19 And Samuel answered Saul, and said, "I am the seer: go up before me unto the high place; for ye shall eat with me to day, and to morrow I will let thee go, and will tell thee all that is in thine heart."

take thought = be anxious. Cp. Matt. 6. 25, 27, 28, 31, 34.

9. 6-10- (q², p. 376). SERVANT'S ADVICE. (Alternation.)

q² s | 6. The man of God. Statement.
t | 7. Objection.
s | 8, 9. The man of God. Explanation.
t | 10-. Assent.

6 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*, Ap. 6.

man of God = God's man: i. e. a prophet, because God's spokesman. See Ap. 49. (Heb. *'ish* and *Elohim*.) man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I. Lit. "the God".

7 present. Heb. *'shurah*. Occurs only here. It is from *shūr*, to behold. Hence, that which procures and secures an interview, or sight of the person sought.

8 shekel. See Ap. 51. II.

that will I give. Sept. reads "which thou canst give".

9 Beforetime. Note the parenthesis.

seer. Heb. *ro'eh* = a seer of visions. Another name for seer was *chozeh*, which referred rather to spiritual apprehension of what was seen. In 1 Chron. 29. 29 all three words occur in the same verse.

Prophet. Heb. *nab'i* = one who spoke for or was moved by God.

10 let. Some codices, with one early printed edition, and Sept., read "and let".

11 up the hill = by the ascent of.

12 of = by. Gen. of Instrument. See Ap. 17.

the high place. In Num. 21. 19 = Bamoth-Baal. Shiloh was now forsaken. No "place" within the meaning of Deut. 12. Cp. 1 Sam. 7. 10, 17.

14 out against = opposite, so as to meet them.

9. 15-10. 13 (W², p. 376). KING SOUGHT. (Alternation.)

W² A | 9. 15-17. The anointing. Command.

B | 9. 18-27. Reception by Samuel.

A | 10. 1. The anointing. Obedience.

B | 10. 2-13. Directions by Samuel.

15 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II. told Samuel in his ear = opened or uncovered the ear of Samuel. a = one.

16 captain = leader.

My people. Aram. and Syr. read "the oppression". In that case the Fig. *Ellipsis* should be supplied after it, "of My People" being implied.

17 reign = control, restrain, or rule.

18-27 (B, above). RECEPTION BY SAMUEL. (Introversion.)

B u | 18. Meeting of Samuel with Saul.

v | 19, 20. Samuel's answer to Saul.

v | 21. Saul's answer to Samuel.

u | 22-27. Communication of Samuel.

18 in the gate. Heb. "in the midst of the gate": i. e. the open place near the gate where judgment was given.

20 mind. Heb. "heart" = "do not regard them".

21 Am not I . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

the smallest. Very true, since the events recorded in Judg. 20. 35.

so to me - according to this word.

20 And as for thine asses that were lost three days ago, set not thy ° mind on them; for they are found. And on whom is all the desire of Israel? Is it not on thee, and on all thy father's house?"

21 And Saul answered and said, ° "Am not I a Benjamite, of ° the smallest of the tribes of Israel? and my family the least of all the families of the tribe of Benjamin? wherefore then speakest thou ° so to me?"

22 And Samuel took Saul and his servant, and brought them into the parlour, and made them sit in the chiefest place among them that were bidden, which were about thirty persons.

23 And Samuel said unto the cook, "Bring the portion which I gave thee, of which I said unto thee, 'Set it by thee.'"

24 And the cook took up the shoulder, and that which was upon it, and set it before Saul. And Samuel said, "Behold that which is left! set it before thee, and eat: for unto this time hath it been kept for thee since I said, 'I have invited the People.'" So Saul did eat with Samuel that day.

25 And when they were come down from the high place into the city, Samuel communed with Saul upon the top of the house.

26 And they arose early: and it came to pass about the spring of the day, that Samuel called Saul to the top of the house, saying, "Up, that I may send thee away." And Saul arose, and they went out both of them, he and Samuel, abroad.

27 And as they were going down to the end of the city, Samuel said to Saul, "Bid the servant pass on before us," (and he passed on,) "but stand thou still a while, that I may shew thee the word of God."

10 Then Samuel took a vial of oil, and poured it upon his head, and kissed him, and said, "Is it not because the LORD hath anointed thee to be captain over His inheritance?"

2 When thou art departed from me to day, then thou shalt find two men by Rachel's sepulchre in the border of Benjamin at Zelzah; and they will say unto thee, 'The asses which thou wentest to seek are found: and, lo, thy father hath left the care of the asses, and sorroweth for you, saying, 'What shall I do for my son?'

3 Then shalt thou go on forward from thence, and thou shalt come to the plain of Tabor, and there shall meet thee three men going up to God to Beth-el, one carrying three kids, and another carrying three loaves of bread, and another carrying a bottle of wine:

4 And they will salute thee, and give thee two loaves of bread; which thou shalt receive of their hands.

5 After that thou shalt come to the hill of God, where is the garrison of the Philistines: and it shall come to pass, when thou art come thither to the city, that thou shalt meet a company of prophets coming down from the high place with a psaltery, and a tabret, and a pipe, and a harp, before them; and they shall prophesy:

6 And the Spirit of the LORD will come upon thee, and thou shalt prophesy with them, and shalt be turned into another man.

7 And let it be, when these signs are come unto thee, that thou do as occasion serve thee; for God is with thee.

8 And thou shalt go down before me to Gilgal; and, behold, I will come down unto thee, to offer burnt offerings, and to sacrifice

24 left! = reserved.

27 the word of God. First occurrence of this expression. "Word of Jehovah" frequent from Gen. 15. 1.

God = Elohim. Ap. 4. I. Creation relationship.

10. 1 a vial = flask. Not "the".

Is it not . . . ? Fig. Erotēsis. Ap. 6.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. Note the Jehovah relationship. Here is another Homœoteleuton, which is preserved in the Sept. and Vulg., "the LORD [and thou shalt rule among the people of Jehovah, and thou shalt save them out of the hand of their enemies, and this shall be a sign unto thee, that] the LORD hath, &c. The eye of some ancient scribe evidently went back to the latter of these two words "the LORD" and accidentally omitted the words between them.

captain: "a" captain; not "the".

10. 2-13 (B, p. 377). DIRECTIONS BY SAMUEL. (Introversion.)

B	w		2-6. Signs given.
	x		7. Command.
	z		8. Appointment.
	w		9-13. Signs fulfilled.

2 thou shalt find. Three signs given (cp. Mark 14. 3) to indicate the coming change.

men. Heb. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

Rachel's sepulchre. Cp. Gen. 35. 20.

10. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

3 plain = oak, or terebinth; growing generally alone, becomes a conspicuous landmark.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

Beth-el = House of God. Evidently a place of worship, in the absence of any "place", according to Deut. 12. 5, &c. Cp. Ex. 20. 24.

carrying. Probably their firstfruits. Cp. 2 Kings 4. 42.

4 salute. Heb. ask after thy peace.

5 the garrison. So the Sept., Aram., and Syr., but Heb. text has pl.

a company of prophets. The first occurrence of this expression. Probably a school established by Samuel (cp. Acts 3. 24; 13. 20). The head of such school called "father" (cp. 10. 12; 19. 20), or "master" (2 Kings 2. 3). Such communities found later at Beth-el, Jericho, Gilgal (2 Kings 2. 3, 5; 4. 38); and probably here at Gibeah and Ramah (cp. Natioth, 19. 18, 20).

psaltery = viol. A stringed instrument, same as lute. Cp. 2 Sam. 6. 5. 1 Kings 10. 12. 1 Chron. 16. 5. Isa. 5. 12; 14. 11. Amos 5. 23; 6. 5.

tabret = drum. Heb. toph. Cp. 18. 6. 2 Sam. 6. 5. Isa. 5. 12; 24. 8; 30. 32. Jer. 31. 4. Ezek. 28. 13. See note on "timbrel" (Ex. 15. 20).

pipe = a plain reed, single or double, played like modern flute. Note pl. in the Subscription of Ps. 5 (Companion Bible).

prophesy. Not necessarily "foretell", but speak in the name of the Lord.

6 the Spirit. Heb. rūach. Ap. 9.

man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

7 occasion serve thee = thy hand shall find.

8 thou shalt go down. This was the beginning of organised rising against the Philistines. All directed by God through Samuel; not by Saul.

behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

offer = offer up. Ap. 43. I. vi.

sacrifice = slay. Ap. 43. I. iv. Note the Fig. Polysyndeton in v. 8. Ap. 6.

fice sacrifices of peace offerings: seven days shalt thou tarry, till I come to thee, and shew thee what thou shalt do."

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9 And it was so, that when he had turned his back to go from Samuel, ³ God gave him ^o another heart: and all those signs came to pass that day.

10 And when they came thither to the hill, ⁸ behold, a company of prophets met him; and ⁶ the Spirit of ³ God came upon him, and he prophesied among them.

11 And it came to pass, when all that knew him beforetime saw that, ⁸ behold, he prophesied among the prophets, then the People said one to another, ^o "What is this that is come unto the son of Kish? Is Saul also among the prophets?"

12 And one ^o of the same place answered and said, "But who is their father?" Therefore it became a proverb, ^o "Is Saul also among the prophets?"

13 And when he had made an end of prophesying, he came to the high place.

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(p. 376) 14 And Saul's uncle said unto him and to his servant, "Whither went ye?" And he said, "To seek the asses: and when we saw that they were no where, we came to Samuel."

15 And Saul's uncle said, "Tell me, I pray thee, what Samuel said unto you."

16 And Saul said unto his uncle, "He told us plainly that the asses were found." But of the matter of the kingdom, whereof Samuel spake, he told him not.

W³ y¹
(p. 379) 17 And Samuel called the People together unto ¹ the LORD to Mizpeh;

z¹ 18 And said unto the ^o children of Israel, ^o "Thus saith ¹ the LORD ³ God of Israel, ³ brought up Israel out of Egypt, and delivered you out of the hand of the Egyptians, and out of the hand of all kingdoms, and of them that oppressed you:

19 And ye have this day rejected your ³ God, Who Himself saved you out of all your adversities and your tribulations; and ye have said unto Him, ^o "Nay, but set a king over us."

y² Now therefore present yourselves ^o before ¹ the LORD by your tribes, and by your thousands."

z² 20 And when Samuel had caused all the tribes of Israel to come near, the tribe of Benjamin ^o was taken.

21 When he had caused the tribe of Benjamin to come near by their families, the family of Matri was taken, ^o and Saul the son of Kish was taken: and when they sought him, he could not be found.

22 Therefore they ^o enquired of ¹ the LORD further, if the ^o man should yet come thither. And ¹ the LORD answered, ⁸ "Behold, he hath hid himself among the stuff."

23 And they ran and fetched him thence: and when he stood among the People, he was higher than any of the People from his shoulders and upward.

24 And Samuel said to all the People, ^o "See ye him whom ¹ the LORD hath chosen, that there is none like him among all the People?"

y³ And all the People shouted, and said, ^o "God save the king."

z³ 25 Then Samuel told the People the manner of the kingdom, and ^o wrote it in a book, and laid it up before ¹ the LORD.

9 another = different.

11 What . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

12 of the same place = from thence.

Is Saul . . . ? Origin of this *Paræmia*. Ap. 6.

10. 17-25- (W³, p. 376). KING APPOINTED.
(Repeated Alternation.)

W³ y¹ | 17. People assembled. *En masse*.
z¹ | 18, 19-. Samuel's remonstrance.
y² | -19. People presented. By tribes.
z² | 20-24-. Samuel. Lots cast.
y³ | -24. People. Approbation.
z³ | 25-. Samuel. Confirmation.

18 children = sons.

Thus saith the LORD. This rehearsal is to show that they had sinned, although He was giving a king. Their sin was not in asking, but in forestalling Jehovah's already expressed purpose to give them a king (see Deut. 17. 15 and cp. Gen. 49. 10).

19 Nay. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., have this word in the text. before the LORD = before Jehovah: i. e. in Mizpeh, v. 17.

20 was taken: i. e. by lot, by the Urim and Thummim. See note on Ex. 28. 30.

21 and Saul. Sept. reads "and [when he had brought near the family of Matri man by man] Saul". Cp. Josh. 7. 17.

22 enquired: i. e. by the High Priest. No priest mentioned between chapters 4 and 14, a period of forty years.

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

24 See . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

God save the king. Heb. Let the king live. An idiom which includes the desire that he might have everything that makes life worth living, including also eternal life.

25 wrote it in a book. Heb. the book: viz. the book kept before the Lord; even the scriptures of truth. See Ex. 17. 14 and Ap. 47.

26 touched = moved.

27 How . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

he held his peace - he was as one that was deaf.

11. 1-11 (S, p. 375). AGGRESSION OF NAHASH.
(Repeated Alternation.)

S a¹ | 1-. Aggression of Nahash.
b¹ | -1. Men of Jabesh-gilead. Message to Nahash.
a² | 2. Ultimatum of Nahash.
b² | 3, 4. Men of Jabesh-gilead. Message to Saul.
a³ | 5-9. Ultimatum of Nahash.
b³ | 10. Men of Jabesh-gilead. Reply to Nahash.
a⁴ | 11. Defeat of Nahash.

1 the men. Heb. *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. II. Those who had not obeyed the summons of Judg. 21. 8 were extinguished, and their daughters given to remnant of Benjamin. This gave them a claim on Saul, who was a Benjamite.

And Samuel sent all the people away, every ²² man to his house.

26 And Saul also went home to Gibeah; and there went with him a band of men, whose hearts ³ God had ^o touched.

27 But the ¹⁸ children of Belial said, ^o "How shall this man save us?" And they despised him, and brought him no presents. But ^o he held his peace.

11 Then Nahash the Ammonite came up, and encamped against Jabesh-gilead:

and all ^o the men of Jabesh said unto Nahash, "Make a covenant with us, and we will serve thee."

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^{a2} (p. 379.) 2 And Nahash the Ammonite answered them, "On this *condition* will I make °a covenant with you, that I may thrust out all your °right eyes, and lay it for a reproach upon all Israel."

^{b2} 3 And the elders of Jabesh said unto him, "Give us °seven days' respite, that we may send messengers unto all the °coasts of Israel: and then, if *there be* no °man to save us, we will come out to thee."

4 Then came the messengers to Gibeah of Saul, and told the tidings in the ears of the people: and all the people lifted up their voices, and wept.

^{a3} 5 And, °behold, Saul came after the herd out of the field; and Saul said, "What *aileth* the people that they weep?" And they told him the tidings of the °men of Jabesh.

6 And °the Spirit of °God °came upon Saul when he heard those tidings, and his anger was kindled greatly.

7 And he took a yoke of oxen, and °hewed them in pieces, and sent *them* throughout all the coasts of Israel by the hands of °messengers, saying, "Whosoever cometh not forth after Saul and after Samuel, so shall it be done unto his oxen." And the fear of °the LORD fell on the People, and they came out °with one consent.

8 And when he numbered them in Bezek, the °children of Israel were three hundred thousand, and the °men of Judah thirty thousand.

9 And they said unto the messengers that came, "Thus shall ye say unto the °men of Jabesh-gilead, 'To morrow, by *that time* the sun be hot, ye shall have °help.'" And the messengers came and shewed *it* to the °men of Jabesh; and they were glad.

^{b3} 10 Therefore the °men of Jabesh said, "To morrow we will come out unto you, and ye shall do with us all that seemeth good unto you."

^{a4} 11 And it was so on the morrow, that Saul put the People in three companies; and they came into the midst of the °host in the morning watch, and slew the Ammonites until the heat of the day: and it came to pass, that they which remained were scattered, so that two of them were not left together.

^R 12 And the People said unto Samuel, "Who *is* he that said, 'Shall Saul reign over us?' bring the °men, that we may put them to death."

13 And Saul said, "There shall not a °man be put to death this day: for to day °the LORD hath wrought salvation in Israel."

^{Q D1} (p. 380.) 14 Then said Samuel to the People, "Come, and let us go to Gilgal, and renew the kingdom there."

15 And all the People went to Gilgal; and there they made Saul king before °the LORD in Gilgal; and there they °sacrificed sacrifices of peace offerings before °the LORD; and there Saul and all the °men of Israel rejoiced greatly.

^{D2 E1 c1} 12 And Samuel said unto all Israel, "°Be- hold, I have hearkened unto your voice in all that ye said unto me, and have made a king over you.

2 And now, °behold, the king walketh before you:

2 a covenant. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read this word in the text, which already implies it.

right eyes. As the shield covered the left eye, the right was necessary for seeing. The loss of it incapacitated men from fighting.

3 seven days. A very short respite. coasts = borders.

man to save us = saviour.

5 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

6 the Spirit. Heb. *rûach*. Ap. 9.

God. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., and Vulg., read "Jehovah". Cp. Ap. 4. II.

came = came mightily. Same word as in 10. 6, 10.

7 hewed. Always used of dividing what is already dead, and mostly of sacrifices.

messengers = the messengers.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

with one consent. Heb. as one man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

8 children = sons.

men. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

9 help = salvation, or deliverance.

11 host = camp.

11. 14—12. 25 (Q, p. 375). INAUGURATION OF KINGDOM. (*Division*.)

Q | D1 | 11. 14, 15. People assembled.

| D2 | 12. 1-25. People addressed.

15 sacrificed sacrifices. Fig. *Polyptoton*. Ap. 6. For emphasis. See Ap. 43. I. iv.

12. 1-25 (D2, above). PEOPLE ADDRESSED. (*Introversions and Alternations*.)

D2 | E1 | c1 | 1, 2-. The king presented. Desired.

| d1 | e | -2-5. Samuel's past administration.

| f | 6-12. Remonstrance.

c2 | 13. The king presented. Given.

E2 | c3 | 14, 15. The king presented. Conditions.

| d2 | f | 16-22. Remonstrance.

| e | 23. Samuel's future action.

| c4 | 24, 25. The king presented. Conditions.

1 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

3 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

whom. Some codices, with three early printed editions, read "or whom", thus preserving the Fig. *Paradiastole* (Ap. 6) throughout vv. 3 and 4.

4 man's. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

and I am old and grayheaded; and, °behold, my sons *are* with you: and I have walked before you from my childhood unto this day.

3 °Behold, here I *am*: witness against me before °the LORD, and before His anointed: whose ox have I taken? or whose ass have I taken? or whom have I defrauded? °whom have I oppressed? or of whose hand have I received any bribe to blind mine eyes therewith? and I will restore it you."

4 And they said, "Thou hast not defrauded us, nor oppressed us, neither hast thou taken ought of any °man's hand."

5 And he said unto them, "°The LORD *is* witness against you, and His anointed *is* witness this day, that ye have not found ought in my hand." And they answered, "°He *is* witness."

6 And Samuel said unto the People, "°It *is* °the LORD That advanced Moses and Aaron, and that brought your fathers up out of the land of Egypt.

7 Now therefore stand still, that I may reason with you before °the LORD of all the right-

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eous acts of ³the LORD, which He did to you and to your fathers.

8 When ° Jacob was come into Egypt, and your fathers cried unto ³the LORD, then ³the LORD ° sent Moses and Aaron, which brought forth your fathers out of Egypt, and ° made them dwell in this place.

9 And when they forgot ³the LORD their ° God, He sold them into the hand of Sisera, captain of the host ° of Hazor, and into the hand of the Philistines, and into the hand of the king of Moab, and they fought against them.

10 And they cried unto ³the LORD, and said, 'We have ° sinned, because we have forsaken ³the LORD, and have served Baalim and Ash-taroath: but now deliver us out of the hand of our enemies, and we will serve Thee.'

11 And ³the LORD sent Jerubbaal, ° and Bedan, and Jephthah, ° and Samuel, and delivered you out of the hand of your enemies on every side, and ye dwelled safe.

12 And when ° ye saw that Nahash the king of the ° children of Ammon came against you, ye said unto me, 'Nay; but a king shall reign over us:' when ³the LORD your ° God was your king.

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13 Now therefore behold the king whom ye have chosen, ° and whom ye have desired! and, behold, ³the LORD hath set a king over you.

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14 If ye will fear ³the LORD, and serve Him, and obey His voice, and not rebel against the commandment of ³the LORD, then shall both ye and also the king that reigneth over you continue following ³the LORD your ° God:

15 But if ye will not obey the voice of ³the LORD, but rebel against the commandment of ³the LORD, then shall the hand of ³the LORD be against you, ° as it was against your fathers.

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16 Now therefore stand and see this great thing, which ³the LORD will do before your eyes.

17 Is it not wheat harvest to day? I will call unto ³the LORD, and He shall ° send thunder and rain; that ye may perceive and see that your ° wickedness is great, which ye have done in the sight of ³the LORD, in asking you a king."

18 So Samuel called unto ³the LORD; and ³the LORD sent thunder and rain that day: and all the People greatly feared ³the LORD and Samuel.

19 And all the People said unto Samuel, ° "Pray for thy servants unto ³the LORD thy ° God, that we die not: for we have added unto all our ¹⁰sins this ° evil, to ask us a king."

20 And Samuel said unto the people, "Fear not: ye have done all this ¹⁷wickedness: yet turn not aside from following ³the LORD, but serve ³the LORD with all your heart;

21 And turn ye not aside: for then should ye go after vain things, which cannot profit nor deliver; for they are ° vain.

22 For ³the LORD ° will not forsake His People for His great name's sake: because it hath pleased ³the LORD to make you ° His People.

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23 Moreover as for me, ° God forbid that I should sin against ³the LORD in ceasing to pray for you: but I will teach you the good and the right way:

8 Jacob. Cp. Gen. 46. 5, 6.

sent. Cp. Ex. 4. 16.

made = He caused. So Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg.

9 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

of Hazor. Sept. reads "of Jabin king of".

10 sinned. Heb. *chātā*. Ap. 44. i.

11 and Bedan. The Sept., Syr., and Arab. read "and Barak" (the names being much alike in Hebrew). and Samuel. The Peshito (or Revised Syr.) reads "and Samson". But, if "Samuel", these are not Samuel's words, but Jehovah's in Samuel's mouth.

12 ye saw. Fig. *Hysterēsis*, or *Hysterologia* (Ap. 6), by which a prior event is recorded later. children = sons.

13 and. Some codices, with three early printed editions, Syr., and Vulg., read "for".

15 as, &c. Sept. reads "and against your king".

17 send. It had to be sent, for rain in harvest was most exceptional; and would be regarded as sent in judgment. Cp. Prov. 26. 1.

wickedness. Heb. *ra'ā*. Ap. 44. viii.

19 Pray. Moses and Samuel specially named as intercessors. Ps. 99. 6. Jer. 15. 1.

evil. Same word as "wickedness" above.

22 will not forsake. Cp. Gen. 28. 15. Josh. 1. 5. Quoted in Rom. 11. 1, 2.

His People = a People for Himself.

13. 1—15. 35 (P. p. 375). PROVOCATION OF SAUL. (Alternation.)

P | F | 13. 1, 2. The levies of Saul.
G | 13. 3—14. 46. War with Philistines.
F | 14. 47—52. The levies of Saul.
G | 15. 1—35. War with Amalek.

13. 3—14. 46 (G, above). WAR WITH PHILISTINES. (Division.)

G | H¹ | 13. 3 22. First aggression of Jonathan.
H² | 13. 23—14. 46. Second aggression of Jonathan.

13. 3—22 (H¹, above). FIRST AGGRESSION OF JONATHAN.

(Introversion and Extended Alternation.)

H¹ | J¹ | g | 3, 4. Saul's assemblage of Israel.
h | j | 5-. The Philistines. Number.
k | -5. Encampment at Michmash.
i | 6, 7. Israel. Distress.
K | 8. Delay of Samuel.
K | 9-15-. Sin of Saul.
J² | g | -15, 16-. Saul's assemblage of Israel.
h | k | -16. Encampment at Michmash.
j | 17, 18. The Philistines. Number.
i | 19-22. Israel. Disarmament.

2 men. Sept. reads this word in text.

mount - hill country.

every man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

3 Jonathan. See note on 18. 1.

24 Only fear ³the LORD, and serve Him in truth with all your heart: for consider how great things He hath done for you.

25 But if ye shall still do wickedly, ye shall be consumed, both ye and your king."

13 Saul reigned one year; and when he had reigned two years over Israel, 2 Saul chose him three thousand ° men of Israel; whereof two thousand were with Saul in Michmash and in ° mount Beth-el, and a thousand were with Jonathan in Gibeah of Benjamin: and the rest of the people he sent ° every man to his tent.

3 And ° Jonathan smote the garrison of the Philistines that was in Geba, and the Philis-

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H¹ J¹ g

998 tines heard *of it*. And Saul blew the trumpet
to throughout all the land, saying, "Let the
974 Hebrews hear."

4 And all Israel heard say *that* Saul had smitten a garrison of the Philistines, and *that* Israel also was had in abomination with the Philistines. And the people were called together after Saul to °Gilgal.

h j 5 And the Philistines gathered themselves
(p. 381) together to fight with Israel, °thirty thousand chariots, and °six thousand horsemen, and people °as the sand which *is* on the sea shore in multitude:

k and they came up, and pitched in Michmash, eastward from Beth-aven.

i 6 When the °men of Israel saw that they were in a strait, (for the People were °distressed,) then the People did hide themselves in caves, °and in thickets, and in rocks, and in high places, and in pits.

7 And *some of* °the Hebrews went over Jordan to the land of Gad and Gilead. As for Saul, he *was* yet in Gilgal, and all the People followed him trembling.

K 8 And he tarried seven days, according to the set time that Samuel °*had appointed*: but Samuel came not to Gilgal; and the People were scattered from him.

K 9 And Saul said, "Bring hither a burnt offering to me, and peace offerings." And he °offered the burnt offering.

10 And it came to pass, that as soon as he had made an end of °offering the burnt offering, °behold, Samuel came; and Saul went out to meet him, that he might °salute him.

11 And Samuel said, "What hast thou done?" And Saul said, "Because I saw that the People were scattered from me, °and *that* then camest not within the days appointed, and *that* the Philistines gathered themselves together at Michmash;

12 Therefore said I, 'The Philistines will come down now upon me to Gilgal, and I have not made supplication unto °the LORD:' I forced myself therefore, and °offered °a burnt offering."

13 And Samuel said to Saul, "Thou hast done foolishly: °thou hast not kept the commandment of °the LORD thy °God, which He commanded thee: for now would °the LORD have established °thy kingdom upon Israel for ever.

14 But now thy kingdom shall not continue: °the LORD hath sought Him a °MAN AFTER HIS °OWN HEART, and °the LORD hath commanded him to be °captain over His People, because thou hast not kept *that* which °the LORD commanded thee."

15 And Samuel arose, and gat him up from °Gilgal unto Gibeah of Benjamin.

J² g And Saul numbered the People *that were* °present with him, about six hundred °men.

16 And Saul, and Jonathan his son, and the People *that were* present with them, abode in °Gibeah of Benjamin:

h k but the Philistines encamped in Michmash.

4 Gilgal. In the plain of Jordan, east of Jericho, good for water, remote from Philistines, and connected with sacred memories.

5 thirty thousand . . . six, &c. Multiples of six. See Ap. 10.

as the sand, &c. Fig. *Parœmia*. Ap. 6.

6 men. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

distressed - pressed: i. e. into Saul's service.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton*. Ap. 6.

7 the Hebrews went over. Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6), 'ibrim 'abru.

8 had appointed. Some codices, with three early printed editions, Aram., and Sept., read "said". Some codices read "appointed".

9 offered - offered up. See Ap. 43. I. vi.

10 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

salute = bless.

12 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

a = the.

13 thou hast not. Some codices, with three early printed editions, and Vulg., read "and hast". Some codices, with Sept. and Syr., read "because thou hast".

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

thy kingdom. This possible only with God as sovereign.

14 man, &c. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II. Quoted in Acts 13.22. own heart - his own pleasure. Cp. Ps. 89. 20, 21.

captain - leader, or representative.

15 Gilgal. The Sept. preserves a *Homœoteleuton* here, adding after "Gilgal [and the rest of the people went up after Saul to meet the army when they arrived from] Gilgal"; the eye of the scribe going back to this last "Gilgal" instead of to the one in v. 15. present - found.

men. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

16 Gibeah. Probably the Geba of v. 3.

19 no smith. This explains why Ehud had to make his own dagger (Judg. 3. 16); why Shamgar had only an ox-goad (Judg. 3. 31); why Samson "had nothing in his hand" (Judg. 14. 5, 6); and why "not a shield or spear among 40,000 in Israel" (Judg. 5. 8). In other days we read of how many "drew sword".

land. Some codices read "bounds".

20 coulter. Anglo-Saxon a *culter*; hence, a plough-share.

mattock - a kind of pickaxe, with broad instead of pointed ends.

22 with Saul = with those who were with Saul and Jonathan: a picked force.

17 And the spoilers came out of the camp of the Philistines in three companies: one company turned unto the way *that leadeth* to Ophrah, unto the land of Shual:

18 And another company turned the way to Beth-horon: and another company turned to the way of the border that looketh to the valley of Zeboim toward the wilderness.

19 Now there was °no smith found throughout all the °land of Israel: for the Philistines said, "Lest the Hebrews make *them* swords or spears:"

20 But all the Israelites went down to the Philistines, to sharpen every °man his share, and his °coulter, and his axe, and his °mattock.

21 Yet they had a file for the °mattocks, and for the °coulters, and for the forks, and for the axes, and to sharpen the goads.

22 So it came to pass in the day of battle, that there was neither sword nor spear found in the hand of any of the People that *were* with Saul and Jonathan: but °with Saul and with Jonathan his son was there found.

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23 And the ° garrison of the Philistines went out to the ° passage of Michmash.

14 Now it came to pass upon ° a day, that Jonathan the son of Saul said unto the young man that bare his armour, "Come, and let us go over to the Philistines' garrison, that is on the other side." But he told not his father.

2 And Saul tarried in the uttermost part of Gibeah under ° a pomegranate tree which is in ° Migron: and the People that were with him were about six hundred ° men;

3 And ° Ahiah, the son of Ahitub, ° I-chabod's brother, the son of Phinehas, the son of Eli, ° the LORD's priest in Shiloh, ° wearing an ephod. And the people knew not that Jonathan was gone.

4 And between the passages, by which Jonathan sought to go over unto the Philistines' garrison, there was a ° sharp rock on the one side, and a ° sharp rock on the other side: ° and the name of the one was ° Bozez, and the name of the other ° Seneh.

5 The forefront of the one ° was situate northward over against ° Michmash, and the other southward over against ° Gibeah.

6 And Jonathan said to the young man that bare his armour, "Come, and let us go over unto the garrison of these uncircumcised: it may be that ° the LORD will work for us: for there is no restraint to ° the LORD to save by many or by few."

7 And his armourbearer said unto him, "Do all that is in thine heart: turn thee; ° behold, I am with thee according to thy heart."

8 Then said Jonathan, ° "Behold, we will pass over unto these ° men, and we will discover ourselves unto them."

9 If they say thus unto us, ° "Tarry until we come to you;" then we will stand still in our place, and will not go up unto them.

10 But if they say thus, "Come up unto us;" then we will go up: for ° the LORD hath delivered them into our ° hand: and this shall be a sign unto us."

11 And both of them discovered themselves unto the garrison of the Philistines: and the Philistines said, ° "Behold, ° the Hebrews come forth out of the holes where they had hid themselves."

12 And the ° men of the garrison answered Jonathan and his armourbearer, and said, "Come up to us, and we will ° shew you a thing." And Jonathan said unto his armourbearer, "Come up after me: for ° the LORD hath delivered them into the hand of Israel."

13 And Jonathan climbed up upon his hands and upon his feet, and his armourbearer after him: and they fell before Jonathan; and his armourbearer slew after him.

14 And that first slaughter, which Jonathan and his armourbearer made, was about twenty men, within as it were an half ° acre of land, which a yoke of oxen might plow.

15 And there was trembling in the ° host, in the field, and among all the people: the garrison, and the spoilers, they also ° trembled, and

13. 23—14. 46 (H² p. 381). SECOND AGGRESSION OF JONATHAN. (*Introversion.*)

H² | L | 13. 23—14. 19. Jonathan's success.
M | 14. 20-23. Saul's success.
L | 14. 24-46. Jonathan's sin.

13. 23—14. 19 (L, above). JONATHAN'S SUCCESS. (*Extended Alternation.*)

L | 1 | 13. 23. Garrison of Philistines. Place.
m | 14. 1. Attack proposed.
n | 14. 2, 3. Army of Saul.
l | 14. 4, 5. Garrison of Philistines. Description.
m | 14. 6-15. Attack carried out.
n | 14. 16-19. Army of Saul.

23 garrison = post, or permanent camp.
passage = pass.

14. 1 a day: i. e. a certain day.

2 a pomegranate tree = the pomegranate tree: i. e. the well-known one.

Migron. North of Gilgal.

men. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

3 Ahiah (= brother or friend of Jehovah). As Ahimelech (brother or friend of the king) was also the son of Ahitub, therefore Ahiah and Ahimelech were brothers, and the latter succeeded the former (22. 11). I-chabod's. Cp. 4. 21.

the LORD's. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

wearing an ephod. See note on v. 18.

4 sharp rock = a crag. Heb. sela'. See notes on Ex. 17. 6. Ps. 18. 1, 2.

and. Some codices, with two early printed editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., omit this "and".

Bozez = Shining.

Seneh = Sharp, or pointed. Heb. = thorn.

5 was situate. Heb. māzūh, only here, and 2. s = the sharp crag, or pillar of v. 4.

Michmash. Nine miles from Jerusalem.

Gibeah = Geba.

6 the LORD (Jehovah) will work. Note the language of faith. Cp. 2 Chron. 14. 11.

7 behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

8 men. Heb. 'enosh. Ap. 14. III.

9 Tarry = keep quiet.

10 hand. Some codices, with two early printed editions, Sept., and Vulg., read "hands".

11 the Hebrews. Cp. v. 21.

12 shew you a thing = tell you something.

14 acre. Heb. = furrow, or a furrow's length. The Fig. Ellipsis (Ap. 6) is supplied, but the words "in a day" might be added for completeness at end of verse. This is the standard measure throughout the Turkish empire, called a deunum = 40 arshuns.

15 host = camp.

trembled = were panic-stricken. Cp. 2 Sam. 5. 24. 2 Kings 7. 6; 19. 7.

a very great trembling = a preternatural trembling.

Heb. a trembling from Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

16 and they went on beating down, &c. Heb. hither and thither. A supposed Ellipsis is unnecessarily supplied. Read "melted away hither and thither", with Sept. and Syr.

the earth quaked: so it was ° a very great trembling.

16 And the watchmen of Saul in Gibeah of Benjamin looked; and, ° behold, the multitude melted away, ° and they went on beating down one another.

17 Then said Saul unto the People that were with him, "Number now, and see who is gone from us." And when they had numbered, ° behold, Jonathan and his armourbearer were not there.

18 And Saul said unto Ahiah, "Bring hither

998 ° the ark of ° God." For the ark of ° God was
to at that time with the ° children of Israel.

974 19 And it came to pass, while Saul ° talked
unto the priest, that the noise that was in
the ¹⁵ host of the Philistines went on and
increased: and Saul said unto the priest,
° "Withdraw thine ° hand."

M o 20 And Saul and all the People that were
(p. 384) with him ° assembled themselves, and they
came to the battle:

p and, behold, ° every man's sword was against
his fellow, and there was a very great dis-
comfiture.

o 21 Moreover ° the Hebrews that were with
the Philistines before that time, which went
up with them into the camp from the country
round about, even they also ° turned to be
with the Israelites that were with Saul and
Jonathan.

22 Likewise all the ² men of Israel which had
hid themselves in ° mount Ephraim, when they
heard that the Philistines fled, even they also
followed hard after them in the battle.

p 23 So ° the LORD saved Israel that day: and
the battle passed over ° unto ° Beth-aven.

L q N¹ s 24 And the ² men of Israel were distressed that
day: for Saul had adjured the People, saying,
"Cursed be the ² man that eateth any ° food
until evening, that I may be avenged on mine
enemies." So none of the People tasted any
food.

25 And all they of the land came to a wood;
and there was honey upon ° the ground.

26 And when the People were come into the
wood, ° behold, the honey dropped; but no
² man put his hand to his mouth: for the People
feared the oath.

t 27 But Jonathan heard not when his father
charged the People with the oath: wherefore
he put forth the end of the rod that was in his
hand, and dipped it in ° an honeycomb, and
put his hand to his mouth; and his eyes were
enlightened.

28 Then answered one of the People, and
said, "Thy father ° straitly charged the People
with an oath, saying, 'Cursed be the ² man that
eateth any food this day.'"

s And the People were ° faint.

t 29 Then said Jonathan, "My father hath
troubled the ° land: see, I pray you, how mine
eyes have been enlightened, because I tasted
a little of this honey.

30 ° How much more, if haply the People had
eaten freely to day of the spoil of their enemies
which they found? for had there not been
now a much greater slaughter among the
Philistines?"

N² u 31 And they smote the Philistines that day
(p. 385) from Michmash to Aijalon:

v and the People were very faint.

an effect on the eyes, though it would subsequently dull the senses. Song 5. 1 would read "I have eaten my cannabis with my honey". The Sept. and Vulg. did not understand either passage, and the latter misled with "honeycomb" (*favum*). 28 straitly = strictly. faint = weary. 29 land = people. Fig. Metonymy (of Subject), Ap. 6. 30 How...? Fig. Erotēsis. Ap. 6.

31-35 [For Structure see next page].

18 the ark of God. The word rendered "bring" (*nāgash*) inappropriate for the Ark, which was at Kirjath-jearim (Judg. 20. 27, and cp. 2 Sam. 11. 11; 15. 24). The Sept. reads "the ephod, for he bare the ephod at that time before Israel". Cp. v. 3. The context shows that inquiry of the Lord by Urim and Thummim was in Saul's mind. See v. 18 and note on Ex. 28. 30, and cp. 1 Sam. 28. 6, 9; 30. 7, 8, where the same word is used for "bring".

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. Lit. "the God". children = sons.

19 talked: i. e. concerning the inquiry proposed.

Withdraw: i. e. from the ephod = Stop! hand. Some codices, with three early printed editions, and Sept., read "hands".

14. 20-23 (M, p. 383). SAUL'S SUCCESS. (Alternation.)

M o | 20-. Assemblage.

p | -20. Mutual slaughter of enemies.

o | 21, 22. Assemblage.

p | 23. Salvation of Israel.

20 assembled themselves = were assembled (by proclamation).

every man's. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14.

21 the Hebrews. Called so in distinction from the foreigners among whom they lived; referring to language rather than nationality. Cp. v. 11.

turned. Sept. and Vulg. read "turned round".

22 mount = hill country of.

23 the LORD (Jehovah) saved: according to Jonathan's faith.

unto. Some codices, with Aram. and Vulg., read "as far as".

Beth-aven. The Sept. adds: "and all the people with Saul were about 10,000 men: and the battle extended itself to every city in the mount Ephraim. And Saul committed a great trespass of ignorance on that day."

24-46 (L, p. 383). JONATHAN'S SIN. (Alternation.)

L q | 24-35. Sin committed.

r | 36-. Pursuit proposed by Saul.

q | -36-45. Sin discovered.

r | 46. Pursuit abandoned by Saul.

24-35 (q, above). SIN COMMITTED. (Division.)

q | N¹ | 24-30. By Jonathan.

N² | 31-35. By the people.

24-30 (N¹, above). BY JONATHAN. (Alternation.)

N¹ | s | 24-26. The people distressed.

t | 27, 28-. Jonathan ignorant.

s | -28. The people faint.

t | 29, 30. Jonathan troubled.

24 food. Heb. "bread", put by Fig. Synecdoche (of Species), Ap. 6, for all kinds of food.

25 the ground. Heb. "the face (i. e. surface) of the ground". Fig. Pleonasm. Ap. 6.

26 behold. Fig. Asterismos.

27 an honeycomb. The Heb. *ya'ar* never means honeycomb, but "a wood". It is rendered "forest" thirty-eight times, "wood" nineteen times, "honeycomb" only here and Song 5. 1. It points to a dense growing wood or thicket; and it has been suggested that it was the *cannabis indica*, or hemp plant, producing the Eastern intoxicant *hashish*. This would produce

998 32 And the People flew upon the spoil, and
to took sheep, and oxen, and calves, and slew
974 them on the ground: and the People did eat
them with the blood.

33 Then they told Saul, saying, ²⁶ "Behold,
the People ° sin against ³ the LORD, in that they
eat with the blood." And he said, "Ye have
° transgressed:

roll a great stone unto me ° this day."

(p. 385) 34 And Saul said, "Disperse yourselves among
the people, and say unto them, 'Bring me
hither ²⁰ every man his ox, and ²⁰ every man his
sheep, and slay them here, and eat; and ³³ sin
not against ³ the LORD in eating with the
blood.'" And all the People brought ²⁰ every
man ° his ox with him that night, and slew
them there.

35 And Saul built an altar unto ³ the LORD:
the same was the first altar that he built unto
³ the LORD.

(p. 384) 36 And Saul said, "Let us go down after the
Philistines by night, and spoil them until the
morning light, and let us not leave a man of
them." And they said, "Do whatsoever seem-
eth good unto thee."

Then said the priest, "Let us draw near hither
unto ¹⁸ God."

37 And Saul asked counsel of ¹⁸ God, "Shall
I go down after the Philistines? wilt Thou
deliver them into the hand of Israel?" But
He answered him not that day.

38 And Saul said, "Draw ye near hither, all
the chief of the People: and know and see
wherein this ³³ sin hath been this day.

39 For, as ³ the LORD liveth, Which saveth
Israel, though it be in Jonathan my son, he
shall surely die." But there was not a ²⁰ man
among all the People that answered him.

40 Then said he unto all Israel, "Be ye on
one side, and ³ Jonathan my son will be
on the other side." And the People said unto
Saul, "Do what seemeth good unto thee."

41 Therefore Saul said unto ° the LORD
¹⁸ God of Israel, ° "Give a perfect lot." And
Saul and Jonathan were taken: but the People
escaped.

42 And Saul said, "Cast lots between me and
Jonathan my son." And Jonathan was taken.

43 Then Saul said to Jonathan, "Tell me
what thou hast done." And Jonathan told
him, and said, "I did but taste a little honey
with the end of the rod that was in mine hand,
and, ° lo, I must die."

44 And Saul answered, ¹⁸ "God ° do so and
more also: for thou shalt surely die, Jonathan."

45 And the People said unto Saul, "Shall
Jonathan die, who hath wrought this great
salvation in Israel? ¹⁸ God forbid: as ³ the
LORD liveth, there shall ° not one hair of his
head fall to the ground; for he hath wrought
with ¹⁸ God this day." So the People ° rescued
Jonathan, that he died not.

46 Then Saul went up from following the
Philistines: and the Philistines went to their
own place.

(p. 385) 47 So Saul took the kingdom over Israel,
° and fought against all his enemies on every
side, against Moab, and against the ° children

14. 31-35 (N², p. 384). SIN OF THE PEOPLE. (Introversion.)

N² | u | 31-. Victory.
v | -31-33-. Sin.
v | -33, 34. Remedy.
u | 35. Altar.

33 sin. Heb. *chātā*. Ap. 44. i.
transgressed = dealt treacherously.
this day. Sept. reads "here".

34 his ox with him. Sept. reads "what was in his
hand".

41 the LORD = Jehovah. Punctuate thus: "Saul
said unto Jehovah: 'O God of Israel'", &c.

Give a perfect lot = Give perfections: i. e. *Thummim*.
See Ex. 28. 30. There is evidently a *Homœoteleuton* (Ap. 6)
here. The scribes, having written the word "Israel",
went forward to the word "Israel" a line or two farther
on, and omitted the words between, which are preserved
in two ancient versions, older than any Heb. MS.
extant. These omitted words are enclosed within
brackets below, in the translation given of the Sept.
version:—"LORD God of Israel, [Why hast thou not
answered Thy servant this day? Is the iniquity in
me, or in Jonathan my son? LORD God of Israel,
Give clear [manifestation, i. e. *Urim*]; and if [the lot]
should declare this, give, I pray Thee, to Thy People
Israel, give, I pray, holiness" (i. e. *Thummim*, a perfect
lot). The Heb. (unpointed) *thamim* (perfect) would
thus have been *Thummim*.

43 lo. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

44 do so. Some codices, with three early printed
editions, Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., add "unto me".

45 not one hair, &c. Fig. *Parce mia*. Ap. 6.
rescued. Heb. *pādāh* = redeemed. See note on Ex.
6. 6 and 13. 13. Perhaps a victim was offered in his stead.

47-52 (F, p. 381). THE LEVIES OF SAUL. (Introversions.)

F | w | y | 47, 48. Wars.
z | 49, 50-. Family.
x | -50. Abner. Chief captain.
w | z | 51. Kindred.
y | 52. Wars.

47 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in vv. 47, 48.
children = sons.

he vexed them = he put them to the worse. But
Sept. reads "he was victorious".

48 an host. Heb. "power". Fig. *Metonymy* (of
Adjunct), Ap. 6, put for the army which manifested the
power. Or it may be rendered "he wrought mightily".

49 Ishui. Called Abinadab in 31. 2.

51 Kish was the father of Saul. For the difficulties
of this genealogy, see note on 1 Chron. 8. 33.

of Ammon, and against Edom, and against
the kings of Zobah, and against the Philis-
tines: and whithersoever he turned himself,
° he vexed them.

48 And he gathered ° an host, and smote the
Amalekites, and delivered Israel out of the
hands of them that spoiled them.

49 Now the sons of Saul were Jonathan, and
° Ishui, and Melchi-shua: and the names of his
two daughters were these; the name of the
firstborn Merab, and the name of the younger
Michal:

50 And the name of Saul's wife was Ahinoam,
the daughter of Ahimaaz:

and the name of the captain of his host was
Abner, the son of Ner, Saul's uncle.

51 And ° Kish was the father of Saul; and Ner
the father of Abner was the son of Abiel.

52 And there was sore war against the Phi-
listines all the days of Saul: and when Saul

998-974 saw any strong °man, or any °valiant man, °he took him unto him.

G a c
(p. 386)

15 Samuel also said unto Saul, °“The LORD sent me to anoint thee to be king over His People, over Israel: now therefore hearken thou unto the voice of the words of °the LORD.

d **2** Thus saith °the LORD of hosts, °“I remember that which Amalek did to Israel, °how he laid wait for him in the way, when he came up from Egypt.

e **3** °Now go and smite °Amalek, and °utterly destroy all that they have, and spare them not; but slay both °man and woman, infant and suckling, ox and sheep, camel and ass.”

b **4** And Saul gathered the People together, and numbered them in °Telaim, two hundred thousand footmen, and ten thousand °men of Judah.

b **5** And Saul came to a city of Amalek, and laid wait in the valley.

a c **6** And Saul said unto the °Kenites, °“Go, depart, get you down from among the Amalekites, lest I destroy you with them:

d for ye shewed kindness to all the °children of Israel, when they came up out of Egypt.” So the Kenites departed from among the Amalekites.

e O **7** And Saul smote the Amalekites °from Havilah until thou comest to Shur, that is over against Egypt.

8 And he took Agag the king of the °Amalekites alive, and °utterly destroyed all the people with the edge of the sword.

9 But Saul and the People spared Agag, °and the best of the sheep, and of the oxen, and of the fatlings, and the lambs, and all that was good, and would not °utterly destroy them: but °every thing that was vile and refuse, that they destroyed utterly.

P f **10** Then came the word of °the LORD unto Samuel, saying,

11 °“It repenteth Me that I have set up Saul to be king: for he is turned back from following Me, and hath not performed My commandments.”

g And it grieved Samuel; and he cried unto °the LORD all night.

h **12** And when Samuel rose early to meet Saul in the morning, it was told Samuel, saying, “Saul came to Carmel, and, °behold, he set him up a °place, and is gone about, and passed °on, and gone down to Gilgal.”

13 And Samuel came to Saul:

Q¹ R¹ i¹ and Saul said unto him, “Blessed be thou of °the LORD: °I have performed the commandment of °the LORD.”

k¹ **14** And Samuel said, “What meaneth then this bleating of the sheep in mine ears, and the lowing of the oxen which I hear?”

i¹ **15** And Saul said, “They have brought them from the Amalekites: for the people spared the best of the sheep and of the oxen, to sacrifice unto °the LORD thy °God; and the rest we have °utterly destroyed.”

52 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.
valiant man. Heb. son of valour.
he took him. As Samuel had said (8. 11, 16).

15. 1-35 (G, p. 381). WAR WITH AMALEKITES.
(Introversion and extended Alternation.)

G | a | c | 1. Saul's call by Samuel.
d | 2. Amalekites' crime against Israel.
e | 3. Command to smite Amalek.
b | 4. Saul's army.
b | 5. Saul's strategy.
a | c | 6-. Saul's call to the Kenites.
d | -6. The Kenites' kindness to Israel.
e | 7-35. Disobedience of Saul.

1 The LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 the LORD of hosts. See note on 1. 3.

I remember. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

how he laid wait. Cp. Ex. 17. 8.

3 Now go. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., and Vulg., read “now therefore go”.

Amalek. Cp. Ex. 17. 16. Num. 24. 20.

utterly destroy=devote to destruction.

man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

4 Telaim. Probably Telem (Josh. 15. 24).

men. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

6 Kenites. Said to be the same as the Rechabites.

Go, depart. Note the Fig. *Asyndeton* in v. 6.

children=sons.

7-35 (e, above). DISOBEDIENCE OF SAUL.
(Alternation and Introversion.)

e | O | 7-9. Saul's sin.
P | f | 10, 11-. Repentance of Jehovah.
g | -11. Sorrow of Samuel.
h | 12, 13-. Journey to Saul.
O | -13-33. Saul's reproof.
P | h | 34, 35-. Departure from Saul.
g | -35-. Sorrow of Samuel.
f | -35. Repentance of Jehovah.

7 from. Supply Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) thus: “[that dwell] from Havilah,” &c.

9 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in this verse.

every thing that was vile=all the stock that was worthless.

11 It repenteth Me. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

12 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

place. Heb. a hand. Either to mark his claim to the place, or a monument, as in 2 Sam. 18. 18.

on=over.

13 I have performed. See v. 11.

-**13-33** (O, above). SAUL'S REPROOF.
(Division.)

O | Q¹ | -13-31. By Samuel's word.
Q² | 32, 33. By Samuel's action.

-**13-31** (Q¹, above). BY SAMUEL'S WORD.
(Alternations and Introversions.)

Q¹ | R¹ | i¹ | -13. Saul's self-commendation.
k¹ | 14. Samuel's condemnation.
i¹ | 15. Saul's self-justification.
S¹ | 16-19. Message from Jehovah.
R² | i² | 20, 21. Saul's self-justification.
k² | 22, 23. Samuel's refutation.
i² | 24, 25. Saul's confession.
S² | 26-29. Sentence of Jehovah.
R³ | i³ | 30. Saul's confession and request.
k³ | 31-. Samuel's compliance.
i³ | -31. Saul's worship.

15 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

16 Then Samuel said unto Saul, “Stay, and I will tell thee what °the LORD hath said to me this night.” And he said unto him, “Say on.”
17 And Samuel said, “When thou wast little

998 in thine own sight, *wast* thou not *made* the
to head of the tribes of Israel, and ¹the LORD
974 anointed thee king over Israel?

18 And ¹the LORD sent thee on a journey, and said, 'Go and utterly destroy the ¹sinners the Amalekites, and fight against them until ¹they be consumed.'

19 Wherefore then didst thou not ¹obey the voice of ¹the LORD, but didst fly upon the spoil, and didst ¹evil in the sight of ¹the LORD?"

R² i² 20 And Saul said unto Samuel, "Yea, I have
(p. 386) ¹obeyed the voice of ¹the LORD, and have gone the way which ¹the LORD sent me, and have brought Agag the king of Amalek, and have utterly destroyed the Amalekites.

21 But the People took of the spoil, sheep and oxen, the chief of the things which should have been utterly destroyed, to sacrifice unto ¹the LORD thy ¹⁵God in Gilgal."

k² 22 And Samuel said, "Hath ¹the LORD as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of ¹the LORD? ¹²Behold, ¹to obey is better than sacrifice, and ¹to hearken than the fat of rams.

23 For rebellion is as the ¹sin of ¹witchcraft, and stubbornness is as ¹iniquity and idolatry. Because thou hast rejected the word of ¹the LORD, He hath also rejected thee from being king."

i² 24 And Saul said unto Samuel, "I have ²³sinned: for I have ¹transgressed the ¹commandment of ¹the LORD, and thy ¹words: because I feared the People, and ²⁰obeyed their voice.

25 Now therefore, I pray thee, pardon my ²³sin, and turn again with me, that I may worship ¹the LORD."

S² 26 And Samuel said unto Saul, "I will not return with thee: for thou hast rejected the word of ¹the LORD, and ¹the LORD hath rejected thee from being king over Israel."

27 And as Samuel turned about to go away, ¹he laid hold upon the skirt of ¹his mantle, and it rent.

28 And Samuel said unto him, ¹"The LORD hath rent the kingdom of Israel from thee this day, and hath given it to a neighbour of thine, that is better than thou.

29 And also ¹the ¹Strength of Israel will not lie nor ¹repent: for ¹it is not ¹a man, that He should ¹repent."

R³ i³ 30 Then he said, "I have ²³sinned: yet honour me now, I pray thee, before the elders of my People, and before Israel, and turn again with me, that I may worship ¹the LORD thy ¹⁵God."

k³ 31 So Samuel turned again after Saul;

i³ and Saul worshipped ¹the LORD.

Q² 32 Then said Samuel, "Bring ye hither to me Agag the king of the Amalekites." And Agag came unto him ¹delicately. And Agag said, "Surely the bitterness of death is past."

33 And Samuel said, ¹"As thy sword hath made women childless, so shall thy mother be childless among women." And Samuel

18 sinners. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i. they be consumed = they have consumed them. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., and Syr., read "thou have consumed them".

19 obey = hearken to.

evil - the evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

20 obeyed = hearkened.

22 to obey = to hearken to.

to hearken = to give heed.

23 sin. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i. witchcraft = divination or necromancy; i.e. dealings with spirits.

iniquity. Heb. *'āven*. Ap. 44. iii.

24 transgressed. Heb. *'ābar*. Ap. 44. vii.

commandment. Heb. "mouth", put by Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6, for what is spoken by it. words. Some codices, with one early printed edition, read "word".

27 he = Saul.

his = Samuel's. Cp. 1 Kings 11. 30, 31.

29 the Strength = the Eternal One. First occurrence. Heb. *neẓāh*. A Divine title.

repent: i.e. as God, though He is said to do so by the Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

a man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

32 delicately = in fetters (Job 38. 31). Sept. has "trembling"; Vulg. has "sleek and trembling".

33 As = according as.

hewed: i.e. commanded him to be hewed or cut asunder after death. Verb occurs only here.

Agag. See note on Amalek (Ex. 17. 16, and cp. v. 3).

35 no more. Cp. 16. 1, 14; 19. 23.

Samuel mourned: i.e. as for one dead. We do not read that Saul mourned for himself.

16. 1-27. 4 (O, p. 375). CHOICE OF DAVID. (Division.)

O	T ¹	16. 1-13. David's call and anointing by God.
	T ²	16. 14-23. Episode. Inserted here to show the contrast between David and Saul.
	T ³	17. 1-27. 4. David opposed by Saul. An earlier episode (17. 1-18. 9), see p. 389.

16. 1-13 (T¹, above). DAVID'S CALL. (Alternation.)

T ¹	1	1-3. Jehovah's provision of David.
	m	4, 5. Samuel's arrival.
	l	6-12. Jehovah's choice of David.
	m	13. Samuel's anointing.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

I have rejected. Note here Jehovah's sovereignty.

I have provided. Note Jehovah's sovereignty in this choice of the youngest. It is this choice that makes David the "man after Jehovah's heart"; not David's personal character or conduct.

¹hewed ¹Agag in pieces before ¹the LORD in Gilgal.

34 Then Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house to Gibeah of Saul.

35 And Samuel came ¹no more to see Saul until the day of his death:

nevertheless ¹Samuel mourned for Saul:

and ¹the LORD ²⁹repented that He had made Saul king over Israel.

16 And ¹the LORD said unto Samuel, "How long wilt thou mourn for Saul, seeing ¹have rejected him from reigning over Israel? fill thine horn with oil, and go, I will send thee to Jesse the Beth-lehemite: for ¹I have provided Me a king among his sons."

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974 2 And Samuel said, "How can I go? if Saul hear *it*, he will kill me." And ¹the LORD said, "Take an heifer ° with thee, and say, 'I am come to sacrifice to ¹the LORD.'"

3 And call Jesse to the sacrifice, and ³ will shew thee what thou shalt do: and thou shalt anoint unto Me *him* whom I name unto thee."

m (p. 387) 4 And Samuel did that which ¹the LORD spake, and came to ° Beth-lehem. And the elders of the town trembled at his coming, and ° said, "Comest thou peaceably?"

5 And he said, "Peaceably: I am come to sacrifice unto ¹the LORD: sanctify yourselves, and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified ° Jesse and his sons, and called them to the sacrifice.

l 6 And it came to pass, when they were come, that he looked on Eliab, and said, "Surely ¹the LORD'S anointed *is* before Him."

7 But ¹the LORD said unto Samuel, "Look not on his countenance, or on the height of his stature; because I have refused him: for ° the LORD seeth not as ° man ° seeth; for ° man ° looketh on the outward appearance, but ¹the LORD ° looketh on the ° heart."

8 Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. And he said, "Neither hath ¹the LORD chosen this."

9 ° Then Jesse made ° Shammah to pass by. And he said, "Neither hath ¹the LORD chosen this."

10 ° Again, Jesse made ° seven of his sons to pass before Samuel. And Samuel said unto Jesse, ¹ "The LORD hath not chosen these."

11 And Samuel said unto Jesse, ° "Are here all *thy* ° children?" And he said, "There remaineth yet the ° youngest, and, ° behold, ° he keepeth the sheep." And Samuel said unto Jesse, "Send and fetch him: for we will not sit ° down till he come hither."

12 And he sent, and brought him in. Now *he* was ruddy, ° and withal of a beautiful countenance, and ° goodly to look to. And ¹the LORD said, "Arise, anoint him: for this *is* *he*."

m 13 Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and ° anointed him in the midst of his brethren: and ° the Spirit of ¹the LORD came upon ° David from that day forward. So Samuel rose up, and went to Ramah.

T² n (p. 388) 14 ° But ¹³ the Spirit of ¹the LORD departed from Saul, and an ° evil ° spirit from ¹the LORD ° troubled him.

15 And Saul's servants said unto him, ¹¹ "Behold now, an ¹⁴evil ¹⁴spirit from ° God troubleth thee.

16 Let our lord now command thy servants, *which are* before thee, to seek out a ° man, *who is* a ° cunning player on an ° harp:

p and it shall come to pass, when the ¹⁴evil ¹⁴spirit from ¹⁵God is upon thee, that he shall play with his hand, and thou shalt be well."

o 17 And Saul said unto his servants, "Provide me now a ¹⁶man that can play well, and bring *him* to me."

18 Then answered one of the ° servants, and said, ¹¹ "Behold, I have seen a son of Jesse the Beth-lehemite, *that is* ¹⁶cunning in playing, ° and a mighty valiant ¹⁶man, and a ¹⁶man of

2 with thee = in thine hand.

4 Beth-lehem = house of bread.

said. Heb. text reads verb in sing., requiring "he, or one, said". In this case it is the Fig. *Heterōsis* (of Number), Ap. 6. But several codices, the *Sevīr* (Ap. 34), Targ., Sept., Syr., Vulg., and the two earliest printed editions, read "they said".

5 Jesse and his sons. He had eight sons and two daughters, Zeruah (mother of Abishai, Joab, and Asahel) and Abigail (mother of Amasa). David is the eighth here (vv. 10, 11), but called the seventh in 1 Chron. 2. 15. One son must have died shortly after this, or been the son of a concubine, or died without issue and so not reckoned in the genealogy. Samuel is *history*, Chronicles is *genealogy*.

7 the LORD seeth. These words correctly supply the *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6. III. 1), from the Sept.

man = 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.

seeth = looketh to.

looketh on = looketh to.

heart. Cp. 1 Chron. 28. 9. Ps. 7. 9. Jer. 11. 20; 17. 10; 20. 12.

9 Then = and.

Shammah. Probably = Shimeah. 2 Sam. 13. 3; 21. 21.

10 Again = So.

seven. See note on v. 5.

11 Are here all thy children? Heb. "Have the young men finished [passing by]?" This correctly supplies the Fig. *Ellipsis*. Ap. 6. Heb. *na'ar* = young men.

youngest = least. See note on v. 5.

behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

he keepeth. Saul lost his father's asses (9. 3, 4, 20).

down = round.

12 and withal of a beautiful, &c. = a stripling (17. 56), with handsome eyes.

goodly to look to = with, or of, noble mien.

13 anointed him. Three anointings of David: (1) by Samuel, here; (2) by "men of Judah" (2 Sam. 2. 4); and (3) by "the elders of Israel" (2 Sam. 5. 3).

the Spirit. Heb. = *rūach*. Ap. 9.

David = beloved.

16. 14-23 (T², p. 387). THE LATER EPISODE.

(Introversion.)

T² n | 14, 15. Evil spirit troubling Saul.

o | 16-. Harper recommended.

p | -16. Recovery promised.

o | 17-22. Harper successful.

n | 23. Evil spirit departing from Saul.

14 But. This marks and introduces the later episode, placed here in order to bring out and connect the contrast of the Spirit's departing from Saul and coming on David. See notes on 17. 1 and 18. 12.

evil: always. Heb. *rā'a'* (Ap. 44. viii), in this connection. spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

troubled = terrified.

15 God. Heb. Elohim (Ap. 4. I). Saul's servants not in communion with Jehovah, the Covenant God. Ap. 4. II.

16 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

cunning = skilful.

harp = *kinnor*. An instrument of many strings.

18 servants. Not the same word as in vv. 15-17, but "young men" as in 14. 1. Perhaps Saul's body-guard; possibly fellow-pupils of Samuel at Naioth.

and. Note Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in these verses.

matters = speech.

20 bottle = skin-bottle.

of. Gen. of contents. Ap. 17.

wine. Heb. *yayin*. See Ap. 27. I.

war, and prudent in ° matters, and a comely person, and ¹the LORD *is* with him."

19 Wherefore Saul sent messengers unto Jesse, and said, "Send me David thy son, *which is* with the sheep."

20 And Jesse took an ass *laden* with bread, and a ° bottle ° of ° wine, and a kid, and sent *them* by David his son unto Saul.

974 21 And David came to Saul, and stood before him: and °he loved °him greatly; and he became his armourbearer.

22 And Saul sent to Jesse, saying, "Let David, I pray thee, stand before me; for he hath found favour in my sight."

23 And it came to pass, when the *evil* ¹⁴ spirit from ¹⁵ God was upon Saul, that David took an harp, and played with his hand: so Saul was refreshed, and was well, and the evil ¹⁴ spirit departed from him.

U X q (p. 389) 17 ° Now the Philistines gathered together their armies to battle, and were gathered together at Shochoh, which *belongeth* to Judah, and pitched between Shochoh and Azekah, in Ephes-dammim.

2 And Saul and the ° men of Israel were gathered together, and pitched ° by the valley of Elah, and set the battle in array against the Philistines.

3 And the Philistines stood on a mountain on the one side, and Israel stood on a mountain on the other side: and *there* was a valley between them.

r Z s 4 And there went out a ° champion out of the camp of the Philistines, named Goliath, of Gath, whose height was ° six ° cubits and a ° span.

5 ° And *he* had an helmet of brass upon his head, and *he* was armed with a coat of mail; and the weight of the coat was five thousand ° shekels of brass.

6 And *he* had greaves of brass upon his legs, and a ° target of brass between his shoulders.

7 And the staff of his spear was like a weaver's beam; and his spear's head weighed ° six hundred ° shekels of iron: and one bearing a ° shield went before him.

t 8 And he stood and cried unto the armies of Israel, and said unto them, "Why are ye come out to set *your* battle in array? *am* not I a Philistine, and *ye* servants to Saul? choose you a ° man for you, and let him come down to me.

9 If he be able to fight with me, and to kill me, then will we be your servants: but if I prevail against him, and kill him, then shall ye be our servants, and serve us."

10 And the Philistine said, "I defy the armies of Israel this day; give me a ° man, that we may fight together."

u 11 When Saul and all Israel heard those words of the Philistine, they were dismayed, and ° greatly afraid.

A B (p. 390) 12 Now David was the son of that Ephrathite of Beth-lehem-judah, whose name was Jesse; and he had ° eight sons: and the ° man went among ° men ° for an old ° man in the days of Saul.

21 he = Saul.
him = David.

17. 1-27. 4 (T³, p. 387). DAVID OPPOSED BY SAUL. (*Extended Alternation*.)

T³ U | 17. 1-18. 9. War with the Philistines.
V | 18. 10, 11. Evil spirit incites Saul against David.
W | 18. 12-19. 7. Saul's hostility to David.
U | 19. 8. War with the Philistines.
V | 19. 9-20. 1-. Evil spirit incites Saul against David.
W | 20. -1-27. 4. Saul's hostility to David.

17. 1-18. 9 (U, above). WAR WITH PHILISTINES. (*Alternation*.)

U | X | 17. 1-54. Battle with Philistines.
Y | 17. 55-18. 5. Favour of Saul to David.
X | 18. 6, 7. Battle won. Praise for victory.
Y | 18. 8, 9. Disfavour of Saul to David.

17. 1-54 (X, above). BATTLE WITH PHILISTINES. (*Introversion*.)

X | q | 1-3. The two armies. Arrayed.
r | 4 40-. Defiance of Goliath.
r | -40-51-. Combat with Goliath.
q | -51-54. The two armies. Flight and pursuit.

1 Now. Ch. 17. 1 reads on chronologically from 16. 13 (see note on 16. 14). An author's right is claimed for placing the later episode here (16. 14, 23), in order to connect and contrast the two spirits with Saul and David. The canonical order alternates David's call and Saul's. See notes on 16. 14; 18. 12.

Canon-ical Order { | 16. 1-13. David's call by God.
| 16. 14-23. Saul. Spirit departing.
| 17. 1-18. 4. David's call by Saul.
| 18. 5-30. Saul. Spirit departing.

The chronological order is clear on the face of the text for all who will see it.

Chrono-logical Order { | 16. 1-13. David's call by Jehovah.
| 17. 1-18. 4. David's exploits.
| 16. 14-23. David's call by Saul.
| 18. 5-30. David's exploits.

2 men. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.
by in. About sixteen miles south-west of Jerusalem.

4-40- (r, above). DEFIANCE OF GOLIATH. (*Introversion*.)

r | Z | s | 4-7. Goliath's armour.
t | 8-10. Goliath's challenge.
u | 11. Israel's fear.
A | 12-31. David's mission.
Z | u | 32-. Saul's encouragement.
t | 32-37. Goliath's challenge accepted.
s | 38 40. David's armour.

4 champion. Heb. 'ish-habbēnayim = "the man between the two [hosts]", or, the duellist. This accords with the subscription of Psalm 8 (see note there). Mūth-labbēn the death of the man between; i. e. the death of the champion (Goliath) which Ps. 8 celebrates. Ps. 144, which has the same words, "What is man", has for its title in Sept. "A Psalm of David concerning Goliath" (cp. Ps. 8. 4 with 144. 3). See v. 23.

six. Note this number "6" stamped like a "hall-mark" on this "man" (as on Nebuchadnezzar, Dan. 3). Cp. the six pieces of armour, vv. 5-7.

5 And. Note the Fig. Polysyndeton in vv. 5-7. Ap. 6. Note the six pieces of armour thus emphasised; and see Ap. 10. 6 target. Heb. kedōn, a small shield. Translated "shield" in v. 45. 7 shield. Heb. šinnah, a shield of the largest size, covering the whole body. Same word in v. 41, not vv. 6 and 45.

8 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II. 11 greatly afraid - feared exceedingly. Cp. v. 24. 12 eight sons. David was now between sixteen and seventeen years old. See note on 16. 5. men. Heb. 'enōsh. Ap. 14. III. for an old man. Sept. and Syr. read "was old", advanced in years.

cubits. See Ap. 51. III. 2.

span. See Ap. 51. III. 2.

6 target. Heb. kedōn, a small shield. Translated "shield" in v. 45.

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13 And the three eldest sons of Jesse went and followed Saul to the battle: and the names of his three sons that went to the battle were Eliab the firstborn, and next unto him Abinadab, and the third Shammah.

y 14 And David ° was the youngest:
x and the three eldest followed Saul.

y 15 But David went and returned from Saul to feed his father's sheep at Beth-lehem.

w 16 And the Philistine drew near morning and evening, and presented himself ° forty days.

E z¹ 17 And Jesse said unto David his son, "Take now for thy brethren an ° ephah of this parched corn, and these ten loaves, and run to the camp to thy brethren;

18 And carry these ten cheeses unto the captain of their thousand, and look how thy brethren fare, and take ° their pledge."

z² 19 Now Saul, and they, and all the ° men of Israel, were in the valley of Elah, fighting with the Philistines.

20 And David rose up early in the morning, and left the sheep with a keeper, and took, and went, ° as Jesse had commanded him; and he came to the trench, as the host was going forth to the ° fight, and shouted for the battle.

21 For Israel and the Philistines had put the battle in array, army against army.

22 And David left his ° carriage in the hand of the keeper of the ° carriage, and ran into the army, and came and saluted his brethren.

C w 23 And as he talked with them, ° behold, there came up the ° champion, the Philistine of Gath, Goliath by name, out of the ° armies of the Philistines, and spake according to the same words: and David heard them.

24 And all the ° men of Israel, when they saw the ° man, fled from him, and ° were sore afraid.

t a 25 And the ° men of Israel said, "Have ye seen this ° man that is come up? surely to defy Israel is he come up: and it shall be, that the ° man who killeth him, the king will enrich him with great riches, ° and will give him his daughter, and make his father's house free in Israel."

b d 26 And David spake to the ° men that stood by him, saying, "What shall be done to the ° man that killeth this Philistine, and taketh away the reproach from Israel? for who is this uncircumcised Philistine, that he should ° defy the armies of the living ° God?"

e 27 And the people answered him after this manner, saying, "So shall it be done to the ° man that killeth him."

c 28 And Eliab his eldest brother heard when he spake unto the ° men; and Eliab's anger was kindled against David, and he said, "Why camest thou down hither? and with whom hast thou left those few sheep in the wilderness? I know thy pride, and the naughtiness of thine heart; for thou art come down that thou mightest see the battle."

c 29 And David said, "What have I now done? Is there not a cause?"

17. 12-31 (A, p. 389). DAVID'S MISSION.
(Alternation and Introversion.)

A B | 12. House of Jesse.
C | v | 13-15. The army.
w | 16. Goliath's challenge.
B | 17-22. Message of Jesse.
C | w | 23, 24. Goliath's challenge.
v | 25-31. The army.

13-15 (v, above). THE ARMY.
(Alternation.)

v | x | 13. The eldest three.
y | 14. David.
x | 14. The eldest three.
y | 15. David.

14 was = he [was].

16 forty. The number significant of probation. Ap. 10.

17-22 (B, above). MESSAGE OF JESSE.
(Division.)

B | z¹ | 17, 18. Command.
z² | 19-22. Obedience.

17 ephah. See Ap. 51. III. 3.

18 their pledge: i. e. a token from them of their welfare - a message or letter, or a lock of hair. Cp. Gen. 37. 13, 14, 32, 33.

20 as = according as.

fight = place of battle.

22 carriage = baggage: i. e. goods carried.

23 behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

armies = ranks.

24 men. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

were sore afraid - feared exceedingly. Cp. v. 11.

25-31 (v, above). THE ARMY.
(Introversion and Alternation.)

v | a | 25. The king's reward.
b | d | 26. David. Inquiry.
e | 27. People. Answer.
c | 28. Eliab's reproof of David.
c | 29. David's reply to Eliab.
b | d | 30. David. Inquiry.
e | 30. People. Answer.
a | 31. The king's mission.

25 and. Note the Fig. Polysyndeton. Ap. 6.

26 men. Heb. 'enosh. Ap. 14. III.

defy = reproach.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. "Living", always in contrast with idols.

30 manner = word.

32 Let no man's heart fail. Sept. reads "Let not the heart of my lord fail".

man's. Heb. 'adam. Ap. 14. I.

30 And he turned from him toward another, and spake after the same ° manner:

and the people answered him again after the former manner.

31 And when the words were heard which David spake, they rehearsed them before Saul: and he sent for him.

32 And David said to Saul, ° "Let no ° man's heart fail because of him;

thy servant will go and fight with this Philistine."

33 And Saul said to David, "Thou art not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him: for thou art but a youth, and he a ° man of war from his youth."

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34 And David said unto Saul, "Thy servant ° kept ° his father's sheep, ° and there came a lion, and a bear, and took a lamb out of the flock:

35 And I went out after him, and smote him, and delivered *it* out of his mouth: and when he arose against me, I caught *him* by his ° beard, and smote him, and slew him.

36 Thy servant slew both the lion and the bear: and this uncircumcised Philistine shall be as one of ° them, seeing he hath ° defied the armies of the ° living ° God."

37 David said moreover, "The LORD That delivered me out of the ° paw of the lion, and out of the ° paw of the bear, He will deliver me out of the ° hand of this Philistine." And Saul said unto David, "Go, and ° the LORD be with thee."

s (p. 389) 38 And Saul armed David with his armour, and he put an helmet of brass upon his head; also he armed him with a coat of mail.

39 And David girded his sword upon his armour, and he ° assayed to go; for he had not proved *it*. And David said unto Saul, "I cannot go with these; for I have not proved *them*." And David put them off him.

40 And he took his ° staff in his hand, and chose him five smooth stones out of the brook, and put them in a shepherd's bag which he had, even in a scrip; and his sling was in his hand:

and he drew near to the Philistine.

r f (p. 391) 41 And the Philistine came on and drew near unto David; and the ° man that bare the shield went before him.

g h¹ 42 And when the Philistine looked about, and saw David, he disdained him: for he was *but* a youth, and ° ruddy, and of a fair countenance.

43 And the Philistine said unto David, "Am I a ° dog, that thou comest to me with staves?" And the Philistine cursed David by his ° gods.

44 And the Philistine said to David, "Come to me, and I will give thy flesh unto the fowls of the air, and to the beasts of the ° field."

h² 45 Then said David to the Philistine, "Thou comest to me with a sword, and with a spear, and with a ° shield; but I come to thee in the name of ° the LORD of hosts, the ° God of the armies of Israel, Whom thou hast ° defied.

46 This day will ° the LORD deliver thee into mine hand; ° and I will smite thee, and take thine head from thee; and I will ° give the carcasses of the host of the Philistines this day unto the fowls of the air, and to the wild beasts of the earth; that all the earth may know ° that there is a ° God in Israel.

47 And all this ° assembly shall know that ° the LORD saveth not with sword and spear: for the battle is ° the LORD'S, and He will give you into our ° hands."

f 48 And it came to pass, when the Philistine arose, and came and drew nigh to meet David, that David hasted, and ran toward the army to meet the Philistine.

g 49 And David put his hand in his bag, and took thence a stone, and slang *it*, and smote the Philistine in his forehead, that the stone

34 kept = was keeping. Cp. 16. 11.

his. Some codices, quoted in the *Massōrah*, read "my".

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in vv. 34-36.

35 beard = mane, or throat.

36 them. The Sept. adds "them" and reads "[Shall I not go and smite him, and turn aside reproach to-day from Israel? For who is this uncircumcised Philistine] that he hath", &c.

defied = reproached.

living God. Both these words in pl. in Heb. Cp. v. 26.

37 The LORD = Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

paw . . . hand. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause) for power put forth by it. Ap. 6.

39 assayed = tried, or, was content to start: assay = French *essayer*.

40 staff = club, one of the three equipments of the Eastern shepherd: crook for the sheep's help, club for sheep's defence, and the bag for himself.

17. -40-51- (r, p. 389). COMBAT WITH GOLIATH. (Alternation.)

r | f | -40, 41. Approach.

g | 42-47. Colloquy.

f | 48. Approach.

g | 49-51-. Conflict.

42-47 (g, above). COLLOQUY. (Division.)

g | h¹ | 42-44. Goliath.

h² | 45-47. David.

42 ruddy. Cp. 16. 12, 13.

dog. No stronger term of contempt. 2 Kings 8. 13. Matt. 15. 26.

gods = god, as in Judg. 16. 23.

44 field. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., and Vulg., read "earth".

45 shield. See note on "target", v. 6.

the LORD of hosts. See note on 1. 3.

46 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* in vv. 46, 47.

give. Sept. reads "give [thy limbs and] the carcasses", &c.

that there is a God in Israel = that Israel hath a God.

47 assembly = assembled host. Cp. Num. 22. 4, "company".

51 drew it out; showing that Goliath had not deigned to do so.

champion. Heb. *gibbōr* = mighty man. Ap. 14. IV. Not the same word as in vv. 4 and 23.

52 the valley. Sept. reads "entrance into Gath". wounded = stricken, or slain.

53 children = sons.

sunk into his forehead; and he fell upon his face to the earth.

50 So David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and with a stone, and smote the Philistine, and slew him; but *there was no sword in the hand of David*.

51 Therefore David ran, and stood upon the Philistine, and took his sword, and ° drew it out of the sheath thereof, and slew him, and cut off his head therewith.

And when the Philistines saw their ° champion was dead, they fled.

52 And the ° men of Israel and of Judah arose, and shouted, and pursued the Philistines, until thou come to ° the valley, and to the gates of Ekron. And the ° wounded of the Philistines fell down by the way to Shaaraim, even unto Gath, and unto Ekron.

53 And the ° children of Israel returned from

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chasing after the Philistines, and they spoiled their ° tents.

54 And David took the head of the Philistine, and brought it to ° Jerusalem; but he put his armour in his tent.

Y (p. 389) 55 And when Saul saw David go forth against the Philistine, he said unto Abner, the captain of the host, "Abner, ° whose son is this youth?" And Abner said, "As ° thy soul liveth, O king, I cannot tell."

56 And the king said, "Inquire thou 55 whose son the stripling is."

57 And as David returned from the slaughter of the Philistine, Abner took him, and brought him before Saul with the head of the Philistine in his hand.

58 And Saul said to him, 55 "Whose son art thou, thou young man?" And David answered, "I am the son of thy servant Jesse the Bethlehemite."

18 And it came to pass, when he had made an end of speaking unto Saul, that the ° soul of ° Jonathan was knit with the ° soul of David, and Jonathan loved him as his own ° soul.

2 And Saul took him that day, and would let him go no more home to his father's house.

3 Then Jonathan and David ° made a covenant, because he loved him as his own ° soul.

4 And Jonathan stripped himself of the robe that was upon him, ° and gave it to David, and his garments, even to his sword, and to his bow, and to his girdle.

5 And David went out whithersoever Saul sent him, and behaved himself wisely: and Saul set him over the ° men of war, and he was accepted in the sight of all the People, and also in the sight of Saul's servants.

X 6 And it came to pass as they came, when David was returned from the slaughter of the ° Philistine, that the women came out of all cities of Israel, singing and ° dancing, to meet king Saul, with ° tabrets, with joy, and with instruments of musick.

7 And the women answered one another as they played, and said,
"Saul hath slain his thousands,
And David his ten thousands."

Y 8 And Saul was very wroth, and ° the saying displeased him; and he said, "They have ascribed unto David ten thousands, and to me they have ascribed but thousands: and what can he have more but the kingdom?"

9 And Saul eyed David from that day and forward.

V 10 And it came to pass on the morrow, that the ° evil ° spirit from ° God came upon Saul, and he prophesied in the midst of the house: and David played with his hand, as at other times: and there was a javelin in Saul's hand.

11 And Saul ° cast the javelin; for he said, "I will smite David even to the wall with it." And David avoided out of his presence twice.

i' j (p. 392) 12 And Saul was ° afraid of David, because ° the LORD was with him, ° and was departed from Saul.

k 13 Therefore Saul removed him from him, and made him his captain over a thousand; and he went out and came in before the People.

tents = camps.

54 Jerusalem. Jerusalem (west of Moriah) had been taken by Judah, who dwelt there. The Jebusites were still holding Jebus, or Zion, the mount immediately south of Moriah. Cp. Josh. 15. 63. Judg. 1. 7, 8. Zion was taken later by David. See 2 Sam. 5. 7, and Ap. 68.

55 whose son . . . ? Though Saul had just had an interview with David, he did not know his father, whom he had promised (v. 25) to make free in Israel. Note in all these passages (vv. 55, 56, 58) Saul's inquiry is not about David, but about David's father.

thy soul = thyself (emph.). Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

18. 1 soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

Jonathan. At this time he was about forty; and about fifty-three or fifty-four when he died. He would be about twenty-four years older than David, and his love was maternal in character. Ish-bosheth, Saul's second son, was forty at his father's death (2 Sam. 2. 10).

3 made = solemnised.

4 and. Mark the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in vv. 4, 5.

5 men. Heb. *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

6 Philistine. A.V. and R.V. marg. "Philistines". dancing. A great celebration. Twice referred to later (21. 11; 29. 5). Cp. subscription of Ps. 52, which is *maḥālath* = "the great dancing".

A | 1-5. David's apostrophe to Goliath and Doeg.

B | 6, 7. The righteous onlookers.

A | 8, 9. David's praise to God.

tabrets. Heb. *toph* = drums of various sizes.

8 the = this.

10 evil. See note on 16. 16.

spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

11 cast the javelin. Another attempt of Satan to thwart Jehovah's purpose in Gen. 3. 15, and prevent the "seed of the woman" from coming into the world. See Ap. 23 and 25, and the Structure of "V" (19. 9—20. 1-), p. 394.

18. 12—19. 7 (W, p. 389). HOSTILITY TO DAVID. (Alternation.)

W | E | 18. 12-16. Saul's fear of David.

F | 18. 17-27. Machinations against David.

E | 18. 28-30. Saul's fear of David.

F | 19. 1-7. Aggressions against David.

12-16 (E, above). SAUL'S FEAR OF DAVID. (Division.)

E | i' | 12-15. Saul's fear.

i' | i' | 16. The People's love.

12-15 (i', above). SAUL'S FEAR. (Introversion.)

i' | j | 12-. Fear.

k | -12. Reason.

l | 13. Promotion.

l | 14. Propriety.

k | 15-. Reason.

j | -15. Fear.

12 afraid. Heb. *yāre'* = apprehensive. Cp. v. 15.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

and was departed. Ch. 16. 14-23 comes in here, chronologically. It is placed after 16. 1-13 by Fig. *Hysteresis* (Ap. 6) in order to lay bare to us the secret workings underneath the history. See notes on 16. 14; 17. 1.

15 afraid. Heb. *nūr* = shrank from, sore afraid; stronger than v. 12.

14 And David behaved himself wisely in all his ways; and 12 the LORD was with him.

15 Wherefore when Saul saw that he behaved himself very wisely,

he was ° afraid of him.

i² 16 But all Israel and Judah loved David, be-
(p. 392) cause he went out and came in before them.

972 17 And Saul said to David, °“Behold my
F m¹ elder daughter Merab, her will I give thee to
(p. 393) wife: only be thou °valiant for me, and fight
12 the LORD’S battles.” For Saul said, °“Let
not mine hand be upon him, but let the hand
of the Philistines be upon him.”

18 And David said unto Saul, “Who am I?
and what is my life, or my father’s family in
Israel, that I should be son in law to the king?”

19 But it came to pass at the time when Merab
Saul’s daughter should have been given to
David, that she °was given unto Adriel the
Meholathite to wife.

m² 20 And Michal Saul’s daughter loved David;
and they told Saul, and the thing pleased him.

21 And Saul said, “I will give him her, that
she may be a snare to him, and that the hand
of the Philistines may be against him.” Where-
fore Saul said to David, “Thou shalt this day
be my son in law in the one of the twain.”

22 And Saul commanded his servants, say-
ing, “Commune with David secretly, and say,
17 “Behold, the king hath delight in thee, and
all his servants love thee: now therefore be
the king’s son in law.”

23 And Saul’s servants spake those words in
the ears of David. And David said, “Seemeth
it to you a light thing to be a king’s son in
law, seeing that I am a poor °man, and lightly
esteemed?”

24 And the servants of Saul told him, saying,
“On this manner spake David.”

25 And Saul said, “Thus shall ye say to
David, ‘The king desireth not any dowry,
but an hundred foreskins of the Philistines,
to be avenged of the king’s enemies.’” But
Saul thought to make David fall by the hand
of the Philistines.

26 And when his servants told David these
words, it pleased David well to be the king’s
son in law: and the days were not expired.

27 Wherefore David arose and went, he and
°his men, and slew of the Philistines two
hundred °men; and David brought their fore-
skins, and °they gave them in full tale to the
king, that he might be the king’s son in law.
And Saul gave him Michal his daughter to
wife.

E 28 And Saul saw and knew that 12 the LORD
(p. 392) was with David, and that °Michal Saul’s daugh-
ter loved him.

29 And Saul was yet the more 12 afraid of
David; and Saul became David’s enemy con-
tinually.

30 Then the princes of the Philistines went
forth: and it came to pass, °after they went
forth, that David behaved himself more wisely
than all the servants of Saul; so that his name
was much set by.

F n¹ 19 And Saul spake to Jonathan his son,
(p. 393) and to all his servants, that they should
kill David.

o¹ 2 But Jonathan Saul’s son delighted much
in David: and Jonathan told David, saying,
“Saul my father seeketh to kill thee: now

18. 17-27 (F, p. 392). MACHINATIONS AGAINST
DAVID. (Division.)

F | m¹ | 17-19. By means of Merab.
| m² | 20-27. By means of Michal.

17 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

valiant. Heb. son of valour.

Let not mine hand, &c. Cp. David and Uriah.
2 Sam. 11. 15.

19 was given = had (already) been given. This is
the key to 20. 30.

23 man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II.

27 his men. Heb. *enosh*. Ap. 14. III.

men. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II.

they: i. e. Saul’s servants. Sept. and Vulg. read “he”.

28 Michal Saul’s daughter. Sept. reads “all
Israel”, accounting for his greater fear (v. 29).

30 after = whenever; or, as often as.

19. 1-7 (F, p. 392). AGGRESSIONS AGAINST
DAVID. (Repeated Alternation.)

F | n¹ | 1. Saul and David. Resolve to kill David.
| o¹ | 2, 3. David and Jonathan.
| n² | 4-6. Saul and Jonathan.
| o² | 7-. David and Jonathan.
| n³ | 7. Saul and David. Reconciliation.

2 until = in, or against.

3 what I see, &c. = “I shall see what [he replies] and
shall tell thee”. Fig. *Ellipsis*. Ap. 6.

4 sin. Heb. *chata*. Ap. 44. i.

5 life = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

19. 9-20. 1- [For Structure see next page].

9 evil. See note on 16. 16.

spirit. Heb. *ruach*. Ap. 9.

therefore, I pray thee, take heed to thyself
°until the morning, and abide in a secret place,
and hide thyself:

3 And I will go out and stand beside my
father in the field where thou art, and I will
commune with my father of thee; and °what
I see, that I will tell thee.”

4 And Jonathan spake good of David unto
Saul his father, and said unto him, “Let not
the king °sin against his servant, against Da-
vid; because he hath not °sinned against thee,
and because his works have been to thee-ward
very good:

5 For he did put his °life in his hand, and
slew the Philistine, and °the LORD wrought
a great salvation for all Israel: thou sawest
it, and didst rejoice: wherefore then wilt thou
°sin against innocent blood, to slay David with-
out a cause?”

6 And Saul hearkened unto the voice of Jona-
than: and Saul sware, “As °the LORD liveth,
he shall not be slain.”

7 And Jonathan called David, and Jonathan
shewed him all those things.

And Jonathan brought David to Saul, and he
was in his presence, as in times past.

8 And there was war again: and David went
out, and fought with the Philistines, and slew
them with a great slaughter; and they fled
from him.

9 And the °evil °spirit from °the LORD was
upon Saul, as he sat in his house with his
javelin in his hand: and David played with
his hand.

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10 And °Saul sought to smite David °even to the wall with the javelin;

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but he slipped away out of Saul's presence, and he smote the javelin into the wall:

r¹

and David fled, and escaped that night.

H¹ s¹

11 Saul also sent messengers unto David's house, to watch him, and to slay him in the morning:

t¹

and Michal David's wife told him, saying, "If thou °save not thy °life to night, to morrow thou shalt be slain."

12 So Michal let David down through a window: and he went, and fled, and escaped.

13 And Michal took an °image, and laid it in the bed, and put a pillow of goats' hair for his bolster, and covered it with a cloth.

s²

14 And when Saul sent messengers to take David,

t²

she said "He is sick."

s³

15 And Saul sent the messengers again to see David, saying, "Bring him up to me in the bed, that I may slay him."

t³

16 And when the messengers were come in, behold, there was an °image in the bed, with a pillow of goats' hair for his bolster.

G² p²

17 And Saul said unto Michal, "Why hast thou deceived me so, and sent away mine enemy, that he is escaped?"

q²

And Michal answered Saul, "He said unto me, 'Let me go; °why should I kill thee?'"

r²

18 So David fled, and escaped, and came to Samuel to Ramah, and told him all that Saul had done to him. And he and Samuel went and dwelt in Naioth.

H² s⁴

19 And it was told Saul, saying, "Behold, David is at Naioth in Ramah."

20 And Saul sent messengers to take David:

t⁴

and when they saw the °company of the prophets prophesying, and Samuel standing as °appointed over them, the Spirit of °God was upon the messengers of Saul, and they also prophesied.

s⁵

21 And when it was told Saul, he sent other messengers,

t⁵

and they prophesied likewise.

s⁶

And Saul sent messengers again the third time, and they prophesied also.

t⁶G³ p³

22 Then went he also to Ramah, and came to a great well that is in Sechu: and he asked and said, "Where are Samuel and David?" And °one said, "Behold, they be at Naioth in Ramah."

23 And he went °thither to Naioth in Ramah:

q³

and the °Spirit of °God was upon him also, and he went on, and prophesied, until he came to Naioth in Ramah.

24 And he stripped off his °clothes also, and prophesied before Samuel in like manner, and lay down °naked all that day and all that night. Wherefore they say, "Is Saul also among the prophets?"

r³

20 And David fled from Naioth in Ramah,

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and came and said before Jonathan, "What have I done? what is mine °iniquity? and what is my °sin before thy father, that he seeketh °my life?"

19. 9-20. 1- (V, p. 389). EVIL SPIRIT INCITES SAUL. (Repeated and Extended Alternation.)

V G¹ | p¹ | 9, 10-. Saul's first attempt. } Personal (I).
q¹ | -10-. Failure. } Thwarted by
r¹ | -10. David's escape. } David.

H¹ | s¹ | 11-. Saul's second at-
tempt. }
t¹ | -11-13. Failure. Mi-
chal's rescue. }
s² | 14-. Saul's third at-
tempt. }
t² | -14. Failure. Mi-
chal's ruse. }
s³ | 15. Saul's fourth at-
tempt. }
t³ | 16. Failure. Mi-
chal's deception. }
Messengers: three at-
tempts thwarted by
human agency.

G² | p² | 17-. Saul's fifth attempt. } Personal (II).
q² | -17. Failure. } Thwarted
r² | 18. David's escape. } by David.

H² | s⁴ | 19, 20-. Saul's sixth at-
tempt. }
t⁴ | -20. Failure. Spirit
of God. }
s⁵ | 21-. Saul's seventh at-
tempt. }
t⁵ | -21-. Failure. Spirit
of God. }
s⁶ | -21-. Saul's eighth at-
tempt. }
t⁶ | -21. Failure. Spirit
of God. }
Messengers: three at-
tempts thwarted by
Divine agency.

G³ | p³ | 22, 23-. Saul's ninth attempt. } Personal (III).
q³ | -23, 24. Failure. } Thwarted by
r³ | 20, 1-. David's escape. } God.

10 Saul sought. Note the nine attempts on David's life; three personally by Saul, and six by his messengers (nine being the number of judgment, Ap. 10). See note on 18. 11, and Ap. 23 and 25.

even to, or, even [to pin him] to.

11 save not thy life = save not thy soul: i. e. deliver not thyself. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

13 image = teraphim.

17 why...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

19 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

20 company. Cp. 10. 5. 2 Kings 2. 3-5; 5. 22. College for instruction of prophets, priests having failed in their duty as teachers. Deut. 17. 11; 33. 10.

appointed over. Samuel the head here. Elisha in 2 Kings 2. 15. God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

22 one. A special various reading (*Sevir*) reads "they". See Ap. 34. 23 thither. Sept. reads "thence".

24 clothes: i. e. his robes, or armour, or both.

naked. Cp. 18. 4: i. e. stripped of outer garments.

Is Saul...? Fig. *Parœmia*. Ap. 6.

20. -1-27. 4 (W, p. 389). HOSTILITY TO DAVID. (Alternation.)

W I | 20.-1-42. Visit of David to Jonathan. Covenant.
J | 21. 1-23. 15. Saul's pursuit of David.
I | 23. 16-18. Visit of Jonathan to David. Covenant.
J | 23. 19-27. 4. Saul's pursuit of David.

20. -1-42 (H, above). VISIT OF DAVID TO JONATHAN. (Division.)

I | K¹ | -1-4. David's peril.
K² | 5-42. David's expedients.

1-4 (K¹, above). DAVID'S PERIL. (Alternation.)

K¹ | y | -1. David's complaint.
z | 2. Jonathan's reassurance.
y | 3. David's plea.
z | 4. Jonathan's promise.

1 iniquity. Heb. *avāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

sin. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

my life = my soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. "Me" emphatic.

z (p. 394) 970 2 And he said unto him, "God forbid; thou shalt not die: °behold, my father will do nothing either great or small, but that he will shew it me: and why should my father hide this thing from me? it is not so."

y 3 And David swore moreover, and said, "Thy father certainly knoweth that I have found grace in thine eyes; and he saith, 'Let not Jonathan know this, lest he be grieved:' but truly as °the LORD liveth, and as °thy soul liveth, there is but a °step between me and death."

z 4 Then said Jonathan unto David, "Whatsoever °thy soul desireth, I will even do it for thee."

K² L¹ a¹ (p. 395) 5 And David said unto Jonathan, 2 "Behold, to morrow is the new moon, and 3 °should not fail to sit with the king at meat: but let me go, that I may hide myself in the field °unto the third day at even."

6 If thy father at all miss me, then say, 'David earnestly asked leave of me that he might run to Beth-lehem his city: for there is a yearly sacrifice there for all the family.'

7 If he say thus, 'It is well;' thy servant shall have peace: but if he be very wroth, then be sure that °evil is determined by him.

8 Therefore thou shalt deal kindly with thy servant; for thou hast brought thy servant into a covenant of °the LORD with thee: notwithstanding, if there be in me °iniquity, slay me thyself; for why shouldst thou bring me to thy father?"

9 And Jonathan said, "Far be it from thee: for if I knew certainly that °evil were determined by my father to come upon thee, then would not I tell it thee?"

b¹ 10 Then said David to Jonathan, "Who shall tell me? or what if thy father answer thee roughly?"

c¹ 11 And Jonathan said unto David, "Come, and let us go out into the field." And they went out both of them into the field.

12 And Jonathan said unto David, "O °LORD °God of Israel, when I have sounded my father about to morrow any time, or °the third day, and, °behold, if there be good toward David, and I then send not unto thee, and shew it thee;

13 °The LORD do so and much more to Jonathan: but if it please my father to do thee °evil, then I will shew it thee, and send thee away, that thou mayest go in peace: and °the LORD be with thee, °as He hath been with my father.

14 And thou shalt not only while yet I live shew me the kindness of °the LORD, that I die not:

15 But also thou shalt not cut off thy kindness from my house for ever: no, not when °the LORD hath cut off the enemies of David every one from °the face of the earth."

16 So Jonathan °made a covenant with the house of David, saying, "Let °the LORD even require it at the hand of David's enemies."

17 °And Jonathan caused David to swear again, because he loved him: for he loved him as he loved his own °soul.

L² a² 18 Then Jonathan said to David, "To morrow

2 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.
3 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.
thy soul=thou. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.
step-stride. Heb. *pasa'*. Occ. only here.

20. 5-42 (K², p. 394). DAVID'S EXPEDIENTS (Repeated and Extended Alternation.)

K ²	L ¹	a ¹ 5-9. Expedient. David's.
		b ¹ 10. Signal desired.
		c ¹ 11-17. Covenant made.
L ²	a ²	18, 19. Expedient. Jonathan's.
		b ² 20-22. Signal arranged.
		c ² 23. Covenant asserted.
L ³	a ³	24-34. Expedient carried out.
		b ³ 35-41. Signal given.
		c ³ 42. Covenant reasserted.

5 should not fail to sit. Sept. reads "shall not sit". unto the third day at even. Sept. reads "until the evening". Cp. v. 12.

7 evil. Heb. *ra'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

12 O LORD God of Israel. Syr. reads "Jehovah, God of Israel, [be] witness that I will sound", &c. God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

13 as=according as.

15 the face of. Fig. *Pleonasm*. Ap. 6.

16 made=solemnised.

17 And Jonathan caused David to swear again. Sept. reads "And again Jonathan swore unto David". soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

19 when the business was in hand: i. e. the day when Jonathan arranged for David to overhear Saul's murderous intention (19. 2, 3), and when Jonathan devoted himself to the business of David's safety.

stone Ezel. Sept. reads "the side of this mound".

24 meat. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), Ap. 6, for all kinds of food.

26 not any thing: i. e. "nothing [concerning David's absence] that day".

is the new moon: and thou shalt be missed, because thy seat will be empty.

19 And when thou hast stayed three days, then thou shalt go down quickly, and come to the place where thou didst hide thyself °when the business was in hand, and shalt remain by the °stone Ezel.

20 And 3 will shoot three arrows on the side thereof, as though I shot at a mark.

21 And, °behold, I will send a lad, saying, 'Go, find out the arrows.' If I expressly say unto the lad, 'Behold, the arrows are on this side of thee, take them;' then come thou: for there is peace to thee, and no hurt; as °the LORD liveth.

22 But if I say thus unto the young man, 'Behold, the arrows are beyond thee;' go thy way: for °the LORD hath sent thee away.

23 And as touching the matter which thou and 3 have spoken of, °behold, °the LORD be between thee and me for ever."

24 So David hid himself in the field: and when the new moon was come, the king sat him down to eat °meat.

25 And the king sat upon his seat, as at other times, even upon a seat by the wall: and Jonathan arose, and Abner sat by Saul's side, and David's place was empty.

26 Nevertheless Saul spake °not any thing that day: for he thought, Something hath befallen him, he is not clean; surely he is not clean.

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27 And it came to pass on the morrow, *which* was the second day of the month, that David's place was empty: and Saul said unto Jonathan his son, "Wherefore cometh not the son of Jesse to ²⁴meat, neither yesterday, nor to day?"

28 And Jonathan answered Saul, "David earnestly asked leave of me to go to Beth-lehem:

29 And he said, 'Let me go, I pray thee; for our family hath a sacrifice in the city; and my brother, *he* hath commanded me to be there: and now, if I have found favour in thine eyes, let me get away, I pray thee, and see my brethren.' Therefore he cometh not unto the king's table."

30 Then Saul's anger was kindled against Jonathan, and he said unto him, "Thou son of the perverse rebellious woman, do not I know that thou hast chosen the son of Jesse to thine own confusion, and unto the confusion of thy mother's nakedness?"

31 For as long as the son of Jesse liveth upon the ground, thou shalt not be established, nor thy kingdom. Wherefore now send and fetch him unto me, for *he* shall surely die."

32 And Jonathan answered Saul his father, and said unto him, "Wherefore shall he be slain? what hath he done?"

33 And Saul cast a javelin at him to smite him: whereby Jonathan knew that it was determined of his father to slay David.

34 So Jonathan arose from the table in fierce anger, and did eat no meat the second day of the month: for he was grieved for David, because his father had done him shame.

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35 And it came to pass in the morning, that Jonathan went out into the field at the time appointed with David, and a little lad with him.

36 And he said unto his lad, "Run, find out now the arrows which I shoot." And as the lad ran, *he* shot an arrow beyond him.

37 And when the lad was come to the place of the arrow which Jonathan had shot, Jonathan cried after the lad, and said, "Is not the arrow beyond thee?"

38 And Jonathan cried after the lad, "Make speed, haste, stay not." And Jonathan's lad gathered up the arrows, and came to his master.

39 But the lad knew not any thing: only Jonathan and David knew the matter.

40 And Jonathan gave his ^oartillery unto his lad, and said unto him, "Go, carry them to the city."

41 And as soon as the lad was gone, David arose ^oout of a place toward the south, and fell on his face to the ground, and bowed himself three times: and they kissed one another, and wept one with another, until David exceeded.

c²

42 And Jonathan said to David, "Go in peace, forasmuch as we have sworn both of ¹¹⁸ in the name of ³the LORD, saying, ³'The LORD be between me and thee, and between my seed and thy seed for ever.'" And he arose and departed: and Jonathan went into the city.

J M d¹
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21 Then came David to Nob to ^oAhimelech the priest: and Ahimelech was afraid at the meeting of David, and said unto him,

30 Thou son of the perverse rebellious woman = a son of rebellious perversity: i. e. a rebel like David. Cp. note on 18. 19.

31 shall surely die = the son of death: i. e. doomed to die.

40 artillery = weapons. Word extended from Latin *ars* = art. The oldest art was ploughing, but the chief weapon in the art of war has usurped to itself this word.

41 out of a place toward the south. Sept. reads "from beside the mound": i. e. Ezel, in v. 19.

21. 1-23. 15 (J, p. 394). PURSUIT OF DAVID. (Extended Alternation.)

J | M | 21. 1-9. Nob. Priest's help given.
N | 21. 10-15. Philistines. David's flight to Achish.
O | 22. 1-5. Places of refuge. Adullam.
M | 22. 6-23. Nob. Priests slaughtered.
N | 23. 1-13. Philistines. Relief of Keilah.
O | 23. 14, 15. Place of refuge. Desert of Ziph.

21. 1-9 (M, above). PRIEST'S HELP GIVEN. (Repeated Alternation.)

M | d¹ | 1. Ahimelech's fear.
e¹ | 2, 3. "Let no man know".
d² | 4-6. Ahimelech's help.
e² | 7. Doeg knows.
d³ | 8, 9. Ahimelech's gift.

1 Ahimelech. So called here and in 22. 9, 11, 14, 16, 20. See note on 14. 3 and Mark 2. 26.

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

4 common: i. e. or unhallowed.

hallowed = holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

kept. And thus ceremonially clean, to eat such bread.

5 vessels = wallets. Cp. 17. 40. Word not used in O.T. in the N.T. sense of 2 Tim. 2. 21, 1 Thess. 4. 4, &c.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5. Cp. "hallowed", v. 4.

yea, though it were sanctified this day in the vessel - and the more so, when to-day [there are other loaves] to be hallowed in respect of their vessels.

6 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

"Why art thou alone, and no ^oman with thee?"

2 And David said unto Ahimelech the priest, ^{a¹} "The king hath commanded me a business, and hath said unto me, 'Let no ¹man know any thing of the business whereabout I send thee, and what I have commanded thee:' and I have appointed my servants to such and such a place.

3 Now therefore what is under thine hand? give me five loaves of bread in mine hand, or what there is present."

4 And the priest answered David, and said, ^{d²} "There is no ^ocommon bread under mine hand, but there is ^ohallowed bread; if the young men have ^okept themselves at least from women."

5 And David answered the priest, and said unto him, "Of a truth women have been kept from us about these three days, since I came out, and the ^ovessels of the young men are ^oholy, and the bread is in a manner ⁴common, ^oyea, though it were sanctified this day in the ^ovessel."

6 So the priest gave him ⁴hallowed bread: for there was no bread there but the shew-bread, that was taken from before ^othe LORD, to put hot bread in the day when it was taken away.

^e 7 Now a certain ¹man of the servants of Saul was there that day, ^odetailed before ⁶the LORD; and his name was Doeg, an Edomite, the chiefest of the herdmen that *belonged* to Saul.

^d 8 And David said unto Ahimelech, "And is there not here under thine hand spear or sword? for I have neither brought my sword nor my weapons with me, because the king's business required haste."

9 And the priest said, "The sword of Goliath the Philistine, whom thou slewest in the valley of Elah, ^obehold, it is *here* wrapped in a cloth behind the ephod: if thou wilt take that, take it: for *there is no other save that here*." And David said, "There is none like that; give it me."

^N 10 And David arose, and fled that day ^ofor fear of Saul, and went to Achish the king of Gath.

^g 11 And the servants of Achish said unto him, ^o"Is not this David the king of the land? ^odid they not sing one to another of him in dances, saying,

'Saul hath slain his thousands,
And David his ten thousands?'"

^g 12 And David laid up these words in his heart, and was sore afraid of ^oAchish the king of Gath.

13 And he ^ochanged his behaviour before them, and feigned himself mad in their hands, and ^oscrabbled on the doors of the gate, and let his spittle fall down upon his beard.

^f 14 Then said Achish unto his servants, ^o"Lo, ye see the ¹man is mad: ^owherefore *then* have ye brought ^ohim to me?

15 ^oHave I need of mad ¹men, that ye have brought this *fellow* to play the mad ¹man in my presence? ^oshall this *fellow* come into my house?"

^O 22 David therefore departed thence, and escaped to the cave ^oAdullam: and when his brethren and all his father's house heard it, they went down thither to him.

2 And every ^oone that was in distress, and every ^oone that was in debt, and every ^oone that was ^odiscontented, gathered themselves unto him; and he became a ^ocaptain over them: and there were with him about four hundred ^omen.

3 And David went thence to Mizpeh of Moab: and he said unto the king of Moab, "Let my father and my mother, I pray thee, ^ocome forth, and be with you, till I know what ^oGod will do for me."

4 And he brought them before the king of Moab: and they dwelt with him all the while that David was in the ^ohold.

5 And the prophet Gad said unto David, "Abide not in the hold; depart, and get thee into the land of Judah." Then David departed, and came into the forest of Hareth.

^M 6 When Saul heard that David was discovered, and the ^omen that were with him, (^onow Saul abode in Gibeah under a tree ^oin Ramah, having his spear in his hand, and all his servants were standing about him;)

7 detained, &c. Probably from some ceremonial reason. Cp. "shut up" (Jer. 36. 5), or a "vow" (Acts 21. 23-27), or "uncleanness" (Lev. 13. 4, 11, 21).

9 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

21. 10-15 (N, p. 396). PHILISTINES. DAVID'S FLIGHT. (*Introversion*.)

N | f | 10. Achish. Arrival of David.

g | 11. David's fear.

g | 12, 13. David's simulation.

f | 14, 15. Achish. Deception by David.

10 for fear of Saul = from the face of Saul.

11 Is not this. Cp. 18. 7 and 29. 5.

did they not...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Cp. 18. 7 and 29. 5.

12 Achish. See subscription of Ps. 55 (*Comp. Bible*). (Not superscription of Ps. 56 as in A. V.)

13 changed, &c. See title of Ps. 34 (*Comp. Bible*). scrabbled on. Sept. reads "struck against".

14 Lo. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

wherefore...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

him = the man (v. 1).

15 Have I...? shall this...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

22. 1 Adullam. See title of Ps. 57 (*Comp. Bible*).

2 one - man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

discontented - bitter of soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. Cp. Judg. 18. 25, "angry": i. e. embittered.

captain - chief, leader, or prince.

men. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

3 come forth. Syr. and Vulg. read "dwell". No Ellipsis then to be supplied.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

4 hold = stronghold, or fortified camp. First occ.

6-23 (M, p. 396). NOB. PRIESTS SLAUGHTERED. (*Introversion*.)

M | h | 6-8. Saul's threatening of Benjamites.

i | 9, 10. Doeg informs against David.

k | 11-19. Ahimelech slain by Saul.

k | 20, 21. Abiathar's escape to David.

i | 22. Doeg suspected by David.

h | 23. David's assurance to Abiathar.

6 men. Heb. *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

now Saul. Note the Fig. *Parenthesis*. Ap. 6.

in Ramah. Or, in the high place.

8 is sorry for - taketh pity upon.

9 Then, &c.: vv. 9-16, by the Fig. *Hysterēsis* (Ap. 6), give details not contained in former narration (21. 1-9).

10 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

7 Then Saul said unto his servants that stood about him, "Hear now, ye Benjamites; will the son of Jesse give every one of you fields and vineyards, and make you all captains of thousands, and captains of hundreds;

8 That all of you have conspired against me, and *there is none* that sheweth me that my son hath made a league with the son of Jesse, and *there is none* of you that ^ois sorry for me, or sheweth unto me that my son hath stirred up my servant against me, to lie in wait, as at this day?"

9 ^oThen answered Doeg the Edomite, which was set over the servants of Saul, and said, "I saw the son of Jesse coming to Nob, to Ahimelech the son of Ahitub.

10 And he enquired of ^othe LORD for him, and gave him victuals, and gave him the sword of Goliath the Philistine."

11 Then the king sent to call Ahimelech the priest, the son of Ahitub, and all his father's house, the priests that were in Nob: and they came all of them to the king.

968 12 And Saul said, "Hear now, thou son of
to Ahitub." And he answered, "Here I am, my
967 lord."

13 And Saul said unto him, "Why have ye conspired against me, thou and the son of Jesse, in that thou hast given him bread, and a sword, and hast enquired of ³God for him, that he should rise against me, to lie in wait, as at this day?"

14 Then Ahimelech answered the king, and said, "And who is so faithful among all thy servants as David, which is the king's son in law, and ^ogoeth at thy bidding, and is honourable in thine house?"

15 ^oDid I then begin to enquire of ³God for him? be it far from me: let not the king impute any thing unto his servant, ^onor to all the house of my father: for thy servant knew nothing of all this, less or more."

16 And the king said, "Thou shalt surely die, Ahimelech, thou, and all thy father's house."

17 And the king said unto the ^ofootmen that stood about him, "Turn, and slay the priests of ¹⁰the LORD; because their ^ohand also is with David, and because they knew ^owhen he fled, and did not shew it to me." But the servants of the king would not put forth their hand to fall upon the priests of ¹⁰the LORD.

18 And the king said to Doeg, "Turn thou, and fall upon the priests." And Doeg the Edomite turned, and he fell upon the priests, and ^oslew on that day fourscore and five ^opersons that did wear a linen ephod.

19 And Nob, the city of the priests, smote he with the edge of the sword, both ²men and women, children and sucklings, and oxen, and asses, and sheep, with the edge of the sword.

k (p. 397) 20 And one of the sons of Ahimelech the son of Ahitub, named ^oAbiathar, escaped, and fled after David.

21 And Abiathar shewed David that Saul had slain ¹⁰the LORD'S priests.

i 22 And David said unto Abiathar, "I knew it that day, when Doeg the Edomite was there, that he would surely tell Saul: ^o3 have occasioned the death of ^oall the persons of thy father's house.

h 23 Abide thou with me, fear not: for he that seeketh my ^olife seeketh thy ^olife: but with me thou shalt be in safeguard."

N P (p. 398) 966 23 Then they told David, saying, ^o"Behold, the Philistines fight against Keilah, and they rob the threshingfloors."

Q 1 2 Therefore David enquired of ^othe LORD, saying, "Shall I go and smite these Philistines?" And ^othe LORD said unto David, "Go, and smite the Philistines, and save Keilah."

m 3 And David's ^omen said unto him, ¹"Behold, we be afraid here in Judah: how much more then if we come to Keilah against the armies of the Philistines?"

l 4 Then David enquired of ²the LORD yet again. And ²the LORD answered him and said, "Arise, go down to Keilah; for ³I will deliver the Philistines into thine ^ohand."

14 goeth at thy bidding: or, cometh near for audience. Sept. reads "is captain over thy bodyguard".

15 Did I . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

nor. This word is read in the text of Sept. and Syr.

17 footmen = runners.

hand. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause) for the help given by it. Ap. 6.

when he fled = that he was fleeing.

18 slew. Thus partly fulfilling 2. 31; 3. 12, on Eli's house.

persons. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

20 Abiathar, escaped. Saul thus caused the transfer of the High Priest, with the Urim and Thummim, to David.

22 I have occasioned, &c.: i.e. involved. A mark of David's characteristic tenderness.

all the persons = every soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

23 life = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

23. 1-13 (N, p. 396). PHILISTINES. RELIEF OF KEILAH. (*Alternations*.)

N | P | 1. Keilah. Assault by Philistines.

Q | 1 | 2. David's inquiries.

m | 3. David and his men.

l | 4. David's inquiries.

m | 5-. David and his men.

P | -5. Keilah. Delivered by David.

Q | n | 6. David and Abiathar.

o | 7. 8. Information given to Saul.

n | 9-13-. David and Abiathar.

o | -13. Information given to Saul.

1 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

2 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

3 men. Heb. *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

4 hand. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Sept., and Syr., read "hands".

6 fled. Cp. 22. 20. This verse is the Fig. *Hysterēsis*. Ap. 6.

7 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

delivered. Heb. *nākar*. A homonym. Cp. Deut. 32. 27, "behave strangely"; Job 34. 19, regard or acknowledge. Here = to deliver.

9 secretly practised = contrived.

11 men = masters, or lords. Heb. *bā'ālim*.

as = according as.

5 So David and his ³men went to Keilah, and fought with the Philistines,

and brought away their cattle, and smote them with a great slaughter. So David saved the inhabitants of Keilah.

6 And it came to pass, when Abiathar the son of Ahimelech ^ofled to David to Keilah, that he came down with an ephod in his hand.

7 And it was told Saul that David was come to Keilah. And Saul said, ^o"God hath ^odelivered him into mine hand; for he is shut in, by entering into a town that hath gates and bars."

8 And Saul called all the people together to war, to go down to Keilah, to besiege David and his ³men.

9 And David knew that Saul ^osecretly practised mischief against him; and he said to Abiathar the priest, "Bring hither the ephod."

10 Then said David, "O ²LORD ⁷God of Israel, Thy servant hath certainly heard that Saul seeketh to come to Keilah, to destroy the city for my sake.

11 Will the ^omen of Keilah deliver me up into his hand? will Saul come down, ^oas Thy servant hath heard? O ²LORD ⁷God of Israel,

966 I beseech Thee, tell Thy servant." And ² the
to LORD said, "He will come down."

964 12 Then said David, "Will the ¹¹ men of
Keilah deliver me and my ³ men into the hand
of Saul?" And ² the LORD said, "They will
deliver thee up."

13 Then David and his ³ men, which were
about six hundred, arose and departed out of
Keilah, and went whithersoever they could go.

(p. 398) And it was told Saul that David was escaped
from Keilah; and he forbore to go forth.

(p. 396) 14 And David abode in the wilderness in
strong holds, and remained in a ° mountain
in the wilderness of Ziph. And Saul sought
him every day, but ⁷ God delivered him not
into his hand.

15 And David saw that Saul was come out to
seek his ° life: and David was in the wilder-
ness of Ziph in a wood.

(p. 394) 16 And Jonathan Saul's son arose, and went
to David into the wood, and strengthened his
hand in ⁷ God.

17 And he said unto him, "Fear not: for the
hand of Saul my father shall not find thee;
and thou shalt be king over Israel, and ³ shall
be next unto thee; and that also Saul my
father knoweth."

18 And they two made a ° covenant before
² the LORD: and David abode in the wood, and
Jonathan went to his house.

(p. 399) 19 Then came up ° the Ziphites to Saul to
Gibeah, saying, "Doth not David hide himself
with us in strong holds in the wood, in the
hill of Hachilah, which is on the south of
Jeshimon?"

20 Now therefore, O king, come down accord-
ing to all the desire of thy ° soul to come down;
and our part shall be to deliver him into the
king's hand."

21 And Saul said, "Blessed be ye of ² the
LORD; for ye have compassion on me.

22 Go, I pray you, ° prepare yet, and know
and see his place where his ° haunt is, and
who hath seen him there: for it is told me
that he dealeth very subtilly.

23 See therefore, and ° take knowledge of all
the lurking places where he hideth himself,
and come ye again to me with the certainty,
and I will go with you: and it shall come to
pass, if he be in the land, that I will search him
out throughout all the thousands of Judah."

24 And they arose, and went to Ziph before
Saul: but David and his ³ men were in ° the
wilderness of Maon, in the plain on the south
of Jeshimon.

25 Saul also and his ³ men went to ° seek him.
And they told David: wherefore he came down
° into a rock, and abode in the wilderness of
Maon. And when Saul heard that, he pursued
after David in the wilderness of Maon.

26 And ° Saul went on this side of the mount-
ain, and David and his ³ men on that side of
the mountain: and David made haste to get
away ° for fear of Saul; for Saul and his ³ men
compassed David and his ³ men round about to
take them.

S 27 But there came a messenger unto Saul,
saying, "Haste thee, and come; for the Philis-
tines have invaded the land."

14 mountain = hill country.

15 life = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

18 covenant. Some codices, with two early printed
editions, add "in a wood".

23. 19—27. 4 (J, p. 394). PURSUIT OF DAVID. (Alternation.)

J | R | 23. 19—26. Place of refuge.

S | 23. 27, 28. Philistines.

R | 23. 29—26. 25. Places of refuge.

S | 27. 1—4. Philistines.

19 the Ziphites. See title of Ps. 54 (*Comp. Bible*).

20 soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

22 prepare. Some codices, with two early printed
editions, read "and prepare".
haunt = track, or trail.

23 take knowledge of = get to know.

24 the wilderness = a wild forest or park-like
country. Carmel of Judah. Not Carmel of Manasseh.

25 seek him. Some codices, with one early printed
edition (marg.), read "seek David".
into a rock = from the rock.

26 Saul. Some codices, with one early printed
edition (marg.), add "and his men".
for fear of Saul = from the face of Saul.

28 Sela-hammahlekoth = the cliff of divisions or
separations. Now Wady *Malaky*, where two forces
could be inaccessible the one to the other, and yet
within sight and hearing.

23. 29—26. 25 (R, above). PLACES OF REFUGE. (Introversion.)

R | T | 23. 29—24. 22. Desert of En-gedi.

U | 25. 1—7. Trouble. Death of Samuel.

U | 25. —1—44. Trouble. Action of Nabal.

T | 26. 1—25. Desert of Ziph.

23. 29—24. 22 (T, above). DESERT OF EN-GEDI (Introversion and Alternation.)

T | p | 23. 29—24. 1. Information brought to Saul.

q | r | 24. 2. Search by Saul.

s | 24. 3—7. Proof obtained by David.

q | r | 24. 8. Sight by Saul.

s | 24. 9—22—25. Proof exhibited by David.

p | 24. —22—25. Separation from Saul.

1 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

2 men. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

his men. Heb. *'enosh*. Ap. 14. III.

3 to cover his feet. Fig. *Euphemism*. Ap. 6. Fig.
Metonymy (of Adjunct), Ap. 6: i. e. to stoop, and so
cause feet to be covered by the robe.

28 Wherefore Saul returned from pursuing
after David, and went against the Philistines:
therefore they called that place ° Sela-hammah-
lekoth.

29 And David went up from thence, and dwelt
in strong holds at En-gedi. R T p

24 And it came to pass, when Saul was
returned from following the Philistines, 964
that it was told him, saying, ° "Behold, David
is in the wilderness of En-gedi."

2 Then Saul took three thousand chosen
men out of all Israel, and went to seek David
and ° his men upon the rocks of the wild
goats. q r

3 And he came to the sheepecotes by the way, s
where was a cave; and Saul went in ° to cover
his feet: and David and ² his men remained in
the sides of the cave.

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4 And the °men of David said unto him, 1“Behold the day of which °the LORD said unto thee, 1“Behold, 3 will deliver thine enemy into thine hand, that thou mayest do to him °as it shall seem good °unto thee.” Then David arose, and cut off the °skirt of Saul’s robe privily.

5 And it came to pass afterward, that David’s heart smote him, because he had cut off °Saul’s skirt.

6 And he said unto his 4men, 4“ The LORD forbid that I should do this thing unto my °master, 4the LORD’S anointed, to stretch forth mine hand against him, seeing he is the anointed of 4the LORD.”

7 So David stayed his servants with these words, and suffered them not to rise against Saul. But Saul rose up out of the cave, and went on his way.

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(p. 399)

8 David also arose afterward, and went out of the cave, and cried after Saul, saying, “My lord the king.” And when Saul looked behind him, David stooped with his face to the earth, and bowed himself.

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9 And David said to Saul, “Wherefore hearest thou °men’s words, saying, 1“Behold, David seeketh thy hurt?”

10 1Behold, this day thine eyes have seen how that 4the LORD had delivered thee to day into mine hand in the cave: and some bade me kill thee: but mine eye spared thee; and I said, 4I will not put forth mine hand against my lord; for he is 4the LORD’S anointed.

11 Moreover, my father, see, yea, see the 4skirt of thy robe in my hand: for in that I cut off the 4skirt of thy robe, and killed thee not, know thou and see that there is neither °evil nor °transgression in mine hand, and I have not °sinned against thee; yet thou huntest my °soul to take it.

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12 4The LORD judge between me and thee, and 4the LORD avenge me of thee: but mine hand shall not be upon thee.

13 As saith the proverb of the ancients, °Wickedness °proceedeth from the wicked: but mine hand shall not be upon thee.

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14 After whom is the king of Israel come out? after whom dost thou pursue? after °a dead dog, after °a flea.

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15 4The LORD therefore be judge, and judge between me 12and thee, and see, and plead my cause, and °deliver me out of thine hand.”

V² v

16 And it came to pass, when David had made an end of speaking these words unto Saul, that Saul said, “Is this thy voice, my son David?” And Saul lifted up his voice, and wept.

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17 And he said to David, “Thou art more righteous than 3: for thou hast rewarded me good, whereas 3 have rewarded thee 11evil.

18 And thou hast shewed this day how that thou hast dealt well with me: forasmuch as when 4the LORD had delivered me into thine hand, thou killedst me not.

19 For °if a °man find his enemy, will he let him go well away?

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wherefore 4the LORD reward thee good for that thou hast done unto me this day.

4 men. Heb. ’ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.
the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
as = according as.
unto thee = in thine eyes.
skirt = corner, or wing.

5 Saul’s skirt = the lappet of Saul’s robe.

6 master. Heb. ’Adōnī, my lord. Ap. 4. IV.

24. 9-22- (s, p. 399). PROOF EXHIBITED. (Division.)

s | V¹ | 9-15. Remonstrance of David.
| V² | 16-22-. Reconciliation of Saul.

9-15 (V¹, above). REMONSTRANCE OF DAVID. (Alternation.)

V¹ | t | 9-11. Expostulation with Saul.
| u | 12, 13. Appeal to Jehovah.
| t | 14. Expostulation with Saul.
| u | 15. Appeal to Jehovah.

9 men’s. Heb. ’ādām. Ap. 14. I.

11 evil. Heb. rā’ā’. Ap. 44. viii.

transgression. Heb. pāshā’. Ap. 44. ix.

sinned. Heb. chātā’. Ap. 44. i.

soul. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13.

13 Wickedness = lawlessness. Heb. rā’ā’. See Ap. 44. viii. Cp. “evil”, v. 11.

proceedeth. Fig. Paræmia.

14 a dead dog, &c. Fig. Meiosis. Ap. 6.

a flea. Heb. a single flea.

15 deliver = judge, or justly deliver.

16-22- (V², above). RECONCILIATION OF SAUL. (Introversion and Alternation.)

V² | v | 16. Recognition of David by Saul.
| w | x | 17-19-. Acknowledgment of David’s act.
| y | -19. Blessing.
| w | x | 20. Acknowledgment of Jehovah’s will.
| y | 21, 22-. Oath.
| v | -22. Separation of David and Saul.

19 if ...? Fig. Erotēsis. Ap. 6.

man. Heb. ’ish. Ap. 14. II.

20 behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

22 hold = stronghold.

25. -1-44 [For Structure see next page].

1 lamented. As for a second Moses. Cp. Jer. 15. 1. in = by, or near.
down. Topography here is most exact. It is a continuous descent to the Negeb for more than a day’s journey.

20 And now, °behold, I know well that thou shalt surely be king, and that the kingdom of Israel shall be established in thine hand.

21 Swear now therefore unto me by 4the LORD, that thou wilt not cut off my seed after me, and that thou wilt not destroy my name out of my father’s house.”

22 And David sware unto Saul.

And Saul went home;

but David and his 4men gat them up unto the °hold.

25 And Samuel died; and all the Israelites were gathered together, and °lamented him, and buried him °in his house at Ramah.

And David arose, and went °down to the wilderness of Paran.

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2 And *there was* a °man in Maon, whose °possessions *were* in Carmel; and the °man was very great, and he had three thousand sheep, and a thousand goats: and he was shearing his sheep in Carmel.

3 Now the name of °the 2man *was* °Nabal; and the name of his wife Abigail: and *she was* a woman of good understanding, and of a beautiful countenance: but the 2man *was* churlish and evil in his doings; and *he was* °of the house of Caleb.

4 And David heard in the wilderness that Nabal did shear his sheep.

b e 5 And David sent out ten young men, and David said unto the young men, "Get you up to Carmel, and go to Nabal, and greet him in my name:

6 And thus shall ye say to °him that liveth in prosperity, 'Peace be both to *the*, and peace be to thine house, and peace be unto all that thou hast.

7 And now I have heard that thou hast shearers: now thy shepherds which were with us, we hurt them not, neither was there ought missing unto them, all the while they were in Carmel.

8 Ask thy young men, and they will shew thee. Wherefore let the young men find favour in thine eyes: for we come in a good day: give, I pray thee, whatsoever cometh to thine hand unto thy °servants, and to thy son David."

f 9 And when David's young men came, they spake to Nabal according to all those words in the name of David, and ceased.

e 10 And Nabal answered David's servants, and said, "Who *is* David? and who *is* the son of Jesse? there be many servants now a days that break away every 2man from his master.

11 Shall I then take my bread, and my °water, and my flesh that I have killed for my shearers, and give *it* unto °men, whom I know not whence *they be*?"

f 12 So David's young men turned their way, and went again, and came and told him all those sayings.

Y 13 And David said unto his 11 men, "Gird ye on every 2man his sword." And they girded on every 2man his sword; and David also girded on his sword: and there went up after David about four hundred 2men; and two hundred abode by the °stuff.

Z c 14 But one of the young men told Abigail, Nabal's wife, saying, °"Behold, David sent messengers out of the wilderness to salute our master; and he °railed on them.

15 But the 11 men *were* very good unto us, and we were not hurt, neither missed we any thing, as long as we were conversant with them, when we were in the fields:

16 They were a wall unto us both by night and day, all the while we were with them keeping the sheep.

17 Now therefore know and consider what thou wilt do; for °evil is determined against our master, and against all his household: for *he is such* a son of Belial, that a man cannot speak to him."

25. -1-44 (U, p. 399). ACTION OF NABAL. (Introversions and Alternations.)

U | W | -1. David. Personal. Other dwelling.
X | a | 2-4. Nabal's wealth.
b | 5-12. David's message to Nabal.
Y | 13. Resentment of David.
Z | c | 14-17. Report of David to Abigail.
d | 18-20. Abigail's present prepared.
Y | 21, 22. Resentment of David.
Z | d | 23-31. Abigail's present presented.
c | 32-35. Answer of David to Abigail.
X | a | 36-38. Nabal's death.
b | 39-42. David's message to Abigail.
W | 43, 44. David. Personal. Other wives.

2 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

possessions were: or, business [was].

3 the man. Note the introversion of the four lines of this verse:

x		Nabal.
y		Abigail.
y		Abigail.
x		Nabal.

Nabal = foolish.

of the house of Caleb = a Calebite. But Sept., Syr., and Arab. have translated the word "cynical".

5-12 (b, above). DAVID'S MESSAGE TO NABAL. (Alternation.)

b | e | 5-8. Message of David.
f | 9. Delivery by young men.
e | 10, 11. Reply to David.
f | 12. Report by young men.

6 him that liveth = the *bon vivant*.

8 servants. Some codices, with one early printed edition, read "servant".

11 water. Sept. reads "wine".

men. Heb. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

13 stuff = baggage.

14 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

railed on them = flew at them, or stormed at them.

17 evil. Heb. *rā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii.

18 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), emphasising Abigail's thought and care, as well as rapidity. measures. See Ap. 51. III. 3.

22 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

any, &c. = any male.

18 Then Abigail made haste, °and took two hundred loaves, and two bottles of wine, and five sheep ready dressed, and five °measures of parched *corn*, and an hundred clusters of raisins, and two hundred cakes of figs, and laid *them* on asses.

19 And she said unto her servants, "Go on before me; 14 behold, I come after you." But she told not her husband Nabal.

20 And it was so, *as she* rode on the ass, that she came down by the covert of the hill, and, 14 behold, David and his 11 men came down against her; and she met *them*.

21 Now David had said, "Surely in vain have I kept all that this *fellow* hath in the wilderness, so that nothing was missed of all that *pertain* unto him: and he hath requited me 17 evil for good.

22 So and more also do °God unto the enemies of David, if I leave of all that *pertain* to him by the morning light °any that pisseth against the wall."

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23 And when Abigail saw David, she hasted, and lighted off the ass, and fell before David on her face, and bowed herself to the ground,

24 And fell at his feet, and said, "Upon me, my lord, upon me let this iniquity be: and let thine handmaid, I pray thee, speak in thine audience, and hear the words of thine handmaid.

25 Let not my lord, I pray thee, regard this man of Belial, even Nabal: for as his name is, so is he; Nabal is his name, and folly is with him: but thy handmaid saw not the young men of my lord, whom thou didst send.

26 Now therefore, my lord, as the LORD liveth, and as thy soul liveth, seeing the LORD hath withholden thee from coming to shed blood, and from avenging thyself with thine own hand, now let thine enemies, and they that seek evil to my lord, be as Nabal.

27 And now this blessing which thine handmaid hath brought unto my lord, let it even be given unto the young men that follow my lord.

28 I pray thee, forgive the trespass of thine handmaid: for the LORD will certainly make my lord a sure house; because my lord fighteth the battles of the LORD, and evil hath not been found in thee all thy days.

29 Yet a man is risen to pursue thee, and to seek thy soul: but the soul of my lord shall be bound in the bundle of life with the LORD thy God; and the souls of thine enemies, they shall He sling out, as out of the middle of a sling.

30 And it shall come to pass, when the LORD shall have done to my lord according to all the good that He hath spoken concerning thee, and shall have appointed thee ruler over Israel;

31 That this shall be no grief unto thee, nor offence of heart unto my lord, either that thou hast shed blood causeless, or that my lord hath avenged himself: but when the LORD shall have dealt well with my lord, then remember thine handmaid."

c 32 And David said to Abigail, "Blessed be the LORD God of Israel, Which sent thee this day to meet me:

33 And blessed be thy advice, and blessed be thou, which hast kept me this day from coming to shed blood, and from avenging myself with mine own hand.

34 For in very deed, as the LORD God of Israel liveth, Which hath kept me back from hurting thee, except thou hadst hasted and come to meet me, surely there had not been left unto Nabal by the morning light any that pisseth against the wall."

35 So David received of her hand that which she had brought him, and said unto her, "Go up in peace to thine house; see, I have hearkened to thy voice, and have accepted thy person."

x α 36 And Abigail came to Nabal; and, behold, he held a feast in his house, like the feast of a king; and Nabal's heart was merry within him, for he was very drunken: wherefore she told him nothing, less or more, until the morning light.

37 But it came to pass in the morning, when the wine was gone out of Nabal, and his wife had told him these things, that his heart died within him, and he became as a stone.

24 iniquity. Heb. 'āvāh. Ap. 44. iv.

26 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

soul. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13.

coming to shed blood - wading in blood (as we say). Cp. v. 26.

avenging - saving.

27 blessing = present.

brought. Verb is masc.; and is so when women act in masc. way, and fem. when men act in fem. way.

28 trespass. Heb. pāsha'. Ap. 44. ix.

29 man. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.

bundle of life = bag (as in 17. 40, 49) of the living.

sling out: i. e. like the stones in David's sling.

31 shed blood causeless - shed innocent blood. Fig. Antimeria (of Adverb). Ap. 6.

avenged = saved.

33 advice = good taste.

35 accepted thy person = uplifted thy face.

36 behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

feast = banquet or drinking feast. Cp. 2 Sam. 13. 28.

37 heart died. Fig. Hyperbole. Ap. 6.

39 wickedness. Heb. rā'a'. Ap. 44. viii.

41 wash the feet, &c. This was and is the most menial service.

42 went. See note on "brought", v. 27.

44 Michal. Cp. 2 Sam. 3. 14, 15.

26. 1-25 (T, p. 399). DESERT OF ZIPH.

(Introversion and Alternation.)

T	A		1.	Information given.
	B		g 2-4.	Search by Saul.
			h 5-13.	Camp. Proof obtained.
	B		g 14.	Search by Saul.
			h 15-25.	Camp. Proof exhibited.
	A		-25.	Separation made.

2 men. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

38 And it came to pass about ten days after, that the LORD smote Nabal, that he died.

39 And when David heard that Nabal was dead, he said, "Blessed be the LORD, That hath pleaded the cause of my reproach from the hand of Nabal, and hath kept His servant from evil: for the LORD hath returned the wickedness of Nabal upon his own head." And David sent and communed with Abigail, to take her to him to wife.

40 And when the servants of David were come to Abigail to Carmel, they spake unto her, saying, "David sent us unto thee, to take thee to him to wife."

41 And she arose, and bowed herself on her face to the earth, and said, "Behold, let thine handmaid be a servant to wash the feet of the servants of my lord."

42 And Abigail hasted, and arose, and rode upon an ass, with five damsels of hers that went after her; and she went after the messengers of David, and became his wife.

43 David also took Ahinoam of Jezreel; and they were also both of them his wives.

44 But Saul had given Michal his daughter, David's wife, to Phalti the son of Laish, which was of Gallim.

26 And the Ziphites came unto Saul to Gibeah, saying, "Doth not David hide himself in the hill of Hachilah, which is before Jeshimon?"

2 Then Saul arose, and went down to the wilderness of Ziph, having three thousand chosen men of Israel with him, to seek David in the wilderness of Ziph.

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3 And Saul pitched in the hill of Hachilah, which *is* before Jeshimon, by the way. But David abode in the wilderness, and he saw that Saul came after him into the wilderness.

4 David therefore sent out spies, and understood that Saul was come in very deed.

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5 And David arose, and came to the place where Saul had pitched: and David beheld the place where Saul lay, and Abner the son of Ner, the captain of his host: and Saul lay in the trench, and the People pitched round about him.

6 Then answered David and said to Ahimelech the Hittite, and to Abishai the son of Zeruiah, brother to Joab, saying, "Who will go down with me to Saul to the camp?" And Abishai said, "I will go down with thee."

7 So David and Abishai came to the People by night: and, behold, Saul lay sleeping within the trench, and his spear stuck in the ground at his bolster: but Abner and the People lay round about him.

8 Then said Abishai to David, "God hath delivered thine enemy into thine hand this day: now therefore let me smite him, I pray thee, with the spear even to the earth at once, and I will not smite him the second time."

9 And David said to Abishai, "Destroy him not: for who can stretch forth his hand against the LORD'S anointed, and be guiltless?"

10 David said furthermore, "As the LORD liveth, the LORD shall smite him; or his day shall come to die; or he shall descend into battle, and perish."

11 The LORD forbid that I should stretch forth mine hand against the LORD'S anointed: but, I pray thee, take thou now the spear that *is* at his bolster, and the cruse of water, and let us go."

12 So David took the spear and the cruse of water from Saul's bolster; and they gat them away, and no man saw *it*, nor knew *it*, neither awaked: for they were all asleep; because a deep sleep from the LORD was fallen upon them.

13 Then David went over to the other side, and stood on the top of an hill afar off; a great space *being* between them:

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14 And David cried to the People, and to Abner the son of Ner, saying, "Answerest thou not, Abner?" Then Abner answered and said, "Who *art* thou that criest to the king?"

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15 And David said to Abner, "Art not thou a valiant man? and who *is* like to thee in Israel? wherefore then hast thou not kept thy lord the king? for there came one of the People in to destroy the king thy lord."

16 This thing *is* not good that thou hast done. As the LORD liveth, *ye* are worthy to die, because ye have not kept your master, the LORD'S anointed. And now see where the king's spear *is*, and the cruse of water that *was* at his bolster."

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17 And Saul knew David's voice, and said, "Is this thy voice, my son David?"

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And David said, "It *is* my voice, my lord, O king."

18 And he said, "Wherefore doth my lord

5 trench, or, barricade.

7 spear. This is still the mark of the chief's tent. Cp. 18. 10. bolster = head.

8 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

let me smite him. Note Abishai's character. 2 Sam. 16. 9; 19. 21.

9 Destroy . . . not. See Deut. 9. 26, the subscriptions of Pss. 56, 57, 58, 74, and Ap. 65.

the LORD'S. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

11 cruse, or, flask.

12 no man - no one.

15-25 (h, p. 402). PROOF EXHIBITED. (Division.)

h i¹ | 15, 16. Remonstrance with Abner.

i² | 17-25. Reconciliation with Saul.

15 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

not. Heb. 'el. (Hypothetical.)

16 not. Heb. 'al. (Absolute.)

17-25 (i², above). RECONCILIATION WITH SAUL. (Repeated Alternation.)

i² k¹ | 17-. Saul's recognition of David.

i¹ | -17-20. David's remonstrance.

k² | 21. Saul's acknowledgment.

i² | 22-24. David's remonstrance.

k³ | 25-. Saul's blessing.

17 knew = recognised.

18 evil. Heb. rā'ā'. Ap. 44. viii.

19 offering. See Ap. 43. II. iii.

children = sons.

men. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.

serve other gods. David was being driven from God's altar.

20 a flea = one flea.

21 sinned. Heb. chātā'. Ap. 44. i.

soul = life. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13.

erred. Heb. shāgāh. Ap. 44. xii.

23 The LORD = Jehovah. Note the Fig. Epanadiplosis. Ap. 6.

24 life = soul. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13.

thus pursue after his servant? for what have I done? or what evil *is* in mine hand?

19 Now therefore, I pray thee, let my lord the king hear the words of his servant. If the LORD have stirred thee up against me, let Him accept an offering: but if they be the children of men, cursed be they before the LORD; for they have driven me out this day from abiding in the inheritance of the LORD, saying, 'Go, serve other gods.'

20 Now therefore, let not my blood fall to the earth before the face of the LORD: for the king of Israel is come out to seek a flea, as when one doth hunt a partridge in the mountains."

21 Then said Saul, "I have sinned: return, my son David: for I will no more do thee harm, because my soul was precious in thine eyes this day: behold, I have played the fool, and have erred exceedingly." k³

22 And David answered and said, "Behold the king's spear! and let one of the young men come over and fetch it." i²

23 The LORD render to every man his righteousness and his faithfulness: for the LORD delivered thee into my hand to day, but I would not stretch forth mine hand against the LORD'S anointed.

24 And, behold, as thy life was much set by this day in mine eyes, so let my life be much set by in the eyes of the LORD, and let Him deliver me out of all tribulation."

^k³ 25 Then Saul said to David, "Blessed be thou, my son David: thou shalt both do great *things*, and also shalt still prevail."

^A (p. 402) So David went on his way, and Saul returned to his place.

^{J S} (p. 399) **27** And David said ° in his heart, ° "I shall now perish one day by the hand of Saul: *there is* nothing better for me than that I should speedily escape into the land of the Philistines; and Saul shall despair of me, to seek me any more in any ° coast of Israel: so shall I escape out of his hand."

2 And David arose, and he passed over with the six hundred ° men that were with him unto Achish, the son of Maach, king of Gath.

3 And David dwelt with Achish at Gath, he and his ° men, every ° man with his household, even David with his two wives, Ahinoam the Jezreelitess, and Abigail the Carmelitess, ° Nabal's wife.

4 And it was told Saul that David was fled to Gath: and he sought no more again for him.

^{E m}¹ (p. 404) 5 And David said unto Achish, "If I have now found grace in thine eyes, let them give me a place in some town in the country, that I may dwell there: for why should thy servant dwell in the royal city with thee?"

6 Then Achish gave him Ziklag that day: wherefore ° Ziklag pertaineth unto the kings of Judah unto this day.

⁹⁶¹ 7 And the time that David dwelt in the ° country of the Philistines was a full year and four months.

ⁿ¹ 8 And David and his ° men went up, and invaded the Geshurites, and the Gezrites, and the Amalekites: for those *nations* were of old the inhabitants of the land, as thou goest to Shur, even unto the land of Egypt.

9 ° And David smote the land, and left neither ° man nor woman alive, and took away the sheep, and the oxen, and the asses, and the camels, and the apparel, and returned, and came to Achish.

^m² 10 And Achish said, ° "Whither have ye made a ° road to day?" And David said, "Against the ° south of Judah, and against the south of the Jerahmeelites, and against the south of the Kenites."

ⁿ² 11 And David saved neither ° man nor woman alive, to bring *tidings* to Gath, saying, "Lest they should tell on us, saying, 'So did David, and so *will be* his manner all the while he dwelleth in the country of the Philistines.'"

^m³ 12 And Achish believed David, saying, "He hath made his ° People Israel utterly to abhor him; therefore he shall be my servant for ever."

^F (p. 960) **28** And it came to pass in those days, that the Philistines gathered their armies together for warfare, to fight with Israel. And Achish said unto David, "Know thou assuredly, that thou shalt go out with me to battle, thou and thy ° men."

2 And David said to Achish, ° "Surely then

1 in his heart = to himself.

I shall now perish. This lack of faith acted with disastrous results to David. It put him in a false position; shook the People's confidence in him; delayed his own election; and led to divisions in the kingdom.

coast = border.

2 men. Heb. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

3 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

Nabal's wife. See note on 30. 5.

27. 5—2 Sam. 1. 27 (P, p. 375). THE PROVOCATION OF SAUL. REJECTION CARRIED OUT.

(Alternation and Introversion.)

P | C | E | 27. 5-12. Ziklag. Possessed by David.

F | 28. 1, 2. Philistines and David.

D | 28. 3-25. Saul's sin.

C | F | 29. 1-11. Philistines and David.

E | 30. 1-31. Ziklag. Repossessed by David.

D | 31. 1-2 Sam. 1. 27. Saul's death.

5-12 (E, above). ZIKLAG. DAVID'S POSSESSION OF. (Repeated Alternation.)

E | m¹ | 5-7. David and Achish. Gift.

n¹ | 8, 9. David. Invasion of aborigines.

m² | 10. Achish and David. Deception.

n² | 11. David. Extermination.

m³ | 12. Achish and David. Deception.

6 Ziklag. An outpost which protected Gath.

7 country. Heb. "field". Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part) for country. Ap. 6.

9 And. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in v. 9.

10 Whither. Some codices, with Sept. and Vulg., read "against whom".

road = raid.

south. Heb. the *Negeb* or hill country south of Judah.

12 People Israel = Israel's People.

28. 1 men. Heb. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

2 Surely = Therefore; which Achish repeats in his reply.

keeper of mine head: i.e. captain of my body-guard.

3-25 (D, above). SAUL'S SIN.

(Repeated Alternation, and Introversion.)

D | o¹ | 3. Familiar spirits. Owner put away.

p | q | 4, 5. Saul's fear. (Of Philistines.)

r | 6. No answer from Jehovah.

o² | 7-14. Familiar spirit. Woman sought.

p | r | 15-19. Answer from familiar spirit.

q | 20. Saul's fear. (Of Jehovah.)

o³ | 21-25. Familiar spirit. Woman spared.

3 in Ramah, &c. Heb. "in Ramah and in his own city". Fig. *Hendiadys* (Ap. 6) = in his own city, Ramah.

had familiar spirits. Familiar spirits are demons pretending to be dead persons; hence the word "necromancy". See notes on Lev. 19. 31 and Isa. 8. 19.

wizards = wise, cunning, or knowing ones.

shalt know what thy servant can do." And Achish said to David, "Therefore will I make thee ° keeper of mine head for ever."

3 Now Samuel was dead, and all Israel had lamented him, and buried him ° in Ramah, even in his own city. And Saul had put away those that ° had familiar spirits, and the ° wizards, out of the land.

4 And the Philistines gathered themselves

960 together, and came and pitched in Shunem: and Saul gathered all Israel together, and they pitched in Gilboa.

5 And when Saul saw the host of the Philistines, he was afraid, and his heart greatly trembled.

r 6 And when Saul °enquired of °the LORD, °the LORD °answered him not, neither by dreams, nor by °Urim, nor by prophets.

o² 7 Then said Saul unto his servants, "Seek me °a woman that °hath a °familiar spirit, that I may go to her, and °enquire of her." And his servants said to him, "Behold, *there is* a woman that hath a °familiar spirit at En-dor."

8 And Saul disguised himself, and put on other raiment, and he went, and two °men with him, and they came to the woman by night: and he said, "I pray thee, divine unto me °by the familiar spirit, and bring me *him* up, whom I shall name unto thee."

9 And the woman said unto him, "Behold, thou knowest what Saul hath done, how he hath cut off those that have °familiar spirits, and the wizards, out of the land: wherefore then layest thou a snare for my °life, to cause me to die?"

10 And Saul sware to her by °the LORD, saying, "As °the LORD liveth, there shall no punishment happen to thee for this thing."

11 Then said the woman, "Whom shall I bring °up unto thee?" And he said, "Bring me °up Samuel."

12 And when the woman °saw Samuel, °she cried with a loud voice: and the woman spake to Saul, saying, "Why hast thou deceived me? for °thou art Saul."

13 And the king said unto her, "Be not afraid: for what sawest thou?" And the woman said unto Saul, "I saw °gods ascending °out of the earth."

14 And he said unto her, "What form *is* he of?" And she said, "An old °man cometh °up; and he is covered with a °mantle." And Saul °perceived that it was Samuel, and he °stooped with *his* face to the ground, and bowed himself.

p r 15 And °Samuel said to Saul, "Why hast thou °disquieted °me, to bring me °up?" And Saul answered, "I am sore distressed; for the Philistines make war against me, and °God is departed from me, and answereth me °no more, neither °by prophets, nor by dreams: therefore I have called thee, that thou mayest make known unto me what I shall do."

16 °Then said Samuel, "Wherefore then dost thou ask of me, seeing °the LORD is departed from thee, and is °become thine enemy?"

17 And °the LORD hath done to him, °as He spake °by me: for °the LORD hath rent the kingdom out of thine hand, and given it to thy neighbour, even to David:

18 Because thou °obeyedst not the voice of °the LORD, nor executedst His fierce °wrath upon Amalek, therefore hath °the LORD done this thing unto thee this day.

19 Moreover °the LORD will also deliver Israel with thee into the hand of the Philistines: and to morrow shalt thou and thy sons be °with me: °the LORD also shall deliver the

6 enquired = asked. Heb. *shā'āl*, to ask. Not *dārash*, "to seek out". See note on v. 7, and 1 Chron. 10. 13, 14. the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. answered him not. Not likely therefore to answer now by a way He had forbidden. Samuel had been dead two years.

Urim. See note on Ex. 28. 30. Num. 26. 55. It must have been an ephod of his own making, as Abiathar the High Priest was with David. Saul makes no mention of this in v. 15.

7 a woman. Answering to the modern "mediums". hath = owneth, possesses as mistress. See note on Lev. 19. 31.

enquire = seek out. Heb. *dārash*, a deeper meaning than v. 6. See note above. Cp. 1 Chron. 10. 13, 14. Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

8 by the familiar spirit. Hence called necromancy. 9 life = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

11 up. Note: not down, or forth. Cp. v. 13.

12 saw Samuel. Or the materialisation of a deceiving spirit personating Samuel, as is done by "mediums" to-day.

she cried, &c. Evidently surprised, and getting more than she expected.

thou art Saul. How should she know this but by a communication from the spirit.

13 gods. Pl. of *Elohim*. Either "a god" or a spirit manifestation.

out of the earth. Not down, or forth, as in John 11. 43, 44.

14 man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II. Not a spirit.

mantle. If a spirit, why a mantle? Samuel's spirit was with God (Ecc. 12. 7). And if Samuel's body, it would be with "grave-clothes" (John 11. 44).

perceived = understood: i. e. from what the medium said. He saw nothing.

stooped = did obeisance.

15 Samuel said: i. e. the spirit personating Samuel said. Just as it is done in the present day by the medium: never directly.

disquieted. If Samuel, then it shows he was "quiet" before. me. Not my spirit.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

no more. Therefore certainly not by means which He had expressly forbidden. See Lev. 19. 31; 20. 6, 27. Dent. 18. 10, 13, &c.

by prophets. Saul omits the reference to "Urim" because it would remind him of the murder of the priests (22. 18, 19). See note on v. 6.

16 Then said Samuel. *Jehovah* might have sent "a lying spirit", and given by it a true message, just as He did in 2 Chron. 18. 19-22. Nothing was said but what was well known before.

become thine enemy. The Sept. reads "and hath come to be with thy neighbour". Cp. v. 17 and 15. 28.

17 as - according as. by me = by my hand.

18 obeyedst not = hearkenedst not to.

wrath. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the judgment in consequence of it.

19 with me: i. e. with the dead.

20 fell straightway = remained motionless. Cp. Acts 9. 7, where "stood speechless" = remained speechless. See Acts 26. 14. The two passages together = fell, and remained so.

bread = food. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species). Ap. 6.

host of Israel into the hand of the Philistines."

20 Then Saul °fell straightway all along on the earth, and was sore afraid, because of the words of Samuel: and there was no strength in him; for he had eaten no °bread all the day, nor all the night.

21 And the woman came unto Saul, and saw that he was sore troubled, and said unto him,

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° "Behold, thine handmaid hath ¹⁸ obeyed thy voice, and I have put my ⁹ life in my hand, and have hearkened unto thy words which thou spakest unto me.

22 Now therefore, I pray thee, hearken ^{thou} also unto the voice of thine handmaid, and let me set a morsel of bread before thee; and eat, that thou mayest have strength, when thou goest on thy way."

23 But he refused, and said, "I will not eat." But his servants, together with the woman, compelled him; and he hearkened unto their voice. So he arose from the earth, and sat upon the bed.

24 And the woman had a fat calf in the ° house; and she hasted, and killed it, and took flour, and kneaded *it*, and did bake unleavened bread thereof:

25 And she brought *it* before Saul, and before his servants; and they did eat. Then they rose up, and went away that night.

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29 Now the Philistines gathered together all their armies to Aphek: and the Israelites pitched by a fountain which *is* in Jezreel.

2 And the ° lords of the Philistines passed on by hundreds, and by thousands:

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but David and his ° men passed on in the rereward with Achish.

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3 Then said the princes of the Philistines, "What *do* these Hebrews *here*?" And Achish said unto the princes of the Philistines, "Is not this David, the servant of Saul the king of Israel, which hath been with me these days, or these years, and I have found no fault in him since he ° fell ° unto me unto this day?"

4 And the princes of the Philistines were wroth with him; and the princes of the Philistines said unto him, "Make this ° fellow return, that he may go again to his place which thou hast appointed him, and let him not go down with us to battle, lest in the battle he be an adversary to us: for wherewith should he reconcile himself unto his master? ° should it not be with the heads of these ° men?"

5 Is not this David, of whom they sang one to another in dances, saying,

'Saul slew his thousands,
And David his ten thousands?'"

6 Then Achish called David, and said unto him, "Surely, as ° the LORD liveth, thou hast been upright, and thy going out and thy coming in with me in the host *is* good in my sight: for I have not found ° evil in thee since the day of thy coming unto me unto this day: nevertheless ° the ° lords favour thee not.

7 Wherefore now return, and go in peace, that thou displease not the ° lords of the Philistines."

8 And David said unto Achish, "But what have I done? and what hast thou found in thy servant so long as I have been ° with thee unto this day, that I may not go fight against the enemies of my lord the king?"

9 And Achish answered and said to David, "I know that *thou art* good in my sight, as ° an angel of ° God: notwithstanding the princes of the Philistines have said, 'He shall not go up with us to the battle.'

21 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

24 house = shed.

29. 1-11 (F, p. 404). PHILISTINES AND DAVID.
(*Alternation*.)

F | s | 1, 2-. Philistines. Assembly.
t | -2. David's junction.
s | 3-10. Philistines. Objection.
t | 11. David's return.

2 lords = princes; vv. 3, 4, &c. See note on Josh. 13. 3. men. Heb. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

3 fell = fell away; or, departed. unto me. These words are in the text of Sept. and Vulg.

4 fellow. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

should...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

6 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

evil. Heb. rā'a'. Ap. 44. viii.

the lords favour thee not = "thou art not good in the eyes of the princes". See v. 1.

8 with thee = before thee.

9 an angel = a messenger.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

10 with thy master's servants. Sept. reads "thou, and the servants of thy lord". Probably the Manassites named in 1 Chron. 12. 19, 20, who deserted to David.

with thee. The Sept. adds "and depart unto the place where I appointed you, and entertain no evil thought in thy heart; for thou art good in my sight".

11 and his men = he and his men, as in v. 2.

30. 1-31 (E, p. 404). ZIKLAG REPOSSESSED.
(*Introversion and Alternation*.)

E | G | 1-6-. Ziklag. Taken.
H | u | -6-8. Jehovah's promise. Made.
v | 9, 10. Division of forces.
J | 11-16. Colloquy with Egyptian.
H | u | 17-20. Jehovah's promise. Kept.
v | 21-25. Junction of forces.
G | 26-31. Ziklag. Retaken.

1 men. Heb. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

the south = the Negeb. The hill-country S. of Judah. burned = burned up. See Ap. 43. I. viii.

2 the women captives, that were therein. Sept. reads "the women, and all who were therein".

3 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in this verse.
burned - burning.

10 Wherefore now rise up early in the morning ° with thy master's servants that are come ° with thee: and as soon as ye be up early in the morning, and have light, depart."

11 So David ° and his ° men rose up early to depart in the morning, to return into the land of the Philistines. And the Philistines went up to Jezreel.

30 And it came to pass, when David and his ° men were come to Ziklag on the third day, that the Amalekites had invaded ° the south, and Ziklag, and smitten Ziklag, and ° burned it with fire;

2 And had taken ° the women captives, that were therein: they slew not any, either great or small, but carried *them* away, and went on their way.

3 So David and his ° men came to the city, ° and, behold, *it was* ° burned with fire; and their wives, and their sons, and their daughters, were taken captives.

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960 4 Then David and the People that *were* with him lifted up their voice and wept, until they had no more power to weep.

5 And David's two wives were taken captives, Ahinoam the Jezreelitess, and Abigail °the wife of Nabal the Carmelite.

6 And David was greatly distressed; for the People spake of stoning him, because the °soul of all the People was °grieved, °every man for his sons and for his daughters:

H u but David °encouraged himself in °the LORD his °God.

7 And David said to Abiathar the priest, Ahimelech's son, "I pray thee, bring me hither the ephod." And °Abiathar brought thither the ephod to David.

8 And David enquired at °the LORD, saying, "Shall I pursue after this troop? shall I overtake them?" And He answered him, "Pursue: for thou shalt surely overtake *them*, and without fail recover *all*."

v 9 So David went, *he* and the six hundred °men that *were* with him, and came to the brook Besor, where those that were left behind stayed.

10 But David pursued, *he* and four hundred °men: for two hundred abode behind, which were so faint that they could not go over the brook Besor.

J 11 And they found an Egyptian in the field, and brought him to David, and gave him bread, and he did eat; and they made him drink water;

12 And they gave him a piece of a cake of figs, and two clusters of raisins: and when he had eaten, his °spirit came again to him: for he had eaten no bread, nor drunk *any* water, °three days and three nights.

13 And David said unto him, "To whom *belongest* thou? and whence *art* thou?" And he said, "I *am* a young man of Egypt, servant to an Amalekite; and my master left me, because three days ago I fell sick.

14 We made an invasion upon the south of the °Cherethites, and upon the coast which *belongeth* to Judah, and upon the south of Caleb; and we burned Ziklag with fire."

15 And David said to him, "Canst thou bring me down to this company?" And he said, "Swear unto me by °God, that thou wilt neither kill me, nor deliver me into the hands of my master, and I will bring thee down to this °company."

16 And when he had brought him down, °behold, *they were* spread abroad upon all the °earth, eating and drinking, and dancing, because of all the great spoil that they had taken out of the land of the Philistines, and out of the land of Judah.

H u 17 And David smote them from °the twilight even unto the evening of the next day: and there escaped not a °man of them, save four hundred young °men, which rode upon camels, and fled.

18 And David recovered all that the Amalekites had carried away: and David rescued his two wives.

19 And there was nothing lacking to them, neither small nor great, neither sons nor

5 the wife. The Fig. *Ampliatio* (Ap. 6), by which Abigail is still called the wife of Nabal, though he was dead. Cp. 27. 3; 2 Sam. 3. 3. Those ignorant of Figures of Speech would call this a "discrepancy".

6 soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

grieved = embittered.

every man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

encouraged = strengthened.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

7 Abiathar. He had the ephod, with David. Zadok, who was with Saul, had it not.

9 men. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

12 spirit. Heb. *ruach*. Ap. 9.

three days and three nights. Fig. *Idioma*, by which a part of a day is reckoned as a whole day. See 2 Sam. 1. 1, 2, and cp. Est. 4. 16. Jonah 1. 17. Matt. 12. 40.

14 Cherethites. Probably a clan of Philistines, v. 16.

15 company = troop, as v. 8.

16 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

earth = surrounding land.

17 the twilight = the morning. Heb. *nesheph*, a Homonym: meaning (1) *darkness*, 2 Kings 7. 5, 7. Job 24. 15. Prov. 7. 9. Isa. 5. 11; 21. 4; 59. 10. Jer. 13. 16; (2) *daylight*, 1 Sam. 30. 17. Job 7. 4. Ps. 119. 147.

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

20 drave = drave in triumph.

cattle = spoils. Heb. acquisition, or substance.

21 he saluted them. Sept. reads "they inquired of his welfare".

22 children = sons.

25 And it was so. The 20th *Seder* begins here, and ends with 2 Sam. 2. 6. See note on p. 366.

26 present. All these places south of Hebron were protected by David, and these presents were a return for their support.

daughters, neither spoil, nor any *thing* that they had taken to them: David recovered all.

20 And David took all the flocks and the herds, *which* they °drave before those *other* °cattle, and said, "This *is* David's spoil."

21 And David came to the two hundred °men, which were so faint that they could not follow David, whom they had made also to abide at the brook Besor: and they went forth to meet David, and to meet the People that *were* with him: and when David came near to the People, °he saluted them.

22 Then answered all the wicked °men and men of Belial, of those that went with David, and said, "Because they went not with us, we will not give them *ought* of the spoil that we have recovered, save to every °man his wife and his °children, that they may lead *them* away, and depart."

23 Then said David, "Ye shall not do so, my brethren, with that which °the LORD hath given us, Who hath preserved us, and delivered the °company that came against us into our hand.

24 For who will hearken unto you in this matter? but as his part *is* that goeth down to the battle, so *shall* his part *be* that tarrieth by the stuff: they shall part alike."

25 °And it was so from that day forward, that he made it a statute and an ordinance for Israel unto this day.

26 And when David came to Ziklag, he sent of the spoil unto the elders of Judah, *even* to his friends, saying, °Behold a °present for you of the spoil of the enemies of °the LORD;"

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27 To them which were in Beth-el, and to them which were in south Ramoth, and to them which were in Jattir,

28 And to them which were in Aroer, and to them which were in Siphmoth, and to them which were in Eshtemoa,

29 And to them which were in Rachal, and to them which were in the cities of the Jerahmeelites, and to them which were in the cities of the Kenites,

30 And to them which were in Hormah, and to them which were in Chor-ashan, and to them which were in Athach,

31 And to them which were in °Hebron, and to all the places where David himself and his 1 men were wont to °haunt.

31 Hebron. Caleb's lot: the Negeb. Cp. 27. 10. haunt=frequent.

1 Sam. 31. 1—2 Sam. 1. 27 (D, p. 404). SAUL'S DEATH. (Division.)

D | K¹ | 1 Sam. 31. 1-13. The battle.
| K² | 2 Sam. 1. 1-27. Report of the battle.

31. 1-13 (K¹, above). THE BATTLE. (Repeated Alternation.)

K¹ | w¹ | 1-3. Israel. Defeat.
| x | 4-6. Saul's death.
w² | 7. Israel. Flight.
| x | 8-10. Saul. Indignities.
w³ | 11-13. Israel. Rescue of bodies.

1 men. Heb. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

2 Abinadab. Called Ishui (14. 49).

3 sore wounded = in sore anguish.

4 abuse = insult.

6 So Saul died. Cp. 1 Chron. 10. 13, 14. Here, history from human standpoint; in Chronicles, God's standpoint, and reasons of the history. See notes on 1 Chron. 10. 13, and Ap. 55. If Saul was thirty years of age when anointed, he would now be seventy; and Jonathan fifty-three or fifty-four. See note on 13. 1.

and. Some codices, with two early printed editions, Syr., and Vulg., read "yea, and".

10 his body. This is additional to 1 Chron. 10. 10; and "his head", there, is additional to 1 Sam. 31. 10. The two books and accounts are independent, supplementary, and complementary by Fig. *Hysteresis* (Ap. 6). See Ap. 55.

Beth-shan. It had remained Canaanite, and therefore friendly to Philistines (Judg. 1. 27).

11 to = about. 12 men. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

they found Saul and his three sons fallen in mount Gilboa.

9 And they cut off his head, and stripped off his armour, and sent into the land of the Philistines round about, to publish it in the house of their idols, and among the people.

10 And they put his armour in the house of Ashtaroth: and they fastened °his body to the wall of °Beth-shan.

11 And when the inhabitants of Jabesh-gilead heard of that which the Philistines had done °to Saul;

12 All the valiant °men arose, and went all night, and took the body of Saul and the bodies of his sons from the wall of 10 Beth-shan, and came to Jabesh, and burnt them there.

13 And they took their bones, and buried them under a tree at Jabesh, and fasted seven days.

31 Now the Philistines fought against Israel: and the °men of Israel fled from before the Philistines, and fell down slain in mount Gilboa.

2 And the Philistines followed hard upon Saul and upon his sons; and the Philistines slew Jonathan, and °Abinadab, and Melchishua, Saul's sons.

3 And the battle went sore against Saul, and the archers hit him; and he was °sore wounded of the archers.

4 Then said Saul unto his armourbearer, "Draw thy sword, and thrust me through therewith; lest these uncircumcised come and thrust me through, and °abuse me." But his armourbearer would not; for he was sore afraid. Therefore Saul took a sword, and fell upon it.

5 And when his armourbearer saw that Saul was dead, he fell likewise upon his sword, and died with him.

6 °So Saul died, and his three sons, and his armourbearer, °and all his 1 men, that same day together.

7 And when the 1 men of Israel that were on the other side of the valley, and they that were on the other side Jordan, saw that the 1 men of Israel fled, and that Saul and his sons were dead, they forsook the cities, and fled; and the Philistines came and dwelt in them.

8 And it came to pass on the morrow, when the Philistines came to strip the slain, that

THE °SECOND BOOK OF SAMUEL,

OTHERWISE CALLED,

THE SECOND BOOK OF THE KINGS.

1 Now it came to pass after the death of Saul, when David was returned from °the slaughter of the Amalekites, and David had abode two days in °Ziklag;

2 It came even to pass on °the third day, that, °behold, a °man came out of the camp from Saul with his clothes rent, and earth upon his head: and so it was, when he came to David, that he fell to the earth, and did obeisance.

3 And David said unto him, "From whence comest thou?" And he said unto him, "Out of the camp of Israel am I escaped."

TITLE, Second Book. See note on First Book, p. 366.

2 Sam. 1. 1-27 (K², above). REPORT OF BATTLE. (Alternation.)

K² | y | 1-10. Amalekite's report.
| z | 11, 12. The lamentation of David.
y | 13-16. Amalekite's execution.
z | 17-27. The lamentation of "the Bow".

1 the slaughter. Cp. 1 Sam. 30. 17.

Ziklag. Cp. 1 Sam. 27. 6.

2 the third day. See note on 1 Sam. 30. 12.

behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

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4 And David said unto him, "How went the matter? I pray thee, tell me." And °he answered, "That the People are fled from the battle, and many of the People also are fallen and dead; and Saul and Jonathan his son are dead also."

5 And David said unto the young man that told him, "How knowest thou that Saul and Jonathan his son be dead?"

6 And the young man that told him said, "As I happened by chance upon mount Gilboa, °behold, Saul leaned upon his spear; and, °lo, the chariots and horsemen followed hard after him."

7 And when he looked behind him, he saw me, and called unto me. And I answered, 'Here am I.'

8 And he said unto me, 'Who art thou?' And I answered him, 'I am an °Amalekite.'

9 °He said unto me again, 'Stand, I pray thee, upon me, and slay me: for anguish is come upon me, because my °life is yet whole in me.'

10 So I stood upon him, and slew him, because I was sure that he could not live after that he was °fallen: and I took the crown that was upon his head, and the bracelet that was on his arm, and have brought them hither unto my lord."

z (p. 408) 11 Then David took hold on his clothes, and rent them; and likewise all the °men that were with him:

12 And they mourned, and wept, and fasted until even, for Saul, and for Jonathan his son, and for the People of °the LORD, and for the house of Israel; because they were fallen by the sword.

y 13 And David said unto the young man that told him, "Whence art thou?" And he answered, "I am the son of a stranger, an °Amalekite."

14 And David said unto him, "How wast thou not afraid to stretch forth thine hand to destroy °the LORD'S anointed?"

15 And David called one of the young men, and said, "Go near, and fall upon him." And he smote him that he died.

16 And David said unto him, °"Thy blood be upon °thy head; for thy mouth hath testified against thee, saying, 'I have slain °the LORD'S anointed.'"

L¹ (p. 409) 17 And David lamented with this lamentation over Saul and over Jonathan his son:

L² 18 (Also he bade them teach the °children of Judah °the use of °the bow: °behold, it is °written in the book of Jasher.)

z a¹ 19 "The °beauty of Israel is slain upon thy high places:

b¹ How are the mighty fallen!

a² 20 Tell it not in Gath,
Publish it not in the streets of Askelon;
Lest the daughters of the Philistines rejoice,
Lest the daughters of the uncircumcised triumph.

21 Ye mountains of Gilboa, let there be no dew,
Neither let there be rain, upon you,
Nor fields of offerings:

4 he answered. He thought he brought news which would be welcomed.

6 behold . . . lo. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

8 Amalekite. Thus Saul was dishonoured by one whom his disobedience spared. Cp. 1 Sam. 15. 3 and Ex. 17. 16.

9 He said. His whole story was a fabrication. See the facts in 1 Sam. 31. 4, 5.

life=soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

10 fallen: i. e. upon his own sword (1 Sam. 31. 4).

11 men. Heb. *'enosh*. Ap. 14. III.

12 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

16 Thy blood. Cp. v. 10.

thy head=thysself. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part). Ap. 6.

1. 17-27 (z, p. 408). THE LAMENTATION OF "THE BOW". (Repeated Alternation.)

Title	L ¹	L ²
	17. The Lament.	
		18. The Lamentation.

z { a¹ | 19-. Apostrophe (sing.). Saul.
b¹ | -19. Lamentation (pl.). Saul and Jonathan.
a² | 20, 21. Apostrophe (sing.). Saul.
b² | 22, 23. Celebration (pl.). Saul and Jonathan.
a³ | 24. Apostrophe (sing.). Saul.
b³ | 25-. Lamentation (pl.). Saul and Jonathan.
a⁴ | -25, 26. Apostrophe (sing.). Jonathan.
b⁴ | 27. Lamentation (pl.). Saul and Jonathan.

18 children=sons.

the use of. The *Ellipsis* is wrongly supplied. The word "Lamentation" should be repeated from v. 17; "The Bow" being the *subject* of the Lamentation (v. 22).

the bow. This is the name of the Lamentation, because it is mentioned in v. 22; and it is what the tribe of Saul and Jonathan (Benjamin) was noted for (cp. 1 Chron. 8. 40; 12. 2. 2 Chron. 14. 8; 17. 17). For a similar reason the scripture (Ex. 3) about "The Bush" is so called in Mark 12. 26. Luke 20. 37.

behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

written, &c. In the Book of Jasher (or The Upright One)="Thy hart, Israel, lies slain", &c.

19 beauty=gazelle. Symbolic of beauty and grace.

21 The shield of Saul. Omit the italics that follow, and supply instead "the weapon of one anointed with oil", the Heb. *k'li* "weapons" being read instead of *b'li* in the first edition of the *Hebrew Bible*, 1488, and the Syr. and Arabic Versions and Chaldee paraphrase.

23 swifter . . . stronger. Fig. *Hyperbole*. Ap. 6.

For there the shield of the mighty is vilely cast away,

°The shield of Saul, as though he had not been anointed with oil.

22 From the blood of the slain,
From the fat of the mighty,
The bow of Jonathan turned not back,
And the sword of Saul returned not empty.

23 Saul and Jonathan were lovely and pleasant in their lives,
And in their death they were not divided:
They were °swifter than eagles,
They were °stronger than lions.

24 Ye daughters of Israel, weep over Saul,
Who clothed you in scarlet, with other delights,
Who put on ornaments of gold upon your apparel.

25 How are the mighty fallen in the midst of the battle!

O Jonathan, thou wast slain in thine high places.

960 **26** I am distressed for thee, my brother Jonathan:
Very pleasant hast thou been unto me:
Thy love to me was wonderful,
Passing the love of women.

b⁴ (p. 409) **27** °How are the mighty fallen,
And the weapons of war perished!"

A c (p. 410) **2** And it came to pass after this, that David °enquired of °the LORD, saying, "Shall I go up into any of the cities of Judah?" And °the LORD said unto him, "Go up." And David said, "Whither shall I go up?" And He said, "Unto Hebron."

2 So David went up thither, and his two wives also, Ahinoam the Jezreelitess, and Abigail °Nabal's wife the Carmelite.

3 And his °men that were with him did David bring up, every °man with his household: and they dwelt in the cities of Hebron.

d e **4** And the °men of Judah came, and there they °anointed David king over the house of Judah.

f And they told David, saying, That "the °men of Jabesh-gilead were they that buried Saul."

5 And David sent messengers unto the °men of Jabesh-gilead, and said unto them, "Blessed be ye of °the LORD, that ye have shewed this kindness unto your lord, even unto Saul, and have buried him."

6 And now °the LORD shew kindness and truth unto you: and °also will requite you this kindness, because ye have done this thing.

7 Therefore now let your hands be strengthened, and be ye °valiant: for your master Saul is dead, and also the house of Judah have anointed me king over them."

d e **8** But Abner the son of Ner, captain of Saul's host, took °Ish-bosheth the son of Saul, and brought him over to Mahanaim;

9 And made him king over Gilead, °and over the Ashurites, and over Jezreel, and over Ephraim, and over Benjamin, and over all Israel.

960 to 958 **10** Ish-bosheth Saul's son was forty years old when he began to reign over Israel, and reigned two years.

f But the house of Judah followed David.

c **11** And the time that David was king in Hebron over the house of Judah was seven years and six months.

B g **12** And Abner the son of Ner, and the servants of Ish-bosheth the son of Saul, went out from Mahanaim to Gibeon.

13 And Joab the son of Zeruiah, and the servants of David, went out, and met together by the pool of °Gibeon: and they sat down, the one on the one side of the pool, and the other on the other side of the pool.

14 And Abner said to Joab, "Let the °young men now arise, and °play before us." And Joab said, "Let them arise."

h **15** Then there arose and went over by number twelve of Benjamin, °which pertained to Ish-bosheth the son of Saul, and twelve of the servants of David.

27 How, &c. Render: "How [is it that] mighty ones have fallen, and weapons of war have perished".

2 Sam. 2. 1-24. 25 (B², p. 366). KING DAVID. (Division.)

B² | C¹ | 2. 1-4. 12. The Kingdom. Divided.
| C² | 5. 1-24. 25. The Kingdom. United.

2. 1-4. 12 (C¹, above). KINGDOM DIVIDED. (Alternation.)

C¹ | A | 2. 1-11. Followers. Accessions.
| B | 2. 12-32. Conflicts. Military.
| A | 3. 1-39. Followers. Defections.
| B | 4. 1-12. Conflicts. Personal.

2. 1-11 (A, above). FOLLOWERS. ACCESSIONS. (Introversion and Alternation.)

A | c | 1-3. David goes to Hebron.
| d | e | 4-. David anointed over house of Judah.
| f | -4-7. Those who followed David.
| d | e | 8-10-. Ish-bosheth anointed over Israel.
| f | -10. Those who followed David.
| c | 11. David reigns in Hebron.

1 enquired. Probably by Urim and Thummim, in the breastplate of Abiathar the High Priest, who was with David (1 Sam. 22. 20).

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

3 men. Heb. 'enōsh. Ap. 14. III.

man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

4 anointed David. Aged thirty years. See note on 1 Sam. 16. 13.

6 The 20th Seder ends here. See note on p. 366.

7 valiant = sons of valour.

8 Ish-bosheth = man of shame: i. e. the idol "Baal". In 1 Chron. 8. 33 = Esh-baal.

9 and. Note the Fig. Polysyndeton (Ap. 6) in v. 9.

12-32 (B, above). CONFLICTS. MILITARY. (Extended Alternation.)

B | g | 12-14. Abner and Joab. Colloquy.
| h | 15-17. Conflict ensues.
| i | 18-25. Pursuit. Asahel's death.
| g | 26, 27. Abner and Joab. Colloquy.
| h | 28. Conflict ended.
| i | 29-32. Return. Asahel's burial.

13 Gibeon. Abner's city, in Benjamin (1 Chron. 8. 29, 30; 9. 35, 36).

14 young men = common soldiers.

play = make sport.

15 which pertained. Sept. and Syr. read "pertain-ing".

18 as a wild roe = as one of the gazelles which are in the field.

16 And they caught every one his fellow by the head, and thrust his sword in his fellow's side; so they fell down together: wherefore that place was called Helkath-hazzurim, which is in Gibeon.

17 And there was a very sore battle that day; and Abner was beaten, and the °men of Israel, before the servants of David.

18 And there were three sons of Zeruiah there, Joab, and Abishai, and Asahel: and Asahel was as light of foot °as a wild roe.

19 And Asahel pursued after Abner; and in going he turned not to the right hand nor to the left from following Abner.

20 Then Abner looked behind him, and said, "Art thou Asahel?" And he answered, "I am."

21 And Abner said to him, "Turn thee aside to thy right hand or to thy left, and lay thee hold on one of the young men, and take thee

960 his armour." But Asahel would not turn aside from following of him.

22 And Abner said again to Asahel, "Turn thee aside from following me: wherefore should I smite thee to the ground? how then should I hold up my face to Joab thy brother?"

23 Howbeit he refused to turn aside: wherefore Abner with the hinder end of the spear smote him under the fifth rib, that the spear came out behind him; and he fell down there, and died in the same place: and it came to pass, that as many as came to the place where Asahel fell down and died ° stood still.

24 Joab also and Abishai pursued after Abner: and the sun went down when they were come to the hill of Ammah, that lieth before Giah by the way of the wilderness of Gibeon.

25 And the ° children of Benjamin gathered themselves together after Abner, and became one troop, and stood on the top of an hill.

g (p. 410) 26 Then Abner called to Joab, and said, "Shall the sword devour for ever? knowest thou not that it will be bitterness in the latter end? how long shall it be then, ere thou bid the People return from following their brethren?"

27 And Joab said, "As ° God liveth, unless thou hadst ° spoken, surely then in the morning the People had gone up every one from following his brother."

h 28 So Joab blew a trumpet, and all the people stood still, and pursued after Israel no more, neither fought they any more.

i 29 And Abner and his ° men walked all that night through the plain, and passed over Jordan, and went through all ° Bithron, and they came to Mahanaim.

30 And Joab returned from following Abner: and when he had gathered all the People together, there lacked of David's servants nineteen ° men and Asahel.

31 But the servants of David had smitten of Benjamin, and of Abner's ° men, so that three hundred and threescore ° men died.

32 And they took up Asahel, and buried him in the sepulchre of his father, which was in Beth-lehem. And Joab and his ° men went all night, and they came to Hebron at break of day.

A j (p. 411) 3 Now there was long war between the house of ° Saul and the house of David: but David waxed stronger and stronger,

k and the house of Saul waxed weaker and weaker.

l 2 And unto David were sons born in Hebron: and his firstborn was Amnon, of Ahinoam the Jezreelitess;

3 And his second, Chileab, of Abigail the ° wife of Nabal the Carmelite; and the third, ° Absalom the son of Maacah the daughter of Talmi king of Geshur;

4 And the fourth, Adonijah the son of Haggith; and the fifth, Shephatiah the son of Abital;

5 And the sixth, Ithream, by Eglah ° David's wife. These were born to David in Hebron.

k m 6 And it came to pass, while there was war

23 stood still: i. e. with horror at the sight.

25 children = sons.

27 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I (with Art.). spoken. Supply the *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) thus: "spoken [the words which caused the provocation], surely". Cp. v. 14.

29 Bithron = the ravine.

31 men. Heb. °ish. Ap. 14. II.

3. 1-39 (4, p. 410). FOLLOWERS. DEFECTIONS. (Introversion.)

A j | 1-. House of David.

k | -1. House of Saul.

l | 2-5. Sons of David.

k | 6-11. House of Saul.

j | 12-39. House of David.

1 Saul. Note the Fig. *Antimetabolē* (Ap. 6) in this verse, and the Introversion of the subjects of this chapter.

3 wife of Nabal. Figs. *Epitheton* and *Ampliatio* (Ap. 6), by which Abigail is still so called by way of explanation. See note on 1 Sam. 30. 5.

Absalom. Born in the Jubilee year, 958-957. Hence his name.

5 David's wife. Probably added, parenthetically, to indicate his first wife.

6-11 (k, above). HOUSE OF SAUL. (Alternation.)

k m | 6. Abner Strong.

n | 7. Ish-bosheth. Wrath with Abner.

m | 8-10. Abner. Wrath.

n | 11. Ish-bosheth. Fear of Abner.

7 Ish-bosheth. Ellipsis. But some codices, with three early printed editions, read "the name".

8 fault. Heb. °āven, iniquity. See Ap. 44. iii.

9 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

as - according as.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

12-39 (j, above). HOUSE OF DAVID. (Alternation.)

j | o | 12. Abner's overtures to David.

p | 13-16. Return of Michal to David.

o | 17-19. Abner's overtures to Israel.

p | 20-39. Return of Abner to David.

between the house of Saul ° and the house of David, that Abner made himself strong for the house of Saul.

7 And Saul had a concubine, whose name n was Rizpah, the daughter of Aiah: and ° Ish-bosheth said to Abner, "Wherefore hast thou gone in unto my father's concubine?"

8 Then was Abner very wroth for the words m of Ish-bosheth, and said, "Am I a dog's head, which against Judah do shew kindness this day unto the house of Saul thy father, to his brethren, and to his friends, and have not delivered thee into the hand of David, that thou chargest me to day with a ° fault concerning this woman?"

9 So do ° God to Abner, and more also, except, ° as ° the LORD hath sworn to David, even so I do to him;

10 To translate the kingdom from the house of Saul, and to set up the throne of David over Israel and over Judah, from Dan even to Beer-sheba."

11 And he could not answer Abner a word n again, because he feared him.

12 And Abner sent messengers to David on j o his behalf, saying, "Whose is the land?"

960 saying *also*, "Make thy °league with me, and,
to °behold, my °hand *shall be* with thee, to bring
953 about all Israel unto thee."

p 13 And he said, °"Well; I will make a
(p. 411) °league with thee: but one thing I require of
thee, that is, Thou shalt not see my face,
except thou first bring Michal Saul's daughter,
when thou comest to see my face."

14 And David sent messengers to Ish-bosheth
Saul's son, saying, "Deliver *me* my wife
Michal, which I espoused to me for an hundred
foreskins of the Philistines."

15 And Ish-bosheth sent, and took her from
°her husband, *even* from °Phaltiel the son of
Laish.

16 And her husband went with her °along
weeping behind her to Bahurim. Then said
Abner unto him, "Go, return." And he re-
turned.

o 17 And Abner had communication with the
elders of Israel, saying, "Ye sought for David
in times past *to be king over you* :

18 Now then °do *it* : for °the LORD hath spoken
of David, saying, 'By the hand of My servant
David I will save My people Israel out of the
hand of the Philistines, and out of the hand of
all their enemies.'"

19 And Abner also spake in the ears of Ben-
jamin: and Abner went also to speak in the
ears of David in Hebron all that seemed good
to Israel, and that seemed good to the whole
house of Benjamin.

p q 20 So Abner came to David to Hebron, and
(p. 412) twenty °men with him. And David made
Abner and the °men that *were* with him a
feast.

r t 21 And Abner said unto David, "I will arise
and go, and will gather all Israel unto my
lord the king, that they may make a °league
with thee, and that thou mayest reign over
all that °thine heart desireth." And David
°sent Abner away; and he went in peace.

u 22 And, °behold, the servants of David and
Joab came from °pursuing a troop, and brought
in a great spoil with them: but Abner was not
with David in Hebron; for he had °sent him
away, and he was gone in peace.

23 When Joab and all the host that *was* with
him were come, they told Joab, saying, "Abner
the son of Ner came to the king, and he hath
sent him away, and he is gone in peace."

t 24 Then Joab came to the king, and said,
°"What hast thou done? °behold, Abner came
unto thee; °why *is it that* thou hast °sent him
away, and he is quite gone?"

25 Thou knowest Abner the son of Ner, that
he came to deceive thee, and to know thy going
out and thy coming in, and to know all that
thou doest."

u 26 And when Joab was come out from David,
he sent messengers after Abner, which brought
him again from the well of Sirah: but David
knew *it* not.

s v 27 And when Abner was returned to Hebron,
Joab took him aside in the gate to speak with
him quietly, and smote him there under the

12 league = covenant.

behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

hand. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6. Hand put for
help given by it.

13 Well = Good!

15 her. Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg. read "her" in
the text.

Phaltiel. Same as Phalti (1 Sam. 25. 44).

16 along weeping = weeping as he went.

18 do it = act.

20-39 (p. p. 411). RETURN OF ABNER TO DAVID.
(*Extended Alternation*.)

p | q | 20. Feasting.

r | 21-26. Treatment of Abner.

s | 27-34. Death of Abner. Joab guilty.

q | 35, 36. Fasting.

r | 37. Treatment of Abner.

s | 38, 39. Death of Abner. David innocent.

20 men. Heb. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

21-26 (r, above). TREATMENT OF ABNER.
(*Alternation*.)

r | t | 21. David and Abner.

u | 22, 23. Return of Joab.

t | 24, 25. David and Joab.

u | 26. Return of Abner.

21 thine heart = thy soul. Heb. *nepesh*. Ap. 13.
sent Abner away = let Abner go.

22 pursuing a troop = making a raid.

24 What . . . ? . . . why . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

27-34 (s, above). DEATH OF ABNER.
(*Alternation*.)

s | v | 27. Retaliation of Joab.

w | 28, 29. David's imprecation.

v | 30. Retaliation of Joab.

w | 31-34. David's lamentation.

28 blood. Heb. = bloods. Fig. *Heterōsis* (of Number)
= much or noble blood. (Ap. 6).

29 rest = recoil. or. See note on Judg. 11. 31.
falleth on the sword. Fig. *Periphrasis* (Ap. 6) for
death by executioner; or, in war: commonly used where
guilt of some kind is involved.

30 Gibeon. Cp. 2. 13.

31 bier. Heb. *mittah*, a bed; see 4. 7, and cp. Ex.
8. 3. The poor man's couch by day was his bed by
night, and sometimes his bier.

fifth *rib*, that he died, for the blood of Asahel
his brother.

28 And afterward when David heard *it*, he
said, "I and my kingdom *are* guiltless before
°the LORD for ever from the °blood of Abner
the son of Ner:

29 Let it °rest on the head of Joab, and on all
his father's house; and let there not fail from
the house of Joab one that hath an issue, °or
that is a leper, °or that leaneth on a staff, °or
that °falleth on the sword, °or that lacketh
bread."

30 So Joab and Abishai his brother slew
Abner, because he had slain their brother
Asahel at °Gibeon in the battle.

31 And David said to Joab, and to all the
People that *were* with him, "Rend your clothes,
and gird you with sackcloth, and mourn before
Abner." And king David *himself* followed the
°bier.

32 And they buried Abner in Hebron: and the
king lifted up his voice, and wept at the grave
of Abner; and all the People wept.

960 33 And the king lamented over Abner, and
to said,

953 "Died Abner as ° a fool dieth ?

34 Thy hands *were* ° not bound, nor thy feet
put into ° fetters :

As a man falleth before ° wicked men, so
fellest thou."

And all the People wept again over him.

q 35 And when all the People came to cause
David to eat ° meat while it was yet day, David
swore, saying, "So do ° God to me, and more
also, if I taste bread, or ought else, till the sun
be down."

36 And all the People took notice of it, and
it ° pleased them: as whatsoever the king did
pleased all the People.

r 37 For all the People and all Israel under-
stood that day that it was not of the king to
slay Abner the son of Ner.

s 38 And the king said unto his servants,
"Know ye not that there is a prince and
a great man fallen this day in Israel ?

39 And *I am* this day weak, though anointed
king; and these ²⁰ men the sons of Zeruiah be
too hard for me: ° the LORD ° shall reward the
doer of ° evil according to his ° wickedness."

B C x 4 And when Saul's son heard that Abner
was dead in Hebron, his hands were feeble,
and all the Israelites were troubled.

y 2 And Saul's son had two ° men *that were*
captains of bands: the name of the one was
Baanah, and the name of the other Rechab,
the sons of Rimmon a ° Beerothite, of the
° children of Benjamin: (° for Beeroth also was
reckoned to Benjamin:

3 And the Beerothites fled to Gittaim, and
were sojourners there until this day.)

D 4 And Jonathan, Saul's son, had a son *that*
was ° lame of his feet. He was five years old
when the tidings came ° of Saul and Jonathan
out of Jezreel, and his nurse took him up, and
fled: and it came to pass, as she made haste to
flee, that he fell, and became lame. And his
name was Mephibosheth.

C x 5 And the sons of Rimmon the Beerothite,
Rechab and Baanah, went, and came about
the heat of the day to the house of Ish-bosheth,
who lay on a bed at noon.

6 ° And *they* came thither into the midst of
the house, *as though* they would have fetched
wheat; and they smote him under the fifth
rib: and Rechab and Baanah his brother es-
caped.

7 For when they came into the house, *he* lay
on his ° bed in his bedchamber, and they smote
him, and slew him, and beheaded him, and
took his head, and gat them away through
the plain all night.

8 And they brought the head of Ish-bosheth
unto David to Hebron, and said to the king,
"Behold the head of Ish-bosheth the son of
Saul thine enemy, which sought thy ° life; and
° the LORD hath avenged my lord the king this
day of Saul, and of his seed."

y 9 And David answered Rechab and Baanah
his brother, the sons of Rimmon the Beerothite,

33 Died . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

a fool dieth: i. e. running into needless danger.

34 not bound: i. e. as a malefactor. Cp. 1 Sam.
25. 25, 26.

fetters. Heb. = brass, put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause)
for fetters made of it. Ap. 6.

wicked men = "sons of 'avlāh". Ap. 44. vi.

35 meat. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species) for
food in general.

36 pleased them = was good in their eyes.

38 Know ye . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

39 shall reward. Cp. 1 Kings 2. 5, 6.

evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

wickedness. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

4. 1-12 (B, p. 410). CONFLICTS. PERSONAL. (Introversion and Alternation.)

B | C | x | 1 Ish-bosheth's weakness.

y | 2, 3. His two captains. Description.

D | 4. Mephibosheth.

C | x | 5-8. Ish-bosheth's murder.

y | 9-12. His two captains. Execution.

2 men. Heb. *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

Beerothite. Near Gibeon (Josh. 18. 25), now *El
Birch*, 6 miles north of Jerusalem, one of the Hivite
towns possessed by Benjamin.

children = sons.

for. Note Fig. *Parenthesis*. Ap. 6.

4 lame of his feet. Cp. state of sinner by nature.

of Saul: i. e. of the death of Saul, &c.: v. 4 is introduced
here to explain the ease with which David's accession
was accomplished, Mephibosheth being unable to suc-
ceed his father or avenge the death of Ish-bosheth.

6 And they came thither. Or, "Thither, into the
interior of the house, came wheat-fetchers, and they
smote", &c.

7 bed. Cp. 3. 31.

8 life = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

9 soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

10 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

11 person. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

require = exact the penalty for.
earth = land.

12 sepulchre. Cp. 3. 32.

5. 1-24. 25 [For Structures see next page].

1 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

and said unto them, "As ° the LORD liveth,
Who hath redeemed my ° soul out of all ad-
versity,

10 When one told me, saying, ° 'Behold, Saul
is dead,' thinking to have brought good tidings,
I took hold of him, and slew him in Ziklag,
who *thought* that I would have given him a
reward for his tidings:

11 How much more, when wicked ° men have
slain a righteous ° person in his own house upon
his bed ? shall I not therefore now ° require his
blood of your hand, and take you away from
the ° earth ?"

12 And David commanded his young men,
and they slew them, and cut off their hands
and their feet, and hanged *them* up over the
pool in Hebron. But they took the head of
Ish-bosheth, and buried *it* in the ° sepulchre of
Abner in Hebron.

5 Then came all the tribes of Israel to David
unto Hebron, and spake, saying, ° "Behold,
we are thy bone and thy flesh.

E N a

2 Also in time past, when Saul was king over us, thou wast he that leddest out and broughtest in Israel: and °the LORD said to thee, 'Thou shalt °feed My people Israel, and thou shalt be a captain over Israel.' "

3 So all the elders of Israel came to the king to Hebron; and king David °made a league with them in Hebron before °the LORD: and they °anointed David king over Israel.

b 4 David was thirty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned forty years.

960 to 920 5 In Hebron he reigned over Judah seven years and six months: and in Jerusalem he reigned thirty and three years over all Israel and Judah.

c 6 And the king and his °men went to Jerusalem unto the Jebusites, the inhabitants of the land: which spake unto David, °saying, "Except thou take away the blind and the lame, thou shalt not come in hither:" thinking, David cannot come in hither.

7 Nevertheless David took °the strong hold of °Zion: the same is °the City of David.

8 And David said on that day, "Whosoever getteth up °to the gutter, and smiteth the Jebusites, and the lame and the blind, that are hated of David's °soul, °he shall be chief and captain." °Wherefore they said, "The blind and the lame shall not come into the house."

O d 9 So David dwelt in the °fort, and called it °the city of David. And David built °round about from °Millo and inward.

e 10 And David °went on, and grew great, and °the LORD God of hosts was with him.

O d 11 And °Hiram king of °Tyre sent messengers to David, and cedar trees, and carpenters, and masons: and they built David an house.

e 12 And David perceived that °the LORD had established him king over Israel,

N a and that He had exalted his kingdom for His People Israel's sake.

b 13 And David took him more concubines and wives °out of Jerusalem, after he was come from Hebron: and there were yet sons and daughters born to David.

14 And these be the names of those that were born unto him in Jerusalem; Shammuah, and Shobab, and Nathan, and Solomon,

15 Ibhah also, and Elishua, and Nepheg, and Japhia,

16 And Elishama, and °Eliada, and Eliphalet.

c f 953 17 But when the Philistines heard that they had anointed David king over Israel, all the Philistines came up to °seek David; and David heard of it, and went down to the °hold.

18 The Philistines also came and spread themselves in the valley of °Rephaim.

5. 1-24. 25 (C², p. 410). KINGDOM UNITED.
(Introversion with Alternations.)

C² E | 5. 1-25. David's accession over Israel.
F | H | 6. 1-7. 29. Worship.
J | 8. 1-14. David's mighty acts.
G | K | 8. 15-18. David's officers.
L | 9. 1-10. 5. David's kindness.
M | 10. 6-20. 22. Wars and events.
G | K | 20. 23-26. David's officers.
L | 21. 1-14. David's zeal.
M | 21. 15-22. Wars and events.
F | H | 22. 1-23. 7. Worship.
J | 23. 8-39. David's mighty men.
E | 24. 1-25. David's sin. Numbering Israel.

5. 1-25 (E, above). DAVID'S ACCESSION.
(Extended and Simple Alternations.)

E | N | a | 1-3. King anointed.
b | 4, 5. Hebron. Reign.
c | 6-8. Jebusites expelled.
O | d | 9. City of David.
e | 10. Greatness of king.
O | d | 11. House of David.
e | 12-. Establishment of king.
N | a | -12. Kingdom exalted.
b | 13-16. Hebron. Family.
c | 17-25. Philistines vanquished.

2 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
feed = feed as a shepherd.

3 made a league = solemnised a covenant.
anointed David. See note on 1 Sam. 16. 13.

6 men. Heb. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.
saying. What they said must be rendered thus: "Thou shalt not come in hither, for the blind and the lame shall drive thee away [by saying] 'David shall not come in hither.'"

7 the strong hold of Zion: i.e. the hill of Ophel, immediately south of Moriah.

Zion. First occurrence. Occurs 154 times in O.T. (7 × 22, Ap. 10); used later (especially in prophecy) of the whole city. See Ap. 68.

the City of David. Which is on Jebus, therefore, and not on the west side. First occurrence. Occurs forty times in O.T. Used of Zion five times (2 Sam. 5. 7, 9. 1 Kings 8. 1. 1 Chron. 11. 6. 2 Chron. 5. 2).

8 to the gutter = by (or through) the zinnōr, a rock-cut passage from the lower Gihon or En-Rogel (now the Virgin's Fount on east of Ophel), leading up into the city and supplying water. Discovered by Sir Charles Warren. Cp. note on Neh. 2. 13, &c.

soul. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13.

he shall be chief and captain. These words are supplied from 1 Chron. 11. 6, which tells that Joab got up the zinnōr first. Probably revealed to him (or to David) by Araunah, who (though a Jebusite) was not slain, but is found, later on, owning property quite near (24. 16). Josephus says Araunah was a friend of David's.

Wherefore = Because.

9 fort = the "strong hold" of v. 7. Citadel.

round about = the wall, which was continued by Solomon (1 Kings 9. 15, 24; 11. 27), afterward by Hezekiah (2 Chron. 32. 5), and extended by Manasseh (2 Chron. 33. 14).

Millo = the Millo, or the filling up: i.e. of the valley between Moriah and Jebus.

10 went on = went on and on.

the LORD God of hosts = Jehovah Elohīm zebaiōth. Ap. 4. See note on 1 Sam. 1. 3.

11 Hiram. Not the Hiram of 1 Kings 9. 11, which was sixty years later. Josephus says he was his father. Cp. 2 Chron. 2. 13. 1 Kings 5. 1. Tyre. Israel had no war with Phœnicians. Asher failed to expel them (Judg. 1. 31). 13 out of. Perhaps this should read "into", as in 1 Chron. 14. 3. But both accounts are independent and complementary. 16 Eliada = Another name, Beeliada. See note on 1 Chron. 14. 7.

17-25 [For Structure see next page].

17 seek. Cp. 1 Sam. 26. 2. hold. Probably Adullam. 1 Sam. 22. 1. Not Zion, because he went "down" to it. 18 Rephaim. The descendants of the Nephilim through one "Rapha". See Ap. 23 and 25. Cp. 1 Chron. 11. 15.

g (p. 415) 953 19 And David enquired of ° the LORD, saying, "Shall I go up to the Philistines? wilt Thou deliver them into mine hand?" And ° the LORD said unto David, "Go up: for I will doubtless deliver the Philistines into thine hand."

h 20 And David came to Baal-perazim, and David smote them there, and said, "The LORD hath ° broken forth upon mine enemies before me, as the breach of waters." Therefore he called the name of that place Baal-perazim.

21 And there they left their images, and David and his ° men burned them.

f 952 22 And the Philistines came up yet again, and spread themselves in the valley of ° Re-phaim.

g 23 And when David enquired of ° the LORD, he said, "Thou shalt not go up; but fetch a compass behind them, and come upon them over against the mulberry trees.

24 And let it be, when thou hearest the sound of a going in the tops of the mulberry trees, that then thou shalt bestir thyself: for then shall ° the LORD go out before thee, to smite the host of the Philistines."

h 25 And David did so, ° as ° the LORD had commanded him; and smote the Philistines from ° Geba until thou come to Gazer.

H P¹ i 6 Again, David gathered together all the chosen men of Israel, thirty thousand.

2 And David arose, and went with all the people that were with him from ° Baale of Judah, to bring up from thence the ark of ° God, ° whose name is called by the name of ° the LORD of hosts That dwelleth between the cherubims.

3 And they set the ark of ° God upon ° a new cart, and brought it out of the house of Abinadab that was in Gibeah: and Uzzah and Ahio, the sons of Abinadab, drave the new cart.

4 And they brought it out of the house of Abinadab which was at Gibeah, accompanying the ark of ° God: and Ahio went before the ark.

l 5 And David and all the house of Israel played before ° the LORD on all manner of ° instruments made of fir wood, even on harps, and on psalteries, and on ° timbrels, and on cornets, and on ° cymbals.

l 6 And when they came to ° Nachon's threshing-floor, Uzzah put forth ° his hand to the ark of ° God, and took hold of it; for the oxen shook it.

7 And the anger of ° the LORD was kindled against Uzzah; and ° God smote him there for his ° error; and there he died by the ark of ° God.

8 And David was displeased, because ° the LORD had ° made a breach upon Uzzah: and he called the name of the place Perez-uzzah to this day.

m 9 And David was afraid of ° the LORD that day, and said, "How shall the ark of ° the LORD come to me?"

10 So David would not remove the ark of ° the LORD unto him into the city of David:

5. 17-25 (c, p. 414). PHILISTINES VANQUISHED. (Extended Alternation.)

c | f | 17, 18. Positions of Philistines.
g | 19. Inquiry of Jehovah.
h | 20, 21. Defeat.
f | 22. Position of Philistines.
g | 23, 24. Inquiry of Jehovah.
h | 25. Defeat.

19 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah (Ap. 4. II). See note on 1 Chron. 14. 10.

20 broken forth. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

25 as=according as.

Geba. Abbreviation for "Gibeon". Cp. Sept., and 1 Chron. 14. 16.

6. 1-7. 29 (H, p. 414). WORSHIP. (Division.)

H | P¹ | 6. 1-23. The Ark of Jehovah.
P² | 7. 1-29. The House of Jehovah.

6. 1-23 (P¹, above). THE ARK OF JEHOVAH. (Extended Alternation.)

P¹ | i | 1-4. Removal of Ark from Gibeah.
k | 5. Music.
l | 6-8. Sin of Uzzah.
m | 9-11-. Carried aside.
n | -11, 12-. Blessing.
i | -12, 13. Removal of Ark from house of Obed-edom.
k | 14, 15. Dancing.
l | 16. Offence of Michal.
m | 17. Carried in.
n | 18-23. Blessing, &c.

2 Baale. The old Canaanite name of Kirjath-jearim. Cp. 1 Sam. 6. 21; 7. 2. 1 Chron. 13. 6.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

whose name is called by the name. Some codices, with Aram. and Vulg., read "whereupon is called the name", &c.

the LORD of hosts. Heb. Jehovah Sebaoth. One of the Jehovah titles. Ap. 4. II. Cp. 5. 10, and see note on 1 Sam. 1. 3.

3 a new cart. This was contrary to the Divinely prescribed law (Num. 4. 15; 7. 9; 10. 21. Deut. 10. 8. Josh. 3. 14. 2 Sam. 15. 24. 1 Chron. 13. 7; 15. 2, &c.). When the Philistines did it in ignorance (1 Sam. 6. 7) no judgment fell on them, because the Law of Moses was not delivered to them. But David should have known: hence judgment came. The solemn lesson is that anything introduced into the worship of God contrary to His requirements is deserving of His judgments. This includes all that is contrary to John 4. 24, and all that is of the flesh, which "profiteth nothing" (John 6. 63). All this is like David's "new cart" and is sin in God's sight. See note on 1 Sam. 6. 7, and cp. 1 Sam. 15. 22.

5 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. instruments made of fir wood. The Sept. reads "with all boldness and with songs". See v. 14 and 1 Chron. 13. 8. According to Heb. text "fir woods", put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Material) for instruments made from it. Ap. 6.

timbrels = drums. See note on Ex. 15. 20. cymbals = timbrels, or tambourines. Heb. *zîlzîlim*. See note on 1 Chron. 13. 8.

6 Nachon's. Same as Chidon (1 Chron. 13. 9). his hand. These words are contained in the Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg.

7 error = negligence.

8 made a breach = broke forth. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

but David carried it aside into the house of Obed-edom the Gittite.

11 And the ark of ° the LORD continued in the house of Obed-edom the Gittite three months:

n and ⁵the LORD blessed Obed-edom, and all his household.

(p. 415) 952 12 And it was told king David, saying, ⁵"The LORD hath blessed the house of Obed-edom, and all that ^opertaineth unto him, because of the ark of ²God."

i So David went and ^obrought up the ark of ²God from the house of Obed-edom into the city of David with gladness.

13 And it was so, that when they that bare the ark of ⁵the LORD had gone ^osix paces, he sacrificed oxen and fatlings.

k 14 And David ^odanced before ⁵the LORD with all his might; and David was girded with ^alinen ephod.

15 So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of ⁵the LORD with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet.

l 16 And as the ark of ⁵the LORD came into the city of David, Michal Saul's daughter looked through a window, and saw king David ^oleaping and dancing before ⁵the LORD; and she despised him in her heart.

m 951 17 And they brought in the ark of ⁵the LORD, and set it in his place, in the midst of the ^otabernacle that David had pitched for it: and David ^ooffered burnt offerings and ^opeace offerings before ⁵the LORD.

n o¹ (p. 416) 18 And as soon as David had made an end of ¹⁷offering burnt offerings and ¹⁷peace offerings, he blessed the People in the name of ²the LORD of hosts.

19 And he dealt among all the People, even among the whole multitude of Israel, as well to the women as ^omen, to ^oevery one a cake of bread, and a ^ogood piece of flesh, and a ^oflagon of wine.

p¹ So all the People departed ^oevery one to his house.

o² 20 Then David returned to bless his household.

p² And Michal the ^odaughter of Saul came out to meet David, and said, "How glorious was the king of Israel to day, who ^ouncovered himself to day in the eyes of the handmaids of his servants, as one of the vain fellows shamelessly ^ouncovereth himself!"

o³ 21 And David said unto Michal, ^o"It was before ⁵the LORD, Which chose me before thy father, and before all his house, to appoint me ruler over the People of ⁵the LORD, over Israel: therefore will I play before ⁵the LORD.

22 And I will yet be more vile than thus, and will be base in mine own sight: and of the maidservants which thou hast spoken of, of them shall I be had in honour."

p³ 23 Therefore Michal the ²⁰daughter of Saul had no child unto the day of her death.

P² Q 950 7 And it ^ocame to pass, when ^othe king sat in his house, and ^othe LORD had given him rest round about from all his enemies;

948 2 That the king said unto ^oNathan the pro-

phet, ^o"See now, I dwell in an house ^oof cedar, but the ark of ^oGod dwelleth within ^ocurtains."

3 And ^oNathan said to the king, "Go, ^odo all that ^{is} in thine heart; for ¹the LORD ^{is} with thee."

4 And it came to pass ^othat night, that the

12 pertaineth. A.V. (1611) reads "pertained". brought up the ark. Cp. 1 Chron. 15. 3.

13 six paces. See Ap. 51. III. 1. Cp. 1 Chron. 15. 26.

14 danced. This explains the subscription of Ps. 87 (not the title of 88, see note there), *Mahalath Leannoth* = dancing with shoutings. Cp. 1 Chron. 15. 25-29. See Ap. 65.

a linen ephod. Cp. Aaron (Ex. 28. 6) and Samuel (1 Sam. 2. 18).

16 leaping and dancing. See note on v. 14.

17 tabernacle = *ohel*, tent. Not the Tabernacle of Moses, which was at Gibeon, cp. 1 Chron. 16. 39 (Ap. 40), but the tent David had prepared on Zion (7. 1-3). Cp. Ps. 132. 3-5.

offered = offered up. Ap. 43. I. 6.

peace offerings, which were for thanksgiving.

6. 18-23 (n, p. 415). BLESSING. (Repeated Alternation.)

n o¹ | 18, 19-. Blessing of the People.

p¹ | -19. Return of the People.

o² | 20-. Blessing of the household.

p² | -20. Return of David. Reproach.

o³ | 21, 22. Blessing from Jehovah.

p³ | 23. No return to Michal.

19 men . . . every one. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14.

good piece of flesh. Note, "of flesh" is in italics, following the Vulgate. Translate, "a measure [of wine]".

flagon of wine. Omit "flagon of wine", and render "a cake of raisins".

20 daughter of Saul. Note this. It does not say "the wife of David".

uncovered = disrobed, referring to his royal robes.

21 It was. Omit these words and supply *Ellipsis* by adding, with Sept., "Before Jehovah [did I dance]".

7. 1-29 (P², p. 415). THE HOUSE OF JEHOVAH. (Introversion.)

P² | Q | 1, 2. David before himself. ("Who I am.")

R | 3. Reply of Nathan.

R | 4-17. Reply of Jehovah.

Q | 18-29. David before Jehovah. ("Who am I?")

1 came to pass. This chapter takes its place with Gen. 15. It is the unconditional Covenant with David, to give him the *Throne*; as that was with Abraham, to give him the *Land*.

the king. Thus now dignified.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 Nathan. The first occurrence of his name. Cp. 1 Chron. 29. 29. An important figure in David's reign, and associated with his son Solomon (vv. 12, 13; 12. 25. 1 Kings 1. 10-45).

See now. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

of. Genitive of Material. Ap. 17.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4.

curtains. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause) for the tent formed by them. Cp. 6. 17.

3 Nathan said. Not from Jehovah, as in v. 5, but from himself: and said what was wrong.

do all that, &c. This is seldom safe advice.

4-17 [For Structure see next page].

4 that night. After these words all the MSS. have a hiatus, marking a solemn pause, and pointing back to the corresponding night of Gen. 15. 12-17, thus connecting the two great unconditional Covenants. See note on v. 1.

word of ¹the LORD came unto Nathan, saying,

^r ^(p. 417) ⁹⁵⁰⁻⁹⁴⁸ ^s 5 "Go and tell ^oMy servant David, 'Thus saith ¹the LORD, 'Shalt thou build Me an house for Me to dwell in?"

^s 6 Whereas I have not dwelt in *any* house since the time that I brought up the ^ochildren of Israel out of Egypt, even to this day, but have ^owalked in a tent ^oand in a ^otabernacle.

7 In all *the places* wherein I have walked with all the ^ochildren of Israel spake I a word with any of the ^otribes of Israel, whom I commanded to feed My People Israel, saying, 'Why build ye not Me an house of cedar?'"

^s 8 Now therefore so shalt thou say unto My servant David, 'Thus saith ^othe LORD of hosts, ^o"I took thee from the sheepcote, from following the sheep, to be ruler over My People, ^oover Israel:

9 And I was with thee whithersoever thou wentest, and have cut off all thine enemies out of thy sight, and ^ohave made thee a great name, like unto the name of the great *men* that *are* in the earth.

10 Moreover I will appoint a place for My People Israel, and will plant them, that they may dwell in a place of their own, and move no more; neither shall the ^ochildren of ^owickedness afflict them any more, as beforetime,

11 And as since the time that I commanded judges *to be* over My People Israel, and have caused thee to rest from all thine enemies. Also ¹the LORD telleth thee that ^oHe will make thee an ^ohouse.

12 And when thy days be fulfilled, and thou shalt ^osleep with thy fathers, I will set up thy seed after thee, which shall proceed out of thy bowels, and I will establish his kingdom.

^r 13 *He* shall build an house for My name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom for ever.

14 ^oI will be ^ohis Father, and *he* shall be ^oMy son. If he commit ^oiniquity, I will chasten him with the rod of ^omen, and with the stripes of the ^ochildren of ^omen:

15 But My ^omercy shall not depart away from him, ^oas I took *it* from Saul, whom I put away before thee.

16 And thine house and thy kingdom shall be established for ever before ^othee: thy throne shall be established for ever."

^q 17 According to all these words, and according to all this vision, so did Nathan speak unto David.

^{Q S t} 18 ^oThen went king David in, and ^osat before ¹the LORD, and he said, ^o"Who *am* ^oI, ^oO Lord ^oGOD? and what *is* my house, that Thou hast brought me hitherto?"

^u 19 And this was yet a small thing in Thy sight, ¹⁸O Lord ¹⁸GOD; but Thou hast spoken also of Thy servant's house for a great while to come. And *is* this the ^omanner of ^oman, ¹⁸O Lord ¹⁸GOD?

^v 20 And what can David say more unto Thee? for Thou, ¹⁸O Lord ¹⁸GOD, knowest Thy servant.

7. 4-17 (R, p. 416). REPLY OF JEHOVAH. (Introversion.)

^R ^q | 4. Word of Jehovah to Nathan for David.
^r | 5. "Shalt thou build?" (Negative). David.
^s | 6, 7. Jehovah's condescension.
^s | 8-12. Jehovah's grace.
^r | 13-16. "He shall build" (Positive). Solomon.
^q | 17. Word of Jehovah for Nathan to David.

5 My servant. Note the repetition of this word throughout this chapter. See note on v. 18.

6 children = sons.

walked = have been walking [habitually].

and in a tabernacle = as my habitation. Heb. *mishkan*. Ap. 40.

7 tribes, or "judges", as in 1 Chron. 17. 6.

8 the LORD of hosts. Heb. Jehovah Sebaoth. Ap. 4. II. One of the Jehovah titles. Cp. 5. 10; 6. 2, and see note on 1 Sam. 1. 3.

I took. Cp. 1 Sam. 16. 11, 12. Ps. 78. 70, 71.

over. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Syr., and Vulg., omit this second "over".

9 have made = I will assuredly make.

10 wickedness. Heb. *'amal*. Ap. 44. v.

11 He. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

house. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for household or family: i. e. a line of succession.

12 sleep with thy fathers. Fig. *Euphemism* (Ap. 6), put for "die". See note on Deut. 31. 16.

14 his Father = to him for a Father.

My son = to Me for a son.

iniquity. Heb. *'avah*. Ap. 44. iv.

men. Heb. *'enosh*. Ap. 14. III. Ps. 89. 31, 32.

men. Heb. *'adam*. Ap. 14. I.

15 mercy = lovingkindness.

as = according as.

16 thee. Some cod., with Sept. and Syr., read "Me".

18-29 (Q, p. 416). DAVID BEFORE JEHOVAH. (Introversion.)

^Q ^S | 18-22. David. Thanksgiving for himself.
^T | 23, 24. For Israel.
^S | 25-29. David. Prayer for his house.

18-22 (S, above). DAVID. THANKSGIVING FOR HIMSELF. (Introversion.)

^S ^t | 18. Self-abasement. "Who am I?"
^u | 19. Acknowledgment of benefits.
^v | 20. Inability to praise aright.
^u | 21. Acknowledgment of benefits.
^t | 22. Divine exaltation. "Thou art great."

18 Then. It is grace that really humbles.

sat before the LORD. Very different from sitting before one's self, as in v. 1.

Who am I...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Cp. v. 1. When David sat in his own house he sat before himself. See Structure, p. 416, "Q" and "Q".

O Lord GOD = O Adonai Jehovah. Adonai because (1) David is the servant and He the master; (2) because this title has to do with lordship in the earth. Ap. 4. VIII (2). Cp. vv. 19 (twice), 20, 28, 29, six times in this chapter.

19 manner = *Torah* or Law.

man. Heb. *ha-adam* = the man. "And is this the law of the man?" i. e. the Man of Ps. 8. 5, 6, who is to have dominion over all the earth, embracing all the world in the scope of this blessing in connection with the Messiah. This is an exclamation of greatest surprise and wonder of this revelation concerning David's son and David's Lord.

21 For Thy word's sake, and according to Thine own heart, hast Thou done all these great things, to make Thy servant know *them*.

^t 22 ° Wherefore Thou art great, ° O LORD God: for *there is none like Thee, neither is there any* ° God beside Thee, according to all that we have heard with our ears.

^T 23 And ° what one nation in the earth *is like Thy People, even* ° like Israel, whom ° God went to ° redeem for a People to Himself, and to make Him a name, and to do for you great things and terrible, for Thy land, before Thy People, which thou ° redeemedst to Thee from Egypt, *from the nations and their gods?*

24 For Thou hast confirmed to Thyself Thy people Israel to be a people unto Thee for ever: and ¹Thou, ° LORD, art become their ° God.

^{S w} 25 And now, ° O LORD ° God, the word that Thou hast spoken concerning Thy servant, and concerning his house, establish *it* for ever, and do ° as Thou hast said.

26 And let Thy name be magnified for ever, saying, ° The LORD of hosts *is the* ° God over Israel: and let the house of Thy servant David be established before Thee.

^x 27 For ¹Thou, O ° LORD of hosts, ° God of Israel, hast revealed to Thy servant, saying, 'I will build thee an house:' therefore hath Thy servant ° found in his heart to pray this prayer unto Thee.

^x 28 And now, ° O Lord ° GOD, ¹Thou art that ° God, and Thy words be ° true, and Thou hast promised this goodness unto Thy servant:

^w 29 Therefore now let it please Thee to bless the house of Thy servant, that it may continue for ever before Thee: for ¹Thou, ° O Lord ° GOD, hast spoken *it*: and with Thy blessing let the house of Thy servant be blessed for ever."

^{J a} 8 And after this it came to pass, that David smote the Philistines, and ° subdued them: and David took ° Metheg-ammah out of the hand of the Philistines.

2 And he ° smote Moab, and ° measured ° them with a ° line, ° casting them down to the ground; even with two ° lines ° measured he ° to put to death, and with one full ° line to keep alive. And so the Moabites became David's servants, and brought gifts.

3 David smote also ° Hadadezer, the son of Rehob, king of ° Zobah, as he went to ° recover his ° border at the river ° Euphrates.

4 And David took from him a thousand chariots, and ° seven hundred horsemen, and twenty thousand footmen: and David houghed all the chariot horses, but reserved of them *for* an hundred chariots.

5 And when the Syrians of Damascus came to succour ° Hadadezer king of Zobah, David slew of the Syrians two and twenty thousand ° men.

^b 6 Then David put garrisons in Syria of Damascus:

^c and the Syrians became servants to David, and brought ° gifts.

^d And ° the LORD preserved David whithersoever he went.

22 Wherefore Thou art great. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6 = wherefore I will declare and praise Thee as great.

O LORD God = O Jehovah Elohim. Note the change, because it is not now in connection with the earth, but what He is in Himself.

23 what...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. like Israel. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "like Thy People Israel". redeem. Heb. *pādāh*. See notes on Ex. 13. 13 and 6. 6.

7. 25-29 (S, p. 417). DAVID. PRAYER FOR HIS HOUSE. (*Introversion*.)

S | w | 25, 26. Prayer. Establishment.
x | 27. Divine revelation. } Praise.
w | 28. Divine promise. }
w | 29. Prayer. Continuance.

25 as = according as.

27 found = taken heart, become emboldened.

28 true truth.

8. 1-14 (J, p. 414). DAVID'S MIGHTY ACTS. (*Extended Alternation*.)

J | a | 1-5. Conquests.
b | 6-. Garrisons in Syria.
c | 6-. Subjection of Syrians.
d | 6-. Preservation of David.
a | 7-13. Conquests.
b | 14-. Garrisons in Syria.
c | 14-. Subjection of Edomites.
d | 14-. Preservation of David.

1 subdued. While David was victorious over enemies without, he was defeated by enemies within. See chs. 11 and 12.

Metheg-ammah. 1 Chron. 18. 1 gives us the meaning, and shows that Metheg = bridle or reins, is put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for power or government, and Ammah = mother-city: i. e. "Gath and her daughters (i. e. towns)" (1 Chron. 18. 1).

2 smote Moab. Thus fulfilling Num. 24. 17. measured = allotted, or divided by lot. See note on "line", below: i. e. David divided into two companies those who were to be spared and those who were not. them = the territory. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for their territory.

line. Line, put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for dividing or allotting what was measured with it. Deut. 3. 4, 13 (region); 32. 8, 9. Josh. 17. 6, 14. Ps. 19. 4. Amos 7. 17. Mic. 2. 5. 2 Cor. 10. 16.

casting them = casting down the cities. See note on "them", above, and cp. 1 Chron. 18. 2 = "made them his servants", or vassals.

to put to death. These were soldiers in arms, not inhabitants.

3 Hadadezer. Some codices, with four early printed editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "Hadarezer" (cp. 1 Chron. 18. 3, 5). Some divide and make it two words. Zobah. See Ps. 60 (title), and cp. 1 Sam. 14. 47.

recover. Heb. cause his hand to cover: "hand" put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for possessing.

border = boundary. 1 Chron. 18. 2, "establish his dominion there".

Euphrates. Cp. 1 Chron. 18. 3 and Gen. 15. 18.

4 seven hundred. 1 Chron. 18. 4 = 7,000; but Heb. 7 = 7 and 7 = 700, are easily mistaken one for the other. See note on 1 Kings 4. 26.

5 men. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

6 gifts: i. e. tribute.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

7 shields. Sept. reads "bracelets".

7 And David took the ° shields of gold that were on the servants of ° Hadadezer, and brought them to Jerusalem.

8 And from Betah, and from Berothai, cities

948 of ³Hadadezer, king David took exceeding much brass.

9 When °Toi king of Hamath heard that David had smitten all the host of ³Hadadezer,

10 Then °Toi sent °Joram his son unto king David, to salute him, and to bless him, because he had fought against ³Hadadezer, and smitten him: for ³Hadadezer °had wars with °Toi. And °Joram brought °with him vessels of silver, and vessels of gold, and vessels of brass:

11 Which also king David did dedicate unto °the LORD, with the silver and gold that he had dedicated of all nations which he subdued;

12 Of °Syria, °and of Moab, and of the °children of Ammon, and of the Philistines, and of °Amalek, and of the spoil of ³Hadadezer, son of Rehob, king of ³Zobah.

13 And David °gat him a name when he returned from °smiting of the Syrians in the valley of salt, being °eighteen thousand men.

(p. 418) 14 And he put °garrisons in Edom; throughout all Edom put he garrisons,

c and all they of Edom became David's servants.

d And °the LORD preserved David whithersoever he went.

Ke (p. 419) 15 And David reigned over all Israel; and David executed judgment and justice unto all his People.

f 16 And Joab the son of Zeruiah was over the host;

g and Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud was °recorder;

h 17 And °Zadok the son of Ahitub, and °Ahimelech the son of °Abiathar, were the priests; and Seraiah was °the scribe;

f 18 And °Benaiah the son of Jehoiada was over both the °Cherethites and the °Pelethites;

e and David's sons were chief rulers.

L M¹ N¹ i 9 And David said, "Is there yet any that is left of the house of Saul, that I may shew him °kindness for Jonathan's sake?"

2 And there was of the house of Saul a servant whose name was Ziba. And when they had called him unto David, the king said unto him, "Art thou Ziba?" And he said, "Thy servant is he."

3 And the king said, "Is there not yet °any of the house of Saul, that I may shew the °kindness of °God unto him?"

k And Ziba said unto the king, "Jonathan hath yet a son, which is °lame on his feet."

i 4 And the king said unto him, "Where is he?"

k And Ziba said unto the king, °"Behold, he is in the house of Machir, the son of Ammiel, in °Lo-debar."

N² i (p. 420) 5 Then king David °sent, and fetched him out of the house of Machir, the son of Ammiel, from °Lo-debar.

9 Toi. Sept. and Vulg. read "Tou" throughout. Cp. 1 Chron. 18. 9. He was a Hittite king.

10 Joram. Sept. reads "Hadoram". Cp. 1 Chron. 18. 10.

had wars with. Heb. = "was a man ('ish, Ap. 14. II) of wars with." with him. Heb. in his hand.

12 Syria. Some codices, with Sept. and Syr., read "Edom".

and. Note the Fig. Polysyndeton. Ap. 6. children = sons. Amalek. See note on Ex. 17. 16.

13 gat him = made himself. smiting = his smiting. This is David's exploit. In 1 Chron. 18. 3, 12 it is Abishai's command, while in title of Ps. 60 it is Joab's share in the campaign (1 Kings 11. 16).

eighteen thousand. This is the total. Joab's share was 12,000, and took six months longer. Cp. 1 Kings 11. 15, 16.

14 garrisons, or political residents.

8. 15-18 (K, p. 414). DAVID'S OFFICERS. (Introversion.)

K e | 15. David. King.
f | 16-. Chief captain.
g | -16. Recorder.
h | 17-. Priests.
g | -17. Scribe.
f | 18-. Captain.
e | -18. David's sons.

16 recorder = remembrancer.

17 Zadok. Probably served at Gibeon. Cp. 1 Chron. 18. 16.

Ahimelech the son of Abiathar. Named after his grandfather (1 Sam. 21. 1; 22. 9, 16).

Abiathar. Probably served at Jerusalem. the scribe. The first occurrence of this title. Heb. *sofphir*, acounter. Individual scribes held high positions as associates of the High Priests, and of the commander-in-chief. They were amanuenses, registrars, accountants (2 Kings 12. 10); adjutants (2 Kings 25. 19); secretaries of state (2 Sam. 8. 17. Isa. 33. 18). First occurrence as a class or caste (1 Chron. 2. 55); a branch of the Levites (2 Chron. 34. 13). When Priests, who should have been teachers of the Law (Deut. 17. 11; 33. 10), became absorbed in ritual, the Scribes became custodians. Ezra was an ideal priest and scribe.

18 Benaiah. Cp. 23. 20.

Cherethites . . . Pelethites. David's body-guard. Here ends the *prosperous* part of David's reign.

9. 1-10. 5 (L, p. 414). DAVID'S KINDNESS. (Division.)

L | M¹ | 9. 1-13. To Mephibosheth. (Son of Jonathan.)
| M² | 10. 1-5. To Hanun. (Son of Nahash.)

1-13 (M¹, above). KINDNESS TO MEPHIBOSHETH. (Division.)

M¹ | N¹ | 1-4. Mephibosheth. Sought.
| N² | 5-13. Mephibosheth. Found.

1-4 (N¹, above). MEPHIBOSHETH. SOUGHT. (Alternation.)

N¹ | i | 1-3-. Inquiry of David. "Who?"
| k | -3. Ziba's answer. Person. Mephibosheth.
i | 4-. Inquiry of David. "Where?"
| k | -4. Ziba's answer. Place. Lo-debar.

1 kindness = grace, favour, or lovingkindness.

3 any = a man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. lame. Cp. 4. 4.

4 Behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

Lo-debar = no pasture. Where the sinner is until found by God's free grace.

5-13 [For Structure see next page].

5 sent, and fetched. This is the action of grace towards the "lost" sinner. Cp. Luke 15. 4, 5, 8, 9.

948 6 Now when ° Mephibosheth, the son of Jonathan, the son of Saul, was come unto David, he fell on his face, and did reverence. And David said, "Mephibosheth." And he answered, "Behold thy servant!"

m (p. 420) 7 And David said unto him, "Fear not: for I will surely shew thee ¹kindness for Jonathan °thy father's sake, and will restore thee all the land of °Saul thy father; and thou shalt eat bread at my table continually."

8 And he bowed himself, and said, "°What is thy servant, that thou shouldst look upon such °a dead dog as °*ḥ* am?"

m 9 Then the king called to Ziba, Saul's servant, and said unto him, "I have given unto thy master's son all that pertained to Saul and to all his house."

10 Thou therefore, and thy sons, and thy servants, shall till the land for him, and thou shalt bring in the fruits, that thy master's son may have food to eat: but Mephibosheth thy master's son shall eat bread alway at my table." Now Ziba had fifteen sons and twenty servants.

11 Then said Ziba unto the king, "According to all that my lord the king hath commanded his servant, so shall thy servant do." "As for Mephibosheth," said the king, "he shall eat at my table, as one of the king's sons."

12 And Mephibosheth had a young son, whose name was Micha. And all that dwelt in the house of Ziba were servants unto °Mephibosheth.

l 13 So Mephibosheth dwelt in Jerusalem: for he did eat continually at the king's table; and was lame on both his feet.

M² n¹ 948 10 And it came to pass after this, that the king of the °children of Ammon died, and Hanun his son reigned in his stead.

942 2 Then said David, "I will shew °kindness unto Hanun the son of Nahash, °as his father shewed kindness unto me."

o And David sent to comfort him by the hand of his servants for his father. And David's servants came into the land of the ¹children of Ammon.

n² 3 And the princes of the ¹children of Ammon said unto Hanun their lord, "Thinkest thou that David doth honour thy father, that he hath sent comforters unto thee? hath not David rather sent his servants unto thee, to °search °the city, and to spy it out, and to overthrow it?"

o 4 Wherefore Hanun took David's servants, and shaved off the one half of their beards, and cut off their garments in the middle, even to their buttocks, and sent them away.

n³ 5 When they told it unto David, he sent to meet them, because the °men were greatly ashamed: and the king said, "Tarry at Jericho until your beards be grown, and then return."

O¹ p 6 And when the ¹children of Ammon saw that they stank before David, the ¹children of Ammon sent and hired the Syrians of Beth-

9. 5-13 (N², p. 419). MEPHIBOSHETH. FOUND. (Introversion.)

N² 1 | 5, 6. Mephibosheth comes to Jerusalem.
m | 7, 8. David's promise made.
m | 9-12. David's promise fulfilled.
l | 13. Mephibosheth dwells in Jerusalem.

6 Mephibosheth. Born in 965 (4. 4). Now seventeen, and father of a young son (v. 12).

7 thy father's sake. So with God's grace to us; not for the sake of the lost one.

Saul thy father - Saul thy grandfather.

8 What . . . ? Fig. *Erōtēsis*. Ap. 6.

a dead dog. Self-abasement is ever the result of grace shown.

I am. So the sinner is concerned about what he *is*, rather than what he has *done*. Cp. Isa. 6. 5. Luke 5. 8.

12 Mephibosheth. Note the Fig. *Epanadiplosis* (Ap. 6) in this verse: being repeated at the beginning of the next verse.

was - *ḥ* was.

10. 1-5 (M², p. 419). KINDNESS TO HANUN. (Repeated Alternation.)

M² | n¹ | 1, 2-. David's purpose. Formed.
o | -2. Servants sent.
n² | 3. David's purpose. Suspected.
o | 4. Servants insulted.
n³ | 5. David's purpose. Defeated.

1 children = sons.

2 kindness = lovingkindness, or grace. Cp. 9. 1.

as - according as.

3 search = explore.

the city. Some codices, with one early printed edition, read "the land". Cp. 1 Chron. 19. 3.

5 men. Heb. *enōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

10. 6-20. 22 (M. p. 414). WARS AND EVENTS. (Division.)

M | O¹ | 10. 6-19. First and second wars.
O² | 11. 1-20. 22. Third war, and events.

10. 6-19 (O¹, above). FIRST AND SECOND WARS. (Repeated Alternation.)

O¹ | p | 6-12. Armies arrayed. } First
q | 13, 14-. Fight and flight. Ammon. } with
r | -14. Return of Joab. Peace. } Ammon.
p | 15-17. Armies arrayed. } Second
q | -17, 18. Fight and flight. Syrians. } with
r | 19. Submission of enemies. Peace. } Syrians.

6 men. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II.

Ish-tob - men of Tob.

rehob, and the Syrians of Zoba, twenty thousand footmen, and of king Maacah a thousand °men, and of °Ish-tob twelve thousand °men.

7 And when David heard of it, he sent Joab, and all the host of the mighty men.

8 And the children of Ammon came out, and put the battle in array at the entering in of the gate: and the Syrians of Zoba, and of Rehob, and °Ish-tob, and Maacah, were by themselves in the field.

9 When Joab saw that the front of the battle was against him before and behind, he chose of all the choice *men* of Israel, and put *them* in array against the Syrians:

10 And the rest of the People he delivered into the hand of Abishai his brother, that he might put *them* in array against the ¹children of Ammon.

11 And he said, "If the Syrians be too strong for me, then thou shalt help me: but if the

948 ¹ children of Ammon be too strong for thee, then
to I will come and help thee.

942 12 Be of good courage, and let us ° play the
men for our People, and for the cities of our
° God: and ° the LORD do that which seemeth
Him good."

q 13 And Joab drew nigh, and the People that
(p. 420) were with him, unto the battle against the
Syrians: and they fled before him.

14 And when the ¹ children of Ammon saw
that the Syrians were fled, then fled they also
before Abishai, and entered into the city.

r So Joab returned from the ¹ children of Ammon,
and came to Jerusalem.

p 15 And when the Syrians saw that they were
smitten before Israel, they gathered themselves
together.

16 And Hadarezer sent, and brought out the
Syrians that were beyond the ° river: and they
came to Helam; and ° Shobach the captain of
the host of Hadarezer went before them.

17 And when it was told David, he gathered
all Israel together, and passed over Jordan,
and came to Helam.

q And the Syrians set themselves in array
against David, and fought with him.

18 And the Syrians fled before Israel; and
David slew the men of ° seven hundred chariots
of the Syrians, and forty thousand horsemen,
and smote Shobach the captain of their host,
who died there.

r 19 And when all the kings that were servants
to Hadarezer saw that they were smitten before
Israel, they made peace with Israel, and served
them. So the Syrians feared to help the ¹ chil-
dren of Ammon any more.

O² P 11 And it came to pass, after the year was
(p. 421) expired, ° at the time when kings go forth
942 to battle, that David sent Joab, and his serv-
ants with him, and all Israel; and they de-
stroyed the ° children of Ammon, and besieged
° Rabbah.

Q R¹ ° But David tarried still at Jerusalem.

2 And it came to pass in an eveningtide, that
David arose from off his bed, and walked upon
the roof of the king's house: and from the roof
he saw a woman ° washing herself; and the
woman was very beautiful to look upon.

3 And David sent and enquired after the
woman. And one said, "Is not this ° Bath-
sheba, the daughter of ° Eliam, the wife of
° Uriah the Hittite?"

4 And David sent messengers, and took her;
and she came in unto him, and he lay with
her; ° for she was ° purified from her unclean-
ness: and she returned unto her house.

5 And the woman conceived, and ° sent and
told David, and said, "I am with child."

S¹ T V 6 And David sent to Joab, saying, "Send me
Uriah the Hittite." And Joab sent Uriah to
David.

W 7 And when Uriah was come unto him, David
demanded of him how Joab did, and how the
people did, and how the war prospered.

12 play the men = Be strong and let us put forth our
strength. Heb. *hozak*.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

16 river: i. e. the Euphrates.

Shobach. Another name, Shophach (1 Chron. 19. 16).

18 seven hundred. 1 Chron. 19. 18 = 7,000. But
Heb. $\text{ז} = 7$ and $\text{ז} = 7,000$, probably a scribe's infirmity.
Cp. 8. 4 and 1 Chron. 18. 4.

11. 1-20. 22 (O², p. 420). THIRD WAR, AND
EVENTS. (Alternation.)

O² P | 11. 1-. Rabbah. Besieged.

Q | 11. -1-12. 25. David's sin. Committed.

P | 12. 26-31. Rabbah. Captured.

Q | 13. 1-20. 22. David's sin. Punished.

1 at the time, &c.: i. e. the next spring.
children = sons.

Rabbah. The capital of Ammon (Deut. 3. 11. Josh.
13. 25).

11. -1-12. 25 (Q, above). DAVID'S SIN.
(Repeated Alternation and Introversion.)

Q R¹ | 11. -1-5. David and Bath-sheba.

S¹ | T | 11. 6-24. David and Uriah.

U | 11. 25. Displeasure of Joab.

R² | 11. 26, 27-. David and Bath-sheba.

S² | U | 11. -27. Displeasure of Jehovah.

T | 12. 1-14. David and Nathan.

R³ | 12. 15-25. David and Bath-sheba's child.

But David tarried. Note contrast with "kings"
going forth, above, and this word "But".

2 washing = bathing. Probably in the court below.

3 Bath-sheba. Called Bath-shua, 1 Chron. 3. 5.

Eliam. Called "Ammiel", 1 Chron. 3. 5. The son of
Ahitophel (23. 34).

Uriah. One of David's faithful soldiers (23. 39). Mar-
ried the daughter of Eliam (11. 3), who was the son of
Ahitophel (23. 34). This relationship probably led to
Ahitophel's disloyalty (15. 12).

4 for = and when.

purified. Cp. Lev. 15. 18. It is possible to be more punc-
tilious about the ceremonial Law than the moral Law.

5 sent and told: that David might shield her from
the death penalty (Lev. 20. 10).

6 24 (T, above). DAVID AND URIAH. (Alternation.)

T V | 6. Message to Joab.

W | 7-13. Uriah's reception.

V | 14, 15. Letter to Joab.

W | 16-24. Uriah's death.

9 door = entrance.

11 thy soul - thou (emph.). Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

8 And David said to Uriah, "Go down to thy
house, and wash thy feet." And Uriah de-
parted out of the king's house, and there fol-
lowed him a mess of meat from the king.

9 But Uriah slept at the ° door of the king's
house with all the servants of his lord, and
went not down to his house.

10 And when they had told David, saying,
"Uriah went not down unto his house," David
said unto Uriah, "Camest thou not from thy
journey? why then didst thou not go down
unto thine house?"

11 And Uriah said unto David, "The ark, and
Israel, and Judah, abide in tents; and my lord
Joab, and the servants of my lord, are en-
camped in the open fields; shall I then go
into mine house, to eat and to drink, and to
lie with my wife? as thou livest, and as ° thy
soul liveth, I will not do this thing."

12 And David said to Uriah, "Tarry here to

942 day also, and to morrow I will let thee depart." So Uriah abode in Jerusalem that day, and the morrow.

13 And when David had called him, he did eat and drink before him; and he made him drunk: and at even he went out to lie on his bed with the servants of his lord, but went not down to his house.

Y (p. 421) 14 And it came to pass in the morning, that David wrote a letter to Joab, and sent it by the hand of Uriah.

15 And he wrote in the letter, saying, "Set ye Uriah in the forefront of the hottest battle, and retire ye from him, that he may be smitten, and die."

W s¹ (p. 422) 16 And it came to pass, when Joab observed the city, that he assigned Uriah unto a place where he knew that valiant °men were.

17 And the °men of the city went out, and fought with Joab: and there fell some of the People of the servants of David;

t¹ and Uriah the Hittite died also.

s² 18 Then Joab sent and told David all the things concerning the war;

19 And charged the messenger, saying, "When thou hast made an end of telling the matters of the war unto the king,

20 And if so be that the king's wrath arise, and he say unto thee, 'Wherefore approached ye so nigh unto the city when ye did fight? knew ye not that they would shoot °from the wall?

21 Who smote Abimelech the son of °Jerubesheth? did not °a woman cast a °piece of a °millstone upon him from the wall, that he died in Thebez? why went ye nigh the wall?' then say thou,

t² 'Thy servant Uriah the Hittite is dead also.'

s³ 22 So the messenger went, and came and shewed David all that Joab had sent him for.

23 And the messenger said unto David, "Surely the °men prevailed against us, and came out unto us into the field, and we were upon them even unto the °entering of the gate.

24 And the shooters shot °from off the wall upon thy servants; and some of the king's servants be dead,

t³ and thy servant Uriah the Hittite is dead also."

U (p. 421) 25 Then David said unto the messenger, "Thus shalt thou say unto Joab, 'Let not this thing °displease thee, for the sword devoureth °one as well as another; make thy battle more strong against the city, and overthrow it: ' and encourage thou him."

R² 26 And when the wife of Uriah heard that Uriah her husband was dead, she °mourned for her husband.

941 27 And when the mourning was past, David °sent and fetched her to his house, and she became his wife, and bare him a son.

S² U But the thing that David had done °displeased °the LORD.

11. 16-24 (W, p. 421). URIAH'S DEATH. (Repeated Alternation.)

W s¹ | 16, 17-. Joab. Obedience.

t¹ | -17. Death of Uriah.

s² | 18-21-. Joab. Message sent.

t² | -21. Death of Uriah.

s³ | 22-24-. Joab. Message delivered.

t³ | -24. Death of Uriah.

16 men. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

17 men. Heb. 'enosh. Ap. 14. III.

20 from = from off, as in v. 24.

21 Jerubesheth (Judg. 9. 1) = Jerubbaal. Baal = lord, Bosheth = shame; changed by Holy Ghost here to suit his idolatry (Judg. 8. 27), and now David's sin. a woman, one of the ten deaths caused by a woman. See note, Judg. 4. 21. piece = upper piece.

millstone. One of the "despised" things used. See note on Judg. 3. 21; 9. 53.

23 entering = entrance.

25 displease thee = be evil in thine eyes. This event put David in Joab's power, which Joab freely used. David was not tongue-tied in 3. 29; but from now he had to endure Joab's insolence, being too suspicious to trust him, and too weak to dismiss him. Cp. 14. 19; 19. 7. 1 Kings 2. 5, 32, 33.

one as well as another = now this one, now that one.

26 mourned = made lamentations.

27 sent. Not till nine months after.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

12. 1-14 (T, p. 421). DAVID AND NATHAN. (Repeated Alternation.)

T u¹ | 1-4. Parable. Propounded.

v¹ | 5, 6. David's anger.

u² | 7-9. Parable. Applied.

v² | 10-12. David's judgment.

u³ | 13-. Parable. Effect.

v³ | -13, 14. David's forgiveness.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

sent. See 11. 27.

Nathan. Sept. and Syr. read "Nathan the prophet". he came. Cp. title of Ps. 51.

men. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

3 meat = morsel.

5 shall surely die. Heb. is a son of death - liable to die.

6 fourfold. Cp. Ex. 22. 1. Sept. reads "sevenfold".

12 And °the LORD °sent °Nathan unto David. And °he came unto him, and said unto him, "There were two °men in one city; the one rich, and the other poor.

2 The rich man had exceeding many flocks and herds:

3 But the poor man had nothing, save one little ewe lamb, which he had bought and nourished up: and it grew up together with him, and with his children; it did eat of his own °meat, and drank of his own cup, and lay in his bosom, and was unto him as a daughter.

4 And there came a traveller unto the rich °man, and he spared to take of his own flock and of his own herd, to dress for the way-faring °man that was come unto him; but took the poor °man's lamb, and dressed it for the °man that was come to him."

5 And David's anger was greatly kindled against the °man; and he said to Nathan, "As °the LORD liveth, the °man that hath done this thing °shall surely die:

6 And he shall restore the lamb °fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity."

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v¹

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7 And Nathan said to David, "Thou art the man. Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, 'I anointed thee king over Israel, and I delivered thee out of the hand of Saul;

8 And I gave thee thy master's house, and thy master's wives into thy bosom, and gave thee the house of Israel and of Judah; and if that had been too little, I would moreover have given unto thee such and such things.

9 Wherefore hast thou despised the commandment of the LORD, to do evil in His sight? thou hast killed Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and hast taken his wife to be thy wife, and hast slain him with the sword of the children of Ammon.

v² 10 Now therefore the sword shall never depart from thine house; because thou hast despised Me, and hast taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be thy wife.

11 Thus saith the LORD, "Behold, I will raise up evil against thee out of thine own house, and I will take thy wives before thine eyes, and give them unto thy neighbour, and he shall lie with thy wives in the sight of this sun.

12 For thou didst it secretly: but I will do this thing before all Israel, and before the sun."

u³ 13 And David said unto Nathan, "I have sinned against the LORD."

v³ And Nathan said unto David, "The LORD also hath put away thy sin; thou shalt not die.

14 Howbeit, because by this deed thou hast given great occasion to the enemies of the LORD to blaspheme, the child also that is born unto thee shall surely die."

R³ w¹ x¹
(p. 423)

15 And Nathan departed unto his house. And the LORD struck the child that Uriah's wife bare unto David, and it was very sick.

y¹ 16 David therefore besought God for the child; and David fasted, and went in, and lay all night upon the earth.

z¹ 17 And the elders of his house arose, and went to him, to raise him up from the earth: but he would not, neither did he eat bread with them.

w² x²

18 And it came to pass on the seventh day, that the child died. And the servants of David feared to tell him that the child was dead: for they said, "Behold, while the child was yet alive, we spake unto him, and he would not hearken unto our voice: how will he then vex himself, if we tell him that the child is dead?"

19 But when David saw that his servants whispered, David perceived that the child was dead: therefore David said unto his servants, "Is the child dead?" And they said, "He is dead."

y² 20 Then David arose from the earth, and washed, and anointed himself, and changed his apparel, and came into the house of the LORD, and worshipped:

z² then he came to his own house; and when he

7 Thou art the man. Many means used to produce conviction: God's greatness (Job 42. 1-6); God's glory (Isa. 6. 5); God's power (Luke 5. 8); a famine (Luke 15. 14, 18); a parable (2 Sam. 12. 1-13), &c.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. 1. anointed thee. 1 Sam. 16. 13.

9 evil. Heb. rā'ā'. Ap. 44. viii, with Art. thou hast killed. Not Joab, or the Ammonites. children = sons.

10 the sword. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for manifested hostility.

never. Fig. Synecdoche (of the Whole), Ap. 6, put for a part of time: i. e. lifetime.

11 Behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6. evil. Heb. rā'ā'. Ap. 44. viii. See the Structure of 13. 1-20. 22 (Q, p. 424).

thine own house. Disgraced by one son (13. 14), banished by another (15. 19), revolted against by a third (1 Kings 2), bearded by his servant, betrayed by his friends, deserted by his People, bereaved of his children.

12 thou. See note on v. 9.

13 I have sinned. Ps. 51 is the expansion of this.

sinned... sin. Heb. chātā'. Ap. 44. i. hath put away. Divine forgiveness instantly follows the sinner's confession (1 John 1. 9). Cp. Job 42. 6, 8, 10. Isa. 6. 5, 6, "then flew". Luke 15. 18, 20, "his father ran", &c.

thou, &c. Some codices, with two early printed editions, read "and (or therefore) thou wilt not die".

14 thou hast given great occasion, &c. This is noted in the *Massorah* (Ap. 30) as one of the emendations of the *Sopherim* (Ap. 33), who altered the primitive text out of a mistaken reverence for David and Jehovah. The original reading was "thou hast greatly blasphemed Jehovah".

12. 15-25 (R³, p. 421). DAVID AND THE CHILD. (Repeated and Extended Alternation.)

R ³	w ¹	x ¹	15. Child stricken.
		y ¹	16. David's intercession.
		z ¹	17. Abstinence.
	w ²	x ²	18, 19. Child's death.
		y ²	20. David's worship.
		z ²	20. Eating.
	w ³	x ³	21. Child's death. Inquiry.
		y ³	22. David's weeping.
		z ³	23. Abstinence given up.

24, 25. EPILOGUE.

16 and. Note the Fig. Polysyndeton in this verse. Ap. 6.

fasted. Heb. fasted a fast = made a strict fast. Fig. Polysyndeton. Ap. 6.

lay all night upon the earth: as a penitent, with Ps. 51 for his utterance. Note his sitting before Jehovah as a worshipper, and his utterance (2 Sam. 7. 18-29); and his standing as a servant (1 Chron. 28. 2), and his utterance and service (1 Chron. 28. 3-29. 21).

22 Who can tell...? Fig. Erotēsis. Ap. 6. GOD = Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

required, they set bread before him, and he did eat.

21 Then said his servants unto him, "What thing is this that thou hast done? thou didst fast and weep for the child, while it was alive; but when the child was dead, thou didst rise and eat bread."

22 And he said, "While the child was yet alive, I fasted and wept: for I said, 'Who can tell whether GOD will be gracious to me, that the child may live?'

w³ x³

y³

²³ (p. 423) 23 But now he is dead, wherefore should I fast? can I bring him back again? I shall go to him, but he shall not return to me."

Epilogue 24 And David comforted Bath-sheba his wife, and went in unto her, and lay with her: and she bare a son, and he called his name Solomon: and the LORD loved him.

940 25 And He sent by the hand of Nathan the prophet; and He called his name Jedidiah, because of the LORD.

P X¹ (p. 424) 26 And Joab fought against Rabbah of the children of Ammon, and took the royal city.

27 And Joab sent messengers to David, and said, "I have fought against Rabbah, and have taken the city of waters.

28 Now therefore gather the rest of the People together, and encamp against the city, and take it: lest I take the city, and it be called after my name."

X² 29 And David gathered all the People together, and went to Rabbah, and fought against it, and took it.

30 And he took their king's crown from off his head, the weight whereof was a talent of gold with the precious stones: and it was set on David's head. And he brought forth the spoil of the city in great abundance.

31 And he brought forth the people that were therein, and put them under saws, and under harrows of iron, and under axes of iron, and made them pass through the brickkiln: and thus did he unto all the cities of the children of Ammon. So David and all the people returned unto Jerusalem.

Q Y¹ A 938 13 And it came to pass after this, that Absalom the son of David had a fair sister, whose name was Tamar; and Amnon the son of David loved her.

2 And Amnon was so vexed, that he fell sick for his sister Tamar; for she was a virgin; and Amnon thought it hard for him to do any thing to her.

Ezek. 37. 2; 46. 21. Deut. 2. 30. Ex. 33. 19. 1 Sam. 16. 8, 9, 10, &c. brickkiln = brick-work; hence, brick pavement or paved area (R.V. marg.). Not brickkiln; no brickkilns in Palestine. All bricks there are sun-dried. Only once spoken of as burnt—as being a strange thing (Gen. 11. 3, and marg.). Heb. *malben*, occurs only here, Jer. 43. 9, and Nah. 3. 14, the former at "entry" of royal palace, the latter said to be "fortified". Both out of the question, and quite incongruous for a brickkiln. The very paved area of Jer. 43. 9 was discovered at *Tahpanhes* by Flinders Petrie in 1886, where Nebuchadnezzar did exactly what David did here and in ch. 8. 2 and 1 Chron. 20. 3. thus did he: i.e. as in 8. 2, with Moab, so here; he caused the captives to pass by before him, he seated on a pavement of brick-work, or paved area, where he appointed them to the various departments of labour for which they were suited. Cp. Jer. 43. 9-11. These were the "strangers" (i.e. foreigners) and the "abundance of workmen" referred to in 1 Chron. 22. 2, 15. Cp. Deut. 29. 11. Josh. 9. 27. See notes on 1 Kings 5. 13; 9. 15, 21, 22.

13. 1-20. 22 (Q, p. 421). DAVID'S SIN. PUNISHED. (Division.)

Q | Y¹ | 13. 1-14. 33. Amnon's sin.
Y² | 15. 1-19. 43. Absalom's rebellion.
Y³ | 20. 1-22. Sheba's revolt.

13. 1-14. 33- (Y¹, above). AMNON'S SIN. (Introversion and Extended Alternation.)

Y¹ | A | 13. 1-4. Amnon's desire for sister's love.
B | a | 13. 5-10. Stratagem.
b | 13. 11-18. Crime. } Amnon's sin.
c | 13. 19-22. Emotions. }
B | a | 13. 23-27. Stratagem.
b | 13. 28, 29-. Crime. } Absalom's
c | 13. 29-14. 27. Com- } revenge.
motions. }
A | 14. 28-33. Absalom's desire for father's love.

1 after this: i.e. 938. David, 53; Amnon, 22; Absalom, 20; Tamar, 15; Solomon, 2. Absalom. Son of Maacah, daughter of king of Geshur (see note on 3. 3). Amnon. Son of Ahinoam (3. 2).

23 I shall go to him—I shall die and be buried (cp. v. 19): i.e. I shall go to the (not "a") grave (*Sheol*). On the use of this Fig. *Euphemy* (Ap. 6) as denoting death and burial, see Gen. 15. 15 (cp. Josh. 24. 2, 14, 15, Abraham's "fathers" being idolaters); 25. 8, 17; 35. 29; 49. 29, 33. Num. 20. 26; 27. 13; 31. 2. Deut. 31. 16; 32. 50. Judg. 2. 10. 1 Sam. 28. 19 (note "thou and thy sons"). 2 Kings 22. 20. 1 Chron. 17. 11. 2 Chron. 34. 28. Acts 13. 36.

24 And. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* in vv. 24-27. Ap. 6. he. Some codices, with Syr. and Vulg., read "she", in contrast with "he" in next verse.

Solomon = Pacific or Peaceable. Cp. 7. 13.

25 He: i.e. Jehovah, by the hand of Nathan, in contrast with Bath-sheba. See note on v. 24.

Jedidiah = beloved of Jah. See note on Ps. 127. 2. because of the LORD = for Jehovah's sake.

12. 26-31 (P, p. 421). RABBAH. CAPTURED. (Division.)

P | X¹ | 26-28. Rabbah and Joab.
X² | 29-31. Rabbah and David.

27 city of waters. Fig. *Hypallagē*. Ap. 6 = waters of the city: i.e. the lower waters or town, cutting off the citadel, which David came and took.

30 their king's crown = the crown of Milcom, with Sept. Cp. 1 Chron. 20. 2. Jer. 49. 1, 3. Amos 1. 15. Zeph. 1. 5 (*Comp. Bible*).

talent. See Ap. 51. II.

31 put = appointed, appointed over, set, &c. Heb. *sum* (Gen. 2. 8; 45. 8, 9; 47. 6. Ex. 2. 14; 5. 14. 1 Sam. 8. 11; 2 Sam. 7. 10. 2 Kings 10. 24. Ps. 78. 5; 81. 5. Hos. 1. 11, &c.).

under = with, especially to work with. Heb. letter *ב* (*Beth*), prefixed as prep. = *in, within, with*. When the prep. "under" = beneath, then it is either part of a verb or one of four distinct words: 'el (2 Sam. 2. 23); *mattāh* (1 Chron. 27. 23); *t'hoth* (Jer. 10. 11. Dan. 4. 12, 21; 7. 27, "under the heavens"); *tahath* (Dan. 4. 14, "under a tree"). *Beth*, when translated "under", is only in the sense of *within* (as "under (or within) the shelter of) the wing", or "under (or within) the earth"). Otherwise, used with a tool or weapon or instrument, it always means "with". See "with an axe" (Deut. 19. 5. Jer. 10. 3); "with axes" (Jer. 46. 22. Ezek. 26. 9. Ps. 74. 6); "with nails and with hammers" (Jer. 10. 4); "with an ox-goad" (Judg. 3. 31); "with mattock" (Isa. 7. 25); "with sword and with bow" (Gen. 48. 22. Josh. 24. 12. 2 Kings 6. 22); "with a graving tool" (Ex. 32. 4), &c.

pass through = pass by or before. Heb. *'ābar*, as in

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3 But Amnon had a friend, whose name was Jonadab, the son of °Shimeah David's brother: and Jonadab was a very °subtil °man.

4 And he said unto him, "Why art thou, being the king's son, lean from day to day? wilt thou not tell me?" And Amnon said unto him, "I love Tamar, my brother Absalom's sister."

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5 And Jonadab said unto him, "Lay thee down on thy bed, and °make thyself sick: and when thy father cometh to see thee, say unto him, 'I pray thee, let my sister Tamar come, and give me meat, and dress the °meat in my sight, that I may see it, and eat it at her hand.'"

6 So Amnon lay down, and °made himself sick: and when the king was come to see him, Amnon said unto the king, "I pray thee, let Tamar my sister come, and make me a couple of °cakes in my sight, that I may eat at her hand."

7 Then David sent home to Tamar, saying, "Go now to thy brother Amnon's house, and dress him °meat."

8 So Tamar went to her brother Amnon's house; and he was laid down. And she took °flour, and kneaded it, and made °cakes in his sight, and did bake the °cakes.

9 And she took °a pan, and °poured them out before him; but he refused to eat. And Amnon said, "Have out all °men from me." And they went out every °man from him.

10 And Amnon said unto Tamar, "Bring the meat into the chamber, that I may eat of thine hand." And Tamar took the °cakes which she had made, and brought them into the chamber to Amnon her brother.

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11 And when she had brought them unto him to eat, he took hold of her, and said unto her, "Come lie with me, my sister."

12 And she answered him, "Nay, my brother, do not °force me; for no such thing ought to be done in Israel: do not thou this folly."

13 And I, whither shall I cause my shame to go? and as for thee, thou shalt be as one of the fools in Israel. Now therefore, I pray thee, speak unto the king; for he will not withhold me from thee."

14 Howbeit he would not hearken unto her voice: but, being stronger than she, forced her, and lay with her.

15 Then Amnon hated her exceedingly; so that the hatred wherewith he hated her was greater than the love wherewith he had loved her. And Amnon said unto her, "Arise, be gone."

16 And she said unto him, "There is °no cause: this °evil in sending me away is greater than the other that thou didst unto me." But he would not hearken unto her.

17 Then he called his servant that ministered unto him, and said, "Put now this woman out from me, and bolt the door after her."

18 And she had a garment of °divers colours upon her: for with such robes were the king's daughters that were virgins apparelled. Then his servant brought her out, and bolted the door after her.

c d
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19 And Tamar put ashes on her head, and rent her garment of divers colours that was on

3 Shimeah = Shammah (1 Sam. 16. 9).

subtil = wise. man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

5 make = feign.

meat = heart-shaped cakes. Occurs only here and in vv. 6, 7, 8, 10. 6 cakes. See note on "meat", v. 5.

8 flour = dough, or paste.

9 a pan = the pan. Occurs only here.

poured = put down. men. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

12 force = humble.

16 no cause. Heb. 'al. "[Give] no ground for talk". evil. Heb. rā'a'. Ap. 44. viii.

18 divers colours = a long tunic with sleeves.

13. 19-22 (c, p. 424). EMOTIONS.

(Alternations.)

c | d | 19. Grief of Tamar.

e | 20. Absalom's dissimulation.

d | 21. Anger of David.

e | 22. Absalom's hatred.

19 laid her hand. Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, put for "grieved".

20 desolate. Heb. "remained and [remained] desolate". Cp. 1 Tim. 5. 5.

24 Behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

25 chargeable = burdensome.

27 with him. The Sept. and Vulg. add here "and Absalom made a banquet, like the banquet of a king". Cp. 1 Sam. 25. 36.

28 valiant = sons of valour. 29 as = according as.

her, and °laid her hand on her head, and went on crying.

20 And Absalom her brother said unto her, "Hath Amnon thy brother been with thee? but hold now thy peace, my sister: he is thy brother; regard not this thing." So Tamar remained °desolate in her brother Absalom's house.

21 But when king David heard of all these things, he was very wroth.

22 And Absalom spake unto his brother Amnon neither good nor bad: for Absalom hated Amnon, because he had forced his sister Tamar.

23 And it came to pass after two full years, that Absalom had sheepshearers in Baal-hazor, which is beside Ephraim: and Absalom invited all the king's sons.

24 And Absalom came to the king, and said, "Behold now, thy servant hath sheepshearers; let the king, I beseech thee, and his servants go with thy servant."

25 And the king said to Absalom, "Nay, my son, let us not all now go, lest we be °chargeable unto thee." And he pressed him: howbeit he would not go, but blessed him.

26 Then said Absalom, "If not, I pray thee, let my brother Amnon go with us." And the king said unto him, "Why should he go with thee?"

27 But Absalom pressed him, that he let Amnon and all the king's sons go °with him.

28 Now Absalom had commanded his servants, saying, "Mark ye now when Amnon's heart is merry with wine, and when I say unto you, 'Smite Amnon;' then kill him, fear not: have not I commanded you? be courageous, and be °valiant."

29 And the servants of Absalom did unto Amnon °as Absalom had commanded.

^c ^{C¹} ^{f¹} Then all the king's sons arose, and every ³ man gat him up upon his ^o mule, and fled.

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30 And it came to pass, while they were in the way, that tidings came to David, saying, "Absalom hath slain all the king's sons, and there is not one of them left."

31 Then the king arose, and tare his garments, and lay on the earth; and all his servants stood by ^o with their clothes rent.

32 And Jonadab, the son of ³ Shimeah David's brother, answered and said, "Let not my lord suppose *that* they have slain all the young men the king's sons; for Amnon only is dead: for by the appointment of Absalom this hath been determined from the day that he forced his sister Tamar.

33 Now therefore let not my lord the king take the thing to his heart, to think that all the king's sons are dead: for Amnon only is dead."

^{f²} 34 But Absalom fled.

^{g²} And the young man that kept the watch ^o lifted up his eyes, and looked, and, ²⁴ behold, there came much people by the way of the hill side behind him.

35 And Jonadab said unto the king, ²⁴ "Behold, the king's sons come: ²⁵ as thy servant said, so it is."

36 And it came to pass, as soon as he had made an end of speaking, that, ²⁴ behold, the king's sons came, and lifted up their voice and wept: and the king also and all his servants ^o wept very sore.

^{f³} 37 But Absalom fled, and went to Talmi, the son of ^o Ammihud, king of Geshur. And ^o David mourned for his son every day.

938-936 38 So Absalom fled, and went to Geshur, and was there three years.

^{g³} 39 And ^o the soul of king David longed to go forth unto Absalom: for he was comforted concerning Amnon, seeing he was dead.

^{C²} ^D 14 Now Joab the son of Zeruiah perceived that the king's heart was toward Absalom.

^E 2 And Joab sent to ^o Tekoah, and fetched thence a wise woman, and said unto her, "I pray thee, feign thyself to be a mourner, and put on now mourning apparel, and anoint not thyself with oil, but be as a woman that had a long time mourned for the dead:

3 And come to the king, and speak on this manner unto him." So Joab put the words in her mouth.

^F ^{h¹} 4 And when the woman of Tekoah ^o spake to the king, she fell on her face to the ground, and did obeisance, and said, "Help, O king."

^{i¹} 5 And the king said unto her, "What aileth thee?"

^{h²} And she answered, "I am indeed ^o a widow woman, and ^o mine husband is dead.

6 And thy handmaid had two sons, and they two strove together in the field, and *there was* none to part them, but the one smote the other, and slew him.

13. -29-14. 27 (c, p. 424). COMMOTIONS.
(Division.)

^c ^{C¹} | 13. -29-39. Absalom's flight.
^{C²} | 14. 1-33. Absalom's recall.

-29-39 (C¹, above). ABSALOM'S FLIGHT.
(Repeated Alternation.)

^{C¹} ^{f¹} | -29. Flight of king's sons.
^{g¹} | 30-33. David. Anxiety.
^{f²} | 34-. Flight of Absalom.
^{g²} | -34-36. David. Mourning.
^{f³} | 37, 38. Flight of Absalom.
^{g³} | 39. David. Comforted.

mule. First occurrence. Not Gen. 36. 24. See note there.

31 with their clothes rent—and rent their garments.

36 wept very sore. Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6) = "wept with a great weeping".

37 Ammihud, or Ammihur.

David. Sept. reads "David the king".

39 the soul of king David. The Aram. reads "the soul (*nephesh*) of the king". Cp. the omission of *nephesh* in Ps. 16. 2.

14. 1-33 (C², above). ABSALOM'S RECALL.
(Introversion.)

^{C²} ^D | 1. David's heart toward Absalom.
^E | 2, 3. Joab's stratagem planned.
^F | 4-11. Parable. Put forth.
^F | 12-17. Parable. Applied.
^E | 18-20. Joab's stratagem discovered.
^D | 21-33. David's recall of Absalom.

2 Tekoah. On the edge of the hill country of Judah, south-east of Beth-lehem, about seven miles from Jerusalem (cp. Jer. 6. 1). Abounding in caverns. The abode of Amos.

4 11 (F, above). PARABLE. PUT FORTH.
(Repeated Alternation.)

^F ^{h¹} | 4. Woman's importunity.
^{i¹} | 5-. King's response.
^{h²} | -5-7. Woman's grievance.
^{i²} | 8. King's assurance.
^{h³} | 9. Woman's importunity.
^{i³} | 10. King's assurance.
^{h⁴} | 11-. Woman's grievance.
^{i⁴} | -11. King's assurance.

4 spake to the king. Many codices, with three early printed editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "came in unto the king".

5 a widow. One of nine widows specially mentioned. See note on Gen. 38. 19.

mine husband is dead. Fig. *Synonymia*. Ap. 6.

7 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

life = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

9 iniquity. Heb. *āwāh*. See Ap. 44. iv.

7 And, ^o behold, the whole family is risen against thine handmaid, and they said, 'Deliver him that smote his brother, that we may kill him, for the ^o life of his brother whom he slew; and we will destroy the heir also: and so they shall quench my coal which is left, and shall not leave to my husband *neither* name nor remainder upon the earth.'"

8 And the king said unto the woman, "Go to thine house, and I will give charge concerning thee." ^{i²}

9 And the woman of Tekoah said unto the king, "My lord, O king, the ^o iniquity be on me, ^{h³}

936 and on my father's house: and the king and his throne be guiltless."

i³ (p. 426) 10 And the king said, "Whosoever saith *ought* unto thee, bring him to me, and he shall not touch thee any more."

h⁴ 11 Then said she, "I pray thee, let the king °remember °the LORD thy °God, that thou wouldest not suffer the °revengers of blood to destroy any more, lest they destroy my son."

i⁴ 12 And he said, "As °the LORD liveth, there shall °not one hair of thy son fall to the earth."

F 12 Then the woman said, "Let thine handmaid, I pray thee, speak *one* word unto my lord the king." And he said, "Say on."

13 And the woman said, "Wherefore then hast thou thought such a thing against the People of °God? for the king doth speak this thing as one which is faulty, in that the king doth not fetch home again his banished."

14 For we must needs die, and are as water spilt on the ground, which cannot be gathered up again; neither doth °God respect *any* °person: yet doth He devise means, that His banished be not expelled from Him.

15 Now therefore that I am come to speak of this thing unto my lord the king, *it is* because the People have made me afraid: and thy handmaid said, 'I will now speak unto the king; it may be that the king will perform the request of his handmaid.

16 For the king will hear, to deliver his handmaid out of the hand of the °man *that would* destroy me and my son together out of the inheritance of °God.'

17 Then thine handmaid said, 'The word of my lord the king shall now be comfortable: for as an angel of °God, so *is* my lord the king to discern good and bad: therefore °the LORD thy °God will be with thee.'

E 18 Then the king answered and said unto the woman, "Hide not from me, I pray thee, the thing that I shall ask thee." And the woman said, "Let my lord the king now speak."

19 And the king said, "Is not the °hand of Joab with thee in all this?" And the woman answered and said, "As thy °soul liveth, my lord the king, °none can turn to the right hand or to the left from ought that my lord the king hath spoken: for thy servant Joab, he bade me, and he put all these words in the mouth of thine handmaid:

20 °To fetch about this form of speech hath thy servant Joab done this thing: and my lord *is* wise, according to the wisdom of an angel of °God, to know all *things* that *are* in the earth."

D G¹ (p. 427) 21 And the king said unto Joab, °"Behold now, °I have done this thing: go therefore, bring the young man Absalom again."

H j 22 And Joab fell to the ground on his face, and bowed himself, and °thanked the king: and Joab said, "To day thy servant knoweth that I have found grace in thy sight, my lord, O king, in that the king hath fulfilled the request of his servant."

11 remember - recall to mind: i. e. take an oath. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

revengers = avengers, or next of kin. Heb. *gā'al*. See note on Ex. 6. 6, and cp. Num. 35. 19, 21, 24, 25, 27. not one hair, &c. Fig. *Paremia*. Ap. 6.

14 person = soul. Heb. *nephes*. Ap. 13.

16 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

19 hand = work, or handiwork. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for what is wrought by it. soul. Heb. *nephes*. Ap. 13.

none - no man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

20 To fetch about this form of speech = To bring about this turn of affairs.

21-33 (D, p. 426). DAVID'S RECALL OF ABSALOM. (*Repeated Alternation and Introversion.*)

D G¹ | 21. David's decision to receive Absalom.

H | j | 22. Joab's thanks.

k | 23. Absalom in Jerusalem.

G² | 24-27. David's direction and Absalom's person.

II | k | 28. Absalom in Jerusalem.

j | 29-33-. Joab's appeal.

G³ | -33. David's reception of Absalom.

21 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

I. Some codices read "thou".

22 thanked = blessed.

26 for. Note the Fig. *Parenthesis*. Ap. 6.

king's weight: to distinguish it from the sacred shekel. See Ap. 51. II.

27 three sons. Did not survive him. Cp. 18. 18.

23 So Joab arose and went to Geshur, and brought Absalom to Jerusalem. k

24 And the king said, "Let him turn to his own house, and let him not see my face." So Absalom returned to his own house, and saw not the king's face. G² 936

25 But in all Israel there was °none to be so much praised as Absalom for his beauty: from the sole of his foot even to the crown of his head there was no blemish in him.

26 And when he polled his head, (°for it was at every year's end that he polled *it*: because *the hair* was heavy on him, therefore he polled it:) he weighed the hair of his head at two hundred shekels after the °king's weight.

27 And unto Absalom there were born °three sons, and one daughter, whose name *was* Tamar: she was a woman of a fair countenance.

28 So Absalom dwelt two full years in Jerusalem, and saw not the king's face. H k 936-935

29 Therefore Absalom sent for Joab, to have sent him to the king; but he would not come to him: and when he sent again the second time, he would not come. j

30 Therefore he said unto his servants, "See, Joab's field is near mine, and he hath barley there; go and set it on fire." And Absalom's servants set the field on fire.

31 Then Joab arose, and came to Absalom unto *his* house, and said unto him, "Wherefore have thy servants set my field on fire?"

32 And Absalom answered Joab, °"Behold, I sent unto thee, saying, 'Come hither, that I may send thee to the king, to say, 'Wherefore am I come from Geshur? *it had been* good for me to have been there still: now therefore let me see the king's face; and if there be *any* iniquity in me, let him kill me.'"

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33 So Joab came to the king, and told him: and when he had called for Absalom, he came to the king, and bowed himself on his face to the ground before the king:

G³

and the king kissed Absalom.

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15 And °it came to pass after this, that Absalom prepared him chariots and °horses, and fifty °men to °run before him.

2 And Absalom °rose up early, and stood beside the way of the gate: and it was so, that when any °man that had a controversy came to the king for judgment, then Absalom called unto him, and said, "Of what city *art* thou?" And he said, "Thy servant *is* of one of the tribes of Israel."

3 And Absalom said unto him, "See, thy °matters are good and right; but *there is* °no man *deputed* of the king to hear thee."

4 Absalom said moreover, "Oh that I were made judge in the land, that every °man which hath any suit or cause might come unto me, and I would do him justice!"

5 And it was so, that when any °man came nigh to him to do him obeisance, he put forth his hand, and took him, and kissed him.

6 And on this manner did Absalom to all Israel that came to the king for judgment:

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so Absalom stole the °hearts of the °men of Israel.

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7 And it came to pass after °forty years, that Absalom said unto the king, "I pray thee, let me go and pay °my vow, which I have vowed unto °the LORD, in °Hebron.

8 For thy servant °vowed a vow while I abode at Geshur in Syria, saying, 'If °the LORD shall bring me again indeed to Jerusalem, then I will serve °the LORD.'

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9 And the king said unto him, "Go in peace." So he arose, and went to Hebron.

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10 But Absalom sent spies throughout all the tribes of Israel, saying, "As soon as ye hear the sound of the trumpet, then ye shall say, 'Absalom reigneth in Hebron.'"

11 And with Absalom went two hundred °men out of Jerusalem, *that were* called; and they went in their simplicity, and they knew not any thing.

12 And Absalom °sent for °Ahithophel the Gilonite, David's counsellor, from °his city, *even* from Giloh, while he °offered sacrifices. And the conspiracy was strong; for the People °increased continually with Absalom.

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13 And there came a messenger to David, saying, "The hearts of the °men of Israel are after Absalom."

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14 And David said unto all his servants that were with him at Jerusalem, "Arise, and let us flee; for we shall not *else* escape from Absalom: make speed to depart, lest he overtake us suddenly, and bring °evil upon us, and smite the °city with the edge of the sword."

15 And the king's servants said unto the king, "Behold, thy servants *are ready to do* whatsoever my lord the king shall °appoint."

16 And the king went forth, and all his house-

15. 1—19. 43 (Y², p. 424). ABSALOM'S REBELLION. (*Alternations, Simple and Extended*).

Y²

J | 15. 1-13. Rebellion made.

K | L | 15. 14-37. David. Departure.

M | 16. 1-14. Mephibosheth. Ziba. Shimei.

N | 16. 15-17. 23. Jerusalem. Absalom's entry.

J | 17. 24-19. 8. Rebellion quelled.

K | L | 19. 9-15. David. Return.

M | 19. 16-30. Mephibosheth. Shimei. Ziba.

N | 19. 31-43. Jerusalem. David. Re-entry.

15. 1-13 (J, above). REBELLION MADE. (*Introversion and Alternation*).

J

l | n | 1-6-. Machinations. } Treason (secret).

o | -8. Their success. }

m | 7, 8. Request. } Departure of Absalom.

m | 9. Permission. }

l | n | 10-12. Machinations. } Treason (open).

o | 13. Their success. }

1 it came to pass. Cp. Ps. 3 and chs. 15-18. David was now fifty-six, Absalom twenty-four, Solomon six. horses. A sign of his pride (Deut. 17. 16, 20).

men. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

run before. To clear the way. Mark of royalty or dignity. (Still done in Cairo.) Cp. 1 Sam. 8. 11. 1 Kings 1. 5; 18. 46.

2 rose - used to rise, &c.

3 matters: i. e. plea, cause, or suit.

no man - no one.

8 hearts. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for affections and adhesion.

men. Heb. 'enosh. Ap. 14. III.

7 forty years: i. e. from David's anointing (1 Sam. 16. 13): i. e. 974-934.

my vow, which I have vowed. Fig. *Polypitoton* (Ap. 6) = my solemn vow.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

Hebron. Where he was born, and had friends.

8 vowed a vow = made a solemn vow. Fig. *Polypitoton*. Ap. 6.

12 sent for. Sept. reads "sent and called".

Ahithophel. David's counsellor. Cp. Ps. 41. 9; 55. 13. See note on "Uriah", 11. 3.

his city. Cp. Josh. 15. 61.

offered sacrifices. See Ap. 43. I. iv.

increased. Cp. Ps. 3. 1.

14-37 (L, above). DAVID'S DEPARTURE. (*Repeated Alternation*).

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p¹ | 14-22. Adherents. (Ittai.)

q¹ | 23. Weeping of country.

p² | 24-29. Adherents. (Zadok and sons.)

q² | 30. Weeping of David.

p³ | 31-. Defection. (Ahithophel.)

q³ | -31. Prayer of David.

p⁴ | 32-37. Adherents. (Hushai.)

14 evil. Heb. rā'ā'. Ap. 44. viii. city. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), for its inhabitants. Ap. 6.

15 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

appoint = choose.

17 a place that was far off. Heb. *Beth-hammer-hāh*. Probably a proper name.

18 Gittites. From Gath, the city of Goliath, now David's choicest followers.

hold after him. And the king left ten women, *which were* concubines, to keep the house.

17 And the king went forth, and all the People after him, and tarried in °a place that was far off.

18 And all his servants passed on beside him; and all the Cherethites, and all the Pelethites, and all the °Gittites, six hundred °men which

934 came after him from Gath, passed on before the king.

19 Then said the king to Ittai the Gittite, "Wherefore goest thou also with us? return to thy place, and abide with the king: for thou art a °stranger, and also an exile.

20 Whereas thou camest but yesterday, should I this day make thee go up and down with us? seeing I go whither I may, return thou, and take back thy brethren: °mercy and °truth be with thee."

21 And Ittai answered the king, and said, "As the LORD liveth, and as my lord the king liveth, surely in what place my lord the king shall be, whether in death or life, even there also will thy servant be."

22 And David said to Ittai, "Go and pass over." And Ittai the Gittite passed over, and all his °men, and all the little ones that were with him.

q¹ (p. 428) 23 And °all the °country wept with a loud voice, and all the People passed over: the king also himself passed over the brook Kidron, and all the People passed over, toward the way of the wilderness.

p² 24 And °lo Zadok also, and all the Levites were with him, bearing the ark of the covenant of °God: and they set down the ark of °God; and Abiathar went up, until all the people had done passing out of the city.

25 And the king said unto Zadok, "Carry back the ark of °God into the city: °if I shall find favour in the eyes of °the LORD, He will bring me again, and shew me both it, and His habitation:

26 But if He thus say, 'I have no delight in thee;' °behold, here am I, let Him do to me °as seemeth good unto Him."

27 The king said also unto Zadok the priest, "Art not thou a seer? return into the city in peace, and your two sons with you, Ahimaaz thy son, and Jonathan the son of Abiathar.

28 °See, I will tarry in the plain of the wilderness, until there come word from you to certify me."

29 Zadok therefore and Abiathar carried the ark of °God again to Jerusalem: and they tarried there.

q² 30 And David went up by the ascent of mount °Olivet, and °wept as he went up, and had his °head covered, and he went °barefoot: and all the People that was with him covered °every man his head, and they went up, weeping as they went up.

p³ 31 And one °told David, saying, "Ahithophel is among the conspirators with Absalom."

q³ And David said, "O °LORD, I pray thee, °turn the counsel of Ahithophel into foolishness."

p⁴ 32 And it came to pass, that when David was come to °the top of the mount, where he worshipped °God, °behold, °Hushai the °Archite came to meet him with his °coat rent, and earth upon his head:

33 Unto whom David said, "If thou passest on with me, then thou shalt be a burden unto me:

34 But if thou return to the city, and say un-

19 stranger = foreigner.

20 mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.

truth = faithfulness. Sept. and Syr. read "Jehovah will deal with thee in lovingkindness and faithfulness".

23 all: i. e. all the country round him. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Whole). Ap. 6.

country. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject) for the people. Fig. *Prosopopœia*. Ap. 6.

24 lo. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

God = ha-Elohim (with art.) = the [triune] God. Ap. 4. I.

25 if I shall find favour, &c. God's grace is the basis of all blessing. Cp. Num. 14. 8. Deut. 10. 15. 2 Sam. 22. 20. 1 Kings 10. 9. 2 Chron. 9. 8. Ps. 18. 19; 41. 11; 86. 2 (marg). Acts 7. 46.

26 as = according as.

28 See. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

30 Olivet. Name due to the Vulg. *Olivet* in Acts 1. 12.

wept. Cp. Luke 19. 41.

head covered. Symbol for self-condemnation.

barefoot. Symbol of mourning. Isa. 20. 2, 4. Ezek. 24. 17.

31 told David. The news came when the trial was greatest. Cp. Ps. 41. 9 and 55. 12-14.

turn, &c. Cp. Ps. 41; 55; 69; 109.

32 the top. Doubtless a high place where God was worshipped. Nob was near where the Tabernacle once stood.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

Hushai. David's friend. Cp. v. 37; 16. 16. 1 Chron. 27. 33.

Archite. Probably = a native of Archi, on frontier of Benjamin and Ephraim.

coat - the long tunic with sleeves.

35 hast thou not . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

16. 1-14 (M, p. 428). MEPHIBOSHETH, ZIBA, &c. (*Introversion*.)

M | r | 1, 2. Refreshment brought.

s | 3, 4. Slander of Ziba.

s | 5 1:3. Imprecations of Shimei.

r | 14. Refreshment partaken of.

1 top. Cp. 15. 32.

behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

Mephibosheth. Now thirty-one. Born in 965. Cp. 4. 4.

to Absalom, 'I will be thy servant, O king; as I have been thy father's servant hitherto, so will I now also be thy servant:' then mayest thou for me defeat the counsel of Ahithophel.

35 And °hast thou not there with thee Zadok and Abiathar the priests? therefore it shall be, that what thing soever thou shalt hear out of the king's house, thou shalt tell it to Zadok and Abiathar the priests.

36 °Behold, they have there with them their two sons, Ahimaaz Zadok's son, and Jonathan Abiathar's son; and by them ye shall send unto me every thing that ye can hear."

37 So Hushai David's friend came into the city, and Absalom came into Jerusalem.

16 And when David was a little past the °top of the hill, °behold, Ziba the servant of °Mephibosheth met him, with a couple of asses saddled, and upon them two hundred loaves of bread, and an hundred bunches of

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984 raisins, and an hundred of summer fruits, and a ° bottle of ° wine.

2 And the king said unto Ziba, "What meanest thou by these?" And Ziba said, "The asses *be* for the king's household to ride on; and the bread and summer fruit for the young men to eat; and the wine, that such as be faint in the wilderness may drink."

s (p. 429) 3 And the king said, "And where *is* thy master's son?" And Ziba said unto the king, "Behold, he abideth at Jerusalem: for ° he said, 'To day shall the house of Israel restore me the kingdom of my father.'"

4 Then said the king to Ziba, "Behold, thine are all that *pertained* unto Mephibosheth." And Ziba said, "I humbly beseech thee *that* I may find grace in thy sight, my lord, O king."

s t (p. 430) 5 And when king David came to ° Bahurim, ° behold, thence came out a ° man of the family of the house of Saul, whose name *was* Shimei, the son of Gera: he came forth, and cursed still as he came.

6 And he cast stones at David, and at all the servants of king David: and all the People and all the mighty men *were* on his right hand and on his left.

7 And thus said Shimei when he cursed, "Come out, ° come out, thou ° bloody ° man, and ° thou ° man of Belial:

8 ° The LORD hath returned upon thee all the blood of the house of Saul, in whose stead thou hast reigned; and ° the LORD hath delivered the kingdom into the hand of Absalom thy son: and, ° behold, thou *art* taken in thy mischief, because thou *art* a ° bloody ° man."

u 9 Then said Abishai the son of Zeruiah unto the king, "Why should this ° dead dog curse my lord the king? ° let me go over, I pray thee, and take off his head."

u 10 And the king said, "What have I to do with you, ye ° sons of Zeruiah? so ° let him curse, because ° the LORD hath said unto him, 'Curse David.' ° Who shall then say, 'Wherefore hast thou done so?'"

11 And David said to Abishai, and to all his servants, "Behold, my son, which came forth of my bowels, seeketh my ° life: ° how much more now *may this* Benjamite *do it*? let him alone, and let him curse; for ° the LORD hath bidden him.

12 It may be that ° the LORD will ° look on mine affliction, and that ° the LORD will ° requite me good for his cursing this day."

z 13 And as David and his ° men went by the way, Shimei went along on the hill's side over against him, and cursed as he went, and threw stones at him, and ° cast dust.

r (p. 429) 14 And the king, and all the People that *were* with him, came ° weary and refreshed themselves there.

N v (p. 430) 15 And Absalom, and all the People the ° men of Israel, came to Jerusalem, and Ahithophel with him.

16 And it came to pass, when Hushai the Archite, David's friend, was come unto Absalom, that Hushai said unto Absalom, "God save the king, God save the king."

bottle = skin-bottle (Josh. 9. 4. Matt. 9. 17). wine. Heb. *yayin*. See Ap. 27. I.

3 he said. This was slander. See 19. 24-30, and cp. the two Structures.

16. 5-13 (s, p. 429). IMPRECATION OF SHIMEI. (Introversion.)

s t | 5-8. Imprecations.

u | 9. Resentment of Abishai.

u | 10-12. Forbearance of David.

t | 13. Imprecations.

5 Bahurim. On east side of Olivet; "in tribe of Benjamin".

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

7 come out. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6): i. e. out - Be-gone! or Get out!

bloody man - man of bloods (pl. denoting much blood).

thou man of Belial. Cp. 1 Sam. 1. 16; 10. 27.

8 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

9 dead dog. Fig. *Antiprosopoeia*. Ap. 6. Cp. 1 Sam. 17. 43.

let me go. Cp. 1 Sam. 26. 8.

10 What have I to do . . . ? First occurrence of this idiom. Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6). Cp. 19. 22. 1 Kings 17. 18. 2 Kings 3. 13. Matt. 8. 29. Mark 1. 24. Luke 4. 34. John 2. 4.

sons of Zeruiah. Cp. 3. 39 and Luke 9. 55.

let him curse. Uriah's murder closed David's mouth (12. 9).

Who shall then . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

11 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

life = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

how much . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

12 look on mine affliction. This is one of the eighteen emendations of the *Sōpherim* (Ap. 33). The primitive text reads "Jehovah will behold with His eye". This was thought to be too anthropomorphic, and so was altered, and the alteration recorded.

requite. Cp. Ps. 109. 26-28.

13 men. Heb. *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

cast dust. Heb. "dusted him with dust". Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6): i. e. cast much dust.

14 weary. Heb. *'Ayiphim*. Perhaps the name of a place, or of a caravansary with that name, "for the weary".

16. 15-17. 23 (N, p. 428). JERUSALEM.

ABSALOM'S ENTRY. (Introversion.)

N v | 16. 15-19. Hushai's mission. Ahithophel's defeat.

w | 16. 20-17. 4. Ahithophel. Counsel given.

x | 17. 5-13. Hushai. Counsel given.

x | 17. 14. Hushai. Counsel taken.

w | 17. 15-22. Ahithophel. Counsel reported.

v | 17. 23. Hushai's success. Ahithophel's death.

18 choose = hath chosen.

17 And Absalom said to Hushai, "Is this thy kindness to thy friend? why wentest thou not with thy friend?"

18 And Hushai said unto Absalom, "Nay; but whom ° the LORD, and this People, and all the ° men of Israel, ° choose, his will I be, and with him will I abide.

19 And again, whom should I serve? *should I* not serve in the presence of his son? as I have served in thy father's presence, so will I be in thy presence."

20 Then said Absalom to Ahithophel, "Give counsel among you what we shall do." w

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21 And Ahithophel ° said unto Absalom, "Go in unto thy father's concubines, which he hath left to keep the house; and all Israel shall hear that thou art abhorred of thy father: then shall the hands of all that *are* with thee be strong."

22 So they spread Absalom a tent upon ° the top of the house; and Absalom went in unto his father's concubines in the sight of all Israel.

23 And the counsel of Ahithophel, which he counselled in those days, was ° as if a ° man had enquired at the ° oracle of ° God: so was all the counsel of Ahithophel both with David and with Absalom.

17 Moreover Ahithophel said unto Absalom, "Let me now ° choose out twelve thousand ° men, and ° I will arise and pursue after David ° this night:

2 And ° I will come upon him while he is weary and weak handed, and will make him afraid: and all the People that *are* with him shall flee; and I will smite the king only:

3 And I will bring back all the People unto thee: the ° man whom thou seekest is as if all returned: so all the People shall be in peace."

4 And the saying ° pleased Absalom well, ° and all the elders of Israel.

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5 Then said Absalom, ° "Call now Hushai the Archite also, and let us hear likewise what he saith."

6 And when Hushai was come to Absalom, Absalom spake unto him, saying, "Ahithophel hath spoken after this manner: shall we do after his saying? if not; speak thou."

7 And Hushai said unto Absalom, "The ° counsel that Ahithophel hath ° given is not good at this time.

8 For," said Hushai, "thou knowest thy father and his ° men, that they be ° mighty men, and they be ° chafed in their ° minds, as a bear robbed of her whelps in the field: and thy father is a ° man of war, and will not lodge with the People.

9 ° Behold, he is hid now in some pit, or in some other place: and it will come to pass, when some of them be overthrown at the first, that whosoever heareth it will say, 'There is a slaughter among the people that follow Absalom.'

10 And he also that is valiant, whose heart is as the heart of a lion, shall utterly melt: for all Israel knoweth that thy father is a ° mighty man, and they which be with him are ° valiant men.

11 Therefore I counsel that all Israel be generally gathered unto thee, from Dan even to Beersheba, ° as the sand that is by the sea for multitude; and that ° thou go ° to battle ° in thine own person.

12 So shall we come upon him in some place where he shall be found, and we will light upon him ° as the dew falleth on the ground: and of him and of all the ° men that are with him there shall not be left so much as one.

13 Moreover, if he be gotten into a city, then shall all Israel bring ropes to that city, and we will draw it into the river, until there be not one small stone found there."

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14 And Absalom and all the ° men of Israel said, "The counsel of Hushai the Archite is

21 said. Instigated by feelings of private revenge against David for his sin with Bath-sheba; she being the daughter of his son, Eliam. See 23. 34. Cp. 11. 3. Foretold by Nathan (12. 11, 12).

22 the top of the house. Cp. 11. 2.

23 as = according as.

oracle = word. The first occurrence of "oracle" as a rendering (fifteen times) of *dābār*, word. The holy of holies, because there the word of Jehovah was heard. Other occurrences: see 1 Kings 6. 5, 16, 19, 20, 22, 23, 31; 8. 6, 8. 2 Chron. 3. 16; 4. 20; 5. 7, 9. Ps. 28. 2 Cp. N.T. usage in plural: Acts 7. 38. Rom. 3. 2. Heb. 5. 12. 1 Pet. 4. 11.

17. 1 choose out. Sept. and Vulg. read "choose for myself". men. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II. I will. Ahithophel manifests personal vengeance. See note on 16. 21 and 17. 11.

this night. Cp. Ps. 4. 8. Ps. 4 is concerning inheritances. David's was in jeopardy (v. 2), but his trust was in Jehovah's favour (15. 25; 22. 20. Ps. 18. 19).

4 pleased = was good in the eyes of.

and = and [in the eyes of] all.

5 Call now. Heb. = "Call thou" (cp. "thou", v. 6); but Sept. and Vulg. read "Call ye".

7 counsel . . . given. Heb. counsel . . . counselled. Fig. *Polyptoton* (Ap. 6) = the good counsel (but "not good" now).

8 men. Heb. *enōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

mighty men. Heb. *gibbōrim*. Ap. 14. IV. chafed = bitter.

minds = souls. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

9 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

10 valiant men = sons of valour.

11 as. Fig. *Paræmia*. Ap. 6.

thou = thou thyself. Heb. "thy face". Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6, put to emphasise the whole person. to battle. Heb. *kārāb*, never used of battle (which is *milhāmāh*). *Bikkrah*, rendered "to battle", is an abbreviation for *bēkirbah* = "in the midst of them", which is the reading of the Sept. and Vulg.

in thine own person. By all this emphasis Hushai represents Ahithophel's personal malice (which need not disturb Absalom) as being personal pride aimed against Absalom. See vv. 1-3, "I will arise"; "I will come"; "I will smite"; "I will bring back", &c.

12 as = according as.

14 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

evil = the evil. Heb. *rā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii.

17 En-rogel. Now the Virgin's Fount, on east side of Ophel, or Jebus, from which the *Zinnor* runs up to the citadel. See note on 5. 8. Cp. Josh. 15. 7; 18. 16, and Ap. 68, on "Zion".

a wench = a maidservant. Cp. Matt. 26. 69. Mark 14. 66. Luke 22. 56. John 18. 17.

better than the counsel of Ahithophel." For ° the LORD had appointed to defeat the good counsel of Ahithophel, to the intent that ° the LORD might bring ° evil upon Absalom.

15 Then said Hushai unto Zadok and to Abiathar the priests, "Thus and thus did Ahithophel counsel Absalom and the elders of Israel; and thus and thus have I counselled.

16 Now therefore send quickly, and tell David, saying, 'Lodge not this night in the plains of the wilderness, but speedily pass over; lest the king be swallowed up, and all the People that are with him.'

17 Now Jonathan and Ahimaaz stayed by ° En-rogel; for they might not be seen to come into the city: and ° a wench went and told them; and they went and told king David.

18 Nevertheless a lad saw them, and told Absalom: but they went both of them away

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quickly, and came to a ¹ man's house in Bahurim, which had a well in his court; whither they ^o went down.

19 And the woman took and spread a covering over the well's mouth, and spread ground corn thereon; and the thing was not known.

20 And when Absalom's servants came to the woman to the house, they said, "Where is Ahimaaz and Jonathan?" And the woman ^o said unto them, "They be gone over the brook of water." And when they had sought and could not find them, they returned to Jerusalem.

21 And it came to pass, after they were departed, that they came up out of the well, and went and told king David, and said unto David, "Arise, and pass quickly over the water: for thus hath Ahithophel counselled against you."

22 Then David arose, and all the People that were with him, and they passed over ^o Jordan: by the morning light there lacked not one of them that was not gone over Jordan.

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23 And when Ahithophel saw that his counsel was not followed, he saddled his ass, and arose, and gat him home to his house, to his city, and ^o put his household in order, and ^o hanged himself, and died, and was buried in the sepulchre of his father.

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24 Then David came to Mahanaim.

And Absalom passed over Jordan, ^{he} and ^o all the ¹ men of Israel with him.

25 And Absalom ^o made Amasa ^o captain of the host instead of Joab: which Amasa was a ¹ man's son, whose name was ^o Ithra an Israelite, that ^o went in to ^o Abigail the daughter of Nahash, ^o sister to Zeruiah Joab's mother.

26 So Israel and Absalom pitched in the land of Gilead.

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27 And it came to pass, when David was come to Mahanaim, that Shobi the son of ^o Nahash of Rabbah of the children of Ammon, and ^o Machir the son of Ammiel of Lo-debar, and Barzillai the Gileadite of Rogelim,

28 Brought beds, ^o and basons, and earthen vessels, and wheat, and barley, and flour, and parched corn, and beans, and lentiles, and parched pulse,

29 And honey, and ^o butter, and sheep, and cheese of kine, for David, and for the People that were with him, to eat: for they said, "The People is hungry, and weary, and thirsty, in the wilderness."

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18 And David ^o numbered the People that were with him, and set captains of thousands and captains of hundreds over them.

2 And David sent forth a third part of the People under the hand of Joab, and a third part under the hand of Abishai the son of Zeruiah, Joab's brother, and a third part under the hand of Ittai the Gittite. And the king said unto the People, "I will surely go forth with you myself also."

3 But the People answered, "Thou shalt not go forth: for if we flee away, they will not care for us; neither if half of us die, will they care for us: but now thou art worth ten thousand of us: therefore now it is better that thou ^o succour us out of the city."

18 went down. Wells mostly dry in summer.

20 said. Probably misdirecting them.

22 Jordan. Cp. Pss. 42. 6 and 43; both Pss. referring to this period.

23 put his household in order = gave charge unto his household.

hanged himself. Not so much because his counsel was not taken, but because his revenge was not taken on David (see note on 11. 3; 16. 21, and 17. 1), and that the conspiracy must fail. Same word in Matt. 27. 5 as in Sept. here (*apēgwtō*), as though to invite the comparison of Judas with Ahithophel.

17. 24—18. 5 (J, p. 428). REBELLION QUELLED. (Introversion.)

J | O¹ | 17. 24—18. 5. Mahanaim. David. Preparation.
P | 18. 6—18. The battle.

O² | 18. 19—19. 8. Mahanaim. David. Report to.

17. 24—18. 5 (O¹, above). MAHANAIM, &c. (Alternation.)

O¹ | y | 17. 24—, Mahanaim. Arrival.

z | 17. —24—26. Camp of Absalom.

y | 17. 27—29. Mahanaim. Refreshments.

z | 18. 1—5. Camp of David.

24 all. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Genus). Ap. 6. The whole put for the greater part

25 made = set, or appointed.

captain of = captain over.

Ithra an Israelite = Jetheran Ishmeelite. See 1 Chron. 2. 17.

went in to. Probably meaning seduced. If so, it would be during David's stay in Moab (1 Sam. 22. 3, 4).

Abigail. David was probably half-brother to Abigail and Zeruiah, having the same mother; he having Jesse for his father, they having Nahash.

sister to Zeruiah. Implying that she was not sister to David.

27 Nahash. Cp. 10. 2.

Machir. He had brought up Mephibosheth. Cp. 9. 5.

28 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in vv. 28 and 29, emphasising the items.

29 butter. Scarce in Lo-debar. Cp. 9. 4. The word means place of "no pasture".

18. 1 numbered = mustered, or inspected. David was now fifty-six.

3 succour us out of the city = come to us out of the city with succour by prayer and counsel.

5 heard. This explains v. 12.

6-18 (P, above). THE BATTLE. (Alternation.)

P | a | 6-8. The battle. Fought.

b | 9-15. Absalom. Death.

a | 16. The battle. Return from.

b | 17, 18. Absalom. Burial.

6 wood of Ephraim. Cp. Josh. 17. 15-18.

4 And the king said unto them, "What seemeth you best I will do." And the king stood by the gate side, and all the People came out by hundreds and by thousands.

5 And the king commanded Joab and Abishai and Ittai, saying, "Deal gently for my sake with the young man, even with Absalom." And all the People ^o heard when the king gave all the captains charge concerning Absalom.

6 So the People went out into the field against Israel: and the battle was in the ^o wood of Ephraim;

7 Where the People of Israel were slain before the servants of David, and there was there a great slaughter that day of twenty thousand men.

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983 8 For the battle was there scattered over ° the face of all the country: and the wood ° devoured more people that day than the sword devoured.

b (p. 432) 9 And Absalom met the servants of David. And Absalom rode upon a mule, and the mule went under the thick boughs of a great oak, and his head caught hold of the oak, and he was ° taken up between the heaven and the earth; and the mule that was under him went away.

10 And a certain ° man saw it, and told Joab, and said, ° "Behold, I saw Absalom hanged in an oak."

11 And Joab said unto the 10 man that told him, "And, 10 behold, thou sawest him, and why didst thou not smite him there to the ground? and I would have given thee ten shekels of silver, and a ° girdle."

12 And the 10 man said unto Joab, "Though I should receive a thousand shekels of silver in mine hand, yet would I not put forth mine hand against the king's son: for in ° our hearing the king charged thee and Abishai and Ittai, saying, ° "Beware that none touch the young man Absalom."

13 Otherwise I should have wrought falsehood against mine own ° life: for there is no matter hid from the king, and thou thyself wouldest have set thyself against me."

14 Then said Joab, "I may not tarry thus with thee." And he took three ° darts in his hand, and thrust them through the heart of Absalom, while he was yet alive in the midst of the oak.

983 15 And ten young men that bare Joab's ° armour compassed about and smote Absalom, and ° slew him.

a 16 And Joab blew the trumpet, and the People returned from pursuing after Israel: for Joab held back the People.

b 17 And they took Absalom, and cast him into a great pit in the wood, and laid a very great ° heap of stones upon him: and all Israel fled every one to his tent.

18 (Now Absalom in his lifetime had taken and reared up for himself a ° pillar, which is in the king's dale: for he said, "I have ° no son to keep my name in remembrance:" and he called the ° pillar after his own name: and it is called unto this day, Absalom's ° place.)

Q¹ R c (p. 433) 19 Then said Ahimaaz the son of Zadok, "Let me now run, and bear the king tidings, how that ° the LORD hath avenged him of his enemies."

d 20 And Joab said unto him, "Thou shalt not bear tidings this day, but thou shalt bear tidings another day: but this day thou shalt bear no tidings, because the king's son is dead."

e 21 Then said Joab to Cush, "Go tell the king what thou hast seen." And Cush bowed himself unto Joab, and ran.

c 22 Then said Ahimaaz the son of Zadok yet again to Joab, "But howsoever, let me, I pray thee, also run after Cush."

d And Joab said, "Wherefore wilt thou run, my son, seeing that thou hast no tidings ready?"

8 the face. Fig. *Pleonasm*, with *Prosopopœia*. Ap. 6. devoured. Heb. "multiplied to devour", to emphasise the great number. Fig. *Prosopopœia*. Ap. 6. 9 taken up. The tradition about his "hair" comes from Josephus (VII. 10. 2).

10 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

11 girdle. A common present, made of silk, linen, or leather, and worked sometimes in gold. Used for fastening up loose garments.

12 our hearing. See v. 5.

Beware that none touch = Watch any one who [would touch] the, &c. After "Watch", Sept., Aram., Syr., and Vulg. add "for my sake", as in v. 5.

13 life = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

14 darts = clubs. Heb. *shēbet*, a club with a long spike at the end. Still used in Palestine.

15 armour = weapons.

slew him. David being fifty-seven years old; Absalom, twenty-four; Solomon, seven.

17 heap of stones. Not a memorial to honour but to warn (Josh. 7. 26; 8. 29). See note on v. 18.

18 pillar. Marks ambition's aim, while the heap of stones (v. 17) marks ambition's end.

no son. Cp. 14. 27. Therefore built before the first-born; or after his sons (14. 27) were dead.

place = monument. About a quarter of a mile east of Jerusalem, in the Valley of Jehoshaphat.

19 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

18. 19—19. 8 (O², p. 432). MAHANAIM. REPORT. (Division.)

O² | Q¹ | 18. 19—33. Sorrow indulged.

| Q² | 19. 1—8. Sorrow restrained.

19—33 (Q¹, above). SORROW INDULGED. (Alternation.)

Q¹ | R | 19—23. Tidings borne.

| S | 24—, David's seat.

R | —24—32. Tidings delivered.

| S | 33. David's lamentation.

24 between the two gates. The outer and inner gates of the city wall.

19—23 (R, above). TIDINGS BORNE (Extended Alternation.)

R | c | 19. Request (Cushi).

| d | 20. Refusal.

| e | 21. Permission.

c | 22—, Request (Ahimaaz).

| d | —22. Reluctance.

| e | 23. Permission.

—24—32 (R, above). TIDINGS DELIVERED. (Alternation.)

R | f | —24, 25. The first runner.

| g | 26. The second runner.

f | 27—30. Name of first, Ahimaaz.

| g | 31, 32. Name of second, Cush.

25 If he be alone. Otherwise it would be flight.

23 "But howsoever," said he, "let me run." And he said unto him, "Run." Then Ahimaaz ran by the way of the plain, and overran Cush.

24 And David sat ° between the two gates:

and the watchman went up to the roof over the gate unto the wall, and lifted up his eyes, and looked, and 10 behold a 10 man running alone.

25 And the watchman cried, and told the king. And the king said, ° "If he be alone, there is tidings in his mouth." And he came apace, and drew near.

26 And the watchman saw another 10 man running: and the watchman called unto the

933 °porter, and said, ²⁴ "Behold *another* ¹⁰ man running alone." And the king said, "He also bringeth tidings."

(p. 433) ²⁷ And the watchman said, "Me thinketh the running of the foremost is like the running of Ahimaaz the son of Zadok." And the king said, "He is a °good ¹⁰ man, and cometh with °good tidings."

²⁸ And Ahimaaz called, and said unto the king, "All is well." And he fell down to the earth upon his face before the king, and said, "Blessed be ¹⁹ the LORD thy °God, Which hath delivered up the °men that lifted up their hand against my lord the king."

²⁹ And the king said, "Is the young man Absalom safe?" And Ahimaaz answered, "When Joab sent the king's servant, °and me thy servant, I saw a great tumult, but I knew not °what it was."

³⁰ And the king said unto him, "Turn aside, and stand here." And he turned aside, and stood still.

³¹ And, ¹⁰ behold, Cushie came; and Cushie said, "Tidings, my lord the king: for ¹⁹ the LORD hath avenged thee this day of all them that rose up against thee."

³² And the king said unto Cushie, "Is the young man Absalom safe?" And Cushie answered, "The enemies of my lord the king, and all that rise against thee to do thee hurt, °be as that young man is."

³³ And the king was much moved, and went up to the chamber over the gate, and wept: and as he went, thus he said, "O °my son Absalom, my son, °my son Absalom! would °God I had died °for thee, O Absalom, °my son, °my son!"

Q² h¹ (p. 434) **19** And it was told Joab, °"Behold, the king weepeth and mourneth for Absalom."

i¹ ² And the victory that day was turned into mourning unto all the People: for the People heard say that day how the king was grieved for his son.

³ And the People gat them by stealth that day into the city, °as people being ashamed steal away when they flee in battle.

h² ⁴ But the king °covered his face, and the king cried with a loud voice, "O °my son Absalom, O Absalom, °my son, °my son!"

i² ⁵ And Joab came into the house to the king, and said, "Thou hast shamed this day the faces of all thy servants, which this day have saved thy °life, °and the °lives of thy sons and of thy daughters, and the °lives of thy wives, and the °lives of thy concubines;

⁶ In that thou lovest thine enemies, and hatest thy friends. For thou hast °declared this day, that thou regardest neither princes nor servants: for this day I perceive, that if Absalom had lived, and all we had died this day, then it had pleased thee well.

⁷ °Now therefore arise, go forth, and speak °comfortably unto thy servants: for I swear by °the LORD, if thou go not forth, there will not tarry one with thee this night: and that will

²⁶ porter = gatekeeper. No gates without the "Bawab" or gatekeeper. Cp. 2 Kings 7. 17. 1 Chron. 9. 21.

²⁷ good. Cp. 1 Kings 1. 42.

²⁸ Blessed be the LORD thy God. Some codices, with three early printed editions, reverse the order, thus changing the emphasis, and read: "Jehovah thy God be blessed".

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

men. Heb. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

²⁹ and = even.

what it was = what [it meant].

³² be as that young man. Fig. Euphemism. Ap. 6.

³³ my son . . . my son. Fig. Epizeuxis. Ap. 6. for = instead of.

19. 1-8 (Q², p. 433). SORROW RESTRAINED. (Repeated Alternation.)

Q² | h¹ | 1. Mourning of David.
i¹ | 2, 3. People. Sympathy with the king.
h² | 4. Mourning of David.
i² | 5-7. Joab. Remonstrance with the king.
h³ | 8. Mourning of David and People.

¹ Behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

³ as = according as.

⁴ covered his face. Symbol of mourning. Occurs only here.

my son . . . my son. Fig. Epizeuxis. Ap. 6. Cp. 18. 33.

⁵ life . . . lives = soul . . . souls. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13. and. Note the Fig. Polysyndeton. Ap. 6.

⁶ declared = made clear.

⁷ Now. Note the Fig. Epanadiplosis (Ap. 6), to emphasise the completeness of Joab's reasoning. comfortably. Heb. 'al-lēb, to the heart. Cp. Isa. 40. 2.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

⁸ Israel. Note this name for Absalom's forces (17. 24, 26; 18. 6, 7).

man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

9-15 (L, p. 428). DAVID. RETURN. (Introversion.)

L | j | 9, 10. King's return. Desired.
k | 11, 12. Message to Judah.
k | 13. Message to Amasa.
j | 14, 15. King's return. Accomplished.

¹⁰ the king. Note the Fig. Anadiplosis (Ap. 6), "bringing back the king. And the king".

be worse unto thee than all the evil that befell thee from thy youth until °now."

⁸ Then the king arose, and sat in the gate. And they told unto all the People, saying, "Behold, the king doth sit in the gate." And all the People came before the king: for °Israel had fled every °man to his tent. h³

⁹ And all the People were at strife throughout all the tribes of Israel, saying, "The king saved us out of the hand of our enemies, and he delivered us out of the hand of the Philistines; and now he is fled out of the land for Absalom. L

¹⁰ And Absalom, whom we anointed over us, is dead in battle. Now therefore why speak ye not a word of bringing °the king back?"

¹¹ And king David sent to Zadok and to Abiathar the priests, saying, "Speak unto the elders of Judah, saying, 'Why are ye the last to bring the king back to his house? seeing k

933 the speech of all Israel is come to the king, even to his house.

12 *Ye are my brethren, ye are my bones and my flesh: wherefore then are ye the last to bring back the king?*

13 And say ye to Amasa, ° *Art thou not of my bone, and of my flesh? ° God do so to me, and more also, if thou be not captain of the host before me continually in the room of Joab.*

14 And he bowed the heart of all the ⁸ men of Judah, even as *the heart of one* ⁸ man; so that they sent *this word* unto the king, "Return thou, and all thy servants."

15 So the king returned, and came to Jordan. And Judah came to ° Gilgal, ° to go to meet the king, to conduct the king over Jordan.

16 And ° Shimei the son of Gera, ° a Benjamite, which *was* of Bahurim, hasted and came down with the ⁸ men of Judah to meet king David.

17 And *there were* a thousand ⁸ men of Benjamin with him, and Ziba the servant of the house of Saul, and his fifteen sons and his twenty servants with him; and they went over Jordan before the king.

18 And there went over a ferry boat to carry over the king's household, and to do what he thought good.

19 And Shimei the son of Gera fell down before the king, as he was come over Jordan;

19 And said unto the king, "Let not my lord impute ° iniquity unto me, neither do thou remember that which thy servant did perversely the day that my lord the king went out of Jerusalem, that the king should take it to his heart.

20 For thy servant doth know that *I* have sinned: therefore, ¹ behold, I am come the first this day of all the house of ° Joseph ¹³ to go down to meet my lord the king."

21 But ° Abishai the son of Zeruiah answered and said, "Shall not Shimei be put to death for this, because he cursed ⁷ the LORD's anointed?"

22 And David said, ° "What have I to do with you, ye sons of Zeruiah, that ye should this day be ° adversaries unto me? ° shall there any ⁸ man be put to death this day in Israel? ° for do not I know that *I am* this day king over Israel?"

23 Therefore the king said unto Shimei, "Thou shalt not die." And the king swore unto him.

24 And Mephibosheth the ° son of Saul came down to meet the king, and had ° neither dressed his feet, nor trimmed his beard, nor washed his clothes, from the day the king departed until the day he came *again* in peace.

25 And it came to pass, when he was come to Jerusalem to meet the king, that the king said unto him, "Wherefore wentest not thou with me, Mephibosheth?"

26 And he answered, "My lord, O king, my servant deceived me: for thy servant said, ° *I will saddle me an ass, that I may ride thereon,*

13 Art . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. my bone, &c.: i. e. my near relation = my nephew (17. 26). Son of David's sister Abigail (1 Chron. 2. 17.) God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

15 Gilgal. Here Samuel renewed the kingdom. 1 Sam. 11. 14. Cp. Josh. 5. 9; 9. 6; 10. 6. 1 Sam. 7. 16; 15. 33.

to go. Some codices, with one early printed edition, read "to go down". Cp. v. 20.

19. 16-30 (*M*, p. 428). SHIMEI, ZIBA, AND ME- PHIBOSHETH. (*Alternation*.)

M | 1 | 16. Shimei. Reception.
| *m* | 17, 18-. Ziba. Deception.
| *l* | 18-23. Shimei. Forgiveness.
| *m* | 24-30. Ziba. Discovery.

16 Shimei. Cp. 16. 5.

a - the. Evidently a prominent Benjamite.

-18-23 (*l*, above). SHIMEI. FORGIVEN. (*Introversion*.)

l | *n* | 18 20. Shimei. Confession.
| *o* | 21. Abishai. Resentment.
| *o* | 22. Abishai. Resented.
| *n* | 23. Shimei. Forgiveness.

19 iniquity. Heb. 'āwāh. Ap. 44. iv.

20 Joseph. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct) for the two tribes (Ephraim and Manasseh), or for the ten tribes, Israel (Amos 5. 6, 15; 6. 6. Obad. 18. Zech. 10. 6). Cp. v. 43. In Ps. 80. 1 and 81. 5, Joseph is put for the twelve tribes.

21 Abishai. Always impetuous. 1 Sam. 26. 8; 2 Sam. 16. 9.

22 What have I to do . . . ? See note on 16. 10. adversaries. Heb. Satan.

shall . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

for do not I . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

24-30 (*m*, above). ZIBA. DISCOVERY. (*Introversion*.)

m | *p* | 24. Mephibosheth. Mourning.
| *q* | 25. David. Reproach.
| *r* | 26. Ziba. Deception.
| *r* | 27, 28. Ziba. Slander.
| *q* | 29. David. Reparation.
| *p* | 30. Mephibosheth. Comfort.

24 son = grandson.

neither dressed, &c. A symbol and proof of great grief.

26 I will saddle. Sept. reads "Saddle for me the ass". A command which Ziba disobeyed, and went off himself instead. But was there only *one* ass in Jerusalem? See note on v. 29

to with.

28 For all, &c. Some codices, with one early printed edition, read "When in all the house of my father were none other than dead men".

dead men. Heb. men of death: i. e. doomed men. Heb. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

What right . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6), to emphasise the free grace of David.

and go ° to the king; ' because thy servant is lame.

27 And he hath slandered thy servant unto my lord the king; but my lord the king *is* as an angel of ¹³ God: do therefore *what is* good in thine eyes.

28 ° For all of my father's house were but ° dead men before my lord the king: yet didst thou set thy servant among them that did eat at thine own table. ° What right therefore have I yet to cry any more unto the king?"

29 And the king said unto him, ° "Why speakest thou any more of thy matters? ° I have said, ° Thou and Ziba divide ° the land."

30 And Mephibosheth said unto the king, "Yea, let him take all, ° forasmuch as my lord the king is come again in peace unto his own house."

31 And Barzillai the Gileadite came down from Rogelim, and went over Jordan with the king, to conduct him over Jordan.

32 Now Barzillai was a very aged man, even fourscore years old: and he had provided the king of sustenance while he lay at Mahanaim; for he was a very great ° man.

33 And the king said unto Barzillai, "Come thou over with me, and I will feed thee with me in Jerusalem."

34 And Barzillai said unto the king, ° "How long have I to live, that I should go up with the king unto Jerusalem?"

35 I am this day fourscore years old: and ° can I discern between good and ° evil? ° can thy servant taste what I eat or what I drink? ° can I hear any more the voice of singing men and singing women? wherefore then should thy servant be yet a burden unto my lord the king?

36 Thy servant will go a little way over Jordan with the king: and why should the king recompense it me with such a reward?

37 Let thy servant, I pray thee, turn back again, that I may die in mine own city, and be buried by the grave of my father and of my mother. But ° behold thy servant Chimham; let him go over with my lord the king; and do to him what shall seem good unto thee."

38 And the king answered, "Chimham shall go over with me, and I will do to him that which shall seem good unto thee: and whatsoever thou shalt require of me, that will I do for thee."

39 And all the people went over Jordan.

And when the king was come over, the king kissed Barzillai, and blessed him; and he returned unto his own place.

40 Then the king went on to Gilgal, and Chimham went on with him:

and ° all the People of Judah conducted the king, and also ° half the People of Israel.

41 And, ° behold, all the ° men of Israel came to the king, and said unto the king, ° "Why have our brethren the ° men of Judah stolen thee away, and have brought the king, and his household, and all David's ° men with him, over Jordan?"

42 And all the ° men of Judah answered the men of Israel, "Because the king is near of kin to us: wherefore then be ye angry for this matter? have we eaten at all of the king's cost? or hath he given us any gift?"

43 And the ° men of Israel answered the ° men of Judah, and said, "We have ten parts in the king, and we have also more right in David than ye: why then did ye despise us, that our advice should not be first had in bringing back our king?"

And the words of the ° men of Judah were fiercer than the words of the ° men of Israel.

29 Why speakest...? Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6), to show dissatisfaction with Mephibosheth's defence. Hence his division of Saul's estate. See note on v. 26. I have said. Cp. 9. 10. David revokes 16. 4, and falls back on 9. 10.

Thou and Ziba. Cp. 16. 4. the land: i. e. Saul's estate.

30 forasmuch = now that.

19. 31-43 (N, p. 428). JERUSALEM. DAVID'S RE-ENTRY. (*Alternation*.)

N | s | 31-38. Barzillai.
t | 39-. The People.
s | -39, 40-. Barzillai.
t | -40-43. The People.

34 How long...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

35 can...? ... can...? Fig. *Anaphora*. Ap. 6. evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

-40-43 (t, above). THE PEOPLE. (*Repeated Alternation*.)

t | u¹ | -40. Judah and Israel. Escort of king.
v¹ | 41. Israel. Complaint.
u² | 42. Judah. Answer.
v² | 43-. Israel. Complaint.
u³ | -43. Judah and Israel. Prevalence.

40 all... half. A whole-hearted act on the part of Judah: and a half-hearted act on the part of Israel. This explains what follows.

41 Why...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

20. 1-22 (Y³, p. 424). SHEBA'S REVOLT. (*Introversion*.)

Y³ | w | 1, 2-. Sheba. Revolt made.
x | -2. Judah's loyalty.
y | 3. David's concubines.
x | 4-13. Judah's loyalty.
w | 14-22. Sheba. Revolt quelled.

1 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

son of Bichri = a descendant of Becher (Gen. 46. 21). tents. One of the emendations of the *Sopherim* (Ap. 33), by which they transposed the middle two letters of the primitive text and made it read "tents" instead of "gods". The same was done in 1 Kings 12. 16, and 2 Chron. 10. 16. See notes there.

4-13 (x, above). JUDAH'S LOYALTY. (*Repeated Alternation*.)

x | z¹ | 4, 5. Amasa. Disloyalty.
a¹ | 6, 7. Joab and Abishai. Pursuit.
z² | 8-10-. Amasa. Murder.
a² | -10, 11. Joab and Abishai. Proclamation.
z³ | 12, 13-. Amasa. Dead.
a³ | -13. Joab. Pursuit.

20 And there happened to be there a ° man of Belial, whose name was Sheba, the ° son of Bichri, a Benjamite: and he blew a trumpet, and said, "We have no part in David, neither have we inheritance in the son of Jesse: every ° man to his ° tents, O Israel."

2 So every ° man of Israel went up from after David, and followed Sheba the son of Bichri: but the ° men of Judah clave unto their king, from Jordan even to Jerusalem.

3 And David came to his house at Jerusalem; and the king took the ten women his concubines, whom he had left to keep the house, and put them in ward, and fed them, but went not in unto them. So they were shut up unto the day of their death, living in widowhood.

4 Then said the king to Amasa, "Assemble me the ° men of Judah within three days, and be thou here present."

983 5 So Amasa went to assemble *the men of* Judah: but he tarried longer than the set time which he had appointed him.

a¹ 6 And David said to Abishai, "Now shall
(p. 436) Sheba the son of Bichri do us more harm than *did* Absalom: take ^o thou thy lord's servants, and pursue after him, lest he get him fenced cities, and escape us."

7 And there went out after him Joab's ^o men, and the Cherethites, and the Pelethites, and all the mighty men: and they went out of Jerusalem, to pursue after Sheba the son of Bichri.

z² 8 When they were at the great stone which is in Gibeon, Amasa went before them. And Joab's garment that he had put on was girded unto him, and upon it a girdle *with* a sword fastened upon his loins in the sheath thereof; and ^o as he went forth it fell out.

9 And Joab said to Amasa, ^o "Art thou in health, my brother?" And Joab took Amasa by the beard with the right hand to kiss him.

10 But Amasa took no heed to the sword that was in Joab's hand: so he smote him therewith in the fifth *rib*, and shed out his bowels to the ground, and struck him not again; and he died.

a² So Joab and Abishai his brother pursued after Sheba the son of Bichri.

11 And one of Joab's ¹ men stood by him, and said, "He that favoureth Joab, and he that is for David, *let him go* after Joab."

z³ 12 And Amasa wallowed in blood in the midst of the highway. And when the ¹ man saw that all the People stood still, he removed Amasa out of the highway into the field, and cast a cloth upon him, when he saw that every one that came by him stood still.

13 When ^o he was removed out of the highway,

a³ all the ^o People went on after Joab, to pursue after Sheba the son of Bichri.

w b 14 And ^o he went through all the tribes of
(p. 437) Israel unto Abel, and to Beth-maachah, and all the ^o Berites: and they were gathered together, and went also after ^o him.

c 15 And they came and besieged him in Abel of Beth-maachah, and they cast up a ^o bank against the city, and it stood in the ^o trench: and all the People that were with Joab battered the wall, to throw it down.

b 16 Then cried a wise woman out of the city, "Hear, ^o hear; say, I pray you, unto Joab, 'Come near hither, that I may speak with thee.'"

17 And when he was come near unto her, the woman said, "Art thou Joab?" And he answered, "I am he." Then she said unto him, "Hear the words of thine handmaid." And he answered, "I do hear."

18 Then she spake, saying, "They were wont to speak in old time, saying, ^o 'They shall surely ask counsel at Abel:' and so they ended the matter."

19 I am one of them that are peaceable and faithful in Israel: thou seekest to destroy ^o a city and a mother in Israel: why wilt thou swallow up the inheritance of ^o the LORD?"

6 thou. Some codices, with two early printed editions, read "now", and others, with Sept., read "now therefore".

7 men. Heb. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

8 as he went forth it fell out - and it (the sword) dropped out, and fell.

9 Art thou...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

13 he was removed, or, thrust. people. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

20. 14-22 (w, p. 436). SHEBA. REVOLT QUELLED.
(Alternation.)

w b | 14. Abel. Flight to.

c | 15. Siege laid.

b | 16-22-. Abel. Parley at.

c | -22. Siege raised.

14 he - Joab.

Berites = Bichrites (v. 1).

him = Sheba.

15 bank = mound.

trench = rampart.

16 hear. Repeated by Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6.

18 They shall, &c. Fig. *Paræmia*. Ap. 6.

19 a city and a mother = a city, a mother city, too. Fig. *Hendiadys* (Ap. 6): i. e. a metropolitan city.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

20 far be it. Repeated by Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6.

21 mount = hill country.

Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

22 all. Some codices, with three early printed editions, omit "all".

her wisdom. Cp. Ecc. 9. 14, 15.

tent. Cp. 19. 8.

23-26 (K, p. 414). DAVID'S OFFICERS.
(Alternation.)

K | d | 23. Military.

e | 24. Civil.

d | 25. Ecclesiastical.

e | 26. Civil.

23 Benaiah. Cp. 8. 18; 23. 20. 1 Kings 1. 8; 2. 34.

24 Adoram. Same name as Adoniram (1 Kings 4. 6).

25 scribe, or secretary. Cp. 8. 17.

26 chief ruler. Cp. 8. 18; 23. 38.

20 And Joab answered and said, "Far be it, ^o far be it from me, that I should swallow up or destroy.

21 The matter is not so: but a ¹ man of ^o mount Ephraim, Sheba the son of Bichri by name, hath lifted up his hand against the king, *even* against David: deliver him only, and I will depart from the city." And the woman said unto Joab, ^o "Behold, his head shall be thrown to thee over the wall."

22 Then the woman went unto ^o all the people in ^o her wisdom. And they cut off the head of Sheba the son of Bichri, and cast it out to Joab.

And he blew a trumpet, and they retired from the city, every ¹ man to his ^o tent. And Joab returned to Jerusalem unto the king.

23 Now Joab was over all the host of Israel: and ^o Benaiah the son of Jehoiada was over the Cherethites and over the Pelethites:

24 And ^o Adoram was over the tribute: and Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud was recorder:

25 And Sheva was ^o scribe: and Zadok and Abiathar were the priests:

26 And Ira also the Jairite was a ^o chief ruler about David.

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21 Then there was a °famine in the days of David three years, °year after year; and David enquired of °the LORD. And °the LORD answered, "It is for Saul, and for his bloody house, because he slew the Gibeonites."

2 And the king called the °Gibeonites, and said unto them; °(now the Gibeonites °were not of the °children of Israel, but of the remnant of the Amorites; and the °children of Israel had sworn unto them: and Saul sought to slay them in his zeal to the °children of Israel and Judah.)

3 Wherefore David said unto the Gibeonites, "What shall I do for you? and wherewith shall I make the atonement, that ye may bless the inheritance of °the LORD?"

4 And the Gibeonites said unto him, "We will have no silver nor gold of Saul, nor of his house; neither for us shalt thou kill °any man in Israel." And he said, "What ye shall say, that will I do for you."

5 And they answered the king, "The °man that consumed us, and that devised against us that we should be destroyed from remaining in any of the °coasts of Israel,

6 Let seven °men of his sons be delivered unto us, and we will hang them up unto °the LORD in Gibeah of Saul, whom °the LORD did choose." And the king said, "I will give them."

7 But the king spared Mephibosheth, the son of Jonathan the son of Saul, because of °the LORD's oath that was between them, between David and Jonathan the son of Saul.

8 But the king took the two sons of Rizpah the daughter of Aiah, whom she bare unto Saul, Armoni and Mephibosheth; and the five sons of °Michal the daughter of Saul, whom she brought up for Adriel the son of Barzillai the Meholahite:

9 And he delivered them into the hands of the Gibeonites, and they hanged them in the hill before °the LORD: and they fell all seven together, and °were put to death in the days of harvest, in the first days, in the beginning of barley harvest.

10 And Rizpah the daughter of Aiah took sackcloth, and spread it for her upon the rock, from the beginning of harvest until water dropped upon them out of heaven, and suffered neither the birds of the air to rest on them by day, nor the beasts of the field by night.

11 And it was told David what Rizpah the daughter of Aiah, the concubine of Saul, had done.

12 And David went and took the bones of Saul and the bones of Jonathan his son from the °men of Jabesh-gilead, which had stolen them from the °street of Beth-shan, where the Philistines had hanged them, °when the Philistines had slain Saul in Gilboa:

13 And he brought up from thence the bones of Saul and the bones of Jonathan his son; and they gathered the bones of them that were hanged.

14 And the bones of Saul °and Jonathan his son buried they in the country of Benjamin in Zelah, in the sepulchre of Kish his father: and they performed °all that the king commanded.

21. 1-14 (L, p. 414). DAVID'S ZEAL. (Introversion.)

L f | 1. The land. God's judgment on it.
g | 2-9. Saul's sons. Reparation.
h | 10, 11. Rizpah. Mourning.
g | 12-14-. Saul's sons. Recovery of bones.
f | -14. The land. God intreated for it.

1 famine. One of the thirteen mentioned. See note on Gen. 12. 10.

year after year=the year after that year: i. e. 932. David being now fifty-eight.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 Gibeonites. Cp. Josh. 9. 3, 16, 17.

now. Note the Fig. Parenthesis. Ap. 6.

were=they [were]. children =sons.

4 any man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

5 coasts=borders.

6 men. Heb. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

8 Michal. Some codices, cited in the *Massōrah*, with Sept. and Syr., read "Merab", as in 1 Sam. 18. 19.

12 men=lords, or masters (Heb. *baalim*). Cp. 1 Sam. 31. 10, 13.

street. The open space by the gate (2 Chron. 32. 6. Neh. 8. 1, 3, 16). **when**—in the day.

14 and Jonathan. Some codices, with two early printed editions, and Sept., read "the bones of Jonathan".

all. Some codices, with one early printed edition, read "according to all".

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

15-22 (M, p. 414). WARS AND EVENTS. (Repeated Alternation.)

M i¹ | 15. War with Philistines.
k¹ | 16, 17. Giant (Ishbi-benob). Slain by Abishai.
i² | 18-. Battle at Gob.
k² | -18. Giant (Saph). Slain by Sibbechai.
i³ | 19-. Battle at Gob.
k³ | -19. Giant (brother of Goliath). Slain by Elhanan.
i⁴ | 20-. Battle at Gath.
k¹ | -20, 21. Giant. Slain by Jonathan.
i⁵ | 22. End of war.

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waxed faint. David was now sixty.

16 giant=Rapha. See Ap. 23 and 25.

thought to have slain, or, said he would slay.

17 light=lamp. Cp. Gen. 15. 17. 1 Kings 15. 4. Prov. 13. 9; 20. 20, though not the same word in Gen. 15. 17.

18 Gob. Some codices, with two early printed editions, read "Nob".

And after that °God was intreated for the land.

15 Moreover the Philistines had yet °war again with Israel; and David went down, and his servants with him, and fought against the Philistines: and David °waxed faint.

16 And Ishbi-benob, which was of the sons of the °giant, the weight of whose spear weighed three hundred *shekels* of brass in weight, he being girded with a new sword, °thought to have slain David.

17 But Abishai the son of Zeruiah succoured him, and smote the Philistine, and killed him. Then the °men of David sware unto him, saying, "Thou shalt go no more out with us to battle, that thou quench not the °light of Israel."

18 And it came to pass after this, that there was again a battle with the Philistines at °Gob:

then Sibbechai the Hushathite slew Saph, which was of the sons of the °giant.

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19 And there was again a battle in ¹⁸Gob with the Philistines,

k³ where Elhanan the son of Jaare-oregim, a Beth-lehemite, slew °the brother of °Goliath the Gittite, the °staff of whose spear was like a weaver's beam.

i⁴ 20 And there was yet a battle in Gath,

k⁴ where was a °man of great stature, that had on every hand six fingers, and on every foot six toes, four and twenty in number; and he also was born to the ¹⁶giant.

21 And when he °defied Israel, Jonathan the son of Shimeah the brother of David slew him.

i⁵ 22 These four were born to the ¹⁶giant in Gath, and fell by the hand of David, and by the hand of his servants.

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22 And °David spake unto °the LORD the words of °this song in the day that °the LORD had delivered him out of the hand of all his enemies, and out of the hand of Saul:

U 2 And he said,

1 "The LORD is my °rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer;

3 °The °God of my °rock; in Him will I trust:

He is my shield, and the horn of my salvation,

My high tower, and my refuge,
My saviour; Thou savest me from violence.

V I A 4 I will call on ¹the LORD, Who is worthy to be praised:
So shall I be saved from mine enemies.

B 5 °When the waves of death compassed me,
The floods of °ungodly men made me afraid;

B 6 The °sorrows of hell compassed me about;
The snares of death prevented me;

A 7 In my distress I called upon ¹the LORD,
And cried to my ³God:
And He did hear my voice out of His temple,
And my cry did enter into His ears.

m C 8 Then the earth shook and trembled;

D °The foundations of heaven moved
And shook, because He was wroth.

9 There went up a smoke out of His nostrils,
And fire out of His mouth devoured:
Coals were kindled by it.

10 He bowed the heavens also, and came down;

E And darkness was under His feet.

F 11 And He rode upon a cherub, and did °fly:
And He °was seen upon the wings of the °wind.

E 12 And He made darkness pavilions round about Him,
°Dark waters, and thick clouds of the skies.

D 13 Through the brightness before Him were coals of fire kindled.

19 the brother of Goliath. Omit the italics, and understand another giant of the same name as the Goliath of 1 Sam. 17.

staff. Heb. "wood", put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause) for what was made from it. Ap. 6.

21 defied = reproached.

22. 1-23. 7 (H, p. 414). WORSHIP.
(Division.)

H | T¹ | 22. 1-51. Song of David.
| T² | 23. 1-7. Last words of David.

1-51 (T¹, above). SONG OF DAVID.
(Introversion and Alternation.)

T¹ | U | 2, 3. Praise.
| V | 1 | 4-7. Prayer made.
| | m | 8-16. Overthrow of enemies. Tempest.
| V | 1 | 17-28. Prayer answered.
| | m | 29-49. Overthrow of enemies. Arms.
| U | 50, 51. Praise.

1 David spake. At this point in his history (about 1018 B. C.). This song was written and edited by him later as Ps. 18, with the full liberty of all other editors of their own work.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

this song. Cp. Ex. 15. Deut. 32.

2 rock. Heb. *sel'a* - a shadow, or shelter. First occurrence.

3 The God of my rock. Sept. and Syr. read "My God was my rock" = immovable defence (Deut. 32. 4). God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

rock. Heb. *zûr* - a cliff, *in situ*. See Ps. 18. 2; 31. 3; 42. 9; 71. 3.

4-7 (1, above). PRAYER MADE.
(Introversion.)

I | A | 4. Call for deliverance.
| B | 5. Compassed by pangs.
| B | 6. Compassed by sorrows.
| A | 7. Call for deliverance.

5 When, or, For. ungodly men = Belial.

6 sorrows of hell = meshes of Sheol. See Ap. 35.

8-16 (m, above). OVERTHROW OF ENEMIES.
TEMPEST. (Introversion.)

m | C | 8-. On earth. Wonders.
| D | -8-10-. In heaven. Fire.
| E | -10. Darkness.
| F | 11. Speedy succour.
| E | 12. Darkness.
| D | 13-15. In heaven. Fire.
| C | 16. On earth. Wonders.

8 The. Some codices, with Sept. and Syr., read "and the".

11 fly. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

was seen. Some codices, with two early printed editions, read "and darted".

wind. Heb. *rûach*. Ap. 9.

12 Dark = gathering of.

14 the MOST HIGH. Heb. *Elyôn*. Ap. 4. VI

16 channels. Heb. *'āphikim*, a watercourse, constrained by rocks or pipes or rocky channels. First occurrence. See Job 6. 15; 12. 21; 40. 18; 41. 15. Ps. 18. 16; 42. 1; 126. 4. Song 5. 12. Isa. 8. 7. Ezek. 6. 3; 31. 12; 32. 6; 34. 13; 35. 8; 36. 4, 6. Joel 1. 20; 3. 18. See notes on these eighteen passages for the various renderings.

14 ¹The LORD thundered from heaven,

And °the MOST HIGH uttered His voice.

15 And He sent out arrows, and scattered them;

Lightning, and discomfited them.

16 And the °channels of the sea appeared,

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The foundations of the world were °discovered,
At the rebuking of ¹ the LORD,
At the °blast of the °breath of His nostrils.

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17 He sent from above, He took me ;
He drew me out of many waters ;
18 He delivered me from my strong enemy,
And ° from them that hated me :

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For they were too strong for me.

H

19 They °prevented me in the day of my calamity :

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But ¹ the LORD was my stay.
20 He brought me forth also into a large place :
He delivered me, because He delighted in me.

21 ¹ The LORD rewarded me according to my righteousness :
According to the cleanness of my hands
hath He recompensed me.

22 For I have kept the ways of ¹ the LORD,
And have not wickedly departed from my ³ God.

23 For all His °judgments were before me :
And as for His statutes, I did not depart from them.

24 I was also °upright before Him,
And have kept myself from mine °iniquity.

25 Therefore ¹ the LORD hath recompensed me according to my righteousness ;
According to my cleanness in His eye sight.

26 With the °merciful Thou wilt shew Thyself °merciful,

°And with the ²⁴ upright °man Thou wilt shew Thyself ²⁴ upright.

27 With the pure Thou wilt shew Thyself pure ;

And with the froward Thou wilt °shew Thyself °unsavoury.

28 And the afflicted people Thou wilt save :
But Thine eyes are upon the haughty,
That Thou mayest bring them down.

m J

29 For Thou art my °lamp, ¹ O LORD :
And ¹ the LORD will lighten my darkness.

K

30 For by Thee I have run through a troop :
°By my ³ God have I leaped over a wall.

31 As for °GOD, His way is perfect ;
The °word of ¹ the LORD °is tried :
He is a buckler to all them that trust in Him.

32 For °who is ³¹ GOD, save ¹ the LORD ?
And °who is a rock, save our ³ God ?

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33 ³¹ GOD is my °strength and °power :
And He °maketh my way perfect.

34 He maketh my feet like hinds' feet :
And °setteth me upon °my high places.

35 He teacheth my hands to war ;
So that a bow of steel is broken by mine arms.

36 Thou hast also given me the shield of Thy salvation :

And Thy gentleness hath made me great.
37 Thou hast enlarged my steps under me ;
So that my feet did not slip.

38 I have pursued mine enemies, and destroyed them ;
And turned not again until I had consumed them.

discovered = laid bare.

blast = n'shāmāh. Ap. 16.

breath. Heb. rūach. Ap. 9.

22. 17-28 (l, p. 439). PRAYER ANSWERED. (Introversion.)

l G | 17, 18-. Deliverance.

H | -18. Enemies.

H | 19-. Enemies.

G | -19-28. Deliverance.

18 from. Some codices, with Syr. and Vulg., read "and from". Cp. Ps. 18. 17.

19 prevented = got before.

23 judgments. Cp. Deut. 4. 1, note.

24 upright = blameless. Heb. tāmim.

iniquity. Heb. 'āvāh. Ap. 44. iv.

26 merciful = gracious.

And. Some codices, with two early printed editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read this "And" in text. man. Heb. gibbōr. Ap. 14. IV.

27 shew Thyself unsavoury = show Thyself ready to contend.

unsavoury = a wrestler. Cp. Ps. 18. 26.

29-49 (m, p. 439). OVERTHROW OF ENEMIES. ARMS. (Extended Alternation.)

m J | 29. Jehovah my light.

K | 30-32. God my avenger.

L | 33-40. God my strength.

M | 41-46. Deliverance.

J | 47. Jehovah my life.

K | 48. God my avenger.

L | 49-. God my exalter.

M | -49. Deliverance.

29 lamp = light.

30 By. Some codices, with two early printed editions, Sept., Aram., and Syr., read "And by".

31 GOD. Heb. 'El. Ap. 4. IV.

word = statements. Heb. 'imrah, what is said. See Ap. 73. v.

is tried = hath been proved.

32 who ... ? Fig. Erotēsis. Ap. 6.

33 strength = fortress.

power = strength.

maketh my way perfect: or, showeth to the blameless His way. Some codices, with two early printed editions, read "my way", as in Ps. 18. 32.

34 setteth = maketh me to stand firm.

my high places. Contrast the "high places" so fatal to Jonathan and Saul (1. 25).

42 looked = looked about. But Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg. read "cried out". Cp. Ps. 18. 41.

44 strivings = contentions.

39 And I have consumed them, and wounded them, that they could not arise :

Yea, they are fallen under my feet.

40 For Thou hast girded me with strength to battle :

Them that rose up against me hast Thou subdued under me.

41 Thou hast also given me the necks of mine enemies, M

That I might destroy them that hate me.

42 They °looked, but there was none to save ;
Even unto ¹ the LORD, but He answered them not.

43 Then did I beat them as small as the dust of the earth,

I did stamp them as the mire of the street,
And did spread them abroad.

44 Thou also hast delivered me from the °strivings of my People,

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Thou hast kept me *to be* head of the
° heathen :

A people *which* I knew not shall serve me.
45 ° Strangers ° shall submit themselves unto
me :

As soon as they hear, they shall be obe-
dient unto me.

46 45 Strangers shall fade away,
And they ° shall be afraid out of their close
places.

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47 1 The LORD liveth; and blessed *be* my rock;
And exalted *be* the ° God of the rock of my
salvation.

K

48 It *is* 31 GOD That avengeth me,
And That bringeth down the ° People under
me,

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49 And That bringeth me forth from mine
enemies:
Thou also hast lifted me up on high above
them that rose up against me :

M

Thou hast delivered me from the ° violent
° man.

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50 Therefore I will give thanks unto Thee, O
1 LORD, among the 44 heathen,
And I will sing praises unto Thy name.

51 *He is* the ° tower of salvation for His king:
And sheweth mercy to His anointed,
Unto David, and to his seed for evermore."

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23 Now these *be* the ° last ° words of David.
David the son of Jesse ° said,
And the ° man *who was* raised up on high,
The anointed of the ° God of Jacob,
And the sweet psalmist of Israel, ° said,

X²

2 "The ° Spirit of ° the LORD ° spake by me,
And His ° word *was* in my tongue.

3 The 1 God of ° Israel ° said,
The Rock of ° Israel ° spake to me,

W² n

° He that ruleth over ° men *must be* just,

o

Ruling in the fear of 1 God.

o p

4 ° And *he shall be* as the light of the morn-
ing, when the ° sun riseth,

q

Even a morning without clouds ;

p

As the tender grass *springing* out of the
earth

q

By clear shining after rain.'

n r¹ s

5 ° Although my house *be* not so with ° GOD ;

t

° Yet He hath made with me an everlasting
covenant,

t

Ordered in all *things*, and sure :

s

° For *this is* all my salvation, and all my
desire,

° Although He make ° *it* not to grow.

heathen = Gentile nations.

45 Strangers = foreigners.
shall submit themselves, or give a feigned and un-
willing obedience.

46 shall be afraid out of their close places - shall
come forth trembling from their hiding-places.

48 People = Peoples.

49 violent man : i. e. Saul.

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

51 tower. Fig. *Prosopopeia*. Ap. 6.

23. 1-7 (T², p. 439). LAST WORDS OF DAVID.
(Division.)

T² | W¹ | 1-3-. The speaker.

| W² | -3-7. His words.

1-3- (W¹, above). THE SPEAKER. (Division.)

W¹ | X¹ | 1. David's mouth.

| X² | 2, 3-. Not David's words.

Chapter 23 follows 24, but is placed here (by the Fig.
Hystero-logia) so as to include David's "last words" with
his "song" under his "worship", and make the corre-
spondence shown in the Structure. See p. 414.

1 last words. Hence their importance.

words = discourse, message, oracle, revelation. Heb.
dabar. Ap. 73. x.

said. Heb. *nā'am* = to speak with assurance and
authority. man. Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. IV.

God. Heb. *'Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

God of Jacob : i. e. the God Who met Jacob when he
had nothing and deserved nothing (but wrath), and
promised him all = therefore "the God of all grace".
Cp. Ps. 146. 5 and 1 Pet. 5. 10, referring to the grace
which had called David.

2 Spirit = *rūach*. Ap. 9.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

spake : referring to the *substance* of the Divine
revelation. Heb. *dabar* = to utter. See Ap. 73. x.

word. Heb. *millāh*. Used of a royal or divine decree
(Ps. 19. 14. Dan. 3. 22, 28, &c.).

3 Israel. The higher title (not Jacob), because human
instrumentality not in question here.

said. Here Heb. *'amar*, referring to the *matter* of the
Divine revelation. See Ap. 73. v.

spake. See note on "spake", v. 2.

men. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

-3-7 (W², above). THE WORDS. (Introversion.)

W² | n | -3-. The ruler. Ideal.

| o | -3. The ideal rule.

| o | 4. The ideal rule.

| n | 5-7. The ruler. Actual.

} The Ruler, and his
rule.

4 (o, above). THE IDEAL RULE. (Introversion.)

o | p | 4-. The light. Effect in heavens.

| q | -4-. Its clearness.

| q | -4. Its clearness.

| p | -4-. The light. Effect on earth.

} This is
the order
in Heb.

4 And he shall be. Translate in present tense,
describing such an ideal rule.

sun. Cp. Ps. 72. 6, 7, 16. Jer. 23. 5, 6. Mal. 4. 2.

5-7 (n, above). THE RULER. ACTUAL.
(Division.)

n | r¹ | 5. The ruler.

| r² | 6, 7. The ruled.

5 (r¹, above). THE RULER. (Introversion.)

r¹ | s | 5-. David's house.

| t | -5-. God's covenant with David.

| t | -5-. God's covenant with David.

| s | -5. David's house.

5 Although = For (Heb. *kī*). GOD. Heb. *El*. Ap. 4. IV. Yet = for (Heb. *kī*). For (Heb. *kī*). Punc-
tuate and translate :

r¹ | s | For is not my house thus through God ?

| t | For He hath made a covenant . . . sure (2 Sam. 7).

| t | For this (Covenant) is all my . . . desire.

| s | For shall He not cause it to prosper ?

} The Covenant.

it = i. e. my house.

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6 But the sons of Belial shall be all of them as thorns ° thrust away,

Because they cannot be ° taken with hands:

v
u 7 But the ° man that shall touch them must be ° fenced with iron and the staff of a spear;

u And they shall be utterly burned with fire ° in the same place."

J Y 8 These be the names of ° the mighty men whom David had:

Z A w¹ ° The Tachmonite that sat in the seat, chief among the captains; the same was Adino the Eznite:

x¹ he lift up his spear against eight hundred, whom he slew at one time.

w² 9 And after him was Eleazar the son of Dodo the Ahohite, one of the three ° mighty men with David, when they defied the Philistines that were there gathered together to battle, and ° the men of Israel were gone away:

x² 10 He arose, and smote the Philistines until his hand was weary, and his hand clave unto the sword: and ° the LORD wrought a great victory that day; and the people returned after him only to spoil.

w³ 11 And after him was ° Shammah the son of Agee the Hararite. And the Philistines were gathered together ° into a troop, where was a piece of ground full of ° lentils: and the people ° fled from the Philistines.

x³ 12 But he stood in the midst of the ground, and defended it, and slew the Philistines: and ° the LORD wrought a great victory.

B 13 And ° three of the ° thirty chief went down, and came to David in the harvest time unto the cave of Adullam: and the troop of the Philistines pitched in the valley of ° Rephaim. 14 And David was then in ° an hold, and the garrison of the Philistines was then in Beth-lehem.

15 And David longed, and said, "Oh that one would give me drink of the water of the well of Beth-lehem, which is by the gate!"

16 And ° the three ° mighty men brake through the host of the Philistines, and drew water out of the well of Beth-lehem, that was by the gate, and took it, and brought it to David: nevertheless he would not drink thereof, but poured it out unto ° the LORD.

17 And he said, "Be it far from me, O ° LORD, that I should do this: ° is not this the blood of the ° men that went ° in jeopardy of their ° lives?" therefore he would not drink it. These things did these three mighty men.

A w⁴ 18 And ° Abishai, the brother of Joab, the son of Zeruiah, ° was chief ° among ° three.

x⁴ And he lifted up his spear against three hundred, and slew them, and had the name among ° three.

19 ° Was he not most honourable ° of three? therefore he was their captain: howbeit he attained not unto the first ° three.

w⁵ 20 And Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, the son

23. 6, 7 (r², p. 441). THE RULED. (Introversion.)

r² u | 6-. The sons of Belial. Put to flight.
v | -6. How they cannot be ruled.
v | 7-. How they can be ruled.
u | -7. The sons of Belial. Consumed.

6 thrust away = put to flight, chased away. taken = handled.

7 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II. fenced = furnished. in the same place = on the spot.

8-39 (J, p. 414). DAVID'S MIGHTY MEN. (Introversion.)

J | Y | 8-. Names.
Z | -8-24-. Principal.
Z | -24-39-. Subordinate.
Y | -39. Number.

-8-24- (Z, above). THE PRINCIPAL. (Introversion and Repeated Alternation.)

Z | A | w¹ | -8-. Adino.
x¹ | -8. His achievement.
w² | 9. Eleazar.
x² | 10. His achievement.
w³ | 11. Shammah.
x³ | 12. His achievement.
B | 13-17. Three together.
A | w⁴ | 18-. Abishai.
x⁴ | -18, 19. Achievement and rank.
w⁵ | 20-. Benaiah.
x⁵ | -20-23. Achievement and rank.
w⁶ | 24-. Asahel.
First three.
Second three.

8 the mighty men. Heb. gibbor. Ap. 14. IV. This rehearsal comes at the end of David's reign, immediately before the setting up of the kingdom under Solomon. Even so will it be, at the time of the end, with the true David.

The Tachmonite that sat in the seat. A.V. marg. and R.V. text = "Josheb-bassebet the Tachmonite". Really = Ish-bosheth, put for Ish-baal = "man of Baal, son of a Hachmonite" (cp. 1 Chron. 11. 11), altered later to Adino. Cp. St. Peter's exploit (Acts 2), and Stephen's (Acts 6. 7).

9 the men of Israel were gone away. This is the time for true courage to be manifested. Cp. v. 11. 2 Tim. 1. 15; 4. 16, 17.

10 the LORD (Heb. Jehovah, Ap. 4. II) wrought. Cp. v. 12, and see Acts 14. 27; 15. 4, 12; 21. 19.

11 Shammah. Like Acts 14. 3. into a troop. Probably = the place, Lehi. lentils. See note on 1 Chron. 11. 13.

fled. See note on v. 9, "gone away".

13 three . . . thirty. See note on 1 Chron. 27. 1.

Rephaim = Rapha. A noted descendant of the Nephilim. See Ap. 23 and 25.

14 an hold = a fort, or garrison.

16 the three. The three referred to in v. 13.

17 is not this . . . ? Supply instead "shall I drink?" men. Heb. 'enosh. Ap. 14. III.

in jeopardy of their lives = with their lives [in their hands].

lives = souls. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13. "Soul" put by Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for "blood", which is another name for it. Cp. Gen. 9. 4. Lev. 17. 11. Deut. 12. 23. Ap. 13.

18 Abishai. Mentioned in 10. 10, 14; 16. 9; 18. 2; 19. 21. 1 Sam. 26. 6-9.

was - he [was]. among = of.

19 Was he not . . . ? Fig. Erotēsis. Ap. 6.

of three = of [the second] three. See the Structure above, and note on v. 13.

20 lionlike men. Men of Ariel. Ariel, proper name, occurs only here and twice in Isa. 29. 1, 2.

of a valiant ° man, of Kabzeel, who had done many acts,

he slew two ° lionlike men of Moab: he went x⁵

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down also and slew ° a lion in the midst of ° a pit in time of ° snow :

21 And he slew an Egyptian, a ° goodly ° man ; and the Egyptian had a spear in his hand ; but he went down to him with a staff, and plucked the spear out of the Egyptian's hand, and slew him ° with his own spear.

22 These things did Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and had the name among three ° mighty men.

23 He was more honourable than the thirty, but he attained not to the first ¹³ three. And David set him over his guard.

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24 ° Asahel the ° brother of Joab was one of the ¹³ thirty ;

Elhanan the son of Dodo of Beth-lehem,

25 Shammah the Harodite,

Elika the Harodite,

26 Helez the Paltite,

Ira the son of Ikesh the Tekoite,

27 Abiezer the Anethothite,

Mebunnai the Hushathite,

28 Zalmon the Ahohite,

Maharai the Netophathite,

29 Heleb the son of Baanah, a Netophathite, Ittai the son of Ribai out of Gibeah of the children of Benjamin,

30 Benaiah the Pirathonite,

Hiddai of the brooks of Gaash,

31 Abi-albon the Arbathite,

Azmaveth the Barhumite,

32 Eliahba the Shaalbonite,

Of the sons of Jashen, Jonathan,

33 Shammah the Hararite,

Ahiam the son of Sharar the Hararite,

34 Eliphelet the son of Ahasbai, ° the son of the Maachathite,

Eliam the ° son of Ahithophel the Gilonite,

35 Hezrai the Carmelite,

Paarai the Arbite,

36 Igal the son of Nathan of Zobah,

Bani the Gadite,

37 Zelek the Ammonite,

Nahari the Beerothite, ° armourbearer to Joab the son of Zeruiah,

38 Ira an Ithrite,

Gareb an Ithrite,

39 ° Uriah the Hittite :

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° thirty and seven in all.

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24 ° And again the anger of ° the LORD was kindled against Israel,

and ° He moved David against them to say, "Go, number Israel and Judah."

2 For the king said to Joab the captain of the host, which was with him, "Go now through all the tribes of Israel, from Dan even to Beer-sheba, and number ye the People, that I may know the number of the People."

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3 And Joab said unto the king, "Now ¹ the LORD thy ° God add unto the People, how many soever they be, an hundredfold, and that the eyes of my lord the king may see it : but why doth my lord the king delight in this thing ?"

4 Notwithstanding the king's word prevailed against Joab, and against the captains of the host. And Joab and the captains of the host

a . . . a . . . snow. All these have the Art., as being a well-known exploit.

21 goodly of appearance. Heb. - a sight to see. 1 Chron. 11. 23 = stature.

with his own spear. Often done now spiritually by the servants of the true David.

24 Asahel. The third of the second three.

brother of Joab, but not Joab. His name here but not himself, because when the time of the end comes. with its "last words", loyalty will be the one test. Joab remained true in Absalom's rebellion, but fell away in Adonijah's. Hence in 1 Cor. 16. 22 "love" is the test, in the light of "Maran-atha", not the "strifes" of ch. 3, or the wrong judgments of ch. 4, or the uncleanness of ch. 5, or going to law of ch. 6 ; not the fornication of ch. 7, not a wrong conscience of chs. 9, 10, not ecclesiastical disorders of ch. 11, not the misuse of special gifts (chs. 12, 13, 14), not orthodoxy (ch. 15), but "love" and loyalty to the Person of Christ, the true David, David's son and David's Lord.

34 the. Probably "Hanan", the son, &c. (1 Chron. 11. 43), making three named in this verse.

son of Ahithophel. But not Ahithophel himself, on account of his disloyalty. See note on v. 24, above.

37 armourbearer. Joab's armourbearer named, but not Joab himself. See note on v. 24, above.

39 Uriah. Is doubly honoured, being named with his son ; but Joab or Ahithophel are not named. Read Jer. 9. 23, 24.

thirty and seven in all : i. e. first three + second three + thirty-one of vv. 24-39.

24. 1-25 (E, p. 414). DAVID'S SIN IN NUMBERING. (Alternation.)

E | A | 1-. Jehovah. Anger.
B | -1-10. Sin committed.
A | 11-16-. Jehovah. Judgment.
B | -16-25. Sin expiated.

-1-10 (B, above). SIN COMMITTED. (Introversion.)

B | a | -1, 2. David. Command.
b | 3, 4. Joab's objection.
b | 5-9. Joab's obedience.
a | 10. David. Confession.

1 And again. The history in this chapter precedes ch. 23, by Fig. *Hysterologia* (Ap. 6). See note on 23. 1. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

He moved = He suffered him to be moved. By Hebrew idiom (and also by modern usage) a person is said to do that which he permits to be done. Here we have the historical fact. In 1 Chron. 21. 1 we have the real fact from the Divine standpoint. Here the *exoteric*, in 1 Chron. 21. 1 the *esoteric*. For examples, see Ex. 4. 21 ; 5. 22. Jer. 4. 10. Ezek. 14. 9 ; 20. 25. Matt. 11. 25 ; 13. 11. Rom. 9. 18 ; 11. 7, 8. 2 Thess. 2. 11. God's permission, but Satan's suggestion (Jas. 1. 13, 14) ; or, *yāsath*, may be taken impersonally, "David was moved".

3 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

5 right side : i. e. the south side, facing east. river of Gad = the river valley belonging to Gad, which was the Jabbok.

6 Tahtim-hodshi. Site unknown. If translated = the lower parts of the country where the new moon was worshipped. Like Beth-shemesh = House of the Sun.

Dan-jaan = Dan in the wood, perhaps Laish-Dan (Josh. 19. 47. Judg. 18. 29). about - passed round.

went out from the presence of the king, to number the People of Israel.

5 And they passed over Jordan, and pitched in Aroer, on the ° right side of the city that lieth in the midst of the ° river of Gad, and toward Jazer :

6 Then they came to Gilead, and to the land of ° Tahtim-hodshi ; and they came to ° Dan-jaan, and ° about to Zidon,

930 7 And came to the °strong hold of Tyre, and
to to all the cities of the Hivites, and of the Ca-
923 naanites: and they °went out to the °south of
Judah, even to Beer-sheba.

8 So when they had gone through all the
land, they came to Jerusalem at the end of
°nine months and twenty days.

9 And Joab gave up the sum of the number
of the People unto the king: and there were in
°Israel eight hundred thousand valiant °men
that drew the sword; and the °men of °Judah
were five hundred thousand °men.

a (p. 443) 10 And David's heart smote him after that he
had numbered the People. And David said
unto °the LORD, "I have °sinned greatly in
that I have done: and now, I beseech thee,
O °LORD, °take away the °iniquity of Thy
servant; for I have done very foolishly."

A c (p. 444) 11 °For when David °was up in the morning,
the word of °the LORD came unto the prophet
°Gad, David's seer, saying,

12 "Go and say unto David, 'Thus saith °the
LORD, °{ offer thee three things; choose thee
one of them, that I may do it unto thee.'"

13 So °Gad came to David, and told him, and
said unto him, "Shall °seven years of famine
come unto thee in thy land? or wilt thou flee
three months before thine enemies, while they
pursue thee? or that there be three days' pesti-
lence in thy land? now °advise, and see what
answer I shall return to Him That sent me."

d 14 And David said unto °Gad, "I am in
a great strait: let us fall now into the hand
of the LORD; for His °mercies are °great:
and let me not fall into the hand of °man."

d 15 So °the LORD sent a pestilence upon Israel
from the morning even to the °time appointed:
and there died of the People from Dan even to
Beer-sheba seventy thousand °men.

c 16 And when the angel stretched out his
hand upon Jerusalem to destroy it, °the LORD
°repented Him of the °evil,

B e and said to the angel that destroyed the Peo-
ple, "It is enough: stay now thine hand."
And the angel of °the LORD was by the
threshingplace of °Araunah the Jebusite.

17 And David spake unto °the LORD when
he saw the angel that smote the People, and
said, "°Lo, { have sinned, and { have done
°wickedly: but these sheep, what have they
done? let Thine hand, I pray Thee, be against
me, and against my father's house."

f 18 And Gad came that day to David, and
said unto him, "Go up, rear an altar unto °the
LORD in the threshingfloor of °Araunah the
Jebusite."

g h¹ 19 And David, according to the saying of Gad,
went up °as °the LORD commanded.

i¹ 20 And °Araunah °looked, and saw the king
and his servants °coming on toward him: and
°Araunah went out, and bowed himself before
the king on his face upon the ground.

21 And Araunah said, "Wherefore is my
lord the king come to his servant?"

h² And David said, "To buy the threshingfloor of

7 strong hold. Cp. Josh. 19. 29.

went out. Some codices read "came [in]".
south - the Negeb. Some codices read "land". See
note on Gen. 13. 1.

8 nine months, &c. The long time implies a period
of great peace.

9 Israel = 800,000 "valiant men". Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.
Judah = 500,000 "men". Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II. [Cp.
1 Chron. 21. 5, a different classification. Israel =
1,100,000, "all they of Israel that drew sword": i. e. all
adults, not necessarily "valiant". Judah = 470,000
"men that drew sword"; not all the "men" by 30,000.]

10 I have sinned. Probably conviction of pride or
other sinful motive. Heb. hātāh. Ap. 44. i.
take away - cause to pass over. See 12. 13.
iniquity. See Ap. 44. iv.

24. 11-16- (A, p. 443). JEHOVAH. JUDGMENT. (Introversion.)

A | c | 11-13. Divine offers.
d | 14. David's decision made.
d | 15. David's decision carried out.
c | 16-. Divine forbearance.

11 For - And. was rose.
Gad. Cp. 1 Sam. 9. 9. Gad last mentioned, 1 Sam.
22. 5. Probably inspired to write this history.

12 I offer thee - I impose on thee (Heb. nata). A
choice out of God's four sore judgments (Ezek. 14. 21).

13 seven years. 1 Chron. 21. 12 = three years; also
Sept. The Heb. numeral letters for three and seven
were probably very much alike. Hence perhaps mis-
taken by an ancient scribe. Both may be right = "seven,
or even three." advise - consider, or know.

14 mercies - compassions.
great - manifold. man. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.

15 time appointed. Sept. and Syr. say the plague
lasted only till noon. So this "time" may mean for
the evening sacrifice, 3 p.m. (cp. v. 18).

16 repented. Fig. Anthropopatheia. Ap. 6.
evil. Heb. rā'a'. Ap. 44. viii.

-16-25 (B, p. 443). EXPIATION OF THE SIN. (Introversion and Repeated Alternation.)

B | e | -16, 17. Entreaty for the Land. David's.
f | 18. David. Command given to.
g | h¹ | 19. David's obedience.
i¹ | 20, 21-. Araunah's reception.
h² | 21. David's request.
i² | 22, 23. Araunah's offer.
h³ | 24. David's refusal.
f | 25-. David. Obedience.
e | -25. Entreaty for the Land. Jehovah.

Araunah the Jebusite. Perhaps spared in the
taking of Jebus. See note on 5. 8.

17 Lo. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.
wickedly. Heb. 'āvāh. Ap. 44. iv.

19 as = according as.

20 looked - looked down.

coming on = crossing over.

22 burnt sacrifice. See Ap. 43. I. ii.

thee, to build an altar unto °the LORD, that
the plague may be stayed from the people."

22 And °Araunah said unto David, "Let my
lord the king take and offer up what seemeth
good unto him: behold, here be oxen for
°burnt sacrifice, and threshing instruments
and other instruments of the oxen for wood."

23 All these things did °Araunah, as a king,
give unto the king. And Araunah said unto
the king, °"The LORD thy °God accept thee."

24 And the king said unto °Araunah, "Nay; h³
but I will surely buy it of thee at a price:

930 neither will I °offer ²²burnt offerings unto
to ¹the LORD my ³God of that which doth cost
923 me nothing." So David bought °the thresh-
ingfloor and the oxen for fifty °shekels of silver.

f 25 And David built °there an altar unto ¹the
(p. 444) LORD, and offered burnt offerings and peace
offerings.

e So ¹the LORD was intreated for the land, and
the plague was stayed from Israel.

24 offer. See Ap. 43. I. vi.

the threshingfloor and the oxen for fifty shekels
of silver. Heb. *goren* (Ruth 3. 2), mentioned in *vv.* 16, 18,
21. Not the "place", Heb. *mākōm*, of 1 Chron. 21. 25
(Ruth 4. 10), which was afterward the Temple area,
about eight acres, and for which David gave the much
larger sum of 600 shekels of gold. Two separate pur-
chases effected, the one here was hurried, as an earnest,
and the other was made later.

shekels. See Ap. 51. II.

25 there. See note on 1 Chron. 22. 1.

1 AND 2 KINGS.

THE STRUCTURE OF THE TWO BOOKS* AS A WHOLE.

THE KINGDOM.

(Division.)

A¹ | 1 Kings **1. 1** — **12. 15**. THE KINGDOM. UNITED.

A² | 1 Kings **12. 16** — 2 Kings **25. 30**. THE KINGDOM. DIVIDED.

(Covering a period of 444 years : viz. 921-477).

1 Kings **1. 1** — **12. 15** (**A¹**, above). THE KINGDOM. UNITED.

(Division.)

A¹ | **B¹** | 1 Kings 1. 1—2. 11. DAVID.

B² | 1 Kings 2. 12—11. 43. SOLOMON.

B³ | 1 Kings 12. 1-15. REHOBOAM.

1 Kings **12. 16** — 2 Kings **25. 30** (**A²**, above). THE KINGDOM. DIVIDED.

(Introversion and Repeated Alternation.)

A² | **C¹** | 1 Kings 12. 16-19. THE DIVISION OF THE KINGDOM.

D¹ | **E¹** | 1 Kings 12. 20—14. 20. ISRAEL (JEROBOAM I).

F¹ | 1 Kings 14. 21—15. 24. JUDAH (REHOBOAM, 14. 21-31; ABIJAM, 15. 1-8; ASA, 15. 9-24).

E² | 1 Kings 15. 25—22. 40. ISRAEL (NADAB, 15. 25-31; BAASHA, 15. 32—16. 7; ELAH, 16. 8-14; ZIMRI, 16. 15-20; (INTERREGNUM, 16. 21, 22); OMRI, 16. 23-28; AHAB, 16. 29—22. 40.

F² | 1 Kings 22. 41-50. JUDAH (JEHOSHAPHAT).

E³ | 1 Kings 22. 51—2 Kings 8. 15. ISRAEL (AHAZIAH, 1 Kings 22. 51—2 Kings 1. 18; (ELIJAH's Translation, 2 Kings 2. 1-25). JORAM, 2 Kings 8. 1-8. 15).

F³ | 2 Kings 8. 16-9. 29. JUDAH (JEHORAM, 8. 16-24; AHAZIAH, 8. 25-9. 29).

E⁴ | 2 Kings 9. 30—10. 36. ISRAEL (JEHU).

F⁴ | 2 Kings 11. 1-12. 21. JUDAH (ATHALIAH, 11. 1-16; JOASH, 11. 17 } DISRUPTION
—12. 21). } OF ISRAEL
AND JUDAH. †

D² | **E⁵** | 2 Kings 13. 1-25. ISRAEL (JEHOAHAZ, 13. 1-9; JEHOASH, 13. 10-25).

F⁵ | 2 Kings 14. 1-22. JUDAH (AMAZIAH, 14. 1-20; UZZIAH, 14. 21, 22).

E⁶ | 2 Kings 14. 23-29. ISRAEL (JEROBOAM II).

F⁶ | 2 Kings 15. 1-7. JUDAH (UZZIAH).

E⁷ | 2 Kings 15. 8-31. ISRAEL (ZACHARIAH, 15. 8-12; SHALLUM, 15. 13-16; MENAHEM, 15. 17-22; PEKAHIAH, 15. 23-26; PEKAH, 15. 27-31).

F⁷ | 2 Kings 15. 32—16. 20. JUDAH (JOTHAM, 15. 32-38; AHAZ, 16. 1-20).

E⁸ | 2 Kings 17. 1-41. ISRAEL (HOSHEA).

F⁸ | 2 Kings 18. 1-24. 20. JUDAH (HEZEKIAH, 18. 1-20. 21; MANASSEH, 21. 1-18; AMON, 21. 19-26; JOSIAH, 22. 1-23. 30; JEHOAHAZ, 23. 31-35; JEHOIAKIM, 23. 36—24. 7; JEHOIACHIN, 24. 8-16; ZEDEKIAH, 24. 17-20. } DISPERSION
OF ISRAEL
AND
CAPTIVITY
OF JUDAH. †

C² | 2 Kings 25. 1-30. THE ENDING OF THE KINGDOM.

* For the cause of the division of the book of Kings into two books, and for their relation to the two books of SAMUEL, see note on page 366.

† Note the division of the eight pairs into two groups, by the events which characterise the last pair of each group.

THE °FIRST BOOK OF THE °KINGS,

COMMONLY CALLED,

THE °THIRD BOOK OF THE KINGS.

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1 Now °king David was °old *and* stricken in years; and they covered him with clothes, but he °gat no heat.

2 Wherefore his °servants said unto him, "Let there be sought for my lord the king a young °virgin: and let her stand before the king, and let her cherish him, and let her lie in thy bosom, that my lord the king may get heat."

3 So they sought for a fair damsel throughout all the °coasts of Israel, and found Abishag a Shunammite, and brought her to the king.

4 And the damsel was very fair, and cherished the king, and ministered to him: but the king knew her not.

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5 Then °Adonijah the son of Haggith exalted himself, saying, "I will be king:" and he prepared him chariots and horsemen, and fifty °men to run before him.

6 And his father had not displeased him at any time in saying, "Why hast thou done so?" and he also was a very goodly man; and °his mother bare him after Absalom.

7 And he conferred with °Joab the son of Zeruah, and with Abiathar the priest: and they following Adonijah helped him.

b

8 But Zadok the priest, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and Nathan the prophet, and Shimei, and Rei, and the °mighty men which belonged to David, were not with Adonijah.

a

9 And Adonijah slew sheep and oxen and fat cattle by the stone of Zoheth, which is by °En-rogel, and called all his brethren the king's sons, and all the °men of Judah °the king's servants:

b

10 But Nathan the prophet, and Benaiah, and the °mighty men, and Solomon his brother, he called not.

kingdom, and ends with David's last successor released from the house of his captivity. Characters of all are tested by the standard of David. old: about seventy. Cp. 2 Sam. 5. 4, 5. **gat no heat.** Cp. Ps. 32. 3, 4. **2 servants:** i. e. his advisers, probably medical. **virgin** = damsel. Heb. *bēthūlāh*. **3 coasts** = borders.

5-10 (L, above). SOLOMON. WRONGFUL SUCCESSORS. (*Alternation.*)

L	a	5-7. His adherents. Invited.
	b	8. Non-adherents.
	a	9. His adherents. Invited.
	b	10. Non-invited.

5 Adonijah. Fourth son of David (2 Sam. 3. 4). Amnon dead (2 Sam. 13. 29), Absalom dead (2 Sam. 18. 14), and probably Chileab (2 Sam. 3. 3). **men.** Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II. **6 his mother:** i. e. "Haggith". See v. 5. **7 Joab.** This is why his name is not in 2 Sam. 23. See note on 2 Sam. 23. 24. **8 mighty men.** See 2 Sam. 23. 8, 9, 16, 22. **9 En-rogel** = well or spring of Rogel. South side of Jerusalem, in the Kidron valley. **men.** Heb. *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III. **the king's.** Some codices, with Syr., read "and the", &c.

TITLE, First . . . third. See note on p. 366. The wrong division into two books cuts up the histories of Ahaziah and Elijah.

THE STRUCTURE OF 1 AND 2 KINGS AS RELATED TO 1 AND 2 SAMUEL:

x		2 Sam. 2. 1-4. 12. The Divided kingdom.
y		2 Sam. 5. 1-24. 25. The United kingdom.
y		1 Kings 1. 1-12. 15. The United kingdom.
x		1 Kings 12. 16-2 Kings 25. 30. The Divided kingdom.

Kings. As compared with Chronicles, Kings and Samuel give the history from the human point of view, while Chronicles gives the same history from the Divine standpoint. The former, as man ruled the history; the latter, as God overruled it. Cp. Saul's death, 1 Sam. 31. 6, with 1 Chron. 10. 13, 14; and in Kings, three verses given to Hezekiah's reformation, and in Chronicles, three chapters.

For the parallel passages in the Book of Chronicles, see Ap. 56, and note on Title of 1 Samuel, p. 366.

1. 1-2. 11 (B¹, p. 446). DAVID.
(Repeated Alternation with Introversions.)

B ¹	G ¹	J		1. 1. David. Length of years.		
		K		1. 2-4. Advice of servants to David.		
		H	L	1. 5-10. Solomon. Wrongful succession.		
			M	N	1. 11-14. Na-	
					than.	
				O	1. 15-. Bath-	
					sheba.	
					} Counter-	
					} action.	
G ²					-15. David. Very old.	
			H	M	O	1. 16-21. Bath-
						sheba.
				N	1. 22-27. Na-	
					than.	
					} Counter-	
					} action.	
				L	1. 28-53. Solomon. Rightful suc-	
					cession.	
				K	2. 1-9. Advice of David to Solomon.	
				J	2. 10, 11. David. Length of reign.	

1 king David: occurs in 2 Sam. 6. 12, 16; 7. 18; 8. 8, 11; 9. 5; 13. 21, 39; 16. 5, 6; 17. 17, 21; 19. 11, 16. Book begins with king David and ends with king of Babylon. Opens with Temple built, and closes with Temple burnt. Begins with David's first successor on the throne of his

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11 Wherefore Nathan spake unto Bath-sheba the mother of Solomon, saying, "Hast thou not heard that Adonijah the son of Haggith doth reign, and David our lord knoweth it not?"

d 12 Now therefore come, let me, I pray thee, give thee counsel, that thou mayest save thine own ° life, and the ° life of thy son Solomon.

d 13 Go and get thee in unto king David, and say unto him, "Didst not thou, my lord, O king, swear unto thine handmaid, saying, 'Assuredly Solomon thy son shall reign after me, and he shall sit upon my throne?' ° why then doth Adonijah reign?"

c 14 ° Behold, while thou yet talkest there with the king, I also will come in after thee, and confirm thy words."

O 15 And Bath-sheba went in unto the king into the chamber:

G² and the king was very old; and Abishag the Shunammite ministered unto the king.

M O e 16 And Bath-sheba bowed, and did obeisance unto the king. And the king ° said, "What wouldest thou?"

f 17 And she said unto him, "My lord, thou swarest by ° the LORD thy ° God unto thine handmaid, saying, 'Assuredly Solomon thy son shall reign after me, and he shall sit upon my throne.'

g 18 And now, ° behold, Adonijah reigneth; and ° now, my lord the king, thou knowest it not:

h 19 And he hath slain oxen and fat cattle and sheep in abundance, and hath called all the sons of the king, and Abiathar the priest, and Joab the captain of the host: but Solomon thy servant hath he not called.

i 20 And ° thou, my lord, O king, the eyes of all Israel are upon thee, that thou shouldest tell them who shall sit on the throne of my lord the king after him.

21 Otherwise it shall come to pass, when my lord the king shall ° sleep with his fathers, that I and my son Solomon shall be counted ° offenders."

N e 22 And, ° lo, while she yet talked with the king, Nathan the prophet also came in.

23 And they told the king, saying, "Behold Nathan the prophet." And when he was come in before the king, he bowed himself before the king with his face to the ground.

f 24 And Nathan said, "My lord, O king, hast thou said, Adonijah shall reign after me, and he shall sit upon my throne?"

g 25 For he is gone down this day, and hath slain oxen and fat cattle and sheep in abundance, and hath called all the king's sons, and the captains of the host, and Abiathar the priest;

h and, ° behold, they eat and drink before him, and say, ° 'God save king Adonijah.'

26 But me, even me thy servant, and Zadok the priest, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and thy servant Solomon, hath he not called.

1. 11-14 (N, p. 447). NATHAN AND BATH-SHEBA. COUNTERACTION. (*Introversion*.)

N | c | 11. Bath-sheba. Danger.
d | 12. Advice for David.
d | 13. Advice for Bath-sheba.
c | 14. Bath-sheba. Support.

12 life = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

13 Didst not thou . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

why then . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

14 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "And behold".

16-27 (M, p. 447). NATHAN AND BATH-SHEBA. COUNTERACTION. (*Extended Alternation*.)

M	O	e	16. Obeisance of Bath-sheba.	Nathan's advice followed.
		f	17. Rightful successor?	
		g	18. Adonijah.	
		h	19. Feast.	
		i	20, 21. Expectation.	Nathan's promise fulfilled.
N	e	22, 23. Obeisance of Nathan.		
		f	24. Wrongful successor.	
		g	25. Adonijah.	
		h	26. Feast.	
		i	27. Inquiry.	

16 said. Some codices, with Syr. and Vulg., add "to her".

17 My lord. Some codices, with Sept. and Syr., add "O king".

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

18 now. A special reading (*Sevir*, Ap. 34), with three early printed editions, Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "thou". But the *Massōrah* (Ap. 30) says the scribes were misled in reading 'attāh (thou) instead of 'attāh (now).

20 thou = thou therefore. Some codices, with three early printed editions, and Aram., read "And now". See note on v. 18.

21 sleep with his fathers. See note on Deut. 31. 16. offenders. See Ap. 44. i.

22 lo. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

23 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

28-53 (L, p. 447). SOLOMON. RIGHTFUL SUCCESSOR. (*Division*.)

L | P¹ | 28-40. Proclamation and anointing.
P² | 41-53. Adonijah. Rebellion quelled.

28-40 (P¹, above). PROCLAMATION AND ANOINTING. (*Extended and Repeated Alternation*.)

P ¹	Q ¹	j ¹	28. Call for Bath-sheba (David).
		k ¹	29, 30. Command. Given.
		l ¹	31. Acquiescence. Reverence.
	Q ²	j ²	32. Call for Zadok (David).
		k ²	33-35. Command. Given.
		l ²	36, 37. Acquiescence. Benediction.
	Q ³	j ³	38. Call for Solomon (Zadok).
		k ³	39. Command. Obeyed.
		l ³	40. Acquiescence. Rejoicing.

29 soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

27 Is this thing done by my lord the king, and thou hast not shewed it unto thy servant, who should sit on the throne of my lord the king after him?"

28 Then king David answered and said, "Call me Bath-sheba." And she came into the king's presence, and stood before the king.

29 And the king sware, and said, "As ° the LORD liveth, That hath redeemed my ° soul out of all distress,

921 30 Even °as I swear unto thee by ¹⁷the LORD ¹⁷God of Israel, saying, 'Assuredly Solomon thy son shall reign after me, and he shall sit upon my throne in my stead; ' even so will I certainly do this day."

¹ (p. 448) 31 Then Bath-sheba bowed with *her* face to the earth, and did reverence to the king, and said, "Let my lord king David live for ever."

Q² j² 32 And king David said, "Call me Zadok the priest, and Nathan the prophet, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada." And they came before the king.

k² 33 The king also said unto them, "Take with you the servants of your lord, and cause Solomon my son to ride upon ° mine own mule, and bring him down to Gihon:

34 And let Zadok the priest and Nathan the prophet anoint him there king over Israel: and blow ye with the trumpet, and say, ¹⁷'God save king Solomon.'

35 Then ye shall come up after him, that he may come and °sit upon my throne; for he shall be king in my stead: and I have appointed him to be ruler over Israel and over Judah."

¹² 36 And Benaiah the son of Jehoiada answered the king, and said, "Amen: ¹⁷the LORD ¹⁷God of my lord the king say so too.

37 ³⁰As ¹⁷the LORD hath been with my lord the king, even so be He with Solomon, and make his throne greater than the throne of my lord king David."

Q¹ j³ 38 So Zadok the priest, and Nathan the prophet, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and the Cherethites, and the Pelethites, went down, and caused Solomon to ride upon king David's mule, and brought him to Gihon.

k³ 39 And Zadok the priest took an horn of oil out of the °tabernacle, and anointed Solomon. And they blew the trumpet; and all the People said, ¹⁷"God save king Solomon."

¹³ 40 And all the People came up after him, and the People °piped with pipes, and °rejoiced with great joy, so that °the earth rent with the sound of them.

P² m (p. 449) 41 And Adonijah and all the guests that were with him heard *it* as they had made an end of eating. And when Joab heard the sound of the trumpet, he said, "Wherefore *is this* noise of the city being in an uproar?"

n 42 And while he yet spake, ²³behold, Jonathan the son of Abiathar the priest came: and Adonijah said unto him, "Come in; for thou art a valiant °man, and bringest good tidings."

43 °And °Jonathan answered and said to Adonijah, °"Verily our lord king David hath made Solomon king.

44 And the king hath sent with him Zadok the priest, and Nathan the prophet, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and the °Cherethites, and the Pelethites, and they have caused him to ride upon the king's mule:

45 And Zadok the priest and Nathan the prophet have anointed him king in Gihon: and

30 as = according as.

33 mine own mule. David had not disobeyed Deut. 17. 16, as Absalom had done (2 Sam. 15. 1) and Adonijah (1 Kings 1. 5).

35 sit, &c. As associate king, Solomon being nineteen years of age.

39 tabernacle = tent. Heb. 'ohel. Not the Tabernacle at Gibeon, but David's tabernacle (2 Sam. 6. 17). See Ap. 40.

40 piped with pipes = playing loudly on pipes. Fig. Polypytoton. Ap. 6.

rejoiced with great joy = greatly rejoiced. Fig. Polypytoton. Ap. 6.

the earth rent. Fig. Hyperbolē. Ap. 6.

41-53 (P², p. 448). ADONIJAH. REBELLION QUELLED. (Alternation.)

P² m | 41. Alarm.

n | 42-48. Tidings brought to Adonijah.

m | 49, 50. Fear and flight.

n | 51-53. Tidings brought to Solomon.

43 And = But.

Jonathan. David's faithful messenger of 2 Sam. 15. 36 and 17. 17.

Verily = of a truth; or, truth to tell.

44 Cherethites, &c. A bodyguard (1 Sam. 30. 14).

46 sitteth = hath taken [his] seat.

47 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. Some codices read, "thy God".

bowed = worshipped. Cp. Gen. 47. 31.

51 lo. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

52 shew himself. Some codices, with one early printed edition, add "toward me".

worthy man = a son of valour.

not an hair, &c. Fig. Paræmia. Ap. 6.

they are come up from thence rejoicing, so that the city rang again. This is the noise that ye have heard.

46 And also Solomon °sitteth on the throne of the kingdom.

47 And moreover the king's servants came to bless our lord king David, saying, °'God make the name of Solomon better than thy name, and make his throne greater than thy throne.' And the king °bowed himself upon the bed.

48 And also thus said the king, 'Blessed be ¹⁷the LORD ¹⁷God of Israel, Which hath given one to sit on my throne this day, mine eyes even seeing *it*.'"

49 And all the guests that were with Adonijah were afraid, and rose up, and went every °man his way. m

50 And Adonijah feared because of Solomon, and arose, and went, and caught hold on the horns of the altar.

51 And it was told Solomon, saying, ²³"Behold, Adonijah feareth king Solomon: for, °lo, he hath caught hold on the horns of the altar, saying, 'Let king Solomon swear unto me to day that he will not slay his servant with the sword.'"

52 And Solomon said, "If he will °shew himself a °worthy man, there shall °not an hair of him fall to the earth: but if wickedness shall be found in him, he shall die."

53 So king Solomon sent, and they brought him down from the altar. And he came and bowed himself to king Solomon: and Solomon said unto him, "Go to thine house."

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2 Now the days of David drew nigh that he should die;

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and he ° charged Solomon his son, saying,
2 "Go ° the way of all the earth: be thou ° strong therefore, and shew thyself a ° man;
3 And keep the ° charge of ° the LORD thy ° God, to walk in His ways, ° to keep His statutes, and His commandments, and His judgments, and His testimonies, ° as it is written in the law of Moses, that thou mayest ° prosper in all that thou doest, and whithersoever thou turnest thyself:

4 That ° the LORD may ° continue His word which He spake concerning me, saying, 'If thy ° children take heed to their way, to walk before Me in truth with all their heart and with all their ° soul, there shall not ° fail thee' (said He) 'a ° man on the throne of Israel.'

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5 Moreover thou knowest also what ° Joab the son of Zeruiah ° did to me, and what he did to the two captains of the hosts of Israel, unto ° Abner the son of Ner, and unto ° Amasa the son of Jether, whom he slew, and shed the blood of war in peace, and put the blood of war upon his girdle that was about his loins, and in his shoes that were on his feet.

6 Do therefore according to thy wisdom, and let not his hoar head go down to ° the grave in peace.

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7 But shew kindness unto the sons of ° Barzillai the Gileadite, and let them be of those that eat at thy table: for so they came to me when I fled because of Absalom thy brother.

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8 And, ° behold, thou hast with thee ° Shimei the son of Gera, a Benjamite of Bahurim, which cursed me with a grievous curse in the day when I went to Mahanaim: but he came down to meet me at Jordan, and ° I swear to him by ° the LORD, saying, 'I will not put thee to death with the sword.'

9 Now therefore hold him not guiltless: ° (for thou art a wise ° man, and knowest what thou oughtest to do unto him); ° but his hoar head bring thou down to ° the grave with blood."

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10 So David ° slept with his fathers, and was buried in the city of David.

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11 And the days that David reigned over Israel were forty years: seven years reigned he in Hebron, and thirty and three years reigned he in Jerusalem.

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12 Then sat ° Solomon upon the throne of David his father;

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and his kingdom was established greatly.

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13 And Adonijah the son of Haggith came to Bath-sheba the mother of Solomon. And she said, "Comest thou peaceably?" And he said, "Peaceably."

14 He said moreover, "I have somewhat to say unto thee." And ° she said, "Say on."

15 And he said, "Thou knowest that the kingdom was mine, and that all Israel set their faces on me, that I should reign: howbeit the kingdom is turned about, and is become my brother's: for it was his from ° the LORD.

2. 1-10 (K, p. 447). ADVICE OF DAVID TO SOLOMON. (*Introversion and Alternations*.)

K | o | 1-. David. End near.

p | q | -1-4. For good. Solomon.

r | 5, 6. For retribution. Joab.

p | q | 7. For good. Barzillai.

r | 8, 9. For retribution. Shimei.

o | 10. David. Death.

1 charged. Cp. Josh. 1. 6-9.

2 the way of all the earth. Cp. Josh. 23. 14. strong = resolute. Necessary advice for Solomon = the peaceable. man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

3 charge. Cp. Lev. 8. 35; 18. 30. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

to keep. Some codices, with three early printed editions, read "and to keep", thus enlarging the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in this verse.

as it is written. Cp. Deut. 17. 18, 19. Josh. 1. 6-8. Note the emphasis laid on God's Word written. See note on Ex. 17. 14, and Ap. 47.

prosper = do wisely. 4 continue = establish.

children = sons. Cp. 2 Sam. 7. 8, 11-16.

soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. fail = be cut off from.

5 Joab . . . Zeruiah. David's own sister's son.

did to me. David does not mention the worst sin, the death of Absalom.

Abner. Cp. 2 Sam. 3. 27, 39.

Amasa. Cp. 2 Sam. 20. 9-11. 1 Chron. 2. 17.

6 the grave. Heb. *She'ol*. Ap. 35. Note "the", not "a". Cp. v. 9.

7 Barzillai. Cp. 2 Sam. 17. 27, 29; 19. 31, 32.

8 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

Shimei. Cp. 2 Sam. 16. 5-13; 19. 18-23.

I swear. Cp. 2 Sam. 19-23.

9 for. Note the parenthesis as indicated. Fig. *Epitrichon* (Ap. 6).

but = neither, as in Ps. 38. 1, the second negative being omitted, as is frequently the case. Lit. "and [not]". See Ps. 9. 18 (R. V. nor); 38. 1 (neither); 75. 5. Prov. 24. 12; 25. 27. Isa. 38. 18. The Ellipsis must be supplied here, as it is in the above passages. The Heb. *Vav* (v) is *disjunctive* (as well as *conjunctive*), and is frequently translated "or" (see note on Judg. 11. 31), and with a negative "nor" and "neither", as it should be here (1 Kings 2. 9). Cp. Ex. 20. 17. Num. 16. 14 (R. V.); 22. 26. Deut. 7. 25. 2 Sam. 1. 21. Ps. 26. 9. Prov. 6. 4. Solomon obeyed David's former alternative and did not "hold him guiltless" (v. 36); but punished him for a fresh offence (vv. 42-46).

10 slept with his fathers. See note on Deut. 31. 16.

2. 12-11. 43 (B², p. 446). SOLOMON. (*Introversion*.)

B² | R | 2. 12-. Solomon. Accession.

S | 2. -12-11. 40. Reign. Events.

S | 11. 40-42. Reign. Record of events.

R | 11. 43-. Solomon. Death and burial.

12 Solomon. Born in 940. Now twenty years old.

2. -12-11. 40 (S, above). REIGN. EVENTS. (*Alternation*.)

S | T | 2. -12-46. Government.

U | 3. 1. Marriage.

T | 3. 2-10. 29. Government.

U | 11. 1-40. Marriages, &c.

2. -12-46 (T, above). GOVERNMENT. (*Introversion and Repeated Alternation*.)

T | V | -12. Establishment of kingdom.

W | X¹ | 13-25. Execution. Adonijah.

Y¹ | 26, 27. Deposition. Abiathar.

X² | 28-34. Execution. Joab.

Y² | 35. Substitution. Benaiah and Zadok.

X³ | 36-46-. Execution. Shimei.

V | -46. Establishment of kingdom.

13-25 [For Structure see next page].

14 she said. Some codices, with two early printed editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., add "unto him".

920 16 And now I ask one petition of thee, ° deny me not." And she said unto him, "Say on."

t 17 And he said, "Speak, I pray thee, unto Solomon the king, (for he will not ° say thee nay,) that he give me Abishag the Shunammite to wife."

u 18 And Bath-sheba said, ° "Well; I will speak for thee unto the king."

s 19 Bath-sheba therefore went unto king Solomon, to speak unto him for Adonijah. And the king rose up to meet her, and bowed himself unto her, and sat down on his throne, and caused a ° seat to be set for the king's mother; and she sat on his right hand.

20 Then she said, "I desire one small petition of thee; I pray thee, ° say me not nay." And the king said unto her, "Ask on, my mother: for I will not ° say thee nay."

t 21 And she said, "Let Abishag the Shunammite ° be given to Adonijah thy brother to wife."

v 22 And king Solomon answered and said unto his mother, "And why dost thou ask Abishag the Shunammite for Adonijah? ask for him the kingdom also; for he is mine elder brother; even for him, and for Abiathar the priest, and for Joab the son of Zeruiah."

23 Then king Solomon swore by ° the LORD, saying, ° "God do so to me, and more also, if Adonijah have not spoken this word against his own ° life.

24 Now therefore, as ° the LORD liveth, Which hath established me, and set me on the throne of David my father, and Who hath made me an house, ° as He ° promised, Adonijah shall be put to death this day."

25 And king Solomon sent by the hand of Benaiah the son of Jehoiada; and he fell upon him that he died.

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(p. 450) 26 And unto Abiathar the priest said the king, "Get thee to ° Anathoth, unto thine own ° fields; for thou art ° worthy of death: but I will not at this time put thee to death, because thou barest the ark of the ° Lord GOD before David my father, and because thou hast been afflicted in all wherein my father was afflicted."

27 So Solomon thrust out Abiathar from being priest unto ° the LORD; that he might ° fulfil the word of ° the LORD, which He spake concerning the house of Eli in ° Shiloh.

X² 28 Then tidings came to Joab: for Joab had turned after Adonijah, though he turned not after ° Absalom. And Joab fled unto the ° tabernacle of ° the LORD, and caught hold on the horns of the altar.

29 And it was told king Solomon that Joab was fled unto the ° tabernacle of ° the LORD; and, ° behold, he is by the altar. Then Solomon sent Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, saying, "Go, fall upon him."

30 And Benaiah came to the tabernacle of ° the LORD, and said unto him, "Thus saith the king, 'Come forth.'" And he said, ° "Nay; but I will die here." And Benaiah brought the king word again, saying, "Thus said Joab, and thus he answered me."

2. 13-25 (X¹, p. 450). EXECUTION. ADONIJAH.
(Extended Alternation.)

X¹ | s | 13-16. Bath-sheba. Approached by Adonijah.

t | 17. Adonijah's request.

u | 18. Promise made.

s | 19, 20. Bath-sheba. Approach to Solomon.

t | 21. Adonijah's request.

u | 22-25. Promise fulfilled. Result.

16 deny me not. Heb. idiom = "turn not away my face": face being put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part) for the whole person. Ap. 6.

17 say thee nay = turn away thy face. See note above.

18 Well = good.

19 seat = throne.

21 be given. The verb is masc., as it usually is when a woman acts a man's part.

23 life = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

24 as = according as.

promised. Cp. 2 Sam. 7. 12, 13.

26 Anathoth. Cp. Josh. 21. 18.

fields. Some codices, with three early printed editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "estate".

worthy of death. Heb. idiom - "a man of death" = doomed to death. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

Lord GOD = Adonai Jehovah. Ap. 4. II, and VIII (2).

27 fulfil. Cp. 1 Sam. 2. 31, 36. Already partly fulfilled (1 Sam. 4. 11; and now, wholly, in v. 36).

Shiloh. Cp. 1 Sam. 2. 35.

28 Absalom. Syr. and Vulg. read "Solomon".

tabernacle. Heb. *'ohel*, tent. See Ap. 40.

30 Nay; but . . . here. The famous *Mugah* codex quoted in the *Massorah* adds "to him". Ap. 30.

32 men. Heb. *'enosh*. Ap. 14. III.

36 any whither. Fig. *Paronomasia*. Ap. 6. Heb. *'aneh vā'ānāh* = hither and thither.

37 on the day. Same as Gen. 2. 17. Here several days must have elapsed.

31 And the king said unto him, "Do ° as he hath said, and fall upon him, and bury him; that thou mayest take away the innocent blood, which Joab shed, from me, and from the house of my father.

32 And ° the LORD shall return his blood upon his own head, who fell upon two ° men more righteous and better than he, and slew them with the sword, my father David not knowing thereof, to wit, Abner the son of Ner, captain of the host of Israel, and Amasa the son of Jether, captain of the host of Judah.

33 Their blood shall therefore return upon the head of Joab, and upon the head of his seed for ever: but upon David, and upon his seed, and upon his house, and upon his throne, shall there be peace for ever from ° the LORD."

34 So Benaiah the son of Jehoiada went up, and fell upon him, and slew him: and he was buried in his own house in the wilderness.

35 And the king put Benaiah the son of Jehoiada in his room over the host: and Zadok the priest did the king put in the room of Abiathar. Y⁷

36 And the king sent and called for Shimei, and said unto him, "Build thee an house in Jerusalem, and dwell there, and go not forth thence ° any whither. X⁸

37 For it shall be, that ° on the day thou goest out, and passest over the brook Kidron, thou

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shalt know for certain that thou shalt surely die: thy blood shall be upon thine own head."

38 And Shimei said unto the king, "The saying is good: 'as my lord the king hath said, so will thy servant do.'" And Shimei dwelt in Jerusalem many days.

39 And it came to pass at the end of three years, that two of the servants of Shimei ran away unto Achish son of Maachah king of Gath. And they told Shimei, saying, "Behold, thy servants be in Gath."

40 And Shimei arose, and saddled his ass, and went to Gath to Achish to seek his servants: and Shimei went, and brought his servants from Gath.

41 And it was told Solomon that Shimei had gone from Jerusalem to Gath, and was come again.

42 And the king sent and called for Shimei, and said unto him, "Did I not make thee to swear by the LORD, and protested unto thee, saying, 'Know for a certain, on the day thou goest out, and walkest abroad any whither, that thou shalt surely die?' and thou saidst unto me, 'The word that I have heard is good.'"

43 Why then hast thou not kept the oath of the LORD, and the commandment that I have charged thee with?"

44 The king said moreover to Shimei, "Thou knowest all the wickedness which thine heart is privy to, that thou didst to David my father: therefore the LORD shall return thy wickedness upon thine own head;

45 And king Solomon shall be blessed, and the throne of David shall be established before the LORD for ever."

46 So the king commanded Benaiah the son of Jehoiada; which went out, and fell upon him, that he died.

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And the kingdom was established in the hand of Solomon.

3 And Solomon made affinity with Pharaoh king of Egypt, and took Pharaoh's daughter, and brought her into the city of David, until he had made an end of building his own house, and the house of the LORD, and the wall of Jerusalem round about.

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2 Only the people sacrificed in high places, because there was no house built unto the name of the LORD, until those days.

3 And Solomon loved the LORD, walking in the statutes of David his father: only he sacrificed and burnt incense in high places.

4 And the king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there; for that was the great high place: a thousand burnt offerings did Solomon offer upon that altar.

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5 In Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night:

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and God said, "Ask what I shall give thee."

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6 And Solomon said, "Thou hast shewed unto Thy servant David my father great mercy, according as he walked before Thee in truth, and in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart with Thee; and Thou hast kept for him this great kindness, that Thou hast

shalt surely die. Fig. *Polyphton*. Ap. 6. Heb. "a dying thou shalt die", as in Gen. 2. 17.

thine own head = thyself, "head" being put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part) for the whole person. Ap. 6. See note on 2. 9.

39 Gath. Sixty-four miles away. Therefore the expression "in the day" must refer to a longer period.

44 wickedness. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

3. 1 affinity = relationship by marriage. the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4.

3. 2-10. 29 (T, p. 450). GOVERNMENT.

(Alternations, Simple and Extended, with Introversion.)

T	A	3. 2-15. First appearance of Jehovah to Solomon.
	B	3. 16-4. 34. Wisdom and riches. Two women.
	D	E 5. 1-12. Contract with Hiram.
		F 5. 13-18. Levy.
		G 6. 1-8. 66. Temple (part).
A	9. 1-9. Second appearance of Jehovah to Solomon.	
	B	D E 9. 10-14. Contract with Hiram.
		F 9. 15-24. Levy.
		G 9. 25. Temple (general).
	C	9. 26-10. 29. Riches and wisdom. One woman (Queen of Sheba).

2 Only. May imply regret rather than censure. Cp. 15. 14, &c.

in high places. Deut. 12. 11, 14, 26, 27, not obeyed since Jehovah had forsaken Shiloh. Cp. Ps. 78. 60, 67-69. Jer. 7. 12-14.

3. 2-15 (A, above). FIRST APPEARANCE OF JEHOVAH TO SOLOMON.

(Introversion and Alternation.)

A	v	2-4. Solomon's worship at Gibeon.
	w	5-. Dream.
	x	y -5. Jehovah. Offer.
		z 6-9. Solomon. Choice.
	x	y 10. Jehovah. Approbation.
		z 11-14. Solomon. Gifts.
	w	15-. Dream.
	v	-15. Solomon's worship at Jerusalem.

3 statutes of David. Contrast "the statutes of Omri" (Mic. 6. 16), and "statutes of the heathen" (2 Kings 17. 8). high places. Not necessarily idolatrous (see note on v. 2, and cp. 1 Chron. 16. 39; 21. 29. 2 Chron. 1. 3, 13), though perhaps copied from Canaanites. Practice too deeply rooted for even Asa and Hezekiah to remove. Josiah it was who finally desecrated them. Anglo-Saxon = Hoes.

4 Gibeon - a high place, where the Tabernacle was. Cp. Josh. 9. 3. 2 Sam. 2. 12, 13.

offer = offer up. See Ap. 43. I. vi.

5 dream. One of the twenty in Scripture. See note on Gen. 20. 3.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4.

6 said: i.e. in his sleep. Cp. v. 15. See note on Ps. 127. 2.

mercy = grace, or lovingkindness.

7 a little child. In his father's eyes a "wise man" (2. 6, 9).

I know not = I shall not know. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "and know not", indicating the Fig. *Polysyndeton* here, and in the following verses. Ap. 6.

to go out or come in. Cp. Num. 27. 17. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part). Ap. 6. Put for whole manner of life.

given him a son to sit on his throne, as it is this day.

7 And now, O LORD my God, Thou hast made Thy servant king instead of David my father: and I am but a little child: I know not how to go out or come in.

920 8 And Thy servant *is* in the midst of Thy People which Thou hast chosen, a great People, that cannot be numbered nor counted for multitude.

9 °Give therefore Thy servant an °understanding heart to judge Thy People, that I may discern between good and bad: for who is able to judge this Thy so great a People?"

x y (p. 452) 10 And the speech pleased °the LORD*, that Solomon had asked this thing.

11 And °God said unto him, "Because thou hast asked this thing, and hast not asked for thyself long life; neither hast asked riches for thyself, nor hast asked the °life of thine enemies; but hast asked for thyself understanding to discern judgment;

12 °Behold, I have done according to thy words: °lo, I have given thee a wise and an understanding heart; so that there was none °like thee before thee, neither after thee shall any arise like unto thee.

13 And I have also given thee that which thou hast not asked, both riches, and honour: so that there shall not be °any among the kings ¹²like unto thee all thy days.

14 And if thou wilt walk in My ways, to keep My statutes and My commandments, °as °thy father David did walk, then I will lengthen thy days."

v 15 And Solomon awoke; and, ¹²behold, *it* was a dream.

v And he came to Jerusalem, and stood before the ark of the covenant of ¹⁰the LORD*, and °offered up burnt offerings, and °offered peace offerings, and made a feast to all his servants.

C H a (p. 453) 16 Then came there two women, *that were* harlots, unto the king, and stood before him.

17 And the one woman said, "O my lord, and this woman dwell in one house; and I was delivered of a child with her in the house.

18 And it came to pass the third day after that I was delivered, that this woman was delivered also: and *we were* together; °*there* was no stranger with us in the house, save *we* two in the house.

19 And this woman's °child died in the night; because she °overlaid it.

20 And she arose at midnight, and took my son from beside me, while thine handmaid slept, and laid it in her bosom, and laid her dead child in my bosom.

21 And when I rose in the morning to give my child suck, ¹²behold, it was dead: but when I had considered it in the morning, behold, it was not my son, which I did bear."

22 And the other woman said, "Nay; but the living *is* my son, and the dead *is* thy son." And this said, "No; but the dead *is* thy son, and the living *is* my son." Thus they °spake before the king.

b 23 Then said the king, "The one saith, 'This *is* my son that liveth, and thy son *is* the dead:' and the other saith, 'Nay; but thy son *is* the dead, and my son *is* the living.'" ¹²

24 And the king said, "Bring me a sword."

And they brought a sword before the king.

25 And the king said, "Divide the living child

9 Give. Cp. 2 Chron. 1. 10.

understanding - hearing. Solomon began by asking wisdom from God. Rehoboam (his son) began by asking counsel from man (12. 6, 8).

10 the LORD*. One of the 134 places where the *Sopherim* put "Adonai" instead of "Jehovah". See Ap. 32, and cp. Ap. 30.

11 life - soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

12 Behold . . . lo. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

like thee. Supply Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), by adding "among the kings" from v. 13 and 10. 23.

13 any - a man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

14 as - according as. thy father David. Cp. 15. 5.

15 offered - prepared. See Ap. 43. I. iii. Showing that the Ceremonial Law was in writing before the days of Solomon, and not a later production, as asserted and assumed by some.

3. 16-4. 34 (C, p. 452). WISDOM AND RICHES. (*Introversion*.)

C H | 3. 16-28. Wisdom.

J | 4. 1-28. Dominion and riches.

H | 4. 29-34. Wisdom.

3. 16-28 (H, above). WISDOM. (*Alternation*.)

H a | 16-22. Case propounded.

b | 23-25. Sentence pronounced.

a | 26. Case withdrawn.

b | 27, 28. Judgment executed.

18 there was no stranger. Some codices, with Sept. Syr., and Vulg., read "and there was no stranger".

19 child - son.

overlaid. One of the ten deaths occasioned by women. See note on Judg. 4. 21.

22 spake - talked [very much]. Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), to be thus supplied.

26 said - kept on saying.

28 wisdom of God - Divine wisdom. Genitive of Character. See Ap. 17, and cp. note on v. 9 above.

4. 1-28 (J, above). DOMINION AND RICHES. (*Repeated Alternation*.)

J c¹ | 1-19. Solomon. Riches (officers).

d¹ | 20. People. Prosperity.

c² | 21. Solomon. Dominion (foreign).

d² | 22-23. People. Provision.

c³ | 24. Solomon. Dominion (foreign).

d³ | 25. People. Security.

c⁴ | 26-28. Solomon. Riches (officers).

1 all Israel. Expression not peculiar to any writer or period.

in two, and give half to the one, and half to the other."

26 Then spake the woman whose the living child was unto the king, for her bowels yearned upon her son, and she said, "O my lord, give her the living child, and in no wise slay it." But the other °said, "Let it be neither mine nor thine, *but* divide it."

27 Then the king answered and said, "Give her the living child, and in no wise slay it: *she is* the mother thereof."

28 And all Israel heard of the judgment which the king had judged; and they feared the king: for they saw that the °wisdom of °God was in him, to do judgment.

4 So king Solomon was king over °all J c¹ Israel.

2 And these *were* the princes which he had; Azariah the son of Zadok the priest,

3 Elihoreph and Ahiah, the sons of Shisha,

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scribes; Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud, the °recorder.

4 And Benaiah the son of Jehoiada was over the host: and Zadok and Abiathar were the priests:

5 And Azariah the son of °Nathan was over the officers: and Zabud the son of °Nathan was °principal officer, and °the king's friend:

6 And Ahishar was over the household: and Adoniram the son of Abda was over the tribute.

7 And Solomon had °twelve officers over all Israel, which provided victuals for the king and his household: each man his month in a year made provision.

8 And these are their names: The son of Hur, in °mount Ephraim:

9 The son of Dekar, in Makaz, and in Shaalbim, and Beth-shemesh, and °Elon-beth-hanan:

10 The son of Hesed, in Aruboth; to him pertained Sochoh, and all the land of Hepher:

11 The son of Abinadab, in all the region of °Dor; which had Taphath the daughter of Solomon to wife:

12 Baana the son of Ahilud; to him pertained Taanach and Megiddo, and all Beth-shean, which is by Zartanah beneath Jezreel, from Beth-shean to °Abel-meholah, even unto the place that is beyond Jokneam:

13 The son of Geber, in °Ramoth-gilead; to him pertained the towns of Jair the son of Manasseh, which are in Gilead; to him also pertained the °region of °Argob, which is in Bashan, threescore great cities with walls and brasen bars:

14 Ahinadab the son of Iddo had °Mahanaim:

15 Ahimaaz was in Naphtali; he also took Basmath the daughter of Solomon to wife:

16 Baanah the son of °Hushai was in Asher and in Aloth:

17 Jehoshaphat the son of Paruah, in Issachar:

18 Shimei the son of Elah, in Benjamin:

19 Geber the son of Uri was in the country of Gilead, in the country of Sihon king of the Amorites, and of Og king of Bashan; and °he was the only °officer which was °in the land.

d¹ (p. 453) 20 Judah and Israel were many, °as the sand which is by the °sea in multitude, eating and drinking, and making merry.

c² 21 And Solomon reigned over all kingdoms from °the river °unto the land of the Philistines, and unto the border of Egypt: they °brought presents, and served Solomon all the days of his life.

d² 22 And Solomon's °provision for one day was thirty °measures of fine flour, and threescore measures of meal,

23 Ten fat oxen, and twenty oxen out of the pastures, and an hundred sheep, beside harts, and roebucks, and fallowdeer, and fatted fowl.

c³ 24 For he had dominion over all the region °on this side °the river, from Tiphseh even to Azzah, over all the kings on this side the river: and he had peace on all sides round about him.

d³ 25 And Judah and Israel dwelt °safely, every °man under his vine and under his fig tree, from °Dan even to Beer-sheba, all the days of Solomon.

3 recorder = remembrancer. Cp. 1 Chron. 18. 15.

5 Nathan. Probably David's son. Cp. Luke 3. 31. principal officer = priest. See Heb. (2 Sam. 8. 18). the king's friend, as Hushai had been David's (2 Sam. 15. 37).

7 twelve officers. Cp. David's twelve captains (1 Chron. 27. 2-15).

8 mount = hill country.

9 Elon-beth-hanan. Some codices, with three early printed editions, read "Elon-ben-hanan". Other codices read "Elon and Beth-hanan". Sept. reads "Elon as far as Beth-hanan".

11 Dor. Cp. Josh. 11. 2; 12. 23; 17. 11.

12 Abel-meholah. The country of Elisha (19. 16, 21). Cp. Judg. 7. 22.

13 Ramoth-gilead. In the tribe of Gad. Famous for Ahab's last battle (22. 20). Cp. Josh. 20. 8. Judg. 11. 29. region. A sharply defined border, defining the rocky rampart encircling the "Lejah" as it is called to-day.

Argob = Edrei, one of "the giant cities of Bashan". See Ap. 23 and 25.

14 Mahanaim. Cp. Gen. 32. 2. Josh. 13. 26.

16 Hushai. See note on v. 5.

19 he = Geber.

officer. Not the same word as in v. 7. in the land - in the land [of Bashan].

20 as the sand. Fig. *Paræmia*. Ap. 6. Cp. Gen. 13. 16; 22. 17, &c.

sea. Some codices, with Syr., read "sea shore".

21 the river = the Euphrates. Cp. Gen. 15. 18 Josh. 1. 4.

unto = even unto. Cp. 2 Chron. 9. 26.

brought presents. Cp. Ps. 72. 10, 11.

22 provision. Heb. bread, put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Species) for all kinds of food. Ap. 6.

measures. See Ap. 51. III. 3.

24 on this side, or beyond.

25 safely = confidently.

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

Dan even to Beer-sheba. The two extremities. Cp. Judg. 20. 1 and 1 Sam. 3. 20, &c.

26 forty thousand. In 2 Chron. 9. 25 it is 4,000, which is much more likely to be correct. The 12,000 are the same in both places. The ancient Hebrew characters were Phœnician, and may be seen on the Moabite Stone. These were in current use till about 140 B.C., and were gradually replaced by the modern Hebrew "square" characters. Mistakes in copying occurred through the similarity of certain letters. See notes on 2 Sam. 24. 10. Jer. 3. 8. Ezek. 6. 4; 22. 20. horses. A breach of Deut. 17. 16. It began by breeding mules (1. 33, 38, 44), which was a breach of Lev. 19. 19.

4. 29-34 (H, p. 453). WISDOM. (Alternation.)

H | e | 29. Extent.

f | 30, 31. Others. Pre-eminence over.

e | 32, 33. Extent.

f | 34. Others. Resort by.

29 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

26 And Solomon had °forty thousand stalls of °horses for his chariots, and twelve thousand horsemen.

27 And those officers provided victual for king Solomon, and for all that came unto king Solomon's table, every °man in his month: they lacked nothing.

28 Barley also and straw for the horses and dromedaries brought they unto the place where the officers were, every °man according to his charge.

29 And °God gave Solomon wisdom and

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920 understanding °exceeding much, and largeness
to of heart, even ²⁰ as the sand that is on the sea
917 shore.

f 30 And Solomon's wisdom excelled the wis-
(p. 454) dom of all the °children of the east country,
and all the wisdom of Egypt.

31 For he was wiser than °all °men; than
°Ethan the Ezrahite, and Heman, and Chalcol,
and Darda, the sons of Mahol: and his °fame
was in all nations round about.

e 32 And he spake three thousand °proverbs:
and his °songs were a thousand and five.

33 And he spake of trees, from the cedar tree
that is in Lebanon even unto the hyssop that
springeth out of the wall: he spake also of
beasts, and of fowl, and of creeping things, and
of fishes.

f 34 And there came of all °people to hear the
wisdom of Solomon, from all kings of the earth,
which had heard of his wisdom.

E h 5 And °Hiram king of Tyre sent his serv-
(p. 455) ants unto Solomon; for he had heard
that they had anointed him king in the room
of his father: for Hiram was ever a °lover of
David.

i k 2 And Solomon sent to Hiram, saying,
3 °"Thou knowest how that David my father
°could not build an house unto the name of
°the LORD his °God for the wars which were
about him on every side, until °the LORD put
them under the soles of his feet.

4 But now °the LORD my °God hath given
me rest on every side, so that there is neither
°adversary nor evil occurrent.

5 And, behold, I purpose to build an house
unto the name of °the LORD my °God, °as
°the LORD spake unto David my father, say-
ing, 'Thy son, whom I will set upon thy
throne in thy room, he shall build an house
unto My name.'

6 Now therefore command thou that they
hew me cedar trees out of Lebanon; and my
servants shall be with thy servants:

1 and unto thee will I give hire for thy servants
according to all that thou shalt appoint: for
thou knowest that there is not among us °any
that can skill to hew timber like unto the
Sidonians."

i k 7 And it came to pass, when Hiram heard
the words of Solomon, that he rejoiced greatly,
and said, "Blessed be °the LORD this day,
Which hath given unto David a wise son over
this great People."

8 And Hiram °sent to Solomon, saying, "I
have considered the things which thou sentest
to me for: and I will do all thy desire con-
cerning timber of cedar, and concerning timber
of °fir.

9 My servants shall °bring them down from
Lebanon unto the sea: and I will convey them
by sea in floats unto the place that thou shalt
appoint me, and will cause them to be dis-
charged there, and thou shalt receive them:
and thou shalt accomplish my desire, in giving
food for my household."

10 So Hiram °gave Solomon cedar trees and
°fir trees according to all his desire.

exceeding much = very great. Syr. reads this in
connection with "largeness of heart", instead of with
"understanding".

30 children = sons.

31 all men = any man.

men. Heb. 'ādām, with Art. (Ap. 14. I) - any human
being.

Ethan. The same four names occur among the sons
of Zerah the son of Judah (1 Chron. 2. 6), except Dara
for Darda; but cp. 1 Chron. 6. 44 and 33.

fame = name.

32 proverbs. Some included in the book of that
name.

songs. Cp. Ps. 72 and 127.

34 people = peoples. Cp. ch. 10.

5. 1-12 (E, p. 452). CONTRACT WITH HIRAM. (Introversion and Alternation.)

E h | 1. Hiram and Solomon. Congratulations.

i | k | 2-6. Timber required.

l | -6. Payment.

i | k | 7-10. Timber required.

l | 11. Payment.

h | 12. Hiram and Solomon. Covenant.

1 Hiram. Born of a Jewish mother (7. 14. 2 Chron.
2. 14).

lover = ally. Hebrews always at amity with the
Phoenicians. Never with Canaanites.

3 Thou knowest. Cp. 2 Sam. 5. 11. 1 Chron. 14. 1;
22. 4.

could not. There were three reasons altogether:
(1) not the time (2 Sam. 7); (2) not the opportunity
(1 Kings 5. 3); (3) not the man (1 Chron. 22. 8; 28. 3, &c.).

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. 11.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

4 adversary. Heb. sātān.

5 as the LORD spake = according as Jehovah spake.
Cp. 2 Sam. 7. 12, 13. 1 Chron. 17. 11, 12.

6 any = a man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

8 sent: i. e. wrote. Cp. 2 Chron. 2. 11. See note on
Ex. 17. 14, and Ap. 47.

fir. Or, cypress.

9 bring them down. Note the illustration in the
conversion of sinners. Cut down from nature's stand-
ing; down through the waters of death (Rom. 6. 11),
before finding their place in the temple of God
(Eph. 2. 20-22). Same with the stones. See note on
v. 17.

10 gave = continued to give. Cp. Ps. 45. 12.

11 gave. Not the same as 2 Chron. 2. 10. That was
for Hiram's workmen in Lebanon. This was for his
royal household at Tyre.

measures. See Ap. 51. III. 3.

pure = bruised (as in a mortar), not crushed in a press.

12 as = according as. Cp. 3. 12.

league = a covenant. For breaking which Tyre was
judged later. See Amos 1. 9.

13 levy = tribute of men for free labour, not the bond-
service of 9. 21, 22. Cp. 4. 6. 2 Sam. 20. 24. Foretold
in 1 Sam. 8. 16. David employed forced service of
resident aliens (1 Chron. 22. 2; and notes on 2 Sam.
12. 31).

11 And Solomon °gave Hiram twenty thou-
sand °measures of wheat for food to his
household, and twenty °measures of °pure
oil: thus gave Solomon to Hiram year by
year.

12 And °the LORD gave Solomon wisdom,
°as He promised him: and there was peace
between Hiram and Solomon; and they two
made a °league together.

13 And king Solomon raised a °levy out of

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all Israel; and the levy was thirty thousand °men.

14 And he sent them to Lebanon, ten thousand a month by courses: a month they were in Lebanon, *and* two months at home: and Adoniram *was* over the levy.

15 And Solomon had threescore and ten thousand that bare burdens, and fourscore thousand hewers in the mountains;

16 Beside the chief of Solomon's officers which *were* over the work, three thousand and three hundred, which ruled over the people that wrought in the work.

17 And the king commanded, and they °brought °great stones, costly stones, *and* hewed stones, to lay the foundation of the house.

18 And Solomon's builders and Hiram's builders did hew *them*, and the °stonesquarers: °so they prepared timber and stones to build the house.

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6 And it came to pass in the °four hundred and eightieth year after the °children of Israel were come out of the land of Egypt, in the fourth year of Solomon's reign over Israel, in the month Zif, which *is* the second month, that he began to build °the house of °the LORD.

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2 And the house which king Solomon built for °the LORD, the length thereof *was* threescore °cubits, and the breadth thereof twenty cubits, and the height thereof thirty cubits.

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3 And the porch before the temple of the house, twenty °cubits *was* the length thereof, °according to the breadth of the house; *and* ten cubits *was* the breadth thereof before the house.

4 And for the house he made windows of narrow lights.

5 And against the wall of the house he built chambers round about, *against* the walls of the house round about, *both* of the temple and of the °oracle: and he made chambers round about:

6 The nethermost chamber *was* five °cubits broad, and the middle *was* six cubits broad, and the third *was* seven °cubits broad: for without *in the wall* of the house he made narrowed rests round about, that *the beams* should not be fastened in the walls of the house.

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7 And the house, when it was in building, was built of stone °made ready °before it was brought thither: so that there was neither hammer nor axe *nor* any tool of iron °heard in the house, while it was in building.

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8 The door for the middle chamber *was* in the right side of the house: and they went up with winding stairs into the middle chamber, and out of the middle into the third.

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9 So he built the house, and finished it; and covered the house with beams and boards of cedar.

10 And *then* he built chambers against all the house, five cubits high: and they rested on the house with timber of cedar.

men. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

17 brought=quarried.

great stones. These stones illustrate the work of conversion in the sinner. Hewed out of nature's dark quarry (Isa. 51. 1, 2), cut and carved for a place in the temple of glory (Eph. 2. 20-22).

18 stonesquarers=men of Gebal, or Glibites, as Ezek. 27. 9, now Jubail, forty miles north of Sidon. Cp. Ps. 83. 7. Phoenician masons' marks still visible on them. so=and.

6. 1-8. 66 (G, p. 452). THE TEMPLE. (PARTICULAR.) (Introversion.)

G | K | 6. 1-38. The Temple.
L | 7. 1-12. Other buildings.
K | 7. 13-8. 66. The Temple.

6. 1-38 (K, above). THE TEMPLE. (Introversion.)

K | M | 1. Date of commencement.
N | 2-8. Exterior of house.
O | 9, 10. Completion.
P | 11-13. Word of Jehovah.
O | 14. Completion.
N | 15-36. Interior of house.
M | 37, 38. Date of completion.

1 four hundred and eightieth year. Note that the number is *Ordinal* (not Cardinal) = the 480th year of some longer and larger period, viz. the 490 years from the Exodus to the Dedication of the Temple; the difference of ten years being made up of seven years in building (v. 38) and three years in furnishing. Dedicated not in seventh year, for Completion took place in the eighth month of one year (v. 38), and the Dedication in the seventh month of another (8. 2). The *chronological* period was 40 years in wilderness + 450 years under judges + 40 years of Saul + 40 years of David + 3 years of Solomon (v. 1) = 573 (from 1490-917). The *mystical* period of 480 years is obtained by deducting the period of 93 years, when Israel's national position was in abeyance. Thus: 8 (Judg. 3. 8) + 18 (Judg. 3. 14) + 20 (Judg. 4. 3) + 7 (Judg. 6. 1) + 40 (Judg. 13. 1) = 93. (N.B. The eighteen years of Judg. 10. 7, 9, was local and beyond Jordan. It did not affect the national position). Hence 573-93 = 480 (from 873-93). See Ap., pp. 41, 56. children = sons.

the house of the LORD = the Temple. Similar in plan to the Tabernacle, but double the size. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

6. 2-8 (N, above). EXTERIOR OF HOUSE. (Alternation.)

N | m | 2. House. Dimensions.
n | 3-6. Accessories. Porch, &c.
m | 7. House. Materials.
n | 8. Accessories. Door, &c.

2 cubits. See Ap. 51. III. 2.

3 according to. Or, in the front of.

5 oracle. See note on 2 Sam. 16. 23.

7 made ready - made perfect.

before: i.e. in the quarries afar off, or beneath the city.

heard. So in the spiritual house. Eph. 2. 20-22.

12 which I spake unto David. Cp. 2 Sam. 7. 13. 1 Chron. 22. 10.

11 And the word of °the LORD came to Solomon, saying.

12 "Concerning this house which thou art in building, if thou wilt walk in My statutes, and execute My judgments, and keep all My commandments to walk in them; then will I perform My word with thee, °which I spake unto David thy father:

917 13 And I will dwell °among the ¹children of Israel, and will not forsake My people Israel."

O 14 So Solomon built the house, and finished it.

(p. 456) N o¹ 15 And he built the walls of the house within with boards of cedar, both the floor of the house, and the walls of the cieling: and he °covered them on the inside with wood, and covered the floor of the house with planks of fir.

p¹ 16 And he built twenty ²cubits on the sides of the house, both the floor and the walls with boards of cedar: he even built them for it within, even for the °oracle, even for the most holy place.

17 And the house, that is, the temple before it, was forty ²cubits long.

o² 18 And the cedar of the house within was carved with knops and open flowers: all was cedar; there was °no stone seen.

p² 19 And the °oracle he prepared in the house within, to set there the ark of the covenant of ¹the LORD.

20 And the °oracle in the forepart was twenty ²cubits in length, and twenty ²cubits in breadth, and twenty ²cubits in the height thereof: and he °overlaid it with pure gold; and so ¹⁵covered the altar which was of cedar.

o³ 21 So Solomon ²⁰overlaid the house within with pure gold: and he made a partition by the chains of gold before the oracle; and he overlaid it with gold.

22 And the °whole house he ²⁰overlaid with gold, until he had finished all the house: also the whole altar that was by the °oracle he overlaid with gold.

p³ 23 And within the °oracle he made °two cherubims of °olive tree, each ten ²cubits high. 24 And five ²cubits was the one wing of the cherub, and five ²cubits the other wing of the cherub: from the uttermost part of the one wing unto the uttermost part of the other were ten ²cubits.

25 And the other cherub was ten ²cubits: both the cherubims were of one measure and one size.

26 The height of the one cherub was ten ²cubits, and so was it of the other cherub.

27 And he set the cherubims within the inner house: and they stretched forth the wings of the cherubims, so that the wing of the one touched the one wall, and the wing of the other cherub touched the other wall; and their wings touched one another in the midst of the house.

28 And he ²⁰overlaid the cherubims with gold.

29 And he carved all the walls of the house round about with carved figures of cherubims and palm trees and open flowers, within and without.

o⁴ 30 And the floor of the house he ²⁰overlaid with gold, within and without.

p⁴ 31 And for the entering of the °oracle he made doors of olive tree: the lintel and side posts were a fifth part of the wall.

32 The °two doors also were of olive tree; and he carved upon them carvings of cheru-

13 among = in the midst of.

6. 15-36 (N, p. 456). INTERIOR OF HOUSE. (Repeated Alternation.)

N o¹ | 15. Covering. Walls, within, covered, cedar.
p¹ | 16, 17. Oracle. Dimensions.
o² | 18. Covering. Walls, within, carved, cedar.
p² | 19, 20. Oracle. Ark, &c.
o³ | 21, 22. Covering. Walls, within, gold.
p³ | 23-29. Oracle. Cherubim.
o⁴ | 30. Covering. Floor, covered, gold.
p⁴ | 31-36. Oracle. Entrances.

15 covered. Note that all the stonework was covered with cedar wood; and the cedar wood covered with gold. Even so the saved sinner is covered with Christ's human and Divine righteousness imputed to him. Cp. Luke 15. 22. Phil. 3. 9.

18 no stone seen. Fig. Pleonasm. Ap. 6. Words not necessary for grammar, or sense; but used to emphasise the completeness of our covering by Christ's merits. Cp. Eph. 1. 6. Col. 1. 28; 2. 10; 4. 12.

20 overlaid. See note on covered, 15 and 18.

22 whole house. Fig. Synecdoche (of Whole). Ap. 6. Put for every part of it.

23 two cherubims. See Ap. 41.

olive tree = oil tree, as in Isa. 41. 19: rendered pine (Neh. 8. 15); but, Oleaster according to Tristram.

32 two doors = two-leaved (or double) doors.

33 door = entrance.

37 Zif. The second month.

38 eighth month. See note on v. 1, and cp. Dedication later, in "seventh month" (8. 2); so that more than one, and probably three, years in completing the appointments. parts = appointments.

seven years. See note on v. 1. Seven years for the building itself, and probably three years for the "appointments". Contrast these seven with the thirteen of 7. 1, and see Ap. 10.

7. 1-12 (L, p. 456). OTHER BUILDINGS. (Introversion.)

L q | 1. Solomon's own house. Time.
r | 2-8-. House of forest of Lebanon.
r | -8. House of the queen.
q | 9-12. Solomon's house. Materials.
1 thirteen. Cp. 6. 38, and see Ap. 10.

bims and palm trees and open flowers, and overlaid them with gold, and spread gold upon the cherubims, and upon the palm trees.

33 So also made he for the °door of the temple posts of olive tree, a fourth part of the wall.

34 And the two doors were of fir tree: the two leaves of the one door were folding, and the two leaves of the other door were folding.

35 And he carved thereon cherubims and palm trees and open flowers: and covered them with gold fitted upon the carved work.

36 And he built the inner court with three rows of hewed stone, and a row of cedar beams.

37 In the fourth year was the foundation of the house of ¹the LORD laid, in the month °Zif:

38 And in the eleventh year, in the month Bul, which is the °eighth month, was the house finished throughout all the °parts thereof, and according to all the fashion of it. So was he °seven years in building it.

7 But Solomon was building his own house °thirteen years, and he finished all his house.

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r 2 He built also the house of the forest of
(p. 457) Lebanon; the length thereof was an hundred
910 ° cubits, and the breadth thereof fifty ° cubits,
to and the height thereof thirty ° cubits, upon four
897 rows of cedar pillars, with cedar beams upon
the pillars.

3 And it was covered with cedar above upon
the beams, that lay on forty five pillars, fifteen
in a row.

4 And there were windows in three rows, and
light was against light in three ranks.

5 And all the ° doors and posts were square,
with the windows: and light was against light
in three ranks.

6 And he made a porch of pillars; the length
thereof was fifty ° cubits, and the breadth
thereof thirty ° cubits: and the porch was
before them: and the other pillars and the
thick beam were before them.

7 Then he made a porch for the throne where
he might judge, even the porch of judgment:
and it was covered with cedar from one side
of the floor to the other.

8 And his house where he dwelt had another
court within the porch, which was of the like
work.

r Solomon made also an house for Pharaoh's
daughter, whom he had taken to wife, like
unto this porch.

q 9 All these were of costly stones, according
to the measures of hewed stones, ° sawed with
saws, within and without, even from the foun-
dation unto the coping, and so on the outside
toward the great court.

10 And the foundation was of costly stones,
even great stones, stones of ten ° cubits, and
stones of eight ° cubits.

11 And above were costly stones, after the
measures of hewed stones, and cedars.

12 And the great court round about was with
three rows of hewed stones, and a row of cedar
beams, both for the inner court of the house of
° the LORD, and for the porch of the house.

K Q¹ R¹ 13 And king Solomon sent and fetched Hiram
(p. 458) out of Tyre.

14 He was ° a widow's son of the tribe of
° Naphtali, and his father was a ° man of Tyre,
a worker in brass: and he was filled with
wisdom, and understanding, and ° cunning to
work all ° works in brass.

R² S s And he came to king Solomon, and wrought all
his work.

t 15 For he ° cast ° two pillars of brass, of
° eighteen ° cubits high ° apiece: and a line of
twelve ° cubits did compass either of them
about.

16 And he made two ° chapters of molten
brass, to set upon the tops of the pillars: the
height of the one ° chapter was ° five ° cubits,
and the height of the other ° chapter was five
° cubits:

17 And ° nets of checker work, and wreaths
of chain work, for the ° chapters which were
upon the top of the pillars; seven for the one
° chapter, and seven for the other ° chapter.

18 And he made the pillars, and two rows
round about upon the one network, to cover

2 cubits. See Ap. 51. III. 2.

5 doors = entrances.

9 sawed with saws. Fig. *Polyptoton*. Ap. 6.

7. 13-8. 66 (K, p. 456). THE TEMPLE. (Division.)

K | Q¹ | 7. 13-51. The work itself.
| Q² | 8. 1-66. The dedication of the work.

7. 13-51 (Q¹, above). THE WORK. (Division.)

Q¹ | R¹ | 13, 14-. The worker.
| R² | -14-51. The works.

12 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

14 a widow's. One of nine widows specially men-
tioned. See note on Gen. 38. 19.

Naphtali: by marriage. By birth, of Dan (2 Chron.
2. 14). Dan furnished Aholiab, one of the builders
of the Tabernacle (Ex. 31. 6).

man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

cunning = knowing, or skilful. Cp. 1 Sam. 16. 18.
1 Chron. 22. 15.

works in brass = castings in bronze. These were
the subjects of later prophecy (Jer. 27. 19), fulfilled in
2 Kings 25. 13-17.

7. -14-51 (R², above). THE WORKS. (Alternation.)

R² | S | -14-40-. Description.
| T | -40. Completion.
| S | 41-50. Enumeration.
| T | 51. Completion.

7. -14-40 (S T, above). DESCRIPTION. (Introversion.)

S | s | -14. Hiram commences the work.
| t | 15-22. The position of pillars.
| u | 23-37. The sea. } Water.
| u | 38. The lavers. }
| t | 39, 40-. The position of sea and lavers.
T | s | -40. Hiram completes the work.

15 cast. Heb. fashioned.

two pillars = the two pillars: i. e. the two notable
pillars, for ornament, not for support, and hollow
(Jer. 52. 21).

eighteen cubits high apiece. So 2 Kings 25. 17 and
Jer. 52. 21. But 2 Chron. 3. 15 (marg.) says thirty-five
cubits long: i. e. together, the top of "each" being
reckoned separately. Therefore the height here was
17½ + ½ cubit being taken up in the joining on of the
capital.

apiece. This is the reckoning here. In 2 Chron. 3. 15
they are reckoned together. See margin.

16 chapters. Old French *chapiteau*, from Lat. *capitu-*
lum = capitals, or crowns.

five cubits. So 2 Chron. 3. 15. But 2 Kings 25. 17
says three cubits, not including the "wreathen" or
lattice work, which is described separately, and must
have been two cubits.

17 nets = frames, or net- or lattice-work. These are
included in the five cubits here and in 2 Chron. 3. 15,
but not in 2 Kings 25. 17.

20 belly = swell, or protuberance.

the 16 chapters that were upon the top, with
pomegranates: and so did he for the other
16 chapter.

19 And the 16 chapters that were upon the
top of the pillars were of lily work in the porch,
four ° cubits.

20 And the 16 chapters upon the two pillars
had pomegranates also above, over against the
° belly which was by the network: and the

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pomegranates were °two hundred in rows round about upon the other ¹⁶chapter.

21 And he set up the pillars °in the porch of the temple: and he set up the right pillar, and called the name thereof °Jachin: and he set up the left pillar, and called the name thereof °Boaz.

22 And upon the top of the pillars was lily work: so was the work of the pillars finished.

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23 And he made a °molten sea, ten ²cubits from the one brim to the other: *it was* round all about, and his height *was* five ²cubits: and °a line of thirty ²cubits did compass it round about.

24 And under the brim of it round about *there were* knops compassing it, ten in a ²cubit, compassing the sea round about: the knops *were* cast in two rows, when it was cast.

25 It stood upon twelve oxen, three looking toward the north, and three looking toward the west, and three looking toward the south, and three looking toward the east: and the sea *was set* above upon them, and all their hinder parts *were* inward.

26 And it *was* an hand breadth thick, and the brim thereof was wrought like the brim of a cup, with flowers of lilies: it contained °two thousand °baths.

27 And he made ten bases of brass; four ²cubits *was* the length of one base, and four ²cubits the breadth thereof, and three ²cubits the height of it.

28 And the work of the bases *was* on this manner: they had °borders, and the °borders *were* between the ledges:

29 And on the borders that *were* between the ledges *were* lions, oxen, and cherubims: and upon the ledges *there was* a base above: and beneath the lions and oxen *were* certain °additions made of thin work.

30 And every base had four brasen °wheels, and °plates of brass: and the four corners thereof had °undersetters: under the laver *were* °undersetters molten, °at the side of every ²⁹addition.

31 And the mouth of it within the ¹⁶chapter and above *was* a ²cubit: but the mouth thereof *was* round *after* the work of the base, a ²cubit and an half: and also upon the mouth of it *were* gravings with their °borders, foursquare, not round.

32 And under the ²⁸borders *were* four ³⁰wheels; and the axletrees of the wheels *were joined* to the base: and the height of a wheel *was* a ²cubit and half a ²cubit.

33 And the work of the wheels *was* like the work of a chariot wheel: their axletrees, and their °naves, and their °felloes, and their °spokes, *were* all molten.

34 And *there were* four ³⁰undersetters to the four corners of one base: and the ³⁰undersetters *were* of the very base itself.

35 And in the top of the base *was there* a round compass of half a ²cubit high: and on the top of the base the ledges thereof and the borders thereof *were* of the same.

36 For on the plates of the ledges thereof, and on the borders thereof, he graved cherubims, lions, and palm trees, according to the

two hundred. In v. 42 called four hundred, because two hundred reckoned to each, as in 2 Chron. 4. 13. In 2 Chron. 3. 16 they are called one hundred, because reckoned one hundred to each row. In Jer. 52. 23 they are ninety-six "on a side" (Heb. *rûachah* - to windward: i. e. exposed to the wind or open air. The others within, or sheltered).

21 in the porch = for the porch.

Jachin = He (God) will establish. } Referring to His Boaz = In Him (God) is strength. } People Israel.

23 molten sea = brazen laver. "Sea" put by Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct) for what contained it.

a line of thirty cubits. Here the proportion of the diameter to the circumference (1:3) was revealed, while human wisdom was still searching it out.

26 two thousand. 2 Chron. 4. 5 says three thousand. But 1 Kings 7. 26 speaks of what it *did* (usually) contain; while 2 Chron. 4. 5 speaks of what it *could* "receive and hold". No bath in use is filled to its full capacity.

baths. See Ap. 51. III. 3.

28 borders = panels, or enclosures.

29 additions = connections. Probably wreaths. Occurs only here and vv. 29, 30, 36.

30 wheels: showing that these lavers were movable; and indicating that when "that which is perfect should come (viz. the washing with spirit, Acts 1. 5), the type (water) was to be wheeled away".

plates = axletrees.

undersetters = projections, or supports.

at the side of = opposite.

31 borders = panels. Removed by Ahaz (2 Kings 16. 17). Replaced by Hezekiah (2 Chron. 29. 19). Existed at taking of Temple (Jer. 52. 17, 20).

33 naves = felloes.

felloes = spokes.

spokes = naves.

36 proportion: i. e. on a reduced scale, as the plates required.

40 lavers = cauldrons (for boiling the peace offerings). Some codices, with three early printed editions, Sept., and Vulg., read "pans". Cp. v. 45 and 2 Chron. 4. 11. made = made for.

41 networks = lattices.

42 upon = upon the face of. Fig. Pleonasm. Ap. 6.

° proportion of every one, and ²⁹ additions round about.

37 After this manner he made the ten bases: all of them had one casting, one measure, and one size.

38 Then made he ten lavers of brass: one laver contained forty ²⁶baths: and every laver was four ²cubits: and upon every one of the ten bases one laver.

39 And he put five bases on the right side of the house, and five on the left side of the house: and he set the sea on the right side of the house eastward over against the south.

40 And Hiram made the °lavers, and the shovels, and the basins.

So Hiram made an end of doing all the work that he °made king Solomon for the house of ¹²the LORD:

41 The two pillars, and the two bowls of the ¹⁶chapters that *were* on the top of the two pillars; and the two °networks, to cover the two bowls of the ¹⁶chapters which *were* upon the top of the pillars;

42 And four hundred pomegranates for the two networks, *even* two rows of pomegranates for one network, to cover the two bowls of the ¹⁶chapters that *were* °upon the pillars;

43 And the ten bases, and ten lavers on the bases;

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44 And one sea, and twelve oxen under the sea;

45 And the pots, and the shovels, and the basons: and all these vessels, which Hiram made to king Solomon for the house of ¹²the LORD, were of bright brass.

46 In the plain of Jordan did the king cast them, in the clay ground between Succoth and Zarthan.

47 And Solomon left all the vessels *unweighed*, because they were °exceeding many: neither was the weight of the brass °found out.

48 And Solomon made all the °vessels that pertained unto the house of ¹²the LORD: the °altar of gold, and the table of gold, whereupon the shewbread was,

49 And the °candlesticks of °pure gold, five on the right *side*, and five on the left, before the oracle, with the flowers, and the lamps, and the tongs of gold,

50 And the bowls, and the snuffers, and the basons, and the spoons, and the censers of pure gold; and the hinges of gold, both for the doors of the inner house, °the most holy place, and for the doors of the house, to wit, of the temple.

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51 So was ended all the work that king Solomon made for the house of ¹²the LORD. And Solomon brought in °the things which David his father had dedicated; *even* the silver, and the gold, and the vessels, did he put among the treasures of the house of ¹²the LORD.

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8 Then Solomon assembled °the elders of Israel, °and all the heads of the tribes, the chief of the °fathers of the °children of Israel, unto king Solomon in Jerusalem, that they might bring up the ark of the covenant of °the LORD °out of the city of David, which *is* Zion.

2 And all the °men of Israel assembled themselves unto king Solomon at the feast in the month °Ethanin, which *is* °the seventh month.

3 And all the elders of Israel came, and the priests °took up the ark.

4 And they brought up the ark of ¹the LORD, and °the tabernacle of the congregation, and all the holy vessels that were in °the tabernacle, *even those* did the °priests and the °Levites bring up.

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5 And king Solomon, and all the congregation of Israel, that were assembled unto him, were with him before the ark, sacrificing sheep and oxen, that could not be told nor numbered for multitude.

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6 And the priests brought in the ark of the covenant of ¹the LORD unto his place, into the °oracle of the house, to °the most holy place, *even* under the wings of the cherubims.

7 For the cherubims spread forth *their* two wings °over the place of the ark, and the cherubims covered the ark and the staves thereof above.

8 And they drew out the staves, that the ends of the staves were seen out in the holy place before the °oracle, and they were not seen °without: and there they are °unto this day.

9 There was nothing in the ark °save the two tables of stone, which Moses put there at Horeb, °when ¹the LORD made a covenant with the

47 exceeding many. Heb. many many. Fig. *Epi-seuris* (Ap. 6) for emphasis: thus well rendered.

found out = sought out.

48 vessels = furniture.

altar: i. e. the altar of incense. Cp. 6. 22.

49 candlesticks. Cp. 2 Chron. 4. 20. Solomon exceeded the pattern in number but followed the design in shape. Size not stated.

pure gold. In Palestine, gold has the least possible alloy, and is exceedingly malleable.

50 the most holy place = the holy of holies.

51 the things which David his father had dedicated = the holy things of David. Heb. *qodesh*. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

8. 1-66 (Q², p. 458). THE DEDICATION. (Introversion and Alternation.)

Q² U | 1-11. The Feast.
V | W | Y | 12-21. Blessing.
Z | 22. Station.
X | 23-53. PRAYER.
V | W | Z | 54, 55. Station.
Y | 56-61. Blessing.
X | 62-64. WORSHIP.
U | 65, 66. The Feast.

1-11 (U, above). THE FEAST. (Alternation.)

U | v | 1-4. The Ark brought up.
w | 5. "Could not be numbered." (Multitude.)
v | 6-9. The Ark brought in.
w | 10, 11. "Could not stand." (Cloud.)

1 the elders. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "all the elders".

and. Some codices, with three early printed editions, Aram., and Sept., omit "and".

fathers = fathers' houses = families.
children = sons.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

out of the city of David: i. e. up out of Zion (the former Jebus, 2 Sam. 5. 6-9) to Moriah, where the Temple had been built (1 Chron. 21. 28-22. 1). Cp. 2 Sam. 6. See Ap. 68.

2 men. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

Ethanin. Same as Tisri.

the seventh month. Cp. Lev. 23. 24. See note on 6. 38.

3 took up. As commanded in Num. 4. 5, 15, 19.

4 the tabernacle = the tent. Heb. *'ohel*. See Ap. 40. Brought from Gibeon (2 Chron. 1. 3, 4). Probably put among the treasures of 7. 51.

priests: the ministers of sacrifice.

Levites: the ministers of praise.

6 oracle = the most holy place. Cp. 2 Sam. 16. 23.

the most holy place = the holy of holies.

7 over. Heb. text reads "unto". A.V. "over" agrees with Aram., Sept., and Vulg. Cp. 2 Chron. 5. 8.

8 without = outside: i. e. outside the holy place.

unto this day: i. e. 1 Kings written while Temple was still standing; therefore before its destruction by Nebuchadnezzar, and before the Captivity. Cp. 2 Chron. 5. 9, and see 9. 21; 12. 19. 2 Kings 8. 22; 10. 27.

9 save, &c. Heb. 9. 4 speaks of the Ark as it was in the Tabernacle, not as in the Temple. Cp. Heb. 9. 2, 3, 4. when . . . Israel. The Sept. reads "the Tables which Moses placed [there] in Horeb, which [Tables] the LORD covenanted with the sons of Israel".

10 filled. Cp. Ex. 40. 34.

1 children of Israel, when they came out of the land of Egypt.

10 And it came to pass, when the priests were come out of the holy place, that the cloud °filled the house of ¹the LORD,

11 So that the priests could not stand to minister because of the cloud: for the glory of ¹the LORD had filled the house of ¹the LORD.

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y¹ 12 Then spake Solomon, ¹“The LORD said that He would °dwell in the thick darkness.

13 I have surely built Thee an °house to dwell in, a settled place for Thee to abide in for ever.”

x² 14 And the king turned his face about, and blessed all the °congregation of Israel: (and all the °congregation of Israel stood;)

15 And he said, “Blessed be ¹the LORD °God of Israel, Which spake with His mouth unto David my father, and hath with His hand fulfilled it, °saying,

16 ‘Since the day that I brought forth My People Israel out of Egypt, I chose no city out of all the tribes of Israel to build an house, that My name might be °therein; but I chose David to be over My People Israel.’

y¹ 17 And it was in the heart of David my father to build an house for the name of ¹the LORD ¹⁵God of Israel.

x³ 18 And ¹the LORD °said unto David my father, ‘Whereas it was in thine heart to build an house unto My name, thou didst well that it was in thine heart.

19 Nevertheless thou shalt not build the house; but thy son that shall come forth out of thy loins, he shall build the house unto My name.’

y³ 20 And ¹the LORD hath performed His word that He spake, and I am risen up in the room of David my father, and sit on the throne of Israel, as ¹the LORD promised, and have built an house for the name of ¹the LORD ¹⁵God of Israel.

21 And I have set there a place for the ark, wherein is °the covenant of ¹the LORD, which He made with our fathers, when He brought them out of the land of Egypt.”

Z (p. 460) 22 And Solomon °stood before the altar of ¹the LORD in the presence of all the ¹⁴congregation of Israel, and °spread forth his hands toward heaven:

X A¹ a (p. 461) 23 And he said, ¹“LORD ¹⁵God of Israel, there is no ¹⁵God like Thee, in heaven above, or on earth beneath, Who keepest covenant and °mercy with Thy servants that walk before Thee with all their heart:

24 Who hast kept with Thy servant David my father that Thou promisedst him: Thou spakest also with Thy mouth, and hast fulfilled it with Thine hand, as it is this day.

b 25 Therefore now, ¹LORD ¹⁵God of Israel, keep with Thy servant David my father that Thou promisedst him, saying, ‘There shall not fail thee a ²man in My sight to sit on the throne of Israel; °so that thy ¹children take heed to their way, that they walk before Me °as thou hast walked before Me.’

26 And now, O °God of Israel, let Thy °word, I pray Thee, be verified, which Thou spakest unto Thy servant David my father.

a 27 But °will ¹⁵God °indeed ¹²dwell on the earth? °behold, the °heaven and heaven of heavens cannot contain Thee; °how much less this house that I have builded?

8. 12-21 (Y, p. 460). THE BLESSING. (Repeated Alternation.)

Y | x¹ | 12. Words of and to Jehovah.
y¹ | 13. The house.
x² | 14-16. Words of and to Jehovah.
y² | 17. The house.
x³ | 18, 19. Words of and to Jehovah.
y³ | 20, 21. The house.

12 dwell. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

13 house to dwell in. Heb. *beth z'bul* = Assyrian *bit-zabali* = high or lofty house. Cp. Zebulun (Gen. 30, 20).

14 congregation = assembly.

15 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4.

saying. Cp. 2 Sam. 7. 6.

16 therein - there, with Sept. and 2 Chron. 6. 5. The Sept. adds after this word “and I have chosen Jerusalem that My Name might be there”. This is preserved in 2 Chron. 6. 6. The scribe's eye, in copying, went back to the next word, “I have chosen David”, and went on from there, omitting the sentence given above.

18 said. Cp. 2 Sam. 7. 12.

21 the covenant. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6. for the two tables of stone on which it was written. Cp. v. 9.

22 stood = took his position: position, not posture. See note on v. 54.

spread forth. He did this kneeling. See v. 54 and 2 Chron. 6. 13.

23 mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.

23-53 (X, p. 460). THE PRAYER. (Division.)

X | A¹ | 23-30. General. Jehovah and himself.
A² | 31-53. Special. The people.

23-30 (A¹, above). GENERAL. (Alternation.)

A¹ | a | 23, 24. Jehovah's faithfulness.
b | 25, 26. Solomon's plea.
a | 27. Jehovah's immensity.
b | 28-30. Solomon's plea.

25 so that - provided that.

as - according as.

26 God = *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read “Jehovah *Elohim*”. Ap. 4. I, II. word. Heb. *dābar*. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for the promises made by it. See v. 56, and Ap. 73. x. 27 will . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Cp. 2 Chron. 6. 18. Isa. 66. 1. Acts 7. 48, 49.

indeed - in truth.

behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

heaven, &c. Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

how much . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

28 prayer. Includes every thought of the heart which is Godward.

supplication = entreaty (for favour).

cry = the vehement utterance of either.

29 toward. So written, but some codices read “upon”.

make toward. Hence Daniel's act (Dan. 6. 10).

28 Yet have Thou respect unto the °prayer of Thy servant, and to his °supplication, O ¹LORD my ¹⁵God, to hearken unto the °cry and to the prayer, which Thy servant prayeth before Thee to day:

29 That Thine eyes may be open toward this house night and day, even °toward the place of which Thou hast said, ‘My name shall be there:’ that Thou mayest hearken unto the prayer which Thy servant shall °make toward this place.

910 30 And hearken Thou to the supplication of Thy servant, and of Thy People Israel, when they shall pray ²⁹toward this place: and hear Thou in heaven Thy ^odwelling place: and when Thou hearest, forgive.

A² B c¹ (p. 462) 31 ^oIf any ²man ^otrespass against his neighbour, and an oath be laid upon him to cause him to swear, ^oand the oath come before Thine altar in this house:

d¹ 32 Then hear Thou in heaven, and do, and judge Thy servants, condemning the wicked, to bring his way upon his head; and justifying the righteous, to give him according to his righteousness.

C c² 33 ^oWhen Thy People Israel be smitten down before the enemy, because they have ^osinned against Thee, and shall turn again to Thee, and confess Thy name, and pray, and make supplication unto Thee in this house:

d² 34 Then hear Thou in heaven, and forgive the ³³sin of Thy People Israel, and ^obring them again unto the land which Thou gavest unto their fathers.

c³ 35 ^oWhen heaven is shut up, and there is no rain, because they have ³³sinned against Thee; if they pray toward this place, and confess Thy name, and turn from their sin, when Thou afflictest them:

d³ 36 Then hear Thou in heaven, and forgive the ³³sin of Thy servants, and of Thy People Israel, ^othat Thou teach them the good way wherein they should walk, and give rain upon Thy land, which Thou hast given to Thy People for an inheritance.

c⁴ 37 If there be in the land famine, if there be ^opestilence, ^oblasting, mildew, locust, or if there be caterpillar; if their enemy besiege them in the land of their ^ocities; whatsoever plague, whatsoever sickness *there be*;

38 What ²⁸prayer and ²⁸supplication soever be *made* by any ^oman, or by all Thy People Israel, which shall ^oknow ^oevery man the ^oplague of his own heart, and spread forth his hands toward this house:

d⁴ 39 Then hear Thou in heaven Thy ³⁰dwelling place, and forgive, and do, and give to ³⁸every man according to ^ohis ways, whose heart Thou knowest; (^ofor Thou, *even* Thou only, knowest the hearts of all the ¹children of ^omen;)

40 That they may fear Thee all the days that they live in the land which Thou gavest unto our fathers.

B c⁵ 41 Moreover concerning a ^ostranger, that is not of Thy People Israel, but cometh out of a far country for Thy name's sake;

42 (³⁹For ^othey shall hear of Thy great name, and of Thy strong hand, and of Thy stretched out arm;) when he shall come and pray toward this house;

d⁵ 43 Hear Thou in heaven Thy ³⁰dwelling place, and do according to all that the stranger calleth to Thee for: that all people of the earth may know Thy name, to fear Thee, as do Thy People Israel; and that they may know that

31-53 (A², p. 461). SPECIAL. THE PEOPLE. (Introversion and Repeated Alternation.)

A ²	B	c ¹	31. Subject.	} Individual.
		d ¹	32. "Hear Thou".	
	C	c ²	33. Subject.	} National.
		d ²	34. "Hear Thou".	
		c ³	35. Subject.	
		d ³	36. "Hear Thou".	
		c ⁴	37, 38. Subject.	} National.
		d ⁴	39, 40. "Hear Thou".	
	B	c ⁵	41, 42. Subject.	} Individual.
		d ⁵	43. "Hear Thou".	
	C	c ⁶	44. Subject.	} National.
		d ⁶	45. "Hear Thou".	
		c ⁷	46-48. Subject.	
		d ⁷	49-53. "Hear Thou".	

30 dwelling place. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

31 If = When, or Whosoever shall trespass. See Ap. 44. i. This shows an acquaintance with the Pentateuch. See v. 33, and Ap. 47. and the oath come. Omitted by Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg. versions.

33 When. Note how these petitions are based on the *Pentateuch*. Cp. Lev. 26. 17. Deut. 28. 25. sinned. Heb. *chāṭā*. Ap. 44. i.

34 bring them again. See Deut. 30. 1-8. Neh. 1. 8, 9.

35 When heaven is shut up. Cp. Lev. 26. 19. Deut. 11. 17. Cp. ch. 17. 1.

36 that Thou teach = because Thou wilt teach.

37 pestilence = death. Cp. Lev. 26. 26.

blasting = blight.

cities. Heb. gates. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct) for cities.

38 man. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

know = perceive in his own heart. Lat. *conscio*, or have conscience.

every man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II.

plague = punishment. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the sin which produces it.

39 his = all his, as in 2 Chron. 6. 30.

for Thou, &c. Fig. *Epitrichon*. Ap. 6.

men. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

41 stranger = foreigner, or alien. Already contemplated in Num. 15. 14. Deut. 10. 19.

42 they shall hear. Cp. 10. 1, 6, 7.

44 enemy. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "enemies".

45 cause. Heb. judgment: i. e. execute judgment for them.

46 there is no man that sinneth not. Fig. *Paremia*. Ap. 6. Cp. Prov. 20. 9. Ecc. 7. 20. Jas. 3. 2. 1 John 1. 8, 10.

this house, which I have builded, is called by Thy name.

44 If Thy people go out to battle against their ^oenemy, whithersoever Thou shalt send them, and shall pray unto ¹the LORD ²⁹toward the city which Thou hast chosen, and *toward* the house that I have built for Thy name:

45 Then hear Thou in heaven their prayer and their supplication, and maintain their ^ocause.

46 If they ³³sin against Thee, (³⁹for ^othere is no man that ³³sinneth not,) and Thou be angry with them, and deliver them to the enemy, so that they carry them away captives unto the land of the enemy, far or near;

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47 Yet ° if they shall ° bethink themselves in the land whither they were carried captives, and repent, and make supplication unto Thee in the land of them that carried them captives, ° saying, 'We have ³³ sinned, and have done perversely, we have committed ° wickedness;'

48 And so return unto Thee with all their heart, and with all their ° soul, in the land of their enemies, which led them away captive, and pray unto Thee ° toward their land, which Thou gavest unto their fathers, ° the city which Thou hast chosen, and the house which ° I have built for Thy name:

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49 Then hear Thou their prayer and their supplication in heaven Thy ³⁰ dwelling place, and maintain their ⁴⁵ cause,

50 And ° forgive Thy People that have ³³ sinned against Thee, and all their ° transgressions wherein they have ° transgressed against Thee, and ° give them compassion before them who carried them captive, that they may have compassion on them:

51 For they be Thy People, and Thine inheritance, which Thou broughtest forth out of Egypt, from the midst of the ° furnace of iron:

52 That Thine eyes may be open unto the supplication of Thy servant, and unto the supplication of Thy People Israel, to hearken unto them in all that they call for unto Thee.

53 For Thou ° didst separate them from among all the ° people of the earth, to be Thine inheritance, ²⁵ as Thou spakest ° by the hand of ° Moses Thy servant, when Thou broughtest our fathers out of Egypt, O ° Lord ° GOD."

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54 And it was so, that when Solomon had made an end of ° praying all this ° prayer and supplication unto ¹ the LORD, he arose from before the altar of ¹ the LORD, from ° kneeling on his knees with his hands spread up to heaven.

55 And he stood, and blessed all the ¹⁴ congregation of Israel with a loud voice, saying,

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56 "Blessed be ¹ the LORD, That hath ° given rest unto His People Israel, according to all that He promised:

f there hath ° not failed one word of all His good promise, which He promised by the hand of ° Moses His servant.

f 57 ¹ The LORD our ¹⁵ God be with ° us, ²⁵ as He was with our fathers: ° let Him not leave us, nor forsake us:

58 That He may ° incline our hearts unto Him, to walk in all His ways, and to keep His commandments, and His statutes, and His judgments, which He commanded our fathers.

59 And let these my words, wherewith I have made supplication before ¹ the LORD, be nigh unto ¹ the LORD our ¹⁵ God day and night, that He maintain the ⁴⁵ cause of His servant, and the ⁴⁵ cause of His people Israel ° at all times, as the matter shall require:

60 That all the ⁵³ people of the earth ° may know that ¹ the LORD ° is ¹⁵ God, and that there is none else.

e 61 Let your heart therefore be ° perfect with ¹ the LORD our ¹⁵ God, to walk in His statutes, and to keep His commandments, as at this day."

47 if, &c. Deuteronomy supplied the Lord with answers in His temptation; and supplied Solomon with petitions for his prayer. Cp. 30. 1-3, 4, 20; 9. 26, 29 (cp. vv. 51, 52 below); 7. 9 (cp. v. 23 above); and 10. 14 (cp. v. 27 above), &c.

bethink themselves = call themselves to their right mind. (The verb is in the Hiphil.)

saying, We have sinned. Cp. Neh. 1. 6, 7. Dan. 9. 8.

wickedness. Heb. *rāsha'*. Ap. 44. x.

48 soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

toward their land. Cp. Dan. 6. 10; 9. 5-19. Ezra 9. 5-15; 10. 1. Neh. 9. 16-35. Ps. 106. 6.

the city. Some codices, with two early printed editions, and Vulg., read "and the city".

I have built. Heb. text written "Thou hast built", but some codices, with three early printed editions, Aram., Sept., and Vulg., read "I have built", as in A.V.

50 forgive Thy People. Cp. Lev. 26. 40, 42.

transgressions . . . transgressed. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix.

give them. Cp. Ezra 1. 1, 3.

51 furnace = furnace for the smelting of iron; not made of iron. Cp. Gen. 15. 17.

53 didst separate. Cp. Lev. 20. 24, 26.

people = peoples.

by the hand. Fig. *Pleonasm*. Ap. 6.

Moses Thy servant. First of three occurrences. Cp. Neh. 1. 8; 9. 14.

Lord GOD = Adonai Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

54 praying . . . prayer = making this solemn prayer. Fig. *Polyptoton*. Ap. 6.

kneeling. See note on v. 22, and cp. 19. 18. Isa. 45. 23. Ezra 9. 5. 2 Chron. 6. 13. Dan. 6. 10. Ps. 95. 6. Standing was the earlier practice (1 Sam. 1. 26).

8. 56-61 (Y, p. 460). THE BLESSING. (Introversion.)

Y | e | 56-. The faithfulness of Jehovah. Celebrated.

f | -56. Retrospective. Praise.

f | 57-60. Prospective. Prayer.

e | 61. The faithfulness of His People. Exhortation.

56 given rest. Cp. Ex. 33. 14.

not failed. Not fallen [to the ground]. Heb. *nāphal*, to fall. Solomon knows Josh. 23. 14. Cp. Josh. 21. 45.

Moses His servant. See note on Ex. 14. 31.

57 us. Note that Solomon includes himself.

let Him not leave us, &c. See note on Gen. 28. 15. Cp. Deut. 31. 6. Josh. 1. 5.

58 incline our hearts. Cp. Lev. 26. 3-13. Deut. 28. 1-14. Some codices, with three early printed editions, Sept., and Vulg., read "heart".

59 at all times. Heb. the matter of a day in its day: i. e. day by day.

60 may know. Cp. Deut. 4. 39.

is = *be* [is].

61 perfect with = loyal: i. e. not divided between Jehovah and other gods; hence wholly devoted to. Not heeded by Solomon himself. Cp. 9. 6; 11. 4. 1 Chron. 29. 19.

62 offered sacrifice. Heb. sacrificed a sacrifice. Fig. *Polyptoton* (Ap. 6) = offered a great or abundant sacrifice. See Ap. 43. I. iv. Jehovah accepted them by fire from heaven, as recorded in 2 Chron. 7. 1. See note on Gen. 4. 4.

62 And the king, and all Israel with him, X
° offered sacrifice before ¹ the LORD.

63 And Solomon ⁶² offered a sacrifice of peace offerings, which he ⁶² offered unto ¹ the LORD, two and twenty thousand oxen, and an hundred and twenty thousand sheep. So the king and all the ¹ children of Israel dedicated the house of ¹ the LORD.

64 The same day did the king hallow the middle of the court that was before the house

910 of ¹the LORD: for there he ^offered burnt offerings, and meat offerings, and the fat of the peace offerings: because the brasen altar that was before ¹the LORD was too little to receive the burnt offerings, and meat offerings, and the fat of the peace offerings.

65 And at that time Solomon held ^oa feast, and all Israel with him, a great ¹⁴congregation, from the entering in of Hamath unto the river of Egypt, before ¹the LORD our ¹⁵God, ^oseven days and seven days, *even* fourteen days.

66 On the eighth day he sent the People away: and they blessed the king, and went unto their tents joyful and glad of heart for all the goodness that ¹the LORD had done ^ofor David His servant, and for Israel His People.

4 E¹ (p. 464) 897 **9** And it came to pass, when Solomon had finished the building of the house of ^othe LORD, and the king's house, and all Solomon's desire which he was pleased to do,

2 That ¹the LORD appeared to Solomon the second time, ^oas He had appeared unto him at Gibeon.

E² 3 And ¹the LORD said unto him, "I have heard thy prayer and thy supplication, that thou hast made before Me: I have hallowed this house, which thou hast built, to put My name there for ever; and ^oMine eyes and ^oMine heart shall be there perpetually.

E³ g 4 And if thou wilt walk before Me, as David thy father walked, in integrity of heart, and in uprightness, to do according to all that I have commanded thee, ^oand wilt keep My statutes and My judgments:

h 5 Then I will establish the throne of thy kingdom upon Israel for ever, ^oas I promised to David thy father, saying, 'There shall not fail thee a ^oman upon the throne of Israel.'

g 6 But if ye shall at all turn from following Me, ye or your ^ochildren, and will not keep My commandments ^oand My statutes which I have set before you, but go and serve other gods, and worship them:

h 7 Then will I cut off Israel out of the land which I have given them; and this house, which I have hallowed for My name, will I cast out of My sight; and Israel shall be a proverb and a byword among all ^opeople:

8 ^oAnd at this house, *which* is high, every one that passeth by it shall be astonished, and shall hiss; and they shall say, 'Why hath ¹the LORD done thus unto this land, and to this house?'

9 And they shall answer, 'Because they forsook ¹the LORD their ^oGod, Who brought forth their fathers out of the land of Egypt, and have taken hold upon other gods, and have worshipped them, and served them: therefore hath ¹the LORD brought upon them all this ^oevil.'

B D E (p. 452) 917 to 897 10 And it came to pass at the end of ^otwenty years, when Solomon had built the two houses, the house of ¹the LORD, and the king's house,

11 (^oNow Hiram the king of Tyre had furnished Solomon with cedar trees and ^ofir trees, and with gold, according to all his desire,) that

64 offered = prepared. Ap. 43, I. iii.

65 a feast = the feast: viz. the Feast of Tabernacles. See note on v. 2.

seven days and seven days. Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6. The first seven the Feast of Dedication; the second the Feast of Tabernacles.

66 for David: i. e. in the person of Solomon his son. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part). Cp. 10, 9 and 2 Chron. 7, 10.

9. 1-9 (A, p. 452). SECOND APPEARANCE OF JEHOVAH. (*Division*.)

A | E¹ | 1, 2. Appearance.
E² | 3. Acceptance.
E³ | 4-9. Admonition.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 as He had appeared. See 3. 5.

3 Mine eyes . . . Mine heart. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

4-9 (E³, above). ADMONITION. (*Alternation*.)

E³ | g | 4. Obedience.
h | 5. Establishment.
g | 6. Disobedience.
h | 7-9. Rejection.

4 and. Sept., Syr., and Vulg. read this "and" in the text.

5 as = according as.

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

6 children = sons.

7 people = peoples.

8 And at this house, &c. Render thus: "And this house will become conspicuous; every passer by will be astonished, and hiss; and they will say", &c.

9 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

evil. Heb. *ra'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

10 twenty years. Cp. 7. 1.

11 Now Hiram. Fig. *Parenthesis*. Ap. 6. fir, or cypress.

13 What cities . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

Cabul. The point of the sarcasm is not apparent to us on account of our not knowing the meaning of the word. It has been variously suggested as meaning "worthless", "not to my taste" (Josephus). Galilee always despised. Sept. says "frontier"; others, "received as a pledge"; others, "good for nothing".

14 sent: referring to v. 11. Perhaps this was an advance for which the cities of v. 11 were the security. talents. Ap. 51. II.

15-24 (F, p. 452). THE LEVY. (*Extended Alternation*.)

F | i | 15. Levy for buildings.
k | 16. Pharaoh's daughter. City given.
l | 17-19. Buildings. Gezer, &c.
i | 20-23. Levy for builders.
k | 24-. Pharaoh's daughter. House built.
l | -24. Building. Millo.

15 reason = account, or schedule.

levy: i. e. tribute of men. Same word as 5, 13-18; not the same word as v. 21. See Structure, F and F, p. 452.

then king Solomon gave Hiram twenty cities in the land of Galilee.

12 And Hiram came out from Tyre to see the cities which Solomon had given him; and they pleased him not.

13 And he said, ^o"What cities *are* these which thou hast given me, my brother?" And he called them the land of ^oCabul unto this day.

14 And Hiram ^osent to the king sixscore ^otalents of gold.

15 And this *is* the ^oreason of the ^olevy which

F i (p. 464)

897 king Solomon raised; for to build the house of
to ¹the LORD, and his own house, and °Millo, and
880 °the wall of Jerusalem, and °Hazor, and °Megiddo, and °Gezer.

k 16 For Pharaoh king of Egypt had gone up,
(p. 464) and taken ¹⁵Gezer, and burnt it with fire, and
slain the Canaanites that dwelt in the city,
and given it for a °present unto his daughter,
Solomon's wife.

1 17 And Solomon °built Gezer, and Beth-horon
the nether,

18 And Baalath, and °Tadmor in the wilder-
ness, in the land,

19 And all the cities of store that Solomon
had, and cities for his chariots, and cities for
his horsemen, and that which Solomon desired
to build in Jerusalem, and in Lebanon, and in
all the land of his dominion.

i 20 And all the people that were left of the
Amorites, Hittites, Perizzites, Hivites, and
Jebusites, which were not of the °children of
Israel,

21 Their °children that were left after them
in the land, whom the °children of Israel also
were not able utterly to destroy, upon those
did Solomon levy a tribute of °bondservice unto
this day.

22 But of the °children of Israel did Solomon
°make no bondmen: but they were °men of
war, °and his servants, and his princes, and
his captains, and rulers of his chariots, and
his horsemen.

23 These were the chief of the officers that
were over Solomon's work, five hundred and
fifty, which bare rule over the People that
wrought in the work.

k 24 But Pharaoh's daughter came up out of
the city of David unto her house which Solomon
had built for her:

l then did he build Millo.

G (p. 452) 25 And °three times in a year did Solomon
°offer burnt offerings and peace offerings upon
the altar which he built unto ¹the LORD, and
he burnt incense upon the altar that was before
¹the LORD. So he finished the house.

C G¹ (p. 465) 26 And king Solomon made a navy of ships
in °Ezion-geber, which is beside Eloth, on the
shore of the Red sea, in the land of Edom.

27 And Hiram sent in the navy his servants,
shipmen that had knowledge of the sea, with
the servants of Solomon.

28 And they came to °Ophir, and fetched
from thence gold, four hundred and twenty
talents, and brought it to king Solomon.

H¹ 10 And when the °queen of °Sheba °heard
of the °fame of Solomon concerning the
name of °the LORD, she came to prove him with
°hard questions.

2 And °she came to Jerusalem with a very
great train, with camels that bare spices, and
very much gold, and precious stones: and
when she was come to °Solomon, she com-
muned with him of all that was in her heart.

3 And Solomon told her all her questions:
there was not any thing hid from the king,
which he told her not.

Millo = the Millo. Part of Jebusite city, or the filling
up between Jebus and Moriah. Hezekiah strengthened
it. Shechem had a "Millo" (Judg. 9. 6). Cp. v. 24;
11. 27. 2 Sam. 5. 9. 1 Chron. 11. 8. 2 Chron. 32. 54.
the wall. Begun by David (2 Sam. 5. 9. 1 Chron.
11. 8). Solomon closed the breaches (11. 27).

Hazor, an old Canaanitish town (Josh. 11. 1).

Megiddo, the same (Josh. 12. 21. Judg. 1. 27; 5. 19,
and 1 Kings 4. 12).

Gezer. Gezer was formerly under the suzerainty of
Egypt. Correspondence of the time of Amen-hotep III
and IV, about 1450 B.C., has been found at Tel-el-
Amarnah explorations, which mentions Yapakhi as
"king" of Gezer. Letters from Abdkhiva, king of
Jerusalem, complain of the Gezerites. First mentioned
in Josh. 10. 33. Conquest only partial (Josh. 16. 10.
Judg. 1. 29). Allotted to Levites (Josh. 21. 21). In ex-
cavation by Palestine Exploration Fund a contract
was found, dated 649 B.C. (in Assyrian). Gezer then
still under an Egyptian Governor. Another contract,
dated 647 B.C., was found, showing an Assyrian occu-
pation in the time of Manasseh. This may explain
the "captains" of 2 Chron. 33. 11.

16 present = dowry.

17 built = rebuilt and fortified.

18 Tadmor. Called, later, Palmyra (from its palms).

21 bondservice. See note on v. 22.

22 make no bondmen. According to Lev. 25. 39.
The levy, of 5. 13; 11. 28, was a levy for free service. This
was for bondservice (v. 21).

men. Heb. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

and. Note the Fig. Polysyndeton (Ap. 6) in this verse.

25 three times in a year. Cp. Ex. 23. 14-17. Deut.
16. 16. 2 Chron. 8. 13.

offer = offer up. See Ap. 43. I. vi.

9. 26-10. 29 (C, p. 452). RICHES AND WISDOM. (Repeated Alternation.)

C | G¹ | 9. 26-28. Riches. Navy.
H¹ | 10. 1-10. Wisdom. Queen of Sheba.
G² | 10. 11, 12. Riches. Navy.
H² | 10. 13. Wisdom. Queen of Sheba.
G³ | 10. 14-29. Riches. Possessions.

26 Ezion-geber. Cp. Num. 33. 35. Deut. 2. 8. Posi-
tion lost when Edom revolted (2 Kings 8. 20). Restored
by Uzziah (2 Kings 14. 22). Finally lost by Ahaz (2 Kings
16. 6).

28 Ophir. See note on 2 Chron. 8. 18.

10. 1 queen of Sheba. Cp. 2 Chron. 9. 1.
Sheba, a grandson of Cush, settled in Ethiopia
(Gen. 10. 7): i. e. Nubia and North Abyssinia, where
female sovereigns were not unusual. Cp. Acts 8. 27.

heard = kept hearing. By the commercial intercourse
of 9. 26-28. Cp. 2 Chron. 8. 17; 9. 1. Note her seven
steps: heard (v. 1); came (v. 2); communed (v. 2); saw
(v. 4); said (v. 6); gave (v. 10); returned (v. 13).

fame = report.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

hard = abstruse, or difficult.

2 she came. Note the use of this made by the Lord
Jesus in Matt. 12. 42. Luke 11. 31.

Solomon. Some codices, with four early printed
editions, Syr., and Vulg., read "King Solomon".

4 and. Note the Fig. Polysyndeton (Ap. 6), vv. 4, 5.

5 sitting = seated assembly.

attendance = standing.

4 And when the queen of Sheba had seen all
Solomon's wisdom, °and the house that he had
built,

5 And the meat of his table, and the °sitting
of his servants, and the °attendance of his
ministers, and their apparel, and his cupbearers,

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and his ° ascent by which he went up unto the house of ° the LORD; there was no more ° spirit in her.

6 And she said to the king, "It was a true report that I heard in mine own land of thy ° acts and of thy wisdom.

7 Howbeit I believed not the words, until I came, and mine eyes had seen it: and, ° behold, the half was not told me: thy wisdom and prosperity exceedeth the fame which I heard.

8 Happy are thy ° men, happy are these thy servants, which stand continually before thee, and that hear thy wisdom.

9 Blessed be ° the LORD thy ° God, Which ° delighted in thee, to set thee on the throne of Israel: because ° the LORD loved Israel for ever, therefore made He thee king, to do judgment and ° justice."

10 And she gave the king an hundred and twenty ° talents of gold, and of spices very great store, and precious stones: there came no more such abundance of spices as these which the queen of Sheba gave to king Solomon.

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11 And the ° navy also of Hiram, that brought gold from ° Ophir, brought in from Ophir great plenty of ° almug trees, and precious stones.

12 And the king made of the ° almug trees pillars for the house of ° the LORD, and for the king's house, harps also and psalteries for singers: there came no such ° almug trees, nor were seen unto this day.

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13 And king Solomon gave unto the queen of Sheba all her desire, whatsoever she asked, beside that which Solomon gave her ° of his royal bounty. So she turned and went to her own country, she and her servants.

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14 Now the weight of gold that ° came to Solomon in one year was ° six hundred threescore and six talents of gold,

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15 Beside that he had of the merchantmen, and of the traffick of the spice merchants, and of all the kings of Arabia, and of the governors of the country.

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16 And king Solomon made two hundred targets of beaten gold: six hundred shekels of gold went to one target.

17 And he made three hundred ° shields of beaten gold; three ° pound of gold went to one shield: and the king put them in the house of the forest of Lebanon.

18 Moreover the king made a great throne of ivory, and overlaid it with ° the best gold.

19 The throne had six steps, and the ° top of the throne was round behind: and there were ° stays on either side on the place of the seat, and two lions stood beside the stays.

20 And twelve lions stood there on the one side and on the other upon the six steps: there was not the like made in any kingdom.

21 And all king Solomon's drinking vessels were of gold, and all the vessels of the house of the forest of Lebanon were of pure gold; none were of silver: it was nothing accounted of in the days of Solomon.

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22 For the king had at sea a ° navy of Tharshish with the navy of Hiram: once in three years came the navy of Tharshish, bringing gold, and silver, ° ivory, and ° apes, and peacocks.

ascent. The covered stairway connecting Mount Zion (Jebus) with Mount Moriah. Cp. 2 Kings 16. 18. Ascent is the word for burnt or "ascending offering", by the merits of which we ascend now.

spirit. Heb. rūach. Ap. 9.

6 acts = words.

7 behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

8 men. Heb. pl. of 'ish or 'enōsh. Ap. 14.

9 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

delighted. See note on Num. 14. 8. 2 Sam. 15. 26. justice - righteousness.

10 talents. See Ap. 51. II.

11 navy also of Hiram. Joined with Solomon (v. 22; 9. 27, 28). Ophir. See note on 2 Chron. 8. 18.

almug. Not sandal wood, because found, too, in Lebanon (2 Chron. 2. 8). Cuneiform, giz-ku = precious wood; and Accadian, giz-dan = strong wood.

13 of his royal bounty. Heb. according to the hand of king Solomon.

10. 14-29 (G³, p. 465). RICHES. POSSESSIONS. (Introversion and Alternation.)

G³ | m | p | 14. Gold. Material.

q | 15. Means. Merchandise.

n | r | 16-21. Manufactures. Armour, &c.

s | 22. Means. Navy.

o | 23, 24. Pre-eminence.

n | s | 25. Means. Presents.

r | 26. Manufactures. Chariots, &c.

m | p | 27, 28-. Silver, cedars, &c. Material.

q | -28, 29. Means. Merchandise.

14 came. Probably in tariffs.

six hundred threescore and six=666. Symbolical of the height or essence of man's desire, but all vanity (Ap. 10). Cp. Ecc. 2. 8, 11. 1 Tim. 6. 10.

17 shields. Taken away by Shishak in the reign of Rehoboam (14. 26).

pound. Heb. maneh. See Ap. 51. II. 4.

18 the best=pure.

19 top=canopy.

stays=supports. Lit. hands.

22 navy of Tharshish = Tharshish ships, a name for large ocean-going ships (like English "East-Indiamen"). When mentioned as a place it is identified by Oppert with Tartessus - the Andalusia of to-day, noted for silver (not gold), iron, tin, and lead (Jer. 10. 9. Ezek. 27. 12). They sailed from Tyre to the West Mediterranean, and from Ezion-geber to Ophir (Arabia, India, and East Africa), 9. 26-28 and 10. 11.

ivory=elephants' tusks.

apes, and peacocks. The Heb. for these are Indian words (Tamil).

25 brought=kept bringing.

every man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

27 as stones. Fig. Hyperbolē. Ap. 6.

sycomore. Not English, but Eastern; a kind of fig, or mulberry.

23 So king Solomon exceeded all the kings of the earth for riches and for wisdom.

24 And all the earth sought to Solomon, to hear his wisdom, which ° God had put in his heart.

25 And they brought ° every man his present, vessels of silver, and vessels of gold, and garments, and armour, and spices, horses, and mules, a rate year by year.

26 And Solomon gathered together chariots and horsemen: and he had a thousand and four hundred chariots, and twelve thousand horsemen, whom he bestowed in the cities for chariots, and with the king at Jerusalem.

27 And the king made silver to be in Jerusalem ° as stones, and cedars made he to be as the ° sycomore trees that are in the vale, for abundance.

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28 And Solomon had °horses brought out of Egypt, and °linen yarn:

q the king's merchants received °the linen yarn at a price.

29 And a chariot came up and went out of Egypt for six hundred *shekels* of silver, and an horse for an hundred and fifty: and so for all the °kings of the Hittites, and for the kings of Syria, did they bring *them* out °by their means.

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11 But king Solomon loved many °strange women, together with the daughter of Pharaoh, women of the Moabites, Ammonites, Edomites, Zidonians, and Hittites;

2 Of the nations concerning which °the LORD said unto the °children of Israel, "Ye shall not go in to them, neither shall they come in unto you: for surely they will turn away your heart after their gods:" Solomon clave unto these in love.

3 And he had seven hundred wives, princesses, and three hundred concubines: and his wives turned away his heart.

4 For it came to pass, when Solomon was old, that his wives turned away his heart after other gods: and his heart was °not perfect with °the LORD his °God, °as was the heart of David his father.

5 For Solomon went after °Ashtoreth the goddess of the Zidonians, and after °Milcom the °abomination of the Ammonites.

6 And Solomon did °evil in the sight of °the LORD, and went not fully after °the LORD, °as did David his father.

7 Then did Solomon build an high place for °Chemosh, the °abomination of Moab, in °the hill that is before Jerusalem, and for °Molech, the °abomination of the °children of Ammon.

8 And likewise did he for all his °strange wives, which burnt incense and sacrificed unto their gods.

u 9 And °the LORD was °angry with Solomon, because his heart was turned from °the LORD °God of Israel, Which had appeared unto him °twice,

10 And °had commanded him concerning this thing, that he should not go after other gods: but he kept not that which °the LORD °commanded.

u J¹ 11 Wherefore °the LORD said unto Solomon, "Forasmuch as this is done of thee, and thou hast not kept My covenant and My statutes, which I have commanded thee, °I will surely rend the kingdom from thee, and will give it to thy servant.

12 Notwithstanding in thy days I will not do it for David thy father's sake: but I will rend it out of the hand of thy son.

13 Howbeit I will not rend away all the kingdom; but will give °one tribe to thy son for David My servant's sake, and for Jerusalem's sake which I have chosen."

J² v x 14 And °the LORD stirred up °an adversary unto Solomon, Hadad the Edomite: he was of the king's seed in Edom.

28 horses. Cp. Isa. 31. 1; 36. 9. Also Ezek. 17. 15. linen yarn. Probably = by strings, or droves (i. e. the horses).

29 kings of the Hittites. Cp. 1 Sam. 26. 6. 2 Kings 7. 6. These passages alleged to be unhistoric! but they are confirmed by the discoveries made in 1874 throughout Asia Minor and North Syria, which identify them with the "sons of Heth" (Gen. 23. 3, 5, 7; 25. 10; 27. 46; 49. 32), the *Khatta* of the Accadian and the *Kheta* of the Egyptian records. They contended on equal terms with Assyria and Egypt. Crushed by Sargon II, 717 B.C. Chief centres, Carchemish on the Euphrates and Kadesh on the Upper Orontes.

by their means. Heb. by their hand. Hand put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for what is done by it:—by means of Solomon's merchants.

11. 1-40 (U, p. 450). MARRIAGES. (Alternation.)

U | t | 1-8. Sins. Committed.
u | 9-. Jehovah's anger.
t | -9, 10. Sins. Charged.
u | 11-40. Jehovah's punishment.

1 strange = foreign. Note the frequent reference to these in the Book of Proverbs. Note the three steps in Solomon's fall: wealth, weapons, and women. Cp. Deut. 17. 16-17, where note the items in which Solomon failed.

2 the LORD (Heb. Jehovah) said. Ap. 4. II. See Ex. 34. 16. children = sons.

4 not perfect. See note on 8. 61. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

as = according to. David was faultless as to idolatry. 5 Ashtoreth. Cp. Judg. 2. 13. 1 Sam. 7. 3; 12. 10; 31. 10.

Milcom. Same as *Malcham*, the Aramaic pronunciation of Molech (v. 7). See Zeph. 1. 6. Translated "their king" (Jer. 49. 1. Amos 1. 15).

abomination. The word used for an idol by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), because of Jehovah's hatred which it produced. Cp. 2 Kings 23. 13. Dan. 9. 27.

6 evil = the evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

7 Chemosh. Cp. Num. 21. 29. Jer. 48. 7, 13, 46. 2 Kings 23. 13.

the hill, &c. = Mount of Olives! Hence called "the Mount of Corruption" (2 Kings 23. 13).

Molech. Generally has the article and denotes the king-idol (Lev. 18. 21; 20. 2, 3, 4, 5. 1 Kings 11. 7. 2 Kings 23. 10. Jer. 32. 35). Isa. 30. 33 and 57. 9 may be Molech, the idol, and not *Melek*, "king".

9 angry. Fig. *Prosopopæia*. Ap. 6. Heb. *ānaph*. Used only of Divine anger. Occurs fourteen times; six in the *Hithpael* = to force one's self to be angry (as with one loved). See the six: Deut. 1. 37; 4. 21; 9. 8, 20. 1 Kings 11. 9. 2 Kings 17. 18.

twice. Cp. 3. 5; 9. 2.

10 had commanded him. Cp. 6. 12.

commanded. Some codices, with three early printed editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., add "him".

11-40 (u, above). JEHOVAH. PUNISHMENT. (Division.)

u | J¹ | 11-13. Threatening (diminution).
J² | 14-40. Execution (adversaries).

11 I will surely rend = a rending I will rend. Fig. *Polyptoton*. Ap. 6. See note on Gen. 26. 28.

13 one tribe. Benjamin reckoned as part of Judah. Cp. vv. 30-32.

14-40 (J², above). EXECUTION (ADVERSARIES). (Introversion.)

J² | v | x | 14. Hadad.
y | 15-22. Cause.
w | 23-25. Rezon.
v | x | 26. Jeroboam.
y | 27-40. Cause.

14 an adversary = a Satan.

y 15 For ° it came to pass, when David was in
(p. 467) Edom, and ° Joab the captain of the host was
897 gone up to bury the slain, after he had smitten
to ° every male in Edom;

880 16 (For ° six months did Joab remain there
with all Israel, until he had cut off every male
in Edom:)

17 That Hadad fled, ^{he} and certain Edomites
of his father's servants with him, to go into
Egypt; Hadad *being* yet a little child.

18 And they arose out of Midian, and came to
Paran: and they took ° men with them out of
Paran, and they came to Egypt, unto Pharaoh
king of Egypt; which gave him an house, and
appointed him victuals, and gave him land.

19 And Hadad found great favour in the sight
of Pharaoh, so that he gave him to wife the
sister of his own wife, the sister of Tahpenes
the queen.

20 And the sister of Tahpenes bare him
Genubath his son, whom Tahpenes weaned
in Pharaoh's house: and Genubath was in
Pharaoh's household among the sons of Pha-
raoh.

21 And when Hadad heard in Egypt that
David ° slept with his fathers, and that Joab
the captain of the host was dead, Hadad said
to Pharaoh, "Let me depart, that I may go to
mine own country."

22 Then Pharaoh said unto him, "But what
hast thou lacked with me, that, ° behold, thou
seekest to go to thine own country?" And he
answered, "Nothing: howbeit let me go in any
wise."

w 23 And ° God stirred him up *another* ° adversary,
Rezon the son of Eliadah, which fled
from his lord Hadadezer king of Zobah:

24 And he gathered ° men unto him, and be-
came captain over a band, when David slew
them of Zobah: and they went to Damascus,
and dwelt therein, and reigned in Damascus.

25 And he was ° an adversary to Israel all
the days of Solomon, beside the mischief that
Hadad *did*: and he abhorred Israel, and
° reigned over Syria.

v x 26 And Jeroboam the son of Nebat, an
° Ephrathite of Zereda, Solomon's servant,
whose mother's name was Zeruah, ° a widow
woman, even he lifted up *his* hand against
the king.

y 27 And this *was* the cause that he lifted up
his hand against the king: Solomon built
° Millo, and repaired the breaches of the city
of David his father.

28 And the ° man Jeroboam was a mighty
man of valour: and Solomon seeing the young
man that ^{he} was industrious, he ° made him
ruler over all the charge of the house of
Joseph.

29 And it came to pass at that time when
Jeroboam went out of Jerusalem, that the
prophet ° Ahijah the ° Shilonite found him in
the way; and ^{he} had clad himself with a new
garment; and they two *were* alone in the
field:

30 And Ahijah caught the new garment that
was on him, and ° rent it in twelve pieces:

31 And he said to Jeroboam, "Take thee ten
pieces: for thus saith ° the LORD, the ° God of

15 it came to pass, &c. Cp. 2 Sam. 8. 3-13.

Joab. Cp. Ps. 60, title, and see note on 2 Sam. 8. 13.
every male: i.e. who did not flee, as Hadad did.
Supply Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), "every male [whom he
found] in Edom". See v. 17.

16 six months. See note on 2 Sam. 8. 13. Note also
Fig. *Parenthesis* (Ap. 6), v. 16.

18 men. Heb. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

21 slept with his fathers. See note on Deut. 31. 16.

22 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

25 reigned. David had subdued Syria (2 Sam. 8. 3, 6;
10. 8, 18). Now Solomon, weakened by sin, loses Syria.

26 Ephrathite = Ephraimite, as in 1 Sam. 1. 1. Not
a Bethlehemite, as in Ruth 1. 2. Zealous therefore for
his tribe as against Judah.

a widow. One of the nine widows mentioned in
Scripture. See note on Gen. 38. 19.

27 Millo = the Millo. See note on 9. 15.

28 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

made him ruler = gave him oversight, which gave
him opportunity to oppress and create disaffection.

29 Ahijah. He afterwards rebuked Jeroboam (14.
6-16).

Shilonite a native of Shiloh, where the Tabernacle
and Ark had been placed (Josh. 18. 1). Cp. 1 Sam. 4. 3.

30 rent it. Symbolic act. Cp. 22. 11. Isa. 20. 2, &c.
Jer. 19. 1-13. Ezek. 12. 1-20. Zech. 11. 7, 10, 14.

31 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

ten. Levi not reckoned.

32 But he, &c. Note the Fig. *Parenthesis* (Ap. 6) of
this verse.

one tribe. Put for, and including, Simeon, Benjamin,
and Levi, and others who joined later. Cp. 12. 23.
2 Chron. 11. 13; 15. 9. All included in 12. 20 by Fig.
Synecdoche (of the Part), Ap. 6.

33 Ashtoreth.

Chemosh.

Milcom.

} See notes on vv. 5 and 7.

35 I will take. Fulfilled in 12. 18-20.

36 light = lamp. Cp. the "furnace" of 8. 51, and see
note on Gen. 15. 17. Cp. 2 Kings 8. 19. Ps. 18. 28. Jer.
25. 10: implying the continued existence of the Divine
purpose.

37 soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

Israel, ° Behold, I will rend the kingdom out
of the hand of Solomon, and will give ° ten
tribes to thee:

32 (° But he shall have ° one tribe for My serv-
ant David's sake, and for Jerusalem's sake,
the city which I have chosen out of all the
tribes of Israel:)

33 Because that they have forsaken Me, and
have worshipped ° Ashtoreth the goddess of
the Zidonians, ° Chemosh the god of the Moab-
ites, and ° Milcom the god of the ° children of
Ammon, and have not walked in My ways, to
do *that which is* right in Mine eyes, and to
keep My statutes and My judgments, as *did*
David his father.

34 Howbeit I will not take the whole kingdom
out of his hand: but I will make him prince all
the days of his life for David My servant's sake,
whom I chose, because he kept My command-
ments and My statutes:

35 But ° I will take the kingdom out of his
son's hand, and will give it unto thee, *even* ten
tribes.

36 And unto his son will I give one tribe, that
David My servant may have a ° light alway
before Me in Jerusalem, the city which I have
chosen Me to put My name there.

37 And I will take *thee*, and thou shalt reign
according to all that thy ° soul desireth, and
shalt be king over Israel.

897 38 And it shall be, ° if thou wilt hearken unto
to all that I command thee, and wilt walk in My
880 ways, and do *that* is right in My sight, to keep
My statutes and My commandments, as David
My servant did; that I will be with thee, and
build thee ° a sure house, as I built for David,
and will give Israel unto thee.

39 And I will for this afflict the seed of David,
but ° not for ever."

40 Solomon sought therefore to kill Jeroboam.
And Jeroboam arose, and fled into ° Egypt, unto
Shishak king of Egypt, and was in Egypt until
the death of Solomon.

41 And the rest of the acts of Solomon, and
all that he did, and his wisdom, *are they* not
° written in the book of the acts of Solomon?

920 42 And the time that Solomon reigned in Jeru-
to salem over all Israel *was* ° forty years.

880 43 And Solomon ²¹ slept with his fathers, and
was buried in the city of David his father: and
Rehoboam his son reigned in his stead.

B³ z (p. 469) **12** And Rehoboam went to ° Shechem: for
all Israel were come to Shechem to make
him king.

a c 2 And it came to pass, when Jeroboam the
son of Nebat, *who* was yet in Egypt, heard of
it, (° for he was fled from the presence of king
Solomon, and Jeroboam dwelt in Egypt;)

3 That they sent and called him. And Jero-
boam and all the ° congregation of Israel came,
and spake unto Rehoboam, saying,

4 "Thy father ° made our yoke grievous: now
therefore make *thou* the grievous service of thy
father, and his heavy yoke which he put upon
us, lighter, and we will serve thee."

d 5 And he said unto them, "Depart yet *for*
three days, then come again to me." And the
People departed.

b 6 And king Rehoboam consulted with the
old men, that stood before Solomon his father
while he yet lived, and said, "How do ye
advise that I may answer this People?"

7 And they spake unto him, saying, "If thou
wilt be a servant unto this People this day,
and wilt serve them, and answer them, and
speak good words to them, then they will be
thy servants ° for ever."

8 But he forsook the counsel of the old men,
which they had given him, and consulted with
the young men that were grown up with him,
and which stood before him:

9 And he said unto them, "What counsel
give ye that we may answer this People, who
have spoken to me, saying, 'Make the yoke
which thy father did put upon us lighter?'"

10 And the young men that were grown up
with him spake unto him, saying, "Thus shalt
thou speak unto this People that spake unto
thee, saying, 'Thy father made our yoke heavy,
but make *thou* it lighter unto us;': thus shalt
thou say unto them, ° My little *finger* shall be
thicker than my father's loins.

11 And now whereas my father did lade you
with a heavy yoke, I will add to your yoke:
my father hath chastised you with ° whips, but
I will chastise you with ° scorpions."

a d 12 So Jeroboam and all the People came to

38 if thou wilt hearken. Same conditions as
in 9. 4.

a sure house: i.e. a long and unbroken line of de-
scendants.

39 not for ever. Thus confirming the prophecy of
Gen. 49. 10, which refers to the *tribal pre-eminence* of
Judah (not national existence), which was preserved
till fulfilled in Christ, when David's line ended in
Him.

40 Egypt. This explains much. He must have
thought of Joseph's exaltation, and the blessing pro-
nounced on Ephraim (Gen. 49. 13-20; 49. 22-26); and
by Moses (Deut. 33. 13-17). It explains also the origin
of the "golden calves" (12. 28).

41 written in the book. See note on Ex. 17. 14, and
Ap. 47.

42 forty years: 920-880 B. C.

12. 1-16 (B³, p. 446). REHOBAM. (Introversions.)

B³ z | 1. Rehoboam. Accession to kingdom.
a | c | 2-4. Petition of Jeroboam. Made.
d | 5. Dismissal.
b | 6-11. Answer considered.
a | d | 12. Return.
c | 13, 14. Petition of Jeroboam. Answered.
z | 15. Rehoboam. Rending of kingdom.

1 Shechem. A national sanctuary (Josh. 24. 1).
Now *Nablous*, corruption of Neapolis, the (New town)
of Vespasian. The site of Abraham's first altar.
Jacob's first home. Here the tribes met. Here Joseph
was buried. All this before Jebus became Jerusalem.
Hence the envy of Ephraim for Judah (Isa. 11. 13).
Degraded by new name, Sychar = drunkenness (Isa.
28. 1-7). Yet here alone in all the world is the Paschal
lamb still slain.

2 for. Note the Fig. Parenthesis. Ap. 6.

3 congregation = assembly.

4 made our yoke grievous. Made by Jeroboam
himself owing to the opportunity afforded by Solomon's
action (11. 28).

7 for ever. Heb. all the days: i.e. always.

10 My little finger. Fig. *Paremia*. Ap. 6.

11 whips. The badge of the taskmaster on the
Egyptian monuments. Cp. Ex. 1. 10, 14; 5. 13, 14
("beaten").

scorpions. A knotted whip, so called; as we call
another kind of whip the "cat".

12 as = according as.

13 gave him = counselled him.

15 the cause = the turning (of events), or overruling.
the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

spake. Cp. 11. 31.

Rehoboam the third day, ° as the king had ap-
pointed, saying, "Come to me again the third
day."

13 And the king answered the People roughly,
and forsook the old men's counsel that they
° gave him;

14 And spake to them after the counsel of the
young men, saying, "My father made your yoke
heavy, and I will add to your yoke: my father
also chastised you with ¹¹ whips, but I will chas-
tise you with ¹¹ scorpions."

15 Wherefore the king hearkened not unto
the People; for ° the cause was from ° the LORD,
that He might perform His saying, which ° the
LORD ° spake by Ahijah the Shilonite unto
Jeroboam the son of Nebat.

16 So when all Israel saw that the king heark-
ened not unto them, the people answered the

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king, saying, "What portion have we in David? neither have we inheritance in the son of Jesse: to your tents, O Israel: now see to thine own house, David." So Israel departed unto their tents.

17 But as for the children of Israel which dwelt in the cities of Judah, Rehoboam reigned over them.

18 Then king Rehoboam sent Adoram, who was over the tribute; and all Israel stoned him with stones, that he died. Therefore king Rehoboam made speed to get him up to his chariot, to flee to Jerusalem.

19 So Israel rebelled against the house of David unto this day.

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20 And it came to pass, when all Israel heard that Jeroboam was come again, that they sent and called him unto the congregation, and made him king over all Israel: there was none that followed the house of David, but the tribe of Judah only.

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21 And when Rehoboam was come to Jerusalem, he assembled all the house of Judah, with the tribe of Benjamin, an hundred and fourscore thousand chosen men, which were warriors, to fight against the house of Israel, to bring the kingdom again to Rehoboam the son of Solomon.

22 But the word of God came unto Shemaiah the man of God, saying,

23 "Speak unto Rehoboam, the son of Solomon, king of Judah, and unto all the house of Judah and Benjamin, and to the remnant of the People, saying,

24 'Thus saith the LORD, "Ye shall not go up, nor fight against your brethren the children of Israel: return every man to his house; for this thing is from Me."' They hearkened therefore to the word of the LORD, and returned to depart, according to the word of the LORD.

L M

25 Then Jeroboam built Shechem in mount Ephraim, and dwelt therein; and went out from thence, and built Peniel.

N e O¹

26 And Jeroboam said in his heart, "Now shall the kingdom return to the house of David:

27 'If this People go up to do sacrifice in the house of the LORD at Jerusalem, then shall the heart of this People turn again unto their lord, even unto Rehoboam king of Judah, and they shall kill me, and go again to Rehoboam king of Judah.'

O² g¹

28 Whereupon the king took counsel, and made two calves of gold, and said unto them, "It is too much for you to go up to Jerusalem: behold thy gods, O Israel, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt."

29 And he set the one in Beth-el, and the other put he in Dan.

27 If this People. His apostasy was wilful, designed, and deliberate.

12. 28-33 (O², above). JEROBOAM. EXPEDIENTS. (Division.)

O² | g¹ | 28-30. Idolatry. The two calves.
| g² | 31-33. Idolatry. The high places.

28 took counsel: "but not of Jehovah" (Isa. 30. 1). behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6. Cp. Ex. 32. 4. Hos. 8. 5, 6; 10. 5. 29 one in Beth-el: was desecrated by Josiah (2 Kings 23. 15). in Dan. See note on Gen. 49. 17. Carried away by Tiglath-pileser (2 Kings 15. 29). The sons of Jonathan, the grandson of Moses (see note on Judg. 18. 30), were ready to act as priests.

16 What portion . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. the son of Jesse. Used in contempt. Cp. 1 Sam. 16. 18; 20. 31; 22. 7, 8, 9; 25. 10. 2 Sam. 20. 1.

to your tents. One of the emendations of the *Sopherim*. Ap. 33. The primitive text was "to your gods", because the sin here was apostasy from Jehovah's worship in Jerusalem. Two letters transposed made it read "to your tents". See note on 2 Sam. 20. 1, and cp. 2 Chron. 10. 16.

17 children = sons.

Israel which dwelt in . . . Judah. Here was a nucleus of true worshippers constantly increased (1 Kings 12. 19. 1 Chron. 9. 3. 2 Chron. 10. 17; 11. 3, 16, 17; 15. 9; 16. 1; 19. 8; 23. 2; 30. 1, 5, 10, 11; 31. 6). In Ezra 1. 5; 2. 2, 59, 70; 7. 13; 9. 1; 10. 5, those returning of Judah's captivity are called "of Israel", and "all Israel", 2. 2, 70; 3. 1; 6. 21; 7. 10, 13; 8. 25; 9. 1; 10. 1, 2, 5, 10, 25. Neh. 2. 10; 7. 7, 61, 73; 8. 17; 10. 33; 11. 3; 12. 47. Judah was thus always representative of "all Israel". Hence Acts 4. 27, "the People of Israel", and Acts 2. 14, 22, 36, "of Judah". The two words are used interchangeably, except where otherwise stated. See note on "all the house of Israel", Ex. 16. 31. Also on 1 Chron. 22. 17; 23. 2. 2 Chron. 12. 6, "princes of Israel", used of Judah before the division. Also, on the cause of the increase of Judah, see note on 2 Chron. 13. 3.

18 stoned him. One of the nine stonings recorded. See note on Lev. 24. 14.

made speed. Heb. strengthened himself. to Jerusalem: from Shechem.

19 unto this day. Cp. 8. 8. This was written certainly before the removal of Israel in 2 Kings 17.

12. 20-14. 20 (E¹, p. 446). ISRAEL.

JEROBOAM I. (*Introversion*.)

E¹ | K | 12. 20. Jeroboam. Accession.

L | 12. 21-24. Reign. Assured.

L | 12. 25-14. 18. Reign. Events.

K | 14. 19, 20. Jeroboam. Record.

20 Judah only. See note on "one tribe" (11. 32).

21 an hundred, &c. 180,000. In David's time there were 470,000. See note on 2 Sam. 24. 9.

22 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4.

Shemaiah. Cp. 2 Chron. 11. 2; 12. 5.

the man of God = prophet. See the first occurrence, Deut. 33. 1, and Ap. 49.

24 every man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II.

this thing: i. e. the division of the kingdom. Not the rebellion of Jeroboam. Cp. 2 Chron. 18. 4-12.

12. 25-14. 18 (L, above). REIGN. EVENTS. (*Introversion and Alternation*.)

L | M | 12. 25. Reign. Beginning.

N | e | 12. 26-33. Idolatry. Commenced.

f | 13. 1-32. Warning. Prophet from Judah.

N | e | 13. 33, 34. Idolatry. Persistence.

f | 14. 1-17. Warning. Ahijah.

M | 14. 18. Reign. End.

25 built=rebuilt, or repaired. This doubtless included increased fortification (2 Chron. 11. 11). Mesha uses the word (on Moabite stone) of cities he took. See Ap. 54.

mount=hill-country.

Peniel. On east of Jordan (Gen. 32. 30. Judg. 8. 8).

12. 26-33 (e, above). IDOLATRY. COMMENCED. (*Division*.)

e | O¹ | 26, 27. Jeroboam. Fear.

O² | 28-33. Jeroboam. Expedients.

880 30 And this thing °became a sin: for the
to People went *to worship* before the one, *even*
858 unto Dan.

g² 31 And he made an °house of high places,
(p. 470) and made priests of the lowest of the People,
which were not of the sons of Levi.

32 And Jeroboam ordained a feast in the eighth month, on the fifteenth day of the month, like unto the feast that *is* in Judah, and he °offered upon the altar. (°So did he in Beth-el,) sacrificing unto the calves that he had made: and he placed in Beth-el the priests of the high places which he had made.

33 So he °offered upon the altar which he had made in Beth-el the fifteenth day of the eighth month, *even* in the month which he had devised °of his own heart; and ordained a feast unto the °children of Israel: and he offered upon the altar, and burnt incense.

f h i¹ 13 And, °behold, there came °a °man of
(p. 471) °God out of Judah by the word of °the LORD unto Beth-el: and Jeroboam stood by the altar to burn incense.

2 And he cried against the altar in the word of °the LORD, and said, °“O altar, altar, thus saith °the LORD; °Behold, a °child shall be born unto the house of David, °Josiah by name; and upon thee shall he °offer the priests of the high places that burn incense upon thee, and °men's bones °shall be burnt upon thee.”

j¹ 3 And he gave °a sign the same day, saying, “This *is* the sign which °the LORD hath spoken; °Behold, the altar °shall be rent, and the ashes that *are* upon it shall be poured out.”

i² 4 And it came to pass, when king Jeroboam heard the saying of the °man of °God, which had cried against the altar in Beth-el, that he °put forth his hand from the altar, saying, “Lay hold on him.” And his hand, which he put forth against him, dried up, so that he could not pull it in again to him.

j² 5 The altar also was rent, and the ashes poured out from the altar, according to the sign which the man of °God had given by the word of °the LORD.

i³ 6 And the king answered and said unto the °man of °God, “Intreat now the face of °the LORD °thy °God, and pray for me, that my hand may be restored me again.” And the man of °God besought °the LORD, and the king's hand was restored him again, and became as *it was* before.

h k¹ 7 And the king said unto the °man of God, “Come home with me, and refresh thyself, and I will give thee a reward.”

8 And the °man of °God said unto the king, “If thou wilt give me °half thine house, I will not go in with thee, neither will I eat bread nor drink water in this place:

9 For so was it charged me by the word of °the LORD, saying, ‘Eat no bread, nor drink water, nor turn again by the same way that thou camest.’”

10 So he went another way, and returned not by the way that he came to Beth-el.

i¹ 11 Now there dwelt an old prophet °in Beth-

30 became a sin. See Ap. 44. i. Hence the repeated stigma who “made Israel to sin”. Cp. 13. 34; 14. 16; 15. 26, 30, 34; 16. 2, 19, 26, &c.

31 house = a temple. Not merely “high places”.

32 offered = offered up. Ap. 43. I. vi.

So did he, &c. Note the Fig. *Parenthesis*. Ap. 6.

33 of his own heart. Heb. text reads “by himself”. Some codices, with three early printed editions, Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read as A.V. Man-made feasts go with man-made priests (v. 31).

13. 1-32 (f, p. 470). WARNING. BY MAN OF GOD. (*Repeated Alternation.*)

f	h	i ¹	1, 2. Jeroboam. Warned.	} Arrival.
		j ¹	3. Sign given.	
	i ²	4. Jeroboam. Smitten.		
		j ²	5. Sign fulfilled.	} Return.
	i ³	6. Jeroboam. Healed.		
h	k ¹	7-10. Obedience.		
		l ¹	11-14. Old prophet.	} Return.
	k ²	15-19. Disobedience.		
		l ²	20-32. Old prophet.	

1 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

a man of God. Cp. Deut. 33. 1, and see Ap. 49.

man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

2 O altar, altar. Figs. *Apostrophe* and *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6. child = son.

Josiah by name. Cyrus is the only other so foretold (177 years before). Josiah knew (2 Kings 23. 17, 18). Cyrus knew (2 Chron. 36. 22, 23. Isa. 44. 28).

offer (in sacrifice) - slay, or slaughter. Ap. 43. I. iv. men's: human. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

shall be. This was fulfilled in 2 Kings 23. 16 (360 years later).

3 a sign. We have similar signs in Ex. 3. 12. 2 Kings 19. 29; 20. 8. Isa. 7. 14; 8. 18.

4 put forth his hand. One of the eleven rulers who thus assaulted Jehovah's witnesses. See note on Ex. 10. 28.

6 thy God. He dare not say “my God”.

8 half thine house. Remembering Num. 22. 18; 24. 13.

11 in Beth-el. A true prophet could not have remained there. Cp. 2 Chron. 11. 16, 17.

and his sons. Sept. reads “whose sons”.

the words. Syr. and Vulg. read “and the words”.

13 me = for me. him = for him.

14 an oak = the oak.

17 said. Cp. “charged”: showing a weakening from v. 9.

el; °and his sons came and told him all the works that the °man of °God had done that day in Beth-el: °the words which he had spoken unto the king, them they told also to their father.

12 And their father said unto them, “What way went he?” For his sons had seen what way the °man of °God went, which came from Judah.

13 And he said unto his sons, “Saddle °me the ass.” So they saddled °him the ass: and he rode thereon,

14 And went after the °man of °God, and found him sitting under °an oak: and he said unto him, “Art thou the °man of °God that camest from Judah?” And he said, “*Y am.*”

15 Then he said unto him, “Come home with me, and eat bread.” k²

16 And he said, “I may not return with thee, nor go in with thee: neither will I eat bread nor drink water with thee in this place:

17 For it was °said to me by the word of °the

880 LORD, 'Thou shalt °eat no bread nor drink
to water there, nor turn again to go by the way
858 to that thou camest.'

18 He said unto him, "I am a prophet also as thou art; and °an angel spake unto me by the word of °the LORD, saying, 'Bring him back with thee into thine house, that he may eat bread and drink water.'" But he lied unto him.

19 So he went back with him, and did eat bread in his house, and drank water.

12 (p. 471) 20 And it came to pass, as they sat at the table, that the word of °the LORD came unto the prophet that brought him back:

21 And he cried unto the °man of °God that came from Judah, saying, "Thus saith °the LORD, 'Forasmuch as thou hast °disobeyed the mouth of °the LORD, and hast not kept the commandment which °the LORD thy °God commanded thee,

22 But camest back, and hast eaten bread and drunk water in the place, of the which the LORD did say to thee, 'Eat no bread, and drink no water;' thy carcase shall not come unto the °sepulchre of thy fathers."

23 And it came to pass, after he had eaten bread, and after he had drunk, that he saddled for him the ass, °to wit, for the prophet whom he had brought back.

24 And when he was gone, °a lion met him by the way, and slew him: and his carcase was cast in the way, and the ass stood by it, the lion also stood by the carcase.

25 And, °behold, °men passed by, and saw the carcase cast in the way, and the lion standing by the carcase: and they came and told it in the city where the old prophet dwelt.

26 And when the prophet that brought him back from the way heard thereof, he said, "It is the °man of °God, who was °disobedient unto the word of °the LORD: therefore °the LORD hath delivered him unto the lion, which hath torn him, and slain him, according to the word of °the LORD, °which He spake unto him."

27 And he spake to his sons, saying, "Saddle °me the ass." And they saddled him.

28 And he went and found his carcase cast in the way, and the ass and the lion standing by the carcase: the lion had not eaten the carcase, nor torn the ass.

29 And the prophet took up the carcase of the °man of °God, and laid it upon the ass, and brought it back: and the old prophet came to the city, to mourn and to bury him.

30 And he laid his carcase in his own °grave; and they mourned over him, saying, "Alas, my brother!"

31 And it came to pass, after he had buried him, that he spake to his sons, saying, "When I am dead, then bury me in the sepulchre where in the °man of °God is buried; °lay my bones beside his bones:

32 For the saying which °he cried by the word of °the LORD against the altar in Beth-el, and against all the houses of the high places which are in the cities of Samaria, shall surely come to pass."

N^e (p. 470) 33 After this thing Jeroboam returned not from his evil way, but made again of the lowest of the People priests of the high places: who-

eat no bread. To avoid what might have been offered to idols.

18 an angel spake. A solemn warning for all who listen to any revelation outside Scripture which purports to come from God, even though an "old prophet" asserts it. Cp. Gal. 1. 8, 9. Of all such it may be said "he lied unto him".

21 disobeyed=rebelled against. The same expression used of Moses and Aaron at Meribah (Num. 20. 24; 27. 14). Safety found only in the path of obedience. Cp. v. 26.

22 sepulchre. Heb. *keber*, a burying-place.

23 to wit=that is to say.

24 a lion. For lions in Palestine see Judg. 14. 5. 1 Sam. 17. 34. 2 Sam. 23. 20. 1 Kings 20. 36.

25 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

men. Heb. *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

26 disobedient, by listening to the alleged word of an angel, instead of obeying the voice of Jehovah. See note on v. 18.

which He spake. Cp. v. 22.

30 grave=sepulchre. Heb. *keber*, a burying-place, a pit. Cp. Ap. 35.

31 lay my bones: i. e. lay them not with the bones of those referred to in v. 2. Cp. 2 Kings 23. 18.

32 he cried. Cp. v. 2.

33 became one of the priests. Sept., Syr., and Vulg. reads "became priest".

34 became sin=became the sin. See note on 12. 30. the face of. Fig. *Pleonasm*. Ap. 6.

14. 1-17 (f, p. 470). WARNING FROM AHIJAH. (Repeated Alternation.)

f m¹ | 1-4. Message from Jeroboam by his wife.

n¹ | 5, 6. Messenger revealed to Ahijah.

m² | 7-11. Message from Jehovah to Jeroboam.

n² | 12, 13. Messenger to return.

m³ | 14-16. Message from Jehovah.

n³ | 17. Messenger returns.

2 get thee to Shiloh. He had no confidence in his own gods. They were only political expedients. See the Structure of O², p. 470.

behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

3 cruse=flask, or bottle.

he. Some codices, with Sept., read "and he".

4 were set. Cp. 1 Sam. 4. 15. One of the nine afflicted with blindness. See note on Gen. 19. 11.

5 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

soever would, he consecrated him, and he °became one of the priests of the high places.

34 And this thing °became sin unto the house of Jeroboam, even to cut it off, and to destroy it from off °the face of the earth.

14 At that time Abijah the son of Jeroboam fell sick.

2 And Jeroboam said to his wife, "Arise, I pray thee, and disguise thyself, that thou be not known to be the wife of Jeroboam; and °get thee to Shiloh: °behold, there is Ahijah the prophet, which told me that I should be king over this People.

3 And take with thee ten loaves, and cracknels, and a °cruse of honey, and go to him: °he shall tell thee what shall become of the child."

4 And Jeroboam's wife did so, and arose, and went to Shiloh, and came to the house of Ahijah. But Ahijah could not see; for his eyes °were set by reason of his age.

5 And °the LORD said unto Ahijah, "Behold, the wife of Jeroboam cometh to ask a

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thing of thee for her son; for *he is sick*: thus and thus shalt thou say unto her: for it shall be, when she cometh in, that *she* shall feign herself *to be another woman*."

6 And it was so, when Ahijah heard the sound of her feet, as she came in at the ° door, that he said, "Come in, thou wife of Jeroboam; why feignest thou thyself *to be another*? for *I am sent to thee with heavy tidings*."

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7 Go, tell Jeroboam, 'Thus saith ° the LORD ° God of Israel, "Forasmuch as I exalted thee from among the People, and made thee prince over My People Israel,

8 And rent the kingdom away from the house of David, and gave it thee: and yet thou hast not been as My servant David, who kept My commandments, and who followed Me with all his heart, to do *that only which was right* in Mine eyes;

9 But hast done ° evil above ° all that were before thee: for thou hast gone and made thee ° other gods, and molten images, to provoke Me to anger, and hast cast Me behind thy back:

10 Therefore, ° behold, I will bring evil upon the house of Jeroboam, and will cut off from Jeroboam ° him that pisseth against the wall, and him that is ° shut up and left in Israel, and will take away the remnant of the house of Jeroboam, ° as a man taketh away dung, till it be all gone.

11 Him that dieth of Jeroboam in the city shall the dogs eat; and him that dieth in the field shall the fowls of the air eat: for ° the LORD hath spoken *it*."

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12 Arise thou therefore, get thee to thine own house: and when thy feet enter into the city, the child shall die.

13 And all Israel shall mourn for him, and bury him: for *he* only of Jeroboam shall come to the ° grave, because in him there is found some good thing toward ° the LORD ° God of Israel in the house of Jeroboam.

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14 Moreover ° the LORD shall raise Him up a king over Israel, who shall cut off the house of Jeroboam that day: ° but what? ° even now.

15 For ° the LORD shall ° smite Israel, as a reed is shaken in the water, and He shall root up Israel out of ° this good land, which He gave to their fathers, and shall scatter them beyond ° the river, because they have made their ° groves, provoking ° the LORD to anger.

16 And He shall give Israel up because of the ° sins of Jeroboam, who did sin, and who ° made Israel to sin."

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17 And Jeroboam's wife arose, and departed, and came to ° Tirzah: and when *she* came to the threshold of the ° door, the child died;

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18 And they buried him; and all Israel mourned for him, according to the word of ° the LORD, which He spake ° by the hand of His servant Ahijah the prophet.

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19 And ° the rest of the acts of Jeroboam, how he warred, and how he reigned, ° behold, they are written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel.

20 And the days which Jeroboam reigned were ° two and twenty years: and he ° slept

6 door=entrance.

7 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

9 evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

all. Not merely kings, but all other rulers. No anachronism.

other gods. Jehovah does not recognise the calves as being what Jeroboam intended, mere political expedients. See note on v. 2.

10 him that, &c. = every male.

shut up and left. The commentators speak of the text being obscure or corrupt. But *'āzab* is a *Homonym*, meaning: (1) *to leave* (as in Gen. 2. 24; 39. 6. Neh. 5. 10. Ps. 49. 10. Mal. 4. 1); and (2) *to restore, repair, fortify* (as in Neh. 3. 8. Ex. 23. 5 (see note there). Deut. 32. 36. 1 Kings 14. 10. 2 Kings 14. 26. Jer. 49. 26). Here it means "strengthened and fortified": i. e. they will not escape. Cp. 21. 21. 2 Kings 9. 8.

as=according as.

13 grave a burying-place. Heb. *keber*, not *she'ol*. See Ap. 35.

14 but what? even now. Here again the text is supposed to be obscure. It is on account of the Figures of speech (Ap. 6) used: (1) Ellipsis="But what [am I saying 'That day']? Even now [hath He raised him up]". (2) Note the Fig. *Amphidiorthōsis*. Ap. 6.

15 smite Israel, [shaking him] as a reed is shaken, &c. The Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) to be thus supplied, this good land. Occurs only here and Josh. 23. 13, 15. the river: i. e. the Euphrates. groves=*'Asherim*. See Ap. 42.

16 sins. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i. made Israel to sin. The first of twenty-one occurrences in these two books: 14. 16; 15. 26, 30, 34; 16. 19, 26; 21. 22; 22. 52. 2 Kings 3. 3; 10. 29, 31; 13. 2, 6, 11; 14. 24; 15. 9, 18, 24, 28; 16. 13; 17. 21; 23. 15.

17 Tirzah. Afterward made the capital by Baasha (15. 21), till Samaria was built by Omri (15. 33; 16. 8, 15, 23, 24).

18 by the hand. Fig. *Pleonasm*. Ap. 6.

19 the rest. See 2 Chron. 13. 3-20.

20 two and twenty years. In 15. 25 Nadab reigned two years, and began in the second year of Asa, which was the twenty-first of Jeroboam, so that Nadab's two years fall within the time of his father's twenty-two. But from 2 Chron. 13. 20 we learn that Jeroboam was stricken with a languishing disease, in which time Nadab reigned with him, and died the same year as his father. The number "twenty-two" is associated with disorganisation and disintegration (=2×11). It is associated with the worst two reigns: Jeroboam, here; and Ahab in 16. 29.

slept with his fathers=died. See notes on Deut. 31. 14. Said of the wicked Jeroboam and Ahab, as well as of good David and Jehoshaphat.

14. 21—15. 24 (F¹, p. 446). JUDAH. (Division.)

F ¹	P ¹	14. 21-31. Rehoboam.
	P ²	15. 1-8. Abijam.
	P ³	15. 9-24. Asa.

14. 21-31 (P¹, above). REHOBOMAM. (Introversion.)

P ¹	O	21. Introduction.
	P	22-24. Sins. Committed.
	P	25-28. Sins. Punished.
	O	29-31. Conclusion.

with his fathers, and Nadab his son reigned in his stead.

21 And Rehoboam the son of Solomon reigned in Judah. Rehoboam was forty and one years old when he began to reign, and he reigned seventeen years in Jerusalem, the city which ° the LORD did choose out of all the tribes of

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Israel, to put His name there. And his mother's name was Naamah an °Ammonitess.

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22 And Judah did °evil in the sight of °the LORD, and they provoked Him to °jealousy with their °sins which they had committed, above all that their fathers had done.

23 For they also built them high places, and images, and °groves, on every high hill, and under every green tree.

24 And there were also °sodomites in the land: and they did according to all the abominations of the nations which °the LORD cast out before the °children of Israel.

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25 (And it came to pass in the fifth year of king Rehoboam, that °Shishak king of Egypt came up °against Jerusalem:

26 And he took away the treasures of the house of °the LORD, and the treasures of the king's house; he even took away °all: and he took away °all the shields of gold which Solomon had made.

27 And king Rehoboam made in their stead brasen shields, and committed them unto the hands of the chief of the guard, which kept the °door of the king's house.

28 And it was so, when the king went into the house of °the LORD, that the guard bare them, and brought them back into the guard chamber.)

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29 Now the rest of the acts of Rehoboam, and all that he did, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

30 And there was war between °Rehoboam and Jeroboam all their days.

31 And Rehoboam °slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David. And his mother's name was Naamah an °Ammonitess. And °Abijam his son reigned in his stead.

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15 Now in the eighteenth year of king Jeroboam the son of Nebat reigned °Abijam over Judah.

2 °Three years reigned he in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was °Maachah, the daughter of °Abishalom.

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3 And he walked in all the °sins of his father, which he had done before him: and his heart was not perfect with °the LORD his °God, as the heart of David his °father.

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4 Nevertheless for David's sake did °the LORD his °God give him a °lamp in Jerusalem, to set up his son after him, and to establish Jerusalem:

5 Because David did that which was right in the eyes of °the LORD, and turned not aside from any thing that He commanded him all the days of his life, save only in the matter of Uriah the Hittite.

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6 °And there was war between Rehoboam and Jeroboam all the days of his life.

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7 Now °the rest of the acts of Abijam, and all that he did, °are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah? And there was war between Abijam and Jeroboam.

8 And Abijam °slept with his fathers; and

21 mother's name. Mentioned here and in the case of each successive king (cp. 15. 10; 22. 42. 2 Kings 8. 26, &c.); because the king's character stands connected with the mother; and because of the position which the queen dowager occupied (cp. 2. 19; 15. 13. Jer. 13. 18).

Ammonitess. Twice mentioned, and in connection with Jerusalem. See v. 31.

22 jealousy. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

23 groves. See note on Ex. 34. 13, and Ap. 42.

24 sodomites. Committers of the sin of Sodom (Gen. 19). Male prostitutes, dedicated to idolatry involving this sin. Connected with the °*Asherah*. Ap. 42. Cp. Deut. 23. 17. 1 Kings 15. 12; 22. 46. 2 Kings 23 7. children = sons.

25 Shishak. Founder of the twenty-second dynasty. Campaign described on the wall of the temple in Karnak, near Thebes, with portrait of Rehoboam.

against. See note on Judg. 1. 8, and Ap. 53.

26 all = "all [he could find]".

all the shields. Some codices, with three early printed editions, and Vulg., omit "all".

30 Rehoboam. Being named first he was probably the aggressor, contrary to 12. 24.

31 Abijam = Abijah.

15. 1-8 (P², p. 473). ABIJAH. (*Introversion*.)

P² q | 1, 2. Introduction.

r | 3. Sins. Committed.

s | 4, 5. Divine forbearance.

r | 6. Sins. Punished.

q | 7, 8. Conclusion.

1 Abijam = Abijah.

2 Three years. Not full years, for he died in the twentieth year of Jeroboam (v. 9).

mother's. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Genus) for ancestor. Here = grandmother.

Maachah, or Michaiiah (2 Chron. 13. 2).

Abishalom = Absalom (2 Chron. 11. 21).

3 sins. Heb. *chätä'*. Ap. 44. i.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

father. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Genus), Ap. 6, for ancestor.

4 lamp. See note on 11. 36. Peculiarly used of David.

6 And, &c. This is repeated (from 14. 30) to complete Structure above.

7 the rest. See 2 Chron. 13. 3, &c.

are they not...? Fig. *Erotetis*. Ap. 6.

8 slept with his fathers. See note on 14. 20.

15. 9-24 (P³, p. 473). ASA. (*Introversion*.)

P³ t | 9, 10. Introduction.

u | 11-15. Events. Religious.

u | 16-22. Events. Military.

t | 23, 24. Conclusion.

11 right. Therefore his days "long in the land" (v. 23). Contemporary with seven Israelite kings.

12 sodomites. See note on 14. 24.

idols = filthy idols.

they buried him in the city of David: and Asa his son reigned in his stead.

9 And in the twentieth year of Jeroboam king of Israel reigned Asa over Judah.

10 And forty and one years reigned he in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was °Maachah, the daughter of °Abishalom.

11 And Asa did that which was °right in the eyes of °the LORD, as did David his °father.

12 And he took away the °sodomites out of the land, and removed all the °idols that his fathers had made.

13 And also °Maachah his mother, even her he removed from being queen, because she had

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860 made an °idol in a grove; and Asa destroyed
to her idol, and burnt it by the brook Kidron.

819 14 But the high places were °not removed:
nevertheless Asa's heart was perfect with °the
LORD all his days.

15 And he brought in the °things which his
father had °dedicated, and the things which
himself had dedicated, into the house of °the
LORD, silver, and gold, and vessels.

u v 16 And there was °war between Asa and
(p. 475) Baasha king of Israel all their days.

w 17 And Baasha king of Israel went up against
Judah, and built °Ramah, that he might not
suffer any to °go out or come in to Asa king of
Judah.

x 18 Then Asa took all the silver and the gold
that were left in the treasures of the house of
°the LORD, and °the treasures of the king's
house, and delivered them into the hand of
his servants: and king Asa sent them to Ben-
hadad, the son of Tabrimon, the son of Hezion,
king of Syria, that dwelt at Damascus, saying,

y 19 °"There is a °league between me and thee,
°and between my father and thy father: °be-
hold, I have sent unto thee a present of silver
and gold; come and break thy °league with
Baasha king of Israel, that he may depart
from me."

x 20 So Ben-hadad hearkened unto king Asa,
and sent the captains of the °hosts which he
had against the cities of Israel, and smote
°Ijon, and Dan, and Abel-beth-maachah, and
all Cinneroth, with all the land of Naphtali.

w 21 And it came to pass, when Baasha heard
thereof, that he left off building of Ramah,
and °dwelt in Tirzah.

v 22 Then king Asa made a proclamation
throughout all Judah; none was exempted:
and they took away the stones of Ramah, and
the timber thereof, wherewith Baasha had
builded; and king Asa built with them Geba
of Benjamin, and Mizpah.

t 23 °The rest of all the acts of Asa, and all his
(p. 474) might, and all that he did, and the cities which
he built, °are they not written in the book of
the chronicles of the kings of Judah? Never-
theless in the time of his old age he was diseased
in his feet.

24 And Asa °slept with his fathers, and was
buried with his fathers in the city of David his
°father: and Jehoshaphat his son reigned in
his stead.

E² Q¹ z 25 And Nadab the son of Jeroboam began to
(p. 475) reign over Israel in the second year of Asa
858-857 king of Judah, and reigned over Israel two
years.

a 26 And he did °evil in the sight of °the LORD,
and walked in the way of his father, and in
his °sin wherewith he °made Israel to sin.

b 27 And Baasha the son of Ahijah, of the
house of Issachar, conspired against him; and
Baasha smote him at Gibbethon, which be-
longed to the Philistines; for Nadab and all
Israel laid siege to Gibbethon.

28 Even in the third year of Asa king of

13 idol in a grove = a monstrous 'Asherah. See Ap. 42.
14 not removed: not till the reign of Hezekiah
(22. 43. 2 Kings 12. 3; 18. 4).

15 things . . . dedicated - holy things of his father.
See note on Ex. 3. 5.

15. 16-22 (u, p. 474). EVENTS. MILITARY. (Introversion.)

u | v | 16. War with Baasha. Begun.
w | 17. Baasha's building of Ramah. Begun.
x | 18. Ben-hadad. Subsidy to.
y | 19. Former league appealed to.
w | 20. Ben-hadad. Help from.
v | 21. Baasha's building of Ramah. Left.
v | 22. War with Baasha. Ended.

16 war. Only border fighting. No campaign. Cp. v. 32.
17 Ramah - the modern *er Rām*, five miles north of
Jerusalem, which it was intended to menace. See
2 Chron. 16. 1.

go out or come in. But in vain. See 12. 27;
15. 9, &c.

18 the. Some codices, with two early printed editions,
read "among the".

19 There is. Supply Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6). [Let there
be.] league = covenant.

and. Supply [as] instead of "and".
behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

20 hosts = forces.

Ijon, &c. All in the neighbourhood of Gennesaret.

21 dwelt in. Sept. and Vulg. read "returned to".
See note on 14. 17.

23 The rest. Cp. 2 Chron. 14. 9-15. 10.

are they not . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

24 father = forefather. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species),
Ap. 6.

15. 25-22. 40 (E², p. 446). ISRAEL. (Division.)

E² | Q¹ | 15. 25-31. Nadab.
Q² | 15. 32-16. 7. Baasha.
Q³ | 16. 8-14. Elah.
Q⁴ | 16. 15-20. Zimri.
(¶ Interregnum, 16. 21, 22.)
Q⁵ | 16. 23-28. Omri.
Q⁶ | 16. 29-22. 40. Ahab.

25 31 (Q¹, above). NADAB. (Introversion.)

Q¹ | z | 25. Introduction.
a | 26. Evil-doing.
b | 27-29. Conspiracy of Baasha.
a | 30. Evil-doing.
z | 31. Conclusion.

26 evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

sin. Same as "evil", above.

made Israel to sin. See note on 14. 16.

29 that breathed. Heb. *n'shāmāh*. Ap. 16.
the saying. Cp. 14. 7-11.

Judah did Baasha slay him, and reigned in
his stead.

29 And it came to pass, when he reigned, that
he smote all the house of Jeroboam; he left
not to Jeroboam any °that breathed, until he
had destroyed him, according unto °the saying
of °the LORD, which He spake by His servant
Ahijah the Shilonite:

30 Because of the °sins of Jeroboam which
he sinned, and which he °made Israel sin, by
his provocation wherewith he provoked °the
LORD °God of Israel to anger.

31 Now the rest of the acts of Nadab, and all
that he did, °are they not written in the book
of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

Q² c (p. 476) 32 And there was °war between Asa and Baasha king of Israel all their days.

857 33 In the third year of Asa king of Judah to began Baasha the son of Ahijah to reign over 833 all Israel °in Tirzah, °twenty and four years.

d 34 And he did ²⁶evil in the sight of ³the LORD, and walked in the way of Jeroboam, and in his ²⁶sin wherewith he ²⁶made Israel to sin.

d 16 Then the word of °the LORD came to °Jehu the son of Hanani against Baasha, saying,

2 "Forasmuch as I exalted thee out of the dust, and made thee °prince over My People Israel; and thou hast walked in the way of Jeroboam, and hast made My People Israel to °sin, to provoke Me to anger with their °sins; 3 °Behold, I will take away the posterity of Baasha, and the posterity of his house; and will make thy house °like the house of Jeroboam the son of Nebat.

4 Him that dieth of Baasha in the city shall the dogs eat; and him that dieth of his in the fields shall the fowls of the air eat."

c 5 Now the rest of the acts of Baasha, and what he did, and his might, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

6 So Baasha °slept with his fathers, and was buried in Tirzah: and Elah his son reigned in his stead.

7 And also by the hand of the prophet Jehu the son of Hanani came the word of ¹the LORD against Baasha, and against his house, even for all the °evil that he did in the sight of ¹the LORD, in provoking Him to anger with the work of his hands, in being like the house of Jeroboam; and because he killed him.

Q¹ e 834 8 In the twenty and sixth year of Asa king of Judah began Elah the son of Baasha to reign over Israel in Tirzah, two years.

f g 9 And his servant Zimri, captain of half his chariots, conspired against him, as he was in Tirzah, °drinking himself drunk in the house of Arza steward of his house in Tirzah.

10 And Zimri went in and smote him, and killed him, in the twenty and seventh year of Asa king of Judah, and reigned in his stead.

h 11 And it came to pass, when he began to reign, as soon as he sat on his throne, that he slew all the house of Baasha: he left him °not one that pisseth against a wall, neither of his °kinsfolks, nor of his friends.

f g 12 Thus did Zimri destroy all the house of Baasha, according to the word of ¹the LORD, which He spake °against Baasha by ¹Jehu the prophet,

h 13 For all the ²sins of Baasha, and the ²sins of Elah his son, by which they ²sinned, and by which they made Israel to ²sin, in provoking ¹the LORD °God of Israel to anger with their °vanities.

e 14 Now the rest of the acts of Elah, and all that he did, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

Q¹ i 15 In the twenty and seventh year of Asa king

15. 32—16. 7 (Q², p. 475). BAASHA. (Introversion.)

Q² c | 15. 32, 33. Introduction.
d | 15. 34. Evil-doing. Committed.
d | 16. 1-4. Evil-doing. Punished.
c | 16. 5-7. Conclusion.

32 war. Only border fighting (cp. vv. 16, 32. 2 Chron. 14. 1; 15. 19); no actual campaign, as in 2 Chron. 16. 1.

33 in Tirzah. See notes on 14. 17 and v. 21. twenty and four years. Began in the third year of Asa. Therefore he died in the twenty-sixth year of Asa (16. 8). Yet in the thirty-sixth year Baasha came and made war against Judah (2 Chron. 16. 1). This would be nine or ten years after he was dead. But see note on 2 Chron. 16. 1, where the word "reign" should be rendered "kingdom": i. e. the thirty-sixth year from the kingdom of Israel. See Ap. 50. V, p. 57.

16. 1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. Jehu the son of Hanani. Cp. 2 Chron. 16. 7-10; 19. 2.

2 prince: or captain = one raised up. Heb. *nāgīd*. sin. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

3 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6. like. Cp. 15. 29; 14. 11.

6 slept, &c. See note on Deut. 31. 16.

7 evil. Same as "sin", v. 2.

16. 8-14 (Q³, p. 475). ELAH. (Introversion.)

Q³ e | s. Introduction.
f | g | 9, 10. Zimri. Conspiracy.
h | 11. Elah. Cut off.
f | g | 12. Zimri. Prophecy.
h | 13. Elah cut off. Reason.
e | 14. Conclusion.

9 drinking himself drunk. Fig. *Polypytōton* (Ap. 6) for emphasis.

11 not one, &c. = not one male. kinsfolks = kinsmen-redeemers.

12 against. Some codices read "unto". Others read "concerning".

13 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. vanities - idols. Cp. v. 26.

15-20 (Q⁴, p. 475). ZIMRI. (Introversion.)

Q⁴ i | 15-. Introduction.
k | 15, 16-. Zimri. Conspiracy.
l | -16. Omri. Elected.
l | 17. Omri. Siege of Tirzah.
k | 18, 19. Zimri. Suicide.
i | 20. Conclusion.

19 sins. Some codices read "sin", as in v. 26. Committed not merely during the seven days' reign, but during his whole life, of course. make Israel to sin. See note on 14. 16.

of Judah did Zimri reign seven days in Tirzah. 833

And the People were encamped against Gibbethon, which belonged to the Philistines. k

16 And the People that were encamped heard say, "Zimri hath conspired, and hath also slain the king:"

wherefore all Israel made Omri, the captain of the host, king over Israel that day in the camp. l

17 And Omri went up from Gibbethon, and all Israel with him, and they besieged Tirzah. l

18 And it came to pass, when Zimri saw that the city was taken, that he went into the palace of the king's house, and burnt the king's house over him with fire, and died, k

19 For his °sins which he ²sinned in doing ⁷evil in the sight of ¹the LORD, in walking in the way of Jeroboam, and in his ²sin which he did, to °make Israel to ²sin.

i (p. 476) 833 20 Now the rest of the acts of Zimri, and his treason that he wrought, °are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

¶ m¹ (p. 477) 21 Then were the People of Israel divided into two parts: half of the People followed Tibni the son of Ginath, to make him king; and half followed Omri.

m² 22 But the People that followed °Omri prevailed against the People that followed Tibni the son of Ginath: so Tibni died, and Omri reigned.

Q⁵ n 833-821 23 In the °thirty and first year of Asa king of Judah began °Omri to reign over Israel, twelve years: (°six years reigned he in Tirzah.)

o 24 And he bought the hill Samaria of Shemer for two °talents of silver, and built on the hill, and called the name of the city which he built, after the name of Shemer, °owner of the hill, °Samaria.

o 25 But Omri wrought °evil in the eyes of °the LORD, and did worse than all that were before him.

26 For he walked in all the way of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, and in his °sin wherewith he °made Israel to sin, to provoke °the LORD °God of Israel to anger with their °vanities.

n 27 Now the rest of the acts of Omri °which he did, and his might that he shewed, °are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

28 So Omri °slept with his fathers, and was buried in Samaria: and Ahab his son reigned in his stead.

Q⁶ R 822-800 29 And in the thirty and eighth year of Asa king of Judah began Ahab the son of Omri to reign over Israel:

S T p and Ahab the son of Omri reigned over Israel in Samaria °twenty and two years.

q 30 And Ahab the son of Omri did °evil in the sight of °the LORD °above all that were before him.

31 And it came to pass, as if it had been a light thing for him to walk in the °sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, that he took to wife °Jezebel the daughter of Ethbaal king of the Zidonians, and went and served Baal, and worshipped him.

q 32 And he reared up an altar for Baal in the house of Baal, which he had built in Samaria. 33 And Ahab made a °grove;

p and Ahab did more to provoke °the LORD °God of Israel to anger than all the kings of Israel that were before him.

U V¹ 34 In his days did Hiel the Beth-elite °build Jericho: he laid the foundation thereof °in Abiram his firstborn, and set up the gates thereof °in his youngest son Segub, according to the word of °the LORD, °which He spake by Joshua the son of Nun.

V² W Y R (p. 478) 17 And °Elijah the °Tishbite, who was of the °inhabitants of Gilead, said unto Ahab, "As °the LORD °God of Israel liveth, °before Whom I stand, there shall not be °dew

20 are they not written . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

16. 21, 22 (¶, p. 475). INTERREGNUM. (*Division*.)

¶ m¹ | 21. People. Division for Tibni.
m² | 22. People. Prevalence for Omri.

22 Omri. Note the Introversion of these names in this verse.

23-28 (Q⁵, p. 475). OMRI. (*Introversion*.)

Q⁵ n | 23. Introduction.
o | 24. Events. Building Samaria.
o | 25, 26. Events. Evil-doing.
n | 27, 28. Conclusion.

23 thirty and first year. He reigned twelve years (833-821), and yet in v. 29 Ahab began in the thirty-eighth year of Asa. Omri began to reign *de jure* when he slew Zimri, in the twenty-seventh year of Asa; but only *de facto* on the death of Tibni the usurper.

Omri. See Ap. 55.

six years. Beginning in Asa's thirty-first and ending in Asa's thirty-eighth (v. 29).

24 talents. See Ap. 51. II. owner = lord. Samaria. This is the origin of the city.

26 made Israel to sin. See note on 14. 16.

27 which. Some codices, with four early printed editions, Sept., and Syr., read "and all that".

16. 29-22. 40 (Q⁶, p. 475). AHAB. (*Introversion and Alternation*.)

Q⁶ R | 16. 29-. Introduction.
S | T | 16. -29-33. Personal evil. Idolatry.
U | 16. 34-20. 43. Public events. War with Syria.
S | T | 21. 1-29. Personal evil. Naboth.
U | 22. 1 38. Public events. War with Syria.
R | 22. 39, 40. Conclusion.

29 twenty and two years. For spiritual significance, see note on 14. 20, and Ap. 10.

-29 33 (T, above). PERSONAL EVIL. (*Introversion*.)

T | p | -29. Ahab. Length of reign.
q | 30, 31. Personal evil.
q | 32, 33-. Public evil.
p | -33. Ahab. Character of reign.

30 above all. The reign of Ahab opens a new era in Israel's history.

31 Jezebel, daughter of a regicide and fratricide (Josephus c. *Apion* 1. 18, *Ant.* viii. 3. 1), priest of the Phœnician goddess Astarte.

33 grove. See note on Ex. 34. 13, and Ap. 42.

16. 34-20. 43 (U, above). PUBLIC EVENTS. (*Division*.)

U | V¹ | 16. 34. The rebuilding of Jericho.
V² | 17. 1-19. 21. The drought.
V³ | 20. 1-43. War with Syria.

34 build = to fortify and complete. It had been partially restored (Judg. 3. 13. 2 Sam. 10. 5), but now became a fortified city of Israel.

in = at the cost of.

which He spake. Cp. Josh. 6. 26.

17. 1-19. 21 [For Structures see next page].

1 Elijah. First mention = GOD (*El*) is JAH (or Jehovah). See Ap. 4. II.

Tishbite = sojourner. Probably a priest.

inhabitants = sojourners.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

before, &c. Probably a priest. See note above.

dew = night-mist. Cp. Deut. 32. 2. 2 Sam. 1. 21. Job 38. 28.

822 nor rain °these years, but according to my
to word."

800 2 And the word of ¹ the LORD came unto him,
saying,

3 "Get thee hence, and turn thee eastward,
and hide thyself by the brook Cherith, that is
°before Jordan.

4 And it shall be, that thou shalt drink of the
brook; and °I have commanded the °ravens
to feed thee °there."

s 5 So he went and did according unto the word
(p. 478) of ¹ the LORD: for he went and dwelt by the
brook Cherith, that is before Jordan.

6 And the °ravens brought him bread and
flesh in the morning, and bread and flesh in
the evening; and he drank of the brook.

t 7 And it came to pass after a while, that the
brook dried up, because there had been no rain
in the land.

Y r 8 And the word of ¹ the LORD came unto him,
saying,

9 "Arise, get thee to °Zarephath, which be-
longeth to Zidon, and dwell there: °behold, °I
have commanded °a widow woman there to
sustain thee."

s 10 So he arose and went to Zarephath.

t Z¹ u¹ And when he came to the gate of the city, °be-
hold, the widow woman was there gathering
of sticks: and he called to her, and said, "Fetch
me, I pray thee, a little water in a vessel, that
I may drink."

11 And as she was going to fetch it, he called
to her, and said, "Bring me, I pray thee, a
morsel of bread in thine hand."

v¹ 12 And she said, "As ¹ the LORD thy ¹ God
liveth, I have not a cake, but an handful of
meal in a barrel, and °a little oil in a °cruse:
and, °behold, I am gathering two sticks, that
I may go in and dress it for me and my son,
that we may eat it, and die."

u² 13 And Elijah said unto her, "Fear not; go
and do as thou hast said: but make me thereof
a little cake first, and bring it unto me, and
after make for thee and for thy son.

14 For thus saith ¹ the LORD ¹ God of Israel,
'The °barrel of meal shall not waste, neither
shall the ¹²cruse of oil fail, until the day that
¹ the LORD sendeth rain upon the earth."

v² 15 And she went and did according to the
saying of Elijah:

u³ and she, and he, and her house, did eat many
days.

16 And the barrel of meal wasted not, neither
did the ¹²cruse of oil fail, according to the word
of ¹ the LORD, which He spake by Elijah.

Z² w y 17 And it came to pass after these things, that
the son of the woman, the mistress of the house,
fell sick; and his sickness was so sore, that
there was no °breath left in him.

z 18 And she said unto Elijah, °"What have
I to do with thee, O thou °man of ¹ God? art
thou come unto me to call my °sin to remem-
brance, and to slay my son?"

x a 19 And he said unto her, "Give me thy son."
And he took him out of her bosom, and carried

17. 1-19. 21 (V², p. 477). THE DROUGHT.
(Alternation.)

V² W | 17. 1-24. Elijah's retirement.
X | 18. 1-46. Mission to Ahab.
W | 19. 1-14. Elijah's flight.
X | 19. 15-21. Mission to Hazael and others.

17. 1-24 (W, above). ELIJAH'S RETIREMENT.
(Extended Alternation.)

W Y | r | 1-4. Command.
s | 5, 6. Obedience.
t | 7. Circumstance. The brook and ravens.
Y r | 8, 9. Command.
s | 10-. Obedience.
t | -10-24. Circumstance. The widow.

these years (not three years). No definite period
stated. "Years" is pl., not dual. In Luke 4. 25 and
Jas. 5. 17 - "three years and six months". These six
months must be reckoned before the three years, not
added at the end because of "the third year" (18. 1):
i. e. the third full year.

3 before Jordan: i. e. on the east side.

4 I have commanded. Elijah miraculously fed
three times: (1) by ravens (17. 6); (2) by a widow (17. 9);
(3) by an angel (19. 5, 6).

ravens. Note "I have commanded". All things
possible when He speaks. Almighty power is a better
and easier explanation than all rationalistic inven-
tions.

there. Nowhere else. Note the special lesson. Any-
where but in God's appointed place he would have
perished.

9 Zarephath = the Sarepta of Luke 4. 26.

behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

a widow. One of nine widows mentioned. See note
on v. 4 and Gen. 38. 19.

-10-24 (t, above). CIRCUMSTANCE. THE WIDOW.
(Division.)

t | Z¹ | -10-16. Maintenance.
Z² | 17-24. Bereavement.

-10-16 (Z¹, above). MAINTENANCE.
(Repeated Alternation.)

Z¹ u¹ | -10, 11. Elijah. Request.
v¹ | 12. The widow. Excuse.
u² | 13, 14. Elijah. Promise.
v² | 15-. The widow. Compliance.
u³ | -15, 16. Elijah. Promise fulfilled.

12 a little oil. From Josh. 19. 24-28 Zidon fell to
Asher. From Deut. 33. 24 Asher had abundance of
oil, though water was scarce. Cp. Gen. 49. 20.
cruse = flask. Cp. Matt. 25. 4.

14 barrel of meal. Fig. Hypallage (Ap. 6) - meal in
the barrel.

17-24 (Z², above). BEREAVEMENT.
(Introversion and Alternation.)

Z² w | y | 17. Son. Death.
z | 18. Widow. Complaint.
x | a | 19. Son taken.
b | 20, 21. Prayer made.
x | b | 22. Prayer answered.
a | 23-. Son restored.
w | y | -23. Son. Life.
z | 24. Widow. Acknowledgment.

17 breath. Heb. neshāmāh. Ap. 16.

18 What have I . . . ? See note on 2 Sam. 16. 10.
man of God. See note on Deut. 33. 1, and Ap. 49.
sin. Heb. 'āvōn. Ap. 44. iii.

him up into a loft, where he abode, and laid
him upon his own bed.

20 And he cried unto ¹ the LORD, and said,
"O ¹ LORD my ¹ God, hast Thou also brought

822 °evil upon the widow with whom I sojourn,
to by slaying her son?"

800 21 And he °stretched himself upon the child
three times, and cried unto °the LORD, and
said, "O °LORD my °God, I pray Thee, let this
child's °soul come into him again."

x b (p. 478) 22 And °the LORD heard the voice of Elijah;
and the 21 soul of the child came into him again,
and he revived.

a 23 And Elijah took the child, and brought him
down out of the chamber into the house, and
delivered him unto his mother:

w y and Elijah said, "See, thy son °liveth."

z 24 And the woman said to Elijah, "Now by
this I know that thou art a 18 man of °God, and
that the word of °the LORD in thy mouth is
truth."

X A (p. 479) 18 And it came to pass after many days,
that the word of °the LORD came to
Elijah in the °third year, saying, "Go, shew
thyself unto Ahab;

B and I will send rain upon the earth."

A C 2 And Elijah went to shew himself unto Ahab.
And there was a sore °famine in Samaria.

3 And Ahab called Obadiah, which was the
°governor of his house. (°Now Obadiah feared
°the LORD greatly:

4 For it was so, when °Jezebel cut off the pro-
phets of °the LORD, that Obadiah took an hun-
dred prophets, and hid them by °fifty in a cave,
and fed them with bread and water.)

5 And Ahab said unto Obadiah, "Go into
the land, unto all fountains of water, and unto
all brooks: peradventure we may find grass
to save the horses and mules alive, that we
lose not all the beasts."

6 So they divided the land between them to
pass throughout it: Ahab went one way by
himself, and Obadiah went another way by
himself.

D 7 And as Obadiah was in the way, °behold,
Elijah met him: and he knew him, and fell
on his face, and said, "Art thou that my lord
Elijah?"

8 And he answered him, "I am:

E c go, tell thy lord, 'Behold, Elijah is here.'"

d e 9 And he said, "What have I sinned, that
thou °wouldest deliver thy servant into the hand
of Ahab, to slay me?"

f g 10 As °the LORD thy °God liveth, there is no
nation or kingdom, whither my lord hath not
sent to seek thee: and when they said, 'He is
not there;' he took an oath of the kingdom
and nation, that they found thee not.

h 11 And now thou sayest, 'Go, tell thy lord, 'Be-
hold, Elijah is here.'"

f g 12 And it shall come to pass, as soon as I am
gone from thee, that the °Spirit of °the LORD
shall carry thee whither I know not; and so
when I come and tell Ahab, and he cannot find
thee, he shall slay me: but I thy servant fear
°the LORD from my youth.

13 Was it not told my lord what I did when

20 evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

21 stretched = measured.

soul = life. Cp. v. 23, "liveth". Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 18.

23 liveth. The result of life's being given, making
the child "a living soul" (Gen. 2. 7).

18. 1-46 (X, p. 478). MISSION TO AHAB. (Alternation.)

X A | 1-. Command.
B | -1. Promise of rain. Given.

A | 2-40. Obedience.
B | 41-46. Promise of rain. Fulfilled.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
third year: i. e. the third or last full year toward the
end of the three and a half years.

2-40 (A, above). OBEDIENCE. (Extended Alternation.)

A C | 2-6. Ahab and Obadiah.
D | 7, 8-. Elijah.
E | -8-16-. Ahab. Elijah's message.

C' | -16, 17. Ahab and Elijah.

D | 18. Elijah.

E | 19-40. Ahab. Elijah's proposal.

2 famine. One of the thirteen famines mentioned
in Scripture. See note on Gen. 12. 10.

3 governor of = governor over.

Now. Fig. *Parenthesis*. Ap. 6.

4 Jezebel. The first record of using the civil power
against the true religion (and by a woman). See note
on Judg. 4. 21.

fifty in a cave = fifty men. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

5 Go into = Sept. and Syr. read "Go and let us pass
through".

7 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

-8-16- (E, above). AHAB. ELIJAH'S MESSAGE. (Introversion.)

E c | -8. Command to Obadiah.

d | 9-14. Expostulation of Obadiah.

d | 15. Assurance of Elijah.

c | 16-. Obedience of Obadiah.

9-14 (d, above). EXPOSTULATION OF OBADIAH. (Introversion and Alternation.)

d e | 9. Danger of Obadiah.

f | g | 10. Ahab's search for Elijah (past).

h | 11. Command. Of Elijah.

f | g | 12, 13. Ahab's search for Elijah (future).

h | 14-. Command. Of Elijah.

e | -14. Danger of Obadiah.

9 What...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

wouldest deliver = art giving.

10 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

12 Spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

13 men. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

15 before, &c. See note on 17. 1.

Jezebel slew the prophets of °the LORD, how
I hid an hundred °men of °the LORD'S pro-
phets by 'fifty in a cave, and fed them with
bread and water?

14 And now thou sayest, 'Go, tell thy lord,
'Behold, Elijah is here:'"

and he shall slay me."

15 And Elijah said, "As °the LORD of hosts
liveth, °before Whom I stand, I will surely
shew myself unto him to day."

16 So Obadiah went to meet Ahab, and told
him:

and Ahab went to meet Elijah.

822 17 And it came to pass, when Ahab saw
to Elijah, that Ahab said unto him, "Art thou he
800 that °troubleth °Israel?"

D 18 And he answered, "I have not troubled
(p. 479) °Israel; but thou, and thy father's house, in
that ye have forsaken the commandments of
°the LORD, and thou hast followed Baalim.

E i 19 Now therefore send, and gather to me all
(p. 480) °Israel unto mount °Carmel, and the prophets
of Baal four hundred and fifty, and the pro-
phets of the °groves four hundred, which eat
at Jezebel's table."

20 So Ahab sent unto all the °children of
Israel, and gathered the prophets together
unto mount Carmel.

k F 21 And Elijah came unto all the people,
and said, "How long °halt ye between two
opinions? if °the LORD be °God, follow
Him: but if Baal, then follow him." And the
People answered him not a word.

22 Then said Elijah unto °the People, "°3,
even °I only, remain a prophet of °the LORD;
but Baal's prophets are four hundred and
fifty °men."

23 Let them therefore give us two bullocks;
and let them choose one bullock for themselves,
and cut it in pieces, and lay it on wood, and put
no fire under: and °I will dress the other bul-
lock, and lay it on wood, and put no fire under:

24 And call ye on the name of your °gods,
and °I will call on the name of °the LORD: and
the °God That answereth °by fire, let him be
°God." And all the people answered and said,
"It is well spoken."

G i 25 And Elijah said unto the prophets of Baal,
"Choose you one bullock for yourselves, and
dress it first; for ye are many; and call on the
name of your °gods, but put no fire under."

m 26 And they took the bullock which was given
them, and they dressed it, and called on the
name of Baal from morning even until noon,
saying, "O Baal, hear us." But there was
no voice, nor any that answered. And they
°leaped upon the altar which °was made.

l 27 And it came to pass at noon, that Elijah
mocked them, and said, "Cry aloud: for he
is a god; either he is talking, or he is °pursuing,
or he is in a journey, or peradventure he sleep-
eth, and must be awaked."

m 28 And they cried aloud, and cut themselves
after their manner with knives and °lancets,
till the blood gushed out upon them.

29 And it came to pass, when midday was
past, and they prophesied until the time of the
offering of the °evening sacrifice, that there was
neither voice, nor any to answer, nor any that
regarded.

F 30 And Elijah said unto all the People, "Come
near unto me." And all the People came near
unto him.

G n¹ And he °repaired the altar of °the LORD that
was °broken down.

31 And Elijah took twelve stones, according
to the number of the tribes of the sons of °Jacob,
unto whom the word of °the LORD came, say-
ing, "°Israel shall be thy name:"

17 troubleth. Cp. Josh. 7. 25 with 6. 18, and 1 Chron. 2. 7.
Israel. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for
Israelitish people.

18. 19-40 (E, p. 479). AHAB. ELIJAH'S PRO-
POSAL. (*Introversion.*)

E i | 19, 20. Baal's prophets. Assembled.
k | 21-38. Conflict with prophets.
k | 39. Confession of the People.
i | 40. Baal's prophets. Slain.

19 Carmel. Eighteen miles from Jezreel; sixteen
miles from the sea. The Kishon below, but now dry.
At the foot a perennial spring, with a roofed reservoir,
eight feet deep. Carmel is still called "Mar-Elias".
groves = the 'Asherah. See note on Ex. 34. 13, and Ap. 42.
20 children = sons.

21-38 (k, above). CONFLICT WITH THE
PROPHETS. (*Alternation.*)

k | F | 21-24. The People. Elijah's appeal.
G | 25-29. Bullock of the prophets.
F | 30-. The People. Elijah's call.
G | -30-38. Bullock of Elijah.

21 How long...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

halt = leap. Cp. v. 26.

22 the People. Some codices read "all the people".
I...I. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

24 gods = god, as in v. 25. So R.V.

by fire. This was Jehovah's way of showing His
acceptance of the offering. See note on Gen. 4. 4.

25-29 (G, above). BULLOCK OF THE PROPHETS.
(*Alternation.*)

G | l | 25. Elijah.
m | 26. The prophets of Baal.
l | 27. Elijah.
m | 28, 29. The prophets of Baal.

26 leaped upon = leaped over. Cp. v. 21.

was made = had been made.

27 Cry aloud, &c. Fig. *Eironeia*. Ap. 6.
pursuing. Occurs only here.

28 lancets = lances. Done by Dervishes to the pre-
sent day.

29 evening sacrifice. The usual meal offering.
There was also a morning meal offering as well (Num.
28. 8). Cp. 2 Kings 16. 15.

-30-38 (G, above). THE BULLOCK OF ELIJAH.
(*Repeated Alternation.*)

G | n¹ | -30-32-. Altar. Its repairing.
o¹ | -32. The trench.
n² | 33-. Altar. Arrangement of wood.
o² | -33-35. The water.
n³ | 36, 37. Altar. Time for offering. Prayer.
o³ | 38. The fire.

30 repaired. Carmel had been a local altar for lay
(individual) offerings, but had been broken down. Cp.
19. 10. These lay altars had no horns.

broken down: i. e. purposely.

31 Jacob. Some codices, with one early printed
edition, and Sept., read "Israel", in harmony with v. 36.
Israel. See note on Gen. 32. 28.

32 measures. See Ap. 51. III. 3.

33 water. See note on v. 19.

the wood. Sept. adds "and they did so".

32 And with the stones he built an altar in
the name of °the LORD:

and he made a trench about the altar, as great
as would contain two °measures of seed. o¹

33 And he put the wood in order, and cut the
bullock in pieces, and laid him on the wood, n²

and said, "Fill four barrels with °water, and
pour it on the burnt sacrifice, and on °the wood." o³

34 And he said, "Do it the second time." And
they did it the second time. And he said, "Do

822 *it* the third time." And they did *it* the third
to time.

800 35 And the water ran round about the altar;
and he filled the trench also with water.

n³ 36 And it came to pass at *the time* of the
(p. 48o) offering of the *evening* sacrifice, that Elijah the
prophet came near, and said, ¹"LORD ¹⁰ God of
Abraham, Isaac, and of ^o Israel, let it be known
this day that *Thou art* ¹⁰ God in Israel, and *that*
³ *am* Thy servant, and *that* I have done all
these things at Thy word.

37 Hear me, O ¹ LORD, hear me, that this
People may know that *Thou art* ¹ the LORD
¹⁰ God, and *that* *Thou* hast turned their heart
back again."

o³ 38 ^o Then the fire of ¹ the LORD fell, ^o and con-
sumed the ^o burnt sacrifice, and the wood, and
the stones, and the dust, and licked up the
water that *was* in the trench.

k 39 And when all the People saw *it*, they fell
on their faces: and they said, ^o "The LORD, ^{he}
is the ¹⁰ God; ¹ the LORD, ^{he} *is* the ¹⁰ God."

i 40 And Elijah said unto them, ^o "Take the
prophets of Baal; let not ^o one of them escape."
And they took them: and Elijah brought them
down to the brook ^o Kishon, and ^o slew them
there.

B H r 41 And Elijah said unto Ahab, "Get thee up,
(p. 48r) eat and drink;

s for *there is* a sound of abundance of rain."

J K t 42 So Ahab went up to eat and to drink.

u And Elijah went up to the top of Carmel; and
he ^o cast himself down upon the earth, and put
his face between his knees,

L 43 And said to his ^o servant, "Go up now,
look toward the sea." And he went up, and
looked, and said, "*There is* nothing." And
he said, "Go again seven times."

44 And it came to pass at the seventh time,
that he said, ⁷ "Behold, there ariseth a little
cloud out of the sea, like a ¹³ man's hand."

H r And he said, "Go up, say unto Ahab, 'Prepare
thy chariot, and get thee down,

s that the rain stop thee not.'"

J L 45 And it came to pass in the mean while,
that the heaven was black with clouds and
^o wind, and there was a great rain.

K t And Ahab rode, and went to Jezreel.

u 46 And the ^o hand of ¹ the LORD was on Eli-
jah; and he ^o girded up his loins, and ^o ran
before Ahab to the entrance of Jezreel.

W M¹ 19 And Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah
had done, and withal ^o how he had slain
^o all the prophets with the sword.

2 Then Jezebel sent a messenger unto Elijah,
saying, "So let the gods do ^o *to me*, and more
also, if I make not thy ^o life as the ^o life of one
of them by to morrow about this time."

N¹ v 3 And when he saw *that*, ^o he arose, and went
for his ² life, and came to Beer-sheba, which
belongeth to Judah, and left his ^o servant
there.

36 Israel, not Jacob. See note on Gen. 32. 28.

38 Then the fire of the LORD fell. Aram. and
Sept. read "Then fire from Jehovah fell". See note
on Gen. 4. 4. "Fire of Jehovah" occurs only here and
Num. 11. 1, 3. and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton*. Ap. 6.
burnt sacrifice. See Ap. 43. II. ii.

39 The LORD, &c. Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6. Heb.
Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

40 Take = seize, lay hold of.

one = a man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

Kishon. Cp. Judg. 4. 13; 5. 21.

slew. Heb. idiom, caused them to be slain.

18. 41-46 (B, p. 479). PROMISE OF RAIN. FUL-
FILLED. (*Alternation and Introversion*.)

B | H | r | 41-. Command. To Ahab.

s | 41-. Reason.

J | K | t | 42-. Obedience of Ahab.

u | 42-. Elijah. Ascent of Carmel.

L | 43, 44-. Rain. Expectation of.

H | r | 44-. Command. To servant.

s | 44-. Reason.

J | L | 45-. Rain. Fall of.

K | t | 45-. Obedience of Ahab.

u | 46. Elijah. Run to Jezreel.

42 cast himself down. A rare word. Only here
and 2 Kings 4. 34, 35. = Kneeling, and then placing fore-
head on the ground. 43 servant = young man.

45 wind. Heb. *rûach*. Ap. 9.

46 hand. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6,
for power put forth.

girded. Girdles worn by all. Taken off when resting.
Put on when preparing for work or journeying. See Ex.
12. 11. 2 Kings 4. 29; 9. 1. Luke 12. 37; 17. 8. Acts 12. 8.
ran. For over twenty miles Elijah acted as the royal
"runner" across the great plain of Esdraelon. Pos-
sibly none at hand in the king's hasty departure.

19. 1-14 (W, p. 478). ELIJAH'S FLIGHT.
(*Repeated Alternation*.)

W | M¹ | 1, 2. Jezebel's threat.

N¹ | v | 3, 4. Elijah. To the desert.

w | 5-7. Coming of angel.

v | 8, 9-. Elijah. To Horeb.

w | 9-. Coming of word of Jehovah.

M² | 10. Jezebel's threat.

N² | x | 11-. Elijah. Command.

y | 11, 12. Jehovah. Manifestations.

x | 13-. Elijah. Awe.

y | 13. Jehovah. Inquiry.

M³ | 14. Jezebel's threat.

1 how he had slain: or, all about how he had slain.
all. Some codices, with Sept., omit this word "all".

2 to me. These words in italics are read in some
codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg. Cp. 20. 10.

life = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

3 he arose. Some codices, with Aram. MS., Sept.,
Syr., and Vulg., read "And he feared and arose".

servant = young man.

4 himself = his soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

5 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

6 cake . . . cruse. Elijah miraculously fed three
times. See notes on 17. 4, 6.

4 But he himself went a day's journey into
the wilderness, and came and sat down under
a juniper tree: and he requested for ^o himself
that he might die; and said, "It is enough;
now, O ^o LORD, take away my ² life; for ³ *am*
not better than my fathers."

5 And as he lay and slept under a juniper
tree, ^o behold, then an Angel touched him, and
said unto him, "*Arise and eat*."

6 And he looked, and, ⁵ behold, *there was*
a ^o cake baked on the coals, and a ^o cruse of

822 water at his °head. And he did eat and drink,
to and laid him down again.

800 7 And the Angel of °the LORD came again
the second time, and touched him, and said,
"Arise and eat; because the journey is too
great for thee."

v 8 And he arose, and did eat and drink, and
(p. 481) went in the strength of that meat ° forty days
and ° forty nights unto ° Horeb the mount of
° God.

9 And he came thither unto a cave, and
° lodged there;

w and, ° behold, the word of ° the LORD came to
him, and He said unto him, ° "What doest thou
here, Elijah?"

M² 10 And he said, "I have been very jealous
for ° the LORD God of hosts: for the ° children
of Israel have forsaken Thy covenant, ° THROWN
DOWN THINE ° ALTARS, AND SLAIN THY PROPHETS WITH THE
SWORD; AND ° J, even I ONLY, AM LEFT; AND THEY SEEK MY
° LIFE, TO TAKE IT AWAY."

N² x 11 And He said, ° "Go forth, and stand upon
the mount before ° the LORD."

y And, ° behold, ° the LORD passed by, and a great
and strong ° wind rent the mountains, and brake
in pieces the rocks before ° the LORD; but ° the
LORD was not in the ° wind: and after the
° wind an earthquake; but ° the LORD was
not in the earthquake:

12 And after the earthquake a fire; but ° the
LORD was not in the fire: and after the fire ° a
still small voice.

x 13 And it was so, when Elijah heard it, that
he ° wrapped his face in his mantle, and went
out, and stood in the entering in of the cave.

y And, ° behold, there came a voice unto him,
and ° said, "What doest thou here, Elijah?"

M³ 14 And he said, "I have been very jealous
for ° the LORD ° God of hosts: because the
° children of Israel have forsaken Thy cove-
nant, thrown down Thine ° altars, and slain
Thy prophets with the sword; and ° J, even
I only, am left; and they seek my ° life, to take
it away."

X O z 15 And ° the LORD said unto him, "Go, re-
(p. 482) turn ° on thy way to the wilderness of Da-
mascus:

a and when thou comest, ° anoint Hazael to be
king over Syria:

16 And Jehu the ° son of Nimshi shalt thou
anoint to be king over Israel: and ° Elisha the
son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah shalt thou
anoint to be prophet in thy room.

P b¹ 17 And it shall come to pass, that him that
escapeth ° the sword of Hazael shall Jehu slay:
and him that escapeth from the sword of Jehu
shall ° Elisha slay.

b² 18 Yet ° I HAVE LEFT me SEVEN THOUSAND IN ISRAEL,
ALL THE KNEES WHICH HAVE NOT ° BOWED UNTO BAAL,
and every mouth which hath not ° kissed
him."

O z 19 So he departed thence,

a and found Elisha the son of Shaphat, who was

head = bolster, or pillow.

8 forty. The number of Probation. See Ap. 10.

Horeb. About 180 miles.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

9 lodged = passed the night.

What . . . P Fig. *Anthropopatheia* (Ap. 6), as though
He did not know.

10 the LORD God of hosts. First occurrence of
this title. See Ap. 4 = *Jehovah Elohim z°b'āōth*. It occurs
in 2 Sam. 5. 10, but in narrative, not address. "The
LORD (*Jehovah*) God (*Elohim*) of hosts" occurs only here
in Kings and Chronicles. Often in Psalms (59. 5; 69. 6;
80. 4, 19; 84. 8; 89. 8). In Isa. 10. 23, 24; 22. 5, 12, 14, 15;
28. 22. Jer. 2. 19; 5. 14; 15. 16; 35. 17; 49. 5; 50. 25, 31.
Hos. 12. 5. Amos 5. 15. After the return from captivity
"LORD of hosts" occurs fourteen times in Haggai; about
fifty in Zechariah; and twenty-five in Malachi. But
"LORD God of hosts" is not found in those books.

children = sons. thrown, &c. Quoted in Rom. 11. 2, 3,
altars. There were *lay* altars (local) for customary
individual offerings by laymen, as well as at Jerusalem.
These had no horns.

I . . . I. Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6.

11 Go forth. Sept. adds "to-morrow".

wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

12 a still small voice = the sound of stillness. Cp.
Job 4. 16. Sept. = a gentle breeze, usually misquoted
"the still", &c.

13 wrapped: as Moses at the bush (Ex. 3. 6).

said. Some codices, with Syr., add "unto him". Cp. v. 9.

19. 15-21 (X, p. 478). MISSION TO HAZAEL AND
OTHERS. (*Introversion and Alternation*.)

X O | z | 15-. Return of Elijah. Commanded.

a | -15, 16. Anointings. Commanded.

P | b¹ | 17. Prophecy.

b² | 18. History.

O | z | 19-. Return of Elijah. Effected.

a | -19-21. Anointings. Effected.

15 on thy way = to thy way: i. e. out of which he
had deviated.

anoint: i. e. cause to be anointed. Cp. 2 Kings 9. 1-7.

16 son of Nimshi. Son put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of
Subject), Ap. 6, for grandson or descendant (2 Kings 9. 2).
Elisha = El = my GOD [is] salvation.

17 the sword. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause),
Ap. 6, for judgments inflicted by it. Cp. 2 Kings 9
and 10. The first prophecy given to Elijah.

Elisha slay: i. e. declare should be slain. Heb. idiom.
See Jer. 1. 10. Hos. 6. 5.

18 I have left, &c. Rom. 11. 4.

bowed. } Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for
kissed. } worshipping. Cp. Hos. 3. 12.

kissed him. Heb. kissed to him. Cp. Job 31. 26, 27.

19 twelve: seven separate ploughs following each
other. Often seen to-day. mantle. Cp. Zech. 13. 4.

20 what have I done . . . P Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6), or
"what is the meaning of what I did?"

21 instruments = implements. Cp. 2 Sam. 24. 22.

plowing with ° twelve yoke of oxen before
him, and he with the twelfth: and Elijah
passed by him, and cast his ° mantle upon
him.

20 And he left the oxen, and ran after Elijah,
and said, "Let me, I pray thee, kiss my father
and my mother, and then I will follow thee."
And he said unto him, "Go back again: for
° what have I done to thee?"

21 And he returned back from him, and took
a yoke of oxen, and slew them, and boiled
their flesh with the ° instruments of the oxen,
and gave unto the people, and they did eat.
Then he arose, and went after Elijah, and
ministered unto him.

V³ c¹ 20 And °Ben-hadad the king of Syria
(p. 483) gathered all his °host together: and
822 there were °thirty and two kings with him,
to and horses, and chariots: and he went up and
800 besieged Samaria, and warred against it.

d¹ e¹ 2 And he sent messengers to Ahab king of
Israel into the city, and °said unto him, "Thus
saith Ben-hadad,

3 'Thy silver and thy gold is mine; thy wives
also and thy °children, even the goodliest, are
mine.'"

f¹ 4 And the king of Israel answered and said,
"My lord, O king, according to thy saying, I
am thine, and all that I have."

e² 5 And the messengers came again, and said,
"Thus speaketh Ben-hadad, saying, 'Although
I have sent unto thee, saying, 'Thou shalt deli-
ver me thy silver, and thy gold, and thy
wives, and thy °children;

6 Yet I will send my servants unto thee to
morrow about this time, °and they shall °search
thine house, and the houses of thy servants;
and it shall be, that whatsoever is pleasant in
thine eyes, they shall put it in their hand, and
take it away.'"

f² 7 Then the king of Israel called all the elders
of the land, and said, "Mark, I pray you, and
see how this man seeketh mischief: for he sent
unto me for my wives, and for my °children, and
for my silver, and for my gold; and I denied
him not."

8 And all the elders and all the People said
unto him, "Hearken not unto him, nor con-
sent."

9 Wherefore he said unto the messengers of
Ben-hadad, "Tell my lord the king, 'All that
thou didst send for to thy servant at the first
I will do: but this thing I may not do.'" And
the messengers departed, and brought him
word again.

e³ 10 And Ben-hadad sent unto him, and said,
"The gods do so unto me, and more also, if the
dust of Samaria shall suffice for handfuls for
all the people that follow me."

f³ 11 And the king of Israel answered and said,
"Tell him, °'Let not him that girdeth on his
harness boast himself as he that putteth it off.'"

c² 12 And it came to pass, when Ben-hadad
heard this °message, as he was drinking, he
and the kings in the °pavilions, that he said
unto his servants, "Set yourselves in array."
And they set themselves in array against the
city.

d² 13 And, °behold, there came a prophet unto
Ahab king of Israel, saying, "Thus saith °the
LORD, °'Hast thou seen all this great multi-
tude? behold, I will deliver it into thine hand
this day; and thou shalt know that I am °the
LORD.'"

14 And Ahab said, "By whom?" And he
said, "Thus saith °the LORD, 'Even by the
°young men of the princes of the provinces.'"
Then he said, "Who shall order the battle?"
And he answered, "I will."

15 Then he numbered the young men of the
princes of the provinces, and they were two

20. 1-43 (V³, p. 477). WAR WITH SYRIA. (Repeated Alternation.)

V³ c¹ | 1. Syria. First invasion.
d¹ | 2-11. Israel. Negotiations.
c² | 12. Syria. Siege of Samaria.
d² | 13-21. Israel. Sortie by Ahab.
c³ | 22-26. Syria. Second invasion.
d³ | 27. Israel. Numbering of.
c⁴ | 28-30. Syria. Defeat.
d⁴ | 31-33-. Israel. Ahab's forbearance
c⁵ | -33, 34. Syria. Covenant with Ahab.
d⁵ | 35-43. Israel. God reproves Ahab.

1 Ben-hadad. Perhaps the son of the Ben-hadad of
15. 18.

host = force.

thirty and two. Probably vassal princes. Cp. v. 24.

2-11 (d¹, above). NEGOTIATIONS. (Repeated Alternation.)

d¹ e¹ | 2, 3. Ben-hadad. First demand.
f¹ | 4. Ahab. Compliance.
e² | 5, 6. Ben-hadad. Second demand.
f² | 7-9. Ahab. Refusal.
e³ | 10. Ben-hadad. Threatening.
f³ | 11. Ahab. Retort.

2 said. A special various reading (Sevir, Ap. 34) reads
"they said".

3 children = sons.

6 and. Note the Fig. Polysyndeton. Ap. 6.
search: as from the top: i. e. ransack.

11 Let not him. Fig. Paræmia. Ap. 6.

12 message = word. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Ad-
junct), Ap. 6, for the message contained.

pavilions = tents.

13 behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

Hast...? Fig. Erotesis. Ap. 6.

14 young men = the servants, or esquires.

17 men. Heb. 'enōsh. Ap. 14. III.

20 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

22 return of the year: the spring. Cp. 2 Sam. 11. 1.

hundred and thirty two: and after them he
numbered all the People, even all the °children
of Israel, being seven thousand.

16 And they went out at noon. But Ben-
hadad was drinking himself drunk in the
pavilions, he and the kings, the thirty and two
kings that helped him.

17 And the young men of the princes of the
provinces went out first; and Ben-hadad sent
out, and they told him, saying, "There are
°men come out of Samaria."

18 And he said, "Whether they be come out
for peace, take them alive; or whether they be
come out for war, take them alive."

19 So these young men of the princes of the
provinces came out of the city, and the army
which followed them.

20 And they slew every one his °man: and
the Syrians fled; and Israel pursued them:
and Ben-hadad the king of Syria escaped on
an horse with the horsemen.

21 And the king of Israel went out, and smote
the horses and chariots, and slew the Syrians
with a great slaughter.

22 And the prophet came to the king of Israel, c³
and said unto him, "Go, strengthen thyself, and
mark, and see what thou doest: for at the
°return of the year the king of Syria will come
up against thee."

822 23 And the servants of the king of Syria said
to unto him, "Their gods *are* gods of the hills;
800 therefore they were stronger than we; but let
us fight against them in the plain, and surely
we shall be stronger than they.

24 And do this thing, Take the kings away,
every ²⁰ man out of his place, and put °captains
in their rooms:

25 And number thee an army, like the army
that thou hast lost, horse for horse, and chariot
for chariot: and we will fight against them in
the plain, *and* surely we shall be stronger than
they." And he hearkened unto their voice,
and did so.

26 And it came to pass at the ²² return of the
year, that Ben-hadad numbered the Syrians,
and went up to °Aphek, to fight against Israel.

d³ 27 And the ³ children of Israel °were num-
(p. 483) bered, and were all present, and went against
them: and the ³ children of Israel pitched be-
fore them like two little °flocks of kids; but
the Syrians filled the country.

c⁴ 28 And there came a °man of °God, and spake
unto the king of Israel, and said, "Thus saith
¹³ the LORD, 'Because the Syrians have said,
¹³ 'The LORD is °God of the hills, but *he* is not
°God of the valleys,' therefore will I deliver
all this great multitude into thine hand, and
°ye shall know that *I am* ¹³ the LORD.'"

29 And they pitched one over against the
other seven days. And so it was, that in the
seventh day the battle was joined: and the
³ children of Israel slew of the Syrians an
hundred thousand footmen in one day.

30 But the rest fled to Aphek, into the city;
and *there* a wall fell upon twenty and seven
thousand of the ²⁰ men *that were* left. And
Ben-hadad fled, and came into the city, into
an inner chamber.

d¹ 31 And his servants said unto him, ° "Behold
now, we have heard that the kings of the
house of Israel *are* merciful kings: let us,
I pray thee, put sackcloth on our loins, and
ropes upon our heads, and go out to the king
of Israel: peradventure he will save thy °life."

32 So they girded sackcloth on their loins,
and *put* ropes on their heads, and came to the
king of Israel, and said, "Thy servant Ben-
hadad saith, 'I pray thee, let °me live.'" And
he said, "Is he yet alive? *he* is my °brother."

33 Now the ¹⁷ men °did diligently observe
whether °*any thing would come* from him, and
did hastily catch *it*: and they said, "Thy
brother Ben-hadad."

c⁵ Then he said, "Go ye, bring him." Then
Ben-hadad came forth to him; and he caused
him to come up into the chariot.

34 And Ben-hadad said unto him, "The cities,
which my father took from thy father, I will
restore; and thou shalt make °streets for thee
in Damascus, °as my father made in Samaria."
Then °said Ahab, "°I will send thee away with
this covenant." So he made a covenant with
him, and sent him away.

d⁵ g 35 And a certain °man of the sons of the
(p. 484) prophets said unto his neighbour in the word
of ¹³ the LORD, "Smite me, I pray thee." And
the ²⁰ man refused to smite him.

36 Then said he unto him, "Because thou

24 captains = governors, or pashas.

26 Aphek. Probably east of the Sea of Galilee.

27 were numbered = enrolled themselves.

flocks = newborn kids. Heb. *hāsaph*. Occurs only here.

28 man of God = a prophet. See Ap. 49.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

ye shall know. Sept. reads "so shalt thou know".
Cp. v. 13 above.

31 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

life = soul. Heb. *nepesh*. Ap. 13.

32 me = my soul. Heb. *nepesh*. Ap. 13.

brother: i. e. a brother-king.

33 did diligently observe. Heb. *divined* and *hasted*.
Fig. *Hendiadys* (Ap. 6) = quickly divined.

any thing would come. These italics are wrongly
supplied, not knowing the two readings of E. and W.
recensions, caused by a different division of words.
The E. recension reads "and they pressed [to find out]
whether it was from him and said". The W. recension
reads "and they pressed it out from him, and they
said": i. e. they wanted to know whether he confirmed
the word of his own accord.

34 streets = broadways, or bazaars.

as = according as.

said. Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) to be supplied by repetition
from previous clause.

35-43 (d⁵, p. 483). ISRAEL. GOD REPROVES
AHAB. (*Extended Alternation*.)

d⁵ | g | 35 38. Prophet disguised.

h | 39, 40-. Symbol used.

i | -40. Ahab's sentence.

g | 41. Prophet discovered.

h | 42. Symbol interpreted.

i | 43. Ahab's heaviness.

35 man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II. Josephus identifies
him with Micaiah (22. 8).

38 ashes, &c. = bandage.

39 talent. See Ap. 51. II.

hast not obeyed the voice of ¹³ the LORD, ³¹ be-
hold, as soon as thou art departed from me,
a lion shall slay thee." And as soon as he
was departed from him, a lion found him, and
slew him.

37 Then he found another ²⁰ man, and said,
"Smite me, I pray thee." And the ²⁰ man smote
him, so that in smiting he wounded *him*.

38 So the prophet departed, and waited for
the king by the way, and disguised himself
with °ashes upon his face.

39 And as the king passed by, *he* cried unto
the king: and he said, "Thy servant went out
into the midst of the battle; and, ³¹ behold,
a ²⁰ man turned aside, and brought a ²⁰ man unto
me, and said, 'Keep this ²⁰ man: if by any means
he be missing, then shall thy ³¹ life be for his
³¹ life, or else thou shalt pay a °talent of silver.'

40 And as thy servant was busy here and
there, *he* was gone."

And the king of Israel said unto him, "So
shall thy judgment *be*; thyself hast decided *it*."

41 And he *hasted*, and took the ³⁸ ashes away
from his face; and the king of Israel discerned
him that *he* was of the prophets.

42 And he said unto him, "Thus saith ¹³ the
LORD, 'Because thou hast let go out of *thy*
hand a ²⁰ man whom I appointed to utter de-
struction, therefore thy ³¹ life shall go for his
³¹ life, and thy people for his people.'"

43 And the king of Israel went to his house
heavy and displeased, and came to Samaria.

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21 And it came to pass after these things, that Naboth the Jezreelite ° had a vineyard, which was in ° Jezreel, hard by the palace of Ahab king of Samaria.

2 And Ahab spake unto Naboth, saying, ° "Give me thy vineyard, that I may have it for a garden of herbs, because it is near unto my house: and I will give thee for it a better vineyard than it; or, if it seem good to thee, I will give thee the worth of it in money."

3 And Naboth said to Ahab, ° "The LORD forbid it me, that I should give ° the inheritance of my fathers unto thee."

k l **4** And Ahab came into his house heavy and displeased because of the word which Naboth the Jezreelite had spoken to him: for he had said, "I will not give thee the inheritance of my fathers." And he laid him down upon his bed, and turned away his face, and would eat no bread.

m **5** But Jezebel his wife came to him, and said unto him, "Why is thy ° spirit so sad, that thou eatest no bread?"

j **6** And he said unto her, "Because I spake unto Naboth the Jezreelite, and said unto him, 'Give me thy vineyard for money; or else, if it please thee, I will give thee another vineyard for it:' and he answered, 'I will not give thee my vineyard.'"

k m **7** And Jezebel his wife said unto him, ° "Dost thou now govern the kingdom of Israel? arise, and eat bread, and let thine heart be merry: I will give thee the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite."

8 So she wrote letters in Ahab's name, ° and ° sealed them with his seal, and sent the letters unto the elders and to the nobles that were in his city, dwelling with Naboth.

9 And she wrote in the letters, saying, "Proclaim a fast, and set Naboth ° on high among the People:

10 And set ° two ° men, ° sons of Belial, before him, to bear witness against him, saying, 'Thou didst ° blaspheme ° God and the king.' And then carry him out, and stone him, that he may die."

11 And the ¹⁰ men of his city, even the elders and the nobles who were the inhabitants in his city, did ° as Jezebel had sent unto them, and as it was written in the letters which she had sent unto them.

12 They proclaimed a fast, and set Naboth ° on high among the People.

13 And there came in two ¹⁰ men, ¹⁰ children of Belial, and sat before him: and the ¹⁰ men of Belial witnessed against him, even against Naboth, in the presence of the People, saying, "Naboth did ¹⁰ blaspheme ¹⁰ God and the king." Then they carried him forth out of the city, and ° stoned him with stones, that he died.

14 Then they sent to Jezebel, saying, "Naboth is stoned, and is dead."

15 And it came to pass, when Jezebel heard that Naboth was stoned, and was dead, that Jezebel said to Ahab, ° "Arise, take possession of the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite, which he refused to give thee for money: for Naboth is not alive, but dead."

l **16** And it came to pass, when Ahab heard

21. 1-29 (T, p. 477). PERSONAL EVIL. NABOTH. (Division.)

T | Q¹ | 1-16. Evil committed.
Q² | 17-29. Evil to be judged.

1-16 (Q¹, above). EVIL COMMITTED. (Alternation and Introversion.)

Q¹ | j | 1-3. Ahab's covetousness. Fact.
k | l | 4. Ahab's heaviness.
m | 5. Jezebel's inquiry.
j | 6. Ahab's covetousness. Recital.
k | m | 7-15. Jezebel's promise.
l | 16. Ahab's gratification.

1 had a vineyard = a vineyard came to be his (by inheritance).

Jezreel. In the plain of Esdraelon.

2 Give me. Cp. 1 Sam. 8. 14, of which this is a fulfilment.

3 The LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. the inheritance of my fathers. Naboth respected the Law of God (Lev. 25. 23. Num. 36. 7, 8).

5 spirit. Heb. rūach. See Ap. 9.

7 Dost ...? Fig. Erotēsis. Ap. 6.

8 and. Note the Fig. Polysyndeton (Ap. 6) in vv. 8-10. sealed ... with his seal. Fig. Polyptōton. Ap. 6. Sealing was done by rubbing ink on the seal, moistening the paper, and pressing the seal thereon.

9 on high: i. e. in a conspicuous place; or, perhaps, before the bar of justice.

10 two. Cp. Deut. 17. 6.

men. Heb. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

sons of Belial. Cp. Deut. 13. 13. 1 Sam. 1. 16; 2. 12, &c.

blaspheme. The current Heb. text reads "bless". In spite of this the A.V. and R.V. render it "blaspheme". It is one of the emendations of the *Sopherim* (Ap. 18), and is correctly rendered "blaspheme", but should have had a marginal note of explanation.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

11 as - according as.

13 stoned him. One of the nine cases of stoning. See note on Lev. 24. 14.

15 Arise. This form of the imperative is only found in connection with Jehovah, and always with reference to the promised land. And the lengthened form is found only in Moses' mouth in Num. 10. 35.

17-29 (Q², above). EVIL TO BE JUDGED. (Double Introversion and Alternation.)

Q² | R | n | 17-19-. Call to Elijah to go to Ahab.
o | -19. Judgment pronounced.
S | p | 20. Altercation.
q | 21, 22. Judgment. Particular.
T | 23. Jezebel.
S | q | 24. Judgment. Particular.
p | 25, 26. Provocation.
R | n | 27-29-. Call to Elijah to see Ahab humbled.
o | -29. Judgment mitigated.

18 behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

19 Hast thou ...? Fig. Erotēsis. Ap. 6. killed - murdered.

that Naboth was dead, that Ahab rose up to go down to the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite, to take possession of it.

17 And the word of ³ the LORD came to Elijah the Tishbite, saying,

18 "Arise, go down to meet Ahab king of Israel, which is in Samaria: ° behold, he is in the vineyard of Naboth, whither he is gone down to possess it.

19 And thou shalt speak unto him, saying, 'Thus saith ³ the LORD, ° 'Hast thou ° killed, and also taken possession?' And thou shalt speak unto him, saying,

Q² R n

822-800 ^o 'Thus saith ³the LORD, 'In the place where dogs licked the blood of Naboth shall dogs lick thy blood, even thine.'"

S p 20 And Ahab said to Elijah, "Hast thou found me, O mine enemy?" And he answered, "I have found thee: because thou hast sold thyself to work ^oevil in the sight of ³the LORD.

q 21 ¹⁸Behold, I will bring ²⁰evil upon thee, and will take away thy posterity, and will cut off from Ahab ^ohim that pisseth against the wall, and him that is ^oshut up and left in Israel,

22 And will make thine house like the house of ^oJeroboam the son of Nebat, and like the house of Baasha the son of Ahijah, for the provocation wherewith thou hast provoked Me to anger, and ^omade Israel to sin."

T 23 And of Jezebel also spake ³the LORD, saying, "The dogs shall eat Jezebel ^oby the wall of ^oJezreel.

S q 24 Him that dieth of Ahab in the city the dogs shall eat; and him that dieth in the field shall the fowls of the air eat."

p 25 But there was ^onone like unto ^oAhab, which did sell himself to work ^owickedness in the sight of ³the LORD, whom Jezebel his wife stirred up.

26 And he did very abominably in following ^oidols, according to all things as did the Amorites, whom ³the LORD cast out before the ¹³children of Israel.

R n 27 And it came to pass, when Ahab heard those words, that he ^orent his clothes, and put sackcloth upon his flesh, and fasted, and lay in sackcloth, and ^owent softly.

28 And the word of ³the LORD came to Elijah the Tishbite, saying,

29 "Seest thou how Ahab humbleth himself before Me?

^obecause he humbleth himself before Me, I will ^onot bring the ²⁰evil in his days: but in his son's days will I bring the ²⁰evil upon his house."

U V¹ (p. 486) 22 And they continued ^othree years without war between Syria and Israel.

2 And it came to pass in the third year, that Jehoshaphat the king of Judah ^ocame down to the king of Israel.

W¹ r¹ 3 ^oAnd the king of Israel said unto his servants, "Know ye that ^oRamoth in Gilead is ^oours, and we be still, and take it not out of the hand of the king of ^oSyria?"

4 And he said unto Jehoshaphat, "Wilt thou go with me to battle to Ramoth-gilead?" And Jehoshaphat said to the king of Israel, "I am as thou art, my People as thy People, my horses as thy horses."

s¹ X t¹ 5 And Jehoshaphat said unto the king of Israel, "Enquire, I pray thee, at the word of ^othe LORD to day."

u¹ 6 Then the king of Israel gathered the ^oprophets together, about four hundred ^omen, and said unto them, "Shall I go against Ramoth-gilead to battle, or shall I forbear?" And they

20 evil = the evil. Heb. *ra'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

21 him that, &c. = every male. Cp. 14. 10, shut up and left. See note on 14. 10.

22 Jeroboam. Cp. 16. 3.

made Israel to sin. See note on 12. 30.

23 by the wall. The word *bēhēl* is thought by Ginsburg to be an abbreviation for *bēhēlek* = "in the portion of", as in 2 Kings 9. 10, 36: i. e. within the rampart. Jezreel. Not Samaria the capital, but Jezreel where Naboth had been murdered.

25 The Structure (p. 485) places the member ("p"), vv. 25, 26, as within a parenthesis.

none like unto Ahab. Out of twenty bad kings Ahab was the worst. Cp. 16. 30, 33.

wickedness. Same word as the "evil" (v. 20).

26 idols = filthy idols. Cp. Lev. 26. 30.

27 rent his clothes. His repentance was outward, not real.

went softly: i. e. humbly.

29 Seest thou . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

not bring. So the judgment on Solomon was postponed (11. 12) for his father's sake.

22. 1-38 (U, p. 477). PUBLIC EVENTS. WAR WITH SYRIA.

(Repeated Alternation and Introversion.)

U	V ¹		1, 2. Ahab. Visited by Jehoshaphat.
	W ¹		r ¹ 3, 4. Ramoth-gilead. Plan of Ahab.
			s ¹ 5-28. Jehoshaphat's uneasiness.
			r ² 29. Ramoth. Battle fought.
	V ²		30. Ahab's expedient.
	W ²		r ³ 31. Ramoth-gilead. Plan of king of Syria.
			s ² 32. Jehoshaphat's danger.
			r ⁴ 33-36. Ramoth-gilead. Battle won.
	V ³		37, 38. Ahab's death.

1 three years. Probably reckoned from the peace of 20. 34. During this time Jehoshaphat "strengthened himself against Israel" (2 Chron. 17. 1): not mentioned here because *esoteric*. See note on title of 1 Kings.

2 came down. In every sense of the word; and this after 2 Chron. 17. 1. First was the *matrimonial* alliance (2 Chron. 18. 1), cp. 2 Kings 8. 18; and then the *military* alliance (v. 4 and 2 Chron. 18. 3). No mention here of the former, which was the secret cause that led up to it. Both fatal. Compare the *commercial* alliance of Jehoshaphat in 2 Chron. 20. 35-37, and the experience gained by Jehoshaphat in ch. 22. 48, 49.

3 And the king of Israel. Note the Fig. *Anadiplosis* (Ap. 6) with v. 2.

Ramoth. One of the Cities of Refuge.

ours. Given by Jehovah. Therefore presumably a "good work" to take it. But "good works" are "prepared works" (Eph. 2. 10), and this was not so prepared. See 2 Chron. 19. 1, 2.

Syria. Probably taken in former war (U, 16. 34—20. 43, p. 477) by Ben-hadad I from Omri, which his son Ben-hadad II agreed to restore.

5-28 (s¹, above). JEHOSEPHAT'S UNEASINESS. (Introversion and Repeated Alternation.)

s ¹	X ¹		t ¹ 5. Jehoshaphat.
			u ¹ 6. Ahab.
	t ²		7. Jehoshaphat.
	u ²		8, 9. Ahab.
	t ³		10-. Jehoshaphat.
			u ³ -10-12. Ahab.
	Y		x ¹ 13. Micaiah. Messenger to.
			x ² 14. Micaiah. To messenger.
	X ²		v ¹ 15. Micaiah.
	w ¹		16. The king.
	v ²		17. Micaiah.
	w ²		18. The king.
	v ³		19-25. Micaiah.
	w ³		26, 27. The king.
	v ⁴		28. Micaiah.

5 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

6 prophets: i. e. Ahab's false prophets.

men. Heb. 'ish.

Ap. 14. II.

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said, "Go up; ° for ° the LORD * shall deliver *it* into the hand of the king."

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7 And Jehoshaphat said, "*Is there* not here a prophet of ° the LORD ° besides, that we might enquire of him?"

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8 And the king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat, "*There is* yet one ° man, Micaiah the son of Imlah, by whom we may enquire of ° the LORD: but I hate him; for he doth not prophesy good concerning me, but ° evil." And Jehoshaphat said, "Let not the king say so."

9 Then the king of Israel called an officer, and said, "Hasten *hither* Micaiah the son of Imlah."

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10 And the king of Israel and Jehoshaphat the king of Judah sat each on his throne, having put on their robes, in a ° void place in the entrance of the gate of Samaria;

u³

and all the ° prophets prophesied before them.

11 And Zedekiah the son of Chenaanah made him horns of iron: and he said, "Thus saith ° the LORD, 'With these shalt thou push the Syrians, until thou have consumed them.'"

12 And all the ° prophets prophesied so, saying, "Go up to Ramoth-gilead, and prosper: ° for ° the LORD shall deliver *it* into the king's hand."

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13 And the messenger that was gone to call Micaiah spake unto him, saying, ° "Behold now, the words of the prophets *declare* good unto the king with one mouth: let thy ° word, I pray thee, be like the word of one of them, and speak *that which is* good."

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14 And Micaiah said, "As ° the LORD liveth, what ° the LORD saith unto me, that will I speak."

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15 So he came to the king. And the king said unto him, "Micaiah, shall we go against Ramoth-gilead to battle, or shall we forbear?" And he answered him, ° "Go, and prosper: ° for ° the LORD shall deliver *it* into the hand of the king."

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16 And the king said unto him, "How many times ° shall I adjure thee that thou tell me nothing but *that which is* true in the name of ° the LORD?"

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17 And he said, "I saw all Israel scattered upon the hills, as sheep that have not a shepherd: and ° the LORD said, 'These have no master: let them return every ° man to his house in peace.'"

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18 And the king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat, ° "Did I not tell thee that he would prophesy no good concerning me, but ° evil?"

v³

19 And he said, "Hear thou therefore the word of ° the LORD: I saw ° the LORD sitting on His throne, and all the host of ° heaven standing by Him on His right hand and on His left.

20 And ° the LORD said, 'Who shall ° persuade Ahab, that he may go up and fall at Ramoth-gilead?' And one said on this manner, and another said on that manner.

21 And there came forth ° a spirit, and stood before ° the LORD, and said, 'I will ° persuade him.'

for = and.

the LORD*. This is one of the 134 places where "Jehovah" was changed to "Adonai" by the *Sopherim*. See Ap. 32.

7 besides. Jehoshaphat uneasy, well knowing that Ahab's prophets were not the prophets of Jehovah.

8 evil. Heb. *rā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii.

10 void place = level place, or threshing-floor.

13 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

word. So to be read; but written "words". In some codices, with three early printed editions, Syr., and Vulg., it is both written and read "word". Cp. 2 Chron. 18. 12.

15 Go, and prosper. Fig. *Eironeia*. Ap. 6. Doubtless repeating the words he had heard in vv. 6, 13.

16 shall: or must.

18 Did I not . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

19 heaven = the heavens, as always.

20 persuade = entice.

21 a spirit = the spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

22 Thou shalt, &c. Illustrating 2 Thess. 2. 9-12. Cp. Ezek. 14. 9: "I have deceived" = I have permitted it. This is quite in harmony with Prov. 12. 22. That refers to the sphere of God's *grace*; this to the sphere of His *judgment*. We are governed by His Word, not by His ways. Prov. 12. 22 refers to the world of *men*. This to the world of *spirits*.

23 spoken: in v. 17.

24 Which way . . . ? or, Which way then?

27 Put this fellow, &c. One of the eleven rulers offended with God's servants for speaking the truth. See note on Ex. 10. 28.

28 People = peoples.

every one = all.

30 I will. See note on v. 22. A feigned compliment, and piece of treachery.

22 And ° the LORD said unto him, 'Where-with?' And he said, 'I will go forth, and I will be a lying ° spirit in the mouth of all his prophets.' And He said, ° 'Thou shalt ° persuade *him*, and prevail also: go forth, and do so.'

23 Now therefore, ° behold, ° the LORD hath put a lying ° spirit in the mouth of all these thy prophets, and ° the LORD hath ° spoken ° evil concerning thee."

24 But Zedekiah the son of Chenaanah went near, and smote Micaiah on the cheek, and said, ° "Which way went the ° Spirit of ° the LORD from me to speak unto thee?"

25 And Micaiah said, "Behold, thou shalt see in that day, when thou shalt go into an inner chamber to hide thyself."

26 And the king of Israel said, "Take Micaiah, and carry him back unto Amon the governor of the city, and to Joash the king's son;

27 And say, 'Thus saith the king, ° "Put this *fellow* in the prison, and feed him with bread of affliction and with water of affliction, until I come in peace.'"

28 And Micaiah said, "If thou return at all in peace, ° the LORD hath not spoken by me." And he said, "Hearken, O ° People, ° every one of you."

29 So the king of Israel and Jehoshaphat the king of Judah went up to Ramoth-gilead.

30 And the king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat, ° "I will disguise myself, and enter into the battle; but put *thou* on thy robes." And the king of Israel disguised himself, and went into the battle.

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W² r³ 31 But the king of Syria commanded his
822 thirty and two captains that had rule over his
to chariots, saying, "Fight neither with small
800 nor great, save only with the king of Israel."

s² 32 And it came to pass, when the captains of
(p. 486) the chariots saw Jehoshaphat, that they said,
"Surely ° it is the king of Israel." And they
turned aside to fight against him: and Jehoshaphat ° cried out.

r⁴ 33 And it came to pass, when the captains of
the chariots perceived that ³² it was not the king
of Israel, that they turned back from pursuing
him.

34 And a *certain* ° man drew a bow ° at a
venture, and smote the king of Israel between
the joints of the ° harness: wherefore he said
unto the driver of his chariot, ° "Turn thine
hand, and carry me out of the host; for I am
wounded."

35 And the battle increased that day: and
the king ° was stayed up in his chariot against
the Syrians, and died at even: and the blood
ran out of the wound into the midst of the
chariot.

36 And there went a proclamation through-
out the host about the going down of the sun,
saying, ° "Every man to his city, and ° every
man to his own country."

V³ 37 So the king died, and was brought to Sa-
maria; and they buried the king in Samaria.

38 And *one* washed the chariot in the pool of
Samaria; and the dogs licked up his blood;
and they washed his armour; according unto
the word of ° the LORD which He spake.

R 39 Now the rest of the acts of Ahab, and all
that he did, and the ivory house which he
made, and all the cities that he built, *are* they
not written in the book of the chronicles of the
kings of Israel?

40 So Ahab ° slept with his fathers; and
Ahaziah his son reigned in his stead.

F² A¹ 41 And ° Jehoshaphat the son of Asa began to
(p. 488) reign over Judah in the fourth year of Ahab
king of Israel.

42 Jehoshaphat *was* thirty and five years
old when he began to reign; and he reigned
twenty and five years in Jerusalem. And his
mother's name *was* Azubah the daughter of
Shilhi.

B¹ 43° And he walked in all the ways of Asa his
father; he turned not aside from it, doing *that*
which was right in the eyes of ° the LORD:
nevertheless the high places were not taken
away; *for* the People ° offered and burnt in-
cense yet in the high places.

44 And Jehoshaphat made peace with the
king of Israel.

A² 45 Now the rest of the acts of Jehoshaphat,
and his might that he shewed, and how he
warred, ³⁹ *are* they not written in the book of
the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

B² 46 And the remnant of the ° sodomites, which
remained in the days of his father Asa, he took
out of the land.

47 *There* was then ° no king in Edom: a
° deputy was king.

48 Jehoshaphat ° made ° ships of ° Tharshish

32 it = *he*.

cried out. See note on 2 Chron. 18. 31.

34 at a venture—in his innocence, or to its full
stretch.

harness = coat of mail.

Turn thine hand. This is Ahab's history; 2 Chron. 18
is Jehoshaphat's. Hence nothing about Jehovah's help.

35 was stayed up = stayed himself up, as in 2 Chron.
18. 34. Difference caused by pointing of the word
mā'āmād (here), and *mā'amād* in Chronicles. The only
occurrence of this participle, cp. 2 Chron. 18. 34.

36 Every man. Supply Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), "Let
every man go".

every man. Omitted in some codices, with two early
printed editions, Sept., and Vulg.

40 slept with his fathers. See note on Deut. 31. 16.

41-50 (F², p. 446). JUDAH (JEHOSHAPHAT).
(Repeated Alternation.)

F² A¹ | 41, 42. Jehoshaphat. Accession.
B¹ | 43, 44. Personal. Well- and wrong-doing.
A² | 45. Jehoshaphat. Political events. Record.
B² | 46-49. Personal. Well- and wrong-doing.
A³ | 50. Jehoshaphat. Death and burial.

41 Jehoshaphat. Cp. 2 Chron. 17. 1.

43 And he walked. The 19th *Seder* begins here,
and ends with 2 Kings 2. 14. See note on p. 366.
offered = sacrificed. See Ap. 43. I. iv.

46 sodomites. See note on 14. 23, 24.

47 no king. As later in 2 Kings 8. 20.

deputy. Appointed by the king of Judah.

48 made ships, &c. This was subsequent to 2 Chron.
20. 36-37. Here Jehoshaphat made "Tharshish ships"
to go to Ophir, and, profiting by the experience and
warning of 2 Chron. 20. 37, refused the request of Ahaziah,
king of Israel. In 2 Chron. 20. 35 he had joined
himself with Ahaziah to make (ordinary) ships to go to
Tharshish, which was quite a different thing.

ships of Tharshish = Tharshish ships: i.e. large
ocean-going ships.

Tharshish. See note on 10. 22.

50 buried: in further explanation of preceding
clause.

1 Kings 22. 51—2 Kings 8. 15 (E³, p. 446).
ISRAEL. (Introversion.)

E³ C¹ | 1 Kings 22. 51—2 Kings 1. 18. Ahaziah.
D | 2 Kings 2. 1-25. Elijah.
C² | 2 Kings 3. 1-8. 15. Joram.

This Structure exhibits the cause of the break between
the two books mentioned in note on titles (pp. 366 and
446). If originally divided by design instead of from
exigency, the break would not have occurred in the
midst of the House of ISRAEL, and the reign of Ahaziah.

1 K. 22. 51—2 K. 1. 18 [For Structure see next page].

to go to Ophir for gold: but they went not;
for the ships were broken at Ezion-geber.

49 Then said Ahaziah the son of Ahab unto
Jehoshaphat, "Let my servants go with thy
servants in the ships." But Jehoshaphat
would not.

50 And Jehoshaphat ⁴⁰ slept with his fathers,
and was ° buried with his fathers in the city of
David his father: and Jehoram his son reigned
in his stead.

51 Ahaziah the son of Ahab began to reign
over Israel in Samaria the seventeenth year of
Jehoshaphat king of Judah, and reigned two
years over Israel.

52 And he did ° evil in the sight of ° the LORD,
and walked in the way of his father, and in

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the way of his mother, and in the way of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who °made Israel to sin:

53 For he served Baal, and worshipped him, and provoked to anger °the LORD God of Israel, according to all that his father had done.

53 the LORD God (Heb. Jehovah Elohim) of Israel. Cp. 1. 30, and see Ap. 4. II and I.

1 Kings 22. 51—2 Kings 1. 18 (C¹, p. 488).
AHAZIAH. (*Introversion*.)

C¹ | E | 1 Kings 22. 51. Introduction. Accession.
F | 1 Kings 22. 52, 53. Personal. Evil-doing.
G | 2 Kings 1. 1. Political. Rebellion of Moab.
F | 2 Kings 1. 2-16. Personal. Evil-doing.
E | 2 Kings 1. 17, 18. Conclusion. Death and burial.

52 made Israel to sin. See first occurrence (14. 16).

[THE SECOND BOOK OF THE KINGS,

COMMONLY CALLED,

THE FOURTH BOOK OF THE KINGS.]

G
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F H a

1 Then °Moab rebelled against Israel °after the death of Ahab.

2 And Ahaziah fell down through a °lattice in his upper chamber that *was* in Samaria, and was sick: and he sent messengers, and said unto them, "Go, enquire of °Baal-zebub the god of °Ekron whether I shall recover of this disease."

b 3 But the °Angel of °the LORD said to °Elijah the Tishbite, "Arise, go up to meet the messengers of the king of Samaria, and say unto them, 'Is it not because *there* is not a °God in Israel, *that ye* go to enquire of °Baal-zebub the god of Ekron?'

c 4 Now therefore thus saith °the LORD, 'Thou shalt not come down from that bed on which thou art gone up, but °shalt surely die.''" And Elijah departed.

J 5 And when the messengers turned back unto him, he said unto them, "Why are ye now turned back?"

J 6 And they said unto him, "There came a °man up to meet us, and said unto us, 'Go, turn again unto the king that sent you, and say unto him, 'Thus saith °the LORD, 'Is it not because *there* is not a °God in Israel, *that thou* sendest to enquire of Baal-zebub the god of Ekron? therefore thou shalt not come down from that bed on which thou art gone up, but °shalt surely die.''"

7 And he said unto them, "What manner of °man *was he* which came up to meet you, and told you these words?"

8 And they answered him, "He was an °hairy °man, and girt with a °girdle of leather about his loins." And he said, "It *is* Elijah the Tishbite."

H a 9 Then the king sent unto him a captain of fifty with his fifty. And he went up to him: and, °behold, he sat on the top of an hill. And he spake unto him, "Thou °man of °God, the king hath said, 'Come down.'"

10 And Elijah answered and said to the captain of fifty, "If °be a °man of °God, then °LET FIRE COME DOWN FROM HEAVEN, AND CONSUME *thee* AND *thy* FIFTY." And there came down fire from heaven, and consumed him and his fifty.

11 Again also he sent unto him another captain of fifty with his fifty. And he answered and said unto him, "O °man of °God, thus hath the king said, 'Come down quickly.'"

1. 1 Moab rebelled. Moab had been subdued by David (2 Sam. 8. 2; 23. 20); and when the kingdom was divided it passed to Israel. It was greatly oppressed by Omri and Ahab, and, on the death of the latter (cp. 3. 5), Mesha, king of Moab, rebelled. See the record of the event on "the Moabite stone". Ap. 54.

The verse is introduced here to complete the symmetry of the introversion. See "G" in the Structure above. after. The inscription on the Moabite stone leaves the exact date indefinite. Line five, "Israel perished", may refer to the death of Ahab.

2-16 (F, above). AHAZIAH. PERSONAL. EVIL-DOING. (*Introversion and Extended Alternation*.)

F | H | a | 2. Mission to Baal-zebub.
b | 3. Reproof of Elijah.
c | 4. Assurance of death.
J | 5. Messengers. Inquiry.
J | 6-8. Messengers. Report.
H | a | 9-15. Missions to Elijah.
b | 16-. Reproof of Elijah.
c | -16. Assurance of death.

2 lattice = network or balustrade, which protected the open window of the upper chamber. Cp. Judg. 3. 20; 5. 28. 1 Kings 17. 19. 2 Kings 4. 10.

Baal-zebub = Lord of flies. Later Jews polluted it by changing it to Beel-zebul (Lord of dung or dunghills). In Matt. 12. 24 it is in Greek Baal-zebul = lord of abominable idols; the prince of idols and idolatry; the worst and chief of all wickedness. Imagine the blasphemy.

Ekron. One of the five Philistine cities. Josh. 13. 3. 3 Angel of the LORD. See note on Ex. 3. 2. He who directed Moses directs Elijah.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. Elijah = my GOD is JAH. See Ap. 4. III.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

4 shalt surely die. Same as Gen. 2. 17.

6 man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II.

8 hairy = clad in a garment consisting of a skin. Prophets wore coarse clothing (Zech. 13. 4. Matt. 3. 4).

girdle of leather. Worn by Palestine peasants to-day.

9 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

man of God. The people's name for a prophet. See Ap. 49.

10 let fire come down. Quoted in Luke 9. 54.

12 unto them. Some codices, with Sept. and Syr., read "unto him".

fire of God. Occurs only here and Job 1. 16. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., and Vulg., omit "of God", as in v. 10.

12 And Elijah answered and said °unto them, "If °be a °man of °God, let fire come down from heaven, and consume *thee* and *thy* fifty." And the °fire of °God came down from heaven, and consumed him and his fifty.

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13 And he sent again a captain of the third fifty with his fifty. And the third captain of fifty went up, and came and fell on his knees before Elijah, and besought him, and said unto him, "O °man of °God, I pray thee, let my °life, and the °life of these fifty thy servants, be precious in thy sight.

14 °Behold, there came fire down from heaven, and °burnt up the two captains of the former fifties with their fifties: therefore let °my life now be precious in thy sight."

15 And the Angel of °the LORD said unto Elijah, "Go down with him: be not afraid of him." And he arose, and went down with him unto the king.

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16 And he said unto him, "Thus saith °the LORD, 'Forasmuch as thou hast sent messengers to enquire of °Baal-zebub the god of Ekron, °is it not because there is no °God in Israel to enquire of His word?

c therefore thou shalt not come down off that bed on which thou art gone up, but shalt surely die.'"

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17 So he died according to the word of °the LORD which Elijah had spoken. And Jehoram reigned in his stead in the second year of Jehoram the son of Jehoshaphat king of Judah; because he had no son.

18 Now the rest of the acts of Ahaziah which he did, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

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2 And it came to pass, when °the LORD would take up Elijah into °heaven by a whirlwind,

e that Elijah went with °Elisha °from Gilgal.

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2 And Elijah said unto Elisha, "Tarry here, I pray thee; for °the LORD hath sent me to Beth-el." And °Elisha said unto him, "As °the LORD liveth, and as °thy soul liveth, I will not leave thee." So they went °down to Beth-el.

3 And the sons of the prophets that were at Beth-el came forth to Elisha, and said unto him, "Knowest thou that °the LORD will take away thy master °from thy head to day?" And he said, "Yea, °I know it; hold ye your peace."

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4 And Elijah said unto him, "Elisha, tarry here, I pray thee; for °the LORD hath sent me to Jericho." And he said, "As °the LORD liveth, and as °thy soul liveth, I will not leave thee." So they came to Jericho.

5 And the sons of the prophets that were at Jericho came to Elisha, and said unto him, "Knowest thou that °the LORD will take away thy master °from thy head to day?" And he answered, "Yea, °I know it; hold ye your peace."

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6 And Elijah said unto him, "Tarry, I pray thee, here; for °the LORD hath sent me to Jordan." And he said, "As °the LORD liveth, and as °thy soul liveth, I will not leave thee." And they two went on.

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7 And fifty °men of the sons of the prophets went, and stood to view afar off: and they two stood by Jordan.

13 life=soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

14 burnt up=consumed, as in vv. 10, 12.

16 is it not...? Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6), or "was it because", &c.

2. 1-25 (D, p. 488). ELIJAH. TRANSLATION. (Alternation.)

D | d | 1-. Translation purposed.

e | -1. Elisha accompanies Elijah from Gilgal.

d | 2-24. Translation effected.

e | 25. Elisha returns to Samaria.

1 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

heaven=heavens, and elsewhere.

Elisha=my God [is] salvation. See his call (1 Kings 19. 16) ten years before.

from Gilgal. The reverse route taken by Israel on entering the Land.

2-24 (d, above). TRANSLATION EFFECTED. (Introversion.)

d | f | 2, 3. Beth-el. } Journey.

g | 4, 5. Jericho. }

h | 6-18. Jordan. Translation.

g | 19-22. Jericho. } Return.

f | 23, 24. Beth-el. }

2 thy soul=thysself. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

down. Therefore Gilgal in v. 1 cannot be the well-known Gilgal near Jericho, but another between Tibneh and Shiloh. See 4. 38. Gilgal= circle; and there may have been several such.

3 from thy head=from over thee: "head," put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6, for himself.

6-18 (h, above). JORDAN. TRANSLATION. (Introversion.)

h | i | 6. Their journey thither.

k | 7. Sons of the prophets. Observation.

l | 8. Passage of Jordan. From Jericho.

m | 9, 10. Elisha. Request made.

n | 11. Translation of Elijah.

m | 12. Elisha. Request granted.

l | 13, 14. Repassage of Jordan. To Jericho.

k | 15. Sons of the prophets. Observation.

i | 16-18. Their journey thither, and return.

7 men. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

9 double portion. See note on v. 15.

spirit. Heb. *ruach*. Ap. 9. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause) for the gifts and operations of the Spirit of God.

10 nevertheless. The verse needs no italics. see—clearly see.

11 a whirlwind. Not a fiery chariot, according to a certain hymn. Cp. v. 1.

8 And Elijah took his mantle, and wrapped it together, and smote the waters, and they were divided hither and thither, so that they two went over on dry ground.

9 And it came to pass, when they were gone over, that Elijah said unto Elisha, "Ask what I shall do for thee, before I be taken away from thee." And Elisha said, "I pray thee, let a °double portion of thy °spirit be upon me."

10 And he said, "Thou hast asked a hard thing: °nevertheless, if thou °see me when I am taken from thee, it shall be so unto thee; but if not, it shall not be so."

11 And it came to pass, as they still went on, and talked, that, behold, there appeared a chariot of fire, and horses of fire, and parted them both asunder; and Elijah went up by °a whirlwind into °heaven.

^m 12 And Elisha ¹¹saw it, ° and he cried, ° “My father, my father, the chariot of Israel, and the horsemen thereof.” And he ¹¹saw him no more: and he took hold of his own clothes, and rent them in two pieces.

^l 13 He took up also the mantle of Elijah that fell from him, and went back, and stood by the bank of Jordan;

14 And he took the mantle of Elijah that fell from him, ¹²and smote the waters, and said, ° “Where is ° the LORD God of Elijah?” and when he also had smitten the waters, ° they parted hither and thither: and Elisha went ° over.

^k 15 And when the sons of the prophets which were to view at Jericho saw him, they said, “The ° spirit of Elijah ° doth rest on Elisha.” And they came to meet him, and bowed themselves to the ground before him.

ⁱ 16 And they said unto him, “Behold now, there be with thy servants fifty strong ° men; let them go, we pray thee, and seek thy master: lest peradventure the ° Spirit of ° the LORD hath taken him up, and cast him upon some mountain, or into some valley.” And he said, “Ye shall not send.”

17 And when they urged him till he was ashamed, he said, “Send.” They sent therefore fifty ° men; and they sought three days, but found him not.

18 And when they came again to him, (for he tarried at Jericho,) he said unto them, “Did I not say unto you, ‘Go not’?”

^g 19 And the ¹⁶men of the city said unto Elisha, “Behold, I pray thee, the situation of this city is pleasant, as my lord seeth: but the water is naught, and the ground barren.”

20 And he said, “Bring me a new ° cruse, and put salt therein.” And they brought it to him.

21 And he went forth unto the spring of the waters, and ° cast the salt in there, and said, “Thus saith ° the LORD, ‘I have healed these waters; there shall not be from thence any more death or barren land.’”

22 So the waters were healed unto this day, according to the saying of Elisha which he spake.

^f 23 And he went up from thence unto ° Beth-el: and as he was going up by the way, there came forth ° little children out of the city, and mocked him, and said unto him, ° “Go up, thou ° bald head; ° go up, thou bald head.”

24 And he turned back, and looked on them, and cursed them in the name of ° the LORD. And there came forth two she ° bears out of the wood, and tare forty and two ° children of them.

^e 25 And he went from thence to mount Carmel, and from thence he returned to Samaria.

^{C² K¹} (p. 491) 3 Now Jehoram the son of Ahab began to reign over Israel in Samaria the eighteenth year of Jehoshaphat king of Judah, and reigned twelve years.

2 And he wrought ° evil in the sight of ° the LORD; but not like his father, and like ° his mother: for he put away the ° image of Baal that his father had made.

12 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in v. 12. My father. Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6. The repetition = my revered, or beloved father.

14 Where . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. the LORD God = Jehovah Elohim; or, Where is Jehovah the God of Elijah? After this the Heb. text has 'aph hu' = “even he”. The Vulg. reads this as the end of the question. But the Massorites, by the accent (*athnach*), throw it on to the next sentence, “and when even he smote the waters”, &c. they parted. The first of sixteen miracles. See note on v. 15.

over. The 19th Seder ends here. See note on p. 366. 15 doth rest = hath rested. Cp. 1 Pet. 4. 14. Rest in “double portion” according to v. 9. Seen in the fact that Elijah wrought eight miracles and Elisha sixteen, and all were parables in action.

Elijah's eight Miracles (1 and 2 Kings).

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| 1. Shutting heaven (17. 1). | 5. Rain (18. 45). |
| 2. Oil multiplied (17. 14). | 6. Fire on 50 (2 Kings 1. 10). |
| 3. Widow's son raised (17. 22, 23). | 7. Fire on 50 (2 Kings 1. 12). |
| 4. Fire from heaven (18. 38). | 8. Jordan (2 Kings 2. 8). |

Elisha's sixteen Miracles (2 Kings).

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| 1. Jordan divided (2. 14). | 9. Bread multiplied (4. 43). |
| 2. Waters healed (2. 21). | 10. Naaman healed (5. 10). |
| 3. Bears from wood (2. 24). | 11. Gehazi smitten (5. 27). |
| 4. Water for kings (3. 20). | 12. Iron to swim (6. 6). |
| 5. Oil for widow (4. 1-6). | 13. Sight to blind (6. 17). |
| 6. Gift of son (4. 16, 17). | 14. Smiting blindness (6. 18). |
| 7. Raising from dead (4. 35). | 15. Restoring sight (6. 20). |
| 8. Healing of pottage (4. 41). | 16. One after death (13. 21). |

16 men. Heb. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

20 cruse. Occurs only here.

21 cast the salt. Elisha's second miracle.

23 Beth-el. One of the seats of Israel's calf-worship (1 Kings 12. 26-30).

little children = young men. Heb. na'ar. Used of Isaac (twenty-eight years old); Joseph (thirty-nine); Rehoboam (forty).

Go up, &c. An open insult, avenged by Elisha's God in a way suited for that dispensation, though not for this. “Go up” may have referred to Elijah's translation; and thus, a blasphemous insult outraging Jehovah's own act.

bald head. Baldness premature. Elisha lived fifty years longer (13. 14).

go up, &c. Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6.

24 bears. See 1 Sam. 17. 34-36.

children = progeny. Not the same word as v. 23.

3. 1-8. 15 (C², p. 488). JORAM. (Division.)

C² | K¹ | 3. 1-3. Events. Personal.

| K² | 3. 4-8. 15. Events. Political.

2 evil = the evil. Heb. rā'ā'. Ap. 44. viii.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

his mother. Jezebel, who lived through the whole of his reign (9. 30).

image = pillar, or statue (which Ahab had made. Cp. 10. 18). 1 Kings 19. 18. Others remained (10. 26, 27).

3 sins. Heb. chātā'. Ap. 44. i.

made Israel to sin. See note on 1 Kings 14. 16.

3. 4-8. 15 [For Structure see next page].

4 Mesha. See Ap. 54 on “the Moabite stone”.

3 Nevertheless he cleaved unto the ° sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, which ° made Israel to sin; he departed not therefrom.

4 And ° Mesha king of Moab was a sheep-master, and rendered unto the king of Israel an hundred thousand lambs, and an hundred thousand rams, with the wool.

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801 5 But it came to pass, when °Ahab was dead,
to that the king of Moab rebelled against the king
788 of Israel.

p q 6 And king Jehoram went out of Samaria the
(p. 492) same time, and numbered all Israel.

7 And he went and sent to Jehoshaphat the king of Judah, saying, "The king of Moab hath rebelled against me: wilt thou go with me against Moab to battle?" And he said, "I will go up: °I am as thou art, my People as thy People, and my horses as thy horses."

8 And °he said, °"Which way shall we go up?" And °he answered, "The way through the wilderness of Edom."

9 So the king of Israel went, and the king of Judah, and the king of Edom: and they °fetched a compass of seven days' journey:

r s and there was no water for the host, and for the cattle that followed them.

t u 10 And the king of Israel said, °"Alas! that
2 the LORD hath called these three kings together, to deliver them into the hand of Moab!"

v w 11 But Jehoshaphat said, °"Is there not here a prophet of 2 the LORD, that we may enquire of 2 the LORD by him?" And one of the king of Israel's servants answered and said, "Here is Elisha the son of Shaphat, which °poured water on the hands of Elijah."

12 And Jehoshaphat said, "The word of 2 the LORD is with him." So the king of Israel and °Jehoshaphat and the king of Edom went down to him.

x 13 And Elisha said unto the king of Israel, °"What have I to do with thee? get thee to the prophets of thy father, and to the prophets of thy mother."

u And the king of Israel said unto him, °"Nay: for 2 the LORD hath called these three kings together, to deliver them into the hand of Moab."

v x 14 And Elisha said, "As 2 the LORD of hosts liveth, °before Whom I stand, surely, were it not that 3 regard the presence of Jehoshaphat the king of Judah, I would °not look toward thee, nor see thee."

w S¹ 15 But now bring me a °minstrel." And it came to pass, when the minstrel played, that the °hand of 2 the LORD came upon him.

16 And he said, "Thus saith 2 the LORD, 'Make this °valley full of °ditches.'

S² T¹ y 17 For thus saith 2 the LORD, 'Ye shall not see °wind, neither shall ye see rain; yet that valley shall be filled with water, that ye may drink, both ye, and your cattle, and your beasts.'

z 18 And this is but a light thing in the sight of 2 the LORD: He will deliver the Moabites also into your hand.

19 And ye shall smite every fenced city, and every choice city, and shall fell every good tree, and stop all wells of water, and °mar every good piece of land with stones."

T² y 20 And it came to pass in the morning, when the °meat offering was °offered, that, behold,

3. 4—8. 15 (K², p. 491). EVENTS. POLITICAL.
(Extended Alternation and Introversion.)

K² L | O | 3. 4-27. War with Moab. Mesha.
P | 4. 1-7. Elisha. Creditor and widow.
M | Q | 4. 8-37. Shunammite.
R | 4. 38-44. Famine. Miraculous supplies.
N | 5. 1-27. Mission to Elisha (Naaman).
L | P | 6. 1-7. Elisha. Residence and axe head.
O | 6. 8-23. War with Syria.
M | R | 6. 24-7. 20. Famine. Miraculous supplies.
Q | 8. 1-6. Shunammite.
N | 8. 7-15. Mission to Elisha (Ben-hadad).

4-27 (O, above). WAR WITH MOAB. MESHA.
(Alternations and Introversion.)

O | o | 4. 5. Mesha's rebellion.
P | q | 6-9-. Allies advance.
r | s | -9. Exigence.
t | 10-25. How met.
o | 26-. Mesha's defeat.
p | r | s | -26. Exigence.
t | 27-. How met.
q | -27. Allies retire.

5 Ahab was dead. Cp. 1. 1. He and his son Ahaziah both died in the same year (800 B. C.). See Ap. 50. V, p. 58.

7 I am, &c. Cp. 1 Kings 22. 4.

8 he said: i. e. Jehoram.

Which way . . . ? Either by crossing Jordan north of the Dead Sea and attacking Moab from the north; or by Edom, which was under Judah (1 Kings 22. 47). he answered: i. e. Jehoshaphat answered.

9 fetched a compass = made a circuit. Cp. Acts 28. 13.

10-25 (t, above). EXIGENCY. HOW MET.
(Alternation and Introversion.)

t | u | 10. Trouble of the three kings.
v | w | 11, 12. Elisha. Help sought.
x | 13-. Reproof.
u | -13. Trouble of the three kings.
v | x | 14. Reproof.
w | 15-25. Elisha. Help given.

10 Alas! Fig. *Ephōnēsis*. Ap. 6.

11 Is there not here . . . ? A similar question asked before by Jehoshaphat (1 Kings 22. 7).

poured water, &c. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for being an attendant.

12 Jehoshaphat. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., add "king of Judah".

13 What . . . ? See note on 2 Sam. 16. 10. Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Nay = Say not so.

14 before, &c. Implying Elisha's priesthood. not look. Jehoram was wicked in himself (v. 2), as well as being the son of Ahab. Elisha less austere later (ch. 6).

15-25 (w, above). ELISHA. HELP GIVEN.
(Division.)

w | S¹ | 15, 16. Means.
S² | 17-25. Ends.

15 minstrel = harper. From Heb. *nāgan*, to harp. hand. Fig. *Prosopopæia* (Ap. 6). But some codices, with Aram., read "the Spirit".

16 valley = a dry watercourse. ditches = trenches, Heb. ditches ditches. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6) = full of.

17-25 (S², above). ENDS. (Alternation.)

S² | T¹ | y | 17. Water. } Prophecy.
z | 18, 19. Victory. }
T² | y | 20. Water. } Fulfilment.
z | 21-25. Victory. }

17 wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

19 mar = spoil. Fig. *Prosopopæia*. Ap. 6.

20 meat offering = meal offering. Heb. *minnah*. See Ap. 43. II. iii = gift offering.

offered = offered up. See Ap. 43. I. vi.

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°there came water by the way of Edom, and the country was filled with water.

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21 And when all the Moabites heard that the kings were come up to fight against them, they gathered all that were able to °put on armour, and upward, and stood in the border.

22 And they rose up early in the morning, and the sun shone upon the water, and the Moabites saw the water on the other side as °red as blood:

23 And they said, "This is blood: the kings are surely °slain, and they have smitten one another: now therefore, Moab, to the spoil."

24 And when they came to the camp of Israel, the Israelites rose up and smote the Moabites, so that they fled before them: but they °went forward smiting the Moabites, even in their country.

25 And they beat down the cities, and on every good piece of land cast °every man his stone, and filled it; and they stopped all the wells of water, and felled all the good trees: only in °Kir-haraseth left they the °stones thereof; °howbeit the slingers went about it, and smote it.

26 And when the king of Moab saw that the battle was too sore for him, he took with him seven hundred °men that drew swords, to break through even unto the king of Edom:

p r s but they could not.

27 Then he took his eldest son that should have reigned in his stead, and °offered him for °a burnt offering upon °the wall. And there was great °indignation against Israel:

and °they departed °from him, and returned to °their own land.

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4 Now there cried a certain woman of the wives of the sons of the prophets unto Elisha, saying, "Thy servant my °husband is dead; and thou knowest that thy servant did fear °the LORD: and the creditor is come to take unto him my two sons to be °bondmen."

2 And Elisha said unto her, "What shall I do for thee? tell me, what hast thou in the house?" And she said, "Thine handmaid hath not any thing in the house, save a pot of oil."

3 Then he said, "Go, borrow thee vessels abroad of all thy neighbours, even empty vessels; °borrow not a few.

4 And when thou art come in, thou shalt shut the door upon thee and upon thy sons, and shalt pour out into all those vessels, and thou shalt set aside that which is full."

5 So she went from him, and shut the door upon her and upon her sons, °who brought the vessels to her; and °she poured out.

6 And it came to pass, when the vessels were full, that she said unto her son, "Bring me yet a vessel." And he said unto her, "There is not a vessel more." And the oil stayed.

7 Then she came and told the °man of °God. And he said, "Go, sell the oil, and pay thy °debt, and live thou and thy °children of the rest."

8 And it fell on a day, that Elisha passed to

there came water. Elisha's fourth miracle. See note on 2. 15.

21 put on armour. Heb. gird a girdle.

22 red as blood. Implied as owing to the action of the sun. Equally a miracle.

23 slain = destroyed.

24 went forward. Some codices, &c., add "still further", and connect this with entering. Other codices, with six early printed editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., connect these words with the smiting, and read "still further smote", or "went on smiting".

25 every man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

Kir-haraseth - The city of the hill. The capital of Moab.

stones [in the wall] thereof. Supply Fig. *Ellipsis*. Ap. 6.

howbeit, &c. = and [till] the slingers should surround and smite it.

27 offered him = offered him up. Ap. 43. I. vi.

a burnt offering. Ap. 43. II. ii. Recording a fact on which Mesha is silent on the Moabite stone. Ap. 54. the wall. i.e., the higher of the two. Heb. *hōmah* not *kīr* as in vv. 4, 10.

indignation = wrath. This led probably to Moab's subsequent success.

they departed. This expresses the failure of Israel's expedition, while Mesha goes on to record his subsequent successes, which were great—all the cities taken by him (Ap. 54) being those belonging to Reuben and Gad.

from him: i.e. from the king of Moab.

their own. The Syr. and Vulg. have these words in the text.

4. 1 husband - man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

bondmen. Cp. Lev. 25. 39 and Neh. 5. 5.

3 borrow not a few = scant not.

5 who brought - they bringing.

she poured out. Elisha's fifth miracle. See note on 2. 15.

7 man. Heb. 'ish. See Ap. 14. II.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

debt = creditor.

children = sons.

4. 8-37 (Q, p. 492). THE SHUNAMMITE.

(Introversion.)

Q | U | 8-17. Son given.

V | 18-20. Son's death.

W | 21. Elisha's bed. Placed on.

X | 22-24. Her Mission to Elisha.

Y | 25-27. Her Arrival.

X | 28-31. Her Converse with Elisha.

W | 32, 33. Elisha's bed. Found on.

V | 34, 35. Son raised.

U | 36, 37. Son restored.

8-17 (U, above). SON GIVEN.

(Alternation.)

U | a | 8. Resort of Elisha (general).

b | 9, 10. Accommodation.

a | 11. Resort of Elisha (particular).

b | 12-17. Compensation.

8 Shunem. In the plain of Esdraelon. The native place of Abishag (1 Kings 1. 3).

great = wealthy, or a person of position (2 Sam. 19. 32).

9 holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

10 chamber - upper chamber, or wall-chamber.

°Shunem, where was a °great woman; and she constrained him to eat bread. And so it was, that as oft as he passed by, he turned in thither to eat bread.

9 And she said unto her °husband, "Behold now, I perceive that this is an °holy °man of °God, which passeth by us continually.

10 Let us make a little °chamber, I pray thee,

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801 on the wall; and let us set for him there a bed,
to °and a table, and a stool, and a °candlestick:
788 and it shall be, when he cometh to us, that he
shall turn in thither."

a 11 And it fell on a day, that he came thither,
and he turned into the chamber, and lay there.

b 12 And he said to Gehazi his °servant, "Call
this Shunammite." And when he had called
her, she stood before him.

13 And he said unto him, "Say now unto her,
°Behold, thou hast been °careful for us with
all this °care; what is to be done for thee?
wouldest thou be °spoken for to the king, or to
the captain of the host?" And she answered,
"I dwell among mine own people."

14 And he said, "What then is to be done
for her?" And Gehazi answered, "Verily
she hath no °child, and her °husband is old."

15 And he said, "Call her." And when he
had called her, she stood in the °door.

16 And he said, "About this season, accord-
ing to the time of life, thou shalt embrace a
son." And she said, "Nay, my lord, thou °man
of °God, do not lie unto thine handmaid."

17 And the woman conceived, and bare a son
at that season that Elisha had said unto her,
according to the time °of life.

V 18 And when the °child was grown, it fell on
a day, that he went out to his father to the
reapers.

19 And he said unto his father, "My head,
°my head." And he said to a lad, "Carry him
to his mother."

20 And when he had taken him, and brought
him to his mother, he sat on her knees till
noon, and then died.

W 21 And she went up, and laid him on the bed
of the °man of °God, and shut the door upon
him, and went out.

X 22 And she called unto her °husband, and said,
"Send me, I pray thee, one of the young men,
and one of the asses, that I may run to the
°man of °God, and come again."

23 And he said, "Wherefore wilt thou go to
him to day? it is neither new moon, nor sab-
bath." And she said, "It shall be well."

24 Then she saddled an ass, and said to her
servant, "Drive, and go forward; slack not
thy riding for me, except I bid thee."

Y 25 So she went and came unto the °man of
°God to mount Carmel. And it came to pass,
when the °man of °God saw her afar off, that he
said to Gehazi his °servant, "Behold, yonder
is that Shunammite:

26 Run °now, I pray thee, to meet her, and say
unto her, 'Is it well with thee? is it well with
thy °husband? is it well with the °child?'"
And she answered, "It is well."

27 And when she came to the °man of °God
to the hill, she caught him by the feet: but
Gehazi came near to thrust her away. And
the °man of °God said, "Let her alone; for
°her soul is °vexed within her: and °the LORD
hath hid it from me, and hath not told me."

X 28 Then she said, "Did I desire a son of my
lord? °did I not say, 'Do not °deceive me?'"

29 Then he °said to Gehazi, "Gird up thy

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton*. Ap. 6.
candlestick = lampstand. Very little furniture used
in the East to-day.

12 servant = young man.

13 careful . . . care. Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6) = ex-
ceedingly careful.

spoken for to the king. This confidence in his in-
fluence with the king is accounted for by the miraculous
aid recently given by Elisha in 3. 16-19.

15 door = entrance.

17 of life, or of spring. Read "that season about
the time of spring of which Elisha had said unto her".
The sixth miracle. Cp. 2. 15.

18 child = progeny.

19 my head. Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6.

26 now. Some codices, with two early printed edi-
tions, read "now therefore".

27 her soul = herself. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

vexed = bitter.

28 Did I . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

deceive = cajole.

29 said. In what Elisha said the signs given are
put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the things
symbolised by them.

salute him not. Idiom. The salutation being cere-
monial and taking time.

any = a man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

child. Heb. *na'ar* = youth.

30 thy soul = thou. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

36 Take up thy son. The seventh miracle (2. 15).

4. 38-44 (R, p. 492). FAMINE.

(Alternation.)

R | c | 38-. Dearth.

d | -38-41. Supply. Eighth miracle.

c | 42. Firstfruits.

d | 43, 44. Supply. Ninth miracle.

loins, and take my staff in thine hand, and go
thy way: if thou meet any °man, °salute him
not; and if °any salute thee, answer him not
again: and lay my staff upon the face of the
°child."

30 And the mother of the °child said, "As °the
LORD liveth, and as °thy soul liveth, I will
not leave thee." And he arose, and followed her.

31 And Gehazi passed on before them, and
laid the staff upon the face of the °child; but
there was neither voice, nor hearing. Where-
fore he went again to meet him, and told him,
saying, "The °child is not awaked."

32 And when Elisha was come into the house,
°behold, the °child was dead, and laid upon
his bed.

33 He went in therefore, and shut the door
upon them twain, and prayed unto °the LORD.

34 And he went up, and lay upon the °child,
and put his mouth upon his mouth, and his eyes
upon his eyes, and his hands upon his hands:
and he stretched himself upon the °child; and
the flesh of the °child waxed warm.

35 Then he returned, and walked in the house
to and fro; and went up, and stretched himself
upon him: and the °child sneezed seven times,
and the °child opened his eyes.

36 And he called Gehazi, and said, "Call this
Shunammite." So he called her. And when
she was come in unto him, he said, "Take
up thy son."

37 Then she went in, and fell at his feet, and
bowed herself to the ground, and took up her
son, and went out.

38 And Elisha came again to Gilgal: and

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there was °a dearth in the land; and the sons of the prophets were sitting before him:

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and he said unto his servant, "Set on the great pot, and °seethe pottage for the sons of the prophets."

39 And one went out into the field to gather herbs, and found a °wild vine, and gathered thereof wild gourds his lap full, and came and shred them into the pot of pottage: for they knew them not.

40 So they poured out for the °men to eat. And it came to pass, as they were eating of the pottage, that they cried out, and said, "O thou °man of °God, there is °death in the pot." And they could not eat thereof.

41 But he said, "Then bring meal." And he cast it into the pot; and he said, "Pour out for the people, that they may eat." And there was °no harm in the pot.

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42 And there came a °man from Baal-shalisha, and brought the °man of God bread of the first-fruits, twenty loaves of barley, and full ears of corn in the husk thereof. And he said, "Give unto the people, that they may eat."

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43 And his °servitor said, "What, should I set this before °an hundred °men?" He said again, "Give the people, that they may eat: for thus saith °the LORD, 'They shall eat, and shall leave thereof.'"

44 So he set it before them, and they did eat, and left thereof, according to the word of °the LORD.

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5 Now °Naaman, captain of the host of the king of Syria, °was a great °man with his master, and honourable, because °by him °the LORD had given °deliverance unto Syria: he was also a mighty °man in valour, °but he was °a leper.

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2 And the Syrians had gone out by °companies, and had brought away captive out of the land of Israel a little maid; and she waited on Naaman's wife.

3 And she said unto her mistress, "Would God my lord were with the prophet that is °in Samaria! for he would recover him of his leprosy."

4 And one went in, and told his lord, saying, "Thus and thus said the maid that is of the land of Israel."

5 And the king of Syria said, "Go to, go, and I will send a letter unto the °king of Israel." And he departed, and took with him ten °talents of silver, and six thousand pieces of gold, and ten °changes of raiment.

6 And he brought the letter to the °king of Israel, saying, "Now when this letter is come unto thee, behold, I have therewith sent Naaman my servant to thee, that thou mayest °recover him of his leprosy."

7 And it came to pass, when the king of Israel had read the letter, that he rent his clothes, and said, "Am I °God, to kill and to make alive, that this °man doth send unto me to recover a °man of his leprosy? wherefore consider, I pray you, and see how he seeketh a quarrel against me."

8 And it was so, when Elisha the °man of

38 a dearth = the dearth. One of thirteen famines. See note on Gen. 12. 10. see the = boil.

39 wild vine: i. e. a plant with vine-like tendrils. Not the grape, but probably the colocynth.

40 men. Heb. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III. death. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Effect), Ap. 6, for that which causes death.

41 no harm = no evil thing. Elisha's eighth miracle Cp. 2. 15.

43 servitor = attendant. Old English = one who serves.

an hundred men. Elisha's ninth miracle. See note on 2. 15. One of three (Ap. 10) miracles of feeding multitudes. Cp. Matt. 14. 20; 15. 34, 38.

5. 1-27 (N, p. 492). MISSION TO ELISHA. (Introversion.)

N e | 1. Leprosy of Naaman. Providential.
f | 2-8. Negotiation. Naaman and king of Israel.
g | 9. Naaman's visit to Elisha.
h | 10. Elisha's direction. Given.
i | 11, 12. Naaman. Resentment.
j | 13. Naaman. Compliance.
k | 14. Elisha's direction. Taken.
l | 15-. Naaman's return to Elisha.
m | 15-26. Negotiations. Naaman with Elisha and
n | 27. Leprosy of Gehazi. Judicial. [Gehazi.]

1 Naaman. Note the five servants in this chapter:—

1. The King's servant (Naaman), v. 1.
2. Naaman's wife's servant (the maid), v. 2.
3. Jehovah's servant (Elisha), v. 8.
4. Naaman's servants (v. 13).
5. The Prophet's servant (Gehazi), v. 20.

was = had come to be.

man. Heb. 'ēsh. Ap. 14. II.

by him. An unconscious instrument.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

deliverance. Probably from the Assyrians.

but, &c. Fig. Anesis. Ap. 6.

a leper. Cp. Lev. 13. Not regarded ceremonially by heathen. Not far gone (cp. v. 19). Probably only in initial stage. One of nine so afflicted. See note on Ex. 4. 6. The story of Naaman may be compared with the parallel in John 9.

2 companies = marauding bands. Cp. 6. 23.

3 Would God, &c. Fig. Ejaculatio. Ap. 6. in Samaria. This is the girl's expression. Samaria was where she had heard of him.

5 king of Israel. Probably Jehoram.

talents. See Ap. 51. II.

changes of raiment. See Gen. 45. 22.

6 recover. A Homonym, with another meaning, to snatch away or destroy, as in Ps. 26. 9 and Jer. 16. 5. See notes there.

7 Am I God...? Fig. Erotēsis. Ap. 6.

God. Heb. Elohim (the Creator). Ap. 4. I.

8 man of God. See Ap. 49.

9 door = entrance.

10 Go and wash. Cp. John 9. 7, and other commands: "Go, call" (John 4. 16); "Go, sell" (Matt. 19. 21).

wash = bathe (ceremonially). See note on Lev. 14. 9.

7 God had heard that the king of Israel had rent his clothes, that he sent to the king, saying, "Wherefore hast thou rent thy clothes? let him come now to me, and he shall know that there is a prophet in Israel."

9 So Naaman came with his horses and with his chariot, and stood at the °door of the house of Elisha.

10 And Elisha sent a messenger unto him, saying, "Go and °wash in Jordan seven times, and thy flesh shall come again to thee, and thou shalt be clean."

i 11 But Naaman was wroth, and went away,
(p. 495) and said, "Behold, °I thought, he will surely
801 come out to me, and stand, and call on the
to name of °the LORD his °God, and °strike his
788 hand over the place, and recover the leper.

12 °Are not °Abana and Pharpar, °rivers of
°Damascus, better than all the waters of Is-
rael? may I not wash in them, and be clean?"
So he turned and went away °in a rage.

i 13 And his °servants came near, and spake
unto him, and said, "My father, *if* the pro-
phet had bid thee *do some* great thing, would-
est thou not have done *it*? how much rather
then, when he saith to thee, 'Wash, and be
clean?'"

h 14 Then went he down, and dipped himself
seven times in Jordan, according to the saying
of the °man of °God: and his flesh °came again
like unto the flesh of a little °child, and he was
clean.

g 15 And he °returned to the °man of °God, he
and all his company, and came, and stood be-
fore him:

f and he said, "Behold, °now I know that *there*
is no °God in all the earth, but in Israel: now
therefore, I pray thee, °take a °blessing of
thy servant."

16 But he said, "As °the LORD liveth, °before
Whom I stand, I will receive none." And he
urged him to take *it*; but he refused.

17 And Naaman said, "Shall there not then,
I pray thee, be given to thy servant two mules'
burden of °earth? for thy servant will hence-
forth °offer neither burnt offering nor sacri-
fice unto other gods, but unto °the LORD.

18 In this thing °the LORD pardon thy serv-
ant, *that* when my master goeth into the house
of °Rimmon to °worship there, and he °leaneth
on my hand, and I bow myself in the house of
°Rimmon: when I bow down myself in the
house of Rimmon, °the LORD pardon thy serv-
ant in this thing."

19 And he said unto him, "Go in peace." So
he departed from him °a little way.

20 But Gehazi, the °servant of Elisha the
°man of °God, said, "Behold, my master
hath spared Naaman this Syrian, in not re-
ceiving at his hands that which he brought:
but, as °the LORD liveth, I will run after him,
and take °somewhat of him."

21 So Gehazi followed after Naaman. And
when Naaman saw him running after him, he
lighted down from the chariot to meet him,
and said, "Is all well?"

22 And he said, "All is well. My master hath
sent me, saying, "Behold, even now there be
come to me from °mount Ephraim two young
men of the sons of the prophets: give them, I
pray thee, a °talent of silver, and two changes
of garments."

23 And Naaman said, "Be content, °take two
talents." And he urged him, and bound two
talents of silver in two bags, with two
changes of garments, and laid them upon two
of his servants; and they bare them before him.

24 And when he came to the tower, he took
them from their hand, and bestowed them in
the house: and he let the °men go, and they
departed.

11 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

I thought. Cp. v. 15, "Now I know". Human
thought and Divine certitude.

strike = wave, move, or pass.

12 Are not ...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

Abana. Some codices, and three early printed edi-
tions, read "Amana".

rivers. Heb. *nāhār*, an ever-flowing stream. (Not
nahal, a summer stream.) Rising in Mount Hermon
and losing themselves in a lake near Damascus.

Damascus. Used of the district, or of the city near
which they flowed and were known.

in a rage. One of eleven rulers offended with God's
servants for speaking the truth. See note on Ex.
10. 28.

13 servants. Again used by God. Cp. vv. 2-4.

My father. A title of honour and affection.

14 came again. The tenth miracle of Elisha. See
note on 2. 15. child = boy.

15 returned. About thirty miles.

now I know. Cp. "Behold, I thought", v. 11.

take = accept.

blessing = a present. Cp. Gen. 33. 11. Judg. 1. 15.

16 before, &c. A phrase referring to priesthood, for
the sacrifices Naaman speaks of (v. 17).

17 earth - soil. Naaman may have heard of Ex. 20. 24.
offer = prepare. See Ap. 43. I. iii.

18 Rimmon. The Assyrian storm-god Ramman.

worship = bow down himself.

leaneth. Cp. 7. 2, 17.

the LORD pardon = Jehovah pardon. Some codices
add "I pray thee", but marked "to be cancelled".

19 Go in peace. God's servants are not "directors
of conscience", but ministers of His Word. To have
sanctioned it would have recognised idolatry. To have
forbidden it would have put Naaman under a yoke to
Elisha. It was for Naaman to decide whether he could
do this thing, and be at "peace".

a little way. A phrase found only here and Gen.
35. 16 and 48. 7. = a stone's throw.

20 servant = young man.

somewhat = a trifle.

21 Is all well? Heb. Is it peace?

22 mount Ephraim. There were two schools of the
prophets there: Beth-el and Gilgal. Cp. 2. 1, 3.

talent. See Ap. 51. II.

23 take = accept. Some codices, with one early
printed edition, read "and accept".

24 men. Heb. *ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

26 Went not ...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. = Did not
my heart beat?

Is it ...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Cp. Hag. 1. 4.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton*. Ap. 6.

27 cleave. Elisha's eleventh miracle. See note on
2. 15.

a leper. One of the nine afflicted with leprosy. See
note on Ex. 4. 6.

as snow. i.e. completely a leper; but not clean
ceremonially. See note on Lev. 13. 13.

25 But he went in, and stood before his master.
And Elisha said unto him, "Whence comest
thou, Gehazi?" And he said, "Thy servant
went no whither."

26 And he said unto him, "Went not mine
heart *with thee*, when the °man turned again
from his chariot to meet thee? °Is it a time to
receive money, °and to receive garments, and
oliveyards, and vineyards, and sheep, and
oxen, and menservants, and maidservants?"

27 The leprosy therefore of Naaman shall
°cleave unto thee, and unto thy seed for ever."
And he went out from his presence °a leper as
white °as snow.

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6 And the sons of the prophets said unto Elisha, "Behold now, the place where we dwell with thee is too °strait for us.

2 Let us go, we pray thee, unto Jordan, and take thence every °man a beam, and let us make us a place there, where we may dwell." And he answered, "Go ye."

3 And °one said, "Be content, I pray thee, and go with thy servants." And he answered, "I will go."

4 So he went with them. And when they came to Jordan, they °cut down °wood.

5 But as °one was felling a beam, the °axe head fell into the water: and he cried, and said, "Alas, master! for it was borrowed."

6 And the °man of °God said, "Where fell it?" And he shewed him the place. And he °cut down °a stick, and cast it in thither; and the °iron did swim.

7 Therefore said he, "Take it up to thee." And he put out his hand, and took it.

8 Then the °king of Syria warred against Israel, and took counsel with his servants, saying, "In such and such a place shall be my camp."

9 And the °man of °God sent unto the °king of Israel, saying, "Beware that thou pass not such a place; for thither the Syrians are come down."

10 And the king of Israel sent to the place which the °man of °God told him and warned him of, and saved himself there, not once nor twice.

11 Therefore the heart of the king of Syria was sore troubled for this thing; and he called his servants, and said unto them, "Will ye not shew me which of us is for the king of Israel?"

12 And one of his servants said, "None, my lord, O king: °but Elisha, the prophet that is in Israel, telleth the king of Israel the words that thou speakest in thy bedchamber."

13 And he said, "Go and spy where he is, that I may send and fetch him." And it was told him, saying, "Behold, he is in Dothan."

14 Therefore sent he thither horses, and chariots, and a great host: and they came by night, and compassed the city about.

15 And when °the servant of the °man of °God was risen early, and gone forth, °behold, an host compassed the city both with horses and chariots. And °his servant said unto him, "Alas, my master! how shall we do?"

16 And he answered, "Fear not: for they that be with us are more than they that be with them."

17 And Elisha prayed, and said, "°LORD, I pray thee, °open his eyes, that he may °see." And °the LORD opened the eyes of the young man; and he °saw: and, °behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire °round about Elisha.

18 And when they came down to him, Elisha prayed unto °the LORD, and said, "Smite this people, I pray Thee, with °blindness." And He smote them with blindness according to the word of Elisha.

19 And Elisha said unto them, "This is not the way, neither is this the city: follow me,

6. 1-7 (P, p. 492). ELISHA. RESIDENCE, &c. (Alternation.)

P | j | 1, 2. Sons of the prophets. Proposal.
k | 3, 4. Elisha. Consent.
j | 5. Sons of prophets. Accident.
k | 6, 7. Elisha. Miracle.

1 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6. strait = narrow. **2** man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

3 one = the one: i. e. of v. 3.

4 cut down. Heb. *nāzar*. Cp. v. 6. wood = logs.

5 axe head. Heb. "iron", put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the axe head made of iron. Cp. v. 6, where the Fig. is translated literally.

Alas. Fig. *Ecphonesis*. Ap. 6.

6 man of God. See Ap. 49.

cut down. Not same word as v. 3. Heb. *kāṣab* = to cut evenly: i. e. shape or size evenly. Occurs only here and Song 4. 2 ("even shorn").

a stick = a helve.

iron did swim = made him see the iron: by causing it to rise to the surface. Elisha's twelfth miracle. See note on 2. 15. The spiritual application is thus put by John Newton:—

"Not one concern of ours is small
If we belong to Him;
To teach us this, the Lord of all
Once made the iron to swim".

8-23 (O, p. 492). WAR WITH SYRIA. (Introversion.)

O | l | 8-12. King of Syria. Hostility.

m | 13, 14. Elisha. Baffling.

n | 15-17. Eyes of servant opened.

n | 18. Eyes of Syrians closed.

m | 19. Elisha. Leading.

l | 20-23. King of Israel. Benevolence.

8 king of Syria. Probably Ben-hadad of v. 24. 1 Kings 20. 1. **9** king of Israel. Jehoram.

12 but = for: i. e. "[the fact is] that".

15 the servant = attendant. Heb. *mēshārēth*.

his servant = young man. Heb. *na'ar*.

17 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

open his eyes. Elisha's thirteenth miracle. See note on 2. 15. see . . . saw — see . . . saw clearly. round about. Cp. Ps. 34. 7; 91. 4.

18 blindness. Elisha's fourteenth miracle. See note on 2. 15. One of nine instances of persons so afflicted. See note on Gen. 19. 11.

19 I will bring. So he did.

man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

But = And; or, So. Heb. *Vav* (ו).

he led them to Samaria: where they found the man they sought: i. e. Elisha himself.

20 open. Elisha's fifteenth miracle. See note on 2. 15.

22 wouldst . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

and °I will bring you to the °man whom ye seek." °But °he led them to Samaria.

20 And it came to pass, when they were come into Samaria, that Elisha said, "°LORD, °open the eyes of these men, that they may °see." And °the LORD opened their eyes, and they °saw; and, °behold, they were in the midst of Samaria.

21 And the king of Israel said unto Elisha, when he saw them, "My father, shall I smite them? shall I smite them?"

22 And he answered, "Thou shalt not smite them: °wouldst thou smite those whom thou hast taken captive with thy sword and with thy bow? set bread and water before them, that they may eat and drink, and go to their master."

23 And he prepared great provision for them: and when they had eaten and drunk, he sent them away, and they went to their master. So

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the °bands of Syria came no more into the land of Israel.

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24 And it came to pass after this, that Benhadad king of Syria °gathered all his host, and went up, and besieged Samaria.

25 And there was a great °famine in Samaria: and, °behold, they besieged it, until an °ass's head was sold for fourscore °pieces of silver, and the fourth part of a °cab of °dove's dung for five °pieces of silver.

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26 And as the king of Israel was passing by upon the wall, there cried a woman unto him, saying, "Help, my lord, O king."

27 And he said, °"If °the LORD do not help thee, whence shall I help thee? out of the barnfloor, or out of the winepress?"

28 And the king said unto her, "What aileth thee?" And she answered, "This °woman said unto me, 'Give thy son, that we may eat him to day, and we will eat my son to morrow.'"

29 So °we boiled my son, and did eat him: and I said unto her on the next day, 'Give thy son, that we may eat him: ' and she hath hid her son."

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30 And it came to pass, when the king heard the words of the woman, that he rent his clothes; and he passed by upon the wall, and the People looked, and, °behold, he had sackcloth within upon his flesh.

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31 Then he said, °"God do so and more also to me, if the head of Elisha the son of Shaphat shall stand on him this day."

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32 But Elisha sat in his house, and the elders sat with him; and the king sent a °man from before him: but ere the messenger came to him, he said to the elders, "See ye how this son of a murderer hath sent to take away mine head? look, when the messenger cometh, shut the door, and °hold him fast at the door: is not the sound of his master's feet behind him?"

33 And while he yet talked with them, °behold, the °messenger came down unto him: and he said, °"Behold, this °evil is of °the LORD; °what should I wait for °the LORD any longer?"

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7 °Then Elisha said, "Hear ye the word of °the LORD; Thus saith °the LORD, 'To morrow about this time shall a °measure of fine flour be sold for a °shekel, and two °measures of barley for a °shekel, in the gate of Samaria.'"

2 Then a lord on whose hand the king °leaned answered the °man of °God, and said, °"Behold, if °the LORD would make windows in heaven, might this thing be?" And he said, °"Behold, °thou shalt see it with thine eyes, but shalt not eat thereof."

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3 And there were four °leprous °men at the entering in of the gate: and they said one to another, "Why sit we here until we die?"

4 If we say, 'We will enter into the city,' then the °famine is in the city, and we shall die there: and if we sit still here, we die also. Now therefore come, and let us fall unto the °host of the Syrians: if they save us alive, we shall live; and if they kill us, we shall but die."

23 bands = marauding bands. Quite different from the organised host of v. 24.

6. 24-7. 20 (R, p. 492). FAMINE IN SAMARIA. (Alternation.)

R | A | 6. 24-33. Famine. Suffered.

B | 7. 1, 2. Prediction of supply.

A | 7. 3-15. Famine. Relieved.

B | 7. 16-20. Prediction. Supplies received.

24-33 (A, above). FAMINE. SUFFERED.

(Introversion.)

A | o | 24, 25. Origin. Second cause.

p | 26-29. Effects. Experienced

q | 30. King's mourning.

p | 31. Effects. Threatening.

o | 32, 33. Origin. First cause.

24 gathered. This was organised war, in contrast with the freebooting irregular bands of v. 23.

25 famine. One of the thirteen recorded in Scripture. See note on Gen. 12. 10.

ass's head. This was unclean food.

pieces. Supply Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), "shekels" instead of "pieces".

cab. Only occurrence. See Ap. 51. III. 3.

dove's dung. A *Euphemism* (Ap. 6) is included in official Massoretic lists as being substituted for this indelicate expression, the word meaning "decayed leaves". Whichever is the meaning, it was always highly valuable as manure, especially to force growth during dearth.

27 If the LORD do not help thee. Heb. reads "Let not Jehovah help thee", as in A.V. marg. The R.V. "Nay, let Jehovah help thee", is contrary to the normal sense of this negative. Ginsburg suggests that 'al (not) is an abbreviation for 'im lo, which is the exact equivalent for the A.V. text.

28 woman. One of the ten deaths occasioned by women. See note on Judg. 4. 21.

29 we boiled. Cp. Deut. 28. 63.

32 hold him fast at the door: or, hold the door fast against him. Ap. 6.

33 messenger. Heb. *hammāl'āk*, without the 'aleph ('a), as in Sept. and Syr. In 1 Sam. 11. 4 the case is reversed. The *Massōrah* informs us that the *aleph* was wrongly inserted, making it read messengers instead of "kings". The king must have followed on his heels, for Elisha addresses him directly in 7. 1, 2. Cp. 7. 17.

evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

what...? = why? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. These are the words of the king.

7. 1 Then Elisha. The Structure shows that verses 1, 2 should be read with 6. 33.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

measure. See Ap. 51. III. 3.

shekel. Cp. 6. 25. See Ap. 51. II.

measures = seahs. See Ap. 51. III. 3.

2 leaned. Cp. 5. 18.

man of God. See Ap. 49.

Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

thou shalt see it. Cp. vv. 19, 20.

7. 3-15 (A, above). FAMINE. RELIEVED.

(Division.)

A | r¹ | 3 11. Discovery by lepers.

r² | 12-15. Confirmation by scouts.

3-11 (r¹, above). DISCOVERY BY LEPERS.

(Alternation.)

r¹ | s¹ | t | 3, 4. Consultation.

u | 5-8. Discovery. Made.

s² | t | 9. Consultation.

u | 10, 11. Discovery. Reported.

3 leprous men. One of the nine cases of affliction with leprosy. See note on Ex. 4. 6.

men. Heb. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

4 famine. Cp. 6. 25.

host = camp.

u (p. 498) 5 And they rose up in the twilight, to go
801 unto the camp of the Syrians: and when they
to were come to the uttermost part of the camp
788 of Syria, behold, there was no man there.

6 For the LORD* had made the host of the Syrians to hear a noise of chariots, and a noise of horses, even the noise of a great host: and they said one to another, "Lo, the king of Israel hath hired against us the kings of the Hittites, and the kings of the Egyptians, to come upon us."

7 Wherefore they arose and fled in the twilight, and left their tents, and their horses, and their asses, even the camp as it was, and fled for their life.

8 And when these lepers came to the uttermost part of the camp, they went into one tent, and did eat and drink, and carried thence silver, and gold, and raiment, and went and hid it; and came again, and entered into another tent, and carried thence also, and went and hid it.

s t 9 Then they said one to another, "We do not well: this day is a day of good tidings, and we hold our peace: if we tarry till the morning light, some mischief will come upon us: now therefore come, that we may go and tell the king's household."

u 10 So they came and called unto the porter of the city: and they told them, saying, "We came to the camp of the Syrians, and, behold, there was no man there, neither voice of man, but horses tied, and asses tied, and the tents as they were."

11 And he called the porters; and they told it to the king's house within.

r 12 And the king arose in the night, and said unto his servants, "I will now shew you what the Syrians have done to us. They know that we be hungry; therefore are they gone out of the camp to hide themselves in the field, saying, 'When they come out of the city, we shall catch them alive, and get into the city.'"

13 And one of his servants answered and said, "Let some take, I pray thee, five of the horses that remain, which are left in the city, (behold, they are as all the multitude of Israel that are left in it: behold, I say, they are even as all the multitude of the Israelites that are consumed:) and let us send and see."

14 They took therefore two chariot horses; and the king sent after the host of the Syrians, saying, "Go and see."

15 And they went after them unto Jordan: and, lo, all the way was full of garments and vessels, which the Syrians had cast away in their haste. And the messengers returned, and told the king.

B 16 And the People went out, and spoiled the tents of the Syrians. So a measure of fine flour was sold for a shekel, and two measures of barley for a shekel, according to the word of the LORD.

17 And the king appointed the lord on whose hand he leaned to have the charge of the gate: and the People trode upon him in the gate, and he died, as the man of God had said, who spake when the king came down to him.

5 twilight=darkness. See note on the Homonym, 1 Sam. 30. 17. man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

6 the LORD*=Jehovah. One of the 134 occurrences of Jehovah which the Sopherim altered to Adonai. See Ap. 32.

and a noise. Note the Figs. Polysyndeton and Repetition (Ap. 6) for great emphasis.

even=and. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Syr., and Vulg., read "and a noise", as in the two preceding clauses.

Lo. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

kings of the Hittites. The Hittites were divided into several tribes, each with its king or chief. Their empire extended from the Euphrates to Asia Minor. Cp. 1 Sam. 26. 6. The Assyrian monuments speak of a confederacy of twelve existing at this time.

kings of the Egyptians. The monuments of this date speak of a large number of names at this time.

7 their life=their soul. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13.

8 uttermost=outermost.

9 We do not well. The application of this is full of instruction to others in like circumstances, for all time. mischief=punishment.

10 man. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.

the tents their tents. So Sept. as just as.

11 he called the porters. The Sept., and a special reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 34), read "the porters called".

13 that are left... Israelites. These words are repeated by *Homoteleuton* (instead of omitted, as is usually the case with *Homoteleuton*). They are not in many codices, or Sept., Syr., or Vulg. This accounts for the parenthesis in A.V.

16 shekel. See Ap. 51. II. 5.

17 king came down. See note on 6. 33.

19 might such a thing be? This is the reading of some codices, and four early printed editions, with Sept. and Syr. The current Heb. text reads "could it be according to this word?"

8. 1 whose son. Cp. 4. 35.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

famine—the famine, which had already begun. Probably the same as 4. 38. Occasion is not determined by the text, but v. 3 takes up the history at the end of the seven years.

it shall also come it is come.

seven years: i.e. "[to last] seven years".

2 man of God. See Ap. 49.

18 And it came to pass as the man of God had spoken to the king, saying, "Two measures of barley for a shekel, and a measure of fine flour for a shekel, shall be to morrow about this time in the gate of Samaria:"

19 And that lord answered the man of God, and said, "Now, behold, if the LORD should make windows in heaven, might such a thing be?" And he said, "Behold, thou shalt see it with thine eyes, but shalt not eat thereof."

20 And so it fell out unto him: for the people trode upon him in the gate, and he died.

8 Then spake Elisha unto the woman, whose son he had restored to life, saying, "Arise, and go thou and thine household, and sojourn wheresoever thou canst sojourn: for the LORD hath called for a famine; and it shall also come upon the land seven years."

2 And the woman arose, and did after the saying of the man of God: and she went with her household, and sojourned in the land of the Philistines seven years.

3 And it came to pass at the seven years' end, that the woman returned out of the land of the

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801 Philistines: and she went forth to cry unto the
to king ° for her house and ° for her ° land.

788 4 And the king talked with Gehazi the serv-
ant of the 2 man of 2 God, saying, "Tell me,
I pray thee, ° all the great things that Elisha
hath done."

5 And it came to pass, as he was telling the
king how he had ° restored a dead body to life,
that, ° behold, the woman, whose son he had
restored to life, cried to the king ° for her house
and ° for her land. And Gehazi said, "My lord,
O king, this is the woman, and this is her son,
whom Elisha restored to life."

6 And when the king asked the woman, she
told him. So the king appointed unto her
a certain officer, saying, "Restore all that
was hers, and all the ° fruits of the field since
the day that she left the land, even until now."

N 7 And Elisha came to Damascus; and Ben-
(p. 492) hadad the king of Syria was sick; and it was
told him, saying, "The 2 man of 2 God is come
hither."

8 And the king said unto ° Hazael, "Take a
° present in thine hand, and go, meet the 2 man
of 2 God, and enquire of 1 the LORD by him,
saying, 'Shall I recover of this disease?'"

9 So Hazael went to meet him, and took a
° present with him, even of ° every good thing
of Damascus, forty camels' burden, and came
and stood before him, and said, "Thy son
Ben-hadad king of Syria hath sent me to thee,
saying, 'Shall I recover of this disease?'"

10 And Elisha said unto him, "Go, say unto
him, 'Thou ° mayest certainly recover:' how-
beit 1 the LORD hath shewed me that he shall
° surely die."

11 And ° he settled his countenance stedfastly,
until ° he was ° ashamed: and the 2 man of 2 God
wept.

12 And Hazael said, "Why weepeth my
lord?" And he answered, "Because I know
° the evil that thou wilt do unto the ° children
of Israel: their strong holds wilt thou set on
fire, and their young men wilt thou slay with
the sword, and wilt dash ° their children, and
rip up their women ° with child."

13 And Hazael said, "But what, is thy serv-
ant ° a dog, that he should do this great
thing?" And Elisha answered, 1 "The LORD
hath shewed me that thou shalt be king over
Syria."

14 So he departed from Elisha, and came to
his master; who said to him, "What said
Elisha to thee?" And he answered, "He told
me that thou shouldest ° surely recover."

15 And ° it came to pass on the morrow, that
he took a thick cloth, and dipped it in water,
and spread it on his face, so that he died: and
Hazael reigned in his stead.

F³ C¹ v 16 And in the fifth year of Joram the son of
(p. 500) Ahab king of Israel, ° Jehoshaphat being then
king of Judah, Jehoram the son of Jehosha-
phat king of Judah ° began to reign.

17 Thirty and two years old was he when he
° began to reign; and he reigned eight years in
Jerusalem.

w 18 And he walked in the way of the kings of
Israel, ° as did the house of Ahab: for the
° daughter of Ahab was his wife: and he ° did
12 evil in the sight of 1 the LORD.

for . . . for. Heb. 'el = "for [to recover]". Not same
word as v. 5.

land = field: i.e. estate.

4 all the great things. See note on 2. 15.

5 restored a dead body. Cp. 4. 35.

behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

for . . . for. Heb. 'al = for [to call attention to].

6 fruits = produce.

8 Hazael. One of Ben-hadad's servants.

present. It does not say that Elisha accepted it.

9 every good = every kind of. Fig. Synecdoche (of
Genus). Ap. 6.

10 mayest certainly recover, &c. = "so far as re-
covering goes, thou wilt recover. And [yet] Jehovah
hath made me plainly see that he will surely die."
surely die. Fig. Polypytoton (Ap. 6). See notes on
Gen. 2. 17 and 26. 28.

11 he: i.e. Hazael.

ashamed. The thought of murder came into his
mind.

12 the evil. Described in 10. 32; 12. 17; 13. 3, 22.
Hos. 10. 14. Amos 1. 3, 4. Heb. rā'a'. Ap. 44. viii.

children = sons.

their children = little ones. Heb. 'ul.

with child. Heb. hārāh.

13 a dog. Cp. 1 Sam. 17. 43; 24. 14. 2 Sam. 9. 8.

14 surely recover. See note on v. 10. A false
report.

15 it came to pass. The inscriptions of Shal-
manezzer II agree with this. The name of Jehu
appears on them with Hazael's.

8. 16—9. 29 (F³, p. 446). JUDAH. (Division.)

F³ | C¹ | 8. 16—24. Jehoram.
| C² | 8. 25—9. 24. Ahaziah.

16—24 (C¹, above). JEHORAM. (Introversion.)

C¹ v | 16, 17. Introduction.
| w | 18, 19. Evil-doing. Personal.
| w | 20—22. Evil events. Political.
| v | 23, 24. Conclusion.

16 Jehoshaphat being then king. Jehoram asso-
ciated with him in Joram's fifth year, and reigned solely
in Joram's sixth year. Cp. 9. 29. Joram (of Ahab)
began in Jehoshaphat's eighteenth year (2 Kings 3. 1).
His fifth year is therefore Jehoshaphat's twenty-
third year, when Jehoram is associated with him as
king, in the third year before his death. See Ap. 50. V,
p. 58.

16 began to reign: i.e. in consort with his father.

18 as = according as.

daughter of Ahab. Cp. v. 26. See Ap. 55.

did evil. Cp. 2 Chron. 21. 2—4.

19 as He promised. Cp. 2 Sam. 7. 13.

light. Cp. 1 Kings 11. 36. See note on Gen. 15. 17.
Heb. nēr. Found only four times, and always of David
(2 Sam. 21. 17. 1 Kings 11. 36. 2 Kings 8. 19. 2 Chron. 21. 7).
and to his children. Many codices, and five early
printed editions, read "for his children": i.e. sons.

20 Edom revolted. Cp. 2 Chron. 21. 8 with 1 Kings
22. 47, and see above (3. 9).

19 Yet 1 the LORD would not destroy Judah
for David His servant's sake, ° as He promised
him to give him alway a ° light, ° and ° to his
° children.

20 In his days ° Edom revolted from under
the hand of Judah, and made a king over
themselves.

21 So Joram went over to Zair, and all the
chariots with him: and he rose by night, and
smote the Edomites which compassed him

about, and the captains of the chariots: and °the people fled into their tents.

22 °Yet Edom revolted from under the hand of Judah unto °this day. °Then Libnah revolted at the same time.

^v (p. 500) 23 And °the rest of the acts of °Joram, and all that he did, °are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

24 And Joram °slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David: and °Ahaziah his son reigned in his stead.

^{C² x} (p. 501) 25 In the twelfth year of Joram the son of Ahab king of Israel did Ahaziah the son of Jehoram king of Judah begin to reign.

789 26 °Two and twenty years old was °Ahaziah to when he began to reign; and he reigned one year in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Athaliah, the °daughter of Omri king of Israel.

788 27 And he walked in the way of the house of Ahab, and did ¹²evil in the sight of ¹the LORD, as *did* the house of Ahab: for *he* was the son in law of the house of Ahab.

^{y z} 28 And °he went with Joram the son of Ahab to the war against Hazael king of Syria in °Ramoth-gilead; and the Syrians wounded Joram.

29 And king Joram went back to be healed in Jezreel of the wounds which the Syrians had given him at °Ramah, when he fought against Hazael king of Syria. And Ahaziah the son of Jehoram king of Judah went down to see Joram the son of Ahab in Jezreel, because *he* was sick.

^a 9 And Elisha the prophet called one of the °children of the prophets, and said unto him, "Gird up thy loins, and take this °box of °oil in thine hand, and go to °Ramoth-gilead: 2 And when thou comest thither, look out there °Jehu the son of Jehoshaphat the son of Nimshi, and go in, and make him arise up from among his brethren, and carry him to an inner chamber;

3 Then take the ¹ box of oil, and pour *it* on his head, and say, 'Thus saith °the LORD, "I have anointed thee °king °over Israel."' Then open the door, and flee, and tarry not."

4 So the young man, *even* the young man the prophet, went to Ramoth-gilead.

5 And when he came, °behold, the captains of the host *were* sitting; and he said, "I have an errand to thee, O captain." And Jehu said, "Unto which of all us?" And he said, "To thee, O captain."

6 And °he arose, and went into the house; and °he poured the oil on his head, and said unto him, "Thus saith °the LORD °God of Israel, 'I have anointed thee °king °over the People of °the LORD, *even* over Israel.

7 And thou shalt smite the house of Ahab thy master, that I may avenge the blood of My servants the prophets, and the blood of all the servants of °the LORD, at the hand of Jezebel.

8 For the whole house of Ahab shall perish: and I will cut off from Ahab °him that pisseth

21 the people: i.e. of Judah.

22 Yet Edom, &c. The success of Edom accounted for from the end of v. 21, and Gen. 27. 40. this day. Written therefore before the captivity of Judah.

Then Libnah revolted. Cp. 2 Chron. 21. 10. Libnah was a city of the priests (Josh. 21. 13), and Jehoram with his wife and sons had "broken up" the Temple worship (2 Chron. 24. 7). The *priests* therefore, headed by Jehoiada (2 Chron. 23. 1), led this revolt, and were afterwards active in repairing the house of the Lord (2 Chron. 24. 1-14).

23 the rest. Cp. 2 Chron. 21.

Joram = Jehoram.

are they not . . . ? Fig. *Erolēsis*. Ap. 6.

24 slept with his fathers. See note on Deut. 31. 16. Ahaziah his son: i.e. his youngest son; all the rest being slain. See 2 Chron. 21. 17; 22. 1; and Ap. 55.

8. 25—9. 29 (C², p. 500). AHAZIAH. (Introversion and Alternation.)

^{C² x} | 8. 25-27. Introduction.
y | z | 8. 28, 29. Joram, Ramoth-gilead, and Hazael.
a | 9. 1-14-. Conspiracy of Jehu.
y | z | 9. -14, 15-. Joram, Ramoth-gilead, and Hazael.
a | 9. -15-26. Conspiracy of Jehu.
z | 9. 27-29. Conclusion.

26 Two and twenty years. See note on 2 Chron. 22. 2. Ahaziah. Note that Ahaziah, Joash, and Amaziah, omitted in Matt. 1. 8, all died violent deaths (9. 27; 12. 20; 14. 19).

daughter. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Genus), Ap. 6, for grand-daughter; and even for successors not in descent by blood.

28 he went with Joram. His uncle. Ramoth-gilead. It was then in the hands of Israel, but threatened by Syria. Cp. 9. 14.

29 Ramah - Ramoth-gilead.

9. 1 children = sons.

box of oil = oil flask.

oil. For its use in consecration see 1 Sam. 10. 1; 16. 13. Ramoth-gilead. Israelite army on guard here. Cp. v. 14.

2 Jehu the son of Jehoshaphat. In the Assyrian inscriptions he is called the son of Omri.

3 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

king - to be king. over, or unto.

5 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

6 he arose: i.e. Jehu arose.

he poured: i.e. the prophet poured.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

8 him that, &c. = every male.

9 like the house of Jeroboam, &c. Both these houses had been exterminated (1 Kings 15. 29; 16. 11).

11 one said. A special various reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 34), some codices, with two early printed editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "they said".

Is all well? Heb. Is it peace?

Ye know, &c. - Why, ye are in the secret, or ye know all about the man.

man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

against the wall, and him that is shut up and left in Israel:

9 And I will make the house of Ahab °like the house of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, and like the house of Baasha the son of Ahijah:

10 And the dogs shall eat Jezebel in the portion of Jezreel, and *there shall be none to bury her*." And he opened the door, and fled.

11 Then Jehu came forth to the servants of his lord: and °one said unto him, °"Is all well? wherefore came this mad fellow to thee?" And he said unto them, °"Ye know the °man, and his communication."

789 12 And they said, "*It is false; tell us now.*"
 to And he said, "Thus and thus spake he to me,
 788 saying, 'Thus saith ³the LORD, 'I have anointed thee ³king ³over Israel.'"

13 Then they hasted, and took ¹¹every man his garment, and put *it* under him on the top of the ^ostairs, and blew with trumpets, saying, "Jehu ^ois king."

14 So Jehu the son of Jehoshaphat the son of Nimshi conspired against Joram.

y z (p. 501) (Now Joram ^ohad kept Ramoth-gilead, ^{he} and all Israel, because of Hazael king of Syria.

15 But king Joram ^owas returned to be healed in Jezreel of the wounds which the Syrians had given him, when he fought with Hazael king of Syria.

a And Jehu said, "If it be your ^ominds, *then* let none go forth *nor* escape out of the city to go to tell *it* in Jezreel."

16 So Jehu rode in a chariot, and went to Jezreel; for Joram lay there. And Ahaziah king of Judah was come down to see Joram.

17 And there stood a watchman on the tower in Jezreel, and he spied the company of Jehu as he came, and said, "³I see a company." And Joram said, "Take ^oan horseman, and send to meet them, and let him say, '*Is it peace?*'"

18 So there went one on horseback to meet him, and said, "Thus saith the king, '*Is it peace?*'" And Jehu said, "^oWhat hast thou to do with peace? turn thee behind me." And the watchman told, saying, "The messenger came to them, but he cometh not again."

19 Then he sent out a second on horseback, which came to them, and said, "Thus saith the king, '*Is it peace?*'" And Jehu answered, "¹⁸"What hast thou to do with peace? turn thee behind me."

20 And the watchman told, saying, "He came even unto them, and cometh not again: and the driving *is* like the driving of Jehu the son of Nimshi; for he driveth furiously."

21 And Joram said, "Make ready." And his chariot was made ready. And Joram king of Israel and Ahaziah king of Judah went out, each in his chariot, and they went out against Jehu, and met him in the portion of Naboth the Jezreelite.

22 And it came to pass, when Joram saw Jehu, that he said, "*Is it peace, Jehu?*" And he answered, "¹⁸"What peace, so long as the ^owhoredoms of thy mother Jezebel and her ^owitchcrafts *are so many?*"

23 And Joram ^oturned his hands, and fled, and said to Ahaziah, "*There is treachery, O Ahaziah.*"

24 And Jehu drew a bow with his full strength, and smote Jehoram ^obetween his arms, and the arrow went out at his heart, and he sunk down in his chariot.

25 Then said Jehu to Bidkar his captain, "Take up, *and* cast him in the portion of the field of Naboth the Jezreelite: for remember how that, when ³I and thou rode together after Ahab his father, ³the LORD ^olaid this ^oburden upon him;

26 'Surely I have seen yesterday the blood of Naboth, and ^othe blood of his sons,' ^osaith ³the LORD; 'and I will requite thee in this ^oplat,'

13 stairs - steps. Acts 21. 35, 40.
 is king - reigneth.

14 had kept = had been keeping.

15 was returned. Cp. 8. 29.

minds - souls. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. The parenthesis in *vv.* 14, 15 is so placed by the Structure. See above.

17 an horseman, or a charioteer.

18 What . . . ? Fig. *Anteisagoge* (Ap. 6).

22 whoredoms = idolatry. } Joined together. Cp. witchcrafts - spiritism. } Num. 24. 1; 25. 1; 31. 16.

23 turned his hands: i.e. to wheel his chariot round.

24 between his arms: i.e. between his shoulders.

25 laid, &c. Cp. 1 Kings 21. 29.

burden = a prophetic pronouncement of doom. Cp. Isa. 13. 1; 15. 1; 17. 1. Nah. 1. 1. Hab. 1. 1.

26 the blood of his sons. Additional information here given to that in 1 Kings 21. 13.

saith the LORD = [is] Jehovah's oracle.

plat = portion. Cp. *v.* 21.

27 And they did so. Supply Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) thus: "and they smote him".

28 to Jerusalem. Sept. reads "and brought him to Jerusalem".

9. 30—10. 36 (E¹, p. 446). JEHU.

(Alternation.)

E ¹	D 9. 30—10. 28. Events. Public.
	E 10. 29—31. Personal character.
	D 10. 32, 33. Events. Political.
	E 10. 34—36. Personal.

9. 30—10. 28 (D, above). EVENTS. PUBLIC. (Enumeration.)

D	F ¹ 9. 30—37. End of Jezebel.
	F ² 10. 1—11. End of Ahab's house.
	F ³ 10. 12—14. End of Ahaziah's brethren.
	F ⁴ 10. 15—17. End of Ahab's seed in Samaria.
	F ⁵ 10. 18—28. End of Baal-worship.

9. 30—37 (F¹, above). END OF JEZEBEL. (Introversion.)

F ¹	b 30—32. Exclamation of Jezebel.
	c 33. Jezebel's death.
	c 34, 35. Jezebel's carcase.
	b 36, 37. Exclamation of Jehu.

30 heard of it: i.e. of the murder of her grandson. face = eyebrows and eyelids.

tired = adorned.

a window = the lattice.

^osaith ³the LORD. Now therefore take *and* cast him into the plat *of* ground, according to the word of ³the LORD."

27 But when Ahaziah the king of Judah saw *this*, he fled by the way of the garden house. And Jehu followed after him, and said, "Smite him also in the chariot." ^oAnd they did so at the going up to Gur, which *is* by Ibleam. And he fled to Megiddo, and died there.

28 And his servants carried him in a chariot ^oto Jerusalem, and buried him in his sepulchre with his fathers in the city of David.

29 And in the eleventh year of Joram the son of Ahab began Ahaziah to reign over Judah.

30 And when Jehu was come to Jezreel, Jezebel ^oheard *of it*; and she painted her ^oface, and ^otired her head, and looked out at ^oa window.

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788 31 And as Jehu entered in at the gate, she said, "Had Zimri peace, who slew his master?"

32 And he lifted up his face to the window, and said, "Who is on my side? who?" And there looked out to him two or three eunuchs.

c (p. 502) 33 And he said, "Throw her down." So they threw her down: and some of her blood was sprinkled on the wall, and on the horses: and he trode her under foot.

c 34 And when he was come in, he did eat and drink, and said, "Go, see now this cursed woman, and bury her: for she is a king's daughter."

35 And they went to bury her: but they found no more of her than the skull, and the feet, and the palms of her hands.

b 36 Wherefore they came again, and told him. And he said, "This is the word of the LORD, which He spake by His servant Elijah the Tishbite, saying, 'In the portion of Jezreel shall dogs eat the flesh of Jezebel:'

37 And the carcase of Jezebel shall be as dung upon the face of the field in the portion of Jezreel; so that they shall not say, 'This is Jezebel.'"

F² 10 And Ahab had seventy sons in Samaria. And Jehu wrote letters, and sent to Samaria, unto the rulers of Jezreel, to the elders, and to them that brought up Ahab's children, saying,

2 "Now as soon as this letter cometh to you, seeing your master's sons are with you, and there are with you chariots and horses, a fenced city also, and armour;

3 Look even out the best and meetest of your master's sons, and set him on his father's throne, and fight for your master's house."

4 But they were exceedingly afraid, and said, "Behold, two kings stood not before him: how then shall we stand?"

5 And he that was over the house, and he that was over the city, the elders also, and the bringers up of the children, sent to Jehu, saying, "We are thy servants, and will do all that thou shalt bid us; we will not make any king: do thou that which is good in thine eyes."

6 Then he wrote a letter the second time to them, saying, "If ye be mine, and if ye will hearken unto my voice, take ye the heads of the men your master's sons, and come to me to Jezreel by to morrow this time." Now the king's sons, being seventy persons, were with the great men of the city, which brought them up.

7 And it came to pass, when the letter came to them, that they took the king's sons, and slew seventy persons, and put their heads in baskets, and sent him them to Jezreel.

8 And there came a messenger, and told him, saying, "They have brought the heads of the king's sons." And he said, "Lay ye them in two heaps at the entering in of the gate until the morning."

9 And it came to pass in the morning, that he went out, and stood, and said to all the people, "Ye be righteous: behold, I conspired

31 Had Zimri peace . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. See 1 Kings 16. 9-20. Suggesting the wisdom of coming to terms with her. master = lord.

34 a king's daughter. A daughter of Eth-baal, king of Zidon (1 Kings 16. 31).

36 He spake. Cp. 1 Kings 21. 23.

37 field. Some codices, with Sept. and Vulg., read "ground".

so that, &c. = [something] of which they shall not say, &c.

10. 1 sons. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6, for grandsons and great-grandsons.

unto. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "and unto". rulers = elders.

of Jezreel. Doubtless they had fled to Samaria, being in great fear (v. 4) from what Jehu had done in Jezreel.

4 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

6 mine - for me.

the men. Heb. *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

persons. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

men. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

7 baskets = the baskets. Heb. *dūd*, for carrying fruit. Still used for this purpose. Not *ḡal* (bread-basket), which Gideon (Judg. 6. 19), and Pharaoh's baker (Gen. 40. 17) used.

9 Ye be righteous. Said by way of flattery and to allay disaffection.

10 the word of the LORD = the word of Jehovah. Cp. 1 Kings 21. 19-29.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

by = by the hand of.

11 kinsfolks = acquaintance.

13 brethren. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part) for near relatives. Cp. 2 Chron. 22. 8, where we have "sons of the brethren".

children = sons. the king = Joram.

the queen = Jezebel, the queen-mother.

15 Jehonadab. He was a Kenite (1 Chron. 2. 55), descendants of the father-in-law of Moses (Num. 10. 29. Judg. 1. 16; 4. 11. 1 Sam. 15. 6). See Jer. 35.

as = according as.

against my master, and slew him: but who slew all these?

10 Know now that there shall fall unto the earth nothing of the word of the LORD, which the LORD spake concerning the house of Ahab: for the LORD hath done that which He spake by His servant Elijah."

11 So Jehu slew all that remained of the house of Ahab in Jezreel, and all his great men, and his kinsfolks, and his priests, until he left him none remaining.

12 And he arose and departed, and came to Samaria. And as he was at the shearing house in the way, F³

13 Jehu met with the brethren of Ahaziah king of Judah, and said, "Who are ye?" And they answered, "We are the brethren of Ahaziah; and we go down to salute the children of the king and the children of the queen."

14 And he said, "Take them alive." And they took them alive, and slew them at the pit of the shearing house, even two and forty men; neither left he any of them.

15 And when he was departed thence, he lighted on Jehonadab the son of Rechab coming to meet him: and he saluted him, and said to him, "Is thine heart right, as my heart is with thy heart?" And Jehonadab answered, F⁴

"It is." "If it be, °give me thine hand." And he gave him his hand; and he took him up to him into the chariot.

16 And he said, "Come with me, and °see my °zeal for ¹⁰the LORD." So they made him ride in his chariot.

17 And when he came to Samaria, he slew all that remained unto Ahab in Samaria, till he had destroyed him, according to the saying of ¹⁰the LORD, which He spake to Elijah.

F⁵ d (p. 504) 18 And Jehu gathered all the People together, and said unto them, "Ahab served Baal a little; but Jehu shall serve him much.

19 Now therefore call unto me all the prophets of Baal, all his servants, and all his priests; let none be wanting: for I have a great sacrifice to do to Baal; whosoever shall be wanting, he shall not live." But Jehu did it in subtilty, to the intent that he might destroy the °worshippers of Baal.

e 20 And Jehu said, °"Proclaim a solemn assembly for Baal." And they proclaimed it.

21 And Jehu sent through all Israel: and all the ¹⁹worshippers of Baal came, so that there was not a °man left that came not. And they came into the house of Baal; and the house of Baal was °full from one end to another.

f 22 And he said unto him that was over the vestry, "Bring forth vestments for all the ¹⁹worshippers of Baal." And he brought them forth vestments.

g 23 And Jehu went, and Jehonadab the son of Rechab, into the house of Baal, and said unto the worshippers of Baal, "Search, and look that there be here with you none of the servants of ¹⁰the LORD, but the worshippers of Baal only."

f 24 And when they went in to °offer sacrifices and burnt offerings, Jehu appointed fourscore ²¹men without, and said, "If any of °the men whom I have brought into your hands escape, he that letteth him go, his °life shall be for the °life of him."

e 25 And it came to pass, as soon as he had made an end of °offering the burnt offering, that Jehu said to the guard and to the captains, "Go in, and slay them; let none come forth." And they smote them with the edge of the sword; and the guard and the captains cast them out, and went to °the city of the house of Baal.

d 26 And they brought forth the °images out of the house of Baal, and burned them.

27 And they brake down the image of Baal, and brake down the house of Baal, and made it a °draught house unto this day.

28 Thus Jehu destroyed Baal out of Israel.

E (p. 502) 29 Howbeit from the °sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who °made Israel to sin, Jehu departed not from after them, °to wit, the golden calves that were in Beth-el, and that were °in Dan.

30 And ¹⁰the LORD said unto Jehu, "Because thou hast done well in executing that which is right in Mine eyes, and hast done unto the house of Ahab according to all that was in

give me thine hand. Cp. the pledge (Ezra 10. 19. Ezek. 17. 18).

16 see = be eyewitnesses of.
zeal for the LORD. Not pure. See vv. 29-31.

10. 18-28 (F⁵, p. 502). END OF BAAL-WORSHIP. (Introversion.)

F⁵ a | 18, 19. Jehu's purpose formed.
e | 20, 21. Baal-worshippers. Assembled.
f | 22. Vestments brought out.
g | 23. Search made.
f | 24. Offerings brought in.
e | 25. Baal-worshippers. Slain.
d | 26-28. Jehu's purpose effected.

19 worshippers = servants.

20 Proclaim = Sanctify, Hallow, or Solemnise.

21 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

full, &c. = so full [that they stood] mouth to mouth. *Ellipsis* to be thus supplied, as in A.V. margin.

24 offer = prepare. See Ap. 43. I. iii.

life = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

25 the city = Heb. 'ir, the innermost or most inaccessible part, whether of a city (= the citadel) or a house (as here).

26 images, or statues. them = each of them.

27 draught house = dunghill, middens, *latrineæ*.

29 sins. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

made Israel to sin. See note on 1 Kings 14. 18. to wit = namely.

in Dan. See 1 Kings 12. 29, 30, and cp. Gen. 49. 17.

30 fourth generation. See 15. 12. These were Jehoahaz, Joash, Jeroboam II, and Zachariah. Jehu's dynasty was the longest in all Israel.

31 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

the sins. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i. Some codices read "all the sins".

32 to cut Israel short: or, to cut off the outskirts, or make inroads into.

coasts = borders.

33 eastward = toward the sun-rising.

34 the rest. An Assyrian inscription (now in the British Museum) records that Jehu paid tribute to Shalmaneser II, who in 842 a.c. defeated Hazael, king of Syria. Jehu bought Shalmaneser II off by giving him, as tribute, bars of silver and gold; a golden ladle and golden goblets and pitchers were among his gifts. are they not . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

35 slept with his fathers. See note on Deut. 31. 16.

Mine heart, thy ¹³children of the °fourth generation shall sit on the throne of Israel."

31 But Jehu took no heed to walk in the law of ¹⁰the LORD °God of Israel with all his heart: for he departed not from °the ²⁹sins of Jeroboam, which ²⁹made Israel to sin.

32 In those days ¹⁰the LORD began °to cut Israel short: and Hazael smote them in all the °coasts of Israel;

33 From Jordan °eastward, all the land of Gilead, the Gadites, and the Reubenites, and the Manassites, from Aroer, which is by the river Arnon, even Gilead and Bashan.

34 Now °the rest of the acts of Jehu, and all that he did, and all his might, °are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

35 And Jehu °slept with his fathers: and they buried him in Samaria. And Jehoahaz his son reigned in his stead.

36 And the time that Jehu reigned over Israel in Samaria was twenty and eight years.

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11 And when °Athaliah the mother of Ahaziah saw that her son was dead, she arose and °destroyed all the seed royal.

i **2** But °Jehosheba, the daughter of king Joram, sister of Ahaziah, took Joash the son of Ahaziah, and stole him °from among the king's sons which were slain; and they hid him, even him and his nurse, in the bed-chamber from Athaliah, so that he was not slain.

788 **3** And he was with her °hid in the house of °the LORD °six years.

k And Athaliah did reign over the land.

1 **4** And the seventh year °Jehoiada sent and fetched the °rulers over hundreds, with the captains and the guard, and brought them to him into the house of °the LORD, and made a covenant with them, and took an oath of them in the house of °the LORD, and shewed them °the king's son.

5 And he commanded them, saying, "This is the thing that ye shall do; A third part of you °that enter in on the sabbath shall even be keepers of the watch of the king's house;

6 And a third part °shall be at the gate of Sur; and a third part at the gate behind the guard: so shall ye keep the watch of the house, that it be not broken down.

7 And two parts of all you that go forth on the sabbath, even they shall keep the watch of the house of °the LORD about the king.

8 And ye shall compass the king round about, every °man with his weapons in his hand: and he that cometh within the ranges, let him be slain: and be ye with the king as he goeth out and as he cometh in."

9 And the captains over the hundreds did according to all things that Jehoiada the priest commanded: and they took °every man his °men that were to come in on the sabbath, with them that should go out on the sabbath, and came to Jehoiada the priest.

10 And to the captains over hundreds did the priest give °king David's spears and shields, that were in the temple of °the LORD.

11 And the guard stood, °every man with his weapons in his hand, round about the king, from the right corner of the temple to the left corner of the temple, along by the altar and the temple.

12 And he brought forth the king's son, and put the crown upon him, and °gave him the °testimony; and they made him king, and anointed him; and they clapped their hands, and said, "God save the king."

k **13** And when Athaliah heard the noise of the guard and of the People, she came to the People into the temple of °the LORD.

14 And when she looked, °behold, the king stood by °a pillar, as the manner was, and the princes and the trumpeters by the king, and all the People of the land rejoiced, and blew with trumpets: and Athaliah rent her clothes, and cried, °"Treason, Treason."

i **15** But Jehoiada the priest commanded the captains of the hundreds, the officers of the host, and said unto them, "Have her forth without the ranges: and him that followeth

11. 1-12. 21 (F⁴, p. 446). JUDAH. (Division.)

F¹ | G¹ | 11. 1-16. Athaliah.
| G² | 11. 17-12. 21. Joash.

11. 1-16 (G¹, above). ATHALIAH. (Introversion.)

G¹ | h | 1. The slaying of the seed-royal.
| i | 2, 3-. Joash. Rescue of.
| k | -3. Athaliah. Reign.
| l | 4-12. Manifestation of Joash.
| k | 13, 14. Athaliah. Alarm.
| i | 15. Joash. Capture of the murderess.
| h | 16. The slaying of the usurper.

1 Athaliah. For genealogy see Ap. 55.

she arose, &c. Another of the ten occasions of deaths being caused by a woman. See note on Judg. 4. 21. destroyed: or thought she did. They were left for dead.

2 Jehosheba. She was the wife of Jehoiada, the high priest (2 Chron. 22. 11); Jehoiada being brother-in-law to Ahaziah (2 Chron. 22. 11), and therefore uncle to Joash. from among. Expressive words, pointing to our Joash, raised from the dead and now hidden in the house of God on high; and we with Him (Col. 3. 1-3).

3 hid in the house of the LORD. This was the safest possible place: for it had been broken up, and everything removed to the house of Baal (2 Chron. 24. 7) The Temple courts were deserted. Hence, Jehoiada and the priests were plotting for the restoration of the rightful heir. See note on Libnah, 8. 22.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. six years. The number of man's defiance and disorder. See Ap. 10.

4 Jehoiada. See note on Jehosheba, v. 2. rulers. For their names see 2 Chron. 23. 1.

the king's son. Cp. 2 Chron. 23. 3.

5 that enter in - must come inside.

shall even be - and must be.

6 shall be = must be.

8 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

9 men. Heb. 'enōsh. Ap. 14. III.

10 king David's. All prepared by him against such a day as this (2 Sam. 8. 7).

12 gave him. The Fig. Zeugma (Ap. 6), by which the second verb has to be thus supplied. testimony. See note on Ex. 17. 14, and Ap. 47.

14 behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

a pillar - the pillar.

Treason, Treason. Fig. Epizeuxis (Ap. 6), for great emphasis.

16 laid hands on her = made way for her.

11. 17-12. 21 (G², above). JOASH. (Introversion.)

G² | m | 11. 17-21. Conspiracy of Athaliah. Defeated.
| n | 12. 1. Joash. Accession.
| o | p¹ | 12. 2, 3. Personal. Well-doing.
| | p² | 12. 4-16. Ecclesiastical. Reform.
| | p³ | 12. 17, 18. Political. Invasion.
| n | 12. 19. Joash. Record.
| m | 12. 20, 21. Conspiracy of servants. Successful.

her kill with the sword." For the priest had said, "Let her not be slain in the house of °the LORD."

16 And they °laid hands on her; and she went by the way by the which the horses came into the king's house: and there was she slain.

17 And Jehoiada made a covenant between °the LORD and the king and the People, that they should be °the LORD'S People; between the king also and the People.

18 And all the People of the land went into

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the °house of Baal, and brake it down; his altars and his images brake they in pieces thoroughly, and slew Mattan the priest of Baal before the altars. And the priest appointed officers over the house of °the LORD.

19 And he took the rulers over hundreds, and the captains, and the guard, and all the People of the land; and they brought down the king from the house of °the LORD, and came by the way of the gate of the guard to the king's house. And he sat on the throne of the kings.

20 And all the People of the °land rejoiced, and the °city was in quiet: and they slew Athaliah with the sword °beside the king's house.

21 Seven years old was Jehoash when he began to reign.

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12 In the seventh year of Jehu Jehoash began to reign; and forty years reigned he in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Zibiah of Beer-sheba.

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2 And Jehoash did *that which* was right in the sight of °the LORD °all his days wherein °Jehoiada the priest instructed him.

3 But the high places were not taken away: the People still sacrificed and burnt incense in °the high places.

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4 And Jehoash said to °the priests, "All the money of the °dedicated things that is brought into the house of °the LORD, *even* the money of °every one that passeth °the account, the money °that every man is set at, and all the money that cometh into °any man's heart to bring into the house of °the LORD,

5 Let °the priests take *it* to them, °every man of his acquaintance: and let them repair the breaches of the house, wheresoever any breach shall be found."

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6 But it was *so, that* in the three and twentieth year of king Jehoash the priests had not repaired the breaches of the house.

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7 Then king Jehoash called for Jehoiada the priest, and the *other* priests, and said unto them, "Why repair ye not the breaches of the house? now therefore receive no *more* money of your acquaintance, but deliver it for the breaches of the house."

8 And °the priests consented to receive no *more* money of the people, neither to repair the breaches of the house.

9 But Jehoiada the priest took a chest, and °bored a hole in the lid of it, and set it beside the altar, on the right side as °one cometh into the house of °the LORD: and °the priests that kept the door put therein all the money *that* was brought into the house of °the LORD.

10 And it was *so*, when they saw that *there* was much money in the chest, that the king's scribe and the high priest came up, and they put up in bags, and °told the money that was found in the house of °the LORD.

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11 And they gave the money, °being told, into the hands of them that did the work, that had the oversight of the house of °the LORD: and they laid it out to the carpenters and builders, that wrought upon the house of °the LORD,

18 house of Baal. Built by Jehoram and Athaliah (2 Chron. 24. 7).

20 land rejoiced. } When? When the usurper had city was in quiet. } been cast out, and slain. So shall it be when judgment shall be executed on the "prince" and "god" of this world (Rev. 19. 1, 2, 7). beside the king's house = in the king's house.

12. 2 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. all his days: i.e. all the days of Jehoiada. Cp. 2 Chron. 24. 14-18.

Jehoiada. His uncle. See note on Jehosheba, 11. 2. 3 the high places. They were first abolished by Hezekiah, and then (after their revival by Manasseh) by Josiah. Note the Fig. *Epanadiplosis*. Ap. 6.

12. 4-16 (p², p. 505). ECCLESIASTICAL REFORM. (Alternation.)

p² | q | 4, 5. Money. Command.
r | 6. Neglect.
q | 7-10. Money. Obedience.
r | 11-16. Attention.

4 the priests. See note on Libnah, 8. 22.

dedicated = sacred. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

every one. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

the account. These italics are not needed. Heb. 'ābar = to pass over.

that every man, &c. Heb. "of the souls (= persons. Heb. *nepesh*. Ap. 13) of his [the priest's] valuation" (Lev. 27. 2-8). any man's. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14.

8 consented = acquiesced. Heb. 'ōth, a rare word, occurring only here and Gen. 34. 15, 22, 23.

9 bored a hole. There were two chests made on account of the slackness of the priests. The first by Jehoiada named here (in Kings), beside the altar of burnt-offering in the court. The other at the king's commandment without a hole bored (in 2 Chron. 24. 8, 14), outside "at the gate". In the former there was not room enough for the vessels of the house; in the latter there was abundance for all.

10 told = counted.

11 being told = being weighed or balanced.

15 men. Heb. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

16 trespass. Heb. 'āshāh. Ap. 44. ii.

sin. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

17 Gath. One of the five Philistine cities, to reach which Hazael must have passed through Israel. Probably connected with his attacks on Jehu and Jehoahaz (10. 32; 13. 3, 4). to = against.

18 hallowed = set apart. Heb. *qodesh*. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

12 And to masons, and hewers of stone, and to buy timber and hewed stone to repair the breaches of the house of °the LORD, and for all that was laid out for the house to repair *it*.

13 Howbeit there were not made for the house of °the LORD bowls of silver, snuffers, basons, trumpets, any vessels of gold, or vessels of silver, of the money *that* was brought into the house of °the LORD:

14 But they gave that to the workmen, and repaired therewith the house of °the LORD.

15 Moreover they reckoned not with the °men, into whose hand they delivered the money to be bestowed on workmen: for they dealt faithfully.

16 The °trespass money and °sin money was not brought into the house of °the LORD: it was the priests'.

17 Then Hazael king of Syria went up, and fought against °Gath, and took it: and Hazael set his face to go up °to Jerusalem.

18 And Jehoash king of Judah took all the °hallowed things that Jehoshaphat, and Jeho-

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782 ram, and Ahaziah, his fathers, kings of Judah, had dedicated, and his own °hallowed things, and all the gold that was found in the °treasures of the house of °the LORD, and in the king's house, and sent it to Hazael king of Syria: and he went away from Jerusalem.

k (p. 505) 19 And °the rest of the acts of Joash, and all that he did, °are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

m 20 And his servants arose, and made a conspiracy, and °slew Joash in the house of °Millo, which goeth down to Silla.

742 21 For Jozachar the son of Shimeath, and Jehozabad the son of Shomer, his servants, smote him, and he died; and they buried him with his fathers in the city of David: and Amaziah his son reigned in his stead.

E⁵ H¹ s (p. 506) 759-742 **13** IN the °three and twentieth year of Joash the son of Ahaziah king of Judah Jehoahaz the son of Jehu began to reign over Israel in Samaria, and reigned seventeen years.

t 2 And he did that which was °evil in the sight of °the LORD, and followed the °sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, which °made Israel to sin; he departed not therefrom.

t 3 And the anger of °the LORD was kindled against Israel, and He delivered them into the hand of Hazael king of Syria, and into the hand of Ben-hadad the son of Hazael, °all their days.

4 And Jehoahaz besought °the LORD, and °the LORD hearkened unto him: for He saw the oppression of Israel, because the king of Syria oppressed them.

5 (°And °the LORD gave Israel °a saviour, so that they went out from under the hand of the Syrians: and the °children of Israel dwelt in their tents, as beforetime.

6 Nevertheless they departed not from the °sins °of the house of Jeroboam, who °made Israel °sin, but °walked °therein: and there °remained °the grove also in Samaria.)

7 Neither did He leave of the People to Jehoahaz but fifty horsemen, and ten chariots, and ten thousand footmen; for the king of Syria had destroyed them, and had made them °like the dust by threshing.

s 8 Now the rest of the acts of Jehoahaz, and all that he did, and his might, °are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

9 And Jehoahaz °slept with his fathers; and they buried him in Samaria: and °Joash his son reigned °in his stead.

H² u 745 to 729 10 In the °thirty and seventh year of Joash king of Judah began Jehoash the son of Jehoahaz to reign °over Israel in Samaria, and reigned sixteen years.

v 11 And he did that which was °evil in the sight of °the LORD; he departed not from all the °sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who °made Israel sin: but he °walked °therein.

u 12 And the rest of the acts of Joash, and all that he did, and his might wherewith he fought against Amaziah king of Judah, °are they not

treasures = treasures.

19 the rest of the acts of Joash. His punishment is recorded in Kings; the causes of it are found in Chronicles. See note on "Kings" (p. 446). See the esoteric causes in 2 Chron. 24. 25.

are they not . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

20 slew Joash. See note on 8. 26.

Millo. See note on 1 Kings 9. 15. "The house" would be in connection with it.

13. 1-25 (E⁵, p. 446). ISRAEL. (*Division*.)

E⁵ | H¹ | 1-9. Jehoahaz.
| H² | 10-25. Jehoash.

1-9 (H¹, above). JEHOAHAZ. (*Introversion*.)

H¹ | s | 1. Introduction.
| t | 2. Events. Personal.
| t | 3-7. Events. Political.
| s | 8, 9. Conclusion.

1 three and twentieth year. See note on v. 10.

2 evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

sins. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

made Israel to sin. See note on 1 Kings 14. 16.

3 all their days. Supply Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), by reading "all [his] days". Cp. vv. 22-25.

5 And the LORD = And Jehovah. Note the parenthesis of vv. 5 and 6.

a saviour. Some think an angel; some, Elisha; some, a general of Jehoahaz. Cp. v. 25; 14. 27.

children = sons.

6 of the house of. Some codices, with Aram. and Syr., omit these words.

walked. Heb. "he [Israel] walked".

therein. Heb. in it: i.e. in Jeroboam's way; but some codices, with Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "in them". remained = stood.

the grove = the 'Ashērah. See Ap. 42.

like the dust, &c. A powerful emblem, true to Eastern life.

8 are they not . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

9 slept with his fathers. See note on Deut. 31. 16. Joash, or Jehoash. in his stead: i.e. alone.

10-25 (H², above). JEHOASH. (*Alternation*.)

H² | u | 10. Introduction.
| v | 11. Events. Personal.
| u | 12, 13. Conclusion.
| v | 14-25. Events. Political.

10 thirty and seventh. Joash (of Israel) became king in the thirty-seventh year of Joash (of Judah). Amaziah, son of Joash (of Judah), became king in the second year of Joash (of Israel), 14. 1. Therefore Amaziah became associate king in the thirty-ninth year of Joash of Judah: i.e. one year before Joash died, for he "reigned forty years in Jerusalem" (2 Chron. 24. 1). The cause of Amaziah's kingship in Joash's lifetime is not named in Kings, but we see it in the "diseases" of 2 Chron. 24. 25.

over: i.e. in consort with his father. Cp. 14. 1.

13 Jeroboam. Usually known as Jeroboam II.

14-25 (v, above). EVENTS. POLITICAL. (*Division*.)

v | w¹ | 14-21. Domestic.
| w² | 22-25. Foreign.

14 sick of his sickness. Fig. *Polyptōton*. Ap. 6. Elisha's long ministry of sixty-six years was now drawing to a close, after forty-five years' silence. We hear of no sickness of Elijah.

written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

13 And Joash °slept with his fathers; and °Jeroboam sat upon his throne: and Joash was buried in Samaria with the kings of Israel.

14 Now Elisha was fallen °sick of his sickness whereof he died. And Joash the king of

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Israel came down unto him, and wept over his face, and said, "O my father, ° my father, ° the chariot of Israel, and the horsemen thereof."

15 And Elisha said unto him, "Take bow and arrows." And he took unto him bow and arrows.

16 And he said to the king of Israel, "Put thine hand upon the bow." And he put his hand upon it: and Elisha put his hands upon the king's hands.

17 And he said, "Open the window eastward." And he opened it. Then Elisha said, "Shoot." And he shot. And he said, ° "The arrow of ° the LORD'S deliverance, and the arrow of deliverance from Syria: for thou shalt smite the Syrians in Aphek, till thou have consumed them."

18 And he said, "Take the arrows." And he took them. And he said unto the king of Israel, "Smite upon the ground." And he smote thrice, and stayed.

19 And the ° man of ° God was wroth with him, and said, "Thou shouldest have smitten five or six times; then hadst thou smitten Syria till thou hadst consumed it: whereas now thou shalt smite Syria but thrice."

20 And Elisha ° died, and they buried him. And the bands of the Moabites invaded the land at the ° coming in of the year.

21 And it came to pass, as ° they were burying a ° man, that, ° behold, they spied a band of men; and they cast the ° man into the sepulchre of Elisha: and when the ° man was let down, and touched the bones of Elisha, ° he revived, and stood up on his feet.

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22 But Hazael king of Syria oppressed Israel all the days of Jehoahaz.

23 ° And ° the LORD was gracious unto them, ° and had compassion on them, ° and had respect unto them, because of His covenant with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, and would not destroy them, neither cast He them from His presence as yet.

24 So Hazael king of Syria died; and ° Ben-hadad his son reigned in his stead.

25 And Jehoash the son of Jehoahaz took again out of the hand of Ben-hadad the son of Hazael the cities, which he had taken out of the hand of Jehoahaz his father ° by war. ° Three times did Joash beat him, and recovered the cities of Israel.

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14 In the ° second year of Joash son of Jehoahaz king of Israel reigned Amaziah the son of Joash king of Judah.

2 He was twenty and five years old when he began to reign, and reigned twenty and nine years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Jehoaddan of Jerusalem.

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3 And he did that which was right in the sight of ° the LORD, yet not like David his father: he did according to all things ° as Joash his father did.

4 Howbeit ° the high places were not taken away: as yet the People did sacrifice and burnt incense on the high places.

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5 And it came to pass, as soon as the kingdom was confirmed in his hand, that he slew his servants which had slain the king his father.

my father. Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6. the chariot of Israel. A memory of 2. 12, wondering whether his end would be like Elijah's.

17 The arrow of the LORD'S deliverance. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6. The arrow put for the deliverance Jehovah would give.

19 man of God. See Ap. 49.

God. Heb. *Elohim* with Art. Ap. 4. I.

20 died. He was called in the days of Ahab (1 Kings 19. 19), and ministered fifty years.

coming in of the year: i. e. the spring. Cp. 2 Sam. 11. 1.

21 they: prob. those who were evading the Moabite marauders.

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14.

behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

he revived - he lived. The sixteenth miracle. See note on 2. 15.

23 And = But.

and had. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton*. Ap. 6.

24 Ben-hadad. Probably the third of that name. Cp. 1 Kings 15. 18; 20. 1.

25 by war - in the war.

Three times. According to v. 18.

14. 1-22 (F⁵, p. 446). JUDAH. (Division.)

F⁵ | J¹ | 1-20. Amaziah.

| J² | 21, 22. Uzziah, or Azariah.

1-20 (J¹, above). AMAZIAH. (Introversion.)

J¹ | K | 1, 2. Introduction.

| L | 3, 4. Events. Personal.

| L | 5-14. Events. Political.

| K | 15-20. Conclusion.

1 second year of Joash. According to 13. 10, Joash (king of Israel) began to reign in the thirty-seventh year of Joash (king of Judah). If Amaziah began in the second year of Joash (king of Israel), he would have reigned only thirty-nine years. But he reigned forty (12. 1). All depends on mode of reckoning from Nisan, and counting parts of years for complete years. This would at once explain the difference. See Ap. 50. V, p. 58. Our difficulty, as usual, arises from our ignorance.

3 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4.

as Joash his father. He began well and ended badly.

4 the high places. See 1 Kings 15. 14.

5-14 (L, above). EVENTS. POLITICAL. (Division.)

L | M¹ | 5, 6. Domestic.

| M² | 7-14. Foreign.

6 children - sons.

written in the book of the law of Moses. See note on Ex. 17. 14, and Ap. 47.

every man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

sin. Heb. *ch'at'a'*. Ap. 44. I.

7-14 (M², above). FOREIGN. (Introversion.)

M² | w | 7. Victory over Edom.

| x | 8. Jehoash. Message to.

| x | 9, 10. Jehoash. Reply from.

| w | 11-14. Defeat by Israel.

7 He slew. The account in Chronicles supplies additional particulars. See 2 Chron. 25. 5-11.

6 But the ° children of the murderers he slew not: according unto that which is ° written in the book of the law of Moses, wherein ° the LORD commanded, saying, "The fathers shall not be put to death for the ° children, nor the ° children be put to death for the fathers; but ° every man shall be put to death for his own ° sin."

7 ° He slew of Edom in the valley of salt ten thousand, and took Selah by war, and called the name of it Joktheel unto this day.

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x (p. 508) 743-714 8 Then Amaziah sent messengers to Jehoash, the son of Jehoahaz son of Jehu, king of Israel, saying, "Come, let us ° look one another in the face."

x 9 And Jehoash the king of Israel sent to Amaziah king of Judah, saying, "The thistle that was in Lebanon ° sent to the cedar that was in Lebanon, saying, 'Give thy daughter to my son to wife:' and there passed by a wild beast that was in Lebanon, and trode down the thistle."

10 Thou hast indeed smitten Edom, and thine heart hath lifted thee up: glory of this, and tarry at home: for why shouldest thou meddle to thy hurt, that thou shouldest fall, even thou, and Judah with thee?"

w 11 But Amaziah would not hear. Therefore Jehoash king of Israel went up; and he and Amaziah king of Judah ° looked one another in the face at ° Beth-shemesh, which belongeth to Judah.

12 And Judah was ° put to the worse before Israel; and they fled ° every man to their tents.

13 And Jehoash king of Israel took Amaziah king of Judah, the son of Jehoash the son of Ahaziah, at Beth-shemesh, and came to Jerusalem, and brake down the wall of Jerusalem from the gate of Ephraim unto the corner gate, four hundred ° cubits.

14 And he took all the gold and silver, ° and all the vessels that were found in the house of ° the LORD, and in the treasures of the king's house, and ° hostages, and returned to Samaria.

K 15 Now the rest of the acts of Jehoash ° which he did, and his might, and how he fought with Amaziah king of Judah, ° are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

16 And Jehoash slept with his fathers, and was buried in Samaria with the kings of Israel; and Jeroboam his son reigned in his stead.

729 to 714 17 And Amaziah the son of Joash king of Judah lived after the death of Jehoash son of Jehoahaz king of Israel ° fifteen years.

18 And the rest of the acts of Amaziah, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

19 Now they made a conspiracy against him in Jerusalem: and he fled to ° Lachish; but they sent after him to Lachish, and ° slew him there.

20 And they brought him on horses: and he was buried at Jerusalem with his fathers in the city of David.

J² y (p. 509) 21 And all the people of Judah took ° Azariah, which was ° sixteen years old, and made him king instead of his father Amaziah.

z y 22 He ° built ° Elath, and restored it to Judah, after that the king ° slept with his fathers.

E⁶ a 728 to 687 23 In the fifteenth year of Amaziah the son of Joash king of Judah Jeroboam the son of Joash king ° of Israel began to reign in Samaria, and reigned ° forty and one years.

b 24 And he did that which was evil in the sight of ° the LORD: he departed not from all the ° sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who ° made Israel to ° sin.

8 look one another, &c. Fig. *Tapeinosis* (Ap. 6), meaning very much more (vv. 11, 12).

9 The thistle, or briar or thorn. Heb. *choch*, rendered *thistle* here, and in 2 Chron. 25. 18. Job 31. 40; *thorn* in 2 Chron. 33. 11. Job 41. 2. Prov. 26. 9. Song 2. 2. Hos. 9. 6; and *bramble* in Isa. 34. 13.

sent. For a similar fable, see Judg. 9. 8. Fig. *Prosopopœia*. Ap. 6.

11 Beth-shemesh = house of the sun, on frontier of Judah and Dan, fifteen miles west of Jerusalem (Josh. 15. 10). Now *Ain Shems*. A city of the priests (Josh. 21. 9, 13, 16). Afterward associated with idolatry, and now with defeat.

12 put to the worse = smitten.

every man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

13 cubits. See Ap. 51. III. 2.

14 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton*. Ap. 6.

hostages. Heb. sons of the securities. Occurs only here and in 2 Chron. 25. 24.

15 which he did. Some codices, with Syr., read "and all that he did".

are they not...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

17 fifteen years: i.e. from 729-714. See Ap. 50. V, p. 58.

19 Lachish. On the Philistine border in Judah (Josh. 15. 39). Now *Tel-el-Hesi*, and recently excavated with important results.

slew him there. See note on 8. 26.

14. 21, 22 (J², p. 508). UZZIAH, OR AZARIAH. (*Introversion*.)

J² | y | 21. Introduction. Accession.

z | 22-. Events.

y | -22. Conclusion. Father's death.

21 Azariah. Called also Uziah (15. 13, 30, 32. 2 Chron. 26. 1. Isa. 1. 1; 6. 1. Hos. 1. 1. Amos 1. 1. Zech. 14. 5). In Chronicles called Azariah (1 Chron. 3. 12). These different names are common, having the same or similar meanings.

sixteen years: i.e. when "made" king. Only three years old at his father's death. See note on 15. 1.

22 built = rebuilt or fortified. This implies the subjugation of Edom.

Elath. On the Red Sea. Cp. 1 Kings 9. 26, and, for its eventual loss, 2 Kings 16. 6.

slept with his fathers. See note on Deut. 31. 16.

23 29 (E⁶, p. 446). ISRAEL. JEROBOAM II. (*Introversion*.)

E⁶ | a | 23. Introduction. Accession.

b | 24. Events. Personal.

b | 25-27. Events. Political.

a | 28, 29. Conclusion. Death.

23 of Israel. Some codices, with one early printed edition, and Sept., read "over Israel".

forty and one years. See note on 15. 8.

24 made Israel to sin. See note on 1 Kings 14. 16.

25 coast = border, or boundary.

entering of Hamath. The pass between Lebanon and Hermon. the sea of the plain. The Dead Sea.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

Jonah. Named by the Lord Jesus (Matt. 12. 39, 40).

26 not any shut up, nor any left = not any [place] strengthened or fortified. See note on Ex. 23. 5. Deut. 32. 36. 1 Kings 14. 10.

25 He restored the ° coast of Israel from the ° entering of Hamath unto ° the sea of the plain, according to the word of ° the LORD ° God of Israel, which He spake by the hand of His servant ° Jonah, the son of Amittai, the prophet, which was of Gath-hepher.

26 For ° the LORD saw the affliction of Israel, that it was very bitter: for there was ° not any shut up, nor any left, nor any helper for Israel.

27 And ° the LORD said not that He would

blot out the name of Israel from under heaven : but He saved them by the hand of Jeroboam the son of Joash.

^a 28 Now the rest of the acts of Jeroboam, and all that he did, and his might, how he warred, and how he recovered Damascus, and Hamath, which belonged to Judah, for Israel, ¹⁵ are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel ?

687 29 And Jeroboam ²² slept with his fathers, even with the kings of Israel ; and Zachariah his son ^o reigned in his stead.

^{F⁶ c} (p. 510) 15 In the ^o twenty and seventh year of Jeroboam king of Israel began ^o Azariah son of Amaziah king of Judah to reign.

2 Sixteen years old was he when he began to reign, and he reigned two and fifty years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Jeholiah of Jerusalem.

^d 3 And he did that which was right in the sight of ^o the LORD, ^o according to all that his father Amaziah had done ;

4 ^o Save that the high places were not removed : the People sacrificed and burnt incense still on the high places.

^d 5 And ^o the LORD smote the king, so that he was ^o a leper unto the day of his death, and dwelt in ^o a several house. And Jotham the king's son was ^o over the house, judging the People of the land.

^c 6 And ^o the rest of the acts of Azariah, and all that he did, ^o are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah ?

7 So ^o Azariah ^o slept with his fathers ; and they buried him with his fathers in the city of David : and ^o Jotham his son reigned ^o in his stead.

^{F⁷ N¹ e} 663 8 In the ^o thirty and eighth year of Azariah king of Judah did Zachariah the son of Jeroboam reign over Israel in Samaria six months.

^f 9 And he did that which was ^o evil in the sight of ³ the LORD, ^o as his fathers had done : he departed not from the ^o sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who ^o made Israel to ^o sin.

^f 10 And Shallum the son of Jabesh conspired against him, ^o and ^o smote him before the People, and slew him, and reigned in his stead.

^e 11 And the rest of the acts of Zachariah, ^o behold, they are written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel.

12 This was the word of ³ the LORD which ^o He spake unto Jehu, saying, " Thy sons shall sit on the throne of Israel unto the fourth generation." And so it came to pass.

28 recovered Damascus, and Hamath. Both were included in Solomon's kingdom (1 Kings 4. 21). Damascus lost to Rezin (1 Kings 11. 23-25). This recovery did not last long. See Amos 1. 3.

29 reigned. After an interregnum of eleven years. See 2 Kings 15. 8.

15. 1-7 (^{F⁶}, p. 446). JUDAH. UZZIAH.
(Introversion.)

^{F⁶} c | 1, 2. Introduction. Accession.

d | 3, 4. Events. Personal.

d | 5. Events. Political.

c | 6, 7. Conclusion. Death.

1 twenty and seventh year. So in 2 Chron. 26. 1-3. Azariah being then sixteen (v. 2), and therefore only three on the death of his father Amaziah. Hence, there were thirteen years interregnum (16-3=13). Amaziah died in the fourteenth year of Jeroboam. Therefore Azariah began to reign in the twenty-seventh year of Jeroboam (13+14=27). This is the twenty-seventh year of Jeroboam's partnership with his father on his going to the Syrian wars.

Azariah = Uzziah. See note on 14. 21.

3 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. according to all : i. e. he began well, but see 2 Chron. 26. 3-23.

4 Save that. Cp. 1 Kings 12. 31.

5 the LORD smote = Jehovah smote. Chronicles comes in here to explain why. See 2 Chron. 26. 16-21, and note on "Kings" in title of 1 Kings (p. 447).

a leper. One of nine afflicted with leprosy. See note on Ex. 4. 6. No reason is given here, but it is given in Chronicles according to the object of the latter book. See note above.

several house = a lazar house. See note on v. 7.

over the house, or palace : i. e. the king's house, as regent or co-regent.

6 the rest of the acts. For details see 2 Chron. 26. 1-15. The writings of HOSEA, JOEL, AMOS, and JONAH belong to this period : from the latter days of Joash (king of Judah) to the end of Uzziah. See the notes on the events in these reigns in their respective prophecies. They foretell the doom of Judah.

are they not . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

7 Azariah. In the year of his death (649) Isaiah had his vision (Isa. 6. 1-9. John 12. 41), when the "voice" from the Temple prophesied the Dispersion (see the Structure of Isaiah). Uzziah had been driven from the Temple to a lazar house, when Isaiah saw the vision of the Temple in heaven.

slept with his fathers. See note on Deut. 31. 16.

Jotham. The first-named of the four kings in whose reigns Isaiah prophesied (Isa. 1. 1). Micah also began to prophesy and mourn over the coming dispersion of Israel.

in his stead. There had been an interregnum of eleven or twelve years.

8-31 (^{F⁷}, p. 446). ISRAEL.
(Division.)

^{F⁷} N¹ | 8-12. Zachariah.

N² | 13-16. Shallum.

N³ | 17-22. Menahem.

N⁴ | 23-26. Pekahiah.

N⁵ | 27-31. Pekah.

8-12 (N¹, above). ZACHARIAH. (Introversion.)

N¹ e | 8. Introduction. Accession.

f | 9. Events. Personal.

f | 10. Events. Political.

e | 11, 12. Conclusion. Record and death.

8 thirty and eighth year. Cp. with 14. 29. Jeroboam died in the fourteenth year of Azariah (or Uzziah). There must have been an interregnum of twenty-four years. See Ap. 50. V, p. 59, and note on 15. 1.

9 evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii. as = according as. sins. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i. made Israel to sin. See note on 1 Kings 14. 16. 10 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton*. Ap. 6. smote him : as prophesied (Amos 7. 9). 11 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6. 12 He spake. Cp. 10. 30 and Hos. 1. 4.

N² g (p. 511) 662 13 Shallum the son of Jabesh began to reign in the nine and thirtieth year of °Uzziah king of Judah; and he reigned a full month in Samaria.

h 14 For Menahem the son of Gadi went up from °Tirzah, and came to Samaria, and smote Shallum the son of Jabesh in Samaria, and slew him, and reigned in his stead.

g 15 And the rest of the acts of Shallum, and his conspiracy which he made, ¹¹ behold, they are written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel.

h 16 Then Menahem smote Tiphseh, and all that were therein, and the coasts thereof from °Tirzah: because they opened not to him, therefore he smote it; and all the women therein that were with child he ripped up.

N³ i 662 to 652 17 In the nine and thirtieth year of °Azariah king of Judah began °Menahem the son of Gadi to reign over Israel, and reigned ten years in Samaria.

k 18 And he did that which was °evil in the sight of °the LORD: he departed not all his days from °the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who °made Israel to sin.

k 19 And °Pul the king of Assyria °came against the land: and Menahem gave Pul a thousand °talents of silver, that his hand might be with him to confirm the kingdom in his hand.

20 And Menahem °exactd the money of Israel, even of all the mighty men of wealth, of each °man fifty °shekels of silver, to give to the king of Assyria. So the king of Assyria turned back, and stayed not °there in the land.

i 21 And the rest of the acts of Menahem, and all that he did, °are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

22 And Menahem °slept with his fathers; and Pekahiah his son reigned in his stead.

N⁴ l 651 to 649 23 In the °fiftieth year of Azariah king of Judah Pekahiah the son of Menahem began to reign over Israel in Samaria, and reigned two years.

m 24 And he did that which was °evil in the sight of °the LORD: he departed not from the °sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who °made Israel to sin.

m 25 But °Pekah the son of Remaliah, a captain of his, conspired against him, and smote him in Samaria, in the palace of the king's house, with Argob and Arieah, and with him fifty °men of the Gileadites: and he killed him, and reigned in his room.

l 26 And the rest of the acts of Pekahiah, and all that he did, ¹¹ behold, they are written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel.

N⁵ n 649 to 629 27 In the two and fiftieth year of Azariah king of Judah Pekah the son of Remaliah began to reign over Israel in Samaria, and reigned °twenty years.

o 28 And he did that which was °evil in the sight of °the LORD: he departed not from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who °made Israel to sin.

15. 13-16 (N², p. 510). SHALLUM. (Alternation.)

N² g | 13. Introduction. Accession.
h | 14. Event. Personal.
g | 15. Conclusion. Record.
h | 16. Events. Political.

13 Uzziah. See note on 14. 21.

14 Tirzah. The capital before Samaria (1 Kings 14. 17; 15. 21; 16. 8). Now Telluzah, about nine miles north of Samaria.

17-22 (N³, p. 510). MENAHEM. (Introversion.)

N³ i | 17. Introduction. Accession.
k | 18. Events. Personal.
k | 19, 20. Events. Political.
i | 21, 22. Conclusion. Record. Death.

17 Azariah. See note on 14. 21.

Menahem. Their names are mentioned, together with Rezin (16. 9), in Tiglath-pileser's inscriptions.

18 the sins. Some codices, with Aram. and Sept., read "any of the sins". See note on 1 Kings 14. 16.

19 Pul. Thought to be the same as Tiglath-pileser (a throne name). But see 1 Chron. 5. 26.

came against. Probably at invitation of Menahem. Cp. Hos. 5. 13; 7. 11; 8. 9.

talents. See Ap. 51. II. 6.

20 exactd. Judah usually bought off foreign invaders (12. 18; 16. 8; 18. 15).

man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

shekels. See Ap. 51. II. 5.

there = then. Heb. sham. Cp. Judg. 5. 11. Ps. 14. 5.

23-26 (N⁴, p. 510). PEKAHIAH. (Introversion.)

N⁴ l | 23. Introduction. Accession.
m | 24. Events.
m | 25. Events.
l | 26. Conclusion. Record.

23 fiftieth year. From v. 17 there appears to be an interregnum of some months.

25 Pekah. Cp. Isa. 7. 1.

27-31 (N⁵, p. 510). PEKAH. (Introversion.)

N⁵ n | 27. Introduction. Accession.
o | 28. Events. Personal.
o | 29, 30. Events. Political.
n | 31. Conclusion. Record.

27 twenty years. See Ap. 50. V, p. 59. The Assyrian inscription shows only four years. But why is writing on stone always assumed to be correct, and on parchment, always wrong? There were two chronological mistakes on the Duke of Cambridge's monument erected in Whitehall, London, which were the subject of a correspondence in the London newspapers of that date. (The Duke died in March, 1904.) On the coffin-plate of King Edward VII, his death is put as occurring in the "ninth" instead of in the "tenth" year of his reign. In the inscription of DARIUS HYSTASPIS on the Behistun Rock (see Ap. 57), no less than fourteen "mistakes" made by the graver (one of them actually corrected by himself) are noted as such by the authors of the exhaustive work on that subject issued by the Trustees of the British Museum.

29 Tiglath pileser. See note on "Pul", v. 19.

Abel-beth-maachah . . . Gilead. These names are mentioned in Tiglath's own inscriptions.

carried them captive. This deportation took place in 734 B.C., and is referred to in Isa. 9. 1, 2.

29 In the days of Pekah king of Israel came °Tiglath-pileser king of Assyria, and took Ijon, and °Abel-beth-maachah, and Janoah, and Kedesh, and Hazor, and °Gilead, and Galilee, all the land of Naphtali, and °carried them captive to Assyria.

30 And Hoshea the son of Elah made a conspiracy against Pekah the son of Remaliah, °and smote him, and slew him, (and reigned in

his stead,) in the °twentieth year of Jotham the son of Uzziah.

ⁿ (p. 511) **F⁷ O¹ p** 31 And the rest of the acts of Pekah, and all that he did, ¹¹ behold, they *are* written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel.

F⁷ O¹ p (p. 512) 32 In the second year of Pekah the son of Remaliah king of Israel began ⁷Jotham the son of Uzziah king of Judah to reign.

33 Five and twenty years old was he when he began to reign, and he reigned °sixteen years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Jerusha, the daughter of °Zadok.

^q 34 And he did *that which* was right in the sight of ³the LORD: he did according to °all that his father Uzziah had done.

^r 35 Howbeit the high places were not removed: the People sacrificed and burned incense still in the high places. °He built the higher gate of the house of ³the LORD.

^r 36 Now °the rest of the acts of Jotham, and all that he did, °are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

^q 37 In those days ³the LORD began to send against Judah °Rezin the king of Syria, and Pekah the son of Remaliah.

^p 38 And Jotham ⁷slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David his father: and Ahaz his son reigned in his stead.

^{O² s} 632 **16** In the seventeenth year of Pekah the son of Remaliah °Ahaz the son of Jotham king of Judah began to reign.

616 ² Twenty years old was Ahaz when he began to reign, and reigned °sixteen years in Jerusalem,

^t and did not *that which* was right in the sight of °the LORD his °God, like David his father.

3 But °he walked in the way of the kings of Israel, yea, and made his °son °to pass through the fire, according to the abominations of the °heathen, whom ²the LORD cast out from before the °children of Israel.

4 And he sacrificed and burnt incense in the high places, and on the hills, and under every green tree.

^u 5 Then °Rezin king of Syria and Pekah son of Remaliah king of Israel °came up to Jerusalem to war: and they besieged Ahaz, but °could not overcome *him*.

6 At that time Rezin king of Syria recovered Elath to °Syria, and drove the Jews from °Elath: and the °Syrians came to Elath, and dwelt there unto this day.

7 So Ahaz °sent messengers to Tiglath-pileser king of Assyria, saying, *I am thy servant and thy son: come up, and save me out of the hand of the king of Syria, and out of the hand of the king of Israel, which rise up against me.*

8 And Ahaz took the silver and gold that was found in the °house of ³the LORD, and in the treasures of the king's house, and sent *it for* °a present to the king of Assyria.

6 Syria. Probably Edom (for *Aram*). See note below.

7 sent messengers. This was opposed by Isaiah (7. 17). Tiglath-pileser is the "razor" of Isa. 7. 20. and Sept., read "treasures of the house". as tribute.

twentieth year, i.e. in 629. This was nine years before he succeeded in obtaining the throne, which was in the twelfth year of Ahaz (17. 1). In v. 33, sixteen years. So this twentieth year must be reckoned from his father's being struck with leprosy, as distinctly stated in v. 5.

15. 32—16. 20 (**F⁷**, p. 446). JUDAH. (*Division*.)

F⁷ | O¹ | 15. 32—38. Jotham.
| O² | 16. 1—20. Ahaz.

32—38 (O¹, above). JOTHAM. (*Introversion*.)

O¹ | p | 32, 33. Introduction.
| q | 34. Events. Personal.
| r | 35. Events. Public.
| r | 36. Events. Public.
| q | 37. Event. Personal.
| p | 38. Conclusion.

33 sixteen years: i.e. from his accession, on the death of Uzziah his father, for whom he reigned four years. See note on v. 30 above.

Zadok. The high priest (1 Chron. 6. 12). Perhaps this was why he invaded the priests' office.

34 all: i.e. all [the good].

35 He built. Cp. 2 Chron. 27. 3.

36 the rest. Cp. 2 Chron. 27. 2-8.

are they not . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

37 Rezin. The war which broke out in the reign of Ahaz was already threatening. Cp. Isa. 7. 1-16.

16. 1-20 (O², above). AHAZ. (*Introversion*.)

O² | s | 1, 2-. Introduction. Accession.
| t | 2-4. Personal. Apostasy.
| u | 5-9. Events. Political.
| t | 10-18. Personal. Apostasy.
| s | 19, 20. Conclusion. Record and death.

1 Ahaz. One of the four kings in whose reign Isaiah prophesied. Cp. 2 Chron. 28. 1. Isa. 1. 1.

2 Twenty years old . . . sixteen. There is no reason for concluding that "there must be an error in one of the passages" (viz. 16. 2 and 18. 2), for Ahaz begins in 622 and reigns till 616. As he was twenty when he began, he was born in 652, and died when thirty-six. Hezekiah begins in 617, and reigns twenty-nine years, till 588. As he was twenty-five when he began he was therefore born in 642, and died when he was fifty-four. From this it is clear that Ahaz was between ten and eleven when his son Hezekiah was born. This sounds improbable only to Western ears. But, to Eastern ears and physiological phenomena, there is nothing unusual, and nothing to justify a conclusion that the text is corrupt—the usual excuse for ignorance of the facts.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

3 he walked. Cp. 2 Chron. 28. 2.

son. See note on 2 Chron. 28. 3.

to pass through the fire. The first king of Judah to do this. Followed in it by Manasseh (21. 6; 23. 10). Cp. Jer. 7. 31. Ezek. 20. 26, and Lev. 18. 21.

heathen = nations. **children = sons.**

5 Rezin. Cp. Isa. 7. He and Pekah are the two firebrands of Isa. 7. 4. The events in vv. 5-9 are said by some to contradict 2 Chron. 28. 5-20; but the event recorded in 2 Chron. happened the year before, directly after (2 Chron. 28. 5-20), in 631 (see Ap. 50. V, p. 59). Rezin and Pekah both attacked directly after his accession (successfully). But they confederated unsuccessfully.

came up. Pekah's design to persuade Ahaz failed; and he tried to supersede him himself ("Tabeal" being a cipher for Remaliah). Cp. Isa. 7. 6.

could not: because of the promise to David. Cp. Isa. 7. 7, 16.

Elath. It had belonged to Edom (14. 22).

8 house. Some codices, with two early printed editions, a present. Tiglath-pileser regarded it (in his inscriptions)

632 9 And the king of Assyria hearkened unto
to him: for the king of Assyria went up against
616 Damascus, and took it, and carried the people
of it captive to Kir, and slew Rezin.

t v (p. 513) 10 And king ° Ahaz went to Damascus ° to
meet Tiglath-pileser king of Assyria, and saw
an altar that was at Damascus: and king Ahaz
sent to Urijah the priest the ° fashion of the
altar, and the ° pattern of it, according to all
the workmanship thereof.

11 And ° Urijah the priest built an altar ac-
cording to all that king Ahaz had sent from
Damascus: so Urijah the priest made it against
king Ahaz came from Damascus.

12 And when the king was come from Da-
mascus, the king saw the altar: ° and the king
approached to the altar, and offered thereon.

13 12 And he ° burnt his burnt offering 12 and
his ° meat offering, and poured his drink offer-
ing, and sprinkled the blood of his peace
offerings, upon the altar.

w 14 12 And he brought also the ° brasen altar,
which was before 2 the LORD, from the fore-
front of the house, from between ° the altar and
the house of 2 the LORD, 12 and put it on the
north side of ° the altar.

v 15 12 And king Ahaz commanded 11 Urijah the
priest, saying, "Upon the ° great altar burn
the morning burnt offering, 12 and the evening
meat offering, and the king's burnt sacrifice,
and his meat offering, with the burnt offering
of all the People of the land, and their meat
offering, and their drink offerings; and sprinkle
upon it all the blood of the burnt offering, and
all the blood of the sacrifice: and the brasen
altar shall be for me ° to enquire by."

16 Thus ° did Urijah the priest, according to
all that king Ahaz commanded.

w 17 And king Ahaz cut off the borders of the
bases, and removed ° the laver from off them;
and took down ° the sea from off the brasen
oxen that were under it, and put it upon a
pavement of stones.

18 And the ° covert for the sabbath that they
had built in the house, and the king's entry
without, turned he from the house of 2 the LORD
° for the king of Assyria.

s (p. 512) 19 Now ° the rest of the acts of Ahaz ° which
616 he did, ° are they not written in the book of the
chronicles of the kings of Judah?

20 And Ahaz ° slept with his fathers, and was
° buried with his fathers ° in the city of David:
and Hezekiah his son reigned in his stead.

E⁸ P (p. 513) 620-611 17 In the ° twelfth year of Ahaz king of
Judah began Hoshea the son of Elah to
reign in Samaria over Israel ° nine years.

Q 2 And he did that which was ° evil in the sight
of ° the LORD, but ° not as the kings of Israel
that were before him.

Q 3 Against him came up Shalmaneser king of
Assyria; and Hoshea became his servant, and
gave him presents.

4 And the king of Assyria found conspiracy
in Hoshea: for he had sent messengers to ° So
king of Egypt, and brought no present to the
king of Assyria, as he had done year by year:

16. 10-18 (t, p. 512). AHAZ. PERSONAL.
APOSTASY. (Alternation.)

t v | 10-13. The Altar.
w | 14. Removal.
v | 15, 16. The Altar.
w | 17, 18. Alterations.

10 Ahaz. Called Jehoahaz in Tiglath-pileser's great
triumphal inscriptions. The first syllable of his name
dropped in Scripture, as he was unworthy of it.
to meet: and do him honour. Hence the solemn
warnings of Isa. 8. 13, 14, 19.

fashion = likeness, or sketch. pattern, or model.
11 Urijah. Perhaps the Uriah of Isa. 8. 2. His name
does not occur in the list of high priests (1 Chron.
6. 3-15). Note the emphatic repetition of "Ahaz the
king" and "Urijah the priest".

12 and. Note the Fig. Polysyndeton (Ap. 6) in vv. 12-15.
13 burnt = offered up. Ap. 43. I. vi.

burnt his burnt offering. Fig. Polyptoton (Ap. 6)
for emphasis.

meat offering = meal offering. Ap. 43. II. iii.

14 brasen altar. Cp. 1 Kings 8. 64.

the altar: i. e. the new altar.

15 great altar: i. e. the new altar.

to enquire = to consider further [what shall be done
with it]. Fig. Ellipsis. Ap. 6. Heb. *bākar*. Occurs
seven times (16. 15. Lev. 13. 36; 27. 33. Ps. 27. 4. Prov.
20. 25. Ezek. 34. 11, 12).

16 did Urijah. Unlike Azariah in 2 Chron. 26. 17, 18.

17 the laver. Cp. 1 Kings 7. 23-39. 2 Chron.
28. 24, 25. the sea. Cp. 1 Kings 7. 23-26.

18 covert = the covered way. for = because of.

19 the rest. Cp. 2 Chron. 28. 24, 25. He shut up the
house of the Lord altogether.

which. Some codices, with Aram. (MS.) and Syr.,
read "and all that".

are they not . . . ? Fig. Erotēsis. Ap. 6.

20 slept with his fathers. See note on Deut. 31. 16.
buried . . . in the city of David. But not in the
tombs of the kings. Cp. 2 Chron. 28. 27, where observe
the phrase "kings of Israel".

17. 1-41 (E⁸, p. 446). ISRAEL. HOSHEA.
(Introversion.)

E⁸ P | 1. Introduction.

Q | 2. Events. Personal. Evil-doing.

Q | 3-6. Event. Political. Captivity.

P | 7-41. Conclusion. Causes.

1 twelfth year. There was anarchy for nine years
between Pekah and Hoshea. For, in 15. 30, Hoshea con-
spired against Pekah in the twentieth year of Jotham,
which was the third year of Ahaz (20 - 12 = 8): for Ahaz
began in Pekah's seventeenth year (16. 1), and Hoshea
began in Ahaz's twelfth year. But Pekah's twenty years
end in Ahaz's third year. (See Ap. 50. V, p. 59.)

nine years: reckoned from twelfth of Ahaz. Hoshea
kept under by the Assyrians till then. Cp. Hos. 10. 14,
where Shalman[eser] spoiled Beth-arbel in his first
expedition, and would spoil Beth-el at his second.

2 evil. Heb. *rā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

not as the kings of Israel . . . before him: thus, we
do not read that he opposed Hezekiah's invitation
(2 Chron. 30. 5-11).

4 So. The Heb. drops the embarrassing "k" of *Sabako*,
his Ethiopian name. Afterward vanquished by Tir-
hakah. See note on 19. 9.

5 the king of Assyria. Shalmaneser (v. 3), who
commenced the siege, but died before Sargon, his suc-
cessor, captured Samaria in 611 B.C.

three years. From 613-611.

therefore the king of Assyria shut him up, and
bound him in prison.

5 Then ° the king of Assyria came up through-
out all the land, and went up to Samaria, and
besieged it ° three years.

611 6 In the ninth year of Hoshea the °king of Assyria °took Samaria, and °carried Israel away into Assyria, and placed them in °Halath and in Habor by the river of Gozan, and in the cities of the Medes.

P x¹ (p. 514) 7 For so it was, that the °children of Israel had °sinned against °the LORD their °God, Which had brought them up out of the land of Egypt, from under the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt, and had feared other gods,

8 And walked in the statutes of the °heathen, whom °the LORD cast out from before the °children of Israel, and of the kings of Israel, which they had made.

9 And the °children of Israel did secretly those things that were not right against °the LORD their °God, and they built them high places in all their cities, °from the tower of the watchmen to the fenced city.

10 And they set them up °images and °groves in every high hill, and under every green tree:

11 And there they burnt incense in all the high places, as did the heathen whom °the LORD carried away before them; and wrought wicked things to provoke °the LORD to anger:

12 For they served °idols, whereof °the LORD had said unto them, "Ye °shall not do this thing."

y¹ 13 Yet °the LORD testified against Israel, and against Judah, by all the prophets, and by °all the seers, saying, "Turn ye from your °evil ways, °and keep My commandments °and My statutes, according to all the law which I commanded your fathers, and which I sent to you °by My servants °the prophets."

x² 14 Notwithstanding they would not hear, but hardened their necks, °like to the neck of their fathers, that did not believe in °the LORD their °God.

15 And they rejected His statutes, °and His covenant that He made with their fathers, and His testimonies which He testified against them; and they followed °vanity, and became vain, and went after the heathen that were round about them, concerning whom °the LORD had charged them, that they should not do like them.

16 And they left all the commandments of °the LORD their °God, °and made them molten images, even two calves, and made a °grove, and worshipped all the host of heaven, and served Baal.

17 And they caused their sons °and their daughters to °pass through the fire, and used °divination and enchantments, and sold themselves to do °evil in the sight of °the LORD, to provoke Him to anger.

y² 18 Therefore °the LORD was very angry with Israel, and removed them out of his sight: there was none left but the tribe of °Judah only.

x³ 19 Also Judah kept not the commandments of °the LORD their °God, °but walked in the statutes of Israel which they made.

y³ 20 And °the LORD rejected °all the seed of Israel, and afflicted them, and delivered them into the hand of spoilers, until He had cast them out of His sight.

6 king of Assyria = Shalmaneser. See v. 3. took Samaria. Here, in the days of Hoshea (king of Israel); and in ch. 18 as connected with the days of Hezekiah (king of Judah). Cp. 18. 9.

carried Israel away. Sargon's own inscription says 27,290. Cp. 18. 9-12.

Halath. Some codices, with four early printed editions, read "Halath".

17. 7-41 (P, p. 513). CONCLUSION. CAPTIVITY. CAUSES. (Repeated Alternation.)

P x¹ | 7-12. Provocation of Israel.
y¹ | 13. Remonstrance.
x² | 14-17. Obduracy of Israel.
y² | 18. Removal.
x³ | 19. Disobedience of Judah.
y³ | 20, 21. Rejection and rending.
x⁴ | 22, 23-. Obduracy of Israel.
y⁴ | -23-33. Removal.
x⁵ | 34-40. Transplanting of Israel; and sequel.
y⁵ | 41. Replaced people.

7 children = sons.

sinned. Heb. *chāṭa*. Ap. 44. i.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

8 heathen = nations.

9 from the tower . . . to the fenced city: from the remote watchtower in the country to the fortified city = the whole country.

10 images = statues.

groves = *Asherah*. See note on Ex. 34. 13, and Ap. 42.

12 idols = filthy, or manufactured idols.

shall not do this thing. Cp. Ex. 20. 3; 23. 13. Lev. 26. 1. Deut. 12. 31, &c.

13 all the seers = every one who had a vision.

evil. Heb. *rā'a*. See Ap. 44. viii.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton*. Ap. 6.

and My statutes. Some codices, with two early printed editions, Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "and My statutes" (the "and" being in the text).

by = by the hand of; and so generally. Cp. v. 23.

the prophets. Those in ISRAEL were Ahijah, Jehu (son of Hanani), Elijah, Elisha, Micaiah, Jonah, Oded, Amos, and Hosea. Those in JUDAH were Shemaiah, Iddo, Azariah, Hanani, Jehu, Zechariah (son of Jehoiada), Micah, and Isaiah.

14 like to. Supply Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), "as their fathers' neck [was stiffened]".

15 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in vv. 15-17. Sixteen "ands" emphasising each detail, vanity. A term often applied to idols.

17 pass through the fire. Cp. Lev. 18. 21. Deut. 12. 31; 18. 10.

divination and enchantments: i. e. traffic with evil spirits and demons, and familiar spirits. Identical with modern spiritism. Cp. Deut. 18. 10, and see 1 Sam. 28. 8. Acts 16. 16. Rev. 9. 21.

18 Judah only. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap. 6. Levites and Benjamin and additions from Israel are of course included.

19 but walked. Cp. Athaliah (8. 18, 27; 16. 3, &c.).

20 all the seed. A prophetic anticipation.

21 made. See note on 1 Kings 14. 16.

sin a great sin. Fig. *Polyptoton* (Ap. 6) for emphasis. Heb. *chāṭa*. Ap. 44. i.

21 For He rent Israel from the house of David; and they made Jeroboam the son of Nebat king: and Jeroboam drave Israel from following °the LORD, and °made them °sin a great sin.

22 For the °children of Israel walked in all the °sins of Jeroboam which he did; they departed not from them; x⁴

23 Until ²the LORD removed Israel out of His sight, °as He had said ¹³by all His servants the prophets.

y⁴ z¹ (p. 515) So was Israel carried away out of their own land to Assyria unto this day.

611 24 And the king of Assyria °brought men
to from Babylon, °and from Cuthah, and from
608 °Ava, and from °Hamath, and from °Seph-
arvaim, and placed *them* in the cities of Samaria
instead of the ⁷children of Israel: and they
possessed Samaria, and dwelt in the cities
thereof.

25 And so it was at the beginning of their
dwelling there, *that* they feared not ²the LORD:
a¹ therefore ²the LORD sent °lions among them,
which °slew *some* of them.

z² 26 Wherefore they spake to the king of As-
syria, saying, "The nations which thou hast
removed, and placed in the cities of Samaria,
know not the manner of the ⁷God of the land:
therefore He hath sent lions among them, and,
°behold, they slay *them*, because they know not
the manner of the ⁷God of the land."

a² 27 Then the king of Assyria commanded,
saying, "Carry thither °one of the priests
whom ye brought from thence; and let them
go and dwell there, and let him teach them
the manner of the ⁷God of the land."

28 Then ²⁷one of the priests whom they had
carried away from Samaria came and dwelt in
Beth-el, and taught *them* how they should fear
²the LORD.

z³ 29 Howbeit every nation made gods of their
own, and put *them* in the houses of the high
places which the Samaritans had made, every
nation in their cities wherein *they* dwelt.

30 °And the °men of Babylon made Succoth-
benoth, °and the °men of Cuth made Nergal,
and the °men of Hamath made Ashima,

31 ³⁰And the Avites made Nibhaz and Tartak,
°and the Sepharvites °burnt their ⁷children in
fire to Adrammelech and Anammelech, the
gods of Sepharvaim.

32 So they feared ²the LORD, and made unto
themselves of the °lowest of them priests of
the high places, which sacrificed for them in
the houses of the high places.

33 They °feared ²the LORD, and served their
own gods, after the manner of the nations
°whom they carried away from thence.

x⁵ (p. 514) 34 Unto this day °*they* do after the former
manners: they fear not ²the LORD, neither do
they after their °statutes, or after their ordi-
nances, or after the law and commandment
which ²the LORD commanded the ⁷children of
Jacob, °whom He named Israel;

35 With whom ²the LORD had made a cove-
nant, and charged them, saying, "Ye shall not
fear other gods, nor bow yourselves to them,
nor serve them, nor sacrifice to them:

36 But ²the LORD, Who brought *you* up out of
the land of Egypt with great power and a
stretched out arm, *him* shall ye fear, and *him*
shall ye worship, and to *him* shall ye do sacrifice.

37 And the ³⁴statutes, and the ordinances, and
the law, and the commandment, °which He
wrote for you, ye shall observe to do for ever-
more; and ye shall not fear other gods.

38 And the covenant that I have made with

17. -23-33 (y⁴, p. 514). REMOVAL. (Repeated Alternation.)

y⁴ z¹ | -23-25-. Peoples exchanged. "No fear of God."
a¹ | -25. Punishment. Lions.
z² | 26. Peoples. Report. Ignorance.
a² | 27, 28. Remedy proposed: to fear Jehovah.
z³ | 29 33. People. Corrupt fear of Jehovah.

23 as according as.

24 brought men. These were the substituted people
forming the nucleus of the later Samaritans; but
subsequently intermixed with Israelites returning with
Ezra and Nehemiah (Neh. 13. 3, 23-31). In N.T. called
"foreigners" (Luke 17. 18). Cp. Matt. 10. 5, 6. Sargon
refers to this in his inscriptions. Only one figure
remains (7) of the number he gives.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton*. Ap. 6.

Cuthah. Ten miles north-east of Babylon. In the
first year of Sargon there was war between Cuthah and
Babylon, and the people of Cuthah were transported
to Syria and Palestine.

Ava = either the Ivah of 18. 34, or the Ahava of Ezra
8. 15. Hamath. The one in Syria.

Sepharvaim (Dual). The two Sippars in Babylonia.
Sippar sa Samas (the sun-god) and *Sippar sa Anutiv*.

25 lions. For lions in Palestine see note on 1 Kings
13. 24. slew = kept on slaying. Omit "some".

26 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

27 one of the priests. An idolatrous Israelite priest
from Samaria (v. 28).

30 men. Heb. *'enōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) emphasising
the five nations brought into Palestine. Cp. v. 24. Each
brought its own gods. Thus (according to the language
of the O.T.) Samaria committed adultery (idolatry) with
five husbands (cp. Isa. 54. 5 with Isa. 23. 17. Jer. 22. 20. Hos.
2. 10-12). Repeated individually in John 4. 18. Nowonder
the woman worshipped she knew not what (John 4. 22).

31 burnt - burnt up. See Ap. 43. I. viii.

32 lowest. Cp. 1 Kings 12. 31. 33 feared. Cp. v. 41.
whom they carried away from thence: or, whence
they (the settlers) had carried them away.

34 they. These, according to the Structure, are the
Israelites. The member (x⁵, 34-40, p. 514) records their
continued obduracy in their dispersion.

statutes. See note on Deut. 4. 1.

whom, &c. Render: "after the manner of the
[several] nations; [gods] which had caused *them* [i. e.
the Israelites] to go captive thence [i. e. out of the
Land]. Gen. 32. 28. 1 Kings 18. 31.

37 which He wrote, &c. See note on Ex. 17. 14,
and Ap. 47. 41 as - according as.

18. 1-24. 20 [For the Structure see next page].

1 third year of Hoshea. Hoshea began in the twelfth
year of Ahaz. Therefore Hezekiah began in the fifteenth
year of Ahaz. Ahaz reigned sixteen years, but was
deposed by Shalmaneser (17. 3, 4), who set up Hezekiah.
Hezekiah rebelled (v. 7), which shows he was under
Assyria till then. See Ap. 50. V, p. 59.

you ye shall not forget; neither shall ye fear
other gods.

39 But ²the LORD your ⁷God ye shall fear;
and *he* shall deliver *you* out of the hand of all
your enemies."

40 Howbeit they did not hearken, but *they* did
after their former manner.

41 So these nations ³³feared ²the LORD, and
served their graven images, both their ⁷child-
ren, and their ⁷children's ⁷children: °as did
their fathers, so do *they* unto this day.

18 Now it came to pass in the °third year
of Hoshea son of Elah king of Israel,
that Hezekiah the son of Ahaz king of Judah
began to reign.

F⁸ R¹ S
(p. 516)
617

617 2 Twenty and five years old was he when he
to began to reign; and he reigned twenty and
588 nine years in Jerusalem. His mother's name
also was °Abi, the daughter of Zachariah.

T 3 And he did *that which* was right in the
(p. 516) sight of °the LORD, according to all that David
his father did.

4 He removed the high places, and brake the
images, and cut down the °groves, and brake
in pieces the °bracen serpent that Moses had
made: for unto those days the °children of
Israel did burn incense to it: and he called it
°Nehushtan.

5 He °trusted in °the LORD °God of Israel; so
that after him was °none like him among all
the kings of Judah, nor *any* that were before
him.

6 For he clave to °the LORD, °and departed
not from following Him, but kept His com-
mandments, which °the LORD commanded
Moses.

7 And °the LORD was with him; and he
prospered whithersoever he went forth:

U V and he °rebelled against the king of Assyria,
and served him not.

W 8 He smote the °Philistines, *even* unto Gaza,
and the borders thereof, from the tower of the
watchmen to the fenced city.

V X¹ 9 And °it came to pass in the fourth year of
613 king Hezekiah, which was the seventh year of
Hoshea son of Elah king of Israel, that °Shal-
maneser king of Assyria came up against Sa-
maria, and besieged it.

611 10 And at °the end of three years °they took
it: *even* in the sixth year of Hezekiah, that is
the ninth year of Hoshea king of Israel, Sa-
maria was taken.

11 And the king of Assyria did carry away
Israel unto Assyria, and put them in °Halah
and in Habor by the river of Gozan, and in the
cities of the Medes:

12 Because they obeyed not the voice of °the
LORD their °God, but °transgressed His cove-
nant, and all that °Moses the servant of °the
LORD commanded, and would not hear *them*,
nor do *them*.

X³ Y¹ 13 Now in °the fourteenth year of king Heze-
603 kiah did Sennacherib king of Assyria come up
against °all the fenced cities of Judah, and took
them.

14 And Hezekiah king of Judah °sent to the
king of Assyria to Lachish, saying, °“I have
offended; return from me: that which thou
puttest on me will I bear.” And the king of
Assyria appointed unto Hezekiah king of
Judah °three hundred °talents of silver and
thirty °talents of gold.

15 And Hezekiah gave *him* all the silver that
was found in the house of °the LORD, and in
the °treasures of the king's house.

16 At that time did Hezekiah cut off *the gold*
from the doors of the temple of °the LORD,

13 the fourteenth year. This was the first invasion of Judah which Sennacherib's inscription enlarges upon, but is only mentioned here. See note on v. 17. Cp. Isa. 36, 37, and 2 Chron. 32. all the fenced cities. Forty-six are mentioned in the inscriptions (see Ap. 67. xi). 14 sent. Sennacherib had not approached Jerusalem yet. I have offended. See v. 7. three hundred talents. The Assyrian inscriptions say 800, the exact equivalent of 300 Hebrew (silver) talents. See note on “twenty” (15. 27). talents. See Ap. 51. II. 15 treasures=treasuries. See note on

18. 1—24. 20 (F⁸, p. 446). JUDAH.
(Division.)

F⁸ R¹ 18. 1—20. 21. Hezekiah.
R² 21. 1—18. Manasseh.
R³ 21. 19—26. Amon.
R⁴ 22. 1—23. 30. Josiah.
R⁵ 23. 31—35. Jehoahaz.
R⁶ 23. 36—24. 7. Jehoiakim.
R⁷ 24. 8—16. Jehoiachin.
R⁸ 24. 17—20. Zedekiah.

18. 1—20. 21 (R¹, above). HEZEKIAH.
(Introversion.)

R¹ S | 18. 1, 2. Introduction. Accession.
T | 18. 3—7. Personal. Well-doing.
U | 18. 7—19. 37. Events. Political.
T | 20. 1—19. Personal. Sickness.
S | 20. 20, 21. Conclusion. Record and death.

2 Abi. In 2 Chron. 29. 1 it is “Abijah”, but “Abi” may be the abbreviation of “Abijah”, the “i” or “j” standing for “jah”.

3 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

4 groves = ‘Asherah, sing. See note on Ex. 34. 13, and Ap. 42.

bracen serpent. Cp. Num. 21. 9. Now 835 years old. (From 1452 to 617 = 835). children=sons.

Nehushtan = a brass thing.

5 trusted=confided. Heb. batah. Ap. 69. i. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

none like him: i.e. for trust in Jehovah. Same praise given of Josiah (23. 25), but in a different respect.

6 and. This “and” is contained in some codices, two early printed editions, Syr., and Vulg. The Fig. Polysyndeton (Ap. 6) emphasising the Fig. Synonymia, by which the phrases are heaped up to express Hezekiah's goodness.

18. 7—19. 37 (U, above). EVENTS. POLITICAL.
(Introversion.)

U | V | 18. 7. Assyria. Hezekiah's rebellion.

W | 18. 8. Philistines. Smitten.

V | 18. 9—19. 37. Assyria. Shalmaneser's invasions.

7 rebelled. Hezekiah had hitherto been dependent on him. See note on v. 15.

8 Philistines. As prophesied by Isaiah (14. 28—32).

18. 9—19. 37 (V, above). ASSYRIA. INVASIONS.
(Division.)

V | X¹ | 18. 9—12. Invasions of Israel (Shalmaneser).

X² | 18. 13—19. 37. Invasions of Judah (Sennacherib).

9 it came to pass. Cp. 17. 3—6. Shalmaneser. Commenced the siege; Sargon, his successor, completed it after three years. Cp. 17. 5, 6, where we have the same interval as here. In Sargon's own inscription he refers to the “tributes imposed upon them by the former king”.

10 the end of three years. See note on 17. 5. they. Sept. and Syr. read “he”: i.e. Sargon. See note on 17. 5, 6. Sargon took it after Shalmaneser's death.

11 Halah. Some codices, with two early printed editions, read “Halath”.

12 transgressed. Heb. ‘abar. Ap. 44. vii.

Moses the servant of the LORD. See note on Deut. 34. 5.

18. 13—19. 37 (X², above). INVASIONS OF
JUDAH. (Division.)

X² | Y¹ | 18. 13—16. First invasion.

Y² | 18. 17—19. 37. Second invasion.

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and from the °pillars which Hezekiah king of Judah had overlaid, and gave °it to the king of Assyria.

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17 And the °king of Assyria °sent °Tartan and °Rabsaris and °Rab-shakeh from °Lachish to king Hezekiah with a °great host °against Jerusalem. And they went up and came to Jerusalem. And when they were come up, they came and stood by the conduit of the °upper pool, which *is* in the highway of the fuller's field.

18 And when they had called to the king, there came out to them Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, which was over the °household, and Shebna the scribe, and Joah the son of Asaph the recorder.

19 And °Rab-shakeh said unto them, "Speak ye now to Hezekiah, 'Thus saith the great king, the king of Assyria, °What confidence *is* this wherein thou °trustest?

20 Thou sayest, (but *they are but* °vain words,) *I have* counsel and strength for the war. Now ¹⁹ on whom dost thou °trust, that thou rebellest against me?

21 Now, °behold, thou °trustest upon the staff of this °bruised reed, *even* upon Egypt, on which if a °man lean, it will go into his hand, and pierce it: so *is* Pharaoh °king of Egypt unto all that °trust on him.

22 But °if ye say unto me, 'We °trust in °the LORD our °God: ' ¹⁹ *is* not that °he, Whose high places and whose altars Hezekiah hath taken away, and hath said to Judah and Jerusalem, 'Ye shall worship before this altar in Jerusalem?'"

23 Now therefore, I pray thee, give pledges to my lord the king of Assyria, and I will deliver thee two thousand horses, if thou be able on thy part to set riders upon them.

24 ¹⁹ How then wilt thou turn away the face of one captain of the least of my master's servants, and put thy °trust on Egypt for chariots and for horsemen?

25 Am I now come up °without °the LORD against this place to destroy it? °The LORD said to me, 'Go up against this land, and destroy it.'"

26 Then said Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, and Shebna, and Joah, unto Rab-shakeh, "Speak, I pray thee, to thy servants in the °Syrian language; for *we* understand *it*: and talk not with us in the Jews' language in the ears of the people that *are* on the wall."

27 But Rab-shakeh said unto them, "Hath my master sent me to thy master, and to thee, to speak these words? *hath he not sent me* to the °men which sit on the wall, that they may eat their own dung, and drink their own piss with you?"

28 Then Rab-shakeh stood and cried with a loud voice in the Jews' language, and spake, saying, "Hear the °word of the great king, the king of Assyria:

29 Thus saith the king, 'Let not Hezekiah °deceive you: for he shall not be able to deliver you out of °his hand:

30 Neither let Hezekiah make you °trust in °the LORD, saying, °The LORD will surely deliver us, and this city shall not be delivered into the hand of the king of Assyria.'

31 Hearken not to Hezekiah: °for thus saith

16 pillars, or supports.
it = them.

18. 17—19. 37 (Y², p. 516). SECOND INVASION. (Repeated and Extended Alternation.)

Y ²	A ¹	18. 17-36. King of Assyria. Mission.	
	B ¹	a 18. 37. Report.	
		b 19. 1. Conduct.	
		c 19. 2-5. Message to Isaiah.	
		d 19. 6, 7. Answer of Isaiah.	Hezekiah.
	A ²	19. 8-13. King of Assyria. Letter.	
	B ²	a 19. 14-. Letter.	
		b 19. -14. Conduct.	
		c 19. 15-19. Prayer to Jehovah.	
		d 19. 20-34. Answer of Jehovah.	Hezekiah.
	A ³	19. 35-37. King of Assyria. Destruction.	

17 king of Assyria. Some suppose Sargon, and treat Sennacherib as a mistake here. But probably Sennacherib was the co-regent in the field. Cp. Jerusalem's being taken by Nebuchadnezzar, while Nabopolassar was king in Babylon. So Belshazzar was co-regent with Nabonnedus at the taking of Babylon.

sent. The gift of vv. 14-16 did not prevent a further assault. Compromise seldom does.

Tartan. A title = commander-in-chief.

Rabsaris. A title = chief of the heads.

Rab-shakeh. A title = chief of the captains; possibly a political officer.

Lachish. Ten miles south-east of Jerusalem, on Sennacherib's way to Egypt. See note on 19. 8.

great host = heavy force.

against Jerusalem. See note on Judg. 1. 8.

upper pool. On east side of Jebus = Gihon.

18 household = palace.

19 Rab-shakeh said. See the references to this in Hezekiah's "Songs of the degrees". Pss. 120. 2, 3; 128. 3, 4, and cp. Isa. 37. 4. See Ap. 67. ii.

What confidence . . . ? Note the Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6), which the Rab-shakeh constantly uses. See vv. 20, 22, 24, 25, 27, 33, 34, 35. Figure used for emphasis.

20 vain words. Heb. word of lips = lip-words.

21 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

trustest, &c. A policy opposed by Isaiah (Isa. 30. 2; 31. 4).

bruised reed. Cp. Ezek. 29. 6.

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

king of Egypt. Probably Shabako, the successor of So. See note on 19. 9, and cp. 17. 3, 4.

22 if ye say. Isa. 36. 7. If thou say. Spoken to one, but meant for all.

25 without the LORD. Either said in pretence, or from having heard Jehovah's prophecies (cp. 19. 25 with Isa. 10. 5).

26 Syrian = Aramaic.

27 men. Heb. *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

28 word = message. Some codices, with two early printed editions, Sept., and Syr., read "words".

29 deceive = raise false hopes. Note the *ḥ* (*Lamed*) here, as in the first occurrence (Gen. 3. 13).

his hand - his [i. e. Asshur's king's] hand. Some codices, with one early printed edition, and Vulg., read "my hand".

31 Make [an agreement] - Get a blessing out of my coming. Lit. Make with me a blessing.

come out: i. e. capitulate.

every man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

32 a land. Note the Fig. *Anaphora* (Ap. 6) for emphasis.

the king of Assyria, °Make an agreement with me by a present, and °come out to me, and then eat ye °every man of his own vine, and every one of his fig tree, and drink ye every one the waters of his cistern:

32 Until I come and take you away to °a land

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like your own land, a land of corn and ° wine, a land of bread and vineyards, a land of oil olive and of honey, that ye may live, and not die: and hearken not unto Hezekiah, when he persuadeth you, saying, ³ 'The LORD will ° deliver us.'

³³ Hath any of the gods of the nations ³² delivered at all his land out of the hand of the king of Assyria?

³⁴ Where are the gods of ° Hamath, and of ° Arpad? where are the gods of ° Sepharvaim, ° Hena, and ° Ivah? have they ³² delivered ° Samaria out of mine hand?

³⁵ Who are they among all the gods of the countries, that have ³² delivered their country out of mine hand, that ³ the LORD should deliver Jerusalem out of mine hand?"

³⁶ But the people held their peace, and answered him not a word: for the king's commandment was, saying, "Answer him not."

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³⁷ Then came Eliakim the son of Hilkiyah, which was over the household, and Shebna the scribe, and Joah the son of Asaph the recorder, to Hezekiah with their clothes rent, and told him the words of Rab-shakeh.

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19 And ° it came to pass, when king Hezekiah heard it, that he rent his clothes, and covered himself with sackcloth, and went into the house of ° the LORD.

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² And he sent Eliakim, which was over the household, and Shebna the scribe, and the elders of the priests, covered with sackcloth, to ° Isaiah the prophet the son of Amoz.

³ And they said unto him, "Thus saith Hezekiah, 'This day is a day of trouble, and of rebuke, and blasphemy: for the ° children are come to the birth, and there is not strength to bring forth.

⁴ It may be ° the LORD thy ° God will hear ° all the words of Rab-shakeh, whom the king of Assyria his master hath sent to ° reproach the living ° God; and will reprove the words which ° the LORD thy ° God hath heard: wherefore ° lift up thy prayer for the remnant that are left."

⁵ So the servants of king Hezekiah came to Isaiah.

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⁶ And ° Isaiah said unto them, "Thus shall ye say to your master, 'Thus saith ° the LORD, 'Be not afraid of the words which thou hast heard, with which the servants of the king of Assyria have ° blasphemed Me.

⁷ ° Behold, I will send ° a blast upon him, and he shall ° hear a rumour, and shall return to his own land; and I will cause him to fall by the sword in his own land.'"

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⁸ So Rab-shakeh returned, and found the king of Assyria warring against Libnah: for he had heard that he was ° departed from Lachish.

⁹ And when he heard say of ° Tirhakah king of Ethiopia, "Behold, he is come out to fight against thee:" he sent messengers again unto Hezekiah, saying,

¹⁰ "Thus shall ye speak to Hezekiah king of Judah, saying, 'Let not thy ° God in Whom thou ° trustest deceive thee, saying, 'Jerusalem shall not be delivered into the hand of the king of Assyria.'

¹¹ Behold, thou hast heard what the kings of

wine. Heb. *tirōsh*. See Ap. 27. II.

deliver = rescue.

³⁴ Hamath. Cp. 17. 24.

Arpad. A city of Syria, north-west of Aleppo. Now identified with *Tell Erfid*.

Sepharvaim. On the Euphrates, north of Babylon. See note on 17. 24.

Hena, and Ivah. Probably the names of gods or goddesses.

Samaria. See note on 17. 5, 24. Hamath, Arpad, and Samaria are all mentioned in the inscriptions at Khorsabad. See note on 17. 21.

19. 1 it came to pass. Cp. Isa. 37. 1.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

² Isaiah. The first occurrence in the historical books. Hezekiah was one of the four kings in whose reign he prophesied (Isa. 1. 1). The chapters in Isaiah which refer to these events are 10. 5—12. 6; 14. 24—27; 17. 12—14; 22; 29—33; 36, and 37. ³ children = sons.

⁴ God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

all. Some codices, with Syr., omit "all".

reproach = disparage, taunt, or flout.

lift up thy prayer. Hezekiah's "Songs of the degrees" witness to this prayer in his distress. See Pss. 120. 1; 130. 1, 2. Ap. 67. iv.

⁶ Isaiah. In Greek (N.T.) = Esaias.

blasphemed = reviled, or vilified.

⁷ Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

a blast. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

hear a rumour. Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6), "hear a hearing" - hear a serious report. See note on Gen. 26. 28.

⁸ departed from Lachish. Sennacherib had laid siege against it (2 Chron. 32. 9), but had found it difficult, as Joshua had (Josh. 10. 31, 32, "the second day"); and "left" it untaken (Jer. 34. 7).

⁹ Tirhakah. An Ethiopian by birth; king of Egypt by conquest. Defeated later by Esarhaddon, son of Sennacherib, after fifteen days' battle. Esarhaddon is shown on a *stelē*, recently discovered, leading Tirhakah with cords.

¹⁰ trustest = confidest. Heb. *batah*. Ap. 69. i.

¹¹ and shalt thou be delivered? Note the Fig. *Erotēsis* here, and in vv. 12, 13, and 25.

¹³ Hamath, &c. See note on 18. 34.

¹⁴ the house of the LORD. Hezekiah's zeal for the house of Jehovah is seen in his "Songs of the degrees". Cp. Pss. 122. 1, 9; 134. 1, 2. See Ap. 67. xiii.

¹⁵ prayed. When assaulted by the king of terrors he "turned his face to the wall and prayed" (Isa. 38. 2). But when the king of Babylon came with a present he did not pray, and fell into the snare (Isa. 39. 1, 2). Note the Structure of Isaiah, chs. 36—39, and see Ap. 67. iv.

dwestlest. Cp. his prayer in Ps. 123. 1. Ap. 67. iv. art the God = art Thyself the God.

Assyria have done to all lands, by destroying them utterly: ° and shalt thou be ³² delivered?

¹² Have the gods of the nations ³² delivered them which my fathers have destroyed; as Gozan, and Haran, and Rezeph, and the ° children of Eden which were in Thelasar?

¹³ Where is the king of ° Hamath, and the king of Arpad, and the king of the city of Sepharvaim, of ° Hena, and Ivah?"

¹⁴ And Hezekiah received the letter of the hand of the messengers, and read it:

and Hezekiah went up into ° the house of ° the LORD, and spread it before ° the LORD.

¹⁵ And Hezekiah ° prayed before ° the LORD, and said, "O ° LORD ° God of Israel, Which ° dwellest between the cherubims, Thou ° art the ° God, even Thou alone, of all the king-

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603 doms of the earth; °Thou hast made heaven and earth.

16 ¹LORD, bow down Thine ear, and hear: open, ¹LORD, Thine eyes, and see: and hear the words of Sennacherib, which hath sent him to °reproach the °living °God.

17 Of a truth, ¹LORD, the kings of Assyria have destroyed the nations and their lands,

18 And have cast their gods into the fire: for they were no gods, but the work of men's hands, wood and stone: therefore they have destroyed them.

19 Now therefore, O ¹LORD our °God, I beseech thee, save Thou us out of his hand, that all the kingdoms of the earth may know that Thou art ¹the LORD °God, even Thou only."

d e (p. 519) 20 Then Isaiah the son of Amoz sent to Hezekiah, saying, "Thus saith ¹the LORD °God of Israel, 'That which thou hast prayed to Me against Sennacherib king of Assyria I have heard.'

f 21 This is the word that ¹the LORD hath spoken concerning him;

'The virgin the daughter of Zion hath despised thee, and laughed thee to scorn; The daughter of Jerusalem hath shaken her head °at thee.

22 Whom hast thou °reproached and °blasphemed?

And against Whom hast thou exalted thy voice, and lifted up thine eyes on high? Even against the Holy One of Israel.

23 By thy messengers thou hast reproached °the LORD*, and hast said,

'With the multitude of my chariots I am come up to the height of the mountains, To the sides of Lebanon, And °will cut down the tall cedar trees thereof,

And the choice fir trees thereof: And I °will enter into the lodgings of his borders,

And into the forest of his Carmel.

24 I have digged and drunk strange waters, And with the sole of my feet have I dried up all the rivers of besieged places.'

25 Hast thou not heard long ago how I have °done it,

And of ancient times that I have formed it? Now have I brought it to pass, That thou shouldest be to lay waste fenced cities into ruinous heaps.

26 Therefore their inhabitants were of small power,

They were dismayed and confounded; They were °as the grass of the field, And as the green herb, as the grass on the house tops,

And as corn °blasted before it be grown up.

27 But I know thy °abode, And thy going out, and thy coming in, And °thy rage against Me.

28 Because °thy rage against Me and thy °tumult is come up into Mine ears, Therefore I will put My hook in thy nose, And My bridle in thy lips, And I will °turn thee back by the way by which thou camest.'

29 And this shall be a sign unto thee, Ye shall °eat this year such things as grow of themselves, and in the second year that which

Thou hast made heaven and earth. Cp. Gen. 1. 1. Hezekiah, in his "Songs of the degrees", repeats this phrase as witnessing to the power of God, as Creator, to defeat the enemy. See Pss. 121. 1, 2; 123. 1; 124. 8; 134. 3. See Ap. 67. v.

16 living God. Always used in contrast with idols.

19. 20-37 (d, p. 517). ANSWER OF JEHOVAH. (Alternation.)

d | e | 20. Jehovah. Prayer regarded.

f | 21-28. Defiance of the foe.

e | 29-31. Jehovah. Sign given.

f | 32-34. Defeat of the foe.

21 at thee = after thee: i. e. after she hath seen thy back turned.

23 the LORD*. This is one of the 134 places where the *Sopherim* altered "Jehovah" to "Adonai" (Ap. 32). will - have, as in v. 24.

25 done it = made it: i. e. the earth.

26 as the grass, &c. Note Hezekiah's reference to this in his "Song of the degrees" (Ps. 129. 5-7). See Ap. 67. ii. blasted = blighted.

27 abode, &c. = downsitting, and thy outgoing, and thy incoming.

thy rage = thy enraging thyself. Very emphatic. The Hithpael gerund occurs only here and Isa. 37. 28, 29.

28 tumult = arrogance.

turn thee back. See the reference to this in Hezekiah's "Song of the degrees" (Ps. 129. 4, 5). See Ap. 67. iii.

29 eat this year, &c. See the reference to Jehovah's sign in Hezekiah's "Songs of the degrees" (Pss. 126. 5, 6; 128. 2). See Ap. 67. ix.

31 out of Jerusalem . . . remnant: i. e. the country people who had retired into Jerusalem for safety. remnant. Cp. v. 4, and see Isa. 10. 20.

the LORD of hosts = Jehovah of hosts. Some codices, with three early printed editions, Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "of hosts" in the text.

32 cast a bank: i. e. erect an earthwork.

34 defend = spread, or be a shield over.

for Mine own sake. Man's sins cannot foil God's purpose. He does not go outside of His own will to explain His actions in grace.

35 it came to pass. Cp. 37. 36.

that night: i. e. the night of the prophecy when the promise was fulfilled. Cp. "that day" (Luke 21. 34. 1 Thess. 5. 4).

the Angel of the LORD: i. e. the destroying Angel. Cp. 2 Sam. 24. 16. they: i. e. the king and his people.

springeth of the same; and in the third year sow ye, and reap, and plant vineyards, and eat the fruits thereof.

30 And the remnant that is escaped of the house of Judah shall yet again take root downward, and bear fruit upward.

31 For °out of Jerusalem shall go forth a °remnant, and they that escape out of mount Zion: the zeal of °the LORD of hosts shall do this.

32 Therefore thus saith ¹the LORD concerning the king of Assyria, 'He shall not come into this city, nor shoot an arrow there, nor come before it with shield, nor °cast a bank against it.

33 By the way that he came, by the same shall he return, and shall not come into this city,' saith ¹the LORD.

34 'For I will °defend this city, to save it, °for Mine own sake, and for My servant David's sake.'

35 And °it came to pass °that night, that °the Angel of ¹the LORD went out, and smote in the camp of the Assyrians an hundred fourscore and five thousand: and when °they arose

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early in the morning, ⁷ behold, they were all [°]dead corpses.

³⁶ So Sennacherib king of Assyria [°]departed, [°]and went and returned, and dwelt at Nineveh.

³⁷ And it came to pass, as he was worshipping in the house of [°]Nisroch his god, that Adramelech and Sharezer [°]his sons [°]smote him with the sword: and they escaped into the land of [°]Armenia. And [°]Esarhaddon his son reigned in his stead.

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20 In [°]those days was Hezekiah sick unto death. And the prophet Isaiah the son of Amoz came to him, and said unto him, "Thus saith [°]the LORD, [°]'Set thine house in order; for thou shalt [°]die, and not live.'"

h ² Then [°]he turned his face to the wall, and [°]prayed unto ¹the LORD, saying,

³ "I beseech thee, O ¹LORD, remember now how I have [°]walked before Thee in truth and with [°]a perfect heart, and have done *that which is good in Thy sight.*" And Hezekiah [°]wept sore.

g ⁴ And it came to pass, afore Isaiah was gone out into the middle court, that the word of ¹the LORD [°]came to him, saying,

⁵ "Turn again, and tell Hezekiah the captain of My people, 'Thus saith ¹the LORD, the [°]God of David thy father, 'I have heard thy prayer, I have seen thy tears: [°]behold, I will heal thee: on the third day thou shalt [°]go up unto the house of ¹the LORD.

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⁶ And I will add unto thy days [°]fifteen years; and I will deliver thee and this city out of the hand of the king of Assyria; and I will [°]defend this city for Mine own sake, and for [°]My servant David's sake.'"

⁷ And Isaiah said, "Take a [°]lump of figs." And they took and laid *it* on the boil, and he recovered.

h ⁸ And Hezekiah said unto Isaiah, [°]"What *shall be the sign that ¹the LORD will heal me, and that I shall [°]go up into the house of ¹the LORD the third day?*"

⁹ And Isaiah said, "This sign shalt thou have of ¹the LORD, that ¹the LORD will do the thing that He hath spoken: shall the shadow go forward ten [°]degrees, or go back ten [°]degrees?"

¹⁰ And Hezekiah answered, "It is a light thing for the shadow to go [°]down ten [°]degrees: nay, but let the shadow return backward ten [°]degrees."

¹¹ And Isaiah the prophet cried unto ¹the LORD: and He brought the shadow ten [°]degrees backward, by which it had gone down in the [°]dial of [°]Ahaz.

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¹² At that time [°]Berodach-baladan, the son of Baladan, [°]king of Babylon, [°]sent letters

dead corpses. Fig. *Pleonasm* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. ³⁶ departed. There is no mention of the capture of Jerusalem in Sennacherib's inscription. This omission is more remarkable than what Sennacherib says. Had he taken Jerusalem, the omission would be unaccountable. Cp. 2 Chron. 32. 21 and Ps. 129. 4, 5.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) to greatly emphasise the fact of his defeat.

³⁷ Nisroch. Mentioned in the inscriptions. his sons. A cylinder recently acquired (1910) by, and now in the British Museum, states: "On the twentieth day of the month Tebet (Dec.), Sennacherib, king of Assyria, his son slew him in a rebellion." The rebellion (it says) lasted till the twenty-eighth of Sivan (June) of next year, "when Esarhaddon his son sat on the throne of Assyria." The will, or rather deed of gift, of Sennacherib (2 inches by 1, containing eleven lines; in the Kouyoujik Gallery) gives all to Esarhaddon. This probably led to Esarhaddon having afterwards to fight his two brothers, Sennacherib's murderers.

smote him. Some years later; but mentioned here as the sequel to this history. Armenia. Heb. Ararat. Esarhaddon. See note, above.

20. 1-19 (T, p. 516). PERSONAL. SICKNESS. (Division.)

T | C¹ | 1-11. Hezekiah's miraculous healing.
| C² | 12-19. Berodach's embassy.

1-11 (C¹, above). HEZEKIAH'S HEALING. (Alternation.)

C¹ | g | 1. Isaiah's warning.
| h | 2, 3. Hezekiah's prayer.
| g | 4-7. Isaiah's promise.
| h | 8-11. Hezekiah's sign.

1 those days. About the time of the second invasion (18. 13), but before the deliverance of 19. 35.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

Set thine house in order = Give charge concerning thine house. See the Structure of Isa. 36-39.

die, and not live. Fig. *Pleonasm* (Ap. 6), a double emphasis.

2 he. Some codices, with four early printed editions, Sept., and Syr., read "Hezekiah".

prayed. See note on v. 15. See his references to this in his "Songs of the degrees" (Pss. 120. 1; 123. 1-3; 130. 1, 2); and Ap. 67. iv.

3 walked = walked to and fro: i. e. habitually walked. a perfect = whole, or undivided.

wept sore. Heb. "wept with a great weeping" = wept bitterly. Fig. *Polysyndeton*. Ap. 6. See note on Gen. 26. 28.

4 came. The only occurrence of this in the case of Isaiah. Cp. Gen. 15. 1.

5 God of David (Heb. Elohim). This tells us the nature of Hezekiah's prayer. He had no heir to the throne, but remembered Jehovah's word to David in 2 Sam. 7. 12-16. Hence his anxiety, as manifested in his "Songs of the degrees". Cp. Pss. 127. 3-5; 128; and 132. See Ap. 67. xiv. (Manasseh not born till three years later, 600 B.C.)

behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6. Introducing the fivefold (Ap. 10) promise and answer to his prayer in vv. 5 and 6.

go up, &c. This also must have been a subject of prayer.

6 fifteen years. 603-588 B.C.

defend = be a shield to. Cp. 19. 34.

7 lump = cake, or plaister. **8** What shall be the sign...? Contrast Ahaz (Isa. 7. 11, 12).

9 degrees. It is to these degrees that Hezekiah's fifteen Songs refer (Pss. 120-134). The word "degrees" is repeated here six times (in the history), but five times in Isaiah's gracious words (38. 8).

10 down = forward (v. 9). **11** dial = degrees. Ahaz. See note on v. 8.

20. 12-19 [For the Structure see next page].

12 Berodach. Some codices, with Sept. and Syr., read "Merodach". Cp. Isa. 39. 1. king of Babylon. First occurrence of this title. Babylon and Nineveh the two great cities competing henceforward for supremacy in Assyria. Finally settled by Nabopolassar and his son Nebuchadnezzar, "the head of gold" (Dan. 2. 37, 38). sent letters and a present. These did what the king of Assyria and the king of terrors could not do. See the Structure "C" of Isa. 36-39.

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and a °present unto Hezekiah: for he had heard that Hezekiah had been sick.

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13 And Hezekiah °hearkened unto them, and shewed them °all the house of °his precious things, the silver, °and the gold, and the spices, and the precious ointment, and °all the house of his armour, and all that was found in his °treasures: there was nothing in his house, nor in all his dominion, that Hezekiah shewed them not.

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14 °Then came Isaiah the prophet unto king Hezekiah, and said unto him, °“What said these °men? and from whence came they unto thee?” And Hezekiah said, “They are come from °a far country, even from Babylon.”

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15 And he said, °“What have they seen in thine house?” And Hezekiah answered, “All the things that are in mine house have they seen: there is nothing among my °treasures that I have not shewed them.”

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16 And Isaiah said unto Hezekiah, “Hear the word of °the LORD.

17 °“Behold, the days come, that all that is in thine house, and that which thy fathers have laid up in store unto this day, shall be carried °into Babylon: nothing shall be left,” saith °the LORD.

18 °And of thy sons that shall issue from thee, which thou shalt beget, shall °they take away; and they shall be °eunuchs in the palace of the king of Babylon.”

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19 Then said Hezekiah unto Isaiah, °“Good is the word of °the LORD which thou hast spoken.” And he said, °“Is it not good, if peace and truth be in my days?”

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20 And the rest of the acts of Hezekiah, and all his might, and how he made °a pool, and °a conduit, and °brought water into the city, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

21 And Hezekiah °slept with his fathers: and Manasseh his son reigned in his stead.

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21 °Manasseh was °twelve years old when he began to reign, and reigned fifty and five years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was °Hephzi-bah.

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2 And he °did that which was °evil in the sight of °the LORD, after the abominations of the °heathen, whom °the LORD cast out before the °children of Israel.

3 For he built up again °the high places which Hezekiah his father had destroyed; and he reared up altars for Baal, and made °a grove, °as °did Ahab king of Israel; and worshipped all °the host of heaven, and served them.

4 And he built altars in the house of °the LORD, of which °the LORD said, “In Jerusalem will I put My name.”

Generally associated with idolatry.

children = sons.

3 the high places.

Restoring what his father had destroyed (18. 4, 22).

a grove

= an 'Asherah. See note on Ex. 34. 13. Ap. 42.

as = according as.

did Ahab. See 11. 18, and cp. 1 Kings

16. 31, 32.

the LORD.

Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

heathen = nations

as = according as.

did Ahab. See 11. 18, and cp. 1 Kings

16. 31, 32.

the host of heaven.

Never before done in Judah. Cp. Deut. 4. 19; 17. 3.

20. 12-19 (C², p. 520). BERODACH'S EMBASSY.
(Repeated Alternation.)

C² i¹ | 12. Messengers from Babylon.
j¹ | 13. Hezekiah. Ostentation.
i² | 14. Messengers from Babylon.
j² | 15. Hezekiah. Ostentation.
i³ | 16-18. Messenger from Jehovah.
j³ | 19. Hezekiah. Submission.

present. Cp. 2 Chron. 32. 22, 23. These presents account for the treasures exhibited to the Babylonian ambassadors, and explain Hezekiah's wealth (2 Chron. 32. 27, 28) so soon after the depletion of his treasures in 18. 15, 16.

13 hearkened. He did not pray as in v. 2, or as in 19. 15. See the notes and Isa. 39. 2, “was glad”.

all. Some codices, with Syr. and Vulg., omit this “all”. It was omitted also in A. V. edition, 1611.

his. The depletion of 18. 15, 16 was not of “his” house, but of the house of Jehovah as well as “the king's house”.

and. Note the Fig. Polysyndeton (Ap. 6) emphasising each item.

all the house of his armour = all his armoury.

treasures = treasures.

14 Then came Isaiah. He was to Hezekiah what Nathan was to David (2 Sam. 12. 1).

What said . . . ? Fig. Anthropopatheia. Ap. 6: for God knew who the men were, and what they had said.

men. Heb. 'enosh. Ap. 14. III.

a far country. Some codices, with three early printed editions, Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., add “unto me”.

17 Behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

into Babylon. Cp. 2 Chron. 33. 11, and see note on v. 12. A remarkable prophecy, as Babylon was of little account as yet (cp. Isa. 39. 6). The return from Babylon was also foretold (Isa. 48, 49).

18 they. Heb. text reads “he”. But some codices, with 3 early printed editions, read “they”. Cp. Isa. 39. 7. eunuchs: i. e. courtiers, chamberlains, &c. Cp. Gen. 37. 36 and Dan. 1. 3, 4.

19 Good. Hezekiah's submission was like Eli's. Cp. 1 Sam. 3. 18.

Is it not good, if: or, Is it not that, &c. Fig. Erotesis. Ap. 6. Sept. reads “Let there be good”.

20 a pool = the pool. Cp. 18. 17. The pool of Siloam fed by the conduit mentioned below.

a conduit = the conduit. A long underground channel discovered by Sir Charles Warren (in 1867) running from Gihon (now the Virgin's Fount) down to Siloam. An inscription found in it describes the making of it. Cp. 2 Chron. 32. 30.

brought water = brought the water. This is referred to by Hezekiah in Psalm 46. 4, where it is contrasted with the raging waters of v. 3. Cp. this with Isa. 8. 6-8.

21 slept with his fathers. See note on Deut. 31. 16.

21. 1-18 (R², p. 516). MANASSEH. (Introversion.)

R² k | 1. Introduction. Accession.

1 | 2-9. Events. Personal. Evil-doing.

m | 10-15. Threatening of Jehovah.

l | 16. Events. Personal. Evil-doing.

k | 17, 18. Conclusion. Record and death.

1 Manasseh = forgetting. So named because God had made Hezekiah forget his troubles (cp. Joseph, Gen. 41. 51). A sad name for him who became the worst of Judah's kings. His name appears second in a list of kings who brought gifts to Esar-haddon.

twelve years. Therefore not born till the third of Hezekiah's fifteen added years. See note on 20. 18.

Hephzi-bah = my delight is in her. Cp. reference to the marriage in Isa. 62. 4. A prophecy, given at the time of Hezekiah, foretelling a happier time; even the “good” of 20. 18, and note.

2 did . . . evil = did the evil. Heb. rā'a'. Ap. 44. viii.

Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

heathen = nations

as = according as.

did Ahab. See 11. 18, and cp. 1 Kings

16. 31, 32.

the host of heaven.

Never before done in Judah. Cp. Deut. 4. 19; 17. 3.

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5 And he built altars for all the host of heaven in the °two courts of the house of °the LORD.

6 And he made °his son °pass through the fire, and °observed times, and °used enchantments, and dealt with °familiar spirits and °wizards: he wrought much °wickedness in the sight of °the LORD, to provoke °Him to anger.

7 And he set °a graven image of °the grove that he had made in the house, of which °the LORD said to David, and to Solomon his son, "In this house, and in Jerusalem, which I have chosen out of all tribes of Israel, will I put My name for ever:

8 Neither will I make °the feet of Israel °move any more out of the land which I gave their fathers; only if they will observe to do according to all that I have commanded them, and according to all the law that °My servant Moses commanded them."

9 But they hearkened not: and Manasseh °seduced them to °do more evil than did the nations whom °the LORD destroyed before the °children of Israel.

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10 And °the LORD spake °by His servants the prophets, saying,

11 "Because Manasseh king of Judah hath °done these abominations, and hath done wickedly above all that the °Amorites did, which were before him, and hath made Judah also to °sin with his °idols:

12 Therefore thus saith °the LORD °God of Israel, °Behold, I am bringing such °evil upon Jerusalem and Judah, that whosoever heareth of it, °both his ears shall tingle.

13 And I will stretch over Jerusalem °the line of Samaria, and °the plummet of the house of Ahab: and I will °wipe Jerusalem °as a man °wipeth a dish, °wiping it, and turning it upside down.

14 And I will forsake the °remnant of Mine inheritance, and deliver them into the hand of their enemies; and they shall become a prey and a spoil to all their enemies;

15 Because they have done that which was evil in My sight, and have provoked Me to anger, since the day their fathers came forth out of Egypt, even unto this day."

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16 Moreover Manasseh shed °innocent blood very much, till he had filled Jerusalem from one end to another; beside his sin wherewith he made Judah to sin, in doing that which was evil in the sight of °the LORD.

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17 Now °the rest of the acts of Manasseh, and all that he did, and his °sin that he °sinned, °are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

18 And Manasseh °slept with his fathers, and was buried °in the garden of his own house, in the garden of Uzza: and Amon his son reigned in his stead.

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19 Amon was twenty and two years old when he began to reign, and he reigned two years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Meshullemeth, the daughter of Haruz of °Jotbah.

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20 And he did that which was °evil in the sight of °the LORD, °as his father Manasseh did.

5 two courts. See note on 1 Kings 7. 12.

6 his son. Son put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6, for his sons. Cp. 2 Chron. 33. 6.

pass through the fire. As Ahaz had done (16. 3; cp. 23. 10. Deut. 18. 10). The name of Moloch was common at this time (Zeph. 1. 5).

observed times. Cp. Deut. 18. 10.

used enchantments. The same as modern spiritism. Cp. Lev. 19. 31. Deut. 18. 11.

familiar spirits. Heb. a familiar spirit. See note on Lev. 19. 31.

wizards = mediums.

wickedness. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii. Same word as 'evil', v. 2.

Him. Some codices, with four early printed editions, Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "Him" in text.

7 a graven image of the grove = a carved 'Asherah' (v. 3). Removed by Josiah (23. 6). See Ap. 42.

8 the feet. Fig. *Pleonasm*. Ap. 6.

move = wander.

My servant Moses. See note on Num. 12. 7.

9 seduced. Not said of any previous king. Cp. Jer. 15. 4.

do more evil = do the evil more.

10 by = through. Heb. by the hand of. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause). Ap. 6.

11 done = made.

Amorites. One of the seven nations of Canaan, descendants of the *Nephilim*. Ap. 23 and 25.

sin. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

idols = filthy, or manufactured idols.

12 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

both his ears, &c. Cp. 1 Sam. 3. 11.

13 the line . . . the plummet. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of the Cause), Ap. 6, for what is measured by them.

wipe . . . wipeth . . . wiping. Fig. *Polyptoton* (Ap. 6), emphasising the completeness of the work.

14 remnant. Cp. 19. 30. Jerusalem survived the calamities of 18. 13, but would not survive those that were coming.

15 innocent blood. Tradition says that Isaiah was one who suffered martyrdom (Jos. *Ant.* x. 3. 1).

17 the rest. Cp. 2 Chron. 33. 12-19. His captivity in Babylon, &c.

sin that he sinned = his great sin. Fig. *Polyptoton*. Ap. 6.

are they not written . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

18 slept with his fathers. His father was the best of Judah's kings, and he was the worst. See note on Deut. 31. 16.

in the garden. Not in the sepulchres of the kings.

21. 19-26 (R³, p. 516). AMON.

(Introversion.)

R³ | n | 19. Introduction. Accession.

o | 20-22. Events. Personal. Evil-doing.

o | 23, 24. Events. Political. Retribution.

| n | 25, 26. Conclusion. Burial.

19 Jotbah. Cp. Num. 33. 33. Deut. 10. 7.

21 And he walked in all the way that his father walked in, and served the °idols that his father served, and worshipped them:

22 And he forsook °the LORD °God of his fathers, and walked not in the way of °the LORD.

23 And the servants of Amon conspired against him, and slew the king in his own house.

24 And the People of the land slew all them that had conspired against king Amon; and the People of the land made Josiah his son king in his stead.

ⁿ 25 Now the rest of the acts of Amon ° which he did, ¹⁷ are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

533 26 And ° he was buried in his ° sepulchre ¹⁸ in the garden of Uzza: and Josiah his son reigned in his stead.

^{R⁴ D} (p. 522) 22 Josiah was ° eight years old when he began to reign, and he reigned thirty and one years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Jedidah, the daughter of Adaiah of ° Boscath.

2 And he did *that which was* right in the sight of ° the LORD, and walked in all the ° way of David his father, and ° turned not aside to the right hand or to the left.

^{q F r¹} 3 And it came to pass in ° the eighteenth year of king Josiah, *that* the king sent ° Shaphan the son of Azaliah, the son of Meshullam, the scribe, to the house of ° the LORD, saying,

4 "Go up to ° Hilkiah the high priest, that he may ° sum the silver which is brought into the house of ° the LORD, which the keepers of the door have gathered of the People:

5 And let them deliver it into the hand ° of the doers of the work, that have the oversight of the house of ° the LORD: and let them give it ° to the doers of the work which *is* in the house of ° the LORD, to repair the breaches of the house,

6 Unto carpenters, and builders, and masons, and to buy timber and hewn stone to repair ° the house."

7 Howbeit there was no reckoning made with them of the money that was delivered into their hand, because they dealt faithfully.

^{s¹} 8 And Hilkiah the high priest said unto Shaphan the scribe, "I have found ° the book of the law in the house of ° the LORD." And Hilkiah gave the book to Shaphan, and he read it.

^{r²} 9 And Shaphan the scribe came to the king, and brought the king word again, and said, "Thy servants have gathered the money that was found in the house, and have delivered it into the hand of them that do the work, that have the oversight of the house of ° the LORD."

^{s²} 10 And Shaphan the scribe shewed the king, saying, "Hilkiah the priest hath delivered me a book." And Shaphan ° read it before the king.

11 And it came to pass, when the king had heard the words of the book of the law, that ° he rent his clothes.

^{G t¹} 12 And the king commanded Hilkiah the priest, and ° Ahikam the son of Shaphan, and ° Achbor the son of Michaiah, and Shaphan the scribe, and Asaiah a servant of the king's, saying,

13 "Go ye, enquire of ° the LORD for me, and for the people, ° and for all Judah, concerning the words of this book that is found: for great

words. **12** Ahikam. The friend of Jeremiah (Jer. 26. 24) and father of Gedaliah (cp. 25. 22. Jer. 39. 14; 40. 5). See note on "Shaphan" (v. 3). Achbor. Not the same person as Abdon, in 2 Chron. 34. 20. The two books are independent. **13** and for all Judah. Some codices, with two early printed editions, read "and for the remnant in Israel and in Judah". Cp. 2 Chron. 34. 21.

25 which he did. Some codices, with Aram. and Syr., read "and all that which he did".

26 he was buried = one buried him. But some codices, with three early printed editions, Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "and they buried him". sepulchre. Heb. *keber*, a (not "the") grave, or tomb. Cp. 22. 20.

22. 1—23. 30 (R⁴, p. 516). JOSIAH. (Introversion and Alternations.)

^{R⁴} D | 22. 1. Introduction. Accession.
E | p | 22. 2. Event. Personal well-doing.
q | 22. 3—23. 24. Josiah's reformation.
E | p | 23. 25. Event. Personal well-doing.
q | 23. 26, 27. Manasseh's provocation.
D | 23. 28—30. Conclusion.

1 eight years. Manasseh began at twelve, bred under godly Hezekiah. Josiah began at eight, bred by ungodly Amon. Contrast the two characters.

Boscath. In Judah. Cp. Josh. 15. 39.

2 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

way. Edition of 1611 had "ways". turned not aside. Josiah is the only king of whom this is said.

22. 3—23. 24 (q, above). JOSIAH'S REFORMATION. (Alternations.)

^q F | ^{r¹} | 22. 3-7. Repairs of Temple.
s¹ | 22. 8. Book found.
r² | 22. 9. Repairs of Temple.
s² | 22. 10, 11. Book found.
G | t¹ | 22. 12, 13. Command. } Inquiry.
u¹ | 22. 14. Obedience. }
t² | 22. 15-17. Threatening. } Answer.
Judah. }
u² | 22. 18-20. Consolation. Josiah. }
F | r³ | 23. 1, 2-. Assemblage of people.
s³ | 23. -2. Book read.
G | t³ | 23. 3. Josiah's well-doing. Covenant made.
u³ | 23. 4-20. Evil removed.
t⁴ | 23. 21-23. Josiah's well-doing. Pass-over.
u⁴ | 23. 24. Evil removed.

3 the eighteenth year. Marks the completion of the work (23. 23). Begun in the twelfth year (2 Chron. 34. 3, 8). Jeremiah was called in Josiah's thirteenth year (Jer. 1. 2; 25. 3), and was to Josiah what Isaiah had been to Hezekiah.

Shaphan. Eight relatives mentioned in 2 Kings and 2 Chronicles: (1) His grandfather, Meshullam (2 Kings 22. 3); (2) his father, Azaliah (v. 3); (3) his son, Ahikam (v. 12); (4) his son, Gemariah (Jer. 36. 10); (5) his son, Elashah (Jer. 29. 3); (6) his son, Jaazaniah (Ezek. 8. 11); (7) his grandson, Michaiah (Jer. 36. 11, 13); (8) his grandson, Gedaliah (Jer. 39—43).

4 Hilkiah. The son of Shallum and father of Azariah (1 Chron. 6. 13).

sum - pour out, or pay away.

5 of the doers. These were the overseers.

to the doers. These were the labourers.

6 the house. Some codices, with two early printed editions, and Sept., read "the breaches of the house", as in v. 5.

8 the book of the law: i. e. the original copy of the Pentateuch, laid up by the side of the Ark (Deut. 31. 24-26). Probably secreted during the reigns of Manasseh (21. 16) and Amon (21. 21). See Ap. 47.

10 read it. Especially those parts applicable to the then circumstances, such as Lev. 26. Deut. 28, &c.

11 he rent his clothes. Not necessarily on account of his surprise, but on account of the solemnity of the

513 is the wrath of ²the LORD that is kindled against us, because our fathers have not hearkened unto the words of this book, to do according unto all that which is written concerning us."

u¹ (p. 523) 14 So Hilkiah the priest, and Abikam, and Achbor, and Shaphan, and Asahiah, went unto Huldah ^othe prophetess, ^othe wife of Shallum the son of Tikvah, the son of Harhas, keeper of the ^owardrobe; (^onow she dwelt in Jerusalem ^oin the college;) and they communed with her.

t² 15 And she said unto them, "Thus saith ²the LORD ¹²God of Israel, 'Tell the ^oman that sent you to me,

16 'Thus saith ²the LORD, ^o'Behold, I will bring ^oevil upon this place, and upon the inhabitants thereof, *even* all the words of the book which the king of Judah hath read:

17 Because they have ^oforsaken Me, and have burned incense unto other gods, that they might provoke Me to anger with all the works of their hands; therefore My wrath shall be kindled against this place, and shall not be quenched."

u² 18 But to the king of Judah which sent you to enquire of ²the LORD, thus shall ye say to him, 'Thus saith ²the LORD ^oGod of Israel, ^o'As touching the words which thou hast ^oheard;

19 ^oBecause thine heart was tender, and thou hast humbled thyself before ²the LORD, when thou heardest what I spake against this place, and against the inhabitants thereof, that they should become ^oa desolation and a curse, and hast rent thy clothes, and wept before Me; ³also have heard *thee*, saith ²the LORD.

20 ¹⁶'Behold therefore, I will gather thee unto thy fathers, and thou shalt be ^ogathered into ^othy grave ^oin peace; and thine eyes shall not see all the evil which ³I will bring upon this place.'" And they brought the king word again.

F r³ 23 And the king sent, and they gathered unto him all the elders of Judah and of Jerusalem.

2 And the king went up into the house of ^othe LORD, and all the ^omen of Judah and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem with him, and the priests, and the ^oprophets, and all the People, both small and great:

s³ and he ^oread ^oin their ears all the words of the book of the covenant which was found in the house of ^othe LORD.

G t³ 3 And the king stood ^oby a pillar, and made a covenant before ²the LORD, to walk after ²the LORD, and to keep His commandments and His testimonies and His statutes with all *their* heart and all *their* ^osoul, to perform the words of this covenant that were ^owritten in this book. And all the People ^ostood to the covenant.

u³ 4 And the king commanded Hilkiah the high priest, and the ^opriests of the second order, and the keepers of the door, to bring forth out of the temple of ²the LORD all the vessels that were made for Baal, and for ^othe grove, and

14 the prophetess. Others mentioned are: Miriam (Ex. 15. 20. Mic. 6. 4); Deborah (Judg. 4. 4); Noadiah (Neh. 6. 14); Isaiah's wife (Isa. 8. 3); Anna (Luke 2. 36); and Philip's daughters (Acts 21. 9).

the wife. Cp. the usage (Judg. 4. 4). The employment of a woman as prophet shows the degeneracy of the times, deplored by Isaiah (9. 15), denounced by Jeremiah (5. 7, 8; 14. 14; 23. 14-30; 37. 19. Lam. 2. 14), and by Ezekiel (13. 2-23). Inferred also from Huldah's words (vv. 15-18), and Jer. 5. 31.

wardrobe: i. e. vestry, or vestments.

now. Note the Fig. *Parenthesis*. Ap. 6.

in the college. Heb. in the second. Some supply "part", or "city". Probably—"second gate [of the city]". Cp. 2 Chron. 34. 22 and Zeph. 1. 10.

15 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

16 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

17 forsaken Me. Huldah adopts the words of Deut. 29. 25-27.

18 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

As touching. No Ellipsis here, but at end of verse. See below.

heard, or hearkened to. Supply Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) thus: "Thus saith Jehovah Elohim: the words which thou hast hearkened to [shall surely come to pass]. In that thine heart was tender... I also have heard thee".

19 Because = In that.

a desolation and a curse. These words are from Deut. 11. 26; 28. 15-19; 29. 19; 30. 1. Cp. Jer. 44. 22.

20 gathered. See note on Gen. 49. 33.

thy grave. Heb. *ķeber* (not Sheol). In 21. 26 rendered sepulchre.

in peace. Josiah died in war (23. 29); but why not "in peace" of mind and heart as well? Cp. Isa. 57. 2.

23. 2 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

men. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

prophets. Some codices read "Levites", as in 2 Chron. 34. 30.

read. Either himself; or, by Heb. idiom, "caused to be read".

in their ears. Cp. Neh. 8. 1-4, &c. The king did not keep it to himself. God's word is for all.

3 by a pillar: or, on the pillar, or, platform. Cp. 11. 14. soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

written. See Ap. 47.

stood. But not for long. See Jer. 11. 2-20.

4 priests of the second order (or degree), i. e. ordinary priests.

the grove = the *'Asherah*. See Ap. 42.

host of heaven. Cp. 21. 3.

burned them. As prescribed in Deut. 7. 25.

unto Beth-el. To defile the altar there, according to the prophecy in 1 Kings 13. 2.

5 idolatrous priests - black-robed; not *kohēn*, as appointed by God, but *kēmarim*, as appointed by man. Cp. Hos. 10. 5; Zeph. 1. 4.

planets = stations: i. e. the twelve signs of the Zodiac. Heb. *mazzālōth*. Spelt *Mazzārōth* in Job 38. 32 = stations.

The Babylonian name for the divisions of the zodiac. Called in the Assyrian inscriptions "Mauzalti". (See *Western Asiatic Inscriptions*.)

for all the ^ohost of heaven: and he ^oburned them without Jerusalem in the fields of Kidron, and carried the ashes of them ^ounto Beth-el.

5 And he put down the ^oidolatrous priests, whom the kings of Judah had ordained to burn incense in the high places in the cities of Judah, and in the places round about Jerusalem; them also that burned incense unto Baal, to the sun, and to the moon, and to the ^oplanets, and to all the host of heaven.

6 And he brought out ⁴the grove from the house of ²the LORD, without Jerusalem, unto

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the brook Kidron, and burned it at the brook Kidron, and stamped it small to powder, and cast the powder thereof upon the ° graves ° of the ° children of the people.

7 And he brake down the houses of the ° sodomites, that were by the house of ° the LORD, where the women wove ° hangings for the ° grove.

8 And he brought all the priests out of the cities of Judah, and defiled ° the high places where the priests had burned incense, from ° Geba to ° Beer-sheba, and brake down the high places of the gates that were in the entering in of the gate of Joshua the governor of the city, which were on a ° man's left hand at the gate of the city.

9 Nevertheless the ° priests of the high places came not up to the altar of ° the LORD in Jerusalem, but they did eat of the unleavened bread among their brethren.

10 And he defiled ° Topheth, which is in the ° valley of the ° children of Hinnom, that no ° man might make his son or his daughter to pass through the fire to ° Molech.

11 And he took away the horses that the ° kings of Judah had given to the sun, at the entering in ° of the house of ° the LORD, ° by the chamber of Nathan-melech the ° chamberlain, which was in the ° suburbs, and burned the chariots of the sun with fire.

12 And the altars that were on the ° top of the upper chamber of Ahaz, which the kings of Judah had made, and the altars which Manasseh had made in the two courts of the house of ° the LORD, did the king beat down, and ° brake them down from thence, and cast the dust of them into the brook Kidron.

13 And the high places that were ° before Jerusalem, ° which were on the right hand of the ° mount of corruption, which Solomon the king of Israel had builded for Ashtoreth the abomination of the Zidonians, and for ° Chemosh the abomination of the Moabites, and for Milcom the abomination of the ° children of Ammon, did the king defile.

14 And he brake in pieces the ° images, and cut down the ° groves, and filled their places with the bones of ° men.

15 Moreover ° the altar that was at Beth-el, and the high place which Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who ° made Israel to sin, had made, both that altar and the high place he brake down, and burned the high place, and stamped it small to powder, and burned the ° grove.

16 And as Josiah turned himself, he spied the ° sepulchres that were there in the mount, and sent, and took the bones out of the ° sepulchres, and burned them upon the altar, and polluted it, according to ° the word of ° the LORD which ° the man of ° God ° proclaimed, who proclaimed these words.

17 Then he said, "What ° title is that that I see?" And the ° men of the city told him, "It is the ° sepulchre of ° the man of ° God, which came from Judah, and proclaimed these things that thou hast done against the altar of Beth-el."

18 And he said, "Let him alone; let no man move his bones." So they let his bones alone, with the bones of the prophet that came out of Samaria.

19 And all the houses also of the high places

6 graves. Heb. *keber*. See note on 21. 26.

of the children of the people = of the common people in Jer. 26. 23. In 2 Chron. 35. 5 it — the laity as distinguished from Levites.

children — sons.

7 sodomites — male prostitutes. Suppression directed in Deut. 23. 17, 18. See note on 1 Kings 14. 23, 24.

hangings. Heb. houses. Probably veils to cover the ° *Ashêrah*, as it is covered in Romish processions to-day.

8 the high places. Seemingly (from v. 9) some were used for the worship of Jehovah. See notes on 1 K. 18. 29; 19. 10, 14.

Geba. Now *Jeba* (Josh. 18. 24).

Beer-sheba. Southern boundary (Gen. 21. 31. Judg. 20. 1). Cp. Amos 5. 5; 8. 14.

man's. Heb. ° *ish*. Ap. 14. II.

9 priests of the high places. Not idolatrous priests. See note on v. 8.

10 Topheth — the Topheth. First occurrence. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, put for anything abhorrent.

valley, &c. The junction of the three valleys uniting south of Jerusalem. The continual fires burning there gave the Greek name *Gehenna* (from the Heb. *Gê Hinnom* — valley of Hinnom).

Molech. Cp. Jer. 7. 31, 32; 19. 2-6. Prohibited Deut. 18. 10. Cp. 1 Kings 11. 7.

11 kings of Judah. Presumably Manasseh and Amon. See 21. 3-5.

of = from.

by — to.

chamberlain = eunuch, or officer.

suburbs, or outskirts.

12 top = roof, "[the roof] of", &c.

brake them down. The marg. of A.V. seems preferable here: "hurried away [with them] from thence".

13 before Jerusalem: i. e. the east side. See Zech. 16. 4.

which, &c. Fig. *Polyonymia*. Ap. 6.

mount of corruption: i. e. the Mount of Olives. Thus called on account of the idolatries connected with it.

Chemosh. Cp. 1 Kings 11. 5, 7.

14 images = pillars, or statues.

men. Heb. ° *ādām*. Used collectively. Ap. 14. I.

15 the altar. Cp. 1 Kings 12. 32, 33.

made Israel to sin. See note on 1 Kings 14. 16.

16 sepulchres. Heb. pl. of *keber*. See note on 21. 26.

the word. See 1 Kings 13. 2.

the man of God. See note on Deut. 33. 1. Ap. 49.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

proclaimed. Supply Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) thus: "proclaimed [when Jeroboam stood by the altar at the feast], who proclaimed these words" 369 years before. See 1 Kings 13. 1, 2.

17 title = monument.

men. Heb. ° *ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

19 the LORD. Sept., Syr., and Vulg. read "Jehovah" in the text.

20 slew — sacrificed. See Ap. 43. I. iv.

21 Keep the passover. See note on Ex. 12. 28.

that were in the cities of ° Samaria, which the kings of Israel had made to provoke ° the LORD to anger, Josiah took away, and did to them according to all the acts that he had done in Beth-el.

20 And he ° slew all the priests of the high places that were there upon the altars, and burned ° men's bones upon them, and returned to Jerusalem.

21 And the king commanded all the people, saying, ° "Keep the passover unto ° the LORD

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513 your ¹⁸ God, as *it is* written in °the book of this covenant."

22 Surely there was °not holden such a pass-over from the days of the °judges that judged Israel, nor in all the days of the kings of Israel, nor of the kings of Judah;

23 But in the eighteenth year of king Josiah, *wherein* this passover was holden to ²the LORD in Jerusalem.

u^t (p. 523) 24 Moreover the *workers with* °familiar spirits, and the wizards, and the °images, and the °idols, and all the abominations that were spied in the land of Judah and in Jerusalem, did Josiah °put away, that he might perform the words of the law which were written in the book that °Hilkiah the priest found in the house of ²the LORD.

E p 25 And °like unto him was there no king before him, that turned to ²the LORD with all his heart, and with all his °soul, and with all his might, according to all the law of Moses; neither after him arose there *any* °like him.

q 26 Notwithstanding ²the LORD turned not from the fierceness of His great wrath, *where-* with His anger was kindled against Judah, because of all the provocations that Manasseh had provoked Him withal.

27 And ²the LORD said, "I will remove Judah also out of My sight, °as I have removed Israel, and will cast off this city Jerusalem which °I have chosen, and the house of which I said, 'My Name shall be there.'"

D 28 Now the rest of the acts of Josiah, and all that he did, °are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

29 In his days °Pharaoh-nechoh king of Egypt went up against °the king of Assyria to the river Euphrates: and king Josiah °went against him; and °he slew °him at °Megiddo, when he had °seen him.

30 And his servants carried him in a chariot dead from Megiddo, and brought him to Jerusalem, and °buried him in his own ¹⁶sepulchre. And the People of the land took Jehoahaz the son of Josiah, and anointed him, and made him king in his father's stead.

R⁵ H (p. 526) 31 °Jehoahaz was twenty and three years old when he began to reign; and he reigned three months in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Hamutal, the daughter of Jeremiah of Libnah.

I 32 And he did *that which was* °evil in the sight of ²the LORD, according to all that his fathers had done.

II 33 And Pharaoh-nechoh put him in bands °at Riblah in the land of Hamath, °that he might not reign in Jerusalem; and put the land to a tribute of an hundred °talents of silver, and a °talent of gold.

500 34 And Pharaoh-nechoh made °Eliakim the son of Josiah king °in the room of Josiah his father, and turned his name to Jehoiakim, and took Jehoahaz away: and he came to Egypt, and °died there.

35 And Jehoiakim gave the silver and the gold to Pharaoh; but he °taxed the land to give the money according to the commandment of Pharaoh: he exacted the silver and

the book of this covenant = this covenant-book. A.V., 1611, reads "this book of the covenant".

22 not holden such. Cp. Hezekiah's passover, of which the same is said (2 Chron. 30. 26). Both statements true. Hezekiah's greater than any before it. Josiah's greater than Hezekiah's. See the details (2 Chron. 35. 1-19). There were larger numbers, and the law was more exactly followed. Hezekiah's passover kept just before the dispersion of Israel. Josiah's passover kept just before the captivity of Judah. judges that judged. Fig. *Polyptōton*. Ap. 6.

24 familiar spirits. See note on Lev. 19. 31.

images = teraphim = household gods.

idols = manufactured gods. put = clear.

Hilkiah the priest found. See 22. 8, &c.

25 like unto. Note the Fig. *Epanadiplosis* (Ap. 6), by which (for emphasis) the statement begins and ends with the same words.

soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

27 as = according as.

I have chosen = I once, or erewhile, chose.

28 are they not . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

29 Pharaoh-nechoh: i. e. Nechoh II, the sixth king of the twenty-sixth dynasty. His father was a tributary to Assyria, but had secured independence for Egypt. the king of Assyria: i. e. the king of Babylon, who had just conquered Nineveh, the rival capital. went against him. His motive not known.

he = the king of Egypt. him = Josiah.

Megiddo. Southern margin of the plain of Esdraelon, celebrated for Syria's defeat by Barak (Judg. 5. 19).

seen. Fig. *Tapeinosis* (Ap. 6), to emphasise the fact that he did much more than "see" him. Cp. 14. 8 and 2 Chron. 35. 21, 22.

30 buried him. For the sorrow attending this, see 2 Chron. 35. 25.

23. 31-35 (R⁵, p. 516). JEHOAHAZ.

(Division.)

R⁵ H | 31. Appointment by People (v. 30).

I | 32. Personal character.

H | 33-35. Appointment by Pharaoh-nechoh.

31 Jehoahaz. Also called Johanan (Jer. 22. 11. 1 Chron. 3. 15). He was the younger brother of Jehoiakim (v. 36).

32 evil. Heb. *rā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii.

33 at Riblah. After his defeat by Nebuchadrezzar at Carchemish. Riblah was a centre from whence roads branched to the Euphrates and Nineveh, or by Palmyra to Babylon. The southern roads led to Palestine, Lebanon, and Egypt. Riblah still bears this name, and is about twenty-five miles south-south-west of Emesa.

that he might not reign. Heb. text reads "when he reigned". A.V. follows some codices, with Aram., Sept., and Vulg.

talents. See Ap. 51. II.

34 Eliakim. Name changed, to assert Pharaoh-nechoh's authority.

in the room. Refusing to recognise the People's appointment of v. 30.

died there. As Jeremiah (22. 11, 12) foretold.

35 taxed = assessed.

23. 36-24. 7 (R⁶, p. 516). JEHOIAKIM.

(Alternation.)

R⁶ v | 23. 36. Introduction.

w | x¹ | 23. 37. Events. Personal.

x² | 24. 1-4. Events. Political.

v | 24. 5, 6. Conclusion.

w | x³ | 24. 7-. Event. Non-invasion from Egypt.

x⁴ | 24. -7. Event. Reason.

the gold of the People of the land, of every one according to his taxation, to give *it* unto Pharaoh-nechoh.

36 Jehoiakim was twenty and five years old

R⁶ v

500 when he began to reign; and he reigned eleven
to years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name
489 was Zebudah, the daughter of Pedaiiah of
Rumah.

w x¹ 37 And he °did that which was ³²evil in the
(p. 526) sight of ²the LORD, according to all that his
fathers had done.

x² 24 In his days °Nebuchadnezzar king of
496 Babylon °came up, and Jehoiakim be-
came his servant three years: then he turned
and rebelled against him.

2 And °the LORD sent against him °bands of
the Chaldees, and bands of the Syrians, and
bands of the Moabites, and bands of the °child-
ren of Ammon, and sent them against Judah
to destroy it, according to the word of °the
LORD, which He spake °by His servants the
prophets.

3 Surely at the °commandment of ²the LORD
came this upon Judah, to remove them out of
His sight, for the sins of Manasseh, °according
to all that he did;

4 And also for the innocent °blood that he
shed: for he filled Jerusalem with innocent
blood; which ²the LORD would not pardon.

v 5 Now °the rest of the acts of Jehoiakim, and
all that he did, °are they not written in the
book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

6 So Jehoiakim °slept with his fathers: and
Jehoiachin his son reigned in his stead.

x³ 7 And the king of Egypt came not again any
more out of his land:

x⁴ for the king of Babylon had taken from the
river of Egypt unto the river Euphrates all
that pertained to the king of Egypt.

R⁷ J 8 °Jehoiachin was °eighteen years old when
(p. 527) he began to reign, and he reigned in Jeru-
489 salem °three months. And his mother's name
was Nehushta, the daughter of Elnathan of
Jerusalem.

K 9 And he did that which was °evil in the sight
of ²the LORD, according to all that his father
had done.

J y 10 At that time °the servants of Nebuchad-
nezzar king of Babylon came up against Jeru-
salem, and the city was besieged.

11 And Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon
came against the city, °and his servants °did
besiege it.

z 12 And Jehoiachin the king of Judah went
out to the king of Babylon, he, and his mother,
and his servants, and his princes, and his
°officers:

z and the king of Babylon took him in °the
489 eighth year of his reign.

13 And he carried out thence all the treasures
of the house of ²the LORD, and the treasures
of the king's house, and cut in pieces all the
vessels of gold which Solomon king of Israel
had made in the temple of ²the LORD, °as ²the
LORD °had said.

14 And he °carried away all Jerusalem, °and
all the princes, and all the mighty men of
valour, even ten thousand captives, and all the

37 did that which was evil. See 2 Chron. 36. 5-8.
Jer. 22. 17; 24. 8; 26. 22, 23. N.B. Jer. 13-20, and prob-
ably 22; 26; 35; 36; belong to this period.

24. 1 Nebuchadnezzar. Or Nebuchadrezzar (Jer.
21. 2, 7; 22. 25), or Nebuchadonosor in Josephus and
Berosus, Sept., and Vulg. This is the first occurrence
of his name in Scripture.

came up. In the fourth year of Jehoiakim (Jer.
25. 1; 46. 2). Daniel says in third year (1. 1); but he
writes from Babylon, whence Nebuchadnezzar set out,
and here (cp. Jer. 46. 2), it refers to the actual coming.
The Babylonian Servitude begins here (496 to 426 B.C.).

2 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
bands = marauding bands. children = sons.

by = through. Heb. by the hand of. "Hand" put by
Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6, for what is effected by it.
3 commandment. Heb. mouth. Put by Fig. Meto-
nymy (of Cause), Ap. 6, for what is spoken by it.

according to all. A special reading called *Sevir*
(Ap. 34) reads "in all". So some codices.

4 blood. Put by Fig. Synecdoche (of Species), Ap. 6,
for murder, and the guilt of it.

5 the rest. See 2 Chron. 36. 6-8.

are they not . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

6 slept with his fathers. Only the fact referred to
here. Not the manner of his death and burial, for
which see Jer. 22. 18, 19; 36. 29, 30. It was as foretold.
The expression "slept with his fathers" is used even of
Ahab; and every king of Judah whose death is recorded
is said also to have been buried, except Jehoiakim. See
note on Deut. 31. 16.

24. 8-17 (R⁷, p. 516). JEHOIACHIN. (Introversion.)

R⁷ J | 8. Event. Internal. Accession.

K | 9. Personal character.

J | 10-17. Events. External. Supercession.

8 Jehoiachin. Called also Coniah and Jeconiah
(Jer. 22. 24; 24. 1).

eighteen. This was his age. In 2 Chron. 36. 9 he is
said to be eight. See note there.

three months. Is put by Fig. Synecdoche (of the
Part), Ap. 6, for three months and ten days. Cp.
2 Chron. 36. 9.

9 evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

10-17 (J, above). EVENTS. EXTERNAL. (Alternation.)

J | y | 10, 11. Nebuchadnezzar besieges Jerusalem.

z | 12-. Jehoiachin surrenders.

z | -12-16. Jehoiachin made captive.

y | 17. Nebuchadnezzar makes Mattaniah king.

10 the servants of. Some codices, with two early
printed editions, Sept. and Syr., omit these words, and
read "came up".

11 and. Note the Fig. Polysyndeton (Ap. 6) in vv.
11-16 to emphasise every detail.

did besiege = were besieging.

12 officers: i.e. eunuchs or chamberlains.

the eighth year. Computed from the time that his
father entrusted him with regal authority. This was
the 4th year of Jehoiakim (Jer. 25. 1, cp. 32. 1).

13 as = according as.

had said. Cp. 20. 17.

14 carried away. This deportation was eleven years
before that of Zedekiah (25. 18). Mordecai was in this
deportation. See note on 2 Chron. 36. 6. The Captivity
began in 489. craftsmen = artificers.

the People of the land. Cp. 23. 6.

15 Jehoiachin to Babylon. Where he was captive
for thirty-seven years.

°craftsmen and smiths: none remained, save
the poorest sort of °the People of the land.

15 And he carried away °Jehoiachin to Baby-
lon, °and the king's mother, and the king's

489 wives, and his ¹² officers, and ° the mighty of the land, those carried he into captivity from Jerusalem to Babylon.

16 And all the ° men of might, even seven thousand, and ¹⁴ craftsmen and ° smiths a thousand, all that were strong and apt for war, even them the king of Babylon brought captive to Babylon.

y (p. 527) 17 And the king of Babylon made Mattaniah his father's brother king in his stead, and ° changed his name to Zedekiah.

R^a a (p. 528) 18 Zedekiah was twenty and one years old when he began to reign, and he reigned eleven years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was ° Hamutal, the daughter of Jeremiah of Libnah.

b 19 And he ° did that which was ° evil in the sight of ² the LORD, according to all that Jehoiakim had done.

a 20 For through the anger of ² the LORD it came to pass in Jerusalem and Judah, until He had cast them out from His presence, that Zedekiah ° rebelled against the king of Babylon.

C² L N 25 ° And ° it came to pass in the ° ninth year of his reign, in the tenth month, in the

O c that Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came, he, and all his host, against Jerusalem, and pitched against it; and they built forts against it round about.

477 2 And the city was besieged unto the eleventh year of king Zedekiah.

d 3 And on the ninth day of the ° fourth month ° the famine prevailed in the city, and there was no bread for the People of the land.

c 4 And the city was ° broken up,

d and all the ° men of war ° fled by night by the way of the gate between ° two walls, which is by the king's garden: ° (now the Chaldees were against the city round about:) and the king went the way toward the plain.

P 5 And the army of the Chaldees pursued after the king, and overtook him in the plains of Jericho: and all his army were scattered from him.

6 So they took the king, and brought him up to the king of Babylon to ° Riblah; and ° they ° gave judgment upon him.

7 And they slew the sons of Zedekiah before his eyes, and ° put out the eyes of Zedekiah, and bound him with fetters of brass,

Q and carried him to Babylon.

N 8 And in the fifth month, on the ° seventh day of the month, which is the nineteenth year of king Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon, came Nebuzaradan, ° captain of the guard, a servant of the king of Babylon, unto Jerusalem:

O e 9 And he burnt the house of ° the LORD, and the king's house, and all the houses of Jerusalem, and every ° great man's house burnt he with fire.

f 10 And all the army of the Chaldees, that

the mighty of the land. Princes and potentates, priests and prophets (Jer. 29. 1). Among them Ezekiel (1. 12), Daniel, and Nehemiah.

16 men. Heb. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

smiths = armourers.

17 changed his name. See note on 23. 34.

24. 18-20 (R^a, p. 516). ZEDEKIAH. (Introversion.)

R^a a | 18. Accession.

b | 19. Personal. Evil-doing.

a | 20. Rebellion.

18 Hamutal. Therefore only half-brother to Jehoiakim, but full brother to Jehoahaz.

19 did that which was evil. See 2 Chron. 36. 12-16. Jer. 24. 8; 37. 2; 38. 2, 5.

20 rebelled. Though bound by oath (2 Chron. 36. 13. Ezek. 17. 13).

25. 1-30 (C², p. 446). THE KINGDOM ENDED. (Introversion.)

C² L | 1-21. Nebuchadnezzar and Zedekiah.

M | 22-25. Remnant. In the land.

M | 26. Remnant. Migration to Egypt.

L | 27-30. Evil-Merodach and Jehoiachin.

25. 1-21 (L, above). NEBUCHADNEZZAR AND ZEDEKIAH. (Extended Alternation.)

L N | 1-. Date. Ninth of Zedekiah (Jer. 39. 1).

O c | -1, 2. City besieged.

d | 3. Famine.

c | 4-. City broken up.

d | -4. Flight.

P | 5-7-. Executions at Riblah.

Q | -7. Carrying away of Zedekiah.

N | 8. Date. Nineteenth of Nebuchadnezzar.

O e | 9. Temple burned.

f | 10. City wall broken down.

f | 11, 12. City. Inhabitants. Flight.

e | 13-17. Temple spoiled.

P | 18-21-. Executions at Riblah.

Q | -21. Carrying away of Judah.

1 And. Note the Fig. Polysyndeton (Ap. 6) in vv. 1-7, to emphasise every detail.

it came to pass. Cp. 2 Chron. 36. 11-13 and Jer. 52. The prophecy of Jer. 39-44 is the Divine comment on the history.

ninth year, &c. The day revealed to Ezekiel in exile (Ezek. 24. 1). Cp. Jer. 39. 1.

3 fourth. This numeral is supplied from Jer. 52. 6. the famine. The ninth recorded in Scripture. See note on Gen. 12. 10. Fulfilling Lev. 26. 29. Deut. 28. 53-57. Jer. 15. 2; 27. 13. Lam. 2. 20-22. Ezek. 4. 16. Sufferings described in Jer. 21. 7-9. Lam. 4. 9, 10; 5. 10, &c.

4 broken up = breached. Before this an Egyptian force approached and the Babylonians retired (Jer. 37. 5-11). The relief was only temporary, as predicted. men. Heb. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

fled. Some codices, with Syr., read "the men of war fled, and went forth by night". Cp. Jer. 39. 4; 52. 7. two = the two.

now. Note Fig. Parenthesis. Ap. 6.

6 Riblah. See note on 23. 33.

they. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "he".

gave judgment = passed sentence. Cp. 24. 20.

7 put out the eyes. So that he did not "see" Babylon, though he was to die there (Ezek. 12. 13). But he did "see" the king of Babylon, according to Jer. 32. 4; 34. 3. See note on Gen. 19. 11.

8 seventh day. Jer. 52. 12 says tenth day. He may have set fire to it on the seventh day, and it burnt until the tenth.

captain of the guard = chief of the royal executioners.

9 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

great man's house. See note on Prov. 17. 19.

477 were with the °captain of the guard, brake down the walls of Jerusalem round about.

f (p. 528) 11 Now the rest of the People *that were* left in the city, and the fugitives that fell away to the king of Babylon, with the remnant of the multitude, did Nebuzar-adan the °captain of the guard carry away.

12 But the °captain of the guard left of the poor of the land *to be* vinedressers and °husbandmen.

e 13 And the pillars of brass that *were* in the house of °the LORD, and the bases, and the brasen sea that *was* in the house of °the LORD, did the Chaldees break in pieces, and carried the brass of them to Babylon.

14 And the pots, and the shovels, and the snuffers, and the spoons, and all the vessels of brass wherewith they ministered, took they away.

15 And the firepans, and the bowls, *and* such things as *were* of gold, *in* gold, and of silver, *in* silver, the °captain of the guard took away.

16 The two pillars, one sea, and the bases which Solomon had made for the house of °the LORD; the brass of all these vessels was without weight.

17 °The height of the one pillar was eighteen °cubits, and the chapter upon it was brass; and the height of the chapter three °cubits; and the °wreathen work, and pomegranates upon the chapter round about, all of brass; and like unto these had the second pillar with °wreathen work.

P 18 And the °captain of the guard took °Seraiah the °chief priest, and Zephaniah the °second priest, and the three keepers of the °door:

19 And out of the city he took an officer that was set over the men of war, and five °men of them that °were in the king's presence, which were found in the city, and the °principal scribe of the host, which mustered the People of the land, and threescore °men of the People of the land *that were* found in the city:

20 And Nebuzar-adan °captain of the guard took *these*, and brought them to the king of Babylon to Riblah:

21 And the king of Babylon smote them, and slew them at Riblah in the land of Hamath.

Q °So Judah was carried away out of °their land.

M g 22 And *as for* the people that remained in the land of Judah, whom Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon had left, even over them he made Gedaliah the son of °Ahikam, the son of Shaphan, ruler.

h 23 And °when all the captains of the armies, *they* and their °men, heard that the king of Babylon had made Gedaliah governor, there came to Gedaliah to Mizpah, even °Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and °Johanan the son of Careah, and Seraiah the son of Tanhumeth the Netophathite, and Jaazaniah the son of a Maachathite, *they* and their °men.

g 24 And Gedaliah sware to them, and to their °men, and said unto them, "Fear not to be the servants of the Chaldees: dwell in the land, and serve the king of Babylon; and °it shall be well with you."

12 husbandmen. Cp. Jer. 52. 16.

17 The height of the one pillar. See note on 1 Kings 7. 15.

cubits. See Ap. 51. III. 2.

wreathen work = network.

18 Seraiah. The grandfather or great-grandfather of Ezra (1 Chron. 6. 14. Ezra 7. 1).

chief priest. See note on Lev. 4. 3.

second priest. See note on 23. 4. Probably a deputy high priest. No provision for such in the Law.

door = threshold.

19 were in the king's presence. Heb. saw the king's face.

principal scribe = scribe of the captain of the host.

21 So Judah was carried away. Thus ended the kingdom of Judah, as Jeremiah had predicted (Jer. 20. 4).

their = his.

25. 22-25 (M, p. 528). THE REMNANT. MIGRATION TO EGYPT. (Alternation.)

M | g | 22. Governor. Gedaliah.

h | 23. Ishmael. Visit of.

g | 24. Governor's reception.

h | 25. Ishmael. Murders by.

22 Ahikam. He had befriended Jeremiah (Jer. 26. 24)

23 when all the captains, &c. For fuller account see Jer. 40. 7-43. 13.

Ishmael. He was of the seed royal (v. 25), and laid claim to the throne. Cp. Jer. 40. 8; 41. 1-18. Josephus, *Ant.* X. 9. 2.

Johanan. Who, with others, warned Gedaliah of Ishmael's treachery (Jer. 40. 13; 41. 15).

24 it shall be well with you. So God designed it (Jer. 27. 5, 6, 11).

25 seventh month. Afterward observed as a fast. Cp. Zech. 7. 5.

smote Gedaliah. Instigated by Baalis, king of Ammon (Jer. 40. 7-43. 13).

26 came to Egypt. In defiance of the counsel of Jeremiah (whom they took with them). See Jer. 42 and 43. 8-13, who foretold that Egypt also would be given to the king of Babylon (Jer. 44. 29, 30).

27 Evil-merodach. The son and successor of Nebuchadnezzar.

lift up the head. Heb. idiom = show favour to.

out of prison. Some codices, with Sept. and Syr., read "and brought him forth out of his prison". Cp. Jer. 52. 31.

28 kindly - good words.

throne = seat (Prov. 9. 14). Cp. Lam. 1. 1.

25 But it came to pass in the °seventh month, that Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, the son of Elishama, of the seed royal, came, and ten °men with him, and °smote Gedaliah, that he died, and the Jews and the Chaldees that were with him at Mizpah.

26 And all the People, both small and great, and the captains of the armies, arose, and °came to Egypt: for they were afraid of the Chaldees.

27 And it came to pass in the seven and thirtieth year of the captivity of Jehoiachin king of Judah, in the twelfth month, on the seven and twentieth *day* of the month, *that* °Evil-merodach king of Babylon in the year that he began to reign did °lift up the head of Jehoiachin king of Judah °out of prison;

28 And he spake °kindly to him, and set his °throne above the °throne of the kings that *were* with him in Babylon;

29 And changed his prison garments: and he did eat bread continually before him all the days of his life.

30 And his allowance was a continual allowance given him of the king, a daily rate for every day, all the days of his life.

29 did eat bread. He was a guest at the royal table. Cp. 2 Sam. 19. 33. 1 Kings 2. 7.

This chapter, compared with the last chapter of Jeremiah, points to his authorship. The (one) book of Kings brings the history of Israel and Judah down

to the Captivity, and ends there. See the Structure, p. 413. The (one) book of Chronicles begins from Adam, and leads on from the Captivity to the book of Ezra-Nehemiah.

1 AND 2 CHRONICLES.

THE STRUCTURE OF THE TWO BOOKS* AS A WHOLE.

(*Alternation.*)

A 1 Chron. 1. 1—9. 1. UP TO THE CAPTIVITY.	}	GENEALOGY.
B 1 Chron. 9. 2-44. AFTER THE RETURN.		
A 1 Chron. 10. 1—2 Chron. 36. 21. UP TO THE CAPTIVITY.	}	HISTORY.
B 2 Chron. 36. 22, 23. AFTER THE RETURN.		

* For the division of Chronicles into two books, see note on the Structure of the two Books of Samuel as a whole (p. 366).

THE °FIRST BOOK OF THE °CHRONICLES.

A A¹ B¹
(p. 531)
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C a¹

1 °ADAM, °Sheth, Enosh,
2 °Kenan, Mahalaleel, Jered,
3 Henoch, Methuselah, Lamech,
4 Noah, °Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

5 The sons of °Japheth; Gomer, and Magog,
and Madai, and Javan, and Tubal, and Me-
shech, and Tiras.

6 And the sons of Gomer; Ashchenaz, and
°Riphath, and Togarmah.

7 And the sons of Javan; Elishah, and Tar-
shish, Kittim, and °Dodanim.

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8 The sons of Ham; °Cush, and Mizraim, Put,
and Canaan.

9 And the sons of Cush; Seba, and Havilah,
and Sabta, and Raamah, and Sabtechah. And
the sons of Raamah; Sheba, and Dedan.

10 And Cush begat °Nimrod: he began to be
mighty upon the earth.

11 And Mizraim begat Ludim, and Anamim,
and Lehabim, and Naphtuhim,

12 And Pathrusim, and Casluhim, (of whom
came the Philistines,) and Caphthorim.

13 And Canaan begat Zidon his firstborn, and
Heth,

14 The Jebusite also, and the Amorite, and
the Girgashite,

15 And the Hivite, and the Arkite, and the
Sinite,

16 And the Arvadite, and the Zemarite, and
the Hamathite.

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17 The sons of Shem; Elam, and Asshur, and
Arphaxad, and Lud, and Aram, and °Uz, and
Hul, and Gether, and °Meshech.

18 And Arphaxad begat Shelah, and Shelah
begat Eber.

19 And unto Eber were born two sons: the
name of the one was °Peleg; because in his
days the earth was divided: and his brother's
name was Joktan.

20 And °Joktan begat Almodad, and Sheleph,
and Hazarmaveth, and Jerah,

21 Hadoram also, and Uzal, and Diklah,

22 And Ebal, and Abimael, and Sheba,

23 And Ophir, and Havilah, and Jobab. All
these were the sons of Joktan.

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24 °Shem, Arphaxad, Shelah,

4 Shem. Cp. Gen. 5. 32; 10. 21. In cases where there are several sons of one father, the collateral are dealt with first, and the main line taken up later. Hence Shem's main line is not dealt with till v. 24, after the sons of Japheth and Ham have been given. **5** Japheth. Cp. Gen. 10. 2, &c. **6** Riphath. Some codices; with four early printed editions, Syr. and Vulg., read "Riphath", others "Diphath", owing to Heb. ר ("D") and ר ("R"). **7** Dodanim, or Rodanion. See above note. **8** Cush. Recent discoveries at Pterium, in Cappadocia, show that the Babylonians called Cappadocia *Kus*. The great king of the Hittites had his palace there, and was called "king of *Kus*". The river Gihon (classic, Pijramus) flows into the Mediterranean. Cp. Gen. 10. 6, 7. Isa. 11. 11. **10** Nimrod. Cp. Gen. 10. 8. **17** Uz . . . Meshech were sons of Aram (Shem's youngest son). No error, for grandsons are often reckoned, by descent, as sons. See Laban (Gen. 29. 5), Mephibosheth (2 Sam. 19. 24). Of the "sons of Judah" (4. 1-4) only the first-named was his son. It is assumed that we are acquainted with Genesis, and shall supply the links dealt with here with such brevity. **19** Peleg = disruption. See note on Gen. 10. 25. **20** Joktan. Cp. Gen. 10. 26. **24** Shem. Direct descent taken up here, from v. 4. See Structure, B².

TITLE, First. See note on p. 530.

Chronicles. Heb. name, *Dibreî hayyāmim* - words of the days. Greek name, *Paraleipomena* - things omitted. Latin name, *Chronicon*, from whence comes English title, *Chronicles*. These books belong to quite another part of the O.T., and do not follow in sequence on the books of Kings. See Ap. 1. They are, according to the Heb. Canon, the conclusion of the O.T.; and the genealogies here lead up to that of Matt. 1. 1, and the commencement of the N.T. They end with the ending of the kingdom; and the question of Cyrus, "Who is there?" (2 Chron. 36. 23) is followed by the answer, "Where is He?" (Matt. 2. 2), and the proclamation of the kingdom by the rightful King and His forerunner. It begins with the first Adam and leads on to the "last Adam".

For the relation of Chronicles to Kings see notes on title "Kings" (p. 447); and for the parallel passages in Samuel and Kings see Ap. 56.

It deals with the kingdom of Judah, because Christ was proclaimed as the successor of David.

It refers to other books:—*Kings* (2 Chron. 16. 11; 27. 7; 33. 18); *Prophets* (1 Chron. 29. 29. 2 Chron. 9. 29; 12. 15; 13. 22; 20. 34; 26. 22; 32. 32). It gives the histories from the Divine standpoint, pointing the moral, and giving the reason of both the judgments and the mercies (cp. 1 Chron. 10. 13. 2 Chron. 12. 12; 25. 20; 27. 6, &c.).

1. 1-9. 1 (A, p. 530). UP TO THE CAPTIVITY
(GENEALOGY). (*Division*.)

A | A¹ | 1. 1-8. 40. In detail.
| A² | 9. 1. In sum.

1. 1-8. 40 (A¹, above). IN DETAIL.
(*Repeated Alternation*.)

A¹ | B¹ | 1. 1-4. Direct. Adam to Noah (4004-2948).
| C¹ | 1. 5-23. Collateral. Japheth (5-7), Ham (8-16).
B² | 1. 24-28. Direct. Shem to Abraham (2446-1996).
| C² | 1. 29-33. Collateral. Ishmael.
B³ | 1. 34. Direct. Abraham to Israel (1996-1836).
| C³ | 1. 35-54. Collateral. Esau and Edom.
B⁴ | 2. 1-12. Direct. Israel to Jesse (1836-1050?).
| C⁴ | 2. 13-55. Collateral. Jesse and Caleb.
B⁵ | 3. 1-24. Direct. David to Zedekiah (990-509).
| C⁵ | 4. 1-8. 40. Collateral. Other tribes.

1 Adam. Cp. Gen. 1. 26; 2. 7.

Sheth. Cp. Gen. 4. 25; 5. 3.

2 Kenan - Cainan (Gen. 5. 9).

1. 5-23 (C¹, above). COLLATERAL.
(*Division*.)

C¹ | a¹ | 5-7. The sons of Japheth.
| a² | 8-16. The sons of Ham.
| a³ | 17-23. The other sons of Shem.

1996 25 Eber, Peleg, Reu,
26 Serug, Nahor, Terah,
27 Abram; the same *is* Abraham.
28 The sons of Abraham; Isaac, and Ishmael.

C² b¹ (p. 532) 29 These *are* their generations: The firstborn
of Ishmael, Nebaioth; then Kedar, and Adbeel,
and Mibsam,
30 Mishma, and Dumah, Massa, Hadad, and
Tema,
31 Jetur, Naphish, and Kedemah. These are
the sons of Ishmael.

b² 32 Now the sons of Keturah, Abraham's con-
cubine: she bare Zimran, and Jokshan, and
Medan, and Midian, and Ishbak, and Shuah.
And the sons of Jokshan; Sheba, and Dedan.
33 And the sons of Midian; Ephah, and Epher,
and Henoah, and Abida, and Eldaah. All these
are the sons of Keturah.

B³ 34 And Abraham begat Isaac. The sons of
1896-1836 Isaac; Esau and Israel.

C³ c¹ 35 The sons of °Esau; Eliphaz, Reuel, and
Jeush, and Jaalam, and Korah.

36 The sons of Eliphaz; Teman, and Omar,
°Zephi, and Gatam, Kenaz, and °Timna, and
Amalek.

37 The sons of Reuel; Nahath, Zerah, Sham-
mah, and Mizzah.

38 And the °sons of Seir; Lotan, and Shobal,
and Zibeon, and Anah, and Dishon, and Ezar,
and Dishan.

39 And the sons of Lotan; Hori, and Homam:
and Timna *was* Lotan's sister.

40 The sons of Shobal; °Alian, and Manahath,
and Ebal, Shephi, and Onam. And the sons of
Zibeon; Aiah, and Anah.

41 The °sons of Anah; Dishon. And the sons
of Dishon; °Amram, and Eshban, and Ithran,
and Cheran.

42 The sons of Ezer; Bilhan, and Zavan,
and °Jakan. The sons of Dishan; Uz, and
Aran.

c² 43 Now these *are* the kings that reigned in
the land of Edom °before any king reigned
over the °children of Israel; Bela the son of
Beor: and the name of his city *was* Dinhabah.

44 And when Bela *was* dead, Jobab the son
of Zerah of Bozrah reigned in his stead.

45 And when Jobab *was* dead, Husham of
the land of the Temanites reigned in his stead.

46 And when Husham *was* dead, Hadad the
son of Bedad, which smote Midian in the field
of Moab, reigned in his stead: and the name of
his city *was* °Avith.

47 And when Hadad *was* dead, Samlah of
Masrekah reigned in his stead.

48 And when Samlah *was* dead, Shaul of
Rehoboth by the river reigned in his stead.

49 And when Shaul *was* dead, Baal-hanan
the son of Achbor reigned in his stead.

50 And when °Baal-hanan *was* dead, °Hadad
reigned in his stead: and the name of his city
was °Pai; and his wife's name *was* Mehetabel,
the daughter of Matred, the daughter of Meza-
hab.

51 ⁵⁰ Hadad died also.

c³ And the °dukes of Edom were; duke Timnah,
duke °Aliah, duke Jetheth,

1. 29-33 (C², p. 531). COLLATERAL. (*Division*).

C² | b¹ | 29-31. The sons of Ishmael.
| b² | 32, 33. The sons of Keturah.

35-54 (C³, p. 531). COLLATERAL. (*Division*).

C³ | c¹ | 35-42. The sons of Esau.
| c² | 43-51-. The kings of Edom.
| c³ | -51-54. The dukes of Edom.

35 Esau. Cp. Gen. 36. 9, 10.

36 Zephi. Some codices, with one early printed
edition, read "Zepho" (cp. Gen. 36. 11), owing to the
slight difference between the Heb. י ("O") and י ("I").
Timna. There *was* a Timna a daughter of Seir. The
Timna here *is* a son of Eliphaz.

38 sons of Seir. Horites dwelling in Seir before the
descendants of Esau (Gen. 36. 20).

40 Alian. Some codices, with two early printed
editions, read "Alvan" (Gen. 36. 23).

41 sons. A special various reading called *Sevir* reads
"son". See Ap. 34. Gen. 36. 25 tells of a daughter.
This shows that *bānūm* may include daughters.

Amram. Some codices read "Hemdan" (cp. Gen.
36. 26). These names are more alike in Hebrew than
in English.

42 Jakan. Some codices, with Sept., read "and
Akan", with the "and" in the text.

43 before any king. See note on Gen. 36. 31, which
must have been before the writer's eyes.
children - sons.

46 Avith. Heb. text reads "Ayūth". But some
codices, with two early printed editions, read "Avith",
which A.V. follows.

50 Baal-hanan. Some codices, with one early
printed edition, add "son of Achbor". Cp. Gen. 36. 39.

Hadad. Some codices, with four early printed
editions, read "Hadar". See note on Amram, v. 41, and
cp. Gen. 36. 39.

Pai. Some codices read "Pau". See note on Zephi,
v. 36, and cp. Gen. 36. 39.

51 dukes of Edom were. Read, "there arose chiefs
to Edom", viz. These seem to have superseded the kings.

Aliah. Some codices, with two early printed
editions, read "Alvah". See note on Zephi, v. 36, and cp.
Gen. 36. 40.

2. 1-12 (B⁴, p. 531). DIRECT DESCENT.
(*Division*.)

B⁴ | d¹ | 1, 2. Israel (Jacob) to Judah.
| d² | 3-12. Judah to Jesse.

1 Israel. See notes on Gen. 32. 28; 43. 8; 45. 26, 28.

Reuben. For the order of these names see Ap. 45

3 Judah. Put first because of his being chief. Cp.
Gen. 38. 1-11.

evil. Heb. *rā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii. Cp. Gen. 38. 1-11.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

52 Duke Aholibamah, duke Elah, duke Pinon,
53 Duke Kenaz, duke Teman, duke Mibzar,
54 Duke Magdiel, duke Iram. These *are* the
dukes of Edom.

2 These *are* the sons of °Israel; °Reuben,
Simeon, Levi, and Judah, Issachar, and
Zebulun,

2 Dan, Joseph, and Benjamin, Naphtali, Gad,
and Asher.

3 The sons of °Judah; Er, and Onan, and
Shelah: *which* three were born unto him of
the daughter of Shua the Canaanitess. And
Er, the firstborn of Judah, *was* °evil in the
sight of °the LORD; and He slew him.

B⁴ d¹
1836
to
1050?

d²

1836
to
1050?

4 And °Tamar his daughter in law bare him Pharez and Zerah. All the sons of Judah were five.

5 The sons of °Pharez; Hezron, and Hamul.
6 And the sons of Zerah; Zimri, and Ethan, and Heman, and Calcol, and Dara: five of them in all.

7 And the °sons of Carmi; °Achar, the troubler of Israel, who °transgressed in the thing accursed.

8 And the °sons of °Ethan; Azariah.

9 The sons also of Hezron, that were born unto him; Jerahmeel, and °Ram, and °Chelubai.

10 And Ram begat Amminadab; and Amminadab begat °Nahshon, prince of the °children of Judah;

11 And Nahshon begat °Salma, and Salma begat Boaz,

12 And Boaz begat Obed, and Obed begat Jesse,

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13 And Jesse begat his firstborn Eliab, and Abinadab the second, and Shimma the third,
14 Nethaneel the fourth, Raddai the fifth,

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15 Ozem the sixth, °David °the seventh:
16 Whose sisters were °Zeruiah, and Abigail. And the sons of Zeruiah; Abishai, and Joab, and Asahel, three.

17 And Abigail bare Amasa: and the father of Amasa was °Jether the Ishmeelite.

e²

18 And °Caleb the son of Hezron begat children of Azubah his wife, and of Jerioth: her sons are these; Jeshier, and Shobab, and Ardon.

19 And when Azubah was dead, Caleb took unto him °Ephrath, which bare him Hur.

20 And Hur begat Uri, and Uri begat °Bezaleel.

e³

21 And afterward Hezron went in to the daughter of °Machir the father of Gilead, whom he married when he was threescore years old; and she bare him Segub.

22 And Segub begat Jair, who had °three and twenty cities in the land of Gilead.

23 And he took °Geshur, and Aram, with the towns of Jair, from °them, with Kenath, and the towns thereof, even °threescore cities. All these °belonged to the sons of Machir the father of Gilead.

24 And after that Hezron was °dead in Caleb-ephratah, then Abiah Hezron's wife bare him Ashur the father of Tekoa.

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25 And the sons of °Jerahmeel the firstborn of Hezron were, Ram the firstborn, and Bunah, and Oren, and Ozem, °and Ahijah.

26 Jerahmeel had also another wife, whose name was Atarah; she was the mother of Onam.

27 And the sons of Ram the firstborn of Jerahmeel were, Maaz, and Jamin, and Eker.

28 And the sons of Onam were, Shammai, and Jada. And the sons of Shammai; Nadab, and Abishur.

29 And the name of the wife of Abishur was Abihail, and she bare him Ahban, and Molid.

30 And the sons of Nadab; Seled, and Appaim: but Seled died without °children.

31 And the °sons of Appaim; Ishi. And the °sons of Ishi; Sheshan. And the °children of Sheshan; Ahlai.

4 Tamar. Cp. Gen. 38. 18, 29, 30; and Matt. 1. 3.

5 Pharez. Ruth 4. 18.

7 sons. Put for "son" by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Genus), Ap. 6.

Achar = Achan. Cp. Josh. 7. 25.

transgressed. Heb. *mā'al*. Ap. 44. xi.

8 Ethan. Not the same person as "Ethan the Ezrahite" (1 Kings 4. 31), who was probably a Levite (see 1 Chron. 6. 27-29; 15. 17-19), and not of Judah, as the Heman and Ethan here.

9 Ram. Christ's genealogy traced through Jerahmeel. Called Aram in Matt. 1. 3, 4.

Chelubai = Caleb. Cp. vv. 18, 42.

10 Nahshon. He led the van of Israel at the Exodus. Cp. Num. 2. 3, 9.

children = sons.

11 Salma = Salmon, who married Rahab (Ruth 4. 21). He led on entry into Canaan. Cp. vv. 50, 51.

2. 13-55 (C⁴, p. 531). COLLATERAL. (*Division*.)

C⁴ e¹ 13-17. Jesse's posterity.

e² 18-20. Caleb, the son of Hezron.

e³ 21-24. Hezron by daughter of Machir.

e⁴ 25-33. Jerahmeel's posterity.

e⁵ 34-41. Sheshan's posterity.

e⁶ 42-49. Caleb's posterity.

e⁷ 50-55. Caleb, the son of Hur.

15 David. The different spelling of many of these names in the Heb. is due to certain vowels being written out in full ("plene"). Where not written they are called "defective". The fact of this difference in Chronicles shows an independent origin.

the seventh. Jesse begat eight sons (1 Sam. 16. 5-11 and 17. 12-14). Here seven are numbered and named, and David is the seventh and the youngest; the eighth may have died young and left no issue. While it was proper to mention the eight in the *history*, it is unnecessary to do so in the *genealogy*.

16 Zeruiah. Sister of David. Nahash (2 Sam. 17. 25) may have been the father of Jesse's wife. Otherwise, she and Abigail were half-sisters.

17 Jether. Cp. 2 Sam. 17. 25 (marg.). Another name was Ithra.

18 Caleb the son of Hezron. The ancestor of "Caleb the son of Jephunneh" (Num. 13. 6, 30; 14. 6, 24; 32. 12; 34. 19. Josh. 14. 6, 14), who is distinguished from this Caleb in 4. 15. This shows the present genealogy to be independent.

19 Ephrath. Called Ephratah, v. 50. Cp. 4. 4.

20 Bezaleel. Gifted for the construction of the Tabernacle (Ex. 31. 2; 35. 30; 36. 1, 2; 37. 1). This proves those to be wrong who assume that the Caleb of v. 18 is the same as Caleb the son of Jephunneh (Bezaleel's great-grandfather), thus creating their own difficulty.

21 Machir. Cp. Num. 32. 40. Deut. 3. 15.

22 three and twenty. Increased afterward to thirty (Judg. 10. 4).

23 Geshur. North-east of Bashan (Deut. 3. 14. Josh. 12. 5. 2 Sam. 15. 8).

them: the Manassites. Cp. Num. 32. 41. Deut. 3. 14. threescore cities. Cp. Num. 32. 33. Deut. 3. 4.

belonged to. Supply the Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) by inserting "took" instead of "belonged to".

24 dead in Caleb-ephratah. Some wrongly affirm that this grandson of Judah must have died in Egypt. True, Hezron *lived* in Egypt, but did no one ever leave Egypt? Had he not heard of Abraham's sepulchre and Jacob's funeral? Had he no faith and no thoughts of God's promises? The difficulty is created gratuitously. His death there gave the name to the place, afterward called Beth-lehem.

25 Jerahmeel. See 1 Sam. 27. 10; 30. 29.

and: or, supply "of".

32 And the sons of Jada the brother of Shammai; Jether, and Jonathan: and Jether died without °children.

33 And the sons of Jonathan; Peleth, and Zaza. These were the sons of Jerahmeel.

^{e5} (p. 533) 34 Now Sheshan had no sons, but daughters. And Sheshan had a servant, an Egyptian, whose name was Jarha.

35 And Sheshan gave his daughter °to Jarha his servant to wife; and she bare him Attai.

36 And Attai begat Nathan, and Nathan begat Zabad,

37 And Zabad begat Ephlal, and Ephlal begat Obed,

38 And Obed begat Jehu, and Jehu begat Azariah,

39 And Azariah begat Helez, and Helez begat Eleasah,

40 And Eleasah begat Sisamai, and Sisamai begat Shallum,

41 And Shallum begat Jekamiah, and Jekamiah begat Elishama.

^{e6} 42 Now the sons of °Caleb the brother of Jerahmeel were, Mesha his firstborn, which was the °father of Ziph; and the sons of °Mareshah the °father of °Hebron.

43 And the sons of Hebron; Korah, and °Tappuah, and °Rekem, and Shema.

44 And Shema begat Raham, the father of Jorkoam; and Rekem begat Shammai.

45 And the son of Shammai was °Maon: and Maon was the °father of Beth-zur.

46 And Ephah, Caleb's concubine, bare Haran, and Moza, and Gazez: and Haran begat Gazez.

47 And the sons of Jahdai; Regem, and Jotham, and Gesham, and Pelet, and Ephah, and Shaaph.

48 Maachah, Caleb's concubine, bare Sheber, and Tirhanah.

49 She bare also Shaaph the father of Madmannah, Sheva the father of Machbenah, and the father of Gibeaz: and °the daughter of Caleb was Achsa.

^{e7} 50 These were the °sons of °Caleb the son of Hur, the firstborn of Ephratah; Shobal the °father of °Kirjath-jearim,

51 °Salma the father of Beth-lehem, Hareph the °father of °Beth-gader.

52 And Shobal the °father of °Kirjath-jearim had sons; Haroeh, and °half of the Manahethites.

53 And the families of °Kirjath-jearim; the Ithrites, and the Puhites, and the Shumathites, and the Mishraites; of them came the °Zareathites, and the °Eshtaulites.

54 The sons of Salma; Beth-lehem, and the Netophathites, Ataroth, the house of Joab, and half of the Manahethites, the Zorites.

55 And the families of the scribes which dwelt at °Jabez; the Tirathites, the Shimeathites, and Suchathites. These are the °Kenites that came of Hemath, the father of the house of °Rechab.

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^{B5 f1} (p. 534) 3 Now these were the sons of David, which were °born unto him °in Hebron; the first-born Amnon, of Ahinoam the Jezreelitess; the second °Daniel, of Abigail the Carmelitess:

2 The third, Absalom the son of Maachah the daughter of Talmai king of Geshur: the fourth, Adonijah the son of Haggith:

35 to Jarha. So to make him his heir. The laws of Khammurabi included this, § 191. See Ap. 15.

42 Caleb the brother of Jerahmeel and son of Hezron (v. 18).

father. Here used in the sense of ruler. Cp. v. 54; 4. 4. Mareshah. The name of a city, also in Judah (Josh. 15. 44. 2 Chron. 11. 8).

Hebron. The name of a city, also in Judah. (Gen. 13. 18; 23. 2, 19). See note on Num. 13. 22. Given to Caleb by Joshua (14. 13).

43 Tappuah. Also the name of a city (Josh. 15. 34). Rekem. Also a city, of Benjamin (Josh. 18. 27).

45 Maon. Also the name of a city (Josh. 15. 55). Mentioned in connection with David (1 Sam. 23. 24).

49 the daughter of Caleb was Achsa. "Caleb the son of Jephunneh" had a daughter named Achsa, who married Othniel (Josh. 15. 16, 17). Judg. 1. 12, 13). Hence the "discrepancy" assumed by some. See note on v. 18.

50 Caleb the son of Hur. The son of the Caleb in v. 19, Hur giving him the name of his own father. It is possible that this Caleb (v. 50) may have been the son of Jephunneh (Num. 13. 6), Jephunneh being the surname of the Hur of Ex. 17. 10; 24. 14; 31. 2; 35. 30.

Kirjath-jearim. An old Gibeonite city (Josh. 9. 17; 15. 60), where the Ark tarried long, and whence it was brought to Zion by David (1 Sam. 6. 21; 7. 2. 2 Sam. 6. 2. 1 Chron. 13. 5, 6).

51 Salma. A family name, repeated in Ruth 4. 20 and v. 11 above.

Beth-gader. Probably the same as Geder in 12. 4; 27. 28. Cp. Josh. 12. 13.

52 half. For the other half see v. 54.

53 Zareathites... Eshtaulites = of Zerah... of Eshtaul, two cities of Judah (Josh. 15. 33. Judg. 13. 25; 16. 31).

55 Jabez. Supposed to have been founded by Jabez. See below on 4. 9.

Kenites. These were the posterity of Jethro and Hobab. See Judg. 1. 16; and cp. 1 Sam. 15. 6; 27. 10. They became an ascetic people, and, by being mentioned here in connection with "scribes," may have been teachers. This perhaps accounts for Jehu's action in 2 Kings 10. 15, 16.

Rechab. Cp. Jer. 35.

3. 1-24 (B5, p. 531). DIRECT DESCENT. DAVID TO ZEDEKIAH. (Division.)

B5 f1 1-9. The sons of David.

f2 10-16. David's line to Zedekiah.

f3 17-24. The descendants of Jeconiah.

1 born... in Hebron. Cp. 2 Sam. 3. 2-5.

Daniel. Another name of Chileab (2 Sam. 3. 3).

3 Eglah his wife. The only woman in this list called David's "wife". Perhaps his original wife.

5 born... Jerusalem. Cp. 2 Sam. 5. 13-16.

Nathan. The son through whom the genealogy of Joseph is traced in Luke 3; and in Matt. 1, after Solomon's line failed in Jeconiah. See note on v. 17.

Solomon. Through whom the line is traced in Matt. 1.

Bath-shua. Another name for Bath-sheba. Cp. 2 Sam. 11. 3.

Ammiel, or Eliam. Cp. 2 Sam. 11. 3.

3 The fifth, Shephatiah of Abital: the sixth, Ithream by °Eglah his wife.

4 These six were °born unto him in Hebron; and there he reigned seven years and six months: and in Jerusalem he reigned thirty and three years.

5 And these were °born unto him in °Jerusalem; Shimea, and Shobab, and °Nathan, and °Solomon, four, of °Bath-shua the daughter of °Ammiel:

6 Ibhar also, and Elishama, and Eliphelet,

7 And Nogah, and Nepheg, and Japhia,

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8 And Elishama, and Eliada, and Eliphelet, ° nine.

9 These were all the sons of David, beside the sons of the concubines, and ° Tamar their sister.

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10 And Solomon's son was Rehoboam, Abia his son, Asa his son, Jehoshaphat his son,

11 Joram his son, Ahaziah his son, Joash his son,

12 Amaziah his son, Azariah his son, Jotham his son,

13 Ahaz his son, Hezekiah his son, Manasseh his son,

14 Amon his son, Josiah his son.

15 And the sons of Josiah were, the firstborn ° Johanan, the second ° Jehoiakim, the third ° Zedekiah, the fourth ° Shallum.

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16 And the sons of Jehoiakim: ° Jeconiah his son, Zedekiah his son.

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17 And the ° sons of Jeconiah; ° Assir, Sala-thiel his son,

18 Malchiram also; and Pedaiiah, and Shenza-zar, Jecamiah, Hoshama, and Nedabiah.

19 And the 17 sons of Pedaiiah were, ° Zerub-babel, and Shimei: and the 17 sons of Zerub-babel; Meshullam, and Hananiah, and Shelomith their sister:

20 And Hashubah, and Ohel, and Berechiah, and Hasadiah, Jushab-hesed, five.

21 And the 17 sons of Hananiah; Pelatiah, and Jesaiah: the sons of Rephaiah, the sons of Arnan, the sons of Obadiah, the sons of Shechaniah.

22 And the 17 sons of Shechaniah; Shemaiah: and the sons of Shemaiah; Hattush, and Igeal, and Bariah, and Neariah, and Shaphat, ° six.

23 And the 17 sons of Neariah; Elioenai, and Hezekiah, and Azrikam, three.

24 And the sons of Elioenai were, Hodaiah, and Eliashib, and Pelaiah, and Akkub, and Johanan, and Dalaiah, and Anani, seven.

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4 The ° sons of Judah; Pharez, Hezron, and Carmi, and ° Hur, and Shobal.

2 And Reaiah the son of Shobal begat Jahath; and Jahath begat Ahumai, and Lahad. These are the families of the ° Zorathites.

3 And ° these were of the father of Etam; Jezreel, and Ishma, and Idbash: and the name of their sister was Hazeleponi:

4 And Penuel the ° father of Gedor, and Ezer the father of Hushah. These are the sons of Hur, the firstborn of Ephratah, the father of Beth-lehem.

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5 And ° Ashur the father of Tekoa had two wives, Helah and Naarah.

6 And Naarah bare him Ahuzam, and Hopher, and Temeni, and Haahashtari. These were the sons of Naarah.

7 And the sons of Helah were, Zereth, and Jezoar, and ° Ethnan.

8 And Coz begat Anub, and Zobebah, and the families of Aharhel the son of Harum.

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9 And Jabez was ° more honourable than his brethren: and his mother called his name ° Jabez, saying, "Because I bare him ° with sorrow."

10 And Jabez called on ° the God of ° Israel,

8 nine. Eleven are mentioned in 2 Sam. 5. 14-16; but probably two died young, and their names were not needed in the genealogy. Cp. 2 Sam. 5. 15.

9 Tamar. Cp. 2 Sam. 13.

15 Johanan. Or Jehoahaz. 2 Kings 23. 30.

Jehoiakim. Called Eliakim by his father, but Jehoia-kim by Pharaoh-nechoh, king of Egypt (2 Kings 23. 34).

Zedekiah. The same as Mattaniah. Cp. 2 Kings 24. 17, 18. He was the last king of Judah.

Shallum. The same as Jehoahaz, the successor of Josiah (Jer. 22. 11. 2 Kings 23. 31, 34).

16 Jeconiah. Called also Jehoiachin (2 Kings 24. 6), and Coniah (Jer. 22. 24, 28). Cp. 2 Chron. 36. 9. 2 Kings 24. 8.

17 sons. Cp. Jer. 22. 28-30.

Assir = the captive, perhaps referring to Zedekiah, and not a proper name.

19 Zerubbabel. According to Matt. 1. 12 and Ezra 3. 2; 5. 2, the son of Shealtiel.

22 six. Heb. *Shishshah*, which may be a proper name and not the numeral.

4. 1-8. 40 (C⁵, p. 531). COLLATERAL. (*Division*.)

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4. 1-4. Judah's posterity.

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4. 5-8. Ashur.

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4. 9, 10. Jabez.

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4. 11-20. Caleb the son of Hur.

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4. 21-23. The sons of Shelah.

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4. 24-43. The sons of Simeon.

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5. 1-10. The sons of Reuben (to the Captivity).

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5. 11-17. The sons of Gad.

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5. 18-26. Reuben, Gad, and half Manasseh.

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6. 1-3. The sons of Levi.

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6. 4-15. The Priests (to the Captivity).

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6. 16-48. Gershom, Kohath, and Merari.

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6. 49-53. The sons of Aaron.

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6. 54-81. The cities of Priests and Levites.

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7. 1-5. The sons of Issachar.

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7. 6-12. The sons of Benjamin.

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7. 13. The sons of Naphtali.

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7. 14-19. The sons of Manasseh.

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7. 20-29. The sons of Ephraim.

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7. 30-40. The sons of Asher.

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8. 1-32. The sons of Benjamin.

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8. 33-40. The stock of Saul and Jonathan.

1 sons = descendants.

Hur, and Shobal. These were sons of Caleb, the son of Hezron (2. 18, 20, 30, 52).

2 Zorathites. See 2. 53.

3 these were of. Some codices, with Sept., read "these were the sons of".

4 father: or lord, or prince. See note on 2. 42.

5 Ashur. A son of Hezron. Cp. 2. 24.

7 Ethnan. Supply Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) thus: "Ethnan, and Coz, [and Coz] begat Anub". Cp. v. 13.

9 more honourable. Perhaps his going up with Caleb and Othniel against the Canaanites is referred to. See Judg. 1. 2, 4, 9-15. Josh. 15. 13-19.

Jabez. The transposition of letters in Heb. may intimate a change of experiences, and mean "may he have pain or grief reversed."

with sorrow. Cp. Gen. 3. 16 (same word).

10 the God of Israel (Heb. Elohim, Ap. 4). A suitable title and prayer before going on the expedition.

Israel. The nation as descended from him for whom God orders all. See notes on Gen. 32. 28; 43. 6; 45. 26, 28.

coast = border or boundary.

evil. Heb. *ra'û*, Ap. 44. viii.

grieve = pain. Note Fig. *Apostopësis*. Ap. 6. No conclusion to his prayer.

saying, "Oh that Thou wouldest bless me indeed, and enlarge my ° coast, and that Thine hand might be with me, and that Thou wouldest keep me from ° evil, that it may not ° grieve me!" And ° God granted him that which he requested.

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11 And Chelub the brother of Shuah begat Mehir, which was the father of Eshton.

12 And Eshton begat Beth-rapha, and Paseah, and Tehinnah the father of Ir-nahash. These are the °men of Rechah.

13 And the sons of Kenaz; Othniel, and Seraiah: and the sons of Othniel; °Hathath.

14 And Meonothai begat Ophrah: and Seraiah begat Joab, the °father of the °valley of Charashim; for they were craftsmen.

15 And the sons of °Caleb the son of Jephunneh; Iru, Elah, and Naam: and the °sons of Elah, even Kenaz.

16 And the sons of Jehaleleel; Ziph, and Ziphah, Tiria, and Asareel.

17 And the sons of Ezra were, Jether, and Mered, and Ephraim, and Jalon: and she bare Miriam, and Shammai, and Ishbah the father of Eshtemoa.

18 And his wife °Jehudijah bare Jered the father of Gedor, and Heber the father of Socho, and Jekuthiel the father of Zanoah. And these are the sons of °Bithiah the daughter of Pharaoh, which Mered took.

19 And the sons of his wife °Hodiah the sister of Naham, the father of Keilah the Garmite, and Eshtemoa the Maachathite.

20 And the sons of Shimon were, Amnon, and Rinnah, Ben-hanan, and Tilon. And the sons of Ishi were, Zoheth, and Ben-zoheth.

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21 The sons of Shelah the son of Judah were, Er the father of Lecah, and Laadah the father of Mareshah, and the families of the house of them that wrought °fine linen, of the house of Ashbea,

22 And Jokim, and the °men of Chozeba, and Joash, and Saraph, who °had the dominion in Moab, and °Jashubi-lehem. And these are ancient °things.

23 These were the potters, and °those that dwelt among plants and hedges: there they dwelt with the king for his work.

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24 The sons of Simeon were, Nemuel, and Jamin, Jarib, Zerah, and Shaul:

25 Shallum his son, Mibsam his son, Mishma his son.

26 And the sons of Mishma; Hamuel his son, Zacchur his son, Shimei his son.

27 And Shimei had sixteen sons and six daughters; but his brethren had not many °children, neither did all their family multiply, like to the °children of Judah.

28 And they dwelt at °Beer-sheba, and Moladah, and Hazar-shual,

29 And at Bilhah, and at Ezem, and at Tolad,

30 And at Bethuel, and at Hormah, and at °Ziklag,

31 And at Beth-marcaboth, and Hazar-susim, and at Beth-birei, and at Shaaraim. These were their cities °unto the reign of David.

32 And their villages were, Etam, and Ain, Rimmon, and Tochen, and Ashan, five cities:

33 And all their villages that were round about the same cities, unto °Baal. These were their habitations, and °their genealogy.

34 And Meshobab, and Jamlech, and Joshah the son of Amaziah,

35 And Joel, and Jehu the son of Josibiah, the son of Seraiah, the son of Asiel,

12 men. Heb. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

13 Hathath. Supply Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) thus: "Hathath and Meonothai [and Meonothai] begat Ophrah".

14 valley of Charashim = Ge-harashim, the name of the place.

15 Caleb the son of Jephunneh. Not the son of Hezron (2. 18).

18 Jehudijah = the Jewess.

Bithiah, the daughter of Pharaoh. Is Bithiah the same as Jehudijah, and did she turn a Jewess? Mered was evidently a man of position.

19 Hodiah. The Jehudijah of v. 18.

21 fine linen: or *byssus*, a fine white Egyptian linen.

22 had the dominion: or became lords to Moab.

Jashubi-lehem. The Vulg. renders it "and returned to Beth-lehem", like Naomi and Ruth (1. 1-4, 19), things: or records.

23 those that dwelt, &c. The inhabitants of Netaim and Gedera.

27 children = sons.

28 Beer-sheba. Cp. Josh. 19. 2-5.

30 Ziklag. Given later to David by the Philistines (1 Sam. 27. 6).

31 unto the reign of David. The Codex *Hilleli*, with one early printed edition, Sept., Syr., and Vulg. read "unto king David".

33 Baal. Another name for Baalath-beer in Josh. 19. 8.

their genealogy: or, "and they had their own genealogical register."

39 Gedor. Probably south of Simeon, toward Mount Seir.

41 written by name: i. e. in the foregoing list. the habitations = Maonites, or Mehumims (2 Chron. 28. 7). Cp. 20. 1 and Judg. 10. 12.

42 five hundred. If these could accomplish such things, what could not the whole of Israel have done? Cp. v. 10 and 5. 20.

43 the rest of the Amalekites. Not all destroyed in 1 Sam. 15. 8. A number survived. Cp. 1 Sam. 27. 8; 30. 1. 2 Sam. 8. 12. Est. 3. 1. See note on Ex. 17. 16.

unto this day. Evidently not disturbed by the king of Babylon in the deportation of Israel.

36 And Elioenai, and Jaakobah, and Jeshohaiah, and Asaiah, and Adiel, and Jesimiel, and Benajah,

37 And Ziza the son of Shiphi, the son of Allon, the son of Jedaiah, the son of Shimri, the son of Shemaiah;

38 These mentioned by their names were princes in their families: and the house of their fathers increased greatly.

39 And they went to the entrance of °Gedor, even unto the east side of the valley, to seek pasture for their flocks.

40 And they found fat pasture and good, and the land was wide, and quiet, and peaceable; for they of Ham had dwelt there of old.

41 And these °written by name came in the days of Hezekiah king of Judah, and smote their tents, and °the habitations that were found there, and destroyed them utterly unto this day, and dwelt in their rooms: because there was pasture there for their flocks.

42 And some of them, even of the sons of Simeon, °five hundred °men, went to mount Seir, having for their captains Pelatiah, and Neariah, and Rephaiah, and Uzziel, the sons of Ishi.

43 And they smote °the rest of the Amalekites that were escaped, and dwelt there °unto this day.

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5 Now the sons of Reuben the firstborn of Israel, °(for he was the firstborn; but, °forasmuch as he defiled his father's bed, his birthright was given unto the sons of Joseph the son of Israel: and the genealogy is °not to be reckoned after the °birthright.

2 For °Judah prevailed above his brethren, and of him °came the °chief ruler; but the ¹birthright was Joseph's:)

3 The sons, *I say*, of Reuben the firstborn of Israel were, Hanoch, and Pallu, Hezron, and Carmi.

4 The sons of Joel; Shemaiah his son, Gog his son, Shimei his son,

5 Micah his son, Reaia his son, Baal his son.

6 Beerah his son, whom Tilgath-pilneser king of Assyria °carried away captive: he was prince of the Reubenites.

7 And his brethren by their families, when the genealogy of their generations was reckoned, were the chief, Jeiel, and Zechariah,

8 And Bela the son of °Azaz, the son of Shema, the son of Joel, who dwelt in °Aroer, even unto °Nebo and °Baal-meon:

9 And eastward he inhabited unto the entering in of the wilderness from the river Euphrates: because their cattle were multiplied in the land of Gilead.

10 And in the days of Saul they made war with the °Hagarites, who fell by their hand: and they dwelt in their tents throughout all the east land of Gilead.

g⁸ **11** And the °children of Gad dwelt over against them, in the land of Bashan unto Salcah:

12 Joel the chief, and Shapham the next, and Jaanai, and Shaphat in Bashan.

13 And their brethren of the house of their fathers were, Michael, and Meshullam, and Sheba, and Jorai, and Jachan, and Zia, and °Heber, seven.

14 These are the children of Abihail the son of Huri, the son of Jaroah, the son of Gilead, the son of Michael, the son of Jeshishai, the son of Jahdo, the son of Buz;

15 Ahi the son of Abdiel, the son of Guni, chief of the house of their fathers.

16 And they dwelt °in Gilead in Bashan, and in her towns, and in all the suburbs of Sharon, upon their borders.

17 All these were reckoned by genealogies in the days of °Jotham king of Judah, and in the days of °Jeroboam king of Israel.

g⁹ **18** The sons of Reuben, and the Gadites, and half the tribe of Manasseh, of °valiant men, °men able to bear buckler and sword, and to shoot with bow, and skilful in war, were four and forty thousand seven hundred and threescore, that went out to the war.

19 And they made war with the Hagarites, with Jetur, and Nephish, and Nodab.

20 And they were °helped against them, and the Hagarites were delivered into their hand, and all that were with them: for they cried to °God in the battle, and He was intreated of them; because they put their °trust in Him.

21 And they took away their cattle; of their camels fifty thousand, and of sheep two hundred and fifty thousand, and of asses two thousand, and of °men an hundred thousand.

5. 1 for. Note the Fig. *Parenthesis*. Ap. 6.

forasmuch. Cp. Gen. 35. 22; 49. 4.

not to be reckoned, &c. = not to be enrolled in the place of the firstborn.

birthright. See note on Gen. 25. 31.

2 Judah prevailed. Cp. Gen. 49. 8, referring to intertribal precedence.

came. Supply Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) with "is".

chief ruler. Referring to the regal line, and the coming of the Messiah. A.V., 1611, had "rulers".

6 carried away. This was the *first* carrying away, and took place in 654. Cp. v. 26. The *second* was by Tiglath-Pileser (= Pul) in the reign of Pekah (649-629). This was the Galilee-Naphtali carrying away (2 Kings 15. 29. Isa. 9. 1) referred to in Matt. 4. 13. The *third* was the Samaria deportation in the ninth year of Hoshea and sixth of Hezekiah (611 B.C.), and ended the kingdom of Israel (2 Kings 17. 3-23; 18. 9-12). It was begun by Shalmaneser and ended by Sargon (613-611).

8 Azaz. Some codices, with four early printed editions, read "Azan", or "Azzan".

Aroer . . . Nebo . . . Baal-meon. All east of Dead Sea. See Num. 32. 34, 38. Deut. 2. 36.

10 Hagarites. Tracing their descent from Hagar through Ishmael. Cp. v. 19 with 1. 31, and Ps. 83. 6.

11 children = sons.

13 Heber. Some codices, with two early printed editions and Sept., read "Hebed", mistaking *Resh*, ר ("r") for *Daleth*, ד ("d").

16 in Gilead: i.e. in part of it, other parts having been allotted to the half-tribes of Reubenites and Manassites (Num. 32. 39-40. Deut. 3. 13. Josh. 13. 31).

17 Jotham . . . Jeroboam. Jotham (647-631) and Jeroboam II (728-687). See Ap. 50. V, p. 59. Consequently, the statement here refers to consensuses at different times.

18 valiant men = sons of valour.

men. Heb. *enosh*. Ap. 14. III. These two and a half tribes, east of Jordan, chose their own portions, but were nearest to the enemy, and were the first to be carried away. Cp. Lot, Gen. 13. 10, 11, with 14. 11, 12. Better to have our "lot" chosen for us by Jehovah (Gen. 13. 14, 15).

20 helped: i.e. by God (2 Chron. 26. 17. Ps. 28. 7). This victory should have shown them that there could have been no captivity had they obeyed God (see note on 4. 43).

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

trust. Heb. *batah*. Ap. 69. i.

21 men. Heb. "souls (*nephesh*) of men (*adam*)". Ap. 13 and 14. I. Cp. Num. 31. 35.

22 until the captivity. Cp. 2 Kings 15. 29; 17. 6; 18. 9-12: i.e. that of Tiglath-pileser.

23 half: i.e. the half beyond Jordan.

24 even. Sept. and Vulg. omit this word "even".

mighty men. Heb. *gibbor*. Ap. 14. IV.

25 transgressed = acted faithlessly. Ap. 44. xi. people = peoples.

22 For there fell down many slain, because the war was of °God. And they dwelt in their steads °until the captivity.

23 And the ¹¹children of the °half tribe of Manasseh dwelt in the land: they increased from Bashan unto Baal-hermon and Senir, and unto mount Hermon.

24 And these were the heads of the house of their fathers, °even Ephraim, and Ishi, and Eliel, and Azriel, and Jeremiah, and Hodaviah, and Jahdiel, °mighty men of valour, famous ¹⁸men, and heads of the house of their fathers.

25 And they °transgressed against the °God of their fathers, and went a whoring after the gods of the °people of the land, whom °God destroyed before them.

about 654 26 And the °God of Israel stirred up the °spirit of °Pul king of Assyria, and the °spirit of °Tilgath-pilneser king of Assyria, and he carried them away, even the Reubenites, and the Gadites, and the half tribe of Manasseh, and brought them unto °Halah, °and Habor, and Hara, and to the river °Gozan, °unto this day.

g¹⁰ (p. 535) 1749 6 The sons of °Levi; °Gershon, °Kohath, and Merari.

2 And the sons of Kohath; Amram, Izhar, and Hebron, and Uzziel.

3 And the °children of Amram; °Aaron, and Moses, and Miriam. The sons also of Aaron; °Nadab, and Abihu, °Eleazar, and Ithamar.

g¹¹ 4 Eleazar begat Phinehas, °Phinehas begat Abishua,

5 And Abishua begat Bukki, and Bukki begat Uzzi,

6 And Uzzi begat Zerahiah, and Zerahiah begat Meraioth,

7 Meraioth begat Amariah, and Amariah begat Ahitub,

8 And Ahitub begat Zadok, and °Zadok begat °Ahimaaz,

9 And Ahimaaz begat Azariah, and Azariah begat Johanan,

10 And Johanan begat Azariah, (°*for it is that executed the priest's office in the °temple that Solomon built in Jerusalem* :)

11 And Azariah begat Amariah, and Amariah begat Ahitub,

12 And Ahitub begat Zadok, and Zadok begat Shallum,

13 And °Shallum begat °Hilkiah, and Hilkiah begat Azariah,

14 And Azariah begat °Seraiah, and Seraiah begat Jehozadak,

15 And °Jehozadak went *into captivity*, when °the LORD carried away Judah and Jerusalem by the hand of Nebuchadnezzar.

g¹² 16 The °sons of °Levi; °Gershom, Kohath, and Merari.

17 And these *be* the names of the sons of Gershom; Libni, and Shimei.

18 And the sons of Kohath *were*, Amram, and Izhar, and Hebron, and Uzziel.

19 The sons of Merari; Mahli, and Mushi. And these *are* the families of the Levites according to their fathers.

20 Of °Gershom; Libni his son, Jahath his son, Zimmah his son,

21 Joah his son, Iddo his son, Zerah his son, Jeaterai his son,

22 The sons of Kohath; °Amminadab his son, Korah his son, Assir his son,

23 °Elkanah his son, and Ebiasaph his son, and °Assir his son,

24 Tahath his son, Uriel his son, Uzziash his son, and Shaul his son.

25 And the sons of °Elkanah; Amasai, and Ahimoth.

26 *As for* Elkanah: °the sons of Elkanah; Zophai his son, and Nahath his son,

27 Eliab his son, Jeroham his son, Elkanah his son.

1060 28 And the sons of Samuel; °the firstborn Vashni, and Abiah.

26 God of Israel. Note Elohim: not Jehovah, as dealing with Gentiles; but Israel, as not forgetting His covenant-relation though stirring up enemies. spirit. Heb. *rûach*. Ap. 9.

Pul...and...Tilgath-pilneser. Two names of one person: Pul, the original and official name in Babylon of this usurper; Tilgath, his official name in Assyria, which he assumed from an earlier king. Cp. 2 Kings 15. 19.

Halah...Gozan. Whither the Israelites west of Jordan were deported by Sargon (2 Kings 15. 29; 17. 6; 18. 11).

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton*. Ap. 6. unto this day. See note on 4. 43.

6. 1 Levi. This care to give these genealogies after the captivities was to show that God's promises to preserve the nation would be faithfully kept. Cp. Jer. 23. 5, 6.

Gershon. Cp. Ex. 6. 16. The Western Massorite spelling; the eastern spelling being "Gershom".

Kohath. The second son placed first because Aaron descended from him. 3 children = sons.

Aaron, and Moses. One of the six passages where Aaron precedes Moses (23. 13. Ex. 6. 20, 26. Num. 3. 1; 26. 59).

Nadab, and Abihu. Perished at Sinai for offering "strange fire". See note on Lev. 10. 1. Cp. Num. 3. 4. 1 Chron. 24. 2.

Eleazar. His line given without a break up to the Captivity. Cp. v. 15. In Ezra 7. 1-5 an abbreviated genealogy is given. Moses not enumerated here, though a priest (Ps. 99. 6), because separated for civil government before the appointment of the Levitic priesthood.

4 Phinehas. Cp. Ex. 6. 25. Ps. 106. 30. Num. 25. 11.

8 Zadok. Cp. 2 Sam. 8. 17; 15. 27. 1 Chron. 24. 3, 6, 31.

Ahimaaz. Cp. v. 53. 2 Sam. 15. 27, 36; 18. 19, 22, 27.

10 he. Note the Fig. *Parenthesis*. Ap. 6. See 2 Chron. 26. 17. temple = house.

13 Shallum. In Neh. 11. 11 called Meshullam. Hilkiah. The high priest in reign of Josiah (2 Kings 22. 4. 2 Chron. 34. 9).

14 Seraiah. Carried away by Nebuchadnezzar, and put to death at Riblah (2 Kings 25. 18, 21).

15 Jehozadak. The Jozadak was the father of Joshua the high priest, who returned from the Captivity (Ezra 3. 2; 5. 2. Neh. 12. 26. Hag. 1. 1, 12. Zech. 6. 11).

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

16 sons of Levi. These were not high priests.

22 Amminadab. His other name was Izhar, vv. 2 and 38.

23 Elkanah. A common Levitical name. Cp. vv. 25, 27, and see 1 Sam. 1. 1. Assir. Cp. Ex. 6. 24.

26 the sons of Elkanah. Some codices, with Sept. and one early printed edition, omit this second "Elkanah"; the Heb. reads "his son".

28 the firstborn Vashni. Cp. 1 Sam. 8. 2, where the firstborn's name "came to be" Joel. From 1 Chron. 6. 28 it seems to have been originally Vashni. From v. 33 he seems to have had two names.

31 service = the hands: hands being put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the work done by them.

ark had rest. See 16. 1, notes on 13. 3, and Ex. 25. 22.

32 dwelling place = tabernacle. Heb. *mishkan*. Ap. 40.

tabernacle = tent of meeting. Heb. *ohel-mō'ēd*. Ap. 40.

29 The sons of Merari; Mahli, Libni his son, Shimei his son, Uzza his son,

30 Shimea his son, Haggiah his son, Asaiah his son.

31 And these *are they* whom David set over the °service of song in the house of °the LORD, after that the °ark had rest.

32 And they ministered before the °dwelling place of the °tabernacle of the congregation

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with singing, until Solomon had built the house of ¹⁵the LORD in Jerusalem: and *then* they waited on their office according to their order.

33 And these *are* they that °waited with their °children. Of the sons of the Kohathites: °Heman a singer, °(the son of °Joel, the son of °Shemuel,

34 The son of Elkanah, the son of Jeroham, the son of Eliel, the son of Toah,

35 The son of Zuph, the son of Elkanah, the son of Mahath, the son of Amasai,

36 The son of Elkanah, the son of Joel, the son of Azariah, the son of Zephaniah,

37 The son of Tahath, the son of Assir, the son of Ebiasaph, the son of Korah,

38 The son of Izhar, the son of Kohath, the son of Levi, the son of °Israel).

39 And °his brother Asaph, who stood on his right hand, (*even* Asaph the son of Berachiah, the son of Shimea,

40 The son of Michael, the son of °Baaseiah, the son of Malchiah,

41 The son of Ethni, the son of Zerah, the son of Adaiah,

42 The son of °Ethan, the son of Zimmah, the son of Shimei,

43 The son of Jahath, the son of Gershom, the son of Levi.)

44 And °their brethren the sons of °Merari stood on the left hand: Ethan (the son of Kishi, the son of Abdi, the son of Malluch,

45 The son of Hashabiah, the son of Amaziah, the son of Hilkiah,

46 The son of Amzi, the son of Bani, the son of Shamer,

47 The son of Mahli, the son of Mushi, the son of Merari, the son of Levi.)

48 Their brethren also the Levites *were* appointed unto °all manner of service of the ³²tabernacle of the house of °God.

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(p. 535) 49 But °Aaron and his sons °offered upon the altar of the burnt offering, and on the °altar of incense, and *were appointed* for all the work of the *place* °most holy, and to make an atonement for Israel, according to all that °Moses the servant of °God had commanded.

50 And °these *are* the sons of Aaron; Eleazar his son, Phinehas his son, Abishua his son,

51 Bukki his son, Uzzi his son, Zerariah his son,

52 Meraioth his son, Amariah his son, Ahitub his son,

53 Zadok his son, Ahimaaz his son.

^{g¹⁴} 54 Now these *are* °their dwelling places throughout their °castles in their °coasts, of the sons of Aaron, of the families of the Kohathites: for theirs °was the lot.

55 And they gave them Hebron in the land of Judah, and the °suburbs thereof round about it.

56 But the fields of the city, and the villages thereof, they gave to Caleb the son of Jephunneh.

57 And to the sons of Aaron they gave the cities of Judah, *namely*, Hebron, *the city* of refuge, and Libnah with her ⁵⁵suburbs, and Jattir, and Eshtemoa, with their ⁵⁵suburbs,

58 And °Hilen with her ⁵⁵suburbs, Debir with her ⁵⁵suburbs,

33 waited = stood.

children - sons.

Heman, &c. = Heman the singer, Samuel's grandson. See 15. 17-19; 25. 1-6. Cp. 1 Kings 4. 31, and see his name in the Psalm titles (Ap. 63. viii).

the son. Note the parenthesis, *vv.* 33-38.

Joel. See note on *v.* 28 above.

Shemuel = Samuel. Twenty-one generations given.

38 Israel. Traced back to fountain head.

39 his brother Asaph: i. e. his brother in service. Fifteen generations.

40 Baaseiah. Some codices, with three early printed editions, Sept., and Syr., read "Maaseiah".

42 Ethan. The same as Jeduthun (9. 16; 16. 41; 25. 1. 2 Chron. 35. 15). Fourteen generations.

44 their brethren. Heman, from Kohath (Levi's second son); Asaph, from Gershom (Levi's eldest son); Ethan, from Merari (Levi's youngest son).

Merari. The youngest son of Levi (Ex. 6. 16).

48 all manner of service. Cp. ch. 23 below.

God. Heb. *ha'-Elohim* (Ap. 4), the [Triune] God.

49 Aaron and his sons. Cp. Num. 18. 1-7. Lev. 8. 2. This refutes the assertions of some that the kings of Judah were allowed to offer sacrifices or burn incense. Cp. 1 Kings 8. 64.

offered = burnt incense. Heb. *qatar*. Ap. 43. I. vii. Cp. Lev. 1. 9.

altar of incense. Cp. Ex. 30. 7.

most holy = holy of holies. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

Moses the servant of God. This expression occurs only four times: here, 2 Chron. 24. 9. Neh. 10. 29, and Dan. 9. 11. For other titles descriptive of Moses, as a servant, see notes on Ex. 14. 31. Num. 12. 7. Deut. 34. 5. 1 Kings 8. 63.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

50 these. Restating by way of summary.

54 their dwelling places. Cp. Josh. 21. 4-42. This was the basis of their claim for reinstatement after their return from Babylon. Probably many of these places had changed their names in spelling or otherwise since those days. This accounts for all the variations.

castles = districts.

coasts = borders.

was the lot. Supply Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6): "was the [first] lot".

55 suburbs = pasture land (as distinguished from "field" or arable land). So throughout the rest of this chapter. See *v.* 56.

58 Hilen = Holon of Josh. 21. 15. Some codices, with one early printed edition, read "Helez".

59 And Ashan with her ⁵⁵suburbs, and Bethshemesh with her ⁵⁵suburbs:

60 And out of the tribe of Benjamin; Geba with her ⁵⁵suburbs, and Alemeth with her ⁵⁵suburbs, and Anathoth with her ⁵⁵suburbs. All their cities throughout their families *were* thirteen cities.

61 And unto the sons of Kohath, *which were* left of the family of that tribe, *were cities given* out of the half tribe, *namely*, out of the half tribe of Manasseh, by lot, ten cities.

62 And to the sons of Gershom throughout their families out of the tribe of Issachar, and out of the tribe of Asher, and out of the tribe of Naphtali, and out of the tribe of Manasseh in Bashan, thirteen cities.

63 Unto the sons of Merari *were given* by lot, throughout their families, out of the tribe of Reuben, and out of the tribe of Gad, and out of the tribe of Zebulun, twelve cities.

64 And the ³³children of Israel gave to the Levites *these* cities with their ⁵⁵suburbs.

65 And they gave by lot out of the tribe of the ³³children of Judah, and out of the tribe of

the ³³ children of Simeon, and out of the tribe of the ³³ children of Benjamin, these cities, ^o which are called by *their* names.

66 ^o And the residue of the families of the sons of Kohath had ^o cities of their coasts out of the tribe of Ephraim.

67 And they gave unto them, of the cities of refuge, ^o Shechem in ^o mount Ephraim with her ⁵⁵ suburbs; *they gave* also ^o Gezer with her ⁵⁵ suburbs,

68 And Jokmeam with her ⁵⁵ suburbs, and Beth-horon with her ⁵⁵ suburbs,

69 And Aijalon with her ⁵⁵ suburbs, and Gath-rimmon with her ⁵⁵ suburbs:

70 And out of the half tribe of Manasseh; Aner with her ⁵⁵ suburbs, and Bileam with her ⁵⁵ suburbs, for the family of the remnant of the sons of Kohath.

71 Unto the sons of Gershom *were given* out of the family of the half tribe of Manasseh, Golan in Bashan with her ⁵⁵ suburbs, and Ash-taroath with her ⁵⁵ suburbs:

72 And out of the tribe of Issachar; Kedesh with her ⁵⁵ suburbs, Daberath with her ⁵⁵ suburbs,

73 And Ramoth with her ⁵⁵ suburbs, and Anem with her ⁵⁵ suburbs:

74 And out of the tribe of Asher; Mashal with her ⁵⁵ suburbs, and Abdon with her ⁵⁵ suburbs,

75 And Hukok with her ⁵⁵ suburbs, and Rehob with her ⁵⁵ suburbs:

76 And out of the tribe of Naphtali; Kedesh in Galilee with her ⁵⁵ suburbs, and Hammon with her ⁵⁵ suburbs, and Kirjathaim with her ⁵⁵ suburbs.

77 Unto ^o the rest of the ³³ children of Merari *were given* out of the tribe of Zebulun, Rimmon with her ⁵⁵ suburbs, Tabor with her ⁵⁵ suburbs:

78 And on the other side Jordan by Jericho, on the east side of Jordan, *were given* them out of the tribe of Reuben, Bezer in the wilderness with her ⁵⁵ suburbs, and Jahzah with her ⁵⁵ suburbs,

79 Kedemoth also with her ⁵⁵ suburbs, and Mephaath with her ⁵⁵ suburbs:

80 And out of the tribe of Gad; Ramoth in Gilead with her ⁵⁵ suburbs, and Mahanaim with her ⁵⁵ suburbs,

81 And Heshbon with her ⁵⁵ suburbs, and Jazer with her ⁵⁵ suburbs.

^g¹⁵ 7 ^o Now the sons of Issachar *were*, Tola, and Puah, Jashub, and Shimrom, four.

2 And ^o the sons of Tola; Uzzi, and Rephaiah, and Jeriel, and Jahmai, and Jibsam, and Shemuel, heads of their father's house, *to wit*, of Tola: *they were* ^o valiant men of might in their generations; whose number *was* ^o in the days of David two and twenty thousand and six hundred.

3 And the ^o sons of Uzzi; Izrahiah: and the sons of Izrahiah; Michael, and Obadiah, and Joel, Ishiah, five: all of them chief men.

4 And with them, by their generations, after the house of their fathers, *were* bands of soldiers for war, six and thirty thousand *men*: for they had many wives and sons.

5 And their brethren among all the families of Issachar *were* ^o valiant men of might, reckoned in all by their genealogies fourscore and seven thousand.

65 which are called by their names: or, which are mentioned by name.

66 And the residue. Supply Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) thus: "[as for some] of the families", &c.

cities of their coasts = the cities of their lot. Cp. Josh. 21. 20.

67 Shechem. Only Shechem in this list is a city of refuge. No list of the six is intended to be given, although all are named. See vv. 57, 67, 71, 76, 78, 80. mount = hill country of.

Gezer. See note on 1 Kings 9. 15-17.

77 the rest of = those remaining from.

7. 1 Now the sons of Issachar *were* = And to the sons of Issachar belonged. Issachar born 1746 B.C.

2 the sons of Tola. Descendants of younger sons are contrasted with his firstborn Uzzi (vv. 3, 4). These names occur nowhere else, and prove Chronicles to be entirely independent.

valiant men. Heb. *gibbôr*. Ap. 14. IV.

in the days of David. When he numbered the people (2 Sam. 24).

3 sons. A special various reading called *Sevîr* (Ap. 34) reads "son".

5 valiant. A.V., 1611, omits this word.

6 three. In Gen. 46. 21 there were ten. When Chronicles was written the others probably had become extinct. Even in Num. 26. 38 only five are mentioned. In 8. 1, 2 only five are given.

mighty men. Heb. *gibbôr*. Ap. 14. IV.

11 their fathers. Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), "their fathers [houses]".

12 children = sons.

Hushim, the sons of Aher = Hushim the son of another, that other being Dan (Gen. 46. 23). Not named here. For reason, see note below, and on Gen. 49. 17.

sons. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Whole), Ap. 6, for "son".

Aher. Heb. *'āḥēr* = another.

14 she = his wife.

Aramitess = Aramæan, or woman of Syria.

6 The sons of Benjamin; Bela, and Becher, and Jediel, ^o three.

7 And the sons of Bela; Ezbon, and Uzzi, and Uzziel, and Jerimoth, and Iri, five; heads of the house of *their* fathers, ^o mighty men of valour; and were reckoned by their genealogies twenty and two thousand and thirty and four.

8 And the sons of Becher; Zemira, and Joash, and Eliezer, and Elioenai, and Omri, and Jerimoth, and Abiah, and Anathoth, and Alameth. All these *are* the sons of Becher.

9 And the number of them, after their genealogy by their generations, heads of the house of their fathers, ^o mighty men of valour, *was* twenty thousand and two hundred.

10 The ³ sons also of Jediel; Bilhan: and the sons of Bilhan; Jeush, and Benjamin, and Ehud, and Chenaanah, and Zethan, and Tharshish, and Ahishahar.

11 All these the sons of Jediel, by the heads of ^o their fathers, ^o mighty men of valour, *were* seventeen thousand and two hundred *soldiers*, fit to go out for war *and* battle.

12 Shupim also, and Hupim, the ^o children of Ir, *and* ^o Hushim, the ^o sons of ^o Aher.

13 The sons of Naphtali; Jahziel, and Guni, and Jezer, and Shallum, the sons of Bilhah.

14 The sons of Manasseh; Ashriel, whom ^o she bare: (*but* his concubine the ^o Aramitess bare Machir the father of Gilead:

15 And Machir took to wife *the* sister of

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Huppim and Shuppim, whose sister's name was Maachah; and the name of the °second was Zelophehad: and Zelophehad had °daughters.

16 And Maachah the wife of Machir bare a son, and she called his name Peresh; and the name of his brother was Sheresh; and his sons were Ulam and Rakem.

17 And the °sons of Ulam; °Bedan. These were the sons of Gilead, the son of Machir, the son of Manasseh.

18 And °his sister Hammoleketh bare Ishod, and Abiezer, and °Mahalah.

19 And the sons of °Shemidah were, Ahian, and Shechem, and Likhi, and Aniam.

20 And the sons of Ephraim; Shuthelah, and Bered his son, and Tahath his son, and Eladah his son, and Tahath his son,

21 And Zabad his son, and Shuthelah his son, and Ezer, and Elead, whom the men of Gath that were born in that land slew, because °they came down to take away their cattle.

22 And Ephraim their father mourned many days, and his brethren came to comfort him.

23 And when °he went in to his wife, she conceived, and bare a son, and he called his name °Beriah, because it went evil with his house.

24 °(And his daughter was Sherah, who built Beth-horon the nether, and the upper, and Uzzen-sherah.)

25 And Rephah was his son, also Resheph, and Telah his son, and Tahan his son,

26 Laadan his son, Ammihud his son, Eli-shama his son,

27 °Non his son, Jehoshuah his son.

28 And their possessions and habitations were, Beth-el and the towns thereof, and eastward Naaran, and westward °Gezer, with the °towns thereof; Shechem also and the towns thereof, unto °Gaza and the °towns thereof:

29 And by the borders of the °12 children of Manasseh, Beth-shean and her towns, Taanach and her towns, Megiddo and her °towns, Dor and her °towns. In these dwelt the °12 children of Joseph the son of Israel.

30 The sons of Asher; Imnah, and Isuah, and Ishuai, and °Beriah, and Serah their sister.

31 And the sons of °Beriah; Heber, and Malchiel, °his father of Birzavith.

32 And Heber begat Japhlet, and Shomer, and Hotham, and Shua their sister.

33 And the sons of Japhlet; Pasach, and Bimhal, and Ashvath. These are the °12 children of Japhlet.

34 And the sons of °Shamer; Ahi, and Rohgah, Jehubbah, and Aram.

35 And the °sons of his brother Helem; Zophah, and Imna, and Shelesh, and Amal.

36 The sons of Zophah; Suah, and Harnepher, and Shual, and Beri, and Imrah,

37 Bezer, and Hod, and Shamma, and Shilshah, and Ithran, and Beera.

38 And the sons of Jether; Jephunneh, and Pispah, and Ara.

39 And the sons of Ulla; Arah, and Haniel, and Rezia.

40 All these were the °12 children of Asher, heads of their father's house, choice and °mighty men of valour, chief of the princes. And the number throughout the genealogy

15 second: i.e. second son of Manasseh, Machir being the first. daughters. Not sons (Num. 27. 1).

17 Bedan. The name of a judge (1 Sam. 12. 11).

18 his sister: i.e. Gilead's sister.

Mahalah. Supply Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), "Mahalah [and Shemidah] and the sons". The name of one of the daughters of Zelophehad (Num. 26. 33).

19 Shemidah. Occurs only here, Num. 26. 32, and Josh. 17. 2.

21 they: i.e. the sons of Ephraim. A pre-Exodus raid, presuming perhaps on their descent from Joseph (Gen. 46. 20), the governor of Egypt.

23 he = Ephraim. Born 1712. Cp. Gen. 41. 50.

Beriah. An ancestor of Joshua. Not to be confounded with Beriah of Benjamin (8. 13), who made a reprisal on Gath; or with Beriah of Asher (v. 30).

24 And. Note the Fig. *Parenthesis*. Ap. 6.

27 Non = Nun, of Num. 13. 8.

28 Gezer. See note on 1 Kings 9. 15-17.

towns. Heb. daughters. Put by Fig. *Catachresis* (Ap. 6) for villages.

Gaza. Not the Gaza in Philistia assigned to Judah (Josh. 15. 47). 34 Shamer: or Shomer, v. 32.

35 sons. Heb. "son". A special various reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 34), and some codices, with one early printed edition, read "sons". This reading was followed by first edition of A.V., 1611.

8. 1 Benjamin. This tribe is now dealt with, and brought down to Saul and Jonathan.

The date of writing is Post-Exilic. See v. 28; 9. 3, 27, and compare with Ezra 2 and Neh. 10, which show that Benjamin was brought back to the Land after being nearly extinguished in Judg. 20. Loyalty to Judah and the house of God had been rewarded. Note the passages which connect Benjamin with Judah and with the blessings of the return from Babylon: Ezra 1. 5; 2; 4. 1. Neh. 7; 11. 4, 7, 31; 12. 34. The genealogy of Saul leads up to the subject of the book.

begat. The former genealogy (7. 6-12) is not full, but specifies only the families to be dealt with later.

2 Nohah . . . Rapha. Nowhere else mentioned in O.T. Cp. Gen. 46. 21. Perhaps grandsons. But these names show independence of Chronicles.

3 Addar. Called Ard in Gen. 46. 21. Num. 26. 40.

Gera. Name derived from a son of Benjamin (Gen. 46. 21). Repeated in v. 5.

5 Gera. Another Gera. Cp. v. 7.

6 these are the: or, "and these are they—the".

Geba. Near Gibeah of Saul (Josh. 18. 24. 1 Sam. 10. 26; 13. 3). Cp. Judg. 19. 12.

and. Read: "but they were carried away to Manahath".

they (the Gebaites) removed — were carried away, (same word as in 5. 26). The occasion is not known, but probably after they returned from captivity, as Geba is mentioned in Ezra 2. 26. Iod and Ono in v. 12 are named in Ezra 2. 33, and "the sons of Gibeon" in Neh. 7. 25. Cp. Ezra 2. 20.

Other names found here are mentioned in Neh. 10. 14, 20, 22, 24, 26, 27: e.g. Meshullam (v. 17), Hanan (v. 23), Elam and Hananiah (v. 24).

of them that were apt to the war and to battle was twenty and six thousand °21 men.

8 Now °Benjamin °begat Bela his firstborn, Ashbel the second, and Aharah the third, 2 °Nohah the fourth, and °Rapha the fifth.

3 And the sons of Bela were, °Addar, and °Gera, and Abihud,

4 And Abishua, and Naaman, and Ahoah,

5 And °Gera, and Shephuphan, and Huram.

6 And these are the sons of Ehud: °these are the heads of the fathers of the inhabitants of °Geba, °and °they removed them to Manahath:

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7 And Naaman, and Ahiah, and °Gera, ^{he} removed them, and begat Uzza, and °Ahihud.

8 And Shaharaim begat *children* in the country °of Moab, after he had sent °them away; Hushim and Baara *were* his wives.

9 And he begat of °Hodesh his wife, Jobab, and Zibia, and Mesha, and Malcham,

10 And Jeuz, and Shachia, and Mirma. These *were* his sons, heads of the fathers.

11 And of Hushim he begat Abitub, and Elpaal.

12 The sons of Elpaal; Eber, and Misham, and °Shamed, ^{who} built °Ono, and Lod, with the towns thereof:

13 °Beriah also, and Shema, ^{who} *were* heads of the fathers of the inhabitants of °Aijalon, ^{who} drove away the inhabitants of Gath:

14 And Ahio, Shashak, and Jeremoth,

15 And Zebadiah, and Arad, and Ader,

16 And Michael, and Ispah, and Joha, the sons of Beriah;

17 And Zebadiah, and °Meshullam, and Hezeki, and Heber,

18 °Ishmerai also, and Jezliah, and Jobab, the sons of Elpaal;

19 And Jakim, and Zichri, and Zabdi,

20 And Elienai, and Zilthai, and Eliel,

21 And Adaiah, and Beraiah, and Shimrath, the sons of Shimhi;

22 And Ishpan, and °Heber, and Eliel,

23 And Abdon, and Zichri, and °Hanan,

24 And °Hananiah, and °Elam, and Antothijah,

25 And Iphedeiah, and Penuel, the sons of Shashak;

26 And Shamsherai, and Shehariah, and Athaliah,

27 And Jaresiah, and Eliah, and Zichri, the sons of Jeroham.

28 These *were* heads of the fathers, by their generations, chief *men*. °These dwelt in Jerusalem.

29 And °at Gibeon dwelt the °father of Gibeon; whose wife's name *was* Maachah:

30 And his firstborn son Abdon, and Zur, and Kish, and Baal, and Nadab,

31 And Gedor, and Ahio, and °Zacher.

32 And Mikloth begat Shimeah. And ^{these} also dwelt with their brethren in Jerusalem, over against them.

33 And °Ner begat Kish, and Kish begat Saul, and Saul begat Jonathan, and Malchishua, and Abinadab, and °Esh-baal.

34 And the son of Jonathan *was* °Merib-baal; and Merib-baal begat Micah.

35 And the sons of Micah *were*, Pithon, and Melech, and Tarea, and Ahaz.

36 And Ahaz begat Jehoadah; and Jehoadah begat Alemeth, and Azmaveth, and Zimri; and Zimri begat Moza,

37 And Moza begat Binea: Rapha *was* his son, Eleasah his son, Azel his son:

38 And Azel had six sons, whose names *are* these, Azrikam, °Bocheru, and Ishmael, and Sheariah, and Obadiah, and °Hanan. All these *were* the sons of Azel.

39 And the sons of Eshek his brother *were*, Ulam his firstborn, Jehush the second, and Eliphelet the third.

40 And the sons of Ulam °were °mighty men of valour, °archers, and had many sons, and

Gera. A third Gera. Cp. vv. 3, 6.

Ahiah. Supply Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6): "and Ahiah [and Shaharaim]. And Shaharaim begat", &c.

8 of Moab. As Boaz did. them: i.e. his wives.

9 Hodesh: i.e. his Moabitish wife.

12 Shamed. Some codices, with Sept. and Syr., read "Shemer". Cp. 7. 34.

Ono . . . Lod. Mentioned only after the exile (Ezra 2. 33. Neh. 7. 37). See note on v. 6.

13 Beriah. See notes on 7. 23, 30.

Aijalon. In Josh. 19. 42, it was in Dan. In Josh. 21. 24 it was a Levitical city. In 2 Chron. 28. 18 it was occupied by Philistines, under Ahaz. But here occupied by Benjamites, because (1) of Dan's idolatry (see note on Gen. 49. 17), and (2) of different distribution after the exile.

drove away. A reprisal later than 7. 21. See notes on 7. 23, 30.

18 Ishmerai = Ishmar-yah. The *Yod* (y) = y, being the abbreviation for *Yah* = Jehovah.

22 Heber. Most codices, and nine early printed editions, read "Heber". Some MSS. read "Hebed".

28 These dwelt. Cp. v. 32; 9. 34. Neh. 11. 1-4. Another token of God's faithfulness to Benjamin (cp. Deut. 33. 12), for adhering to Judah and the worship of the true God.

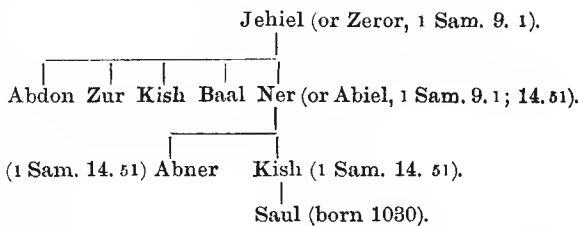
29 at Gibeon. Repeated in 9. 35-44.

father = lord, chief, or ruler. Cp. 9. 35. Called Jehiel there.

31 Zacher. Supply *Ellipsis* thus: "and Zacher [and Mikloth]. And Mikloth", &c.

33 Ner begat Kish. There are three genealogies of the house of Saul. We place the *facts*, (1) that persons often had two names (v. 34. Judg. 6. 32, &c.), and (2) that the same name recurs in the same family, against the *assumption* that the opposite is the case. It is this assumption which creates the difficulties in "reconciling" 1 Sam. 9. 1; 14. 51; and 1 Chron. 9. 38.

The following makes all the lists agree:



Esh-baal. Another name for Ish-bosheth (2 Sam. 2. 8).

34 Merib-baal. Another name by which Mephibosheth was known. Cp. 2 Sam. 2. 8; 4. 4. See note on v. 33 above.

The addition "bosheth" (= shame) came to be substituted for "Baal" as the latter word became associated with idolatry. Cp. Judg. 6. 32 with 2 Sam. 11. 21.

38 Bocheru. Some codices, with Sept. and Syr., read "his firstborn" (*b^ekhorō*).

40 were = became.

mighty men. Heb. *gibbōr*. Ap. 14. IV. archers. Cp. 2 Chron. 14. 8.

9. 1 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

in the book of the kings of Israel and Judah. Not the existing books of Samuel and Kings, but another book, being a collection of matters from them. Referred to in 2 Chron. 16. 11; 25. 26; 27. 7; 28. 26; 32. 32; 35. 27; 36. 8.

Israel. Punctuate and read "Israel: and Judah was carried away", &c.

sons' sons, an hundred and fifty. All these *are* of the sons of Benjamin.

9 So all Israel were reckoned by genealogies; and, °behold, they *were* written °in the book of the kings of °Israel and Judah, *who*

were carried away to Babylon for their °transgression.

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2 Now °the first inhabitants that *dwell* in their possessions in their cities *were*, °the Israelites, the priests, °Levites, and °the Nethinims.

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3 And in °Jerusalem dwelt of the °children of Judah, and of the °children of Benjamin, and of the °children of °Ephraim, and Manasseh;

4 Uthai the son of Ammihud, the son of Omri, the son of Imri, the son of Bani, of the °children of Pharez the son of Judah.

5 And of the °Shilonites; Asaiah the first-born, and his sons.

6 And of the sons of Zerah; Jeuel, and °their brethren, °six hundred and ninety.

7 And of the sons of Benjamin; °Sallu the son of Meshullam, the son of Hodaviah, the son of °Hasenuah,

8 And Ibneiah the son of Jeroham, and Elah the son of Uzzi, the son of Michri, and Meshullam the son of Shephathiah, the son of Reuel, the son of Ibniyah;

9 And their brethren, according to their generations, °nine hundred and fifty and six. All these °men *were* chief of the fathers in the house of their fathers.

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10 And of the priests; °Jedaiah, and Jehoiarib, and Jachin,

11 And °Azariah the son of Hilkiyah, the son of Meshullam, the son of Zadok, the son of Meraioth, the son of Ahitub, °the ruler of the house of °God;

12 And °Adaiah the son of Jeroham, the son of Pashur, the son of Malchijah, and °Maasiai the son of Adiel, the son of Jahzerah, the son of Meshullam, the son of Meshillemith, the son of Immer;

13 And their brethren, heads of the house of their fathers, °a thousand and seven hundred and threescore; °very able °men for the work of the service of the house of °God.

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14 And of the Levites; °Shemaiah the son of Hasshub, the son of Azrikam, the son of Hassabiah, of the sons of Merari;

15 And Bakbakkar, Heresh, and Galal, and Mattaniah the son of Micah, the son of Zichri, the son of Asaph;

16 And Obadiah the son of Shemaiah, the son of Galal, the son of Jeduthun, and Berechiah the son of °Asa, the son of Elkanah, that °dwelt in the villages of the °Netophathites.

17 And the °porters *were*, Shallum, and Akkub, and Talmon, and Ahiman, and their brethren: Shallum *was* the chief;

18 Who °hitherto *waited* in °the king's gate eastward: they *were* porters in the companies of the °children of Levi.

19 And Shallum the son of Kore, the son of Ebiasaph, the son of Korah, and his brethren, of the house of his father, the °Korabites, *were* over the work of the service, keepers of the °gates of the °tabernacle: and their fathers, *being* over the host of °the LORD, *were* keepers of the entry.

20 And °Phinehas the son of Eleazar *was* the ruler over them °in time past, and °the LORD *was* with him.

transgression = defection. Heb. *mā'al*. Ap. 44. xi.

9. 2-44 (**B**, p. 530). AFTER THE RETURN (GENEALOGY). (*Introversion*.)

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D | 2. In the cities.

E | 3-34. In Jerusalem.

D | 35-44. In Gibeon.

2 the first inhabitants: i. e. after the reoccupation on the return from Babylon, under Zerubbabel, Joshua, Nehemiah, and Ezra, 454-400 B. C. See Ap. 50. V, VI, p. 60 and VII (5), p. 67.

the Israelites. Heb. "Israel": i. e. the "Israel of God". Cp. Neh. 11. 3; See note on "Israel" (Gen. 32. 28; 43. 6; 45. 26, 28). Called "Israel", although only the return of Judah and Benjamin. See note on 1 Kings 12. 17.

Levites = the Levites. the Nethinims. Taken from the people in proportion of one in fifty to assist the Levites (Num. 31. 47. Ezra 8. 20).

9. 3-34 (**E**, above). IN JERUSALEM. (*Division*.)

E | **h¹** | 3-9. Judah.

h² | 10-13. The Priests.

h³ | 14-34. The Levites.

3 Jerusalem. As distinct from the Land (v. 2). Cp. Neh. 11. 1. children = sons.

Ephraim, and Manasseh. So that others beside Judah and Benjamin were included in the People now known as "Jews". Cp. Ezra 6. 21. Neh. 10. 28, 29. See note on 1 Kings 12. 17.

5 Shilonites = Shelonites. Not from the place Shiloh, but from Shelah the son of Judah. Cp. 2. 3. Num. 26. 28. Neh. 9. 5. So that some from each of the three lines of Judah were included, viz. Pharez, Shelah, Judah.

6 their: i. e. Uthai (v. 4) and Asaiah (v. 5). (Jewish.) six hundred and ninety. These were the sons of Zerah. The 468 in Neh. 11. 6 were sons of Perez (i. e. Pharez).

7 Sallu. At the head of the Benjamites (Neh. 11. 7). Hasenuah. In Neh. 11. 9 called Senuah.

9 nine hundred and fifty and six. In Neh. 11. 8 we have 928. The dates of the enumeration are independent and not identical.

men. Heb. *enōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

10 Jedaiah, &c. Cp. Neh. 11. 10 and 12. 6.

11 Azariah. In Neh. 11. 11 the same enumeration, but Seraiah. This is explained in 6. 12-14 above.

the ruler of the house of God. Applied to the high priest: at this time Ahitub (6. 11). Later it was Joshua the high priest (Ezra 3. 2. Zech. 3. 1-8; 6. 11-13). Cp. 2 Chron. 31. 13; 35. 8.

God. Heb. Elohim (with Art.) = the (true) God. Ap. 4. I.

12 Adaiah. Cp. Neh. 11. 12.

Maasiai. Cp. 24. 14 and Neh. 11. 13.

13 a thousand and seven hundred and threescore. In Neh. 11. 12-14, 1,192, which must have been before the priests had settled in the priestly cities.

very able men = mighty men of valour. Heb. *gibbōr*. Ap. 14. IV.

14 Shemaiah. Cp. Neh. 11. 15.

16 Asa. Some codices, with two early printed editions (one marg.), and Syr., read "Asaph". dwelt in the villages. Till the priestly cities were rebuilt.

Netophathites. Cp. Neh. 12. 28.

17 porters - gatekeepers. Cp. Neh. 12. 25.

18 hitherto. Referring to the ancient practice.

the king's gate. Leading from the royal palace to the Temple.

19 Korahites. The descendants of Korah. Cp. Num. 16; 26. 9-11; and see Pss. 42; 44-49; 84; 85; 87; 88. gates = thresholds.

tabernacle = tent. Heb. *'ohel*. See Ap. 40. III. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

20 Phinehas. Cp. Ex. 6. 23.

in time past: i. e. previous to the writing of this history. 1434-1383?

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21 And Zechariah the son of Meshelemiah was porter of the ° door of the 19 tabernacle of the congregation.

22 All these which were chosen to be 17 porters in the 19 gates were ° two hundred and twelve. These were reckoned by ° their genealogy in their 16 villages, whom David and ° Samuel the seer ° did ordain in their set office.

23 So they and their 3 children had the oversight of the gates of the house of the 19 LORD, namely, the house of the 19 tabernacle, by ° wards.

24 In four ° quarters were the 17 porters, toward the east, west, north, and south.

25 And their brethren, which were in their 16 villages, were to come after seven days from time to time with them.

26 For these Levites, the four ° chief 17 porters, were in their ° set office, and were over the ° chambers and treasuries of the house of 11 God.

27 And they lodged round about the house of 11 God, because the charge was upon them, and the ° opening thereof every morning pertained to them.

28 And certain of them had the charge of the ° ministering vessels, that they should bring them in and out ° by tale.

29 Some of them also were appointed to oversee the vessels, ° and all the instruments of the sanctuary, ° and the fine flour, and the wine, and the oil, and the frankincense, and the ° spices.

30 And some of the sons of the priests ° made the ointment of the spices.

31 And Mattithiah, one of the Levites, who was the firstborn of Shallum the Korahite, had the 26 set office over the things that were made ° in the pans.

32 And other of their brethren, of the sons of the Kohathites, were over the shewbread, to prepare it ° every sabbath.

33 And ° these are the singers, chief of the fathers of the Levites, who remaining in the chambers were ° free: for they were employed in that work day and night.

34 These chief fathers of the Levites were chief throughout their generations; these dwelt at Jerusalem.

35 And ° in Gibeon dwelt the ° father of Gibeon, ° Jehiel, whose wife's name was Maachah:

36 And his firstborn son Abdon, then Zur, and Kish, and Baal, and Ner, and Nadab,

37 And Gedor, and Ahio, and Zechariah, and Mikloth.

38 And Mikloth begat Shimeam. And they also dwelt with their brethren at Jerusalem, over against their brethren.

39 And ° Ner begat Kish; and Kish begat Saul; and Saul begat Jonathan, and Malchishua, and Abinadab, and Esh-baal.

40 And the son of Jonathan was Merib-baal: and Merib-baal begat Micah.

41 And the sons of Micah were, Pithon, and Melech, and Tahrea, ° and Ahaz.

42 And Ahaz begat Jarah; and Jarah begat Alemeth, and Azmaveth, and Zimri; and Zimri begat Moza;

43 And Moza begat Binea; and Rephaiah his son, Eleasah his son, Azel his son.

44 And Azel had six sons, whose names are

21 door = entrance.

22 Two hundred and twelve. These were for the Tabernacle (v. 21). In Neh. 11. 19, 172, excluding those in the villages. Not the 4,000 of 23. 5, or their ninety-three heads (ch. 26), which were for the future Temple. their genealogy = [Was registered] in their villages. There is no record of this. But Samuel stood at the head. did ordain = founded. Cp. 23. 1-6. Cp. Acts 3. 24.

23 wards = watches, twenty-four quarters. Heb. rûach = winds.

26 chief. Heb. gibbôr. Ap. 14. IV. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Sept. and Syr., read "mighty men of the gates".

set office = trust. chambers = storehouses.

27 opening thereof, &c. = were over the key. Cp. Judg. 3. 25. Isa. 22. 22.

28 ministering vessels = vessels of service.

by tale = by number.

29 and. Note the Fig. Polysyndeton (Ap. 6), to emphasise all the details.

and the fine flour = and over the fine flour.

spices. Cp. Ex. 30. 22-38.

30 made = compounded.

31 in the pans = on the flat plates.

32 every sabbath. Cp. Ex. 25. 30. Lev. 24. 5-8.

33 these are the singers. Referring to vv. 14-16, and Neh. 11. 22. 2 Chron. 34. 12.

free = exempt from duty.

35 in Gibeon dwelt. Verses 35-44 are an abridgment of 8. 29-38. Could not suitably be introduced there. Reserved to be inserted here, to lead up to Saul's death in ch. 10.

the father of Gibeon = parent-family of Gibeon: Jehiel, &c.

Jehiel. Had another name, "Zoror", in 1 Sam. 9. 1. See note on 8. 33.

39 Ner begat Kish. See note on 8. 33.

41 and Ahaz. Supplied from 8. 35.

44 Azrikam, Bocheru. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Sept. and Syr., read "Azrikam his firstborn".

10. 1-2 Chron. 36. 21 (A, p. 530). HISTORY. (UP TO THE CAPTIVITY.) (Division.)

A | F¹ | 1 Chron. 10. 1-14. The house of Saul overthrown.
F² | 1 Chron. 11. 1-2 Chron. 36 21. The house of David established.

10. 1-14 (F¹, above). THE HOUSE OF SAUL OVERTHROWN. (Extended Alternation.)

F¹ | i | 1. Flight of Israel.
k | 2, 3. Philistines' pursuit of Saul.
l | 4-6. "So Saul died, and". (Event.)
i | 7. Flight of Israel.
k | 8-12. Philistines' indignities to Saul.
l | 13, 14. "So Saul died, for". (Reason.)

1 the Philistines fought. Cp. 1 Sam. 31. 1-6 and 2 Sam. 1. 9, 10.

men. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

2 Abinadab. Another name was Ishui (1 Sam. 14. 49).

these, ° Azrikam, Bocheru, and Ishmael, and Sheariah, and Obadiah, and Hanan: these were the sons of Azel.

10 Now ° the Philistines fought against Israel; and the ° men of Israel fled from before the Philistines, and fell down slain in mount Gilboa.

2 And the Philistines followed hard after Saul, and after his sons; and the Philistines slew Jonathan, and ° Abinadab, and Malchishua, the sons of Saul.

3 And the battle went sore against Saul, and

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960 the archers hit him, and he was wounded of the archers.

1 (p. 544) 4 Then said Saul to his armourbearer, "Draw thy sword, and thrust me through therewith; lest these uncircumcised come and °abuse me." But his armourbearer would not; for he was sore afraid. So Saul took a sword, and fell upon it.

5 And when his armourbearer saw that Saul was dead, he fell likewise on the sword, and died.

6 ° So Saul died, and ° his three sons, and ° all his ° house died together.

i 7 And when all the ° men of Israel that were in the valley saw that they fled, and that Saul and his sons were dead, then they forsook their cities, and fled: and the Philistines came and dwelt in them.

k 8 And it came to pass on the morrow, when the Philistines came to strip the slain, that they found Saul and his sons fallen in mount Gilboa.

9 And when they had stripped him, they ° took his head, and his armour, and sent into the land of the Philistines round about, to carry tidings unto their idols, and to the people.

10 And they put his armour in the house of their ° gods, and fastened ° his head in the temple of Dagon.

11 And when all Jabesh-gilead heard all that the Philistines had done to Saul,

12 They arose, all the valiant ° men, and took away the body of Saul, and the bodies of his sons, and brought them to Jabesh, and ° buried their bones under ° the oak in Jabesh, and fasted seven days.

i 13 So Saul died ° for his ° transgression which he committed against ° the LORD, even against the word of ° the LORD, which he kept not, and also for asking counsel of one that had a ° familiar spirit, ° to enquire of it;

14 And ° enquired not of ° the LORD: therefore ° He slew him, and turned the kingdom unto David the son of Jesse.

F² J L (p. 545) 953 11 ° Then all Israel gathered themselves to David unto Hebron, saying, "Behold, we are thy bone and thy flesh.

2 And moreover in time past, even when Saul was king, thou wast he that leddest out and broughtest in Israel: and ° the LORD thy ° God said unto thee, 'Thou shalt feed My People Israel, and thou shalt be ruler over My People Israel.'"

3 Therefore came all the elders of Israel to the king to Hebron; and David made a covenant with them in Hebron before ° the LORD; and they anointed David king over Israel, according to the word of ° the LORD ° by Samuel.

M N 4 And David and all Israel ° went to Jerusa-

4 abuse = insult, or mock.

6 So Saul died. Here, the event. In v. 13, the reason. See the Structure above.

his three sons = three of his sons.

all. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Whole), Ap. 6, put for greater part. See 2 Sam. 2. 8; 21. 8.

house. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for family or household.

9 took his head. Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), "head [which they had cut off] and his armour".

10 gods. Ashtaroth. Cp. 1 Sam. 31. 10.

his head. This is additional to 1 Sam. 31. 10. "His body", there, is additional to this passage. The two books thus independent and complementary.

12 buried their bones. After they had burnt them (1 Sam. 31. 12).

the oak. Cp. 1 Sam. 31. 13.

13 for. In this book the reason; in 1 Sam. only the event. See Ap. 56.

transgression = disobedience, shown in his faithlessness or defection. Heb. *mā'al*. Ap. 44. xi. Cp. 1 Sam. 13. 13, 14; 15. 1-8; 28. 7.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II. Note it is not Elohim (God).

familiar spirit. See note on Lev. 19. 31.

to enquire = to seek and consult. Heb. *dārash*, to seek earnestly. Saul sought thus with the medium, but not with Jehovah. See note on 1 Sam. 28. 6, 7.

14 He: i.e. Jehovah. 1 Chron. gives the esoteric cause. 1 Sam. gives the exoteric event, which men could see. See Ap. 56.

11. 1-2 Chron. 36. 21 (F², p. 544). THE HOUSE OF DAVID ESTABLISHED. (Division.)

F ²	G ¹	1 Chron. 11. 1-29. 30. David.
	G ²	2 Chron. 1. 1-9. 31. Solomon.
	G ³	2 Chron. 10. 1-12. 16. Rehoboam.
	G ⁴	2 Chron. 13. 1-14. 1-1. Abijah.
	G ⁵	2 Chron. 14. -1-16. 14. Asa.
	G ⁶	2 Chron. 17. 1-21. 1-1. Jehoshaphat.
	G ⁷	2 Chron. 21. 1-20. Jehoram.
	G ⁸	2 Chron. 22. 1-3. Ahaziah.
	(G ⁹)	(2 Chron. 22. 10-23. 21. Athaliah.)
	G ¹⁰	2 Chron. 24. 1-27. Joash.
	G ¹¹	2 Chron. 25. 1-28. Amaziah.
	G ¹²	2 Chron. 26. 1-28. Uzziah.
	G ¹³	2 Chron. 27. 1-9. Jotham.
	G ¹⁴	2 Chron. 28. 1-27. Ahaz.
	G ¹⁵	2 Chron. 29. 1-32. 33. Hezekiah.
	G ¹⁶	2 Chron. 33. 1-20. Manasseh.
	G ¹⁷	2 Chron. 33. 21-25. Amon.
	G ¹⁸	2 Chron. 34. 1-35. 27. Josiah.
	G ¹⁹	2 Chron. 36. 1-4. Jehoahaz.
	G ²⁰	2 Chron. 36. 5-8. Jehoiakim.
	G ²¹	2 Chron. 36. 9, 10. Jehoiachin.
	G ²²	2 Chron. 36. 11-21. Zedekiah.

21 Kings of the House of David (3 x 7)

11. 1-29. 30 (G¹, above). DAVID. (Division.)

G ¹	H ¹	11. 1-29. 25. Events in detail.
	H ²	29. 26-30. Events in sum.

11. 1-29. 25 (H¹, above). EVENTS IN DETAIL. (Introversion.)

H ¹	J	11. 1-12. 40. David. Accession.
	K	13. 1-16. 43. The Tent. David's bringing up the Ark for it.
	K	17. 1-22. 19. The Temple. David's preparation for it.
	J	23. 1-29. 25. David. Resignation.

11. 1-12. 40 (J, above). [For Structure see next page.]

1 Then all Israel. Cp. 2 Sam. 5. 2. Omitting all events in Hebron (2 Sam. 2. 1-4). See Ap. 56. In this chapter we have 1-3 David's Coronation; 4-9, David's Capital; 10-47, David's Captains. 2 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II. God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I. 3 by Samuel. Heb. by the hand of Samuel: "hand" being put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for what is done or written by it. 4 went to Jerusalem. This is the first event recorded in Chronicles. See note on 2 Sam. 5. 6-10.

953 lem, which is Jebus; where the Jebusites were,
to the inhabitants of the land.

952 5 And the inhabitants of Jebus said to David, "Thou shalt not come hither." Nevertheless David took the castle of Zion, which is the city of David.

O (p. 546) 6 And David said, "Whosoever smiteth the Jebusites first shall be chief and captain." So Joab the son of Zeruiah went first up, and was chief.

M N 7 And David dwelt in the castle; therefore they called it the city of David.

8 And he built the city round about, even from Millo round about: and Joab repaired the rest of the city.

9 So David waxed greater and greater: for the LORD of hosts was with him.

O P¹ m 10 These also are the chief of the mighty men whom David had, who strengthened themselves with him in his kingdom, and with all Israel, to make him king, according to the word of the LORD concerning Israel.

11 And this is the number of the mighty men whom David had;

n ° Jashobeam, an Hachmonite, the chief of the captains: he lifted up his spear against three hundred slain by him at one time.

12 And after him was Eleazar the son of Dodo, the Ahohite, who was one of the three mighty.

13 He was with David at Pas-dammim, and there the Philistines were gathered together to battle, where was a parcel of ground full of barley; and the People fled from before the Philistines.

14 And they set themselves in the midst of that parcel, and delivered it, and slew the Philistines; and the LORD saved them by a great deliverance.

o 15 Now three of the thirty captains went down to the rock to David, into the cave of Adullam; and the host of the Philistines encamped in the valley of Rephaim.

16 And David was then in the hold, and the Philistines' garrison was then at Beth-lehem.

17 And David longed, and said, "Oh that one would give me drink of the water of the well of Beth-lehem, that is at the gate!"

18 And the three brake through the host of the Philistines, and drew water out of the well of Beth-lehem, that was by the gate, and took it, and brought it to David: but David would not drink of it, but poured it out to the LORD.

19 And said, "My God forbid it me, that I should do this thing: shall I drink the blood of these men that have put their lives in jeopardy? for with the jeopardy of their lives they brought it." Therefore he would not drink it. These things did these three mightiest.

n 20 And Abishai the brother of Joab, he was chief of the three: for lifting up his spear against three hundred, he slew them, and had a name among the three.

21 Of the three, he was more honourable than the two; for he was their captain: howbeit he attained not to the first three.

22 Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, the son of

11. 1-12. 40 (J, p. 545). DAVID. ACCESSION. (Introversion and Alternation.)

J L | 11. 1-3. Accession over all Israel.
M N | 11. 4, 5. The taking of Jebus.
O | 11. 6. Forces. (Chief, Joab.)
M N | 11. 7-9. The taking of Jebus.
O | 11. 10-12. 37. Forces. Chiefs, mighty men.
L | 12. 38-40. Accession over all Israel.

inhabitants. The descendants of the Nephilim. Ap. 23 and 25.

5 said. 2 Sam. 5. 6-8 is supplementary to this. Zion, which is the city of David. See notes on 2 Sam. 5.

8 Millo = the filling up: i. e. of the valley north of Jebus and south of Moriah. Cp. 2 Sam. 5. 9. repaired = rebuilt.

11. 10-12. 37 (O, above). THE FORCES. (Division.)

O P¹ | 11. 10-47. David's mighty men.
P² | 12. 1-37. Their auxiliaries.

11. 10-47 (P¹, above). DAVID'S MIGHTY MEN. (Introversion.)

P¹ m | 10, 11-. The mighty men. The chiefs.
n | -11-14. Severally.
o | 15-19. Collectively.
n | 20-25. Severally.
m | 26-47. The valiant men of the armies.

10 the mighty men. Heb. *gibbôr*. Ap. 14. IV. Introduced here, at beginning of reign, instead of end of it (2 Sam. 23. 8-39). Both positions full of instruction; Samuel, *chronological*; Chronicles, *moral* (according to the word of the LORD). See Ap. 56.

11 Jashobeam. See note on "Tachmonite" (2 Sam. 23. 8).

captains, or thirty.
12 Dodo. Sept. reads "Dodai". Cp. 27. 4. three. See note on 1 Chron. 27. 1.

13 He was with David. Eleazar. In 2 Sam. 23. 11, 12, Shammah also was with him. Note the plural verbs in next verse, "they set . . . and [they] delivered it and [they] slew". This account is supplementary, not contradictory.

Pas-dammim. Probably Ephes-dammim, between Shocoh and Azekah (1 Sam. 17. 1).

barley. In 2 Sam. 23. 11, "lentiles". Therefore the field contained both: and the accounts are complementary, not contradictory.

14 they: i. e. David and Eleazar. See note on v. 13. saved them by a great deliverance. Sept. and Syr. read "wrought a great victory". Cp. 2 Sam. 23. 10, 12.

15 thirty. See note on 27. 1.

Rephaim. Heb. *Rapha*. One of the great among the Nephilim, like Anak; giving his name to this valley. Cp. Josh. 15. 8. 2 Sam. 5. 18, 22; 23. 13. Isa. 17. 5. See note on Num. 13. 22, 28. Deut. 1. 28, and Ap. 23, 25.

17 Oh that one, &c. Fig. *Ecphonēsis*. Ap. 6.

19 men. Heb. *enōsh*. Ap. 14. III. that have put their lives in jeopardy? Heb. "with their lives". Cp. Judg. 12. 3. 1 Sam. 19. 5; 28. 21. Job 13. 14.

lives = souls. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

20 was = came to be (as in Gen. 1. 2).

the three: i. e. who performed the foregoing act.

had. Some codices, with five early printed editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "he had".

22 a lion. See note on 1 Kings 13. 24.

a valiant man of Kabzeel, who had done many acts; he slew two lionlike men of Moab: also he went down and slew a lion in a pit in a snowy day.

953 23 And he slew an Egyptian, a ¹ man of *great*
to stature, five ° cubits high; and in the Egyptian's
920 hand was a spear like a weaver's beam;
and he went down to him with a staff, and
plucked the spear out of the Egyptian's hand,
and slew him with his own spear.

24 These *things* did Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and had the name among the ¹² three mighties.

25 ° Behold, he was honourable among the ¹⁵ thirty, but attained not to the *first* ¹² three: and David set him over his ° guard.

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(p. 546) 26 Also the ° valiant men of the armies were, Asahel the brother of Joab, Elhanan the son of Dodo of Beth-lehem,

27 Shammoth the Harorite, Helez the ° Pelonite,

28 Ira the son of Ikkesh the Tekoite, Abi-ezer the Antothite,

29 Sibbecai the Hushathite, Ilai the Ahohite,

30 Maharai the Netophathite, Heled the son of Baanah the Netophathite,

31 Ithai the son of Ribai of Gibeah, *that pertained* to the ° children of Benjamin, Benaiah the Pirathonite,

32 Hurai of the brooks of Gaash, Abiel the Arbathite,

33 Azmaveth the Baharumite, Eliahba the Shaalbonite,

34 The sons of Hashem the Gizonite, Jonathan the son of Shage the Hararite,

35 Ahiam the son of Sacar the Hararite, Eliphal the son of Ur,

36 Hephher the Mecherathite, Ahijah the Pelonite,

37 Hezro the Carmelite, Naarai the son of Ezbai,

38 ° Joel the brother of Nathan, Mibhar the son of Haggeri,

39 Zelek the Ammonite, Naharai the Berothite, the armourbearer of Joab the son of Zeruah,

40 Ira the Ithrite, Gareb the Ithrite,

41 Uriah the Hittite, Zabad the son of Ahlai,

42 Adina the son of Shiza the Reubenite, a captain of the Reubenites, and thirty with him,

43 Hanan the son of Maachah, and Joshaphat the Mithnite,

44 Uzzia the Ashterathite, Shama and Jehiel the sons of Hothan the Aroerite,

45 Jediah the son of Shimri, and Joha his brother, the Tizite,

46 Eliel the Mahavite, and Jeribai, and Joshaviah, the sons of Elnaam, and Ithmah the Moabite,

47 Eliel, and Obed, and Jasiel ° the Mesobaite.

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12 Now ° these *are* they that came to David to Ziklag, while he yet kept himself close because of ° Saul the son of Kish: and they were among the ° mighty men, helpers of the war.

2 They were armed with bows, and ° could use both the right hand and the left in *hurling* stones and *shooting* arrows out of a bow, even of ° Saul's brethren of Benjamin.

3 The chief was Ahiezer, then Joash, the sons of Shemaah the Gibeathite; and Jeziel,

23 cubit = about 18 inches. See Ap. 51. III. 2.

25 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

guard = audience chamber.

26 valiant men. Heb. *gibbôr*. Ap. 14. IV. The list contains several non-Israelites. Cp. Ps. 18. 43, 44.

27 Pelonite. Syr. reads "Paltite". Cp. 2 Sam. 23. 26.

31 children = sons.

38 Joel the brother of Nathan. Not to be confused with Igal the son of Nathan. The lists are supplementary and independent, Chronicles being of later date, and adding several names after Uriah (v. 41).

47 the Mesobaite. Sept. and Vulg. read "of (or from) Zobah".

12. 1-37 (P², p. 546). THEIR AUXILIARIES. (Alternation.)

P ²	Q	R	1. General.	} At Ziklag.
		S	2-22. Particular.	
	Q	R	23. General.	} At Hebron.
		S	24-37. Particular.	

1 these are they. These not included elsewhere: showing the independence of Chronicles.

Saul the son of Kish. See note on 8. 33.

mighty men. Heb. *gibbôr*. Ap. 14. IV.

2-22 (S, above). AUXILIARIES. AT ZIKLAG (PARTICULAR). (Alternation.)

S	p	2-7. Benjamites.
	q	8-15. Others, from Israel (Gadites).
	p	16-18. Benjamin and Judah.
	q	19-22. Others, from Israel (Manasseh).

2 could use, &c. Cp. Judg. 3. 15; 20. 15, 16.

Saul's brethren: i. e. his fellow-tribesmen. Cp. v. 29.

4 among the thirty. Probably another "thirty" at a later period. Ismaiah not in the list. 2 Sam. 23. 24, &c.

8 separated themselves. Another example of how Judah came to be *representative* of the whole of Israel. See note on 1 Kings 12. 17.

men of might. Heb. *gibbôr*. Ap. 14. IV.

men. Heb. *ênôsh*. Ap. 14. III.

buckler. Heb. = spear. But some codices, with one early printed edition and Syr., read "buckler". Cp. Jer. 46. 3.

and Pelet, the sons of Azmaveth; and Bera-chah, and Jehu the Antothite,

4 And Ismaiah the Gibeonite, a ¹ mighty man ° among the thirty, and over the thirty; and Jeremiah, and Jahaziel, and Johanan, and Josabad the Gederathite,

5 Eluzai, and Jerimoth, and Bealiah, and Shemariah, and Shephatiah the Haruphite,

6 Elkanah, and Jesiah, and Azareel, and Jo-ezer, and Jashobeam, the Korhites,

7 And Joelah, and Zebadiah, the sons of Jeroham of Gedor.

8 And of the Gadites there ° separated themselves unto David into the hold to the wilderness ° men of might, and ° men of war *fit* for the battle, that could handle shield and ° buckler, whose faces were like the faces of lions, and were as swift as the roes upon the mountains;

9 Ezer the first, Obadiah the second, Eliab the third,

10 Mishmannah the fourth, Jeremiah the fifth,

11 Attai the sixth, Eliel the seventh,

12 Johanan the eighth, Elzabad the ninth,

13 Jeremiah the tenth, Machbanai the eleventh.

14 These were of the sons of Gad, captains of the host: one of the least was over an hundred, and the greatest over a thousand.

962 15 These are they that went over Jordan in
to °the first month, when it had °overflowed all
960 his banks; and they put to flight all them of
the valleys, both toward the east, and toward
the west.

p 16 And there came of the °children of Benja-
(p. 547) min and Judah to the hold unto David.

17 And David went out to meet them, and
answered and said unto them, °“If ye be come
peaceably unto me to help me, mine heart
shall be °knit unto you: but if ye be come to
betray me to mine enemies, seeing there is no
°wrong in mine hands, the °God of our fathers
look thereon, and rebuke it.”

18 Then °the Spirit °came upon °Amasai,
who was chief of the captains, and he said,
“Thine are we, David, and on thy side, thou
son of Jesse: °peace, peace be unto thee, and
peace be to thine helpers; for thy °God helpeth
thee.” Then David received them, and made
them captains of the band.

q 19 And °there fell some of Manasseh to
David; when he came with the Philistines
against Saul to battle: but °they helped °them
not: for the °lords of the Philistines °upon
advisement sent him away, saying, “He will
fall to his master Saul °to the jeopardy of our
heads.”

20 As he went to Ziklag, °there fell to him
of Manasseh, Adnah, and Jozabad, and Jedaiel,
and Michael, and Jozabad, and Elihu, and
Zilthai, captains of the thousands that were
of Manasseh.

21 And they °helped David against °the band
of the rovers: for they were all °mighty men
of valour, and were captains in the host.

22 For at that time day by day there came
to David to help him, until it was °a great host,
like the host of °God.

R 23 And these are the numbers of the bands
that were ready armed to the war, and came
to David to Hebron, to turn the kingdom of
Saul to him, according to the °word of °the
LORD.

S T¹ 24 The °children of Judah that bare shield
(p. 548) and spear were six thousand and eight hun-
953 dred, ready armed to the war.

T² 25 Of the °children of Simeon, °mighty men
of valour for the war, seven thousand and one
hundred.

T³ 26 Of the °children of Levi four thousand
and six hundred.

27 And °Jehoiada was the leader of the
Aaronites, and with him were three thousand
and seven hundred;

28 And °Zadok, a young man °mighty of
valour, and of his father's house twenty and
two captains.

T⁴ 29 And of the °children of Benjamin, the
°kindred of Saul, three thousand: for hitherto
the greatest part of them had °kept the ward
of the house of Saul.

T⁵ 30 And of the °children of Ephraim twenty
thousand and eight hundred, °mighty men of
valour, °famous throughout the house of their
fathers.

T⁶ 31 And of the half tribe of Manasseh eighteen

15 the first month. Nisan, or Abib.

overflowed. Cp. Josh. 3. 15.

16 children = sons.

17 If ye be come, &c. A second band made David
suspicious.

knit unto = one with.

wrong = act of violence. Heb. *hamas*, not same word
as 16. 21.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

18 the Spirit. Heb. *rûach*. Ap. 9.

came upon = clothed: i. e. clothed him with wisdom
and power: i. e., employed him as His mouthpiece.

Amasai. Probably the same as Amasa, David's
nephew (2. 17). Cp. 2 Sam. 19. 13.

peace, peace. Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6.

19 there fell some of Manasseh, beside the Gad-
ites (see the Structure above). See note on 1 Kings
12. 17 for the strengthening of Judah and making it
representative of the whole nation.

they: David and his men. See 1 Sam. 28. 1, 2; 29.

them: the Philistines.

lords, or princes.

upon advisement = advisedly, or by counsel. Cp. 21. 12.
to the jeopardy of our heads. Heb. with our
heads; or, at the cost of our heads.

21 helped David = helped with David.

the band: i. e. the Amalekites, who had burned Zik-
lag during his absence. See 1 Sam. 30. 1-20. It is
assumed that we know of this.

22 a great host. About 300,000 men.

23 word = mouth. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause),
Ap. 6, for what was spoken by it.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

12. 24-37 (S, p. 547). AUXILIARIES AT HEBRON.
(PARTICULAR). (*Division*.)

S	T ¹	24. Judah.
	T ²	25. Simeon.
	T ³	26-28. Levi.
	T ⁴	29. Benjamin.
	T ⁵	30. Ephraim.
	T ⁶	31. Half Manasseh.
	T ⁷	32. Issachar.
	T ⁸	33. Zebulun.
	T ⁹	34. Naphtali.
	T ¹⁰	35. Dan.
	T ¹¹	36. Asher.
	T ¹²	37. Those beyond Jordan.

27 Jehoiada. Not the high priest; for Abiathar
held that office (1 Sam. 23. 9; 30. 7).

28 Zadok. Probably the same as Solomon's high
priest (2 Sam. 8. 17; 15. 29, 35; 20. 25. 1 Kings 1. 8, 26;
2. 35).

29 kindred. Heb. brethren. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of
Species), Ap. 6, “brethren” put for other relatives.

kept the ward = kept the charge. Fig. *Metonymy* (of
Effect), Ap. 6, charge put for keeping what was com-
manded.

30 famous. Heb. men of names.

32 had understanding. Understood statesmanship.
the times. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, put for
what is (or ought to be) done in them.

commandment. Heb. mouth. Put by Fig. *Metonymy*
(of Cause), Ap. 6, for what is commanded by it.

thousand, which were expressed by name, to 953
come and make David king.

32 And of the °children of Issachar, which T⁷
were men that °had understanding of °the
times, to know what Israel ought to do; the
heads of them were two hundred; and all
their brethren were at their °commandment.

33 Of Zebulun, such as went forth to battle, T⁸
expert in war, with all instruments of war,

v (p. 549) 8 And David and all Israel played before
952 ⁵God °with all *their* might, °and with singing,
and with harps, and with psalteries, and with
°timbrels, and with °cymbals, and with trum-
pets.

w 9 And when they came unto the threshing-
floor of °Chidon, Uzza put forth his hand to
hold ³the ark; for the oxen stumbled.

10 And the anger of ²the LORD was kindled
against °Uzza, and He smote him, because he
put his hand to ³the ark: and there he °died
before ²God.

11 And David was °displeased, because ²the
LORD had made a breach upon Uzza: where-
fore that place is called Perez-uzza to this
day.

x 12 And David was afraid of ⁵God that day,
saying, °“How shall I bring ³the ark of ⁵God
home to me?”

13 So David °brought not ³the ark home to
himself to the city of David, but carried it
aside into the house of Obed-edom the Gittite.

14 And ³the ark of ⁵God remained with the
family of Obed-edom in his house three
months.

y And ²the LORD blessed the house of Obed-
edom, and all that he had.

v 14 Now °Hiram king of Tyre sent messen-
gers to David, and timber of cedars,
with masons and carpenters, to build him an
house.

w 2 And David perceived that °the LORD had
confirmed him king over Israel, for his king-
dom was lifted up on high, because of His
People Israel.

x 3 And David took °more wives at Jerusalem:
and David begat more sons and daughters.

4 Now these are the names of *his* °children
which he had in Jerusalem; Shammua, and
Shobab, Nathan, and Solomon,

5 And Ibhar, and Elishua, and Elpalet,

6 And Nogah, and Nepheg, and Japhia,

7 And Elishama, and °Beeliada, and Eli-
phalet.

w a (p. 550) 8 And when the Philistines heard that David
was anointed king over all Israel, all the
Philistines went up to °seek David. And David
heard of it, and °went out against them.

b c 9 And the Philistines came and spread them-
selves in the valley of °Rephaim.

d 10 And David enquired of °God, saying,
“Shall I go up against the Philistines? and
wilt Thou deliver them into mine hand?”
And ²the LORD said unto him, “Go up; for I
will deliver them into thine hand.”

e 11 So they came up to Baal-perazim; and
David smote them there. Then David said,
¹⁰“God hath broken in upon mine enemies by
mine hand like the breaking forth of waters:”
therefore they called the name of that place
Baal-perazim.

12 And when they had °left their gods there,
David gave a commandment, and °they were
burned with fire.

8 with all their might. Cp. 2 Sam. 6. 5. No need
to arbitrarily make this correspond. They are two in-
dependent books, complementary in their information.
and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in this verse,
emphasising each item.

timbrels. See note on Ex. 15. 20.

cymbals. Heb. *m²ziltayim*: two metal discs, making
a clashing sound. Always so rendered. Not to be
confounded (as in A.V. and R.V.) with *zilt²lim* = tim-
brels, which make a rustling sound, but rendered
“cymbals” in 2 Sam. 6. 5. Ps. 150. 5.

9 Chidon. See 2 Sam. 6. 6; where he has another
name, Nachon.

10 Uzza. See 2 Sam. 6. 6, 7.
died before God. Showing the sin of disobeying
the Divine commands.

11 displeased = grieved, sad.

12 How shall I . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

13 brought not the ark home. See 2 Sam. 6. 10, 11.

14. 1 Hiram. See note on 2 Sam. 5. 11.

2 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

3 more wives. Cp. 3. 9. 2 Sam. 5. 13-16.

4 children: of both sexes.

7 Beeliada. In 2 Sam. 5. 16 called Eliada, which was
a later name, perhaps changed from Beeliada because
of the name “Baal”, or lord, which, at first innocent,
came to be associated with idolatry. See note on 8. 34.

14. 8-17 (W, p. 549). THE KINGDOM. ITS DE-
FENCE. (*Introversion, and Extended Alternation*.)

W | a | 8. Fame heard by Philistines.

b | c | 9. Philistines' array.

d | 10. Inquiry, and promise.

e | 11, 12. Defeat of Philistines.

b | c | 13. Philistines' array.

d | 14, 15. Inquiry and direction.

e | 16. Defeat of Philistines.

a | 17. Fame heard in all lands.

8 seek = search for. Heb. *bāḳkesh*, especially to seek
for blood or life. Cp. 2 Sam. 4. 11, “require”.

went out against them. 2 Sam. 5. 17 says “went
down to the hold”. But this was earlier; for the later
command was “thou shalt bestir thyself”, which
corresponds with the command “Go up” (v. 10) here, as
well as with “thou shalt bestir thyself” of 2 Sam. 5. 24.

9 Rephaim = Rapha. See note on 11. 15.

10 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. In 2 Sam. 5. 19 it is
Jehovah. Here, it is God's power as Creator. In 2 Sam.
5. 19 it is Jehovah's faithfulness to David. Both pleas
were in David's mind, and the accounts are comple-
mentary. Cp. them in this narrative. Here, Elohim
six times; Jehovah once. In 2 Sam., Jehovah six
times; Elohim not once.

12 left their gods. Cp. 1 Sam. 4. 7.

they were burned with fire. This is supplementary
information. In 2 Sam. 5. 21 David “took them away”:
i. e. to burn them, as recorded here.

16 Gibeon. In 2 Sam. 5. 25, Geba. But both places
were close together, and the accounts are independent.
Gazer = Gezer. See note on 1 Kings 9. 15-17.

13 And the Philistines yet again spread them-
selves abroad in the valley. b c

14 Therefore David enquired again of ¹⁰God; d
and ¹⁰God said unto him, “Go not up after
them; turn away from them, and come upon
them over against the mulberry trees.

15 And it shall be, when thou shalt hear a
sound of going in the tops of the mulberry trees,
that then thou shalt go out to battle: for ¹⁰God
is gone forth before thee to smite the host of
the Philistines.”

16 David therefore did as ¹⁰God commanded e
him: and they smote the host of the Philis-
tines from °Gibeon even to °Gazer.

^a (p. 550) 17 And the fame of David went out into all lands; and ²the LORD brought the fear of him upon ^oall nations.

^y (p. 549) 15 And David made him houses in the city of David,

^U t and prepared a place for ^othe ark of ^oGod, and ^opitched for it a tent.

^u 2 Then David said, ^o"None ought to carry ¹the ark of ^oGod but the Levites: for them hath ^othe LORD chosen to carry ¹the ark of ¹God, and to minister unto Him ^ofor ever."

3 And David gathered all Israel together to Jerusalem, to bring up ¹the ark of ²the LORD unto his place, which he had prepared for it.

4 And David assembled the ^ochildren of Aaron, and the Levites:

5 Of the ^osons of Kohath; Uriel the chief, and his brethren an hundred and twenty:

6 Of the sons of Merari; Asaiah the chief, and his brethren two hundred and twenty:

7 Of the sons of Gershon; Joel the chief, and his brethren an hundred and thirty:

8 Of the sons of Elizaphan; Shemaiah the chief, and his brethren two hundred:

9 Of the sons of Hebron; Eliel the chief, and his brethren fourscore:

10 Of the sons of Uzziel; Amminadab the chief, and his brethren an hundred and twelve.

11 And David called for ^oZadok and Abiathar the priests, and for the Levites, for Uriel, Asaiah, and Joel, Shemaiah, and Eliel, and Amminadab,

12 And said unto them, ^o"Ye are the chief of the fathers of the Levites: sanctify yourselves, both ye and your brethren, that ye may bring up ¹the ark of ²the LORD ¹God of Israel unto the place that I have prepared for it.

13 For because ye ^odid it not at the first, ²the LORD our ¹God made a breach upon us, for that we sought Him not after ^othe due order."

14 So the priests and the Levites sanctified themselves to bring up ¹the ark of ²the LORD ¹God of Israel.

15 And the ⁴children of the Levites bare ¹the ark of ¹God upon their shoulders with the staves thereon, ^oas Moses commanded according to the word of ²the LORD.

^v 16 And David spake to the chief of the Levites to appoint their ^obrethren to be the singers with instruments of musick, psalteries and harps and cymbals, sounding, by lifting up the voice with joy.

17 So the Levites appointed ^oHeman the son of Joel; and of his ¹⁶brethren, ^oAsaph the son of Berechiah; and of the sons of Merari their ¹⁶brethren, ^oEthan the son of Kushaiah;

18 And with them their ¹⁶brethren of the second degree, Zechariah, Ben, and Jaaziel, and Shemiramoth, and Jehiel, and Unni, Eliab, and Benaiah, and Maaseiah, and Mattithiah, and Elipheleh, and Mikneiah, and Obed-edom, and Jeiel, the porters.

19 So the singers, ¹⁷Heman, Asaph, and Ethan, were appointed to sound with cymbals of brass;

20 And Zechariah, and ^oAziel, and Shemiramoth, and Jehiel, and Unni, and Eliab, and Maaseiah, and Benaiah, with psalteries ^oon ^oAlamoth;

17 all nations. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Genus), Ap. 6, put for nations in all parts of the world.

15. -1-16. 43 (U, p. 549). REMOVAL OF ARK FROM HOUSE OF OBED-EDOM.

1 the ark. See notes on 13. 3 and Ex. 25. 22.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

pitched for it a tent. Had the Tabernacle of Moses been brought to Jerusalem, difficulties would have arisen in building the Temple. David's Tabernacle was merely provisional. The provision will yet be repeated, before the erection of the future Temple. See Acts 15. 16.

2 None ought to carry. David's mistake in the matter of the "new cart" was not to be repeated. Cp. 13. 7.

God. In most codices - Jehovah. But Cod. Hillel, and one early printed edition, read "God". See note on v. 1.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

for ever. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Whole), Ap. 6, put for a long time.

4 children = sons.

5 sons of Kohath. Of the six Ark-carriers, four were chosen from Kohath, one from Merari, and one from Gershon.

11 Zadok is put first, of the line of Phinehas. Abiathar was afterward disloyal (cp. 1 Kings 2. 26, 35). See note on 2 Sam. 8. 17.

13 the due order = according to the rule.

15 as = according as.

16 brethren: i. e. fellow-tribesmen. See note on the names in v. 17 below.

17 Heman. Samuel's grandson (a Kohathite). 1 Chron. 2. 6.

Asaph. A Gershonite. Cp. 6. 39, and 1 Kings 4. 31.

Ethan, or Jeduthun, a Merarite. See the three Psalms connected with him (Pss. 38, 61, 76).

20 Aziel. Another name, Jaaziel, in v. 18.

on. Heb. 'al, relating to.

Alamoth. The maidens' choir (see Ap. 65. ii). One of three special choirs, the other two being *Sheminith* (a men's choir, see Ap. 65. xix); and Jeduthun's choir. "Alamoth" found only once as the subscript of Ps. 45. See note there. This choir was processional, not ecclesiastical. Cp. Ps. 68. 11, 25, which refers to this event, not to the Exodus.

21 Sheminith = the eighth. (See Ap. 65. xix.)

to excel - to lead.

22 chief - prince. Not by birth, but by merit. Probably "the chief musician".

was for song, or, was for service: especially the service of carrying up the Ark.

about the song. Three Psalms appointed: 1 Chron. 16. 7-36. Pss. 5 and 11; which, being suitable for general use, were afterwards handed over to "the chief musician". See note on the subscript at end of Ps. 3.

25 the elders. As representing "all Israel" (2 Sam. 6. 15).

21 And Mattithiah, and Elipheleh, and Mikneiah, and Obed-edom, and Jeiel, and Azaziah, with harps ²⁰on the ^oSheminith ^oto excel.

22 And Chenaniah, ^ochief of the Levites, ^owas for song: he instructed ^oabout the song, because he was skilful.

23 And Berechiah and Elkanah were doorkeepers for ¹the ark.

24 And Shebaniah, and Jehoshaphat, and Nethaneel, and Amasai, and Zechariah, and Benaiah, and Eliezer, the priests, did blow with the trumpets before ¹the ark of ¹God: and Obed-edom and Jehiah were doorkeepers for ¹the ark.

25 So David, and ^othe elders of Israel, and the captains over thousands, went to bring up

¹the ark of the covenant of ²the LORD out of the house of Obed-edom with joy.

26 And it came to pass, when ¹God °helped the Levites that bare ¹the ark of the covenant of ²the LORD, that °they offered seven bullocks and seven rams.

27 And David *was* clothed with a robe of fine linen, and all the Levites that bare ¹the ark, and the singers, and Chenaniah the master of the song with the singers: David also *had* upon him °an ephod of linen.

28 Thus all Israel brought up ¹the ark of the covenant of ²the LORD with shouting, and with sound of the cornet, and with trumpets, and with cymbals, making a noise with psalteries and harps.

w (p. 549) 29 And it came to pass, *as* ¹the ark of the covenant of ²the LORD came to the city of David, that Michal the daughter of Saul looking out at a window saw king David dancing and playing: and she °despised him in her heart.

x 16 So they °brought °the ark of °God, and set it in the midst of °the tent that David had pitched for it: and they °offered burnt sacrifices and peace offerings before °God.

y Y (p. 552) 2 And when °David had made an end of °offering the burnt offerings °and the peace offerings, he blessed the People in the name of °the LORD.

to 3 And he dealt to °every one of Israel, both °man and woman, to °every one a loaf of bread, and a good piece of flesh, and a flagon of wine.

Z 4 And he appointed *certain* of the Levites to minister before the ¹ark of ²the LORD, and °to record, and to thank and praise ²the LORD ¹God of Israel:

5 Asaph the chief, and next to him Zechariah, Jeiel, and Shemiramoth, and Jehiel, and Mattithiah, and Eliab, and Benaiah, and Obed-edom: and Jeiel with psalteries and with harps; but Asaph made a sound with cymbals;

6 Benaiah also and Jahaziel the priests with trumpets °continually before ¹the ark of the covenant of ¹God.

A 7 Then on that day David delivered first °this psalm to thank ²the LORD into the hand of Asaph and his brethren.

B z¹ 8 Give thanks unto ²the LORD,
Call upon His name,
Make known His deeds among the °people.

9 Sing unto Him,
Sing psalms unto Him,
°Talk ye of all His wondrous works.

10 Glory ye in His holy name:
Let the heart of them rejoice that seek ²the LORD.

11 Seek ²the LORD and °His strength,
Seek His face continually.

12 Remember His marvellous works that He hath done,
His wonders, and the °judgments of His mouth;

13 O ye seed of °Israel His servant,
Ye °children of °Jacob, His chosen ones.

14 *He is* ²the LORD our ¹God;
His ¹²judgments *are* in all the earth.

15 °Be ye mindful always of His covenant;
The word *which* He commanded to a thousand generations;

26 helped. With His favour; there being no miscarriage now, as there had been in ch. 13.

they offered = sacrificed. Heb. *zabach*. Ap. 43. I. iv. 2 Sam. 6. 13 is complementary, not contradictory.

27 an ephod. Cp. 2 Sam. 6. 14.

28 despised him. Implying treatment with contempt.

16. 1 brought the ark. See note on 15. 3. This was in 951-950 B. C. A Sabbatic year.

the ark. See notes on 13. 3, and Ex. 25. 22.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. See note on 14. 10-16. the tent. See note on 15. 1.

offered = brought near. Heb. *q̄arab*. Ap. 43. I. i.

16. 2-43 (y, p. 549). THE BLESSING OF JEHOVAH. (Introversion.)

y | Y | 2, 3. The People blessed.

Z | 4-6. Ministrations. Persons.

A | 7. Delivery of Psalm to leaders.

B | 8-36-. The Psalm of Praise.

A | -36. Response by People.

Z | 37-42. Ministrations. Persons.

Y | 43. The People dismissed.

2 David. Not with his own hand, but by the priests' offering = offering up. Heb. *alah*. Ap. 43. I. vi. and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in vv. 2-4. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. See note on 14. 10-16.

3 every one = every one, to a man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II. man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

4 to record. Cp. titles of Pss. 38 and 70.

6 continually: i. e. morning and evening, as prescribed.

7 this psalm. Supply the Ellipsis thus: "Delivered first [the following words] to thank", &c. Other Psalms were probably 5, 11, and 68. Originally provided for this event, Ps. 68 was afterward divided up and incorporated in Pss. 105. 1-15; 96. 1-13; 106. 1, 47, 48. Exactly the same has been done since then by many human authors. It is those who say they "treat the Bible like any other book" who deny to the Divine Author this right to do as He will with His own.

8-36- (B, above). THE PSALM OF PRAISE. (Repeated Alternation.)

B | z¹ | 8-22. The peoples. (Ps. 105. 1-18).

a¹ | 23-27. The earth.

z² | 28, 29. The peoples. } (Ps. 96. 1-13.)

a² | 30-33. The earth.

z³ | 34-36-. The People. (Ps. 106. 47, 48.)

8 people = Peoples.

9 Talk ye = meditate.

11 His strength. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6. "Strength" put for the Ark, which was the sign of the presence of Jehovah, and the symbol of His strength. Cp. Ps. 105. 4 and 132. 8, and see note on 13. 3 and Ex. 25. 22.

12 judgments = righteous rules.

13 Israel. When adapted for more general worship, in Ps. 105, this was changed to the more general term "Abraham" (v. 6). children = sons.

Jacob. See notes on Gen. 32. 28; 43. 6; 45. 28, 28.

15 Be ye mindful. This was specially for this occasion. In Ps. 105. 8, where it is for more general use, David (in editing) changed it to "He hath remembered". See note on v. 7.

16 with Abraham... Isaac. See note on Gen. 50. 24, and cp. Gen. 17. 2; 26. 3; 28. 13.

17 Jacob. See note on Gen. 50. 24 and v. 13 above.

16 Even of the covenant which He made °with Abraham,

And of His oath unto °Isaac;

17 And hath confirmed the same to °Jacob for a law,
And to ¹³Israel for an everlasting covenant,

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to
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18 Saying, "Unto thee will I give the land of Canaan,

The °lot of your inheritance ;"

19 When °ye were but few,
Even a few, and strangers in it.

20 And when they went from nation to nation,

And from one kingdom to another people ;

21 He suffered no °man to °do them wrong :

Yea, He °reproved kings for their sakes,

22 Saying, "Touch not °Mine anointed,
And do My prophets no harm."

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23 Sing unto °the LORD, all the earth ;

Shew forth from day to day His salvation.

24 Declare His glory among the °heathen ;

His marvellous works among all °nations.

25 For great is °the LORD, and greatly to be

praised :

He also is to be feared above all gods.

26 For all the gods of the °people are °idols :

But °the LORD made the heavens.

27 Glory and honour are in His presence ;

Strength and gladness are °in His place.

z²

28 °Give unto °the LORD, ye °kindreds of the

°people,

Give unto °the LORD glory and strength.

29 °Give unto °the LORD the glory due unto

His name :

Bring an °offering, and °come before Him :

Worship °the LORD in °the beauty of

holiness.

a²

30 Fear before Him, all the earth :

The world also shall be stable,

That it °be not moved.

31 Let the heavens be glad,

And let the earth rejoice :

And let men say among the nations, °"The

LORD reigneth."

32 Let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof :

Let the fields rejoice, and all that is

therein.

33 Then shall the °trees of the wood sing out

at the presence of °the LORD,

Because He cometh to judge the earth.

z³

34 O give thanks unto °the LORD ; for He is

good ;

For His mercy °endureth for ever.

35 °And say ye, "Save us, O °God of our

salvation,

And °gather us together,

And °deliver us from the °heathen,

That we may give thanks to Thy °holy

Name,

And glory in Thy praise."

36 Blessed be °the LORD °God of Israel for

ever and ever.

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And all the People said, "Amen," and praised

°the LORD.

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37 So he left there °before °the ark of the

covenant of °the LORD °Asaph and his brethren,

to minister before °the ark continually,

as every day's work required :

38 And Obed-edom with their brethren,

threescore and eight ; Obed-edom also the son

of Jeduthun and Hosah to be porters :

39 And Zadok the priest, and his brethren

the priests, before °the tabernacle of °the LORD

in the high place that was at Gibeon,

18 lot = measuring line. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the boundaries marked out by it.

19 ye. In Ps. 105. 12 it is "they". See notes on vv. 13 and 15 above.

21 do them wrong = oppress them. Heb. 'āshak. reprov'd kings. Cp. Gen. 12. 17 ; 20. 3.

22 Mine anointed. Israel was regarded as a kingdom of anointed kings and priests (Ex. 19. 6).

24 heathen = nations. nations = peoples.

26 people = peoples. Not same word as 12. 17.

idols = things of naught, or nothings.

27 in His place = in His dwelling-place : i. e. the place of the Ark of the Covenant. In Ps. 96. 6, which is more general, it is "in His sanctuary". Cp. vv. 7 and 15.

28 Give = ascribe, as in Ps. 96. 7, 8. kindreds = families.

29 offering = gift offering. See Ap. 49. II. iii. come before Him. In Ps. 96. 8, which is more general, it is "come into His courts".

the beauty of holiness. Cp. 2 Chron. 20. 21 and Ps. 96. 9, from which the meaning seems to be "in His glorious sanctuary".

30 be not moved. The Creator knows how to speak of the work of His hands.

33 trees of the wood. Referring specially to the wood at Kirjath-jearim (the city of woods). Cp. Ps. 132. 6.

34 endureth for ever = is age-abiding.

35 And say ye. A liturgical direction suited to this special occasion. Not needed for subsequent general use in Ps. 106. 47. See notes. Cp. vv. 7 and 15.

gather us . . . deliver us. David knew from Deut. 4. 27 ; 28. 64 ; and 32, that the scattering of Israel had been foretold ; and this prayer was based upon that revelation. So with Solomon. 1 Kings 8. 46-50.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

37 before the ark. This was now in Zion (2 Sam. 6. 12-17). But the altars and vessels were in the Tabernacle at Gibeon (2 Chron. 1. 3-6).

Asaph and his brethren. These were left in Zion "before the Ark", while the priests ministered "before the Tabernacle" (see v. 39 below), until Divine worship should be reconstructed in the Temple.

39 the tabernacle. Heb. mishkân = dwelling-place. Ap. 40.

40 offer = offer up. Heb. 'ālāh. Ap. 43. I. vi.

41 Jeduthun. One of the three directors of the Temple-worship. Cp. 25. 1-6. 2 Chron. 5. 12. A descendant of Merari (cp. 16. 38 with 26. 10). Called also "Ethan" (15. 17, 19, and cp. 25. 1, 3, 6. 2 Chron. 35. 15). Jeduthun = to confess, give thanks. Pss. 38 ; 61 ; and 76, as printed in this edition of the Bible. (In Heb., A.V., and R.V., these Psalms are 39 ; 62 ; 77.) See Ap. 65.

mercy = lovingkindness, or, grace.

42 were porters = were for the gate.

43 to bless his house. This was when Michal met him (15. 29). Cp. 2 Sam. 6. 20.

40 To °offer burnt offerings unto °the LORD upon the altar of the burnt offering continually morning and evening, and to do according to all that is written in the law of °the LORD, which He commanded Israel ;

41 And with them Heman and °Jeduthun, and the rest that were chosen, who were expressed by name, to give thanks to °the LORD, because His °mercy endureth for ever ;

42 And with them Heman and Jeduthun with trumpets and cymbals for those that should make a sound, and with musical instruments of °God. And the sons of Jeduthun °were porters.

43 And all the People departed °every man to his house : and David returned °to bless his house.

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17 Now it came to pass, °as David sat in his house, that David said to Nathan the prophet, °“Lo, I dwell in an house of cedars, but °the ark of the covenant of °the LORD °remaineth under curtains.”

G **2** Then Nathan said unto David, “Do all that is in thine heart; for °God is with thee.”

G b **3** And it came to pass the same night, that the word of °God came to °Nathan, saying,
4 “Go and tell David My servant, ‘Thus saith °the LORD,

c °‘Thou shalt not build Me an house to dwell in:

d **5** For I have not dwelt in °an house since the day that I brought up °Israel unto this day; but have gone from tent to tent, and from one tabernacle to another.

6 Wheresoever I have °walked with all Israel, spake I a word to any of the °judges of Israel, whom I commanded to feed °My People, saying, ‘Why have ye not built Me an house of cedars?’”

e **7** Now therefore thus shalt thou say unto My servant David, ‘Thus saith °the LORD of hosts, ‘I took thee from the sheepcote, even from following the sheep, that thou shouldst be ruler over My People Israel:

e **8** And I have been with thee whithersoever thou hast walked, and have cut off all thine enemies from before thee, and have made thee °a name like the name of the great men that are in the earth.

d **9** Also I will ordain a place for My People Israel, and will plant them, and they shall dwell in their place, and shall be moved no more; neither shall the °children of °wickedness °waste them any more, as at the beginning,

10 And since the time that I commanded judges to be over My People Israel. Moreover I will subdue all thine enemies. Furthermore I tell thee that °the LORD will build thee an house.

c **11** And it shall come to pass, when thy days be expired that thou must °go to be with thy fathers, that I will raise up thy seed after thee, which shall be of thy sons; and I will establish his kingdom.

12 He shall build Me an house, and I will stablish his throne for ever.

13 I will be his father, and he shall be My son: and I will not take My °mercy away from him, as I took it from him that was before thee:

14 But I will settle him in °Mine house and in °My kingdom for ever: and his throne shall be established for evermore.”

b **15** According to all these words, and according to all this vision, so did Nathan speak unto David.

F H f **16** And David the king came and sat before °the LORD, and said, °“Who am I, O °LORD °God, and what is mine house, that Thou hast brought me °hitherto?

g **17** And yet this was a small thing in Thine eyes, O °God; for Thou hast also spoken of

17. 1-22. 19 (K, p. 545). THE TEMPLE. DAVID'S PREPARATION FOR IT. (*Introversion.*)

K | C | 17. 1-27. Purpose declared.
D | 18. 1-13. Conquests.
E | 18. 14-17. Household.
D | 19. 1-20. s. Conquests.
C | 21. 1-22. 19. Place predicated.

17. 1-27 (C, above). PURPOSE DECLARED. (*Introversion.*)

C | F | 1. David sitting in his own house. (Who I am.)
G | 2. Nathan's reply from himself.
G | 3-15. Nathan's reply from Jehovah.
F | 16-27. David sitting before Jehovah. (Who am I?)

17. 3-15 (G, above). NATHAN'S REPLY FROM JEHOVAH. (*Introversion.*)

G | b | 3, 4-. Message sent.
c | -4. Jehovah's House. “Thou shalt not build”.
d | 5, 6. Jehovah's condescension.
e | 7. Jehovah's election.
e | 8. Jehovah's protection.
d | 9, 10. Jehovah's promise.
c | 11-14. Jehovah's House. “He shall build”.
b | 15. Message delivered.

1 as David=according as David. Cp. 2 Sam. 7. 1-3 with the royal title “king”. Here the personal name, “David”. The two accounts are complementary.

Lo. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

the ark. See notes on 13. 3, and Ex. 25. 22.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. remaineth. Better supply *Ellipsis* with “dwelleth”.

2 God. Heb. Elohim (with Art.). Ap. 4. I.

3 Nathan. Some codices, with Syr., add “the prophet”.

4 Thou shalt not build, or, “Thou art not he who shall build.” an = the.

5 Israel. Some codices, with six early printed editions, read “the sons of Israel”.

6 walked = walked to and fro. judges. 2 Sam. 7. 7 = “tribes”. These could “feed” only by judges, so both agree.

My People. Western MSS. read ‘*Ammi*’ = My People. The Eastern MSS. read ‘*Ammō*’ = His People.

8 a name. Some codices, with Syr., read “a great name”, as in 2 Sam. 7. 9.

9 children = sons.

wickedness. Heb. ‘*āval*’. Ap. 44. vi.

waste them = wear them out. Some codices, with three early printed editions, read “cause them to languish”.

11 go to be. Sept. reads “sleep” (2 Sam. 7. 12).

13 mercy = lovingkindness, or, grace.

14 Mine . . . My. 2 Sam. 7. 16 = Thine . . . Thy. Both alike, for the kingdom was David's because it was God's gift to him.

17. 16-27 (F, above). DAVID SITTING BEFORE JEHOVAH. (*Introversions.*)

F	H	f	16. Self: abased.	} David's person.
		g	17. Revelation.	
		h	18. Plea.	
		g	19. Promise.	
		f	20. God: exalted.	
		J	21. Israel pre-eminent.	} David's House.
		J	22. Israel pre-eminent.	
H	i	23, 24. Establishment.	}	
	k	25-. Revelation.		
	l	-25. Plea.		
	k	26. Promise.		
	i	27. Continuance.		

16 Who am I? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. See notes on 2 Sam. 7. 18. hitherto = to this point.

950 Thy servant's house for a great while to come,
to and hast °regarded me according to the °estate
948 of °a man of high degree, O °LORD °God.

h 18 °What can David *speak* more to Thee for
(p. 554) the honour of Thy servant? for Thou knowest
Thy servant.

g 19 O °LORD, for Thy servant's sake, and
according to Thine own heart, hast Thou done
all this greatness, in making known all *these*
great things.

f 20 O °LORD, *there is* °none like Thee,
neither *is there any* °God beside Thee, accord-
ing to all that we have heard with our ears.

J 21 And °what one nation in the earth is like
Thy People Israel, whom °God went to °redeem
to be His own People, to make °Thee a name
of greatness and terribleness, by driving out
nations from before Thy People, whom Thou
hast °redeemed out of Egypt?

J 22 For Thy People Israel didst Thou make
Thine own People for ever; and Thou, °LORD,
becamest their °God.

H i 23 Therefore now, °LORD, let the thing that
Thou hast spoken concerning Thy servant and
concerning his house be established for ever,
and do °as Thou hast said.

24 Let it even be established, that Thy name
may be magnified for ever, saying, °The LORD
of hosts is the °God of Israel, *even* a °God to
Israel: and let the house of David Thy servant
be established before Thee.

25 For Thou, O my °God, °hast told Thy
servant that Thou wilt build him an house:

l therefore Thy servant hath found *in his heart*
to pray before Thee.

k 26 And now, °LORD, Thou art °God, and hast
promised this goodness unto Thy servant:

i 27 Now therefore let it please Thee to °bless
the house of Thy servant, that it may be before
Thee for ever: for Thou °blessest, O °LORD,
and *it shall be* °blessed for ever."

D m 18 Now after this °it came to pass, that
(p. 555) David smote the Philistines, and sub-
948 dued them, and took °Gath and °her towns
out of the hand of the Philistines.

2 And he °smote Moab; and the Moabites
became David's servants, and brought gifts.

3 And David smote °Hadarezer king of
°Zobah unto Hamath, as he went °to establish
his dominion by the river Euphrates.

4 And David took from him a thousand
chariots, and °seven thousand horsemen, and
twenty thousand footmen: David also houghed
all the chariot *horses*, but reserved of them
°an hundred chariots.

5 And when the Syrians of Damascus came
to help °Hadarezer king of °Zobah, David slew
of the Syrians two and twenty thousand
°men.

n 6 Then David put °garrisons in Syria-damas-
cus;

o and the Syrians became David's servants,
and brought gifts.

17 regarded. Cp. "art mindful" of Ps. 8. 4.
estate. Heb. *tôr*, abbreviation of *tôrâh* = law. See
note on 2 Sam. 7. 19.

a man. Heb. *hâ-âdām* = the Man, of Ps. 8. 5, 6, Who
is to have dominion over all the earth.

18 What can . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

20 none like Thee. This is ever the worship ren-
dered by all true worshippers. See note on 1 Sam. 2. 2.

21 God. Heb. *hâ-'Elohim*, the [great] God. Ap. 4. I.
redeem . . . redeemed. See notes on Ex. 6. 6; 13. 13.
Thee = for Thyself.

23 as according as.

25 hast told = revealed to the ear.

27 bless . . . blesest . . . blessed. Fig. *Polyptōton*.
Ap. 6.

18. 1-13 (D, p. 554). CONQUESTS. (Extended Alternation.)

D m | 1-5. Conquests.

n | 6-. Garrisons in Syria.

o | 6-. Subjection.

p | 6-. Preservation.

m | 7-12. Conquests.

n | 13-. Garrisons in Edom.

o | 13-. Subjection.

p | 13-. Preservation.

1 it came to pass. Cp. the parallel (2 Sam. 8. 1-8);
and note that the two accounts are supplementary and
complementary, not contradictory.

Gath. See note on "Metheg-ammah" (2 Sam. 8. 1).
In the time of Solomon (1 Kings 2. 39, Gath was tributary.
her towns. Heb. her daughters. Fig. *Prosopopœia*.
Ap. 6.

2 smote Moab. Thus fulfilling Num. 24. 17.

3 Hadarezer. Some codices, with two early printed
editions, read "Hadadezer" as in 2 Sam. 8. 5.

Zobah. Cp. Ps. 60, title, and 1 Sam. 14. 47. It was in
the neighbourhood of Damascus. In 19. 6 we have the
provocation which led to this war. Cp. 2 Sam. 10. 16.
to establish his dominion. It had been impaired.
Cp. 2 Sam. 8. 3.

4 seven thousand. See note on 2 Sam. 8. 4
an = for an.

5 men. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

6 garrisons. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., and
Syr., read this word in the text, as in 2 Sam. 8. 6.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

8 Tibhath. Called also Beta and Berothai (2 Sam.
8. 8): unless the four names represent four cities.
the pillars: i. e. the two pillars afterward made by
Solomon (1 Kings 7. 15, 21. 2 Chron. 3. 15-17).

9 Tou. Called also Toi (2 Sam. 8. 9).

10 Hadoram. Called also Joram in 2 Sam. 8. 10.
had war was a man (Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II) of war.

Thus °the LORD preserved David whitherso- p
ever he went.

7 And David took the shields of gold that m
were on the servants of Hadarezer, and brought
them to Jerusalem.

8 Likewise from °Tibhath, and from Chun,
cities of °Hadarezer, brought David very much
brass, wherewith Solomon made the brassen
sea, and °the pillars, and the vessels of brass.

9 Now when °Tou king of Hamath heard
how David had smitten all the host of Hada-
rezer king of Zobah;

10 He sent °Hadoram his son to king David,
to enquire of his welfare, and to congratulate
him, because he had fought against °Hada-
rezer, and smitten him; (for °Hadarezer °had
war with Tou;) and with him all manner of
vessels of gold and silver and brass.

948 11 ^uThem also king David dedicated unto ^ethe
to LORD, with the silver and the gold that he
942 brought from all ^{these} nations; ^ofrom Edom,
and from Moab, and from the ^ochildren of
Ammon, and from the Philistines, and from
Amalek.

12 Moreover Abishai the son of Zeruiah slew
of the Edomites in the valley of salt ^oeighteen
thousand.

13 And he put garrisons in Edom;
and all the Edomites became David's servants.
Thus ^ethe LORD preserved David whitherso-
ever he went.

14 So David reigned over all Israel, and
executed judgment and justice among all his
People.

15 And Joab the son of Zeruiah was over the
host;

and Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud, ^orecorder.

16 And ^oZadok the son of Abitub, and
^oAbimelech the son of Abiathar, were the
priests;

and ^oShavsha was scribe;

17 And Benaiah the son of Jehoiada was over
the Cherethites, and ^othe Pelethites;

and the sons of David were ^ochief ^oabout the
king.

19 Now ^oit came to pass after this, that
Nahash the king of the ^ochildren of
Ammon died, ^oand his son reigned in his stead.
2 And David said, "I will shew kindness
unto Hanun the son of Nahash, because his
father shewed kindness to me."

And David sent ^omessengers to comfort him
concerning his father. So the servants of
David came into the land of the ¹children of
Ammon to Hanun, to comfort him.

3 But the princes of the ¹children of Ammon
said to Hanun, ^o"Thinkest thou that David
doth honour thy father, that he hath sent
comforters unto thee? are not his servants
come unto thee for to search, and to overthrow,
and to spy out the land?"

4 Wherefore Hanun took David's servants,
and shaved them, and cut off their garments
in the midst hard by their buttocks, and sent
them away.

5 Then there went ^{certain}, and told David
how the ^omen were served. And he sent to
meet them: for the ^omen were greatly ashamed.
And the king said, "Tarry at Jericho until
your beards be grown, and ^{then} return."

6 And when the ¹children of Ammon saw
that they had made themselves odious to
David, Hanun and the ¹children of Ammon
sent a thousand talents of silver to hire them
chariots and horsemen out of ^oMesopotamia,
and out of Syria-maachah, and out of Zobah.

7 So they hired thirty and two thousand
^ochariots, and the king of Maachah and his
people; who came and pitched before Medeba.
And the ¹children of Ammon gathered them-
selves together from their cities, and came to
battle.

11 from Edom. In 2 Sam. 8. 14 we have another
exploit included in this summary. See note on v. 12.
children = sons.

12 eighteen thousand. This was Abishai's com-
mand. In 2 Sam. 8. 13 we have David's command; while
in Ps. 60 (title) we have Joab's share in the campaign
(1 Kings 11. 16). There is no contradiction, but inde-
pendent and separate exploits. Abishai's number was
18,000. We do not know how long Abishai's took him.
Joab's (which took him six months longer) was 10,000.

18. 14-17 (E, p. 554). HOUSEHOLD.
(Introversion.)

E q | 14. David himself.
r | 15-. Chief captain.
s | -15. Recorder.
t | 16-. Priests.
s | -16. Scribe.
r | 17-. Captain.
q | -17. David's sons.

15 recorder: or remembrancer.

16 Zadok. Cp. 6. 8. 2 Sam. 8. 17; 15. 29.
Abimelech. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., Syr.,
and Vulg., read "Ahimelech". Cp. 2 Sam. 8. 17.
Shavsha. Called also Seraiah (2 Sam. 8. 17).

17 the. Some codices, with Sept., and two early
printed editions, read "over the".
chief = heads, because David's sons were not priests.
about = at the hand of.

19. 1-20. 8 (D, p. 554). CONQUESTS. (Division.)

D | K¹ | 19. 1-5. The provocation.
| K² | 19. 6-20. 8. The wars.

19. 1-5 (K¹, above). THE PROVOCATION.
(Introversion.)

D u | 1, 2-. David hears of Hanun's bereavement.
v | -2. Condolence sent to Hanun.
w | 3. Suspicion.
v | 4. Condolence requited with indignity.
u | 5. David hears of Hanun's action.

1 it came to pass. See 2 Sam. 10. 1 19.
children = sons.
and his son. Sept. reads "and Hanun his son", as
in 2 Sam. 10. 1.

2 messengers to comfort = consolers.

3 Thinkest thou...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

5 men. Heb. pl. of 'ish or 'enōsh. Ap. 14.

19. 6-20. 8 (K², above). THE WARS. (Division.)

K² | L¹ | 19. 6-19. Wars with Ammon and Syrians.
| L² | 20. 1-3. Siege of Rabbah.
| L³ | 20. 4-8. Wars with Philistines.

6-19 (L¹, above). WARS WITH AMMON AND
SYRIANS. (Extended Alternation.)

L¹ | x | 6-13. Assemblage of armies.
y | 14-. Engagement with Syrians.
z | -14. Flight of Syrians.
a | 15. Flight of Ammonites.
x | 16, 17-. Assemblage.
y | -17. Engagement with Syrians.
z | 18. Flight of Syrians.
a | 19. Submission of Syrians.

6 Mesopotamia. Heb. 'Aram-nahāraīm = Syria of
the two rivers.

7 chariots = cavalry. Used of men as well as horses,
see v. 18. Cp. 2 Sam. 10. 6.

8 mighty men. Heb. *gibbōr*. Ap. 14. IV.

9 gate = entrance.

8 And when David heard of it, he sent Joab,
and all the host of the ^omighty men.

9 And the ¹children of Ammon came out, and
put the battle in array before the ^ogate of the

city: and the kings that were come *were* by themselves in the field.

10 Now when Joab saw that the battle ° was set against him before and behind, he chose out of all the choice of Israel, and put *them* in array against the Syrians.

11 And the rest of the People he delivered unto the hand of Abishai his brother, and they set *themselves* in array against the ¹children of Ammon.

12 And he said, "If the Syrians be too strong for me, then thou shalt help me: but if the ° children of Ammon be too strong for thee, then I will help thee.

13 Be of good courage, and let us behave ourselves valiantly for our People, and for the cities of our ° God: and let ° the LORD do *that which is good* in His sight."

y (p. 556) 14 So Joab and the People that *were* with him drew nigh before the Syrians unto the battle;

z and they fled before him.

a 15 And when the ¹²children of Ammon saw that the Syrians were fled, they likewise fled before Abishai his brother, and entered into the city. Then Joab came to Jerusalem.

x 16 And when the Syrians saw that they were put to the worse before Israel, they sent messengers, and drew forth the Syrians that *were* beyond the ° river: and Shophach the captain of the host of ° Hadarezer *went* before them.

17 And it was told David; and he gathered all Israel, and passed over Jordan, and came upon them, and set *the battle* in array against them.

y So when David had put the battle in array against the Syrians, they fought with him.

z 18 But the Syrians fled before Israel; and David slew of the Syrians seven thousand *men which fought in* ° chariots, and forty thousand footmen, and killed Shophach the captain of the host.

a 19 And when the servants of ¹⁶Hadarezer saw that they were put to the worse before Israel, they made peace with David, and became his servants: neither would the Syrians help the ¹²children of Ammon any more.

L² 20 And ° it came to pass, that after the year was expired, at the time that kings go out *to battle*, Joab led forth the power of the army, and wasted the country of the ° children of Ammon, and came and besieged Rabbah. But ° David tarried at Jerusalem. And Joab smote Rabbah, and destroyed it.

942 2 And ° David took the crown of ° their king from off his head, and found it to weigh a talent of gold, and *there were* precious stones in it; and it was set upon David's head: and he brought also exceeding much spoil out of the city.

3 And he brought out the people that *were* in it, and ° cut *them* with saws, and with harrows of iron, and with axes. Even so dealt David with all the cities of the ¹children of Ammon. And David and all the People returned to Jerusalem.

10 was set against him = confronted him.

12 children = sons.

13 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

16 river = Euphrates.

Hadarezer. Some codices, with two early printed editions, read "Hadadezer". Cp. 18. 3.

18 chariots. See note on v. 7, and cp. 2 Sam. 10. 18.

20. 1 it came to pass. Cp. 2 Sam. 11. 1; 12. 26-31: 21. 18-22. children = sons.

David tarried at Jerusalem. No reference is made here to the result of this tarrying, which is recorded in 2 Sam. 11. 1-12. 25.

2 David took. No discrepancy here, for Joab had summoned David for the purpose (2 Sam. 12. 27). their king. Probably Milcom, their king-idol.

3 cut. Heb. *sūr*. Occurs only here; the meaning "cut" is arbitrary. It must be explained by 2 Sam. 12. 31, where it is *sūm*, and is rendered "put" = "appointed them [to work] with". See notes there. *Sūr* is probably from *yashar* = to regulate, or rule.

4 Gezer. See note on 1 Kings 9. 15-17.

children = those born.

the giant. Heb. *rāphāh*, a descendant of one *Rapha*, who came of the *Nephilim*. See 2 Sam. 21. 18-22, and Ap. 23. 25. 6 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

21. 1-22. 1 (C, p. 554). SITE OF TEMPLE PRE-DICATED. (Alternation.)

C | M | 21. 1. Incitement.

N | 21. 2-8. The sin.

M | 21. 9-15. Punishment.

N | 21.-15-22. 1. Expiation.

1 Satan. See note on 2 Sam. 24. 1.

2-8 (N, above). THE SIN. (Alternation.)

N | b | 2. Command of David.

c | 3, 4. Objection.

b | 5, 6. Obedience to command.

c | 7, 8. Result.

3 The LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

4 (And it came to pass after this, that there arose war at ° Gezer with the Philistines; at which time Sibbechai the Hushathite slew Sippai, *that was* of the ° children of ° the giant: and they were subdued.

5 And there was war again with the Philistines; and Elhanan the son of Jair slew Lahmi the brother of Goliath the Gittite, whose spear staff *was* like a weaver's beam.

6 And yet again there was war at Gath, where was a ° man of *great* stature, whose fingers and toes *were* four and twenty, six on *each hand*, and six on *each foot*: and he also was the son of ° the giant.

7 But when he defied Israel, Jonathan the son of Shimea David's brother slew him.

8 These were born unto ° the giant in Gath; and they fell by the hand of David, and by the hand of his servants).

21 And ° Satan stood up against Israel, and provoked David to number Israel.

2 And David said to Joab and to the rulers of the People, "Go, number Israel from Beersheba even to Dan; and bring the number of them to me, that I may know *it*."

3 And Joab answered, ° "The LORD make His People an hundred times so many more as

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923 they be: but, my lord the king, °are they not all my lord's servants? °why then doth my lord require this thing? °why will he be a cause of °trespass to Israel?"

4 Nevertheless the king's word prevailed against Joab. Wherefore Joab departed, and went throughout all Israel, and came to Jerusalem.

5 And Joab gave °the sum of the number of the People unto David. And all they of Israel were a thousand thousand and an hundred thousand °men that drew sword: and Judah was four hundred threescore and ten thousand °men that drew sword.

6 But Levi and Benjamin counted he not among them: for the king's word was abominable to Joab.

7 And °God was displeased with this thing; therefore He smote Israel.

8 And David said unto °God, "I have °sinned greatly, because I have done this thing: but now, I beseech Thee, do away the °iniquity of Thy servant; for I have done very foolishly."

M d (p. 558) 9 And °the LORD spake unto Gad, David's seer, saying,

10 "Go and tell David, saying, 'Thus saith °the LORD, ' offer thee three things: choose thee one of them, that I may do it unto thee.'"

11 So Gad came to David, and said unto him, "Thus saith °the LORD, 'Choose thee

12 Either °three years' famine; or three months to °be destroyed before thy foes, while that the sword of thine enemies overtaketh thee; or else three days the sword of °the LORD, even the pestilence, in the land, and the angel of °the LORD destroying throughout all the °coasts of Israel.' Now therefore advise thyself what word I shall bring again to Him That sent me."

13 And David said unto Gad, "I am in a great strait: let me fall now into the hand of °the LORD; for very °great are His mercies: but let me not fall into the hand of °man."

14 So °the LORD sent pestilence upon Israel: and there fell of Israel seventy thousand °men.

15 And °God sent an angel unto Jerusalem to destroy it: and as he was destroying, °the LORD beheld, and °He repented Him of the evil, and said to the angel that destroyed, "It is enough, stay now thine hand."

N O And the angel of °the LORD stood by the threshingfloor of °Ornan the Jebusite.

P 16 And David lifted up his eyes, and saw the Angel of °the LORD stand between the earth and the heaven, having a drawn sword in his hand stretched out over Jerusalem.

P Then David and the elders of Israel, who were clothed in sackcloth, fell upon their faces.

17 And David said unto °God, "Is it not °that commanded the People to be numbered? even °it is that have °sinned and done °evil indeed; but as for these sheep, what have they done? let Thine hand, I pray Thee, O

are... why... why...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. trespass = guilt. Heb. *'ashām*. Ap. 44. ii. See Ex. 30. 11-16. The Tabernacle was erected with the ransom paid for 600,000. The site of the Temple obtained at the cost of 70,000 souls.

5 the sum. See note on 2 Sam. 24. 9. men. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

7 God. Heb. *Elohim* (with Art.) = the [true] God. Ap. 4. I. 8 sinned. Heb. *chāta'*. Ap. 44. i. David's repentance and confession preceded Gad's visit to him.

iniquity - perverseness. Cp. v. 4. Heb. *'āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

21. 9-15- (M, p. 557). PUNISHMENT. (Introversion.)

M | d | 9-12. Divine offers.
e | 13. Choice made.
e | 14. Choice carried out.
d | 15-. Divine forbearance.

12 three years. See note on 2 Sam. 24. 13. be destroyed. Sept. and Vulg. read "flee", as in 2 Sam. 24. 13.

coasts = borders.

13 great - many.
man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

15 He repented. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. Ornan: or Araunah in 2 Sam. 24.

21. -15-22. 1 (N, p. 557). EXPIATION. (Introversion.)

N O | -15. Angel. Station.
P | 16-. David. Seeing.
P | -16, 17. David. Humiliation.
O | 18-22. 1. Angel. Message.

17 Is it not I...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

21. 18-22. 1 (O, above). ANGEL. MESSAGE. (Alternation.)

O | Q | 21. 18. Angel's command to David.
R | 21. 19-26. David. Site of Altar.
Q | 21. 27. Jehovah's command to Angel.
R | 21. 28-22. 1. David. Site of Temple.

21. 19-26 (R, above). DAVID. SITE OF ALTAR. (Introversion.)

R | f | 19. Obedience. Visit commenced.
g | 20, 21. Reception.
g | 22-25. Negotiation.
f | 26. Obedience. Object effected.

19 at = according to.

20 hid = were hiding themselves.
was = had been.

°LORD my °God, be on me, and on my father's house; but not on Thy People, that they should be plagued."

18 Then the angel of °the LORD commanded Gad to say to David, that David should go up, and set up an altar unto °the LORD in the threshingfloor of °Ornan the Jebusite.

19 And David went up °at the saying of Gad, which he spake in the name of °the LORD.

20 And °Ornan turned back, and saw the angel; and his four sons with him °hid themselves. Now °Ornan °was threshing wheat.

21 And as David came to °Ornan, °Ornan looked and saw David, and went out of the threshingfloor, and bowed himself to David with his face to the ground.

22 Then David said to °Ornan, "Grant me

922 ° the place of *this* threshingfloor, that I may build an altar therein unto ³ the LORD: thou shalt grant it me for the full price: that the plague may be stayed from the People."

23 And ¹⁵ Ornan said unto David, "Take it to thee, and let my lord the king do *that which* is good in his eyes: lo, I give *thee* the oxen also for burnt offerings, and the ° threshing instruments for wood, and the wheat for the ° meat offering; I give it all."

24 And king David said to ¹⁵ Ornan, "Nay; but I will verily buy it for the full price: for I will not take *that which* is thine for the LORD, nor ° offer burnt offerings without cost."

25 So David gave to ¹⁵ Ornan for ²² the place six hundred shekels of gold by weight.

f (p. 558) 26 And David built there an altar unto ³ the LORD, and ²⁴ offered burnt offerings and peace offerings, and called upon ³ the LORD; and He answered him ° from heaven by fire upon the altar of burnt offering.

Q 27 And ³ the LORD commanded the Angel; and he put up his sword again into the ° sheath thereof.

R h (p. 559) 28 At that time when David saw that the LORD had answered him in the threshing-floor of ¹⁵ Ornan the Jebusite, then ° he sacrificed there.

i 29 (For the ° tabernacle of ³ the LORD, which Moses made in the wilderness, and the altar of the burnt offering, were at that season in the high place at ° Gibeon.

h 30 But David could not go before it to enquire of ° God: for he was ° afraid because of the sword of the Angel of ³ the LORD.)

i **22** Then David said, "° *This is the house of* ° the LORD ° God, and *this is the altar* of the burnt offering for Israel."

J S U j 2 And David commanded to gather together the ° strangers that were in the land of Israel;

k and he set ° masons to hew wrought stones to build the house of God.

l n 3 And David prepared ° iron in abundance for the nails for the doors of the gates, and for the joinings; and brass in abundance without weight;

4 Also cedar trees in abundance: for ° the Zidonians and they of Tyre brought much cedar wood to David.

o 5 And David said, "Solomon my son *is* ° young and tender,

m and the house *that is* to be builded for ¹ the LORD *must be* exceeding magnificent, ° of fame and of glory ° throughout all countries: I will *therefore* now make preparation for it." So David prepared abundantly before his death.

l o 6 Then he called for Solomon his son, and charged him to build an house for ¹ the LORD ° God of Israel.

7 And David said to Solomon, "My son, as for me, it was in my mind to build an house unto the name of ¹ the LORD my ° God:

8 But the word of ¹ the LORD came to me, ° saying, 'Thou hast shed blood abundantly, and

22 the place. Heb. *mākōm*, as in Ruth 4. 10. Referring to the whole place, afterward the Temple area. Not Heb. *goren*, as in 2 Sam. 24. 24, which was merely the threshingfloor, as in Ruth 3. 2. Hence 600 shekels of gold for the former, but only 50 shekels of silver for the latter. Two distinct transactions.

23 threshing instruments = threshing sledges composed of balks of timber, with sharp stones or iron spikes beneath. Cp. Isa. 41. 15. 2 Sam. 24. 22. Heb. *mōrag*. Called to-day in Palestine *moarej*.

meat offering = meal offering. Heb. *minchah*, gift offering. Ap. 43. II. iii.

24 offer = offer up. Heb. 'ālāh. Ap. 43. vi.

26 from heaven by fire. All sacrifices accepted by God were consumed by fire from heaven, not kindled on earth. See note on Gen. 4. 4.

27 sheath. Occurs only here.

21. 28—22. 1 (R, p. 558). DAVID. SITE OF TEMPLE. (*Alternation.*)

R | h | 21. 28. David's sacrifice.

i | 21. 29. Station of Tabernacle.

h | 21. 30. David's fear.

i | 22. 1. Site of Temple.

28 he sacrificed there; i. e. by the priests.

29 tabernacle = dwelling-place. Heb. *mishkān*.

Gibeon. Cp. 16. 39. 2 Chron. 1. 3. 1 Kings 3. 4.

30 afraid: i. e. afraid [to delay] because, &c. Otherwise Gibeon was only about eight miles away.

22. 1 This is the house of the LORD God. The place where grace had been manifested was the place where alone true worship could be offered. This it is that makes "the house of God".

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4.

22. 2—29. 25 (J, p. 545). THE RESIGNATION OF DAVID. (*Introversion and Alternation.*)

J | S | U | 22. 2-19. Intention to build the Temple.

V | 23. 1. Solomon. First investiture.

T | 23. 2. Princes, Priests, &c. Assemblage.

T | 23. 3—27. 34. Princes and Priests. Appointments.

S | U | 28. 1—29. 22-. Intention to build Temple.

V | 29. -22-25. Solomon. Second investiture.

22. 2-19 (U, above). INTENTION TO BUILD THE TEMPLE. (*Introversions.*)

U | j | 2-. David's command about strangers.

k | -2. Workmen.

l | n | 3, 4. Preparation.

o | 5-. Solomon. Youth.

m | -5. The glory of the house.

l | o | 6-13. Solomon. Charge.

n | 14. Preparation.

k | 15, 16. Workmen.

j | 17-19. David's command to princes.

2 strangers = foreigners. Cp. 20. 3. 2 Chron. 2. 17. These were the forced labourers David had prepared in 2 Sam. 12. 31. Cp. 1 Sam. 8. 2. 1 Kings 5. 13; 9. 15, 22; and see Deut. 29. 11. Josh. 9. 27. The word "tribute" (Judg. 1. 28) means forced labour. Cp. 2 Sam. 20. 24. 1 Kings 9. 21. masons. See above note.

3 iron. None in Tabernacle.

4 the Zidonians, &c. See note on 2 Sam. 5. 11. Cp. 1 Kings 5. 1-15.

5 young and tender. Cp. 29. 1.

of fame and of glory. Fig. *Hendiadys* (Ap. 6) = of glorious fame.

throughout: or for. Cp. Isa. 56. 7.

8 saying. See ch. 17; 28. 3. 2 Sam. 7. 13.

hast made great wars: thou shalt not build an house unto My name, because thou hast shed much blood upon the earth in My sight.

9 Behold, a son shall be born to thee, who

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shall be a °man of rest; and I will give him rest from all his enemies round about: for his name shall be °Solomon, and I will give °peace and quietness unto Israel in his days.

10 He shall build an house for My name; and he shall be My son, and I will be his father; and I will establish the throne of his kingdom over Israel for ever.

11 Now, my son, °the LORD be with thee; and prosper thou, and build the house of °the LORD thy °God, °as He hath said of thee.

12 Only °the LORD °give thee wisdom and understanding, and give thee charge concerning Israel, that thou mayest keep °the law of °the LORD thy °God.

13 Then shalt thou prosper, if thou takest heed to fulfil °the statutes and °judgments which °the LORD charged Moses with concerning Israel: °be strong, and of good courage; dread not, nor be dismayed.

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14 Now, behold, °in my trouble I have °prepared for the house of °the LORD an hundred thousand °talents of gold, and a thousand thousand °talents of silver; and of brass and iron without weight; for it is in abundance: timber also and stone have I prepared; and thou mayest add thereto.

15 Moreover there are °workmen with thee in abundance, hewers and workers of stone and timber, and all manner of °cunning men for every manner of work.

16 Of the gold, the silver, and the brass, and the iron, there is no number. Arise therefore, and be doing, and °the LORD be with thee."

17 David also commanded all the princes of Israel to help Solomon his son, saying,

18 "Is not °the LORD your °God with you? and hath He not given you rest on every side? for He hath given the inhabitants of the land into mine hand; and the land is subdued before °the LORD, and before His People.

19 Now set your heart and °your soul to seek °the LORD your °God; arise therefore, and build ye the sanctuary of °the LORD °God, to bring °the ark of the covenant of °the LORD, and the °holy vessels of °God, into the house that °is to be built to the name of °the LORD."

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23 So when David was °old and °full of days, he °made Solomon his son king over Israel.

2 And he gathered together all the princes of Israel, with the priests and the Levites.

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3 Now the Levites were numbered from the age of °thirty years and upward: and their number by their polls, °man by °man, was thirty and eight thousand.

4 Of which, twenty and four thousand were to °set forward the work of the house of °the LORD; and six thousand were officers and judges:

5 Moreover °four thousand were porters; and four thousand praised °the LORD with the instruments "which I made," said David, "to praise therewith."

Y 6 And David divided them into °courses among the sons of Levi, namely, Gershon, Kohath, and Merari.

man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

Solomon . . . peace. Fig. Paronomasia. Ap. 6. Heb. Sh^elomoh . . . shālôm.

11 as = according as. 12 give thee wisdom. This was Solomon's prayer in 1 Kings 3. 5-15.

the law. } The whole Levitical code. Ex.

13 the statutes and judgments. } 21. 1. Deut. 4. 1. be strong, and of good courage. See note on Deut. 31. 7.

14 in my trouble: i. e. in the unsettled years of his warlike reign; and of the trouble brought on by his sin with Bath-sheba, and by Absalom's rebellion. The Sept. reads "according to my poverty".

prepared for the house. The Tabernacle was built with the spoils of Egypt: the Temple from spoils of David's wars (2 Sam. 8. 7-12. 1 Chron. 18. 7-11).

talents. See Ap. 51. II. 6.

15 workmen. See note on "strangers", v. 2 above. cunning = skilful. Cp. Ex. 26. 1. One of the words which have been degraded in meaning, through the fall of man. Cunning = knowing; but those who know, generally know too much.

19 your soul = you (emph.). Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13. God. Heb. Elohim (with Art.) = the [true] God. Ap. 4. I. the ark. See note on 13. 3.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5. is to be built. And thus supersede the Tabernacle.

23. 1 old and full of days. Cp. Abraham (Gen. 25. 8), and Isaac (Gen. 35. 29). David born in 990. Now in his seventieth year.

full of = satisfied with. made Solomon his son king. During his lifetime. This was a common practice in those days; and these co-regnant kings explain many chronological problems.

23. 3-27. 34 (T, p. 559). PRINCES AND PRIESTS. APPOINTMENTS. (Division.)

T | W¹ | 23. 3-26. 28. Sacred.

W² | 26. 29-27. 34. Civil.

23. 3-26. 28 (W¹, above). SACRED APPOINTMENTS. (Introversion.)

W¹ | X | 23. 3-5. The dedicated tribe.

Y | 23. 6. Division. Courses of the priests.

Z | p¹ | 23. 7-11. Gershonites.

p² | 23. 12-20. Kohathites.

p³ | 23. 21-23. Merarites.

A | 23. 24-32. The service of the house.

Z | p⁴ | 24. 1-19. Sons of Aaron.

p⁵ | 24. 20-31. Sons of Levi.

p⁶ | 25. 1-31. Sons of Asaph.

Y | 26. 1-25. Division. Porters and treasurers.

X | 26. 26-28. The dedicated things.

3 thirty years. According to Num. 4. 3, 23, 35, 47. Changed to twenty-five years by Jehovah (Num. 8. 24); and, by David's "last words", to twenty years (v. 27). Cp. Ezra 3. 8.

man = strong man. Heb. geber. Ap. 14. IV.

4 set forward = oversee.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

5 four thousand . . . porters. In ch. 26 we have the ninety-three chiefs. The 212 in 9. 22 pertained to the Tabernacle, not to the Temple (9. 21).

6 courses: or classes. See note on 24. 1, &c.

7 Of the Gershonites were, Laadan, and Shimei.

8 The sons of Laadan; the chief was Jehiel, and Zetham, and Joel, three.

9 The sons of Shimei; Shelomith, and Haziel, and Haran, three. These were the chief of the fathers of Laadan.

10 And the sons of Shimei were, Jahath, Zina, and Jeush, and Beriah. These four were the sons of Shimei.

11 And Jahath was the chief, and Zizah the second: but Jeush and Beriah had not many

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921 sons; therefore they were in one reckoning, according to *their* father's house.

p² 12 The sons of Kohath; Amram, Izhar, (p. 560) Hebron, and Uzziel, four.

13 The sons of °Amram; °Aaron and Moses: and Aaron was separated, that he should sanctify the most °holy things, *he* and his sons for ever, to burn incense before °the LORD, to minister unto Him, and to bless in His name for ever.

14 Now concerning Moses °the °man of °God, his sons were named of the tribe of Levi.

15 The sons of Moses were, Gershom, and Eliezer.

16 Of the sons of Gershom, °Shebuel was the °chief.

17 And the sons of Eliezer were, Rehabiah the 16 chief. And Eliezer had none other sons; but the sons of Rehabiah were very many.

18 Of the sons of Izhar; Shelomith the 16 chief.

19 Of the sons of Hebron; Jeriah the °first, Amariah the second, Jahaziel the third, and Jekameam the fourth.

20 Of the sons of Uzziel; Micah the 19 first, and Jesiah the second.

p³ 21 The sons of Merari; Mahli, and Mushi. The sons of Mahli; Eleazar, and Kish.

22 And Eleazar died, and had no sons, but daughters: and their °brethren the sons of Kish °took them.

23 The sons of Mushi; Mahli, and Eder, and Jeremoth, three.

A 24 These were the sons of Levi after the house of their fathers; *even* the 16 chief of the fathers, as they were counted by number of names by their polls, that did the work for the service of the house of °the LORD, from the age of °twenty years and upward.

25 For David said, °“The LORD °God of Israel hath given rest unto His People, that they may dwell in Jerusalem for ever:

26 And also unto the Levites; they shall no more carry the tabernacle, nor any vessels of it for the service thereof.”

27 For by °the last words of David the Levites were numbered from 24 twenty years old and above:

28 Because their °office was to wait on the sons of Aaron for the service of the house of °the LORD, in the courts, °and °in the chambers, and in the purifying of all 13 holy things, and the work of the service of the house of 14 God;

29 °Both for the shewbread, and for the fine flour for °meat offering, and for the unleavened cakes, and for *that which is baked in the pan*, and for that which is fried, and for all manner of °measure and size;

30 °And to stand every morning to thank and praise °the LORD, and likewise at even;

31 And to °offer all burnt sacrifices unto °the LORD in the sabbaths, in the new moons, and on the °set feasts, by number, according to the order commanded unto them, continually before °the LORD:

32 And that they should °keep the charge of the °tabernacle of the congregation, and the charge of the 13 holy place, and the charge of the sons of Aaron their brethren, in the service of the house of °the LORD.

13 Amram. Cp. Ex. 6. 20.

Aaron and Moses. See note on Ex. 6. 20. holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

14 the man of God. See Ps. 90, title. Ap. 49.

man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

God. Heb. Elohim (with Art.) = the [true] God. Ap. 4. I.

16 Shebuel. See note on Judg. 18. 30. The Chald. paraphrase asserts that this name “Shebuel” (which means “he returned to °El, the true God”) was given to Jonathan after he had returned to the fear of the Lord. chief = head. 19 first = head.

22 brethren: or kinsmen. took: i. e. by lot.

24 twenty. See note on v. 3 above. According to David's “last words”, v. 3. 27 the = these.

28 office = station.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in vv. 28-32. in = over. 29 Both - And. See note above.

meat offering - meal offering. Heb. *minḥa*. Ap. 43. II. iii.

measure and size. The standards were committed to the Levites. Honesty in dealing is part of true religion. Cp. Lev. 19. 36. Deut. 25. 16. Prov. 11. 1; 16. 11; 20. 23. Mic. 6. 11. If this be so in the secular sphere, how much more in sacred things.

30 And. See note on v. 28.

31 offer = offer up. Heb. 'ālāh. Ap. 43. I. vi.

set feasts. Cp. Num. 28 and 29.

32 keep the charge. This is the idiom of the Pentateuch. Cp. Gen. 26. 5. Num. 18. 3-5.

tabernacle = tent. Heb. 'ohel. Ap. 40. III.

24. 1 divisions . . . Aaron. Ch. 24 is concerning the courses of the priests, as ch. 23 is of the Levites. Cp. 23. 6. 2 children = sons.

3 distributed = divided into courses, as in 23. 6.

4 chief men = strong men. Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. IV. Here denoting the heads of houses, or families.

5 divided by lot. See note on the Urim and Thummim (Ex. 28. 30. Num. 26. 55).

God. Heb. Elohim (with Art.) = the [true] God. Ap. 4. I. and of. Some codices, with four early printed editions, Aram., Syr., and Vulg., read “and from among”.

6 the scribe = the secretary. Cp. 27. 32. See note on 2 Sam. 8. 17.

Ahimelech. So that Abiathar had a son named Ahimelech, who assisted him, as Hophni and Phinehas assisted Eli.

24 Now *these are* the °divisions of the sons of Aaron. The sons of Aaron; Nadab, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.

2 But Nadab and Abihu died before their father, and had no °children: therefore Eleazar and Ithamar executed the priest's office.

3 And David °distributed them, both Zadok of the sons of Eleazar, and Ahimelech of the sons of Ithamar, according to their offices in their service.

4 And there were more °chief men found of the sons of Eleazar than of the sons of Ithamar; and *thus* were they divided. Among the sons of Eleazar *there were* sixteen °chief men of the house of *their* fathers, and eight among the sons of Ithamar according to the house of their fathers.

5 Thus were they °divided by lot, one sort with another; for the governors of the sanctuary, and governors of the house of °God, were of the sons of Eleazar, °and of the sons of Ithamar.

6 And Shemaiah the son of Nethaneel °the scribe, one of the Levites, wrote them before the king, and the princes, and Zadok the priest, and °Ahimelech the son of Abiathar,

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and before the chief of the fathers of the priests and Levites: °one principal household being taken for Eleazar, and one °taken for Ithamar.

7 Now the first °lot came forth to °Jehoiarib, the second to Jedaiah,

8 The third to Harim, the fourth to Seorim,

9 The fifth to Malchijah, the sixth to Mijamin,

10 The seventh to Hakkoz, the eighth to Abijah,

11 The ninth to Jeshuah, the tenth to Shecaniah,

12 The eleventh to Eliashib, the twelfth to Jakim,

13 The thirteenth to Huppah, the fourteenth to Jeshebeab,

14 The fifteenth to Bilgah, the sixteenth to Immer,

15 The seventeenth to Hezir, the eighteenth to Aphses,

16 The nineteenth to Pethahiah, the twentieth to Jehezkel,

17 The one and twentieth to Jachin, the two and twentieth to Gamul,

18 The three and twentieth to Delaiah, the four and twentieth to Maaziah.

19 These were °the orderings of them in their service to come into the house of °the LORD, according to their manner, under Aaron their father, °as °the LORD °God of Israel had commanded him.

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20 And °the rest of the sons of Levi were these: Of the sons of Amram; °Shubael: of the sons of Shubael; Jehdeiah.

21 Concerning Rehabiah: of the sons of Rehabiah, the first was Isshiah.

22 Of the Izharites; Shelomoth: of the sons of Shelomoth; Jahath.

23 And the sons of Hebron; °Jeriah the first, Amariah the second, Jahaziel the third, Jekameam the fourth.

24 Of the sons of Uzziel; Michah: of the sons of Michah; Shamir.

25 The brother of Michah was Isshiah: of the sons of Isshiah; Zechariah.

26 The sons of Merari were Mahli and Mushi: the sons of Jaaziah; °Beno.

27 The sons of Merari by Jaaziah; Beno, and Shoham, and Zaccur, and Ibri.

28 Of Mahli came Eleazar, who had no sons.

29 Concerning Kish: the son of Kish was Jahmeel.

30 The sons also of Mushi; Mahli, and Eder, and Jerimoth. These were the sons of the Levites after the house of their fathers.

31 These likewise °cast lots °over against their brethren the sons of Aaron in the presence of David the king, and Zadok, and Ahimelech, and the chief of the fathers of the priests and Levites, even the principal fathers over against their younger brethren.

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25 Moreover David and the °captains of the host separated to the service of the sons of Asaph, and of Heman, and of Jeduthun, who should °prophesy with harps, with psalteries, and with cymbals: and the number of the workmen according to their service was:
2 Of the sons of Asaph; Zaccur, and Joseph,

one principal household . . . Ithamar. Some codices, with Sept. and Syr., read "an ancestral house, one by one for Eleazar, and one by one for Ithamar". taken: i.e. by lot. Heb. 'āhar.

7 lot came forth. See notes on Ex. 28. 30.

Jehoiarib. The twenty-four courses took, and kept, the names of these first heads (vv. 7-18). Each officiated a week (Sabbath to Sabbath), and Zacharias belonged to the eighth (Luke 1. 5). Cp. Neh. 12.

Solomon appointed the same courses, which were continued by Hezekiah and Josiah. Only four returned from the Captivity (Ezra 2. 36-39. Neh. 7. 39-42; 12. 1-21). Luke 1. 5 shows that they must have been made complete.

19 the orderings = the appointments: i.e. the order in which they fulfilled their service was all of Jehovah. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

as: according as.

20 the rest of the sons of Levi. Verses 20-30 give the names of the heads of the twenty-four courses of Levites enumerated in 23. 6-23.

Shubael. Cp. 23. 16.

23 Jeriah. Some codices, with eight early printed editions, Sept., and Syr., read "and the sons of Jeriah", but the Ellipses are rightly supplied from ch. 23. 19.

26 Beno = his son; Jaaziah being a third son of Merari. "Ben" (15. 18) prob. an abbreviation.

31 cast lots. See notes on the Urim and Thummim (Ex. 28. 30. Num. 26. 55). Cp. vv. 6, 7.

over against = equally with.

25. 1 captains of the host = the heads of the Temple service. This word "host" applied to Levites in Num. 4. 3. Rendered "service" (marg. warfare) in Num. 4. 23, 30, 35, 39, 43; 8. 24.

Jeduthun. Probably another name for Ethan. See note on 16. 41.

prophesy with harps. Not "perform", or "render". The music therefore eminently spiritual. See note on v. 5.

3 six. Only five named. The sixth is Shimei (v. 17). the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

4 Giddalti. The fact that the meanings of these six names form a complete sentence in Hebrew is no more proof that this is a mistaken "obscure and ancient prayer", than that the chronicler has strung together a list of six names in order to form a sentence. What it shows is that Heman, in naming his sons, did so with this set purpose, as parents have often done since his day. The supposed prayer would read:

"I have magnified, and I have raised up help;
Sitting in trouble, I have spoken many oracles."

5 the words of God. Not the words of man. None but Divine words used in Divine worship.

God. Heb. Elohim (with Art.) = the [true] God. Ap. 4. I.

and Nethaniah, and Asarelah, the sons of Asaph under the hands of Asaph, which prophesied according to the order of the king.

3 Of ¹Jeduthun: the sons of ¹Jeduthun; Gedaliah, and Zeri, and Jeshaiiah, Hashabiah, and Mattithiah, °six, under the hands of their father Jeduthun, who prophesied with a harp, to give thanks and to praise °the LORD.

4 Of Heman: the sons of Heman; Bukkiah, Mattaniah, Uzziel, Shebuel, and Jerimoth, Hananiah, Hanani, Eliathah, °Giddalti, and Romamti-ezer, Joshbekashah, Mallothi, Hothir, and Mahazioth:

5 All these were the sons of Heman the king's seer in °the words of °God, to lift up the horn. And °God gave to Heman fourteen sons and three daughters.

6 All these were under the hands of their father for song in the house of °the LORD, with cymbals, psalteries, and harps, for the service of the house of °God, according to

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the king's order to Asaph, Jeduthun, and Heman.

7 So the number of them, with their brethren that were instructed in the °songs of °the LORD, even all that were °cunning, was °two hundred fourscore and eight.

8 And they °cast lots, °ward against ward, as well the small as the great, the teacher as the scholar.

9 Now the first lot °came forth for Asaph °to Joseph: the second to Gedaliah, who with °his brethren and sons were twelve:

10 The third to °Zaccur, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:

11 The fourth to °Izri, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:

12 The fifth to Nethaniah, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:

13 The sixth to Bukkiah, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:

14 The seventh to °Jesharelah, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:

15 The eighth to Jeshaiiah, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:

16 The ninth to Mattaniah, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:

17 The tenth to Shimei, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:

18 The eleventh to °Azareel, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:

19 The twelfth to Hashabiah, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:

20 The thirteenth to Shubael, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:

21 The fourteenth to Mattithiah, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:

22 The fifteenth to Jeremoth, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:

23 The sixteenth to Hananiah, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:

24 The seventeenth to Joshbekashah, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:

25 The eighteenth to Hanani, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:

26 The nineteenth to Mallothi, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:

27 The twentieth to Eliathah, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:

28 The one and twentieth to Hothir, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:

29 The two and twentieth to Giddalti, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:

30 The three and twentieth to Mahazioth, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:

31 The four and twentieth to Romamti-ezer, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve.

26 Concerning the °divisions of the °porters: Of the °Korhites was Meshelemiah the son of Kore, of the sons of °Asaph.

2 And the sons of Meshelemiah were, Zechariah the firstborn, Jediah the second, Zebadiah the third, Jathniel the fourth,

3 Elam the fifth, Jehohanan the sixth, Elioenai the seventh.

4 Moreover the sons of Obed-edom were, Shemaiah the firstborn, Jehozabad the second, Joah the third, and Sacar the fourth, and Nethaneel the fifth,

5 Ammiel the sixth, Issachar the seventh, Peulthai the eighth: for °God blessed °him.

7 songs of the LORD. Not of man.

cunning = skilful. See note on 22. 15. Cp. Ex. 26. 1. two hundred fourscore and eight. (288 = 24 × 12.) Twelve (the number of Governmental perfection) is a factor in all that pertains to government. Cp. 27. 1. See Ap. 10.

8 cast lots. See notes on the Urim and Thummim (Ex. 28. 30. Num. 26. 55).

ward - charge. A word belonging to usage of Pentateuch. Cp. 23. 32.

9 came forth: i. e. out of the ephod, the bag behind the high priest's breastplate; the lap, or bag of Prov. 16. 33. Cp. Josh. 21. 4, and see note on Ex. 28. 30. Num. 26. 55.

to Joseph. Not the eldest son. Cp. v. 2.

his brethren. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Genus), Ap. 6, for relatives.

10 Zaccur, the son of Asaph (v. 2).

11 Izri. Another spelling of Zeri (v. 3). Just as we spell the same name differently: e. g. Esther and Hester, Elisabeth and Elizabeth, Ellen and Helen, Catharine and Katharine, Norah and Nora.

14 Jesharelah = Asarelah of v. 2.

18 Azareel = Uzziel of v. 4.

26. 1 divisions = courses. The names of the chiefs are given, as of the courses of priests and Levites. Ninety-three chiefs here; 4,000 under them (23. 5). The 212 of ch. 9. 22 were connected with the Tabernacle (9. 21), not the Temple.

porters = gatekeepers. See 9. 17, 18. 26; 15. 18; 16. 38, 42. They were drawn from three families, viz. Meshelemiah (the Shallum of 9. 19 and Shelemiah of v. 14), Obed-edom (v. 4), and Hosah (v. 10).

Korhites. Cp. 9. 19, 31.

Asaph - Ebiasaph of 6. 37; 9. 19.

5 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

him: i. e. Obed-edom (v. 4). Cp. 13. 14.

6 mighty men. Heb. *gibbôr*. Ap. 14. IV.

7 strong men. Heb. sons of valour.

8 men. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II. In sing. to show that each one was equally qualified.

10 children = sons. chief - head.

12 chief men. Heb. pl. of *geber*. Ap. 14. IV.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

13 cast lots. See note on 25. 8, 9.

for every gate. This ordering of David was according to the plan of the Temple, given by God "in writing" to David. See 28. 11-13, 19. So was the Tabernacle plan shown to Moses in the mount (Ex. 25. 40. Heb. 9. 5).

6 Also unto Shemaiah his son were sons born, that ruled throughout the house of their father: for they were °mighty men of valour.

7 The sons of Shemaiah; Othni, and Rephael, and Obed, Elzabad, whose brethren were °strong men, Elihu, and Semachiah.

8 All these of the sons of Obed-edom: they and their sons and their brethren, able °men for strength for the service, were threescore and two of Obed-edom.

9 And Meshelemiah had sons and brethren, °strong men, eighteen.

10 Also Hosah, of the °children of Merari, had sons; Simri the °chief, (for though he was not the firstborn, yet his father made him the °chief;)

11 Hilkiyah the second, Tebaliah the third, Zechariah the fourth: all the sons and brethren of Hosah were thirteen.

12 Among these were the °divisions of the °porters, even among the °chief °men, having wards one against another, to minister in the house of °the LORD.

13 And they °cast lots, as well the small as the great, according to the house of their fathers, °for every gate.

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14 And the lot eastward fell to °Shelemiah. Then for Zechariah his son, a wise counsellor, they cast lots; and his lot came out northward.

15 To Obed-edom southward; and to his sons the °house of Asuppim.

16 To °Shuppim and Hosah *the lot came forth* westward, with the gate °Shallecheth, by °the causeway of the going up, ward against ward.

17 Eastward were six Levites, northward four a day, southward four a day, and toward °Asuppim two and two.

18 At °Parbar westward, four at the causeway, and two at Parbar.

19 These are the divisions of the porters among the sons of Kore, and among the sons of Merari.

20 And °of the Levites, Ahijah was over the °treasures of the house of °God, and over the °treasures of the °dedicated things.

21 As concerning the sons of Laadan; the sons of the Gershonite Laadan, °chief fathers, even of Laadan the Gershonite, were Jehieli.

22 The sons of Jehieli; Zetham, and Joel his brother, *which were* over the °treasures of the house of °the LORD.

23 Of the Amramites, and the Izharites, the Hebronites, and the Uzzielites:

24 And °Shebuel the son of Gershom, the son of Moses, was ruler of the °treasures.

25 And his brethren by Eliezer; Rehabiah his son, and Jeshaiah his son, and Joram his son, and Zichri his son, and Shelomith his son.

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26 Which Shelomith and his brethren were overall the °treasures of the °dedicated things, which David the king, and the °chief fathers, the captains over thousands and hundreds, and the captains of the host, had dedicated.

27 Out of the spoils won in battles did they °dedicate to maintain the house of °the LORD.

28 And all that Samuel the seer, and Saul the son of Kish, and Abner the son of Ner, and Joab the son of Zeruiah, had dedicated; and whosoever °had dedicated *any thing*, it was under the hand of Shelomith, and of his brethren.

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29 Of the Izharites, Chenaniah and his sons were for the °outward business over Israel, for °officers and judges.

30 And of the Hebronites, Hashabiah and his brethren, °men of valour, a thousand and seven hundred, were officers among them of Israel on this side Jordan westward in all the business of °the LORD, and in the service of the king.

31 Among the Hebronites was Jerijah the °chief, even among the Hebronites, according to the generations of his fathers. In the fortieth year of the reign of David they were sought for, and there were found among them °mighty men of valour at Jazer of Gilead.

32 And his brethren, °men of valour, were two thousand and seven hundred °chief fathers, whom king David made rulers over the Reubenites, the Gadites, and the half tribe of Manasseh, for every matter pertaining to °God, and affairs of the king.

14 Shelemiah. The Meshelemiah of v. 1. See note on 25. 11.

15 house of Asuppim = the treasures (from Heb. 'asaph, to gather). Cp. 2 Chron. 25. 24, where Joash took what was in Obed-edom's charge. So named because of the two gates called Asuppim.

16 Shuppim. Not an "accidental repetition" or "unintelligible intrusion", but a proper name.

Shallecheth = a casting up. Occurs only here, and Isa. 6. 13. Another gate made by Solomon (1 Kings 10. 5. 2 Chron. 9. 4).

the causeway of the going up. Made by Solomon (1 Kings 10. 5. 2 Chron. 9. 4). Connected with "Millo", between Zion (Jebus) and Moriah.

18 Parbar. Another gate connected with this causeway. Cp. 2 Kings 23. 11, rendered "suburbs". Cp. 2 Kings 11. 16.

20 of the Levites, Ahijah was. The Sept. reads "the Levites their brethren were" (reading Ahikem instead of Ahijah).

treasures = treasures. There were several in divers places, with various names.

dedicated = holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

21 chief fathers = heads of the fathers.

24 Shebuel. See note on 23. 16.

27 dedicate = set apart.

28 had dedicated. A practice dating from the time of Moses (Num. 31. 28-47), and Joshua (6. 24).

26. 29-27. 34 (W², p. 560). APPOINTMENTS. CIVIL. (*Introversion*.)

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C | 27. 1-15. Overseers.

D | 27. 16-22. Tribes.

E | 27. 23, 24. Exceptions.

D | 27. 25. Treasurers.

C | 27. 26-31. Overseers.

B | 27. 32-34. Counsellors.

29 outward business: outside the Temple (Neh. 10. 32-39; 11. 16), as distinguished from the worship within (which was the "business of the house of God". Neh. 11. 22).

officers and judges. See Deut. 16. 18 (same Heb.), 6,000 appointed. Provision made for them in Ex. 18. 13-26.

30 men of valour = sons of valour. Cp. v. 7.

27. 1 children = sons.

chief fathers = heads of the fathers.

captains of thousands. The host comprised all males over twenty. From this were organised twelve divisions of 24,000 men, commanded by twelve of the thirty. David's 600 (1 Sam. 23. 13, &c.) divided into three of 200 each (consisting of ten subdivisions of twenty each, commanded by the "thirty"), commanded by the "three". The commander of the "thirty" was not one of the "three", but next below them. See notes on ch. 11 and 2 Sam. 23.

2 Jashobeam. Cp. 11. 11.

3 Perez = Pharez, son of Judah. See note on 25. 11. chief = head.

27 Now the °children of Israel after their number, *to wit*, the °chief fathers and °captains of thousands and hundreds, and their officers that served the king in any matter of the courses, which came in and went out month by month throughout all the months of the year, of every course were twenty and four thousand.

2 Over the first course for the first month was °Jashobeam the son of Zabdiel: and in his course were twenty and four thousand.

3 Of the °children of °Perez was the °chief of all the captains of the host for the first month.

4 And over the course of the second month

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was °Dodai an Ahohite, and of his course was Mikloth also the °ruler: in his course likewise were twenty and four thousand.

5 The third captain of the host for the third month was °Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, a °chief priest: and in his course were twenty and four thousand.

6 This is that Benaiah, who was °mighty °among the thirty, and above the thirty: and in his course was Ammizabad his son.

7 The fourth captain for the fourth month was Asabel the brother of Joab, and Zebadiah his son after him: and in his course were twenty and four thousand.

8 The fifth captain for the fifth month was °Shamhuth the °Izrahite: and in his course were twenty and four thousand.

9 The sixth captain for the sixth month was °Ira the son of Ikkesh the Tekoite: and in his course were twenty and four thousand.

10 The seventh captain for the seventh month was °Helez the Pelonite, of the °children of Ephraim: and in his course were twenty and four thousand.

11 The eighth captain for the eighth month was °Sibbecai the Hushathite, of the Zarhites: and in his course were twenty and four thousand.

12 The ninth captain for the ninth month was °Abiezer the Anetothite, of the Benjamites: and in his course were twenty and four thousand.

13 The tenth captain for the tenth month was °Maharai the Netophathite, of the Zarhites: and in his course were twenty and four thousand.

14 The eleventh captain for the eleventh month was °Benaiah the Pirathonite, of the °children of Ephraim: and in his course were twenty and four thousand.

15 The twelfth captain for the twelfth month was °Heldai the Netophathite, of Othniel: and in his course were twenty and four thousand.

16 Furthermore over °the tribes of Israel: the ruler of the Reubenites was Eliezer the son of Zichri: of the Simeonites, Shephatiah the son of Maachah:

17 Of the Levites, Hashabiah the son of Kemuel:

Of the Aaronites, Zadok:

18 Of Judah, °Elihu, one of the brethren of David:

Of Issachar, Omri the son of Michael:

19 Of Zebulun, Ishmaiah the son of Obadiah:

Of Naphtali, Jerimoth the son of Azriel:

20 Of the °children of Ephraim, Hoshea the son of Azaziah:

Of the half tribe of Manasseh, Joel the son of Pedaiah:

21 Of the half tribe of Manasseh in Gilead, Iddo the son of Zechariah:

Of Benjamin, Jaasiel the son of Abner:

22 Of Dan, Azareel the son of Jeroham. These were the princes of the tribes of Israel.

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23 But David took °not the number of them from twenty years old and under: because °the LORD had said He would increase Israel like to °the stars of the heavens.

24 Joab the son of Zeruiah began to number, but he finished not, because °there fell wrath

4 Dodai = Dodo (2 Sam. 23. 9). See note on 25. 11. ruler = divisional officer.

5 Benaiah. Cp. 11. 22-25. 2 Sam. 23. 20-23. chief priest. Read "Jehoiada the priest"—a head (1 Kings 4. 4).

6 mighty. Heb. *gibbôr*. Ap. 14. IV. among = "a hero [of] thirty".

8 Shamhuth = Shammah (2 Sam. 23. 11), and Shammoth (11. 27), and see note on 25. 11.

Izrahite. Cp. 25. 11.

9 Ira. One of the thirty (see 11. 28 and 2 Sam. 23. 26).

10 Helez. Cp. 2 Sam. 23. 26.

11 Sibbecai. Cp. 11. 29 and 2 Sam. 21. 18.

12 Abiezer. Cp. 11. 28. 2 Sam. 23. 27.

13 Maharai. Cp. 11. 30. 2 Sam. 23. 28.

14 Benaiah. Cp. 11. 31. 2 Sam. 23. 30.

15 Heldai. Cp. 11. 30. Heled, 2 Sam. 23. 29 (Hildai, see note on 25. 11).

16 the tribes of Israel. Each tribe had a ruler, called (v. 22) "the princes of the tribes":

1. The first four sons of Leah, in order of their birth.

2. Issachar and Zebulun, fifth and sixth (Gen. 30. 18, 20).

Thus the first six are Leah's sons.

Her maid Zilpah's (Gad and Asher) not mentioned.

Then Naphtali (Bilhah, Rachel's maid).

Then Ephraim and Manasseh (Rachel's, through Joseph).

Then Benjamin (Rachel's other son).

Dan comes last! See note on Gen. 49. 17.

18 Elihu. Probably Eliab (2. 13), Jesse's eldest son (1 Sam. 16. 6).

23 not the number. Only the fighting men. See 21. 5 and 2 Sam. 24. 9.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

the stars of the heavens. Fig. *Paræmia*. Ap. 6. See note on Gen. 15. 5.

24 there fell wrath. Cp. 21. 6, 7.

25 over the king's treasures. There were twelve of these stewards. See Ap. 10.

treasures = treasuries.

castles = fortresses.

30 Ishmaelite. Camels appropriately committed to him.

for it against Israel; neither was the number put in the account of the chronicles of king David.

25 And °over the king's °treasures was Azmaveth the son of Adiel: and over the storehouses in the fields, in the cities, and in the villages, and in the °castles, was Jehonathan the son of Uzziah:

26 And over them that did the work of the field for tillage of the ground was Ezri the son of Chelub:

27 And over the vineyards was Shimei the Ramathite: over the increase of the vineyards for the wine cellars was Zabdi the Shiphmite:

28 And over the olive trees and the sycomore trees that were in the low plains was Baalhanan the Gederite: and over the cellars of oil was Joash:

29 And over the herds that fed in Sharon was Shitrai the Sharonite: and over the herds that were in the valleys was Shaphat the son of Adlai:

30 Over the camels also was Obil the °Ishmaelite: and over the asses was Jehdeiah the Meronothite:

31 And over the flocks was Jaziz the Hagerite. All these were the rulers of the substance which was king David's.

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32 Also Jonathan °David's uncle was a counsellor, °a wise °man, and a scribe: and Jehiel the son of Hachmoni was with the king's sons:

33 And Ahithophel was the king's counsellor: and Hushai the Archite was the king's companion:

34 And after Ahithophel was Jehoiada the son of Benaiah, and Abiathar: and the °general of the king's °army was Joab.

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28 And David °assembled all the °princes of Israel, the princes of the tribes, and the °captains of the companies that ministered to the king by course, and the °captains over the thousands, and °captains over the hundreds, and the °stewards over all the substance and possession of the king, and of his sons, with the officers, and with °the mighty men, and with all the valiant men, unto Jerusalem.

J q

2 Then David the king °stood up upon his feet, and said, "Hear me, my brethren, and my people: *As for me, I had in mine heart to build an house of rest for °the ark of the covenant of °the LORD, °and for °the footstool of our °God, and had made ready for the building:*

3 But °God said unto me, 'Thou shalt not build an house for My name, because thou *hast been a °man of war, and hast shed blood.*'

4 Howbeit °the LORD °God of Israel °chose me before all the house of my father to be king over Israel for ever: for He hath °chosen Judah to be the ruler; and of the house of Judah, the house of my father; and among the sons of my father He liked me to make me king over all Israel:

5 And of all my sons, (for °the LORD hath given me many sons,) He hath °chosen Solomon my son to sit upon the throne of the kingdom of °the LORD over Israel.

6 And °He said unto me, 'Solomon thy son, he shall build My house and My courts: for I have chosen him to be My son, and I will be his father.

7 Moreover I will establish his kingdom for ever, if he be constant to do My commandments and My judgments, as at this day.'

8 Now therefore in the sight of all Israel the °congregation of °the LORD, and in the audience of our °God, keep and °seek for all the commandments of °the LORD your °God: that ye may possess this good land, and leave it for an inheritance for your °children after you for ever.

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9 And thou, Solomon my son, know thou the °God of thy father, and serve Him with a perfect heart and with a willing °mind: for °the LORD searcheth all hearts, and understandeth all the imaginations of the thoughts: if thou seek Him, He will be found of thee; but if thou forsake Him, He will cast thee off for ever.

10 °Take heed now; for °the LORD hath °chosen thee to build an house for the sanctuary: be strong, and do it."

K s

11 Then David gave to Solomon his son °the pattern of the porch,

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°and of the houses °thereof, and of the treasures thereof, and of the upper chambers thereof, and of the inner parlours thereof; and of the place of the °mercy seat,

32 David's uncle. In 20. 7 and 2 Sam. 21. 21 Jonathan is the son of Shimea, David's brother. The Heb. *dad* may thus be used of a brother's son as well as a father's brother's son.

a wise man = a man of understanding ("man". Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.).

34 general = prince.

army = host.

28. 1—29. 22—(U, p. 559). INTENTION TO BUILD THE TEMPLE. (*Alternation*.)

U F | 28. 1—29. 8. Preparation. Persons.

G | 29. 9. Joy.

F | 29. 10—20. Preparation. Devotions.

G | 29. 21, 22-. Feasting.

28. 1—29. 8 (F, above). PREPARATIONS. PERSONS. (*Introversions*.)

F H | 28. 1. Princes. Gifts.

J | q | 28. 2—8. People addressed.

r | 29. 9, 10. Solomon charged.

K | 28. 11—19. The pattern delivered.

J | r | 28. 20, 21. Solomon charged.

q | 29. 1—5. People addressed.

H | 29. 6—8. Princes. Gifts.

1 assembled = convoked, or mustered. °princes of Israel. Cp. 27. 16 22.

captains = princes (throughout the chapter). See note on 27. 1.

stewards. Cp. 27. 25—31. Each body consisted of twelve persons. See Ap. 10.

the mighty men. Heb. *gibbôr*. Ap. 14 IV.

2 stood up upon his feet. Note David's three attitudes: lying on the earth as a *penitent* (2 Sam. 12. 16. Cp. Ps. 51); sitting before Jehovah as a *worshipper* (2 Sam. 7. 18. 1 Chron. 17. 16); and standing on his feet as a *servant* (28. 2).

the ark. See note on 13. 3 and Ex. 25. 22.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

and even.

the footstool of our God = the Ark. Fig. *Anthropopathia*. Ap. 6. God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

3 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

4 chose me. Cp. 1 Sam. 16. 12.

chosen Judah. Cp. Gen. 49. 10.

5 chosen Solomon. Cp. 22. 9. 2 Sam. 12. 25.

6 He said unto me. Cp. 22. 9. 2 Sam. 7. 13, 14.

8 congregation = assembly as in v. 1.

seek. Heb. *dûrash*. See notes on 10. 13, 14. 1 Sam. 28. 6, 7.

children = sons.

9 mind = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

10 Take heed, &c. The 11th *Seder* begins here, and ends with 2 Chron. 2. 2. See note on p. 366.

28. 11—19 (K, above). THE PATTERN DELIVERED. (*Introversion*.)

K | s | 11-. The pattern given by David.

t | -11, 12. The house and its parts.

u | 13. The service of the house.

t | 14—18. The house and its furniture.

s | 19. The pattern given to David.

11 the pattern. Same word as of Tabernacle to Moses (Ex. 25. 9, 40: See Heb. 9. 5).

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in vv. 11—13, for emphasis.

thereof: i.e. of the sanctuary.

mercy seat = the propitiatory. See note on Ex. 25. 17.

12 by the Spirit. Heb. "by the Spirit (*rûach*. Ap. 9) with (or in) me". The pattern without, and the worship within, all of God. Nothing can be offered in worship but what comes from God (John 4. 24). Therefore said to be built by David in *intention*, and by Solomon in *fact*.

chambers = attached chambers.

12 And °the pattern of all that he had °by the Spirit, of the courts of the house of °the LORD, and of all the °chambers round about,

921 of the treasuries of the house of ²God, and of the treasuries of the ° dedicated things:

u (p. 566) 13 Also for the courses of the priests and the Levites, and for all the work of the service of the house of ²the LORD, and for all the vessels of service in the house of ²the LORD.

14 *He gave* of gold by weight for *things* of gold, for all instruments of all manner of service; *silver also* for all instruments of silver by weight, for all instruments of every kind of service:

15 Even the weight for the ° candlesticks of gold, and for their lamps of gold, by weight for every ° candlestick, and for the lamps thereof: and for the ° candlesticks of silver by weight, *both* for the ° candlestick, and *also* for the lamps thereof, according to the use of every ° candlestick.

16 And by weight *he gave* gold for the tables of shewbread, for every table; and *likewise* silver for the tables of silver:

17 Also pure gold for the fleshhooks, and the bowls, and the cups: and for the golden ° basons *he gave gold* by weight for every ° bason; and *likewise silver* by weight for every ° bason of silver:

18 And for the altar of incense refined gold by weight; and gold for the pattern of the chariot ° of the cherubims, that spread out *their wings*, and covered ²the ark of the covenant of ²the LORD.

s 19 "All this," said David, ²"the LORD made me understand in writing by *His* hand upon me, *even* all the works of this pattern."

J r 20 And David said to Solomon his son, ° "Be strong and of good courage, and do *it*: fear not, nor be dismayed: for ²the LORD ²God, *even* my ²God, *will be* with thee; ° He will not fail thee, nor forsake thee, until thou hast finished all the work for the service of the house of ²the LORD.

21 And, ° behold, the courses of the priests and the Levites, *even they shall be with thee* for all the service of the house of ²God: and *there shall be* with thee for all manner of workmanship every willing skilful man, for any manner of service: also the princes and all the People *will be* wholly at thy commandment."

q 29 Furthermore David the king said unto all the ° congregation, "Solomon my son, ° whom alone ° God ° hath chosen, *is* yet ° young and tender, and the work *is* great: for ° the palace *is* not for man, but for ° the LORD ° God.

2 Now I have prepared with all my might for the house of my ¹God the ° gold for *things to be made* of gold, ° and the ° silver for *things* of silver, and the ° brass for *things* of brass, the ° iron for *things* of iron, and wood for *things* of wood; ° onyx stones, and stones to be set, glistening stones, and of divers colours, and all manner of precious stones, and marble stones in abundance.

3 Moreover, because I have set my affection to the house of my ¹God, ° I have of ° mine own proper good, of gold and silver, *which* I have given to the house of my ¹God, ° over and

dedicated = holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

15 candlesticks = lampstands.

17 basons = covered bowls.

18 of = even. Genitive of Apposition. See Ap. 17.

20 Be strong, and of a good courage. See note on Deut. 31. 7.

He will not fail thee. See notes on Deut. 4. 31; 31. 6.

21 behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

29. 1 congregation. Same word as in 28. 8. whom = the one whom.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

hath chosen. Cp. 22. 9. 2 Sam. 12. 25.

young and tender. Cp. 22. 5.

the palace. Heb. *birāh*. Used only here and v. 19. Est. 1. 2, 5; 2. 3, 5, 8, 15; 8. 14; 9. 6, 11, 12. Neh. 1. 1; 2. 8; 7. 2. Dan. 8. 2. The name for a Persian royal palace, which shows the date of these books. (See note on "drams", v. 7), and why it is found among the *Kthubim*, or later books (and not with the historical books); and why Daniel is there too (and not among the prophets). the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 gold . . . silver . . . brass . . . iron. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6, for what is made from them. The Fig. is completed by the words in italics.

and. Note the Fig. Polysyndeton (Ap. 6), to emphasise the fifteen gifts of grace (3 × 5, see Ap. 10). A.V., 1611, omits this first "and".

onyx. Cp. Gen. 2. 12. Ex. 25. 7; 28. 9.

3 I have of mine own proper good = Seeing I have a treasure of mine own. Omit the word "which".

mine own proper good. Heb. only one word, *gullāh* = personal treasure. Occurs only in Ex. 19. 5. Deut. 7. 6; 14. 2; 26. 18. 1 Chron. 29. 3. Ps. 135. 4. Ecc. 2. 8. Mal. 3. 17 (see margin). See note on Ex. 19. 5.

over and above. Cp. 22. 14.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

4 houses. Cp. 28. 11.

5 to consecrate. See notes on Ex. 28. 41. Lev. 9. 17.

6 chief = prince. See note on 27. 16.

7 drams. Heb. *'adarkonim*, *darics*. Only here, and Ezra 27. A Persian coin. Probably so called from the appellative "Darius" = the king's coin (like English "sovereign"). Indicates date of book. See note on "the palace", v. 1, and consult Ap. 51. I. 1, p. 73.

8 by the hand = unto the hand: i. e. under the direction of. Lit. "[laying them] upon the hand".

above all that I have prepared for the ° holy house,

4 *Even* three thousand talents of gold, of the gold of Ophir, and seven thousand talents of refined silver, to overlay the walls of the ° houses *withal*:

5 The gold for *things* of ²gold, and the ²silver for *things* of silver, and for all manner of work *to be made* by the hands of artificers. And who *then* is willing ° to consecrate his service this day unto ¹the LORD?"

6 Then the ¹chief of the fathers and princes of the tribes of Israel, and the captains of thousands and of hundreds, with the rulers of the king's work, offered willingly,

7 And gave for the service of the house of ¹God of gold five thousand talents and ten thousand ° drams, and of silver ten thousand talents, and of brass eighteen thousand talents, and one hundred thousand talents of iron.

8 And they with whom *precious* stones were found gave *them* to the treasure of the house of ¹the LORD, ° by the hand of Jehiel the Gershonite.

9 Then the People rejoiced, for that they offered willingly, because with perfect heart

921 they offered willingly to ¹the LORD: and David the king also ^orejoiced with great joy.

F L (p. 568) 10 Wherefore David blessed ¹the LORD before all the ¹congregation: and ^oDavid said, "Blessed be ¹Thou, ¹LORD ¹God of Israel our father, for ever and ever.

11 Thine, O ¹LORD, is the ^ogreatness, ^oand the ^opower, and the ^oglory, and the ^ovictory, and the ^omajesty: for all *that is* in the heaven and in the earth is *Thine*; *Thine is the kingdom*, O ¹LORD, and Thou art exalted as head above all.

M N 12 Both riches and honour come ^oof Thee, and ¹Thou reignest over all; and in Thine hand is power and might; and in Thine hand *it is* to make great, and to give strength unto all.

O v 13 Now therefore, our ¹God, we thank Thee, and praise Thy glorious name.

w 14 But ^owho am I, and what is my People, that we should be able to offer so willingly after this sort? for all things come of Thee, and of Thine own have we given Thee.

15 For ^owe are strangers before Thee, and sojourners, as were all our fathers: our days on the earth are as a shadow, and there is ^onone abiding.

M N 16 O ¹LORD our ¹God, all this store that we have prepared to build Thee an house for Thine ³holy name cometh of Thine hand, and is all Thine own.

O w 17 I know also, my ¹God, that ¹Thou ^otriest the heart, and hast pleasure in uprightness. As for me, in the uprightness of mine heart I have willingly offered all these things: and now have I seen with joy Thy People, which are ^opresent here, to offer willingly unto Thee.

v 18 O ¹LORD ¹God of ^oAbraham, Isaac, and of Israel, our fathers, keep this for ever in the imagination of the thoughts of the heart of Thy People, and prepare their heart unto Thee:

19 And give unto Solomon my son a perfect heart, to keep Thy commandments, Thy testimonies, and Thy statutes, and to do all *these things*, and to build ¹the palace, *for* the which I have made provision."

L 20 And David said to all the ^ocongregation, "Now bless ¹the LORD your ¹God." And all the ^ocongregation blessed ¹the LORD ¹God of their fathers, and bowed down their heads, and ^oworshipped ¹the LORD, and the king.

G (p. 566) 21 And they ^osacrificed sacrifices unto ¹the LORD, and ^ooffered burnt offerings unto the LORD, on the morrow after that day, *even* a thousand bullocks, a thousand rams, and a thousand lambs, with their drink offerings, and sacrifices in abundance for all Israel:

22 And ^odid eat and drink before ¹the LORD on that day with great gladness.

V x (p. 568) And they made Solomon the son of David king ^othe second time, and anointed *him* unto ¹the LORD *to be* the chief governor, and ^oZadok *to be* priest.

y 23 Then Solomon sat on the throne of ¹the LORD as king instead of David his father, and prospered; and all Israel obeyed him.

y 24 And all the princes, and ^othe mighty men,

9 rejoiced with great joy = rejoiced exceedingly. Fig. *Polypytoton* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

29. 10-20 (F, p. 566). PREPARATION. DEVOTIONS. (*Introversions and Alternations.*)

F L | 10, 11. Blessing.

M N | 12. Acknowledgment.

O | v | 13. Praise.

M N | 14, 15. Personal. Self-abasement.

M N | 16. Acknowledgment.

O | w | 17. Personal. Integrity.

| v | 18, 19. Prayer.

L | 20. Blessing.

10 David said. A wonderful ascription of praise follows, tracing all good to Jehovah's sovereign grace.

11 greatness. Cp. Ps. 145. 3.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* in vv. 11-13, fourteen "ands", (including "Both" (v. 12) and "Now" (v. 12) placing great emphasis on the fifteen separate clauses of praise and prayer.

power. Cp. v. 12 and Ps. 21. 13.

glory. Cp. v. 13. Ps. 96. 6 ("beauty").

victory. Cp. 1 Sam. 15. 29 ("Strength").

majesty. Cp. Ps. 21. 5 ("honour").

12 of Thee. Heb. from thy face. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

14 who am I . . . ? See note on 2 Sam. 7. 18.

15 we are strangers. Cp. Ps. 39. 12; 119. 19.

none abiding = no hope of continuance.

17 triest the heart. Cp. 28. 9. 1 Sam. 16. 7.

present = found.

18 Abraham, Isaac, and of Israel. See note on Ex. 32. 13. 20 congregation = assembly.

worshipped = did homage to. Heb. *shahah*. First occurrence in Gen. 18. 2.

21 sacrificed sacrifices. Ap. 43. I. iv, and 43. II. xii.

offered = offered up. Ap. 43. I. vi, and 43. II. ii.

22- did eat = they did eat.

-22-25 (V, p. 559). SOLOMON. SECOND IN-VESTITURE. (*Introversion.*)

V | x | -22. Solomon. Aggrandisement by man.

y | 23. Accession.

y | 24. Submission.

x | 25. Solomon. Aggrandisement by Jehovah.

-22 the second time. The first is recorded in 23. 1 and 1 Kings 1. 39.

Zadok. Solomon completed this act of David by removing Abiathar after David's death (1 Kings 2. 27).

24 the mighty men. Heb. *gibbor*. Ap. 14. IV.

submitted. Heb. gave the hand unto: "hand" being put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the submission implied by it. Cp. 2 Chron. 30. 8.

25 bestowed. Cp. 1 Kings 3. 13. 2 Chron. 1. 12. Ecc. 2. 9. in = over.

26-30 (H², p. 545). EVENTS. IN SUM (DAVID). (*Introversion.*)

| z | 26, 27. Reign over all Israel. Particulars.

a | 28-. David's death.

a | -28. David's successor.

| z | 29, 30. Reign over all Israel. Record.

and all the sons likewise of king David, ^osubmitted themselves unto Solomon the king.

25 And ¹the LORD magnified Solomon exceedingly in the sight of all Israel, and ^obestowed upon him *such* royal majesty as had not been on any king before him in Israel.

26 Thus David the son of Jesse reigned over all Israel.

27 And the time that he reigned over Israel was forty years; seven years reigned he in Hebron, and thirty and three years reigned he in Jerusalem.

^a 28 And he died in a good old age, °full of
(p. 568) days, riches, and honour:
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^a and Solomon his son reigned in his stead.

² 29 Now the acts of David the king, first and
last, °behold, they are written in the book of
Samuel °the seer, and in the book of Nathan
°the prophet, and in the book of °Gad the
seer,

30 With all his reign and his °might, and °the
times that went over him, and over Israel, and
over all the kingdoms of the countries.

28 full of = satisfied with.

29 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

the seer. Heb. *ro'eh*, a seer of visions. Samuel was
known as a *ro'eh*, but the *ro'eh* afterwards became
known as a *nābī*. See note on 1 Sam. 9. 9.

the prophet. Heb. *nābī*, a spokesman, one who
spoke for another. Cp. Ex. 7. 1 with Ex. 4. 16; and see
notes there, and on Deut. 33. 1, and Ap. 49. First oc-
currence Gen. 20. 7.

Gad the seer. Heb. *hozeh*, a seer. *Ro'eh* = one who
sees more clearly than the *hozeh*. First occ. 2 Sam. 24. 11.

30 might: or royal estate.

the times. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, put for
all the events that happened in those times.

THE °SECOND BOOK OF THE °CHRONICLES.

^{G² A} 1 AND Solomon the son of David °was
(p. 569) strengthened in his kingdom,
920 and °the LORD his °God was with him, and
B C E magnified him exceedingly.

^F 2 Then °Solomon spake unto all Israel, to the
°captains of thousands and of hundreds, and to
the judges, and to every governor in all Israel,
the °chief of the fathers.

3 So Solomon, and all the °congregation with
him, °went to the high place that was at
°Gibeon; for there was the °tabernacle of the
°congregation of God, which °Moses the serv-
ant of the LORD had made in the wilderness.

4 °But °the ark of °God had David °brought
up from Kirjath-jearim to the place which
David had prepared for it: for he had pitched
a tent for it at Jerusalem.

5 Moreover °the brasen altar, that Bezaleel
the son of Uri, the son of Hur, had made, °he
put before °the °tabernacle of the LORD: and
Solomon and the congregation sought unto it.

6 And Solomon went up thither to the brasen
altar °before °the LORD, which was at the
°tabernacle of the °congregation, and °offered
a thousand burnt offerings upon it.

^{G a} 7 °In that night did °God appear unto Solo-
mon, and said unto him, "Ask what I shall
give thee."

^b 8 And Solomon said unto °God, "Thou hast
shewed great °mercy unto David my father,
and hast made me to reign in his stead.

9 Now, O °LORD °God, let Thy promise °unto
David my father be established: for Thou hast
made me king over a People °like the dust of
the earth in multitude.

^b 10 Give me now wisdom and °knowledge, that

5 the brasen altar. This is additional and supplementary to the account in 1 Kings 3. he put. So some
codices, with two early printed editions; but many codices, with four early printed editions, Sept., and Vulg.,
read "was there". the. Sept., Syr., and Vulg. read "all the". 6 before. A special various reading called
Sevir (Ap. 34) reads "which [was] before". congregation = assembly. offered = offered up. Heb.
alah. Ap. 43. I. vi.

1. 7-12 (G, above). APPEARANCE OF GOD. (*Introversion*.)

G	a	7. God. Appearance and offer.
	b	8, 9. Solomon. Acknowledgment.
	b	10. Solomon. Choice.
a	11, 12. God. Reason and gift.	

7 In that night. Cp. 1 Kings 3. 5-15. 8 mercy = lovingkindness, or grace. 9 unto = with. like
the dust. Figs. *Paremia* and *Hyperbolē*. Ap. 6. 10 knowledge. Heb. *maddā*. A rare word = inner
consciousness. Occurs only here, vv. 11, 12. Ecc. 10. 20 ("thought"). Dan. 1. 4 ("science"), 17 = knowledge
(gained by experience, Gen. 2. 9); while "wisdom" = knowledge (gained by study).

TITLE, Second. See notes on p. 366.

Chronicles. See note on title of first book; and, for
the parallel passages in the book of Kings, see Ap. 56.
The Structure of the two books is given as a whole
on p. 530.

2 Chron. 1. 1-9. 31 (G², p. 545). SOLOMON.
(*Introversion and Alternation*.)

G ²	A	1. 1-9. Introduction.	Events.
	B	C 1. 1-17. Appearance of Jehovah. Personal details.	
		D 2. 1-7. 11. Building of Temple. Sacred.	
	B	C 7. 12-22. Appearance of Jehovah. National details.	
		D 8. 1-9. 28. Building of cities. Secular.	
	A	9. 29-31. Conclusion.	

-1-17 (C, above). APPEARANCE OF JEHOVAH.
(*Introversion*.)

C	E	-1. Magnificence of Solomon's kingdom.
	F	2-6. Journey to Gibeon.
	G	7-12. Appearance of God.
	F	13. Return to Jerusalem.
	E	14-17. Magnificence of Solomon's kingdom.

1 was strengthened: i. e. after the events recorded
in 1 Chron. 28 and 29. 1 Kings 1 and 2.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

2 Solomon spake. Thus beginning his reign as
David had ended his (1 Chron. 28. 1) by a solemn
assembly.

captains = princes. chief = heads.

3 congregation = convocation, or muster.

went. For the reason, see 1 Kings 3. 4.

Gibeon = a high place.

tabernacle = tent. Heb. *'ohel*. Ap. 40. 3.

congregation = assembly.

Moses the servant of the LORD. See note on Deut.
34. 5.

4 But = But indeed.

the ark. See note on 1 Chron. 13. 3. Ex. 25. 22.

brought up. Cp. 2 Sam. 6. 2, 17. 1 Chron. 15. 1.

920 I may °go out and °come in before this People: for °who can judge this Thy °People, *that is so great?*"

a (p. 569) 11 And ¹ God said to Solomon, "Because °this was in thine heart, and thou hast not asked riches, wealth, or honour, nor °the life of thine enemies, neither yet hast asked °long life; but hast asked wisdom and ¹⁰ knowledge for thyself, that thou mayest judge My People, over whom I have made thee king:

12 Wisdom and ¹⁰ knowledge *is* granted unto thee; and I will give thee riches, and wealth, and honour, such as none of the kings have had that *have been* before thee, neither shall there any after thee have the like."

F 13 Then Solomon °came *from his journey* to the high place that *was* at Gibeon to Jerusalem, from before the ³ tabernacle of the ³ congregation, and reigned over Israel.

E 14 And Solomon gathered chariots and horsemen: and he had a thousand and four hundred chariots, and twelve thousand horsemen, which he placed in the chariot cities, and with the king at Jerusalem.

15 And the king made silver and gold at Jerusalem *as plenteous* °as stones, and cedar trees made he °as the sycamore trees that are in the vale for abundance.

16 And Solomon had °horses brought out of Egypt, and °linen yarn: the king's merchants received the linen yarn at a °price.

17 And they fetched up, and brought forth out of Egypt a chariot for six hundred *shekels* of silver, and an horse for an hundred and fifty: and so brought they out *horses* for all the kings of the Hittites, and for the kings of Syria, °by their means.

D H (p. 570) 920-917 2 And Solomon determined to build an °house for °the name of °the LORD, and °an house for his kingdom.

J d 2 °And Solomon told out threescore and ten thousand °men to bear burdens, and fourscore thousand to hew in the mountain, and °three thousand and six hundred to oversee them.

e 3 And Solomon sent to Hiram the king of Tyre, saying, "As thou didst deal with David my father, and didst send him cedars to build him an house to dwell therein, °*even so deal with me.*

4 °Behold, ³ build an house to the name of ¹ the LORD my °God, to dedicate *it* to Him, and to burn before Him °sweet incense, and for °the continual shewbread, and for the burnt offerings morning and evening, on the sabbaths, and on the new moons, and on the solemn feasts of the ¹ LORD our °God. *This is an ordinance* for ever to Israel.

5 And the house which ³ build *is* °great: for great *is* our °God above all gods.

6 But °who is able to build Him an house, seeing the °heaven and heaven of °heavens cannot contain Him? who *am* ³ then, that I should build Him an house, save only to burn sacrifice before Him?

7 Send me now therefore a °man °cunning to work in gold, °and in silver, and in brass, and in iron, and in purple, and crimson, and blue,

go out . . . come in. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), Ap. 6, put for manner of life in general.

who can judge . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. People, that is so great? or, this Thy great People? 11 this was in thine heart. Supplementary to the account in Kings.

the life = the soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

long life = many days.

13 came from his journey to. Sept. and Vulg. read "came from".

15 as stones . . . as the sycamore trees. Fig. *Hyperbole*. Ap. 6.

16 horses. Cp. Deut. 17. 16.

linen yarn = in droves. See note on 1 Kings 10. 28, 29. price = tariff.

17 by their means. Cp. 1 Kings 10. 26-29.

2. 1-7. 11 (D, p. 569). BUILDING OF TEMPLE (EVENTS: SACRED). (*Introversion*.)

D H | 2. 1. Determination to build.

J | 2. 2-18. Preparation.

K | 3. 1-5. 1. Execution.

J | 5. 2-7. 10. Dedication.

H | 7. 11. Completion of building.

1 the name of. Fig. *Pleonasm*. Ap. 6. See note on Ps. 20. 1. the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

an house for his kingdom. This is described in 1 Kings 7, which is complementary to 2 Chron. 8. 1.

2-18 (J, above). PREPARATION. (*Introversion*.)

J d | 2. Labourers.

e | 3-10. Embassy to Hiram. Request.

e | 11-16. Embassy to Hiram. Agreement.

d | 17, 18. Labourers.

2 And Solomon, &c. The 11th *Seder* ends here. See note on p. 366.

men. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

three thousand and six hundred. Cp. 1 Kings 5. 16.

3 As = according as.

even so deal with me. Fig. *Ellipsis* (absolute). Ap. 6.

4 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

sweet incense = incense of spices.

the continual shewbread. See note on Ex. 25. 30; 40. 4.

5 great. In magnificence, not in size. Not for People; but, for Jehovah's presence with them.

6 who is able . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

heaven and heaven of heavens. Fig. *Polyptōton*. Ap. 6.

7 cunning = clever, or skilful. See note on 1 Chron. 22. 15; 25. 7, and Ex. 26. 1.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton*. Ap. 6.

can skill = know how.

8 fir = cypress.

algum. See note on 1 Kings 10. 11.

9 wonderful great. Heb. "great and wonderful". Fig. *Hendiadys* (Ap. 6) = great, yea, wonderfully great.

10 I will give to thy servants. No discrepancy here with 1 Kings 5. 11. There the allowance was for Hiram's household at Tyre; here for Hiram's labourers in Lebanon.

and that °can skill to grave with the °cunning men that *are* with me in Judah and in Jerusalem, whom David my father did provide.

8 Send me also cedar trees, °fir trees, and °algum trees, out of Lebanon: for ³ know that thy servants °can skill to cut timber in Lebanon; and, °behold, my servants *shall be* with thy servants,

9 Even to prepare me timber in abundance: for the house which ³ am about to build *shall be* °wonderful great.

10 And, °behold, °I will give to thy servants, the hewers that cut timber, twenty thousand

920 ° measures of ° beaten wheat, and twenty thou-
to sand measures of barley, and twenty thousand
917 ° baths of wine, and twenty thousand baths of
oil."

e
(p. 570) 11 Then Hiram the king of Tyre answered in
writing, which he sent to Solomon, "Because
1 the LORD hath loved His People, He hath
made thee king over them."

12 Hiram said moreover, "Blessed be 1 the
LORD 4 God of Israel, That made ° heaven and
earth, Who hath given to David the king a
wise son, endued with prudence and under-
standing, that might build an house for 1 the
LORD, and an house for his kingdom.

13 And now I have sent a 7 cunning 2 man,
endued with understanding, of Hiram my
father's,

14 The son of ° a woman of the daughters of
Dan, and his father was a 2 man of Tyre, skilful
to work in gold, and in silver, in brass, in iron,
in stone, and in timber, in purple, in blue, and
in fine linen, and in crimson; also to grave
any manner of graving, and to find out every
device which shall be put to him, with thy
7 cunning men, and with the 7 cunning men of
my lord David thy father.

15 Now therefore the wheat, and the barley,
the oil, and the wine, which my lord hath
spoken of, let him send unto his servants:

16 And we will cut wood out of Lebanon, as
much as thou shalt need: and we will bring it
to thee in ° floats by sea to Joppa; and thou
shalt carry it up to Jerusalem."

d 17 And Solomon numbered all ° the strangers
that were in the land of Israel, after the number-
ing wherewith David his father had numbered
them; and they were found an hundred and
fifty thousand and three thousand and six
hundred.

18 And he set threescore and ten thousand
of them to be bearers of burdens, and four-
score thousand to be hewers in the mountain,
and three thousand and six hundred overseers
to ° set the people a work.

K L
(p. 571) 917 3 Then Solomon began to build the house
of ° the LORD at Jerusalem in ° mount
° Moriah, ° where the LORD appeared unto
David his father, in the place that David ° had
prepared in the threshingfloor of Ornan the
Jebusite.

2 And he began to build in the second day
of the second month, in the fourth year of his
reign.

M N f 3 Now these are the things wherein Solomon
was instructed for the building of the house
of ° God. The length by ° cubits after the first
measure was threescore cubits, and the breadth
twenty cubits.

g 4 And the porch that was in the front of the
house, the length of it was ° according to the
breadth of the house, twenty cubits, and the
height was ° an hundred and twenty: and he
overlaid it within with pure gold.

f 5 And ° the greater house he ° cieled with
° fir tree, which he overlaid with ° fine gold,
and set thereon ° palm trees and ° chains.

6 And he garnished the house with precious

measures = kor. See Ap. 51. III. 3.

beaten wheat: i. e. wheat prepared for food.

baths. See Ap. 51. III. 3.

12 heaven and earth. See note on Deut. 4. 26.

14 a woman . . . of Dan. By birth. In 1 Kings
7. 14, a widow . . . of Naphtali. By marriage. No dis-
crepancy, as alleged.

16 floats = rafts.

17 the strangers. See note on 2 Sam. 12. 31, and cp.
1 Chron. 22. 2.

18 set . . . a work = keep the people at work.

3. 1—5. 1 (K, p. 570). EXECUTION. (Introversion and Alternation.)

K | L | 3. 1, 2. Commencement.

M | N | 3. 3-17. The house.

O | 4. 1-8. Its furniture.

M | N | 4. 9. The courts.

O | 4. 10, 11-. Their furniture.

L | 4. -11—5. 1. Completion.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

mount Moriah. Not mentioned since Gen. 22. 2, nor
ever again.

Moriah. Vision of Jah. Refers here to "where
Jehovah appeared".

where. See note on 1 Chron. 22. 1.

had prepared. Cp. 1 Chron. 22. 14; 2 Chron. 2. 7.

3. 3-17 (N, above). THE HOUSE. (Alternation.)

N | f | 3. The house.

g | 4. Its porch.

f | 5-14. The house.

g | 15-17. Its pillars.

3 God. Heb. hā-'ĕlōhīm, the [true or triune] God.
cubits. See Ap. 51. III. 2.

4 according to = in the front of.

an hundred and twenty. Read "twenty" by a
transposition of letters.

5 the greater house: i. e. the holy of holies.

cieled = covered. Walls as well as roof.

fir = cypress.

fine = pure.

palm trees: i. e. artificial.

chains = wreathen work. Only found in connection
with Tabernacle and Temple.

7 posts = thresholds.

8 the most holy = the holy of holies. See note on
Ex. 3. 5.

talents. See Ap. 51. II. 6.

9 weight of the nails. These small and simple
things not excluded. They held all together; and,
though out of sight, are remembered and named by
God.

10 house. In A.V., 1611 - place.

image work = carved work. This was no breach of
the second commandment, for it was by the Divine
Lawgiver's own direction.

stones for beauty: and the gold was gold of
Parvaim.

7 He overlaid also the house, the beams, the
° posts, and the walls thereof, and the doors
thereof, with gold; and graved cherubims on
the walls.

8 And he made ° the most holy house, the
length whereof was according to the breadth
of the house, twenty cubits, and the breadth
thereof twenty cubits: and he overlaid it with
fine gold, amounting to six hundred ° talents.

9 And the ° weight of the nails was fifty
shekels of gold. And he overlaid the upper
chambers with gold.

10 And in ° the most holy ° house he made
two cherubims of ° image work, and overlaid
them with gold.

917 11 And the wings of the cherubims *were*
to twenty cubits long: one wing of the one
910 cherub was five cubits, reaching to the wall
of the house: and the other wing *was likewise*
five cubits, reaching to the wing of the other
cherub.

12 And one wing of the other cherub *was*
five cubits, reaching to the wall of the house:
and the other wing *was* five cubits *also*, join-
ing to the wing of the other cherub.

13 The wings of these cherubims spread
themselves forth twenty cubits: and they stood
on their feet, and their faces *were* °inward.

14 And he made °the veil of blue, and purple,
and crimson, and fine linen, and wrought
cherubims thereon.

9 (p. 571) 15 Also he made before the house two pillars
of °thirty and five cubits high, and the chapter
that *was* on the top of each of them *was* five
cubits.

16 And he made °chains, *as* in °the oracle,
and put *them* on the heads of the pillars; and
made an hundred pomegranates, and put *them*
on the chains.

17 And he reared up the pillars before the
temple, one on the right hand, and the other
on the left; and called the name of that on the
right hand °Jachin, and the name of that on
the left °Boaz.

13 inward = toward the Ark.

14 the veil. Not mentioned in 1 Kings 6.

15 thirty and five cubits. In 1 Kings 7. 15 =
eighteen cubits. But there it is "apiece"; here they
are reckoned together. See note on 1 Kings 7. 15.

16 chains = wreathen work.

the oracle. See note on 2 Sam. 16. 23.

17 Jachin . . . Boaz. See notes on 1 Kings 7. 21.

4. 1 cubits. See Ap. 51. III. 2.

3 in a cubit: or, to the height of a cubit (i.e. one-fifth
of the brazen sea).

5 received and held three thousand baths. 1 Kings
7. 26 says 2,000; and it is alleged that "there must be a
mistake in the figures". But no: 1 Kings 7. 26 speaks
of what it usually "contained", while here it speaks of
what it could actually "receive and hold".

6 offered = offered up. Heb. 'ālāh. Ap. 43. I. vi.

7 candlesticks = lampstands.

8 basons = bowls for sprinkling.

9 court of the priests. None in Tabernacle.

11 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

12 pommels = bowls.

wreaths = network.

13 upon = upon the face of.

16 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

18 found out = searched out.

20 after the manner: i.e. the prescribed order.
Cp. v. 7 and Ex. 27. 20, 21.

the oracle. See note on 2 Sam. 16. 23.

21 perfect = of purest. Heb. the perfections of.

0 4 Moreover he made an altar of brass,
twenty °cubits the length thereof, and
twenty °cubits the breadth thereof, and ten
cubits the height thereof.

2 Also he made a molten sea of ten °cubits
from brim to brim, round in compass, and five
°cubits the height thereof; and a line of thirty
°cubits did compass it round about.

3 And under it *was* the similitude of oxen,
which did compass it round about: ten °in a
°cubit, compassing the sea round about. Two
rows of oxen *were* cast, when it *was* cast.

4 It stood upon twelve oxen, three looking
toward the north, and three looking toward
the west, and three looking toward the south,
and three looking toward the east: and the
sea *was set* above upon them, and all their
hinder parts *were* inward.

5 And the thickness of it *was* an handbreadth,
and the brim of it like the work of the brim
of a cup, with flowers of lilies; and it °re-
ceived and held three thousand baths.

6 He made also ten lavers, and put five on
the right hand, and five on the left, to wash
in them: such things as they °offered for the
burnt offering they washed in them; but the
sea *was* for the priests to wash in.

7 And he made ten °candlesticks of gold
according to their form, and set *them* in the
temple, five on the right hand, and five on
the left.

8 He made also ten tables, and placed *them*
in the temple, five on the right side, and five
on the left. And he made an hundred °basons
of gold.

M N 9 Furthermore he made the °court of the
priests, and the great court, and doors for the
court, and overlaid the doors of them with
brass.

10 And he set the sea on the right side of
the east end, over against the south.

11 And Hiram made the pots, and the
shovels, and the basons.

And Hiram finished the work that he *was*
to make for king Solomon for the house of
°God;

12 To wit, the two pillars, and the °pommels,
and the chapters *which were* on the top of the
two pillars, and the two °wreaths to cover
the two °pommels of the chapters *which*
were on the top of the pillars;

13 And four hundred pomegranates on the
two °wreaths; two rows of pomegranates on
each wreath, to cover the two °pommels of
the chapters *which were* °upon the pillars.

14 He made also bases, and lavers made he
upon the bases;

15 One sea, and twelve oxen under it.

16 The pots also, and the shovels, and the
fleshhooks, and all their instruments, did
Hiram his father make to king Solomon for
the house of °the LORD of bright brass.

17 In the plain of Jordan did the king cast
them, in the clay ground between Succoth and
Zeredathah.

18 Thus Solomon made all these vessels in
great abundance: for the weight of the brass
could not be °found out.

19 And Solomon made all the vessels that
were for the house of °God, the golden altar
also, and the tables whereon the shewbread
was set;

20 Moreover the candlesticks with their
lamps, that they should burn °after the
manner before °the oracle, of pure gold;

21 And the flowers, and the lamps, and the
tongs, *made he of* gold, and that °perfect
gold;

917 22 And the snuffers, and the basons, and the
to spoons, and the censers, of °pure gold: and
910 the entry of the house, the inner doors thereof
for the most °holy place, and the doors of the
house of the temple, were of gold.

910 5 Thus all the work that °Solomon made
for the house of °the LORD was finished:
and Solomon brought in all the °things that
David his father had °dedicated; °and the
silver, and the gold, and °all the instruments,
put he °among the treasures of the house of
°God.

J P j
(P. 573) 2 °Then Solomon assembled the elders of
Israel, and all the heads of the tribes, the
chief of the fathers of the °children of Israel,
unto Jerusalem, to bring up °the ark of the
covenant of °the LORD out of the city of
David, which is Zion.

3 Wherefore all the °men of Israel assembled
themselves unto the king in °the feast which
was in the seventh month.

4 And all the elders of Israel came; and °the
Levites took up 2 the ark.

5 And they brought up 2 the ark, and the
°tabernacle of the congregation, and all the
°holy vessels that were in the tabernacle, t̄h̄c̄t
did °the priests and the Levites bring up.

k 6 Also king Solomon, and all the °congrega-
tion of Israel that were assembled unto him
before 2 the ark, sacrificed sheep and oxen,
which could not be told nor numbered for
multitude.

j 7 And °the priests brought in 2 the ark of the
covenant of °the LORD unto his place, to °the
oracle of the house, into °the most holy place,
even under the wings of the cherubims:

8 For the cherubims spread forth their wings
over the place of the ark, and the cherubims
covered 2 the ark and the staves thereof above.

9 And they °drew out the staves of the ark,
that the ends of the staves were seen from 2 the
ark before 7 the oracle; but they were not seen
without. And there it is °unto this day.

10 There was °nothing in 2 the ark save the
two tables which Moses put therein at Horeb,
when °the LORD made a covenant with the
°children of Israel, when they came out of
Egypt.

k 11 And it came to pass, when the priests
were come out of the °holy place: (for °all the
priests that were present °were sanctified, and
did not then wait by course:

12 Also the Levites which were the singers,
all of them of Asaph, of Heman, of °Jeduthun,
with their sons and their brethren, being
arrayed in white linen, having cymbals and
psalteries and harps, stood °at the east end
of the altar, and with them an hundred and
twenty priests sounding with trumpets:)

13 It came even to pass, as the trumpeters
and singers were as one, to make one sound to
be heard in praising and thanking °the
LORD; and when they lifted up their voice
with the trumpets and cymbals and instru-
ments of musick, and praised °the LORD, say-
ing, °“For He is good; for His °mercy en-
dureth for ever:”

22 pure = purified. holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

5. 1 Solomon. Some codices, with one early printed
edition, read “the King Solomon”.
the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
things . . . dedicated = holy things. See note on Ex.
3. 5. and. Sept., Syr., and Vulg. omit this “and”.
all. Some codices, with Sept. and Syr., omit “all”.
among the treasures = in the treasures.
God. Heb. Elohim (with Art.) = the [true] God. Ap. 4. I.

5. 2-7. 10 (J, p. 570). DEDICATION OF HOUSE.
(Introversion and Alternation.)

J P | 5. 2-13-. The feast.

Q | h | 5. -13. The cloud.

i | 5. 14. Inability to minister.

R | 6. 1-11. Solomon's blessing.

S | 6. 12. 13. His station.

R | 6. 14-42. Solomon's prayer.

Q | h | 7. 1. The fire.

i | 7. 2, 3. Inability to minister.

P | 7. 4-10. The feast.

5. 2-13- (P, above). THE FEAST. (Alternation.)

P | j | 2-5. The Ark brought up.

k | 6. Sacrifices.

j | 7-10. The Ark brought in.

k | 11-13-. Worship.

2 Then Solomon. Cp. 1 Kings 8. 1-11.
children = sons.

the ark. See notes on 1 Chron. 13. 3 and Ex. 25. 22.

3 men. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

the feast: i. e. the Feast of Tabernacles (Lev. 23. 33, &c.).

4 the Levites took up. These were the bearers, but
the priests (being Levites also) brought it into the house
(as stated in v. 7 and 1 Kings 8. 3). Hence, in v. 5 they
are called “the priests and the Levites”. See note on
Deut. 17. 9.

5 tabernacle = tent. Heb. 'ohel. Ap. 40. III.

holy vessels = sanctuary vessels. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

the priests and the Levites. See note on Deut.

17. 9. 6 congregation = convocation, or muster.

7 the priests. See note on v. 4.

the oracle. See note on 2 Sam. 16. 23.

the most holy place = the Holy of Holies.

9 drew out. Cp. 1 Kings 8. 8.

unto this day. This is a copy of 1 Kings 8. 6-8, or an
addendum by Ezra; because it is not applicable to “the
day” of the writer, as may be seen from 36. 22, 23. But
may this possibly have a mysterious reference to Rev.
11. 19?

10 nothing in the ark save. See note on 1 Kings 8. 9.

11 all. On this occasion all served; not “by course”.

Note the parenthesis in vv. 11, 12.

were sanctified = had sanctified themselves.

12 Jeduthun. See note on 1 Chron. 16. 41.

at the east end: i. e. facing west.

13 For He is good, &c. Cp. Ezra 3. 11.

mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.

cloud, even the house of. Sept. reads “cloud of
the glory of”.

6. 1-11 [For Structure see next page].

1 said. The first thirty-nine verses repeat 1 Kings
8. 12-50, with one or two complementary items, 1 Kings
8. 51-61 being omitted, and three verses added.

The LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

that then the house was filled with a °cloud, Q h
even the house of °the LORD;

14 So that the priests could not stand to i
minister by reason of the cloud: for the glory
of °the LORD had filled the house of °God.

6 Then °said Solomon, °“The LORD hath R T I'
said that He would dwell in the thick (P. 574)
darkness.

^m₁ 2 But ³ have built an house of habitation for Thee, and a place for Thy dwelling for ever."

^U 3 And the king turned his face, and blessed the whole °congregation of Israel: and all the °congregation of Israel stood.

^U 4 And he said, "Blessed be ¹ the LORD ° God of Israel, Who hath with His ° hands fulfilled that which He spake with His mouth to my father David, saying,

^T₁ 5 'Since the day that I brought forth My People out of the land of Egypt I chose no city among all the tribes of Israel to build an house in, that My name might be there; ° neither chose I any ° man to be a ruler over My People Israel:

6 But I have chosen Jerusalem, that My name might be there; and have chosen David to be over My People Israel.'

^m₂ 7 Now ° it was in the heart of David my father to build an house for the name of ¹ the LORD ° God of Israel.

¹₃ 8 But ¹ the LORD said to David my father, 'Forasmuch as it was in thine heart to build an house for My name, thou didst well in that it was in thine heart:

9 Notwithstanding thou shalt not build the house; but thy son which shall come forth out of thy loins, he shall build the house for My name.'

^m₃ 10 ¹ The LORD therefore hath performed His word that He hath spoken: for I am risen up in the room of David my father, and am set on the throne of Israel, ° as ¹ the LORD promised, and have built the house for the name of ¹ the LORD ° God of Israel.

11 And in it have I put ² the ark, wherein is the covenant of ¹ the LORD, that He made with the ° children of Israel."

^S (p. 573) 12 And he ° stood before the altar of ¹ the LORD in the presence of all the ³ congregation of Israel, and spread forth his hands:

13 For Solomon ° had made a brasen ° scaffold, of five ° cubits long, and five ° cubits broad, and three ° cubits high, and had set it in the midst of the court: and upon it he ¹² stood, and kneeled down upon his knees before all the ³ congregation of Israel, and spread forth his hands toward heaven,

^{R n q} (p. 574) 14 And said, "O ¹ LORD ° God of Israel, there is no ° God like Thee in the heaven, nor in the earth; Which keepest covenant, and shewest ° mercy unto Thy servants, that walk before Thee with all their hearts:

15 Thou Which hast kept with Thy servant David my father that which Thou hast promised him; and spakest with Thy mouth, and hast fulfilled it with Thine hand, as it is this day.

^r 16 Now therefore, O ¹ LORD ° God of Israel, keep with Thy servant David my father that which Thou hast promised him, saying, 'There shall not fail thee a ° man in My sight ° to sit upon the throne of Israel; ° yet so that thy ¹¹ children take heed to their way to walk in My law, ° as thou hast walked before Me.'

17 Now then, O ¹ LORD ° God of Israel, let Thy

6. 1-11 (R, p. 573). SOLOMON'S BLESSING.
(Introversion and Repeated Alternation.)

^R ^T ¹ | 1. Words of Jehovah. Recited.
^m₁ | 2. The house. Built.
^U | 3. Blessing. The People.
^U | 4. Blessing. Jehovah.
^T ¹² | 5, 6. Words of Jehovah. To David. Rehearsed.
^m₂ | 7. The house. David's purpose.
¹³ | 8, 9. Words of Jehovah. Rehearsed.
^m₃ | 10, 11. The house. Built.

3 congregation = assembly, muster, or convocation.

4 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.
hands. Some codices write "hand", but read "hands" (pl.).

5 neither chose I. This true of Saul. God did not choose him as He chose David; though He overruled the choice of the People. Cp. 1 Sam. 8. 5.

man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

7 it was in the heart. Cp. 2 Sam. 7. 2, 3. 1 Chron. 28. 2.

10 as = according as.

11 children = sons.

12 stood. And then knelt down. See v. 13. No discrepancy, as alleged.

13 had made. This also is complementary to 1 Kings 8.

scaffold: or platform (round, and bowl-like, like a pulpit). Heb. same word as rendered laver.

cubits. See Ap. 51. III. 2.

14-42 (R, p. 573). SOLOMON'S PRAYER.
(Introversion.)

^R ⁿ | 14-20. For himself.
^o | 21-39. For others. The People.
^p | 40, 41-. The house.
^o | -41. For others. The priests.
ⁿ | 42. For himself.

14-20 (n, above). FOR HIMSELF.
(Alternation.)

ⁿ ^q | 14, 15. Plea. Jehovah's faithfulness.
^r | 16, 17. Prayer.
^q | 18. Plea. Jehovah's condescension.
^r | 19, 20. Prayer.

14 mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.

16 to sit = sitting.

yet so = if only. Same condition as 2 Sam. 7. 14. Conditional to Solomon, but unconditional to David, as the Land was to Abraham (Gen. 15). Therefore the throne must, and will yet be, filled by David's son and David's Lord.
as = according as.

17 verified. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Sept., and Syr., read "I beseech Thee".

18 men. Heb. 'ādām (with Art. mankind). Ap. 14. I. behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

heaven . . . heaven . . . heavens. Fig. Polypitōton (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

how much less. Cp. Acts 7. 48-50.

20 upon = toward.

word be ° verified, which Thou hast spoken unto Thy servant David.

18 But will ° God in very deed dwell with ° men on the earth? ° behold, ° heaven and the heaven of heavens cannot contain Thee; ° how much less this house which I have built!

19 Have respect therefore to the prayer of Thy servant, and to his supplication, O ° LORD my ° God, to hearken unto the cry and the prayer which Thy servant prayeth before Thee:

20 That Thine eyes may be open ° upon this house day and night, upon the place whereof Thou hast said that Thou wouldest put Thy

910 name there; to hearken unto the prayer which Thy servant prayeth toward this place.

o s u¹ (p. 575) 21 Hearken therefore unto the supplications of Thy servant, and of Thy People Israel, which they shall make toward this place:

v¹ hear Thou from Thy dwelling place, even from heaven; and when Thou hearest, forgive.

u² 22 If a ⁵man ^osin against his neighbour, ^oand an oath be laid upon him to make him swear, and the oath come before Thine altar in this house;

v² 23 Then hear Thou from heaven, and do, and judge Thy servants, by requiting the ^owicked, by recompensing his way upon his own head; and by ^ojustifying the righteous, by giving him according to his righteousness.

u³ 24 And if Thy People Israel be put to the worse before the enemy, because they have ²²sinned against Thee; and shall return and confess Thy name, and pray and make supplication before Thee in this house;

v³ 25 Then hear Thou from the heavens, and forgive the ²²sin of Thy People Israel, and bring them again unto the land which Thou gavest to them and to their fathers.

u⁴ 26 When the heaven is shut up, and there is no rain, because they have ²²sinned against Thee; yet if they pray toward this place, and confess Thy name, and turn from their ²²sin, when Thou dost afflict them;

v⁴ 27 Then hear Thou from heaven, and forgive the sin of Thy servants, and of Thy People Israel, when Thou hast taught them the ^ogood way, wherein they should walk; and send rain upon Thy land, which Thou hast given unto Thy People for an inheritance.

u⁵ 28 If there be dearth in the land, if there be pestilence, if there be blasting, or mildew, locusts, or caterpillars; if their ^oenemies besiege them in the cities of their land; whatsoever sore or whatsoever sickness *there be*:

v⁵ 29 Then what prayer or what supplication soever shall be made of any ¹⁸man, or of all Thy People Israel, when every one shall know his own sore and his own grief, and shall spread forth his hands in this house:

30 Then hear Thou from heaven Thy dwelling place, and forgive, and render unto ⁵every man according unto all his ways, whose heart Thou knowest; (for Thou only knowest the hearts of the ^ochildren of ¹⁸men:)

31 That they may fear Thee, to walk in Thy ways, so long as they live ^oin the land which Thou gavest unto our fathers.

t 32 Moreover concerning the stranger, which is not of Thy people Israel, but is come from a far country for Thy great name's sake, and Thy mighty hand, and Thy stretched out arm; if they come and pray ^oin this house;

t 33 Then hear Thou from the heavens, even from Thy dwelling place, and do according to all that the stranger calleth to Thee for; that all ^opeople of the earth may know Thy name, and fear Thee, as doth Thy people Israel, and

6. 21-39 (o, p. 574). PRAYER. FOR THE PEOPLE. (Introversion.)

o s | 21-31. Israel.
t | 32. Stranger.
t | 33. Stranger.
s | 34-39. Israel.

21-31 (s, above). ISRAEL. (Extended Alternation.)

s | u¹ | 21-. Worship.
v¹ | -21. Regard.
u² | 22. Trouble. Sin.
v² | 23. Regard.
u³ | 24. Trouble. Defeat.
v³ | 25. Regard.
u⁴ | 26. Trouble. Drought.
v⁴ | 27. Regard.
u⁵ | 28. Trouble. Pestilence, &c.
v⁵ | 29-31. Regard.

22 sin. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. I. and an oath be laid upon - and he [his neighbour] lay an oath upon (Ex. 22. 7-11. Lev. 5. 1. Prov. 29. 4. Heb. 6. 16).

23 wicked = lawless. Heb. *rāsha'*. Ap. 44. x. justifying = acquitting.

27 good: i. e. hast directed them into the good way (cp. Gen. 46. 28).

28 enemies. Sept. reads "enemy", as in 1 Kings 8. 37. 30 children = sons.

31 in the land. Heb. "upon the face of the land". Figs. *Pleonasm* and *Prosopopœia*. Ap. 6.

32 in - toward, as in v. 20.

33 people = Peoples. called by: or invoked upon.

34-39 (s, above). ISRAEL. (Alternation.)

s | w | 34. Trouble. Battle.
x | 35. Regard.
w | 36-38. Trouble. Captivity.
x | 39. Regard.

35 maintain: or vindicate.

36 for there is, &c. Fig. *Paræmia* (by way of *Parenthesis*). Ap. 6.

37 wickedly = lawlessly. Heb. *rāsha'*. Ap. 44. x.

38 soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

may know that this house which I have built is ^ocalled by Thy name.

34 If Thy People go out to war against their enemies by the way that Thou shalt send them, and they pray unto Thee toward this city which Thou hast chosen, and the house which I have built for Thy name;

35 Then hear Thou from the heavens their prayer and their supplication, and ^omaintain their cause.

36 If they ²²sin against Thee, (^ofor there is no ¹⁸man which ²²sinneth not,) and Thou be angry with them, and deliver them over before *their* enemies, and they carry them away captives unto a land far off or near;

37 Yet if they bethink themselves in the land whither they are carried captive, and turn and pray unto Thee in the land of their captivity, saying, 'We have ²²sinned, we have done amiss, and have dealt ^owickedly;'

38 If they return to Thee with all their heart and with all their ^osoul in the land of their captivity, whither they have carried them captives, and pray toward their land, which Thou gavest unto their fathers, and toward the city which Thou hast chosen, and toward the house which I have built for Thy name:

39 Then hear Thou from the heavens, even from Thy dwelling place, their prayer and their supplications, and maintain their cause,

910 and forgive Thy People which have ²²sinned against Thee.

p 40 Now, my ⁴God, let, I beseech Thee, Thine
(p. 574) eyes be open,

And let Thine ears be attent unto the prayer that is made in this place.

41 Now therefore ^oarise, O ¹LORD ⁴God, into Thy resting place,

Thou, and ²the ark of Thy strength:

o Let Thy priests, O ¹LORD ⁴God, be clothed with salvation,

And let Thy ^osaints rejoice in ^ogoodness.

n 42 O ¹LORD ⁴God, turn not away the face of ^oThine Anointed:

Remember ^othe mercies of David Thy servant."

Q h 7 Now when Solomon had made an end of
(p. 573) praying, ^othe fire came down from heaven, and consumed the burnt offering and the ^osacrifices; and the glory of ^othe LORD filled the house.

i 2 And the priests could not enter into the house of ¹the LORD, because the glory of ¹the LORD had filled ¹the LORD'S house.

3 And when all the ^ochildren of Israel saw how ¹the fire came down, and the glory of ¹the LORD upon the house, they bowed themselves with their faces to the ground upon the pavement, and worshipped, and praised ¹the LORD, saying, "For He is good; for His ^omercy endureth for ever."

P V¹ y 4 Then the king and all the People ^ooffered
(p. 576) sacrifices before ¹the LORD.

5 And king Solomon offered a sacrifice of twenty and two thousand oxen, and an hundred and twenty thousand sheep: so the king and all the People dedicated the house of ^oGod.

z 6 And the priests waited on their offices:

z the Levites also with instruments of musick of ¹the LORD, which David the king had made to praise ¹the LORD, because His mercy endureth for ever, when David praised by their ministry; and the priests sounded trumpets before them, and all Israel stood.

y 7 Moreover Solomon ^ohallowed the middle of the court that was before the house of ¹the LORD: for there he ^ooffered burnt offerings, and the fat of the peace offerings, because the brasen altar which Solomon had made was not able to receive the burnt offerings, and the meat offerings, and the fat.

V² a 8 Also at the same time Solomon kept ^othe feast seven days, and all Israel with him, a very great ^ocongregation, from the entering in of Hamath unto ^othe river of Egypt.

b 9 And in the eighth day they made a solemn assembly:

b for they kept the dedication of the altar seven

a days, and the feast seven days.

10 And on the three and twentieth day of the seventh month he sent the People away into their tents, glad and merry in heart for the goodness that ¹the LORD had shewed unto

41 arise. The following words are found in Pss. 68. 1; 132. 8, 9, by which Solomon connects his own work with David's.

saints = gracious ones. Heb. "men of grace": i. e. those who are the subjects of Jehovah's saving grace. goodness = prosperity, well-being, blessedness.

42 Thine Anointed. Heb. Messiah. the mercies of David. Genitive of Relation (Ap. 17) - the mercies, or lovingkindnesses, shown and assured to David (Ps. 89. 49).

7. 1 the fire came down: i. e. to consume the sacrifices. See note on Gen. 4. 4. This is complementary to 1 Kings 8. 63, 64.

sacrifices = victims. Heb. *zebach*. Ap. 43. II. xii. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

3 children = sons. mercy = grace.

7. 4-10 (P, p. 573). THE FEAST. (Double Introversion.)

P V¹ y | 4. 5. Sacrifices.

z | 6-. The priests.

z | -6. The Levites.

y | 7. Sacrifices.

V² a | 8. The feast.

b | 9-. Convocation.

b | -9-. Dedication.

a | -9, 10. The feast.

4 offered = sacrificed. Heb. *zebach*. Ap. 43. I. iv.

5 God. Heb. *ha'Elohim* = the [true] God. Ap. 4. I.

7 hallowed. See note on "holy" (Ex. 3. 5).

offered = prepared. Heb. *'asah*. Ap. 43. I. iii.

8 the feast: i. e. of Tabernacles.

congregation = assembly, or muster.

the river = torrent, or Wady. Heb. *nahal*.

12-22 (C, p. 569). APPEARANCE OF JEHOVAH (SECOND). (Alternations and Introversion.)

C W | c | 12-. Prayer accepted.

d | -12. House accepted.

X | e | 13. Jehovah. Displeasure.

f | 14-. People. Humiliation.

f | -14-. People. Prayer.

e | -14. Jehovah. Regard.

W | c | 15. Prayer accepted.

d | 16. House accepted.

X | g | 17. Solomon. Obedience.

h | 18. Jehovah. Establishment.

g | 19. Solomon. Disobedience.

h | 20-22. Jehovah. Rejection.

12 appeared to Solomon. This was thirteen years after the dedication. Cp. 7. 1 and 8. 1. 1 Kings 6. 37; 9. 1. The fire from heaven was the immediate answer to Solomon's prayer. This later answer shows that the prayers of God's people are ever fresh before Him.

14 which are called by My name = upon whom My name is called.

David, and to Solomon, and to Israel His People.

11 Thus Solomon finished the house of ¹the LORD, and the king's house: and all that came into Solomon's heart to make in the house of ¹the LORD, and in his own house, he prosperously effected.

12 And ¹the LORD ^oappeared to Solomon by night, and said unto him, "I have heard thy prayer,

and have chosen this place to Myself for an house of sacrifice.

13 If I shut up heaven that there be no rain, or if I command the locusts to devour the land, or if I send pestilence among My People;

14 If My People, ^owhich are called by My name, shall humble themselves,

H (p. 570)

C W c (p. 576) 897 d

X e

f

f and pray, and seek My face, and turn from
(p. 576) their °wicked ways;
910 then will J °hear from heaven, and will for-
e give their °sin, and will heal their land.

W c 15 Now Mine eyes shall be open, and Mine
ears attent unto the prayer *that is made in*
this place.

d 16 For now have I chosen and sanctified this
house, that My name may be there for ever:
and Mine eyes and Mine heart shall be there
perpetually.

X g 17 And as for thee, if thou wilt walk before
Me, °as David thy father walked, and do
according to all that I have commanded thee,
and shalt observe My statutes and My judg-
ments;

h 18 Then will I stablish the throne of thy
kingdom, according as I have °covenanted
with David thy father, saying, 'There shall
not °fail thee a °man to be ruler in Israel.'

g 19 But if ye turn away, and forsake My
statutes and My commandments, which I
have set before you, and shall go and serve
other gods, and worship them;

h 20 Then will I pluck them up by the roots
out of My land which I have given them; and
this house, which I have sanctified for My
name, will I cast out of My sight, and will
make it to be a proverb and a byword among
all °nations.

21 And this house, which is high, shall be
°an astonishment to every one that passeth
by it; so that he shall say, 'Why hath °the
LORD done thus unto this land, and unto this
house?'

22 And it shall be answered, 'Because they
forsook °the LORD °God of their fathers, which
brought them forth out of the land of Egypt,
and laid hold on other gods, and worshipped
them, and served them: therefore hath He
brought all this °evil upon them.'

D Y¹ i 8 And it came to pass at the end of °twenty
(p. 577) years, wherein Solomon had built the
897 house of °the LORD, and his own house,

2 That the cities which Hiram had °restored
to Solomon, Solomon built them, and caused
the °children of Israel to dwell there.

3 And Solomon went to °Hamath-zobah, and
prevailed against it.

4 And he built °Tadmor in the wilderness,
and all the store cities, which he built in
Hamath.

5 Also he °built Beth-horon the upper, and
Beth-horon the nether, fenced cities, with
walls, °gates, and bars;

6 And Baalath, and all the store cities that
Solomon had, and all the chariot cities, and
the cities of the horsemen, and all that
Solomon desired to build in Jerusalem, and
in Lebanon, and throughout all the land of
his dominion.

k 7 As for all the people *that were* left of the
Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites,
and the Hivites, and the Jebusites, which
were not of Israel,

8 But of their °children, who were left after
them in the land, whom the °children of Is-

wicked. Heb. *rū'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.
hear. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.
sin. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

17 as = according as.

18 covenanted = confirmed by covenant.

fail thee = be cut off from thee.

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

20 nations = the peoples.

21 an astonishment. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause),
Ap. 6 = a cause of astonishment to others.

22 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

evil. Same as "wicked", v. 14.

8. 1-9. 28 (D, p. 569). EVENTS. BUILDING OF
CITIES, &c. (*Repeated Alternations.*)

D Y¹ | 8. 1-18. Acquired. Riches.

Z¹ | 9. 1-12. Admired. Riches and wisdom.

Y² | 9. 13-22. Acquired. Riches.

Z² | 9. 23, 24. Admired. Riches and wisdom.

Y³ | 9. 25-28. Acquired. Riches.

8. 1-18 (X¹, above). ACQUIRED. RICHES.
(*Introversion.*)

Y¹ | i | 1-6. Hiram. Cities given and rebuilt.

k | 7-10. Service. Civil.

l | 11. House for Pharaoh's daughter.

k | 12-16. Service. Sacred.

i | 17, 18. Hiram. Navy built.

1 twenty. The number of Expectancy and Waiting,
21 - 1. Divine completeness (21) minus one (1). (Ap. 10).
Cp. Gen. 31. 38, 41. Judg. 4. 3; 15. 20; 16. 31. 1 Sam. 7. 2.
the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

2 restored = given. Evidently these had been pre-
viously given by Solomon as pledges or "security"
(1 Kings 9. 10-14). children = sons.

3 Hamath-zobah. Not identified. Perhaps = *Hama*,
in the valley of Orontes N. of Damascus.

4 Tadmor = Palmyra, 150 miles north-east of Da-
mascus.

5 built = rebuilt. Cp. Josh. 16. 3, 5. 1 Chron. 7. 22-24.
gates = double doors.

8 consumed not = destroyed not.

make to pay tribute = raise a levy of bondmen.

9 men. Heb. pl. of *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

11 the daughter of Pharaoh. Taking it for granted
that we know she was Solomon's wife.

for he said. The reason is complementary to 1 Kings
9. 24. holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

the ark. See note on 1 Chron. 13. 3. Ex. 25. 22.

12 offered = offered up. Heb. *'ālāh*. Ap. 43. I. vi.

13 three times. Cp. Ex. 23. 14. Deut. 16. 16.

rael °consumed not, then did Solomon °make
to pay tribute until this day.

9 But of the °children of Israel did Solomon
make no servants for his work; but they were
°men of war, and chief of his captains, and
captains of his chariots and horsemen.

10 And these were the chief of king Solomon's
officers, even two hundred and fifty, that bare
rule over the people.

11 And Solomon brought up °the daughter
of Pharaoh out of the city of David unto the
house that he had built for her; °for he said,
"My wife shall not dwell in the house of
David king of Israel, because the places are
°holy, whereunto °the ark of °the LORD hath
come."

12 Then Solomon °offered burnt offerings k
unto °the LORD on the altar of °the LORD,
which he had built before the porch,

13 Even after a certain rate every day.
12 offering according to the commandment of
Moses, on the sabbaths, and on the new
moons, and on the solemn feasts, °three times

897 in the year, *even* in the feast of unleavened
to bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in the
880 feast of tabernacles.

14 And he appointed, according to the order of David his father, the ° courses of the priests to their service, and the Levites to their charges, to praise and minister before the priests, as the duty of every day required: the ° porters also by their courses at every gate: for so had David ° the man of ° God commanded.

15 And they departed not from the ° commandment of the king unto the priests and Levites concerning any matter, or concerning the ° treasures.

16 Now all the work of Solomon was prepared ° unto ° the day of the foundation of the house of the LORD, and until it was finished. So the house of ° the LORD was perfected.

i (p. 577) 17 Then went Solomon to Ezion-geber, and to Elath, at the sea side in the land of Edom.

18 And Hiram sent him ° by the hands of his servants ° ships, and servants ° that had knowledge of the sea; and they went with the servants of Solomon to ° Ophir, and took thence four hundred and fifty ° talents of gold, and brought *them* to king Solomon.

Z¹ m (p. 578) 894? 9 And ° when the queen of Sheba heard of the fame of Solomon, she came to prove Solomon with hard questions at Jerusalem, with a very great company,

n and camels that bare spices, and gold in abundance, and precious stones: and when she was come to Solomon, she communed with him of all that was in her heart.

o 2 And Solomon told her all her ° questions: and there was nothing hid from Solomon which he told her not.

P 3 And when the queen of Sheba had seen the ° wisdom of Solomon, ° and the house that he had built,

4 3 And the meat of his table, and the sitting of his servants, and the attendance of his ministers, and their apparel; his cupbearers also, and their apparel; and his ° ascent by which he went up into the house of ° the LORD; there was no more ° spirit in her.

o 5 And she said to the king, ° “*It was a true report which I heard in mine own land of thine acts, and of thy wisdom:*

6 Howbeit I believed not their words, until I came, and mine eyes had seen *it*: and, ° behold, the one half of the greatness of thy wisdom was not told me: *for thou exceedest the fame that I heard.*

7 Happy *are* thy ° men, and happy *are* these thy servants, which stand continually before thee, and hear thy wisdom.

8 Blessed be ° the LORD thy ° God, Which delighted in thee to set thee on His throne, *to be king for ° the LORD thy ° God: because thy ° God loved Israel, to establish them for ever, therefore made He thee king over them, to do judgment and ° justice.*”

n 9 And she gave the king an hundred and twenty ° talents of gold, and of spices great abundance, and precious stones: neither was there any such spice as the queen of Sheba gave king Solomon.

14 courses. Cp. 1 Chron. 24. 1.

porters = gatekeepers. Cp. 1 Chron. 9. 17.

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

the man of God. See Ap. 49.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

15 commandment: or commandments.
treasures = treasures.

16 unto. Sept., Syr., and Vulg. read “from”.

18 by the hands of. Fig. *Pleonasm*. Ap. 6.
ships. From Tyre, in the Mediterranean, to the Red Sea. To show that this was not insuperable (as some have imagined) the next clause is added.

that had knowledge of the sea. This is the explanation of the possibility of such voyages being possible. And why not?

Ophir. First occurrence Gen. 10. 29, where Ophir, the son of Joktan, was the ancestor of several Arabian tribes. Rhodesia is probably the land indicated. About five hundred ruins are scattered over a large area. There are evidences of gold-smelting in the great Zimbabwe buildings, where the ancient ruins resemble the ruins in Syria, temple and fortress being combined. The name Africa may have come from N (A or O), E (ph), 7 (r), with the Latin termination “ica”. *Afur*, on the Zambesi, may also be connected with the ancient name. Tharshish ships for Ezion-geber sailed thither to East Africa, as well as to Arabia and India. The Queen of Sheba being mentioned in close connection with Ophir (v. 10), as hearing about Solomon, furnishes further evidence. Cp. 1 Kings 9. 28.

talents. See Ap. 51. II. 6.

9. 1-12 (Z¹, p. 577). ADMIRER. RICHES AND WISDOM. (*Introversion*.)

Z¹ m | 1-. Queen of Sheba. Journey.

n | -1. Presents brought.

o | 2. What she heard.

p | 3, 4. What she saw.

o | 5 8. What she said.

n | 9-11. Presents exchanged.

m | 12. Queen of Sheba. Return.

1 when the queen of Sheba heard. For further notes, see the parallel passages in 1 Kings 10. Ap. 56.

2 questions = words, or matters.

3 wisdom. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause) for the effects produced by it.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in vv. 3 and 4.

4 ascent: i. e. the causeway of 1 Chron. 26. 16, 18.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

spirit. Heb. *rûach*. Ap. 9.

5 It was a true report. Heb. The word was truth.

6 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

7 men. Heb. pl. *'ênôsh*. Ap. 14. III.

8 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

justice = righteousness.

9 talents. See Ap. 51. II. 6.

10 alium trees. See note on 1 Kings 10. 11.

11 terraces = stairs, or balustrades. Cp. 1 Kings 10. 12.

12 she had brought. This, like other differences, is complementary.

10 And the servants also of Hiram, and the servants of Solomon, which brought gold from Ophir, brought ° alium trees and precious stones.

11 And the king made of the alium trees ° terraces to the house of ° the LORD, and to the king's palace, and harps and psalteries for singers: and there were none such seen before in the land of Judah.

12 And king Solomon gave to the queen of Sheba all her desire, whatsoever she asked, beside *that* which ° she had brought unto the king. So she turned, and went away to her own land, *she* and her servants.

Y² q (p. 579) 897 to 880 13 Now the weight of gold that came to Solomon in one year was °six hundred and threescore and six °talents of gold;
14 Beside *that which* °chapmen and merchants brought. And all the kings of Arabia and governors of the country brought gold and silver to Solomon.

r 15 And king Solomon made two hundred °targets of beaten gold: six hundred *shekels* of beaten gold went to one °target.

16 And three hundred °shields made he of beaten gold: three hundred *shekels* of gold went to one °shield. And the king put them in the °house of the forest of Lebanon.

17 Moreover the king made a great throne of ivory, and overlaid it with pure gold.

18 And *there were* °six steps to the throne, with a footstool of gold, *which were* fastened to the throne, and °stays on each side of the sitting place, and two lions standing by the stays:

19 And twelve lions stood there on the one side and on the other upon the ¹⁸six steps. There was not the like made in any kingdom.

20 And all the drinking vessels of king Solomon were of gold, and all the vessels of the ¹⁶house of the forest of Lebanon were of °pure gold: none were of silver; it was *not* any thing accounted of in the days of Solomon.

q 21 For the king's ships went to Tarshish with the servants of Hiram: every three years once came °the ships of Tarshish bringing gold, and silver, ivory, and apes, and peacocks.

r 22 And king Solomon passed all the kings of the earth in riches and wisdom.

Z² (p. 577) 23 And all the kings of the earth sought the presence of Solomon, to hear his wisdom, that °God had put in his heart.

24 And *they* brought °every man his present, vessels of silver, and vessels of gold, and raiment, °harness, and spices, horses, and mules, a rate year by year.

Y³ 25 And Solomon had °four thousand stalls for horses and chariots, and twelve thousand horsemen; whom he bestowed in the chariot cities, and with the king at Jerusalem.

26 And he °reigned over all the kings from the °river even unto the land of the Philistines, and to the °border of Egypt.

27 And the king made silver in Jerusalem as stones, and cedar trees made he as the sycamore trees that *are* in the low plains in abundance.

28 And they brought unto Solomon °horses out of Egypt, and out of all lands.

A (p. 569) 29 Now the rest of the acts of Solomon, first and last, *are* *they* not written in the book of Nathan the °prophet, and in the prophecy of Ahijah the Shilonite, and in the visions of Iddo the °seer °against Jeroboam the son of Nebat?

30 And Solomon reigned in Jerusalem over all Israel forty years.

31 And Solomon °slept with his fathers, and he was buried in the city of David his father: and Rehoboam his son reigned in his stead.

9. 13-22 (Y², p. 577). ACQUIRED. RICHES. (Alternation.)

Y² q | 13, 14. Importation.
r | 15-20. Manufacture.
q | 21. Importation.
r | 22. Possession.

13 six hundred and threescore and six. Ap. 10.
14 chapmen. Heb. *tār*, travellers, or merchants. Eng. = cheapmen, or traffickers.

15 targets = pointed or bossed shields. Heb. *zinnah*.
16 shields = covering or protecting shields. Heb. *māginnīm*.

house of the forest of Lebanon. This is the palace of cedar in Jerusalem (1 Kings 7. 2).

18 six. See Ap. 10.
stays = supports. Heb. = hands.

20 pure purified.

21 the. No article in the Heb. here.

24 every man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.
harness = armour.

25 four thousand. See note on 1 Kings 4. 26.

26 reigned = was suzerain.

river: i. e. Euphrates.

border. Not river. Gen. 15. 18 yet waits fulfilment.

28 horses. Yet horses out of Egypt had a leading part in destroying Judah. Cp. 12. 3, 4, 9. Ps. 33. 17.

29 prophet... seer. Heb. *nabī... chōzeh*. See note on 1 Chron. 29. 29.

against Jeroboam. So that he had warning from God.

31 slept with his fathers. See note on Deut. 31. 16. Solomon died at the age of sixty.

10. 1-12. 16 (G³, p. 545). REHOBAM. (Repeated Alternation.)

G³ A¹ | 10. 1. Personal events. Accession.
B¹ | 10. 2 - 11. 4. Public events. Revolt of Jeroboam.
A² | 11. 5 - 12. 1. Personal events.
B² | 12. 2 - 12. Public events. Invasion of Shishak.
A³ | 12. 13-16. Personal. Records and death.

1 Rehoboam went. Cp. 1 Kings 12. 1-19. all. "All" put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Whole) for the greater part or representatives.

10. 2-11. 4 (B¹, above). REVOLT OF JEROBOAM. (Introversion.)

B¹ | C | 2, 3-. Jeroboam and Rehoboam.
D | -3-5. First application.
D | 6-19. Second application.
C | 11. 1-4. Jeroboam and Rehoboam.

2 Jeroboam the son of Nebat. Our acquaintance with him is assumed (1 Kings 11. 26-40).

10. 3-19 (D and D, above). APPLICATIONS.

D | s¹ | -3, 4. Petition made. } The first.
t¹ | 5. Dismissal.
D | s² | 6-12. Petition. Considered. }
t² | 12-14. Answer. Returned. } The second.
s³ | 15. Petition. Repeated.
t³ | 16-19. Answer. Consequences.

10 And °Rehoboam went to Shechem: for to Shechem were °all Israel come to make him king.

2 And it came to pass, when °Jeroboam the son of Nebat, *who was* in Egypt, whither he had fled from the presence of Solomon the king, heard *it*, that Jeroboam returned out of Egypt.

3 And they sent and called him.

So Jeroboam and all Israel came and spake to Rehoboam, saying,

4 "Thy father made our yoke grievous: now therefore ease thou somewhat the grievous

G³ A¹ (p. 579)

B¹ C

D s¹

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servitude of thy father, and his heavy yoke that he put upon us, and we will serve thee."

^{t1} 5 And he said unto them, "Come again unto me after three days." And the People departed.

^{s2} 6 And king Rehoboam took counsel with the old men that had stood before Solomon his father while he yet lived, saying, "What counsel give ye me to return answer to this People?"

7 And they spake unto him, saying, "If thou be kind to this People, and please them, and speak good words to them, they will be thy servants for ever."

8 But he forsook the counsel which the old men gave him, and took counsel with the young men that were brought up with him, that stood before him.

9 And he said unto them, "What advice give ye that we may return answer to this People, which have spoken to me, saying, 'Ease somewhat the yoke that thy father did put upon us?'"

10 And the young men that were brought up with him spake unto him, saying, "Thus shalt thou answer the People that spake unto thee, saying, 'Thy father made our yoke heavy, but make thou it somewhat lighter for us; thus shalt thou say unto them, 'My little finger shall be thicker than my father's loins.

11 For whereas my father put a heavy yoke upon you, I will put more to your yoke: my father chastised you with whips, but I will chastise you with scorpions.'"

^{t2} 12 So Jeroboam and all the People came to Rehoboam on the third day, as the king bade, saying, "Come again to me on the third day."

13 And the king answered them roughly; and king Rehoboam forsook the counsel of the old men,

14 And answered them after the advice of the young men, saying, "My father made your yoke heavy, but I will add thereto: my father chastised you with whips, but I will chastise you with scorpions."

^{s3} 15 So the king hearkened not unto the People: for the cause was of God, that the LORD might perform His word, which He spake by the hand of Ahijah the Shilonite to Jeroboam the son of Nebat.

^{t3} 16 And when all Israel saw that the king would not hearken unto them, the People answered the king, saying, "What portion have we in David? and we have none inheritance in the son of Jesse: every man to his tents, O Israel: and now, David, see to thine own house." So all Israel went to their tents.

17 But as for the children of Israel that dwelt in the cities of Judah, Rehoboam reigned over them.

18 Then king Rehoboam sent Hadoram that was over the tribute; and the children of Israel stoned him with stones, that he died. But king Rehoboam made speed to get him up to his chariot, to flee to Jerusalem.

19 And Israel rebelled against the house of David unto this day.

^c 11 And when Rehoboam was come to Jerusalem, he gathered of the house of Judah and Benjamin an hundred and fourscore thou-

5 after three days: i. e. the third day (cp. v. 12).

9 advice=counsel. 12 as=according as.

14 made. So some codices, with six early printed editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg. (as 1 Kings 12. 14); but the current Heb. text reads "I will make".

15 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

word, which He spake. Our acquaintance with 1 Kings 11. 29-39 is taken for granted.

16 saw. Some codices, with seven early printed editions, read this word "saw", in the text.

every man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

your tents. Primitive text reads "your gods". One of the emendations of the *Sopherim*. See Ap. 33, and cp. 2 Sam. 20. 1.

tents=homes. Cp. 2 Sam. 18. 17; 19. 8; 20. 1.

17 children=sons.

dwelt in the cities of Judah. See note on 1 Kings 12. 17.

18 stoned him with stones. Fig. *Polyptoton*. Ap. 6. See note on Lev. 24. 14.

11. 1 Benjamin. See 1 Kings 11. 36.

2 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

Shemaiah. Cp. 12. 5 and 1 Kings 12. 22. See note on Ps. 90, title. the man of God. See Ap. 49.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

4 every man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

this thing is done of Me. As a chastisement for the apostasy of Solomon, and the arrogance of Rehoboam.

11. 5-12. 1 (A², p. 579). PERSONAL EVENTS.
(Alternation.)

A² E | 11. 5-12. Residence.

F | 11. 13-17. Faithfulness.

E | 11. 18-23. Marriage.

F | 12. 1. Apostasy.

5 12 These particulars are complementary. Ap. 56.

5 built=rebuilt.

for defence. Evidently these fifteen cities were for defence against Egypt, because of Jeroboam's influence there (10. 2). His fears were well grounded (12. 2, 4 and 1 Kings 14. 25).

sand chosen men, which were warriors, to fight against Israel, that he might bring the kingdom again to Rehoboam.

2 But the word of the LORD came to Shemaiah the man of God, saying,

3 "Speak unto Rehoboam the son of Solomon, king of Judah, and to all Israel in Judah and Benjamin, saying,

4 'Thus saith the LORD, 'Ye shall not go up, nor fight against your brethren: return every man to his house: for this thing is done of Me.''" And they obeyed the words of the LORD, and returned from going against Jeroboam.

5 And Rehoboam dwelt in Jerusalem, and built cities for defence in Judah.

6 He built even Beth-lehem, and Etam, and Tekoa,

7 And Beth-zur, and Shoco, and Adullam,

8 And Gath, and Mareshah, and Ziph,

9 And Adoraim, and Lachish, and Azekah,

10 And Zorah, and Aijalon, and Hebron, which are in Judah and in Benjamin fenced cities.

11 And he fortified the strong holds, and put captains in them, and store of victual, and of oil and wine.

12 And in every several city he put shields and spears, and made them exceeding strong, having Judah and Benjamin on his side.

A² E
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F' 13 And the priests and the Levites that were (p. 580) in °all Israel resorted to him out of all their °coasts.

14 For the Levites left their suburbs and their possession, and came to Judah and Jerusalem: for Jeroboam and his sons had cast them off from executing the priest's office unto °the LORD:

15 And he ordained him priests for the high places, and for the °devils, and for the calves which °he had made.

16 And °after them °out of all the tribes of Israel such as °set their hearts to seek °the LORD °God of Israel came to Jerusalem, to sacrifice unto °the LORD °God of their fathers.

880 17 So they strengthened the kingdom of to Rehoboam the son of Solomon strong, °three years: for three years they 877 walked in the way of David and Solomon.

E 18 And Rehoboam °took him Mahalath the daughter of Jerimoth the son of David to wife, and Abihail the daughter of Eliab the son of Jesse;

19 °Which bare him °children; Jeush, and Shamariah, and Zaham.

20 And after her he took °Maachah the daughter of °Absalom; which bare him Abihail, and Attai, and Ziza, and Shelomith.

21 And Rehoboam loved °Maachah the daughter of °Absalom above all his wives and his concubines: (°for he took eighteen wives, and threescore concubines; and begat twenty and eight sons, and threescore daughters.)

22 And Rehoboam made Abijah the son of Maachah the °chief, to be ruler among his brethren: for he thought to make him king.

23 And he dealt wisely, and dispersed of all his °children throughout all the countries of Judah and Benjamin, unto every fenced city: and he gave °them victual in abundance. And he desired many °wives.

F' 12 And it came to pass, when Rehoboam had established the kingdom, and had strengthened himself, °he forsook the law of °the LORD, and °all Israel with him.

B³ u 2 And it came to pass, that in the °fifth year of (p. 581) king Rehoboam °Shishak king of Egypt came up °against Jerusalem, because they had °transgressed against °the LORD, 875

3 With twelve hundred chariots, and threescore thousand horsemen: and the people were without number that came with him out of Egypt; the °Lubims, the °Sukkiims, and the Ethiopians.

4 And he took the fenced cities which pertained to Judah, and came to Jerusalem.

v 5 Then came °Shemaiah the prophet to Rehoboam, and to the princes of Judah, that were gathered together to Jerusalem because of Shishak, and said unto them, "Thus saith °the LORD, 'Ye have forsaken Me, and therefore have I also left you in the hand of Shishak.'"

w 6 Whereupon the °princes of °Israel and the king humbled themselves; and they said, °"The LORD is righteous."

x 7 And when °the LORD saw that they humbled themselves, the word of °the LORD

13 all Israel resorted to him. Thus the mingling of Israel with Judah was continued. See note on 1 Kings 12. 17. coasts - borders.

15 devils - hairy ones, or goats representing demons. he = Jeroboam.

16 after them - following them. out of all the tribes. See notes on vv. 13, 14 above, and 1 Kings 12. 17. set = gave.

17 three years. See note on 12. 2.

18 took him Mahalath . . . and Abihail. Render "took him with Mahalath . . . Abihail".

19 Which, i. e. Which [latter]. children - sons.

20 Maachah. Her other name was Michaiah (13. 2). Absalom. Same as Abishalom (1 Kings 15. 2).

21 for. Note the Fig. Parenthesis. Ap. 6.

22 chief head. 23 them: i. e. the sons. wives - wives [for them].

12. 1 he forsook. It is taken for granted that we know the details of 1 Kings 14. 22-24.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. all. Fig. Synecdoche (of Whole), Ap. 6, put for the part (viz. the ten tribes).

12. 2 12 (B², p. 579). PUBLIC EVENTS. INVASION BY SHISHAK. (Extended Alternation.)

B² u | 2 4. Invasion.
v | 5. Threatening of Jehovah.
w | 6. Humiliation.
x | 7, 8. Mitigation.
u | 9. Invasion.
v | 10, 11. Preparation of Rehoboam.
w | 12-. Humiliation.
x | -12. Mitigation.

2 fifth year. If the 390 years of Ezek. 4. 5 date back from the 5th year of Jehoiakin's captivity, they end 874, the close of Shishak's invasion.

Shishak. There is an inscription by Shishak on the outside of the south wall of the temple of Ammon at Karnac, in which he names the "king of Judah", and gives a list of 120 fortified cities he took.

against Jerusalem. See Ap. 53.

transgressed. Heb. mā'al. Ap. 44. xi.

3 Lubims. Libyans, west of Egypt.

Sukkiims, on east coast of Africa.

5 Shemaiah. Cp. 11. 2 and 1 Kings 12. 22.

6 princes of Israel. See note on 1 Kings 12. 17.

Israel. A special various reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 34) reads "Judah", as well as in 1 Chron. 22. 17; 23. 2. Otherwise "Israel" is put for "Judah".

7 some - for a little while. See note on Prov. 5. 14.

8 My service. In contrast with the service of their enemies. The difference between God's service and men's servitude. A few codices, and six early printed editions, read "his service".

9 against Jerusalem. See note on Judg. 1. 8, and Ap. 53. had made. Cp. 10. 17.

came to Shemaiah, saying, "They have humbled themselves; therefore I will not destroy them, but I will grant them °some deliverance; and My wrath shall not be poured out upon Jerusalem by the hand of Shishak.

8 Nevertheless they shall be his servants; that they may know °My service, and the service of the kingdoms of the countries."

9 So Shishak king of Egypt came up °against Jerusalem, and took away the treasures of the house of °the LORD, and the treasures of the king's house; he took all: he carried away also the shields of gold which Solomon °had made.

10 Instead of which king Rehoboam made

874 shields of brass, and committed *them* to the hands of the °chief of the °guard, that kept the entrance of the king's house.

11 And when the king entered into the house of °the LORD, the °guard came and fetched them, and brought them again into the °guard chamber.

12 And when he humbled himself,

the wrath of °the LORD turned from him, that He would not destroy *him* altogether: and also in Judah °things went well.

13 So king Rehoboam strengthened himself in Jerusalem, and reigned: for Rehoboam was one and forty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned seventeen years in Jerusalem, the city which °the LORD °had chosen out of all the tribes of Israel, to put His name there. And his mother's name was Naamah °an Ammonitess.

14 And °he did °evil, because he °prepared not his heart to seek °the LORD.

15 Now the acts of Rehoboam, first and last, °are they not written in the °book of Shemaiah the prophet, and of °Iddo the °seer concerning genealogies? And *there were* °wars between Rehoboam and Jeroboam continually.

16 And Rehoboam °slept with his fathers, and was buried in the city of David: and °Abijah his son reigned in his stead.

13 Now in the °eighteenth year of king Jeroboam began Abijah to reign over Judah.

2 He reigned three years in Jerusalem. His mother's name also was °Michaiah the daughter of °Uriel of Gibeah. And there was war between Abijah and Jeroboam.

3 And Abijah set the battle in array with an army of valiant °men of war, *even* °four hundred thousand chosen °men: Jeroboam also set the battle in array against him with °eight hundred thousand chosen °men, *being* °mighty men of valour.

4 And Abijah stood up upon mount Zemaraim, which is in °mount Ephraim, and said, "Hear me, thou Jeroboam, and all Israel;

5 °Ought ye not to know that °the LORD °God of Israel gave the kingdom over Israel to David for ever, °even to him and to his sons by °a covenant of salt?

6 Yet Jeroboam the son of Nebat, the servant of Solomon the son of David, is risen up, and hath °rebelled against his °lord.

7 And there are gathered unto him vain °men, the °children of Belial, and have strengthened themselves against Rehoboam the son of Solomon, when Rehoboam °was °young and tenderhearted, and could not withstand them.

8 And now ye think to withstand °the kingdom of °the LORD in the hand of the sons of David;

and ye be a great multitude, and *there are* with you golden calves, which Jeroboam °made you for gods.

9 °Have ye not cast out the priests of °the

10 chief - princes.

guard = runners.

12 things went well. Heb. "there were good words [spoken]"; i. e. there were congratulations.

13 had chosen. Cp. 6. 6 and 1 Kings 12. 25-33. an = the.

14 he did evil. Cp. 1 Kings 14. 22-24.

evil. Heb. *rā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii.

prepared, or fixed. Cp. Ps. 57. 7; 108. 1; and 112. 7.

15 are they not . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

book = words. Iddo. Cp. 9. 29; 13. 22.

seer. Heb. *hōzeh*. See note on 1 Chron. 29. 29.

wars. Cp. 1 Kings 14. 30.

16 slept with his fathers. See note on Deut. 31. 16. Abijah. Called Abijam (1 Kings 14. 31). See note on 1 Chron. 25. 11.

13. 1-14. 1- (G⁴, p. 545). ABIJAH.

(Introversion.)

G⁴ | A | 13. 1, 2. Introduction.

B | 13. 3. War declared.

C | 13. 4-12. Address to Jeroboam.

B | 13. 13-21. War made.

A | 13. 21-14. 1-. Conclusion.

1 eighteenth year. Cp. 1 Kings 15. 1.

2 Michaiah. Called also Maachah in 11. 20; 1 Kings 15. 2. See note on 1 Chron. 25. 11. Michaiah = Who is like Jehovah? This name used of her as the queen-mother; but she is called Maachah = oppression, when speaking of her idolatry (15. 16).

Uriel of Gibeah. Josephus (*Ant.* VIII. 10. 1) says he was the husband of Tamar the daughter of Absalom, and the mother of Michaiah. See above, 11. 20, 1 Kings 15. 2.

3 men of. Heb. *gibbōr*. Ap. 14. IV.

four hundred . . . eight hundred. Note the steady increase of Judah and the decrease of Israel: Rehoboam could assemble 180,000; Abijah (eighteen years later), 400,000; Asa (six years later), 580,000; Jehoshaphat (thirty-two years later), 1,160,000. On the other hand, with Israel, Jeroboam could assemble 800,000, while Ahab's army was compared to "two little flocks of kids" (1 Kings 20. 27), which could not stand against the Syrians. This increase of Judah was caused by the constant emigration of Israelites from the ten tribes. See note on 1 Kings 12. 17.

men. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

mighty men. Heb. *gibbōr*. Ap. 14. IV.

13. 4-12 (C, above). ADDRESS TO JEROBOAM.

(Extended Alternation.)

C | a | 4, 5. Kingdom given.

b | 6. Rebellion against Rehoboam.

c | 7. Dependence of Jeroboam on man.

a | 8. Kingdom withstood.

b | 9-11. Rebellion against Jehovah.

c | 12. Dependence of Abijah on God.

4 mount = hill country: i. e. of Ephraim.

5 Ought ye not . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

even to him. Israel's king must be of David's line. a covenant of salt. See notes on Lev. 2. 13 and Num. 18. 19. This is the third of the three occurrences.

6 rebelled. Cp. 1 Kings 11. 26.

lord. A.V., 1611, had "LORD". Heb. *'Adonai*. Ap. 4. VIII. 1.

Heb. pl. = his overlord.

7 men. Heb. pl. *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

children = sons.

was. Heb. *hāyāh* - became, or showed himself [to be young and weak]. young. Cp. 10. 8; 12. 13.

8 the kingdom of the LORD. Once pertaining to the whole nation (1 Chron. 28. 5. 2 Chron. 9. 8), now confined to Judah. made you. Cp. 1 Kings 12. 28.

9 Have ye not . . . ? Cp. 11. 14. Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

LORD, the sons of Aaron, and the Levites, and have made you priests after the manner

863 of the °nations of *other* lands? so that who-
to soever cometh to °consecrate himself with
860 a young bullock and °seven rams, *the same*
may be a priest of *them that are* no gods.

10 But as for us, °the LORD is our °God, and
we have not forsaken Him; and the priests,
which minister unto °the LORD, are the sons
of Aaron, and the Levites wait upon *their*
business:

11 And they °burn unto °the LORD every
morning and every evening burnt sacrifices
and sweet incense: the shewbread also *set*
they in order upon the pure table; and the
°candlestick of gold with the lamps thereof,
to burn every evening: for we keep the charge
of °the LORD our °God; but ye have forsaken
Him.

c (p. 582) 12 And, °behold, °God Himself *is* with us
for our captain, and His priests with °sound-
ing trumpets to cry alarm against you. O
°children of Israel, fight ye not against °the
LORD °God of your fathers; for ye shall not
prosper."

B d (p. 583) 13 But Jeroboam caused an ambushment to
come about behind them: so they were before
Judah, and the ambushment *was* behind them.

e 14 And when Judah looked back, °behold, the
battle *was* before and behind: and they cried
unto °the LORD, and the priests sounded with
the trumpets.

15 Then the °men of Judah gave a shout:
and as the °men of Judah shouted, it came to
pass, that °God smote Jeroboam and all Israel
before Abijah and Judah.

d 16 And the °children of Israel fled before
Judah: and °God delivered them into their
hand.

17 And Abijah and his People slew them
with a great slaughter: so there fell down
slain of Israel five hundred thousand chosen
°men.

18 Thus the °children of Israel were brought
under at that time, and the °children of Judah
prevailed, because they relied upon °the LORD
°God of their fathers.

e 19 And Abijah pursued after Jeroboam, and
took cities from him, Beth-el with the towns
thereof, and °Jeshanah with the towns thereof,
and °Ephraim with the towns thereof.

20 Neither did Jeroboam recover strength
again in the days of Abijah: and °the LORD
struck him, and °he died.

A 21 But Abijah waxed mighty, and married
fourteen wives, and begat twenty and two
sons, and sixteen daughters.

22 And the rest of the acts of Abijah, and
his ways, and his sayings, are written in the
°story of the prophet °Iddo.

14 So Abijah °slept with his fathers, and
they buried him in the city of David:

G⁵ D and Asa his son reigned in his stead. In his
860 days the land was °quiet ten years.

to 2 And Asa did *that which was* good and
850 right in the eyes of °the LORD his °God:

E F¹ f 3 For he °took away the altars of the strange
gods, and °the high places, and brake down
the °images, and cut down the °groves:

nations = Peoples.

consecrate. See note on Ex. 28. 41. Lev. 9. 17.
seven rams. In Ex. 29. 1 and Lev. 8. 2 only "two
rams" appointed. But religion and ritual, being
for the flesh, always add outward things while they
diminish the spiritual.

11 burn = "burn [as incense]". Heb. *kātar*. Ap. 43.
I. vii. candlestick = lampstand.

12 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.
sounding trumpets. Cp. Num. 10. 9; 31. 6.

13. 13-20 (B, p. 582). WAR MADE. (Alternation.)

B | d | 13. Jeroboam. Assault.

e | 14, 15. Abijah. Cry to Jehovah.

d | 16-18. Jeroboam. Defeat.

e | 19, 20. Abijah. Victory through Jehovah.

14 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*.

19 Jeshanah. Now, probably 'Ain Sīnia, in Valley
north of Bethel.

Ephraim. Identified as "Ephraim" (John 11. 54).

20 he died. Fig. *Hysterologia*. Ap. 6. Jeroboam
outlived Abijah. See note on 1 Kings 14. 20.

22 story. Heb. *midrash* = a historical commentary,
having in view the moral instruction rather than the
historic facts. Occurs only here and 24. 27.

Iddo. Cp. 9. 29; 12. 15.

14. -1-16. 14 (G⁵, p. 545). ASA (Introversion.)

G⁵ | D | 14. -1, 2. Introduction.

E | 14. 3-8. Events. Personal. Well-doing.

E | 14. 9-16. 10. Events. Public. War.

D | 16. 11-14. Conclusion.

1 slept, &c. See note on Deut. 31. 16.

quiet ten years. There was only border fighting
(1 Kings 15. 19, 32), but no actual campaign. See note
on 15. 19.

2 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

14. 3-8 (E, above). EVENTS. PERSONAL. (Introversions.)

E, F¹ | f | 3. Removal of idolatry.

g | 4-. Exhortation to Judah. Faith.

g | -4. Exhortation to Judah. Works.

f | 5. Removal of idolatry.

F² | h | 6. Defence. Cities.

i | 7-. Exhortation to Judah. Works.

i | -7. Exhortation to Judah. Faith.

h | 8. Defence. Armies.

3 took away . . . the high places. No "dis-
crepancy" between this and 15. 17; for the high places
referred to there belonged to "Israel", not Judah.
Asa could do nothing in Israel.

images = sun images.

groves. Heb. 'Asherim. See note on Ex. 34. 13, and
Ap. 42. See note on Isa. 17. 8.

7 gates = double doors.

4 And commanded Judah to seek °the LORD
°God of their fathers,

and to do the law and the commandment.

5 Also he took away out of all the cities of
Judah the high places and the images: and
the kingdom was quiet before him.

6 And he built fenced cities in Judah: for the
land had rest, and he had no war in those
years; because °the LORD had given him rest.

7 Therefore he said unto Judah, "Let us
build these cities, and make about *them* walls,
and towers, °gates, and bars, *while* the land
is yet before us;

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860-819 because we have sought ²the LORD our ²God, we have sought *Him*, and He hath given us rest on every side." So they built and prospered.

h 8 And Asa had °an army of men that bare targets and spears, out of Judah °three hundred thousand; and out of Benjamin, that bare shields and drew bows, °two hundred and fourscore thousand: all these were °mighty men of valour.

E G (p. 584)
847 9 And there came out against them °Zerah the Ethiopian with an host of a thousand and came unto °Mareshah.

or
846 10 Then Asa went out against him, and they set the battle in array in the valley of °Zephathah at °Mareshah.

11 And Asa cried unto ²the LORD his ²God, and said, ²"LORD, it is nothing with Thee to help, whether with many, or with them that have no power: help us, O ²LORD our ²God; for we rest on Thee, and in Thy name we go against this multitude. O ²LORD, *Thou art* our ²God; let not °man prevail against Thee."

12 So ²the LORD smote the Ethiopians before Asa, and before Judah; and the Ethiopians fled.

13 And Asa and the People that were with him pursued them unto °Gerar: and the Ethiopians were overthrown, that they could not recover themselves; for they were °destroyed before ²the LORD, and before °His host; and they carried away very much spoil.

14 And they smote all the cities round about Gerar; for °the fear of ²the LORD came upon them: and they spoiled all the cities; for there was exceeding much spoil in them.

15 They smote also the tents of cattle, and carried away sheep and camels in abundance, and returned to Jerusalem.

H j 15 °And °the Spirit of °God came upon °Azariah the son of °Oded:

2 And he went out to meet Asa, and said unto him, "Hear ye me, Asa, and all Judah and Benjamin; °The LORD is with you, while ye be with Him; and if ye seek Him, He will be found of you; but if ye forsake Him, He will forsake you."

k 3 Now for a long season Israel °hath been °without the true ¹God, °and without °a teaching priest, and without law.

l 4 But when they in their trouble did turn unto ²the LORD ¹God of Israel, and sought Him, He was found of them.

h 5 And in those times *there was* °no peace to him that went out, nor to him that came in, but great °vexations were upon all the inhabitants of °the countries.

6 And nation was destroyed of nation, and city of city: for ¹God did vex them with all °adversity.

j 7 Be ye strong therefore, and let not your hands be weak: for your work shall be rewarded."

J K 8 And when Asa heard these words, °and the prophecy of Oded the prophet, he took courage, and put away the °abominable idols out of all the land of Judah and Benjamin, and

8 an army = a force.

three hundred . . . two hundred (580,000). An increase of 180,000 on his father's. See note on 13. 3. mighty men. Heb. *gibbôr*. Ap. 14. IV.

14. 9-16. 10 (E, p. 583). EVENTS. PUBLIC.
(Extended Alternation.)

E | G | 14. 9-15. Invasion by Zerah.
H | 15. 1-7. Word of Jehovah by Azariah.
J | 15. 8-19. Obedience.
G | 16. 1-6. Invasion by Baasha.
H | 16. 7-9. Word of the Lord by Hanani.
J | 16. 10. Disobedience.

9 Zerah. Cp. 12. 2-9.

Mareshah. Now *Khan Mer'ask*. In the plain belonging to Judah (11. 8; 14. 9; 10; 20. 37. Josh. 15. 44). Mic. 1. 15.

10 Zephathah at. Sept. reads "Zaphonah, northward to".

11 man = mortal man. Heb. *'enôsh*. Ap. 14. III.

13 Gerar. Now *Khan Umm Jerrar*. Six miles south of Gaza, twenty-five from Beer-sheba, thirty miles south-west of Mareshah (v. 10).

destroyed = broken.

His host = His People's battles are His own (1 Sam. 18. 17; 25. 28).

14 the fear of the LORD came. Cp. 17. 10; 20. 29.

15. 1-7 (H, above). THE WORD OF JEHOVAH BY AZARIAH. (Introversion.)

H | j | 1. 2. Threatening.
k | 3. Trouble. The cause.
l | 4. Humiliation.
k | 5, 6. Trouble. The consequence.
j | 7. Encouragement.

1 And. This chapter supplementary to 1 Kings 15. the Spirit. Heb. *rûach*. Ap. 9. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), for His gift of prophecy. One of the eight occurrences outside the book of Samuel.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

Azariah. Not mentioned elsewhere.

Oded. See 28. 9. Heb. *'ôdêd*.

2 The LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4.

3 hath = had.

without. Figs. *Anaphora* and *Polysyndeton*. Ap. 6. and. Fig. *Polysyndeton*. Ap. 6.

a teaching priest. Teaching was the great priestly function. But, as generally with priests, teaching was neglected for ritual. See note on Deut. 17. 11; 33. 10. Mal. 2. 7.

5 no peace. As in the days of Deborah and Gideon (Judg. 5. 6; 6. 5).

vexations = consternations. Cp. Deut. 7. 23. 1 Sam. 5. 9. Amos 3. 9. Zech. 14. 13. Heb. *m'hûmâh* = specially trouble from God.

the countries: i. e. the different tribal divisions.

6 adversity. By civil wars.

15. 8-19 (J, above). OBEDIENCE.
(Repeated Alternation and Introversion.)

J | K | 8. Removal of idols.
L | m | 9-12. Covenant.
n | 13-15. Exception, then. The queen mother's idol. (Destroyed later, v. 16).
M | -15. Rest.
K | 16. Removal of idol.
L | n | 17. Exception. Israel's high places.
m | 18. Dedicated things.
M | 19. Rest.

8 and the prophecy, &c. Render: "and the prophecy (Oded was the prophet) he took", &c.

abominable idols = abominations. Referring specially to the *Asherim*. Ap. 42.

the cities . . . taken. Probably by Abijah (13. 19).

mount = the hill country.

out of °the cities which he had taken from °mount Ephraim, and renewed the altar of

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² the LORD, that was before the porch of ² the LORD.

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(9 And he gathered all Judah and Benjamin, and the °strangers with them out of °Ephraim and Manasseh, and out of °Simeon: for they °fell to him out of Israel in abundance, when they saw that ² the LORD his ¹ God was with him.

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10 So they gathered themselves together at Jerusalem in the °third month, in the °fifteenth year of the reign of Asa.

11 And they °offered unto ² the LORD the same time, of °the spoil which they had brought, seven hundred oxen and seven thousand sheep.

12 And they entered into a covenant to seek ² the LORD ¹ God of their fathers with all their heart and with all their °soul;

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13 That whosoever would not seek ² the LORD ¹ God of Israel °should be put to death, whether small or great, whether °man or woman.

14 And they swore unto ² the LORD with a loud voice, and with shouting, and with trumpets, and with cornets.

15 And all Judah rejoiced at the oath: for they had sworn with all their heart, and sought Him with their whole desire; and He was found of them:

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and ² the LORD gave them rest round about.

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16 And also concerning °Maachah the °mother of Asa the king, he removed her from being queen, because she had made an °idol in a grove: and Asa cut down her °idol, and °stamped it, and burnt it at the brook Kidron.

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17 But the high places were °not taken away out of Israel: nevertheless the heart of Asa was °perfect all his days.

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18 And he brought into the house of ¹ God the °things that his father had °dedicated, and that he himself had °dedicated, silver, and gold, and vessels.)

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19 And there was °no more war unto the five and thirtieth year of the °reign of Asa.

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16 °In the °six and thirtieth year of the °reign of Asa Baasha king of Israel °came up against Judah, and built Ramah, to the intent that he might °let none go out or come in to Asa king of Judah.

2 Then Asa brought out silver and gold out of the °treasures of the house of °the LORD and of the king's house, and sent to Ben-hadad king of Syria, that dwelt at Damascus, saying,

3 °“There is a league between me and thee, as there was between my father and thy father: °behold, I have sent thee silver and gold; go, break thy league with Baasha king of Israel, that he may depart from me.”

4 And Ben-hadad hearkened unto king Asa, and sent the captains of his armies against the cities of Israel; and they smote Ijon, and Dan, and Abel-maim, and all the °store cities of Naphtali.

5 And it came to pass, when Baasha heard it, that he left off building of Ramah, and let his work cease.

3 strangers = sojourners: i. e. those not of Judah. Heb. *gūr*. See note on Prov. 5. 3.

Ephraim. Jeroboam's own tribe.

Simeon. Always more or less reckoned with Judah. fell to him out of Israel. See note on 1 Kings 12. 17.

10 third month. The feast of Pentecost, fifteenth year. The dates of vv. 9-19 refer to the parenthesis which concern 14. 9-15.

11 offered = sacrificed. Heb. *zābāch*. Ap. 43. I. iv. the spoil. Taken from the Ethiopians, &c. (14. 13-15).

12 soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

13 should be put to death. Cp. Deut. 17. 2-6.

man or woman. Heb. *'ish* or *'ishshāh*.

16 Maachah. See note on 13. 2.

mother = the queen-mother. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Genus) for grandmother (1 Kings 15. 2). Ap. 6.

idol in a grove = a monstrous *'Ashērah* for a grove. Cp. 1 Kings 15. 13. See Ap. 42.

stamped it = beat it small.

17 not taken away. Not from “Israel” (15. 17), but from Judah (14. 3). Fig. *Palinodia*. Ap. 6.

perfect: i. e. so far as idolatry was concerned.

18 things . . . dedicated = holy things. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

19 no more war = no actual campaign (as in 16. 1). There was quiet between the two kings (14. 1), but there was border fighting (as in 1 Kings 15. 16, 32). See note on 14. 1.

reign = kingdom. Cp. Num. 24. 7. 1 Sam. 20. 31. 1 Kings 2. 12. 1 Chron. 11. 10; 14. 2; 17. 14; 22. 10; 28. 5.

16. 1 In the, &c. This chapter is complementary to 1 Kings 15. 17-24.

six and thirtieth. The thirty-sixth year of the kingdom: i. e. from the disruption of the kingdom of Judah. This agrees with all the other dates and lengths of reigns. See Ap. 50. V, and note on p. 57.

reign. See note on 15. 19.

came up against. There had been quiet between the two kingdoms as such (14. 1; 15. 19), though there had been border fighting (1 Kings 15. 16, 32).

let none go out. This shows that there was a tide of population streaming into Judah from Israel. See note on 1 Kings 12. 17.

2 treasures = treasuries, the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

3 There is. Supply *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) by “Let there be”. behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

4 store cities = the storehouses of the cities. Sept. reads “the surrounding cities”.

7 Hanani. Cp. 1 Kings 16. 1, 7; 19. 2; 20. 34.

seer. Heb. *ra'āh*. See note on 1 Chron. 29. 29.

Because. Cp. similar protests against resting on foreign alliances (Isa. 30. 1; 31. 1).

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

8 Were not . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

9 the eyes of the LORD. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. Cp. Prov. 15. 3. Job 34. 21. Ps. 139. 2. Jer. 16. 17. Zech. 4. 10.

6 Then Asa the king took all Judah; and they carried away the stones of Ramah, and the timber thereof, wherewith Baasha was building; and he built therewith Geba and Mizpah.

7 And at that time °Hanani the °seer came to Asa king of Judah, and said unto him, °“Because thou hast relied on the king of Syria, and not relied on ² the LORD thy °God, therefore is the host of the king of Syria escaped out of thine hand.

8 °Were not the Ethiopians and the Lubims a huge host, with very many chariots and horsemen? yet, because thou didst rely on ² the LORD, He delivered them into thine hand.

9 For °the eyes of ² the LORD run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to shew Himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is

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°perfect toward Him. Herein thou hast done foolishly: therefore from henceforth thou shalt have wars."

J (p. 584) 10 Then Asa was °wroth with the 7seer, and put him in a prison house; for he was in a rage with him because of this thing. And Asa oppressed some of the People the same time.

D (p. 583) 11 And, °behold, the acts of Asa, first and last, °lo, they are written in the book of the kings of Judah and Israel.

12 And Asa in the thirty and ninth year of his reign was diseased in his feet, until his disease was exceeding great: yet in his disease he °sought not to 2the LORD, but to the °physicians.

13 And Asa °slept with his fathers, and died in the one and fortieth year of his reign.

14 And they buried him in his own °sepulchres, which he had °made for himself in the city of David, and laid him in the bed which was filled with °sweet odours and divers kinds of spices prepared by the apothecaries' art: and they made a °very great burning for him.

G⁶ N Q (p. 586) 17 °And Jehoshaphat his son reigned in his stead, and °strengthened himself against Israel.

2 And he placed forces in all the °fenced cities of Judah, and set garrisons in the land of Judah, and in the cities of Ephraim, which °Asa his father had taken.

R S o 3 And °the LORD °was with Jehoshaphat, because he walked in °the first ways of his father David, and sought not unto Baalim;

4 But sought to the LORD °God of his father, and walked in His commandments, and not after the doings of °Israel.

5 Therefore 3the LORD stablished the kingdom in his hand;

p and all Judah °brought to Jehoshaphat presents; and he had riches and honour in abundance.

q 6 And his heart was °lifted up in the ways of 3the LORD: moreover °he took away the high places and °groves out of Judah.

7 Also in the third year of his reign he sent to his °princes, even to Ben-hail, and to Obadiah, and to Zechariah, and to Nethaneel, and to Michaiah, °to teach in the cities of Judah.

8 And with them he sent Levites, even Shemaiah, and Nethaniah, and Zebadiah, and Asahel, and Shemiramoth, and Jehonathan, and Adonijah, and Tobijah, and Tob-adonijah, Levites; and with them Elishama and Jehoram, priests.

9 And they taught in Judah, and had °the book of the law of 3the LORD with them, and °went about throughout all the cities of Judah, and taught the People.

T o 10 And the °fear of 3the LORD °fell upon all the kingdoms of the lands that were round about Judah, so that they made no war against Jehoshaphat.

p 11 Also some of the Philistines 5brought Jehoshaphat presents, and tribute silver; and the Arabians 5brought him flocks, seven thousand and seven hundred rams, and seven thousand and seven hundred he goats.

q 12 And Jehoshaphat waxed great exceed-

perfect = whole, as in Deut. 27. 6.

10 wroth with the seer. One of the eleven rulers offended with God's servants. See note on Ex. 10. 28.

11 behold . . . lo. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

12 sought not. Contrast Hezekiah (2 Kings 20. 2. Isa. 38. 2, 3.)

physicians = healers. First occurrence of mention of them among the Hebrews. These belonged to the priestly tribe, with traditional knowledge, more or less superstitious. Cp. Job 13. 4. In N.T. we have Luke (Col. 4. 14).

13 slept with his fathers. See note on Deut. 31. 16.

14 sepulchres = a great sepulchre. Pl. of majesty. made for himself. Not infrequently done. Cp. Matt. 27. 60. John 19. 38-42.

sweet odours and divers kinds. Fig. Hendiadys (Ap. 6), emphasising the many kinds of odours. Omit "of spices".

very great burning: i. e. of the odours previously mentioned, but not of incense, or of the sin offering. Cp. 21. 19. Heb. saraph. Ap. 43. I. viii.

17. 1-21. 1- (G⁶, p. 545). JEHOSEPHAT.

(Extended and Simple Alternations, with Introversion.)

G ⁶	N	Q	17. 1, 2. Introduction. Accession.
	R	S	17. 3-9. Personal. Reformation.
	T	17. 10-19. The kingdom. Established.	
	O	U	18. 1-34. Alliance with Ahab.
		V	19. 1-3. Remonstrance.
			Jehu.
		P	19. 4. Jerusalem. Dwell-
			ing.
N	R	S	19. 5-11. Personal. Reformation.
	T	20. 1-30. The kingdom. Invaded.	
	Q	20. 31-34. Conclusion. Reign.	
	O	U	20. 35, 36. Alliance with Ahab.
		V	20. 37. Remonstrance.
			Eliezer.
		P	21. 1. Jerusalem. Death.

1 And. This chapter is supplementary to 1 Kings 22. 41-43.

strengthened himself. Without this we could not understand his subsequent alliances with the worst of Israel's kings (18. 1, 2; 20. 35, 36).

2 fenced = fortified.

Asa . . . had taken (15. 8).

3-19 (R, above; S, vv. 3-9; T, vv. 10-19). PERSONAL. REFORMATION. (Extended Alternation.)

S	o	3-5. Divine presence.
	p	-5. Presents from Judah.
	q	6-9. Goodness.
T	o	10. Divine protection.
	p	11. Presents from Philistines.
	q	12-19. Greatness.

3 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

was with. Thus approving his strengthening himself against idolaters and idolatry.

the first ways: i. e. David's earlier ways were of faith.

4 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. II.

Israel. The worship of the calves, and Baal.

5 brought . . . presents. In token of subjection and loyalty at beginning of reign (1 Sam. 10. 27. 1 Kings 10. 25).

6 lifted up = encouraged.

he took away. But "the people" failed in their part (20. 33. 1 Kings 22. 43). Jehoshaphat did his by commanding that they should be taken away; not, of course, doing this with his own hands. Cp. 19. 3.

groves. Heb. the 'Asherim. See notes on Ex. 34. 13, and Ap. 42.

7 princes. These organized the Levites and priests (v. 8) into a teaching mission. The first so recorded. to teach. This was the special function of the priests. See notes on Deut. 17. 9-12; 33. 10.

9 the book of the law. See note on Ex. 17. 14, and Ap. 47.

went about (2 Kings 23. 2. Neh. 8. 3-18).

10 fear = dread. fell = came, or was.

ingly; and he built in Judah castles, and cities of store.

13 And he °had much business in the cities of Judah: °and the °men of war, °mighty men of valour, were in Jerusalem.

14 And these are the numbers of them according to the house of their fathers: Of Judah, the captains of thousands; Adnah the chief, and with him ¹³mighty men of valour °three hundred thousand.

15 And °next to him was Jehohanan the captain, and with him two hundred and fourscore thousand.

16 And next him was Amasiah the son of Zichri, who willingly offered himself unto ³the LORD; and with him two hundred thousand ¹³mighty men of valour.

17 And of Benjamin; Eliada a ¹³mighty man of valour, and with him armed men °with bow and shield two hundred thousand.

18 And next him was Jehozabad, and with him an hundred and fourscore thousand ready prepared for the war.

19 These waited on the king, beside those whom the king put in the fenced cities °throughout all Judah.

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18 °Now Jehoshaphat had °riches and honour in abundance, and °joined affinity with Ahab.

s 2 °And °after certain years he went down to Ahab to Samaria. °And Ahab killed sheep and oxen for him in abundance, and for the People that he had with him, and °persuaded him to go up with him to °Ramoth-gilead.

r 3 And Ahab king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat king of Judah, "Wilt thou go with me to ²Ramoth-gilead?" And he answered him, "I am as thou art, and my People as thy People; and °we will be with thee in the war."

s Y v 4 And Jehoshaphat said unto the king of Israel, "Enquire, I pray thee, at the word of °the LORD to day."

w 5 Therefore the king of Israel gathered together of °prophets four hundred °men, and said unto them, "Shall we go to Ramoth-gilead to battle, or shall I forbear?" And they said, "Go up; for °God will deliver it into the king's hand."

is he that ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city" (Prov. 16. 32). But Jehoshaphat did not "take it".

18. 4-27 (s, above). JEHOSEPHAT'S ANXIETY. (Introversions and Alternations.)

s	Y	v	4. Jehoshaphat. Inquiry.
		w	5. Ahab. Compliance.
		v	6. Jehoshaphat. Further inquiry.
		w	7. Ahab. Reply.
		Z	8. True prophet sent for. Micaiah.
		A	9, 10. False prophets. Zedekiah.
		A	11. False prophets. All.
		Z	12, 13. True prophet brought. Micaiah.
Y	x	14-	Inquiry made. Ahab.
		y	-14. Micaiah's answer. Ironical.
		x	15. Inquiry adjured. Ahab.
		y	16-27. Micaiah's answer. Serious.

4 Enquire, &c. This shows his consciousness that he was not doing right. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. 5 prophets: i.e. the false prophets of Baal. men. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. They knew not experimental relationship with Jehovah.

13 had much business = was busily engaged. and the men of. Heb. pl. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III. mighty men. Heb. gibbōr. Ap. 14. IV.

14 three hundred thousand. So far from these numbers being exaggerated, they are a token of Jehovah's prospering grace. Jehoshaphat could muster 1,600,000; David, 1,300,000.

15 next to him = under his direction. Heb. "at his hand" (1 Chron. 25. 2).

17 with bow and shield. Fig. Zeugma (Ap. 6), by which the second verb is omitted. If we supply the first, the second follows: "[armed] with bow and [using] shield". 19 throughout all Judah. Cp. v. 2.

18. 1-34 (U, p. 586). ALLIANCES WITH AHAB. (Alternation and Introversion.)

U	W	r	1. Alliance. Matrimonial.
		s	2. Jehoshaphat's consent.
		r	3. Alliance. Military.
		s	4-27. Jehoshaphat's anxiety.
W	t	X	28. The expedition.
		29-	Ahab's device.
		u	-29. Jehoshaphat's consent.
		u	30, 31. Jehoshaphat's concern.
		t	32-34. Ahab's death.

1 Now, &c. This chapter is complementary to 1 Kings 22. riches and honour in abundance. This is repeated from 17. 5, to show that there was no need for any alliance of any kind.

joined affinity. By marrying his son Jehoram to Athaliah the daughter of Ahab (21. 6. 2 Kings 8. 18). Contrast 17. 1, where he began by strengthening himself against Ahab, and now "joined affinity" with him. See Ap. 55. Cp. Asa's alliance with Syria (1 Kings 15. 17-19).

Note the three alliances or unequal yokes: (1) Marriage (18. 1; 21. 6); (2) War (18. 2-34); (3) Commerce (20. 35, 36). The consequence of this alliance was that Jerusalem ran with blood. The same was seen when James I of England married his son Charles I to Henrietta of France. England ran with blood, Charles lost his head, and his son James II lost his throne.

2 And. Note the Fig. Polysyndeton (Ap. 6), emphasising the consequent details.

after certain years. The third year of the peace between Ahab and Syria (1 Kings 22. 1, 2).

And Ahab killed, &c. Ahab's "sheep and oxen" did what all his men of war could never have done (17. 2, 10-19).

persuaded - seduced. Heb. sūth, to incite; our "sooth"; hence to deceive (Deut. 18. 6. 1 Sam. 26. 19. 1 Kings 21. 25. Jer. 38. 22).

Ramoth-gilead. Now, probably Reimūn, in Gilead. One of the cities of refuge (Deut. 4. 43). God's gift to Israel.

3 we will be with thee. Jehoshaphat was deceived by its seeming to be a "good work". But "good" works are only "prepared" works (Eph. 2. 10). It could not be "good" if done "with thee" (cp. 19. 2). "Better

^v (p. 587) 6 But Jehoshaphat said, "Is there not here a prophet of 'the LORD' besides, that we might enquire of him?"

^w 7 And the king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat, "There is yet one ⁵man, by whom we may enquire of 'the LORD: but ^o I hate him; for he never prophesied good unto me, but always ^oevil: the same is ^oMicaiah the son of Imla." And Jehoshaphat said, "Let not the king say so."

^Z 8 And the king of Israel called for one of his officers, and said, "Fetch quickly Micaiah the son of Imla."

^A 9 And the king of Israel and Jehoshaphat king of Judah sat either of them on his throne, clothed in their robes, and they sat in a void place at the entering in of the gate of Samaria; and all the prophets ^oprophesied before them.

10 And Zedekiah the son of Chenaanah had made him horns of iron, and said, "Thus saith 'the LORD, 'With these thou shalt push Syria until ^othey be consumed.'"

^A 11 And all the prophets prophesied so, saying, "Go up to Ramoth-gilead, and prosper: for 'the LORD shall deliver it into the hand of the king."

^Z 12 And the messenger that went to call Micaiah spake to him, saying, ^o"Behold, the words of the prophets *declare* good to the king with one ^oassent; let thy word therefore, I pray thee, be like one of theirs, and speak thou good."

13 And Micaiah said, "As 'the LORD liveth, even what my ⁵God saith, that will I speak."

^{Y x} 14 And when he was come to the king, the king said unto him, "Micaiah, shall ^owe go to Ramoth-gilead to battle, or shall ^oI forbear?"

^Y And he said, "Go ^oye up, and prosper, and they shall be delivered into your hand."

^x 15 And the king said to him, "How many times shall I adjure thee that thou say nothing but the truth to me in the name of 'the LORD?"

^{y B¹ a} (p. 588) 16 Then he said, "I did see all Israel scattered upon the mountains, as sheep that have no shepherd: and 'the LORD said, 'These have no master; let them return *therefore* ⁵every man to his house in peace.'"

^b 17 And the king of Israel said to Jehoshaphat, "Did I not tell thee *that* he would not prophesy good unto me, but ⁷evil?"

^a 18 Again he said, "Therefore hear the word of 'the LORD; I saw 'the LORD sitting upon His throne, and all the host of heaven standing on His right hand and on His left.

19 And 'the LORD said, 'Who shall entice Ahab king of Israel, that he may go up and fall at Ramoth-gilead?' And one spake saying after this manner, and another saying after that manner.

20 Then there came out a ^ospirit, and stood before 'the LORD, and said, 'I will entice him.' And 'the LORD said unto him, 'Wherewith?"

21 And he said, 'I will go out, and be a lying ²⁰spirit in the mouth of all his prophets.' And *the LORD* said, 'Thou shalt entice him, and thou shalt also prevail: go out, and do *even* so.'

^b 22 Now therefore, ¹²behold, 'the LORD hath put a lying ²⁰spirit in the mouth of ^othese thy

6 besides. He thus shows that he knew they were false prophets.

7 I hate him—I have always hated him. True prophets are always hated by the Lord's enemies. evil. Heb. *rā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii.

Micaiah = Who is like Jehovah?

9 prophesied before them. Jehoshaphat well knowing that they were not the prophets of Jehovah.

10 they. Note the characteristic ambiguity of such communications.

12 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

assent = mouth. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause) for what is spoken by it.

14 we . . . I . . . ye. Note the change in number.

18. 16-27 (*y*, p. 587). MICAHIAH'S ANSWER. (*Repeated Alternation*.)

<i>y</i>	<i>B</i> ¹	<i>a</i> 16. Vision seen.	} Communicated.
		<i>b</i> 17. Understood.	
		<i>a</i> 18-21. Vision seen.	
		<i>b</i> 22. Interpreted.	
	<i>B</i> ²	<i>c</i> 23. Zedekiah.	} Received.
		<i>d</i> 24. Micaiah.	
		<i>c</i> 25, 26. Ahab.	
		<i>d</i> 27. Micaiah.	

20 spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

22 these. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "all these".

24 thou shalt see = art going to see; or, art about to see; or, thou wilt soon see.

25 carry him back. Implying that Micaiah was already a prisoner.

26 Put this fellow. One of the eleven rulers offended with God's servants. See note on Ex. 10. 28, and Ap. 10.

bread of affliction. Genitive of relation. Bread accompanied by, or eaten in, affliction; also because of its quality, or scant allowance.

27 people = Peoples.

29 I will disguise myself, and will go. Heb. text reads "to disguise myself and to go". This is either Fig. *Heterosis* (of Moods), Ap. 6, the Infinitive being put for the Indicative, thus beautifully rendered; or, Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), which might be supplied thus: "I [am about] to disguise myself and go".

prophets, and 'the LORD hath spoken ⁷evil against thee."

23 Then Zedekiah the son of Chenaanah came near, and smote Micaiah upon the cheek, and said, "Which way went the ²⁰Spirit of 'the LORD from me to speak unto thee?"

24 And Micaiah said, "Behold, ^othou shalt see on that day when thou shalt go into an inner chamber to hide thyself."

25 Then the king of Israel said, "Take ye Micaiah, and ^ocarry him back to Amon the governor of the city, and to Joash the king's son;

26 And say, 'Thus saith the king, ^o'Put this fellow in the prison, and feed him with ^obread of affliction and with water of affliction, until I return in peace.'"

27 And Micaiah said, "If thou certainly return in peace, *then* hath not 'the LORD spoken by me." And he said, "Hearken, all ye ^opeople."

28 So the king of Israel and Jehoshaphat the king of Judah went up to Ramoth-gilead.

29 And the king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat, ^o"I will disguise myself, and will go to the battle; but put *thou* on thy robes."

u So the king of Israel disguised himself; and
(p. 587) °they went to the battle.

800 30 °Now the king of Syria had commanded the captains of the chariots that were with him, saying, "Fight ye not with small or great, save only with the king of Israel."

u 31 And it came to pass, when the captains of the chariots saw Jehoshaphat, that they said, "It is the king of Israel." Therefore they compassed about him to fight: but Jehoshaphat cried out, and °the LORD °helped him; and °God moved them to depart from him.

t 32 For it came to pass, that, when the captains of the chariots perceived that it was not the king of Israel, they turned back again from pursuing him.

33 And a certain °man drew a bow °at a venture, and smote the king of Israel between the joints °of the harness: therefore he said to his chariot man, "Turn thine hand, °that thou mayest carry me out of the host; for I am °wounded."

800 34 And the battle increased that day: howbeit the king of Israel stayed himself up in his chariot against the Syrians until the even: and about the time of the sun going down °he died.

V 19 And Jehoshaphat the king of Judah
(p. 586) returned to his house °in peace to Jerusalem.

2 And °Jehu the son of Hanani the seer went out to meet him, and said to king Jehoshaphat, "Shouldest thou help the °ungodly, and love them that hate °the LORD? therefore is °wrath upon thee from before °the LORD.

3 °Nevertheless there are good things found in thee, in that thou hast taken away °the groves out of the land, and hast prepared thine heart to seek °God."

P 4 And Jehoshaphat dwelt at Jerusalem: and he went out again through the People °from Beer-sheba to °mount Ephraim, and brought them back unto °the LORD °God of their fathers.

S C¹ e 5 And he set judges in the land throughout
(p. 589) all the fenced cities of Judah, city by city,

f 6 And said to the judges, "Take heed what ye do: for ye judge not for °man, but for °the LORD, Who is with you °in the judgment.

7 Wherefore now let the °fear of °the LORD be upon you; take heed and do it: for there is no iniquity with °the LORD our °God, nor °respect of persons, nor taking of °gifts."

C² e 8 °Moreover in Jerusalem did Jehoshaphat set of the Levites, and of the priests, and of the °chief of the fathers of Israel, for the judgment of °the LORD, and for controversies, when they returned to Jerusalem.

f 9 And he charged them, saying, "Thus shall ye do in the °fear of °the LORD, faithfully, and with a perfect heart.

10 And what cause soever shall come to you of your brethren that dwell in their cities, between blood and blood, between law and commandment, statutes and judgments, ye shall even °warn them that they °trespass not against °the LORD, and so wrath come upon

they went = they entered. But some codices, with two early printed editions, Aram., Syr., and Vulg., read "he entered". Cp. 1 Kings 22. 30.

30 Now, &c. Having been taken into the camp of Israel and allowed to hear what Ahab said, we are now taken into the camp of Syria to overhear what the king of Syria said. This is to enable us to understand what follows.

31 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. helped him: i. e. Jehoshaphat, for Jehovah was his Covenant God.

God moved them. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. He stood, to the Syrians, only in the relation of the Creator to His creatures.

33 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II. at a venture = in his innocence, or ignorance, of the harness - of the armour.

that thou mayest = and. wounded = sore wounded.

34 he died. Not fell asleep! No details of his death, here, in Chronicles, which is concerned only with Judah. Details given in Kings (1 Kings 22. 35-38).

19. 1 in peace. In contrast with Ahab's return (18. 33, 34, 37).

2 Jehu the son of Hanani. He had reproved Baasha, king of Israel, at Tirzah (1 Kings 16. 1); and now rebukes Jehoshaphat, king of Judah, at Jerusalem. Shouldest thou . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. Here we have Jehovah's opinion as to alliances with idolaters (Ahab, 18. 1, &c), and as to what constitutes a "good work". See note on v. 3.

ungodly - lawless one (sing.). Ap. 44. x.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. wrath. Manifested in the wars recorded in 20. 1-3.

3 Nevertheless. Fig. *Palinodia*. Ap. 6.

the groves = the 'Asherōth. See Ap. 42. God. Heb. Elohim (with Art.) = the [true] God. Ap. 4. I.

4 from Beer-sheba, &c. The two outermost bounds. mount = hill country of.

19. 5-11 (S, p. 586). PERSONAL. REFORMATION. (Alternation.)

S	C ¹	e	5. Judges.	} In Judah.
		f	6, 7. Exhortation.	
	C ²	e	8. Levites.	} In Jerusalem.
		f	9-11. Exhortation.	

6 man. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.

in the judgment - in the word or matter of judgment.

7 fear = dread, as in 20. 29; not as in v. 9 below, which is "reverence".

respect of persons. Closely following Deut. 16. 18-20. gifts = bribes.

8 Moreover, &c. Cp. Deut. 17. 8-13. chief = head.

9 fear = reverence. See note on v. 7 above.

10 warn. Used of warning or enlightenment as to God's word (Ps. 19. 11). Out of twenty-two occurrences fifteen are in Ezekiel.

trespass. Heb. 'āsham. Ap. 44. ii.

11 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

Amariah. The fifth high priest from Zadok (1 Chron. 6. 11), Jehoshaphat being the fifth king from David.

all matters of the LORD. Probably refers to spiritual, or ecclesiastical matters.

Deal courageously = be strong, and act.

you, and upon your brethren: this do, and ye shall not °trespass.

11 And, °behold, °Amariah the chief priest is over you in °all matters of °the LORD; and Zebadiah the son of Ishmael, the ruler of the house of Judah, for all the king's matters: also the Levites shall be officers before you. °Deal courageously, and °the LORD shall be with the good."

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20 It came to pass ° after this also, *that* the ° children of Moab, and the ° children of Ammon, and with them *other* beside the Ammonites, came against Jehoshaphat to battle.

2 Then there came some that told Jehoshaphat, saying, "There cometh a great multitude against thee from beyond the sea on this side Syria; and, ° behold, they *be* in Hazazon-tamar, which *is* En-gedi."

h **3** And Jehoshaphat feared, and set ° himself to seek ° the LORD, and proclaimed a fast throughout all Judah.

i **4** And Judah gathered themselves together, ° to ask *help* of ° the LORD: even out of all the cities of Judah they came to seek ° the LORD.

k l **5** And Jehoshaphat ° stood in the ° congregation of Judah ° and Jerusalem, in the house of ° the LORD, before ° the new court,

6 And said, ° "O LORD ° God of our fathers, ° *art* not Thou ° God in heaven? and ° rulest not Thou over all the kingdoms of the ° heathen? and ° in Thine hand ° *is there* not power and might, ° so that none is able to withstand Thee?"

7 *Art* not Thou our ° God, *Who* didst drive out the inhabitants of this land before Thy People Israel, and gavest it to the seed of ° ABRAHAM THY FRIEND for ever?

8 And they dwelt therein, and have built Thee a sanctuary therein for Thy name, saying,

9 'If, *when* ° evil cometh upon us, *as* the ° sword, judgment, or pestilence, or famine, we stand before this house, and in Thy presence, (for ° Thy name *is* in this house,) and cry unto Thee in our ° affliction, then Thou wilt hear and help.'

10 And now, behold, the ° children of Ammon and Moab and ° mount Seir, whom Thou ° wouldest not let Israel invade, when they came out of the land of Egypt, but they turned from them, and destroyed them not;

11 ° Behold, *I* say, *how* they reward us, to come to cast us out of Thy possession, which Thou hast given us to inherit.

12 O our ° God, ° wilt Thou not ° judge them? for we have no might against this great ° company that cometh against us; neither know we what to do: but our eyes *are* upon Thee."

13 And all Judah stood before ° the LORD, with their little ones, their wives, and their ° children.

m **14** Then upon ° Jahaziel the son of Zechariah, the son of Benaiah, the son of Jeiel, the son of Mattaniah, a Levite of the sons of ° Asaph, came the ° Spirit ° of ° the LORD in the midst of the ° congregation;

15 And he said, "Hearken ye, all Judah, and ye inhabitants of Jerusalem, and thou king Jehoshaphat, Thus saith ° the LORD unto you, ° Be not afraid nor dismayed by reason of this great multitude; for the battle *is* not yours, but ° God's.

16 To-morrow go ye down against them: behold, they come up by the ° cliff of Ziz; and ye shall find them at the end of the ° brook, before the wilderness of Jeruel.

17 Ye shall not *need* to fight in this battle:

20. 1-30 (T, p. 586). THE KINGDOM. INVADED. (*Introversion and Alternation*.)

T | g | 1, 2. Invasion. Made and reported.
h | 3. Fear of Moab. Jehoshaphat.
i | 4. Assemblage. To seek Jehovah.
k | l | 5-13. Prayer.
m | 14-17. Prophecy. Given.
k | l | 18, 19. Praise.
m | 20-25. Prophecy. Fulfilled.
i | 26-28. Assemblage. To bless Jehovah.
h | 29. Fear of God. The kingdoms.
g | 30. Invasion. Repelled.

1 after this: i. e. after Ahab's death (2 Kings 3. 5). children = sons.

2 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

3 himself = his face.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

4 to ask = to seek. Supply "counsel" here.

5 stood. On the platform provided for such purposes as this (2 Kings 11. 14; 23. 3).

congregation = assembly. Heb. *kāhal*. See note on "multitude" (Gen. 28. 3).

and. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Sept., and Syr., read "in".

the new court. The court of the priests, built by Solomon (4. 9; 15. 8).

6 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

art not . . . rulest not . . . is there not? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

heathen = nations (Dan. 4. 34, 35).

in Thine hand. The words of David were accessible to Jehoshaphat (1 Chron. 29. 12). See Ap. 47.

so that none = and there is none.

7 Abraham Thy friend. Three times so called: here, Isa. 41. 8, quoted in Jas. 2. 23. Cp. Moses (Ex. 33. 11).

9 evil. Heb. *rā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii.

sword. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the execution done by it. Cp. 1 Kings 8. 37. 2 Chron. 6. 28.

Thy name = Thy presence.

affliction = distress. Some codices, with two early printed editions, read "distresses".

10 mount Seir. The Edomite Mehunim. See v. 1.

wouldest not, &c. Cp. Deut. 2. 9.

12 wilt Thou not . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

judge = bring judgments. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the judgments themselves.

company = rout.

14 Jahaziel . . . Asaph. Probably Ps. 83 written at that time.

Spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

of: or from. Genitive of Origin: i. e. spiritual power from Jehovah.

15 Be not afraid = "Be not [ye] afraid".

16 cliff = ascent.

brook = valley.

17 stand ye still. Cp. Ex. 14. 13.

set yourselves, ° stand ye *still*, and see the salvation of ° the LORD with you, O Judah and Jerusalem: fear not, nor be dismayed; to-morrow go out against them: for ° the LORD *will be* with you."

18 And Jehoshaphat bowed his head with *his* face to the ground: and all Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem fell before ° the LORD, worshipping ° the LORD.

19 And the Levites, of the ° children of the Kohathites, and of the ° children of the Korhites, stood up to praise ° the LORD ° God of Israel with a loud voice on high.

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20 And they rose early in the morning, and went forth into the wilderness of Tekoa: and as they went forth, Jehoshaphat stood and said, "Hear me, O Judah, and ye inhabitants of Jerusalem; Believe in ³the LORD your ⁶God, so shall ye be established; believe His prophets, so shall ye prosper."

21 And when he had consulted with the People, he appointed singers unto ³the LORD, and that should praise ^othe beauty of holiness, as they went out before the army, and to say, ^o"Praise ³the LORD; for His ^omercy endureth for ever."

22 And when they began to sing and to praise, ^othe LORD set ^oambushments against the ¹children of Ammon, Moab, and mount Seir, which were come against Judah; and they were smitten.

23 For the ¹children of Ammon and Moab stood up against the inhabitants of mount Seir, utterly to slay and destroy *them*: and when they had made an end of the inhabitants of Seir, every one helped to destroy another.

24 And when Judah came toward the watch tower in the wilderness, they looked unto the multitude, and, ²behold, they *were* dead bodies fallen to the earth, and none escaped.

25 And when Jehoshaphat and his People came to take away the spoil of them, they found among them in abundance both riches with ^othe dead bodies, and precious jewels, which they ^ostripped off for themselves, more than they could carry away: and they were three days in gathering of the spoil, it was so much.

26 And on the fourth day they assembled themselves in the valley of ^oBerachah; for there they blessed ³the LORD: therefore the name of the same place was called, The valley of Berachah, unto this day.

27 Then they returned, ^oevery man of Judah and Jerusalem, and Jehoshaphat in the forefront of them, to go again to Jerusalem with joy; for ³the LORD had made them to rejoice over their enemies.

28 And they came to Jerusalem with psalteries and harps and trumpets unto the house of ³the LORD.

29 And the ^ofear of ⁶God was on all the kingdoms of *those* countries, when they had heard that ³the LORD fought against the enemies of Israel.

30 So the realm of Jehoshaphat was quiet: for his ⁶God gave him rest round about.

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31 And Jehoshaphat reigned over Judah: *he* was thirty and five years old when he began to reign, and he reigned twenty and five years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Azubah the daughter of Shilhi.

32 And he walked in the way of ^oAsa his father, and departed not from it, doing *that which* was right in the sight of ³the LORD.

33 Howbeit the high places were ^onot taken away: for as yet the People had not prepared their hearts unto the ⁶God of their fathers.

34 Now the rest of the acts of Jehoshaphat, first and last, ²behold, they *are* written in the ^obook of ^oJehu the son of Hanani, who is mentioned in the book of the kings of Israel.

21 the beauty of holiness = in His glorious sanctuary. See note on 1 Chron. 16. 29.

Praise the LORD = Praise Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.

22 the LORD. Some think the "Yod" (=J) was an abbreviation for "Judah".

ambushments = liers in wait. The Targum interprets them of angelic powers.

25 the dead bodies. Some codices, with five early printed editions and Vulg., read "apparel". stripped off = raked together.

26 Berachah = Blessing.

27 every man. Heb. ^{ish}. Ap. 14. II.

29 fear = dread, as in 19. 7 (not as in 19. 9). Genitive of Character = a great dread.

32 Asa his father. Some codices, with six early printed editions, read "his father Asa".

33 not taken away. See note on 17. 6.

34 book words. Jehu. Cp. 19. 2.

35 after this. In the twentieth or twenty-first year of his reign. Cp. 1 Kings 22. 51. See Ap. 50. V, and note. "After" this wonderful deliverance. "After" the solemn warning of 19. 2. "After" his experience in 18. 31. join himself. This was the third alliance (Commercial). See note on 18. 1. Note the Fig. *Repetitio* (Ap. 6), by which great emphasis is laid on these words by their repetition in vv. 36 and 37.

who did very wickedly. This is added to show that the reason against such an alliance was just as strong with Ahaziah as with Ahab.

wickedly = lawlessly. Ap. 44. x.

36 to make ships to go to Tarshish. This was prior to the similar event recorded in 1 Kings 22. 48, 49, where he made (himself) "Tarshish ships to go to Ophir". Ahaziah again sought to implicate Jehoshaphat. But he failed in the attempt, for we there read "Jehoshaphat would not" (v. 49). And the ships "did not go", for they were "broken" (v. 48). The marginal note in A.V. is neither correct nor necessary.

37 Eliezer. Sent by Jehovah, just as Jehu had been sent (19. 2).

broken. A *Homonym*. Heb. *pāraz*, to break. Rightly so rendered here. Its other meaning, *to increase*, as rightly given in Gen. 30. 43. Ex. 1. 12.

21. 1- slept with his fathers. See note on Deut. 31. 16; and contrast his ally's end (18. 34).

21. -1-20 (G⁷, p. 545). JEHORAM.
(Introversion.)

G⁷ | D | -1-5. Introduction.
E | 6, 7. Events. Personal.
E | 8-19. Events. Public.
D | 20. Conclusion.

-1 Jehoram. He was designated to be king in the seventeenth year of his father, but crowned in his father's twenty-third year. He reigned eight years in Jerusalem: two with his father, and six after his father's death (cp. 2 Kings 1. 17; 8. 16).

35 And ^oafter this did Jehoshaphat king of Judah ^ojoin himself with Ahaziah king of Israel, ^owho did very ^owickedly:

36 And he ³⁵joined himself with him ^oto make ships to go to Tarshish: and they made the ships in Ezion-gaber.

37 Then ^oEliezer the son of Dodavah of Mareshah prophesied against Jehoshaphat, saying, "Because thou hast ³⁵joined thyself with Ahaziah, ³the LORD hath ^obroken thy works." And the ships were broken, that they were not able to go to Tarshish.

21 Now Jehoshaphat ^oslept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David.

And ^oJehoram his son reigned in his stead.

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2 And he had brethren the sons of Jehoshaphat, Azariah, and Jehiel, and Zechariah, and Azariah, and Michael, and Shephatiah: all these were the sons of Jehoshaphat king of °Israel.

3 And their father gave them great gifts of silver, and of gold, and of precious things, with fenced cities in Judah: but the kingdom gave he to Jehoram; because he was the first-born.

4 Now when Jehoram was risen up to the kingdom of his father, he strengthened himself, and °slew all his brethren with the sword, and divers also of the princes of Israel.

5 Jehoram was thirty and two years old when he began to reign, and he reigned eight years in Jerusalem.

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6 And he walked in the way of the kings of Israel, like as did the house of Ahab: for he had °the daughter of Ahab to wife: and he wrought that which was °evil in the eyes of °the LORD.

7 Howbeit °the LORD would not destroy the house of David, because of °the covenant that He had made with David, and °as He promised to give °a light to him and to his sons for ever.

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8 In his days °the Edomites revolted from under the dominion of Judah, and made themselves a king.

9 Then Jehoram °went forth with his princes, and all his chariots with him: and he rose up by night, and smote the Edomites which compassed him in, and the captains of the chariots.

10 So °the Edomites revolted from under the hand of Judah °unto this day. The same time also °did Libnah revolt from under his hand; because he had forsaken °the LORD °God of his fathers.

11 Moreover he made high places in the °mountains of Judah, and caused the inhabitants of Jerusalem to commit °fornication, and °compelled Judah thereto.

12 And °there came a writing to him from °Elijah the prophet, saying, "Thus saith °the LORD °God of David thy father, 'Because thou hast not walked in the ways of Jehoshaphat thy father, nor in the ways of Asa king of Judah,

13 But hast walked in the way of the kings of Israel, and hast made Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem to go a whoring, like to the whoredoms of the house of Ahab, and also hast slain thy brethren of thy father's house, which were better than thyself:

14 °Behold, with a great plague will °the LORD smite thy People, °and thy °children, and thy wives, and all thy goods:

15 And thou shalt have great sickness by disease of thy bowels, until thy bowels fall out by reason of the sickness day by day."

16 Moreover °the LORD stirred up against Jehoram the °spirit of °the Philistines, and of the Arabians, that °were near the Ethiopians:

17 And they came up °into Judah, and brake into it, and carried away all the substance that was found in the king's house, and his sons also, and °his wives; so that there was

2 Israel. This word was originally represented by the abbreviation ' (i or y), which was read for "Israel" as well as Judah. The reading in the Severus Codex (see Ap. 34) is "Judah", and this is supported by the first edition of the *Hagiographa* (Naples, 1486-1487), the Complutensian Polyglot, Sept., Syr., and Vulg. This same note applies to 28. 19, where the same phenomena occur.

4 slew all his brethren. The mischief of his marriage (18. 1) was thus soon seen. The enemy's design in breaking into the royal line so as to destroy the promises of Gen. 3. 15 and 2 Sam. 7. 16 is seen. See Ap. 23, 25. Jehoshaphat made the beginning (18. 1); Jehoram follows it up (21. 4); the Arabians continue the assault (21. 17; 22. 1); Athaliah nearly succeeds in accomplishing the design of Satan (22. 10).

6 the daughter of Ahab: i. e. Athaliah. See Ap. 23 and 55.

evil. Heb. *nā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

7 the covenant. Cp. 2 Sam. 7. 12-17.

as = according as.

a light = a lamp. Cp. 1 Kings 15. 4; 11. 36. The word always refers to this promise to David.

21. 8-19 (E, p. 591). EVENTS. PUBLIC. (Alternation.)

E n | 8-10. Revolts. Edom and Libnah.
o | 11-15. Judgments. Prophesied.
n | 16, 17. Invasions. Philistines and Arabians.
o | 18, 19. Judgments. Fulfilled.

8 the Edomites revolted. Thus fulfilling Gen. 27. 40. Cp. 2 Kings 8. 20.

9 went forth with his princes. Cp. 2 Kings 8. 21. They went to Zair.

10 unto this day. Cp. 2 Kings 8. 22.

did Libnah revolt. Libnah was a city of the priests (Josh. 21. 13). The Temple was broken up (24. 4, 7), and the priests combined to dethrone Athaliah, and to restore the worship of Jehovah (23. 14-17; 24. 4-11).

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

11 mountains. A special various reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 34), some codices, with one early printed edition, Sept., and Vulg., read "cities".

fornication. Literal as well as spiritual, connected with the worship of the *Asherah* (Ap. 42).

compelled. Cp. Deut. 4. 19.

12 there came = was brought. Why assume that Elijah then sent it? It might have "come" as Holy Scripture comes to us to-day, though written in the past. It does not say a "letter" (which would be *iggereth*, or *sepher*, a book), but *mich'tāb*, any writing, written at any time; probably a prophetic writing to be delivered at this particular time.

Elijah. Long since raptured (2 Kings 2: cp. 3. 11). This is the only mention of Elijah in Chronicles.

14 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in vv. 14, 15. children = sons.

16 spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for life in its manifestations.

the Philistines. These were tributaries before this (17. 11).

were near: or were under the direction of.

17 into Judah. And as far as Jerusalem, which also they took.

his wives. Except Athaliah.

never a son left him. This shows how nearly the plot of the great enemy succeeded in breaking up the royal line. See Ap. 23, and cp. note on v. 4 above.

Jehoahaz, or Ahaziah (22. 1), or Azariah (22. 6). All the same meaning = Jehovah taketh hold. On the various spelling of proper names, see note on 1 Chron. 25. 11.

° never a son left him, save °Jehoahaz, the youngest of his sons.

^o 18 And after all this ⁶ the LORD smote him in his bowels with an incurable disease.

(p. 592) 796 19 And it came to pass, that in process of time, after the end of two years, his bowels fell out by reason of his sickness: so he died of sore diseases. And his people made ^o no burning for him, like the burning of his fathers.

^D (p. 591) 20 Thirty and two years old was he when he began to reign, and he reigned in Jerusalem eight years, and departed ^o without being desired. Howbeit they buried him in the city of David, but not in the sepulchres of the kings.

^{G⁸ p} (p. 593) 22 And the inhabitants of Jerusalem made ^o Ahaziah his youngest son king in his stead: for the band of men that came with the Arabians to the camp had ^o slain all the eldest. So Ahaziah the son of Jehoram king of Judah reigned.

790 i. e. 789-788 2 ^o Forty and two years old was Ahaziah when he began to reign, and he reigned one year in Jerusalem. His mother's name also was Athaliah the ^o daughter of Omri.

^q 3 ⁵ He also walked in the ^o ways of the house of Ahab: for his mother was his counsellor to do wickedly.

4 Wherefore he did ^o evil in the sight of ^o the LORD like the house of Ahab: for ⁵ they were his counsellors after the death of his father to his destruction.

^q 5 He walked also after their counsel, and went ^o with Jehoram the son of Ahab king of Israel to war against Hazael king of Syria at Ramoth-gilead: and the Syrians smote ^o Joram.

6 And he returned to be healed in Jezreel because of the wounds which were given him at Ramah, when he fought with Hazael king of Syria. And ^o Azariah the son of Jehoram king of Judah went down to see Jehoram the son of Ahab at Jezreel, because ⁵ he was sick.

7 And the ^o destruction of Ahaziah was of ^o God by coming to Joram: for when he was come, he went out with Jehoram against Jehu the son of Nimshi, ^o whom ⁴ the LORD had anointed to cut off the house of Ahab.

8 And it came to pass, that, when Jehu was executing judgment upon the house of Ahab, and found the princes of Judah, and the sons of the brethren of Ahaziah, that ministered to Ahaziah, he slew them.

9 And he sought Ahaziah: and they caught him, (for ⁵ he was ^o hid ^o in Samaria,) and ^o brought him ^o to Jehu: and when they had slain him, they buried him: "Because," said they, "⁵ he is the son of Jehoshaphat, who sought ⁴ the LORD with all his heart."

^p So the house of Ahaziah had no power to keep still the kingdom.

^{G⁸ F¹} 788 10 But when Athaliah the mother of Ahaziah saw that her son was dead, ^o she arose and destroyed all the seed royal of the house of Judah.

^{G¹} 11 But Jehoshabeath, the daughter of the king, took Joash the son of Ahaziah, and stole him ^o from among the king's sons that were slain,

19 no burning: i. e. of spices.

20 without being desired = unregretted.

22. 1-9 (G⁸, p. 545). AHAZIAH. (*Introversion.*)

G⁸ | p | 1, 2. Introduction.
q | 3, 4. Events. Personal.
q | 5-9-. Events. Public.
p | -9. Conclusion.

1 Ahaziah. See note on Jehoahaz (21. 17).

slain all the eldest. See note on 21. 17.

2 Forty and two years old = a son of forty-two years: i. e. of the house of Omri, on account of his connection with it through his mother (832-790 = 42). In 2 Kings 8. 26 Ahaziah's actual age (twenty-two years) is given when he began to reign (790) during the two years of his father's disease. His father, Jehoram, was thirty-two when he began to reign with Jehoshaphat, two years before the latter's death (2 Kings 8. 16). This was in 796. Jehoram therefore was born in 828. Ahaziah, his son, being twenty-two when he began his co-regency, was therefore born in 812; his father being sixteen years old. See Ap. 50. V, pp. 57, 58.

daughter of Omri. Daughter put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Genus) for granddaughter. See Ap. 55.

3 ways. Cp. 2 Kings 8. 27.

4 evil = the evils. Heb. *ra'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

5 with Jehoram. Cp. 2 Kings 8. 28, &c.

Joram. Another spelling of Jehoram. See note on 1 Chron. 25. 11.

6 Azariah. Same as Ahaziah. See note on v. 1 and 21. 17.

7 destruction. Cp. 2 Kings 9. 21-27.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

whom the LORD had anointed. Cp. 2 Kings 9. 6, 7.

9 hid = hiding himself.

in Samaria. The province, not the city.

brought him. His wounds being partially healed. to Jehu. Who must have been then at Megiddo (2 Kings 9. 27).

22. 10-23. 21 (G⁸, p. 545). ATHALIAH. (*USURPATION.*) (*Repeated Alternation.*)

G⁹ | F¹ | 22. 10. Athaliah. Murderess.
G¹ | 22. 11, 12-. Joash. Rescue and concealment.
F² | 22. -12. Athaliah. Usurpation.
G² | 23. 1-11. Joash. Investiture.
F³ | 23. 12. Athaliah. Alarm.
G³ | 23. 13-. Joash. Station.
F⁴ | 23. -13-15. Athaliah. Execution.
G⁴ | 23. 16-20. Joash. Exaltation.
F⁵ | 23. 17. Athaliah. End.

10 she arose and destroyed. The enemy's third attempt, at this time, to destroy the royal succession: (1) 21. 4; (2) 21. 17; 22. 1; (3) 22. 10. This time he well-nigh succeeded. See Ap. 25.

11 from among . . . slain. As Christ, the Antitype, Who was raised from among the dead, and is now hidden on high (Acts 3. 21).

bedchamber. One formerly used by the priests. the daughter of king Jehoram: i. e. of the former king of that name (2 Kings 11. 2).

the wife of Jehoiada the priest. Hence her action. See note on "Libnah" (21. 10).

12 in the house of God. The safest of all places at that time; for its courts were deserted (24. 7). six. The number of man. See Ap. 10.

and put him and his nurse in a ^o bedchamber. So Jehoshabeath, ^o the daughter of king Jehoram, ^o the wife of Jehoiada the priest, (for ⁵ she was the sister of Ahaziah,) hid him from Athaliah, so that she slew him not.

12 And he was with them ^o hid ^o in the house of ⁷ God ^o six years:

and Athaliah reigned over the land.

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23 °And in the °seventh year Jehoiada °strengthened himself, and took the captains of hundreds, Azariah the son of Jeroham, and Ishmael the son of Jehohanan, and Azariah the son of Obed, and Maaseiah the son of Adaiah, and Elishaphat the son of Zichri, into covenant with him.

2 And they went about in Judah, and gathered the Levites out of all the cities of Judah, and the chief of the fathers of °Israel, and they came to Jerusalem.

3 And all the °congregation made a covenant with the king in the house of °God.

s And he said unto them, °“Behold, the king’s son shall reign, °as °the LORD °hath said of the sons of David.

r 4 This *is* the thing that ye shall do; A third part of you entering on the sabbath, of the priests and of the Levites, *shall be* porters of the °doors;

5 And a third part *shall be* at the king’s house; and a third part at the gate of the foundation: and all the People *shall be* in the courts of the house of °the LORD.

6 But let none come into the house of °the LORD, save the priests, and they that minister of the Levites; they shall go in, for they are °holy: but all the People shall keep the watch of °the LORD.

7 And the Levites shall compass the king round about, °every man with his weapons in his hand; and whosoever *else* cometh into the house, he shall be put to death: but be ye with the king when he cometh in, and when he goeth out.”

8 So the Levites and all Judah did according to all things that Jehoiada the priest had commanded, and took °every man his °men that were to come in on the sabbath, with them that were to go *out* on the sabbath: for Jehoiada the priest dismissed not the courses.

9 Moreover Jehoiada the priest delivered to the captains of hundreds spears, and bucklers, and shields, that *had been* king David’s, which were in the house of °God.

10 And he set all the People, every man having his weapon in his hand, from the right side of the °temple to the left side of the temple, along by the altar and the °temple, by the king round about.

s 11 Then they brought out the king’s son, and °put upon him the crown, and *gave him* the testimony, and made him king. And Jehoiada and his sons anointed him, and said, °“God save the king.”

F³ (p. 593) 12 Now when Athaliah heard the noise of the People running and praising the king, she came to the People into the house of °the LORD:

G³ 13 And she looked, and, °behold, the king °stood at his pillar at the entering in, and the princes and the trumpets by the king: and all the People of the land rejoiced, and sounded with trumpets, also the singers with instruments of musick, and such as taught to sing praise.

F¹ Then Athaliah rent her clothes, and said, °“Treason, Treason.”

14 Then Jehoiada the priest °brought out the

23. 1-11 (G², p. 593). JOASH. INVESTITURE. (*Alternation.*)

G² | r | 1-3-. Assemblage.
s | -3. The king’s son. Revealed.
r | 4-10. Arrangements.
s | 11. The king’s son. Crowned.

1 And. This chapter is complementary to 2 Kings 11. 4-20. See Ap. 56.

seventh. The number of spiritual perfection. Ap. 10. strengthened himself. Chronicles mentions the military (v. 1), but enlarges on the Levites (vv. 2, &c.). Kings recognises the Levites (2 Kings 11. 4-12), but enlarges on the military. See note on Title of 1 Chronicles, and Ap. 56.

2 Israel. Note this word here, and see note on 1 Kings 12. 17. 3 congregation = assembly, or muster.

God. Heb. Elohim (with Art.) = the [true] God. Ap. 4. I. Behold. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6), to emphasise the text or sermon of Jehoiada, which was the faithfulness of Jehovah to His word. as = according as.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. hath said. This is the great point. Cp. 6. 16; 7. 18. 2 Sam. 7. 12. 1 Kings 2. 4; 9. 6.

4 doors = thresholds. Especially that of Sur (2 Kings 11. 6). 6 holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

7 every man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II.

8 men. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. III.

10 temple = house, as in preceding context.

11 put upon him the crown, and the testimony. Fig. *Zeugma* (Ap. 6), by which there is an Ellipsis (Ap. 6) of the second verb, rightly supplied in A. V., “gave him”. testimony: i. e. the book of the Law.

13 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6. stood = standing.

Treason, Treason. Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6.

14 brought out. Syr. reads “commanded”. Cp. 2 Kings 11. 15. host = force.

15 laid hands on her: or, made way for her.

17 the house of Baal. All the vessels of the Temple had been removed thither by Jehoram and Athaliah (24. 7). slew Mattan. According to Deut. 13. 9.

18 the Levites. Sept., Syr., and Vulg. read “and the Levites”.

of. Some codices, with six early printed editions, read “to”.

by David. Heb. “upon (or by) the hands of David”.

captains of hundreds that were set over the °host, and said unto them, “Have her forth of the ranges: and whoso followeth her, let him be slain with the sword.” For the priest said, “Slay her not in the house of °the LORD.” 15 So they °laid hands on her; and when she was come to the entering of the horse gate by the king’s house, they slew her there.

16 And Jehoiada made a covenant between him, and between all the People, and between the king, that they should be °the LORD’S People.

17 Then all the People went to °the house of Baal, and brake it down, and brake his altars and his images in pieces, and °slew Mattan the priest of Baal before the altars.

18 Also Jehoiada appointed the offices of the house of °the LORD by the hand of the priests °the Levites, whom David had distributed in the house of °the LORD, to offer the burnt offerings °of °the LORD, as it is written in the law of Moses, with rejoicing and with singing, as it was ordained °by David.

19 And he set the porters at the gates of the house of °the LORD, that none *which was* unclean in any thing should enter in.

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782 20 And he took the captains of hundreds, and the nobles, and the governors of the People, and all the People of the land, and brought down the king from the house of ³the LORD: and they came through the high gate into the king's house, and set the king upon the throne of the kingdom.

F^s 21 And all the People of the land °rejoiced: (P. 593) and the city was °quiet, after that they had slain Athaliah with the sword.

G¹⁰ H 24 °Joash was seven years old when he (P. 595) began to reign, and he reigned forty years in Jerusalem. His mother's name also was Zibiah of Beer-sheba.

782 2 And Joash did *that which* was right in the sight of °the LORD all the days of Jehoiada the priest.

742 3 And Jehoiada took °for him two wives; and he begat sons and daughters.

K M O 4 And °it came to pass after this, *that* Joash was minded °to repair the house of °the LORD.

P t 5 And he gathered together the priests and the Levites, and said to them, "Go out unto the cities of Judah, and gather °of all Israel °money to repair the house of your °God from year to year, and see that ye hasten the matter."

u Howbeit the Levites hastened *it* not.

v 6 And °the king called for Jehoiada the chief, and said unto him, "Why hast thou not required of the Levites to bring in out of Judah and out of Jerusalem the °collection, *according to the commandment* of °Moses the servant of °the LORD, and of the °congregation of Israel, for the °tabernacle of witness?"

7 For the °sons of Athaliah, °that wicked woman, had broken up the house of °God; and also all the °dedicated things of the house of °the LORD did they bestow upon Baalim.

t 8 And at the king's commandment they made a chest, and set it without at the gate of the house of °the LORD.

9 And they made a proclamation through Judah and Jerusalem, to bring in to °the LORD °the collection *that* °Moses the servant of °God *laid* upon Israel in the wilderness.

u 10 And all the princes and all the People rejoiced, and brought in, and cast into the chest, until they had made an end.

v 11 Now it came to pass, that at what time the chest was brought unto the king's office by the hand of the Levites, and when they saw that *there was much money*, the king's scribe and the high priest's officer came and emptied the chest, and took it, and carried it to his place again. Thus they did day by day, and gathered money in abundance.

O 12 And the king and Jehoiada gave it to °such as did the work of the service of the house of °the LORD, and hired masons and carpenters to repair the house of °the LORD, and also such as wrought iron and brass to mend the house of °the LORD.

21 rejoiced . . . quiet. "After" Athaliah was slain! So will it be when the great usurper shall be finally cast down.

24. 1-27 (G¹⁰, p. 545). JOASH.
(Introversion.)

G¹⁰ H | 1-3. Introduction.
J | 4-26. Events.
H | 27. Conclusion.

1 Joash. Cp. 2 Kings 12. 1, 2.

2 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

3 for him: i.e. Joash. Was this because the line was almost extinct, or from lack of faith?

4-26 (J, above). EVENTS.
(Introversion.)

J | K | 4-22. Administration of Jehoiada.

L | 23, 24. Invasion by Syrians.

K | 25, 26. Conspiracy of servants.

4-22 (K, above). ADMINISTRATION OF JEHOIADA. (Alternation.)

K | M | 4-14. House of God. Repaired.

N | 15, 16. Jehoiada. Death.

M | 17-20. House of God. Forsaken.

N | 21, 22. Jehoiada's son. Death.

4-14 (M, above). HOUSE OF GOD. REPAIRED.
(Alternation.)

M | O | 4. Repairs. Purposed.

P | 5-11. Collection. Made.

O | 12, 13. Repairs. Effected.

P | 14. Collection. Surplus.

4 it came to pass. Cp. 2 Kings 12. 4, 5. to repair. See v. 7.

5-11 (P, above). COLLECTION. MADE.
(Extended Alternation.)

P t | 5-. Command of Joash.

u | -5. Delay of Levites.

v | 6, 7. Need and expostulation.

t | 8, 9. Command of Joash.

u | 10. Alacrity of princes and people.

v | 11. Need supplied. Abundance.

5 of all Israel. See note on 1 Kings 12. 17. money silver.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

6 the king called. In the twenty-third year (2 Kings 12. 6).

collection = the tribute of the half-shekel redemption money (Ex. 30. 13-16). See Ap. 51. I.

Moses the servant of the LORD. See note on Deut. 34. 5. congregation = assembly.

tabernacle. Heb. 'ohel. Ap. 40.

7 sons of Athaliah. Ahaziah and his brethren before they were slain (21. 17), which may have been allowed in consequence of their sin. Cp. 21. 10-12.

that wicked woman. The term found only here.

dedicated = holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

9 Moses the servant of God. See note on 1 Chron. 6. 49.

12 such as did the work. Heb. text reads sing., "him who did". The A.V., following some codices, with Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., reads pl.

13 by them: i.e. by their hand: i.e. by their direction.

13 So the workmen wrought, and the work was perfected °by them, and they set the house of °God in his state, and strengthened it.

14 And when they had finished *it*, they brought the rest of the money before the king and Jehoiada, whereof were made vessels for

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the house of ²the LORD, even vessels to minister, ° and to offer *withal*, and spoons, and vessels of gold and silver. And they offered burnt offerings in the house of ²the LORD continually all the days of Jehoiada.

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15 But Jehoiada waxed old, and was full of days when he died; ° an hundred and thirty years old *was he* when he died.

16 And they buried him in the city of David ° among the kings, because he had done good in Israel, both toward ⁵God, and toward His house.

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17 Now after the death of Jehoiada came the princes of Judah, and ° made obeisance to the king. Then the king hearkened unto them.

18 And they left the house of ²the LORD ° God of their fathers, and served ° groves and ° idols: and ° wrath came upon Judah and Jerusalem for this their ° trespass.

19 Yet He sent prophets to them, to bring them again unto ²the LORD; and ° they testified against them: but they would not give ear.

20 And the ° Spirit of ⁵God ° came upon ° Zechariah the son of Jehoiada the priest, which stood above the People, and said unto them, "Thus ° saith ⁵God, 'Why transgress ye the commandments of ²the LORD, that ye cannot prosper? because ye have forsaken ²the LORD, He hath also forsaken you.'"

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21 And they conspired against him, and ° stoned him with stones ° at the commandment of the king in the court of the house of ²the LORD.

22 Thus Joash the king remembered not the kindness which Jehoiada his father had done to him, but slew his son. And when ° he died, he said, ²"The LORD look upon it, ° and require it."

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23 And it came to pass at the end of the year, *that* the ° host of Syria came up against him: and they came to Judah and Jerusalem, and ° destroyed all the princes of the People from among the People, and sent all the spoil of them unto the king of Damascus.

24 For the army of the Syrians came with a small company of ° men, and ²the LORD delivered a very great ²³host into their hand, because they had forsaken ²the LORD ° God of their fathers. So they executed judgment against Joash.

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25 And when they were departed from him, (for they left him in great diseases,) his own servants conspired against him for the blood of the ° sons of Jehoiada the priest, and slew him on his bed, and he died: and they buried him in the city of David, but they buried him ° not in the sepulchres of the kings.

26 And these are they that conspired against him; ° Zabad the son of Shimeath an Ammonitess, and ° Jehozabad the son of ° Shimrith a Moabitess.

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27 Now concerning his sons, and the greatness of the ° burdens *laid* upon him, and the ° repairing of the house of ⁵God, ° behold, they are written in the ° story of the book of the kings. And Amaziah ° his son reigned in his stead.

14 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), emphasising the details.

15 an hundred and thirty years. Unprecedented since Joshua (24. 29). Born in Solomon's reign, he lived through six others.

16 among the kings. An honour refused to Joash. Cp. v. 25.

17 made obeisance. With the view of obtaining the king's consent to their renewal of idolatry.

18 groves. Heb. 'Asherah. See Ap. 42. idols = grievous images.

wrath came. From Jehovah. Cp. vv. 23, 24. trespass. Heb. 'asham. Ap. 44. ii.

19 they testified against them. The Vulg. reads *quos protestantes* = who in protesting against them. Thus, the first instance of the word "Protestant" is found in the Vulgate, and not in the history of the Reformation. *Pro* = for, and *testans* = witnessing, is positive, not negative. It denotes a witnessing *for* God and His truth, not merely against evil.

20 Spirit. Heb. *ruach*. Ap. 9. came upon = clothed.

Zechariah the son of Jehoiada. In Zech. 1. 1 and Matt. 23. 35 a *second* name is given, "son of Barachias". On the use of two or more names see note on 1 Chron. 25. 11. It is quite needless to assume that there is any error, when so simple a solution lies on the surface.

saith = hath said. A rare form of the verb.

21 stoned him. One of nine persons stoned. See note on Lev. 24. 14.

at the commandment of the king. One of eleven rulers offended with God's servants. See note on Ex. 10. 28.

22 he: i.e. Zechariah. and require it. The very words twice used by the Lord Jesus in Luke 11. 20, 51. Cp. Matt. 23. 35.

23 host = force. destroyed all the princes. Who had led the People astray. This is how the "wrath came" (v. 18).

24 men. Heb. 'enosh. Ap. 14. III.

25 sons. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Genus), Ap. 6, for Jehoiada's one son: thus emphasising the son who was slain (vv. 20, 21). The Sept. and Vulg. read it "son" (without the Fig.).

not in the sepulchres. As Ahaz (28. 27).

26 Zabad . . . Jehozabad. Slaves, but the executions of God's judgment. Zabad had another name (Jozachar), used in 2 Kings 12. 21.

Shimrith. In 2 Kings 12. 21 he has another name, "Shomer", if not his father's name.

27 burdens laid upon him. By the king of Syria (2 Kings 12. 18). repairing (vv. 4-14).

behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

story = the commentary. See note on 13. 22, the only other place in which the word is found.

his son. Not so in Israel. There they set up whom they chose (1 Kings 15. 27; 16. 15, 22). Here is seen Jehovah's faithfulness, in "the sure mercies of David" (2 Sam. 7. 16. Ps. 89. 34-36).

25. 1-28 (G¹¹, p. 545). AMAZIAH. (Introversion and Alternation.)

G¹¹ | Q | 1, 2. Introduction.

R | S | 3, 4. Home events. Requital.

T | 5-13. Foreign events. War.

R | S | 14-16. Home events. Apostasy.

T | 17-24. Foreign events. War.

Q | 25-28. Conclusion.

1 Amaziah. Cp. 2 Kings 14. 1-3. Complementary to Kings (see Ap. 56); vv. 5-10 and 13-16 are additional.

25 °Amaziah was twenty and five years old *when* he began to reign, and he reigned twenty and nine years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Jehoaddan of Jerusalem.

2 And he did *that which* was right in the

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sight of °the LORD, °but not with a perfect heart.

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3 Now it came to pass, when the kingdom was °established to him, that he slew his servants that had °killed the king his father.

4 But he slew not their children, but *did* ° as *it is written* ° in the law in the book of Moses, where °the LORD commanded, saying, "The fathers shall not die for the °children, neither shall the °children die for the fathers, but °every man shall die for his own °sin."

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5 Moreover Amaziah gathered Judah together, and made them captains over thousands, and captains over hundreds, according to the houses of *their* fathers, throughout all Judah and Benjamin: and he numbered them from twenty years old and above, and found them three hundred thousand choice *men*, *able* to go forth to war, that could handle spear and shield.

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6 He hired also an hundred thousand mighty men of valour out of Israel for an hundred °talents of silver.

7 But there came °a °man of °God to him, saying, "O king, °let not the °army of °Israel go with thee; for °the LORD is °not with Israel, *to wit*, with °all the °children of °Ephraim.

8 But if *thou* wilt go, do *it*, °be strong for the battle: °God shall make thee fall before the enemy: for °God hath power to help, and to cast down."

9 And Amaziah said to the °man of °God, "But what shall we do for the hundred °talents which I have given to the °army of Israel?" And the °man of °God answered, "The LORD is able to give thee much more than this."

10 Then Amaziah separated them, *to wit*, the °army that was come to him out of °Ephraim, to go home again: wherefore their anger was greatly kindled against Judah, and they returned home in great anger.

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11 And Amaziah strengthened himself, and led forth his People, and went to the °valley of salt, and smote of °the °children of Seir ten thousand.

12 And *other* ten thousand *left* alive did the °children of Judah carry away captive, and brought them unto the top of the rock, and cast them down from the top of the rock, that they all were broken in pieces.

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13 But the soldiers of the army which Amaziah sent back, that they should not go with him to battle, fell upon the cities of Judah, from Samaria even unto Beth-horon, and smote three thousand of °them, and took much spoil.

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14 Now it came to pass, after that Amaziah was come from the slaughter of the Edomites, that he brought the gods of the °children of Seir, and °set them up *to be* his gods, and bowed down himself before them, and burned incense unto them.

15 Wherefore the anger of °the LORD was kindled against Amaziah, and He °sent unto him a prophet, which said unto him, "Why hast thou sought after the gods of the people, which could not °deliver their own people out of thine hand?"

16 And it came to pass, as he talked with

2 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. but not. Cp. vv. 6-9, 14, 17. Cp. 2 Kings 14. 4.

3 established - confirmed.

killed the king (24. 25, 26).

4 as it is written. Cp. Deut. 24. 16.

in the law in the book of Moses. See Ap. 47. children = sons.

every man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

sin. Heb. chātā'. Ap. 44. i.

25. 5-13 (T, p. 596). FOREIGN EVENTS. WAR WITH EPHRAIM. (Alteration.)

T | w | 5. Home levies. Raised.

x | 6-10. Mercenaries. Prohibition.

w | 11, 12. Home levies. Led.

x | 13. Mercenaries. Sent back.

6 talents. See Ap. 51. I.

7 a man of God. See Ap. 49.

man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4.

let not. For similar protests cp. 19. 2; 20. 37.

army = host.

Israel. These were mercenaries gathered out of the ten tribes, to be used against Edom (v. 6).

not with. This is the measure by which our alliances of all kinds should be tried.

all the children of Ephraim = any of the sons of Ephraim. Of these were the kings of Israel.

Ephraim. Put here for the whole northern kingdom.

8 be strong. Fig. Eironeia. Ap. 6.

9 army = troop.

11 valley of salt. South of the Dead Sea.

the children of Seir: i.e. the Edomites.

13 them: i.e. men, not villages.

14 set them up. For a similar action see 28. 23.

15 sent unto him a prophet. When He might have sent a sore judgment.

deliver = rescue.

16 Art thou made of, &c. = Have we given thee to be of.

of the king's counsel - for counsellor to the king.

determined - counselled.

17-24 (T, p. 596). FOREIGN EVENTS. WAR. (Introversion.)

T | y | 17. Amaziah. Challenge.

z | 18-20. Challenge given.

z | 21. Challenge accepted.

y | 22-24. Amaziah. Defeat.

17 advice - counsel, as in v. 16. He took man's counsel, but not God's.

see = look. Idiom for desire to fight.

18 thistle = thorn. Cp. 2 Kings 14. 9.

him, that *the king* said unto him, "Art thou made °of the king's counsel? forbear; why shouldest thou be smitten?" Then the prophet forbore, and said, "I know that °God hath °determined to destroy thee, because thou hast done this, and hast not hearkened unto my counsel."

17 Then Amaziah king of Judah took °advice, and sent to Joash, the son of Jehoahaz, the son of Jehu, king of Israel, saying, "Come, let us °see one another in the face."

18 And Joash king of Israel sent to Amaziah king of Judah, saying, "The °thistle that was in Lebanon sent to the cedar that was in Lebanon, saying, 'Give thy daughter to my son to wife:' and there passed by a wild beast that was in Lebanon, and trode down the °thistle.

19 Thou sayest, Lo, thou hast smitten the Edomites; and thine heart lifteth thee up to boast: abide now at home; why shouldest

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743 thou meddle to *thine* hurt, that thou shouldest
to fall, *even thou*, and Judah with thee?"

714 20 But Amaziah would not hear; for it *came*
of ⁷ God, that He might deliver them into the
hand of *their enemies*, because they sought
after the gods of Edom.

z (p. 597) 21 So Joash the king of Israel went up; and
they ^o saw one another in the face, *both he* and
Amaziah king of Judah, at Beth-shemesh,
which *belongeth* to Judah.

y 22 And Judah was put to the worse before
Israel, and they fled ⁴ every man to his tent.

23 And Joash the king of Israel took Ama-
ziah king of Judah, the son of Joash, the son of
Jehoahaz, at Beth-shemesh, and brought him
to Jerusalem, and brake down the wall of Jeru-
salem from the gate of Ephraim to the corner
gate, four hundred ^o cubits.

24 And *he took* all the gold and the silver,
and all the vessels that were found in the house
of ⁷ God with ^o Obed-edom, and the treasures of
the king's house, the ^o hostages also, and re-
turned to Samaria.

Q (p. 596) 25 And Amaziah the son of Joash king of
Judah lived after the death of Joash son of
729 Jehoahaz king of Israel fifteen years.

to 26 Now the rest of the acts of Amaziah, first
714 and last, behold, ^o are they not written in the
book of the kings of Judah and Israel?

27 Now after the time that Amaziah did turn
away from following ² the LORD they ^o made a
conspiracy against him in Jerusalem; and he
fled to Lachish: but they sent to Lachish after
him, and slew him there.

28 And they brought him upon horses, and
buried him with his fathers in ^o the city of
Judah.

G¹² U (p. 598) 26 ^o Then all the People of Judah took
^o Uzziah, who was sixteen years old,
and made him king in the room of his father
Amaziah.

2 ^{he} built Eloth, and restored it to Judah, after
that the ^o king ^o slept with his fathers.

701 3 Sixteen years old was Uzziah when he
to ^o began to reign, and he reigned fifty and two
649 years in Jerusalem. His mother's name also
was Jecoliah of Jerusalem.

V 4 And he did *that which was* ^o right in the
sight of ^o the LORD, according to all that his
father Amaziah did.

5 And he sought ^o God in the days of Zecha-
riah, ^o who had understanding in the visions of
^o God: ^o and as long as he sought ⁴ the LORD,
^o God made him to prosper.

W X 6 And he went forth and warred against the
Philistines, and brake down the wall of Gath,
and the wall of ^o Jabneh, and the wall of Ash-
dod, and built ^o cities about Ashdod, and among
the Philistines.

7 And ⁵ God helped him against the Philis-
tines, and against the Arabians that dwelt in
Gur-baal, and the ^o Mehunims.

Y 8 And the Ammonites gave gifts to Uzziah:
and his name ^o spread abroad *even* to the enter-
ing in of Egypt; for he strengthened *himself*
exceedingly.

W X a 9 Moreover Uzziah built towers in Jerusalem
at the corner gate, and at the valley gate, and
at the turning of the wall, and fortified them.

21 saw. See note on "see" (v. 17)

23 cubits. See Ap. 51. III. 2.

24 Obed-edom. He and his family were the Temple
treasurers (1 Chron. 26. 15).

hostages. Heb. "sons of securities".

26 are they not . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

27 made a conspiracy = conspired a great con-
spiracy. Fig. *Polypōton* (Ap. 6).

28 the city of Judah = Jerusalem. The only occur-
rence of the expression. Some codices, with Sept. and
Syr. and Vulg., read "the city of David".

26. 1-23 (G¹², p. 545). UZZIAH.

(Introversion and Alternation.)

G¹² U | 1-3. Introduction.

V | 4, 5. Personal. Well-doing.

W | X | 6, 7. Events. Foreign wars.

Y | 8. Renown.

W | X | 9-15-. Events. Home affairs.

Y | -15. Renown.

V | 16-21. Personal. Evil-doing.

U | 22, 23. Conclusion.

1 Then. This chapter largely complementary to
2 Kings 15. 1-7. See Ap. 56.

Uzziah. Another spelling is Azariah. In Chronicles
and the Prophets it is usually Uzziah, except in
1 Chron. 3. 12. 2 king: i. e. Amaziah.

slept with his fathers. See note on Deut. 31. 16.

3 began to reign. 2 Kings 15. 1 says he began to
reign in the 27th of Jeroboam. This leaves a gap of
thirteen years (714-701). See Ap. 50. V, pp. 58, 59.

4 right. Cp. 25. 2 and 2 Kings 15. 3.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

5 God. Heb. Elohim, with Art. — the [true] God. Ap. 4. I
who had understanding in the visions of God.
This is the Fig. *Periphrasis* (Ap. 6) for a prophet.

and. Note: a more or less complete *Polysyndeton*
(Ap. 6) runs through this account of Uzziah, to empha-
size the details.

6 Jabneh, now "Yebnah". Between Joppa and
Ashdod, on northern boundary of Judah.

cities = fortresses.

7 Mehunims. See note on 20. 1 and 1 Chron. 4. 41.

8 spread abroad. Cp. v. 15, and see Structure above.

9-15- (X, above). EVENTS. HOME AFFAIRS.
(Introversion.)

X | a | 9. Jerusalem. Fortifications.

b | 10. Defences. Forts, &c.

c | 11-13. Armies.

b | 14. Defences. Armour.

a | 15-. Jerusalem. Fortifications.

11 host = force.

by bands = troops, or for foray.

by the hand = under the direction of.

12 chief = head.

the mighty men. Heb. *gibbōr*. Ap. 14. IV.

10 Also he built towers in the desert, and
dugged many wells: for he had much cattle,
both in the low country, and in the plains:
husbandmen *also*, and vine dressers in the
mountains, and in Carmel: for he loved hus-
bandry.

11 Moreover Uzziah had an ^o host of fighting
men, that went out to war ^o by bands, accord-
ing to the number of their account ^o by the
hand of Jeiel the scribe and Maaseiah the
ruler, under the hand of Hananiah, one of
the king's captains.

12 The whole number of the ^o chief of the
fathers of ^o the mighty men of valour were two
thousand and six hundred.

13 And under their hand was an army,
three hundred thousand and seven thousand

701-649 and five hundred, that made war with mighty power, to help the king against the enemy.

b 14 And Uziah prepared for them throughout all the host shields, ° and spears, and helmets, and ° habergeons, and bows, and slings to cast stones.

a 15 And he made in Jerusalem ° engines, invented by ° cunning men, to be on the towers and upon the bulwarks, to shoot arrows and great stones withal.

Y And his name spread far abroad; for he was ° marvellously helped, ° till he was strong.

V d (p. 599) 16 But ° when he was strong, his heart was lifted up to his destruction: for he ° transgressed against ° the LORD ° his God, and went into the temple of ° the LORD to burn incense upon the altar of incense.

e 17 And Azariah the priest went in after him, and with him fourscore priests of ° the LORD, that were ° valiant men:

18 And they withstood Uziah the king, and said unto him, "It appertaineth not unto thee, Uziah, to burn incense unto ° the LORD, but to the priests the sons of Aaron, that are ° consecrated to burn incense: go out of the sanctuary; for thou hast ° trespassed; neither shall it be for thine honour from ° the LORD ° God."

d 19 Then Uziah was wroth,

e and had a censer in his hand to burn incense: and while he ° was wroth with the priests, ° the leprosy even rose up ° in his forehead before the priests in the house of ° the LORD, from beside the incense altar.

20 And Azariah ° the chief priest, and all the priests, looked upon him, and, ° behold, he was leprous in his forehead, and they thrust him out from thence; yea, ° himself hasted also to go out, because ° the LORD had smitten him.

21 And Uziah the king was a leper unto the day of his death, and dwelt in a ° several house, being a leper; for he was cut off from the house of ° the LORD: and Jotham his son was over the king's house, judging the People of the land.

U (p. 598) 22 Now the rest of the acts of Uziah, first and last, did ° Isaiah the prophet, the son of Amoz, write.

23 So Uziah ° slept with his fathers, and they buried him with his fathers in ° the field of the burial which belonged to the kings; for they said, "He is a leper:" and Jotham his son reigned in his stead.

G¹⁸ A (p. 599) 27 Jotham was ° twenty and five years old when he began to reign, and he reigned sixteen years in Jerusalem. His mother's name also was Jerushah, the daughter of Zadok.

B 2 And he did that which was right in the sight of ° the LORD, ° according to all that his father Uziah did: howbeit he ° entered not into the temple of ° the LORD. And the people did yet corruptly.

B 3 He built the ° high gate of the house of ° the

14 and. Note the Fig. Polysyndeton. Ap. 6. habergeons = bucklers, or coats of mail.

15 engines. The Roman balista, or catapults that would cast stones up to 300 lb. a quarter of a mile. cunning. Old Eng. = knowing, or skilful. marvellously helped: or, marvelled at for being helped.

till he was strong. This is the zone of real danger. When we are weak, then are we strong (2 Cor. 12. 9, 10; 13. 4).

26. 16-21 (V, p. 598). PERSONAL. EVIL-DOING. (Alternation.)

V d | 16. Uziah. Transgression.
e | 17, 18. Jehovah. Opposition.
d | 19-. Uziah. Anger.
e | -19-21. Jehovah. Judgment.

16 when he was strong. See note on v. 15. transgressed. Heb. *mā'al*. Ap. 44. xi.

17 valiant men = sons of valour.

18 consecrated = sanctified, or set apart. See note on Ex. 28. 41.

trespassed. Same word as "transgressed" (v. 16).

19 was wroth. One of eleven rulers offended with God's faithful servants. See note on Ex. 10. 28.

the leprosy. One of nine so affected. See note on Ex. 4. 6. The death penalty of Num. 18. 7 was thus limited.

in his forehead. In contrast with the high priest's frontlet, "Holiness to Jehovah".

20 the chief priest. See note on Lev. 4. 3.

behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

himself hasted. As Haman (Est. 6. 12).

21 several house = the separate house, or lazar house.

22 Isaiah. Raised up to prophesy in his reign. Wrote parts of 2 Kings, and his prophecy, cp. 32. 32.

23 slept with his fathers. See note on Deut. 31. 16. the field of the burial. Not in the royal sepulchres.

27. 1-9 (G¹³, p. 545). JOTHAM. (Introversion.)

G¹³ A | 1. Introduction.
B | 2. Events. Personal.
B | 3-6. Events. Public.
A | 7-9. Conclusion.

1 twenty and five years old: i.e. when he began to reign alone. He was twenty when his father was smitten, and when he became co-regent. At his father's death he was twenty-five, and Ahaz was five. See Ap. 50. V, p. 59.

2 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

according to all: i.e. to all the good, not the evil. Hence the "howbeit", which follows.

entered not into. As his father had done (26. 16). Not like Ahaz (28. 24).

3 high = upper. Ophel = the Ophel; or, the lofty place or tower at the north end of the hill of Zion, between Zion and the Temple.

5 children = sons. talents. See Ap. 51. II. measures. Heb. *kor*. Ap. 51. III. 3.

6 became mighty = strengthened himself.

LORD, and on the wall of ° Ophel he built much.

4 Moreover he built cities in the mountains of Judah, and in the forests he built castles and towers.

5 He fought also with the king of the Ammonites, and prevailed against them. And the ° children of Ammon gave him the same year an hundred ° talents of silver, and ten thousand ° measures of wheat, and ten thousand of barley. So much did the ° children of Ammon pay unto him, both the second year, and the third.

6 So Jotham ° became mighty, because he

°prepared his ways before °the LORD his °God.

A (p. 599) 7 Now the rest of the acts of Jotham, and all his wars, and his ways, °lo, they are written in the book of the kings of Israel and Judah.

647 8 He was °five and twenty years old when he to began to reign, and reigned sixteen years in 631 Jerusalem.

9 And Jotham °slept with his fathers, and they buried him in the city of David: and Ahaz his son reigned in his stead.

G¹⁴ C (p. 600) 28 Ahaz was °twenty years old °when he 632 began to reign, and he reigned sixteen to years in Jerusalem: but he did °not that 616 which was right in the sight of °the LORD, like David his father:

D 2 °For he walked in the ways of the kings of Israel, and made also molten images for Baalim.

3 Moreover he burnt incense in the valley of the son of Hinnom, and burnt his °children in the fire, after the abominations of the °heathen whom °the LORD had cast out before the °children of Israel.

4 He °sacrificed also and burnt incense in the high places, and on the hills, and under every green tree.

E F 5 Wherefore °the LORD °his °God delivered him into the hand of °the king of Syria; and °they smote him, and carried away a great multitude of them captives, and brought them to Damascus. And he was also delivered into the hand of the king of Israel, who smote him with a great slaughter.

6 For °Pekah the son of Remaliah slew in Judah an hundred and twenty thousand in one day, which were all °valiant men; because they had forsaken °the LORD °God of their fathers.

7 And Zichri, a °mighty man of Ephraim, slew Maaseiah the king's son, and Azrikam the governor of the house, and Elkanah that was next to the king.

8 And the °children of Israel carried away captive of their brethren two hundred thousand, °women, sons, and daughters, and °took also away much spoil from them, and brought the spoil to Samaria.

9 But a prophet of °the LORD was there, whose name was °Oded: and he °went out before the host that came to Samaria, and said unto them, "Behold, because °the LORD °God of your fathers was wroth with Judah, He hath delivered them into your hand, and ye have slain them in a rage that °reacheth up unto heaven.

10 And now ye purpose to keep under the °children of Judah and Jerusalem for bondmen and bondwomen unto you: but °are there not with you, even with you, °sins against °the LORD your °God?

11 Now hear me therefore, and deliver the captives again, which ye have taken captive of your brethren: for the fierce wrath of °the LORD is upon you."

12 Then °certain of the °heads of the °children of Ephraim, Azariah the son of °Johanan, Berechiah the son of Meshillemoth, and Jehiz-

6 prepared = fixed, or established.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

7 lo. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

8 five and twenty. Repeated here from v. 1, to show that he continued his well-doing.

9 slept, &c. See note on Deut. 31. 16.

28. 1-27 (G¹⁴, p. 545). AH AZ.
(Introversion and Alternation.)

G¹⁴ C | 1. Introduction.

D | 2-4. Personal. Evil-doing.

E | F | 5-15. Defeat by Syria and Israel.

G | 16. Embassy. Sent to Assyria.

E | F | 17-19. Defeat by Edomites and Philistines.

G | 20, 21. Embassy. Failure.

D | 22-25. Personal. Evil-doing.

C | 26, 27. Conclusion.

This chapter is complementary to 2 Kings 16. See Ap. 56.

1 twenty years . . . sixteen years. Yet his son Hezekiah was twenty-five years old when he died (29. 1). See note on 2 Kings 16. 1.

when he: i. e. when he (Jotham). Cp. Jehoiakim and Jehochin (36. 9. 2 Kings 24).

not . . . like. Nor like his own father Jotham, or his son Hezekiah.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 For. He outdid the kings of Israel: cp. 2 Kings 16. 3, 4, which brought forth the prophecies of Isaiah, Micah, Nahum, and others.

3 children = sons.

heathen = nations.

4 sacrificed. Cp. 2 Kings 16. 4.

5 his. Which should have been his.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

the king of Syria: i. e. Rezin, whom God raised up as a scourge.

they smote him: i. e. when they took Elath (2 Kings 16. 6).

6 Pekah the son of Remaliah. Cp. 2 Kings 15. 27 and Isa. 7. As Pekah ends three years before Ahaz begins, this must have taken place between 632 and 629 B. C.

valiant men = sons of valour.

7 mighty man. Heb. gibbôr. Ap. 14. IV.

8 women, &c. These also were guilty. Cp. Jer. 7. 18.

took also away: i. e. from Jerusalem. See Ap. 53.

9 Oded = establishing. His name is prophetic. went out before the host. Showing his courage. reacheth up unto heaven. Fig. Hyperbolē (Ap. 6), to express the greatness of the rage.

10 are there not . . . ? Fig. Erotēsis. Ap. 6.

sins = trespasses, or guilt. Heb. 'āshām. Ap. 44. ii.

11 the LORD. A. V., 1611, had "God".

12 certain = men. Heb. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

heads. Not the king.

Johanan. Should be Jehohanan.

13 offended = trespassed. Heb. 'āshām. Ap. 44. ii.

sins. Heb. chāṭā'. Ap. 44. i.

trespass. Heb. 'āshām. Ap. 44. ii.

14 congregation = assembly.

kiah the son of Shallum, and Amasa the son of Hadlai, stood up against them that came from the war,

13 And said unto them, "Ye shall not bring in the captives hither: for whereas we have °offended against °the LORD already, ye intend to add more to our °sins and to our °trespass: for our °trespass is great, and there is fierce wrath against Israel."

14 So the armed men left the captives and the spoil before the princes and all the °congregation.

632 15 And the °men which were expressed by
to name rose up, and took the captives, and with
616 the spoil clothed all that were naked among
them, and arrayed them, and shod them, and
gave them to eat and to drink, and anointed
them, and carried all the °feeble of them upon
asses, and brought them to Jericho, °the city
of palm trees, to their brethren: °then they re-
turned to Samaria.

G 16 At that time did king Ahaz send unto the
(p. 600) °kings of Assyria to help him.

E F 17 For again the Edomites had come and
smitten Judah, and carried away captives.

18 The °Philistines also had invaded the
cities of the low country, and of the south of
Judah, and had taken Beth-shemesh, and
Ajalon, and Gederoth, and Shocho with the
villages thereof, and Timnah with the villages
thereof, Gimzo also and the villages thereof:
and they dwelt there.

19 For °the LORD brought Judah low because
of Ahaz king of °Israel; for he made Judah
°naked, and °transgressed sore against °the
LORD.

G 20 And °Tilgath-pilneser king of Assyria
came unto him, and distressed him, but
strengthened him not.

21 For Ahaz took away a portion out of the
house of °the LORD, and out of the house of
the king, and of the princes, and gave it unto
the king of Assyria: but he helped him not.

D 22 And in the time of his distress did he
°trespass yet more against °the LORD: °this is
that king Ahaz.

23 For he sacrificed unto the gods of Damas-
cus, °which smote him: and he said, "Because
the gods of the kings of Syria °help them,
therefore will I sacrifice to them, that they
may help me." But they were °the ruin of him,
and of all °Israel.

24 And Ahaz °gathered together the vessels
of the house of °God, and cut in pieces the
vessels of the house of °God, and °shut up
the doors of the house of °the LORD, and he
made him altars in every corner of Jerusalem.

25 And in every several city of Judah he
made high places to burn incense unto other
gods, and provoked to anger °the LORD °God
of his fathers.

C 26 Now the rest of his acts and of °all his
ways, first and last, °behold, they are written
in the book of the kings of Judah and Israel.

27 And Ahaz °slept with his fathers, and
they buried him °in the city, even in Jerusalem:
but they brought him not into the sepulchres
of the kings of °Israel: and Hezekiah his son
reigned in his stead.

G¹⁵ H 29 Hezekiah °began to reign when he was
(p. 601) five and twenty years old, and he
617 reigned nine and twenty years in Jerusalem.
to And his mother's name was °Abijah, the daugh-
588 ter of Zechariah.

J K 2 And he did that which was right in the
sight of °the LORD, according to all that David
his father had done.

L M¹ 3 He °in °the first year of his reign, in the first
month, °opened the doors of the house of °the
LORD, and repaired them.

15 men. Heb. pl. of 'ish or 'enosh. Ap. 14.

feeble - tottering.

the city of palm trees. Cp. Deut. 34. 3.

then they returned to Samaria. Cp. this account
with Luke 10. 30-37.

16 kings = the great king. Pl. of majesty.

18 Philistines. These behind, and the Syrians be-
fore. Cp. Isa. 9. 12, 13.

19 Israel. See note on 21. 2.

naked: i. e. had stripped Judah of the worship and
service of God.

transgressed = acted treacherously; i. e. been griev-
ously unfaithful. Heb. mā'al. Ap. 44. xi.

20 Tilgath-pilneser. Cp. 2 Kings 16. 10. The ac-
counts in Kings and Chronicles are complementary.
See Ap. 56.

22 trespass. Heb. mā'al. Ap. 44. xi. See note on
"transgressed", v. 19.

this is that king Ahaz. Cp. three specially branded
transgressors: Cain (Gen. 4. 15); Dathan (Num. 26. 9);
and Ahaz, here. Contrast Hezekiah (32. 12, 30).

23 which smote him: i. e. which [as he believed]
smote him. help them. So he falsely reasoned.
the ruin of him. As the idolatry of the Edomites
ruined Amaziah (25. 14, 15).

24 gathered together. Cp. 2 Kings 16. 8.

shut up the doors. His son Hezekiah's first act was
to open them (29. 3). 26 all his ways. Cp. 27. 7.

behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

27 slept with his fathers. See note on Deut. 31. 16.
in the city. Not in the sepulchres.

29. 1-32. 33 (G¹⁵, p. 545). HEZEKIAH.
(Introversions.)

G¹⁵ H | 29. 1. Introduction. Accession.

J | K | 29. 2. Personal. Well-doing.

L | 29. 3-31. 21. Events. Reformation.

J | L | 32. 1-23. Events. Invasion.

K | 32. 24-31. Personal. Sickness.

H | 32. 32, 33. Conclusion. Record and Death.

1 began to reign. In the third year of Hoshea,
king of Israel. Therefore in the last year but one of
his father's reign. Hezekiah began his reformation in
616, the first year of his sole reign. See Ap. 50. V, p. 59.
Abijah. In 2 Kings 18. 2 it is given as 'Abi, here it is
'Abijah. But the "i" in the former stands for the
abbreviation of "jah" in the latter.

2 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

29. 3-31. 21 (L, above). EVENTS. REFORMA-
TION. (Double Introversion.)

L | M¹ | 29. 3. The house of Jehovah. Reformation.

N¹ | 29. 4-36. Restoration of worship.

N² | 30. 1-27. Restoration of the Passover.

M² | 31. 1. Idolatry. Abolition.

N³ | 31. 2. Restoration of ministry.

N⁴ | 31. 3-10. Restoration of offerings.

M³ | 31. 11-21. The worship of Jehovah. Preparation.

3 the first year. Yea, on the first day (v. 17). Only three
verses occupied with this in Kings, but three chapters
in Chronicles. For the reason and object see Ap. 56.

opened the doors. Cp. 28. 24. Note his zeal for the
house of the LORD in his "Songs of the degrees" (Pss.
122. 1, 9; 134. 1, 2). See Ap. 67. xiii.

29. 4-36 (N¹, above). RESTORATION OF WOR-
SHIP. (Extended Alternation.)

N¹ | O | 4-. Assemblage of priests and Levites.

P | 4. The place. The East street.

Q | 5-11. The sanctification of the priests
and Levites.

R | 12-19. The cleansing of the house.

O | 20-. Assemblage of the rulers of the city.

P | 20. The place. The house of Jehovah.

Q | 21-30. The offerings for their sanctification.

R | 31-36. The offerings of the People.

4 And he brought in the priests and the
Levites,

N¹ O

P and gathered them together into ° the east street,
(p. 601)

616 5 And said unto them, "Hear me, ° ye Levites, sanctify now yourselves, and sanctify the house of ° the LORD ° God of your fathers, and carry forth the filthiness out of the ° holy place."
Q f (p. 602)

g 6 For our fathers have ° trespassed, ° and done that which was ° evil in the eyes of ° the LORD our ° God, and have forsaken Him, and have turned away their faces from the ° habitation of ° the LORD, and turned their backs.

7 ° Also they have ° shut up the doors of the porch, and put out the lamps, and have not burned incense nor ° offered burnt offerings in the ° holy place unto the ° God of Israel.

8 Wherefore the wrath of ° the LORD ° was upon Judah and Jerusalem, and He hath delivered them to ° trouble, to astonishment, and to hissing, ° as ye see with your eyes.

9 For, ° lo, our fathers have fallen by the sword, and our sons and our daughters and our wives are in captivity ° for this.

g 10 Now it is ° in mine heart to make a covenant with ° the LORD ° God of Israel, that His fierce wrath may turn away from us.

f 11 My sons, be not now negligent: for ° the LORD hath chosen you to stand before Him, to serve Him, and that ye should minister unto Him, and burn incense."

R S¹ 12 ° Then the Levites arose, Mahath the son of Amasai, and Joel the son of Azariah, of the sons of the Kohathites: and of the sons of Merari, Kish the son of Abdi, and Azariah the son of Jehalelel: and of the Gershonites; Joah the son of Zimmah, and Eden the son of Joah:

13 And of the sons of Elizaphan; Shimri, and Jeiel: and of the sons of Asaph; Zechariah, and Mattaniah:

14 And of the sons of Heman; Jehiel, and Shimei: and of the sons of Jeduthun; She-maiah, and Uzziel.

15 And they gathered their brethren, and sanctified themselves, and came, according to the commandment of the king, ° by the words of ° the LORD, to cleanse the house of ° the LORD.

S² 16 And the priests went into ° the inner part of the house of ° the LORD, to cleanse it, and brought out all the uncleanness that they found in the temple of ° the LORD into the court of the house of ° the LORD. And the Levites took it, to carry it out abroad into the brook Kidron.

st Nisan 616 17 Now they began on ° the first day of the first month to sanctify, and on the eighth day of the month came they to the porch of ° the LORD: so they sanctified the house of ° the LORD in eight days; and in the sixteenth day of the first month they made an end.

18 Then they went ° in to Hezekiah the king, and said, "We have cleansed all the house of ° the LORD, and the altar of burnt offering, with all the vessels thereof, and the shewbread table, with all the vessels thereof.

19 Moreover all the vessels, which king ° Ahaz in his reign did ° cast away in his ° trans-

4 the east street = the broad place at the east. Cp. Ezra 10. 9.

29. 5-11 (Q, p. 601). THE SANCTIFICATION OF THE PRIESTS AND LEVITES. (Introversion.)

Q f | 5. Sanctification.

g | 6-9. Reasons.

g | 10. Object.

f | 11. Sanctification.

5 ye Levites. Reformation must begin with the ministry. All priests were Levites, but not all Levites were priests.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

6 trespassed = acted unfaithfully. Heb. mā'al. Ap. 44. xi.

and. Note the Fig. Polysyndeton (Ap. 6) in vv. 6, 7.

evil = the evil. Heb. rā'a' (with Art.). Ap. 44. viii.

habitation = dwelling place. Heb. mishkān. Ap. 40.

7 Also = And, carrying the Fig. Polysyndeton into this verse.

shut up the doors. Cp. 28. 24.

offered = offered up. Heb. 'ālāh. Ap. 43. I. vi.

8 was = came.

trouble = commotion.

as = according as.

9 lo. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

for this: for the sins rehearsed in vv. 6, 7.

10 in mine heart. Put there by God.

12-19 (R, p. 601). THE CLEANSING OF THE HOUSE. (Division.)

R | S¹ | 12-15. The persons.

S² | 16-19. The house.

12 Then the Levites arose. They were from each of the three leading families (Gershom, Kohath, and Merari); two from the family of Elizaphan (Kohath's grandson. Ex. 6. 18, 22. Num. 3. 30); two from the posterity of Asaph (of Gershom); two of Heman (of Kohath); two of Jeduthun (of Merari). Fourteen in all. See Ap. 10.

15 by the words: or in the business. Cp. v. 30.

16 the inner part. All true reformation begins there, and proceeds outward. Man makes clean the outside, and never gets any farther (Matt. 15. 11, 17-20; 23. 25, 26. Luke 11. 39).

17 the first day of the first month. Note the six events which took place on that day (Gen. 8. 13).

18 in = inside.

19 Ahaz . . . cast away. Cp. 2 Kings 16. 14, 17.

transgression = defection. Heb. mā'al. Ap. 44. xi.

behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

20 rose early . . . went up. Note the zeal of Hezekiah for the house of Jehovah in his Songs of the degrees. See Pss. 122. 1, 9; 134. 1, 2; and cp. Isa. 37. 1, 14; 38. 20. 2 Kings 20. 8, and Ap. 67. xiii.

rulers = princes.

21-30 (Q, p. 601). THE OFFERINGS FOR THEIR SANCTIFICATION. (Alternation.)

Q | h | 21-24. The sin offering.

i | 25, 26. Worship.

h | 27. The burnt offering.

i | 28-30. Worship.

gression, have we prepared and sanctified, and, ° behold, they are before the altar of ° the LORD."

20 Then Hezekiah the king ° rose early, and gathered the ° rulers of the city,

and ° went up to the house of ° the LORD.

21 And they brought seven bullocks, and seven rams, and seven lambs, and seven he goats, for a sin offering for the kingdom, and for the sanctuary, and for Judah. And he

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Q h (p. 602)

616 commanded the priests the sons of Aaron to offer *them* on the altar of ²the LORD.

22 So they killed the bullocks, and the priests received the blood, and sprinkled *it* on the altar: likewise, when they had killed the rams, they sprinkled the blood upon the altar: they killed also the lambs, and they °sprinkled the blood upon the altar.

23 And they brought °forth the he goats for the sin offering before the king and the °congregation; and °they °laid their hands upon them:

24 And the priests killed them, and they made °reconciliation with their blood upon the altar, to make an °atonement °for all Israel: for the king commanded *that* the burnt offering and the sin offering *should be made* °for all Israel.

i (p. 602) 25 And he set the Levites in the house of ²the LORD with cymbals, with psalteries, and with harps, according to the commandment of °David, and of Gad the king's °seer, and Nathan the prophet: for so was the commandment °of ²the LORD °by His prophets.

26 And the Levites stood with the instruments °of David, and the priests with the trumpets.

h 27 And Hezekiah commanded to offer the burnt offering upon the altar. And when the burnt offering began, the song of ²the LORD began also with the trumpets, and with the instruments *ordained* by David king of Israel.

i 28 And all the ²³congregation worshipped, and the singers sang, and the trumpeters sounded: *and all this continued* until the burnt offering was finished.

29 And when they had made an end of offering, the king and all that were present with him bowed themselves, and worshipped.

30 Moreover Hezekiah the king and the princes commanded the Levites to sing praise unto ²the LORD with the words of David, and of Asaph the seer. And they sang praises with gladness, and they bowed their heads and worshipped.

R k (p. 603) 31 Then Hezekiah answered and said, "Now ye have °consecrated yourselves unto ²the LORD, come near and bring sacrifices and thank offerings into the house of ²the LORD."

l 32 And the ²³congregation brought in sacrifices and thank offerings; and as many as were of a free heart burnt offerings.

m 32 And the number of the burnt offerings, which the ²³congregation brought, was three-score and ten bullocks, an hundred rams, and two hundred lambs: all these *were* for a burnt offering to ²the LORD.

33 And the °consecrated things *were* six hundred oxen and three thousand sheep.

l 34 But the priests were too few, so that they could not flay all the burnt offerings: wherefore their brethren the Levites did help them, till the work was ended, and until the *other* priests had sanctified themselves: for the Levites *were* more upright in heart to sanctify themselves than the priests.

35 And also the burnt offerings *were* in abundance, with the fat of the peace offerings,

22 on = toward.

sprinkled the blood. According to Lev. 4. 30-34; 8. 15.

23 forth = near. congregation = assembly.

they. The A.V. of 1611 omitted "they".

laid their hands. According to Lev. 4. 15; 8. 22; 16. 21.

24 reconciliation - cleansing.

atonement. See note on Ex. 29. 33.

for all Israel. Note the reference to this in Hezekiah's "Songs of the degrees" (Ps. 133, and cp. 30. 1-3, 5, 6, 11, 12, 14, 18, 25, 26). See note on 1 Kings 12. 17 and Ap. 67. xv.

25 David. Cp. 1 Chron. 15. 16; 28. 5; 25. 1.

seer. Heb. *chozēh*. See note on 1 Chron. 29. 29.

of = by the hand of. by - by the hand of.

26 of. Genitive of Relation = appointed by. Cp. v. 27.

29. 31-36 (R, p. 601). THE OFFERINGS OF THE PEOPLE. (*Introversion*.)

R | k | 31-. Hezekiah's command.

l | -31. Obedience of assembly.

m | 32, 33. The offerings.

l | 34, 35. Obedience of priests.

k | 36. Hezekiah's joy.

31 consecrated. See note on verb (Ex. 28. 41. Lev. 9. 17).

33 consecrated things - holy things. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

30. 1-27 (N², p. 601). RESTORATION OF THE PASSOVER. (*Introversion*.)

N² | T | 1-13. The feast. Preparation.

U | 14. Idolatrous altars in Jerusalem taken away.

T | 15-27. The feast. Observance.

1-13 (T, above). THE FEAST. PREPARATION. (*Alternation*.)

T | n | 1. The invitation. General.

o | 2-5. Time. The second month.

n | 6-12. The invitation. Particular.

o | 13. Time. The second month.

1 sent. This was before the Removal of Israel.

all Israel. See note on v. 24 and Ap. 67. xv.

also. He wrote letters, as well as sent messengers.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

keep the passover. One of the ten observances of this feast. See note on Ex. 12. 23.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

2 congregation - assembly. See note on Gen. 28. 3, the second month. As provided by the law (Num. 9. 6-13).

3 at that time: i. e. the first month, while all the work was going on. Cp. Ex. 12. 18.

and the drink offerings for every burnt offering. So the service of the house of ²the LORD was set in order.

36 And Hezekiah rejoiced, and all the People, that °God had prepared the People: for the thing was *done* suddenly. k

30 And Hezekiah °sent to °all Israel and Judah, and wrote letters °also to Ephraim and Manasseh, that they should come to the house of °the LORD at Jerusalem, to °keep the passover unto °the LORD °God of Israel.

2 For the king had taken counsel, and his princes, and all the °congregation in Jerusalem, to keep the passover in °the second month. o

3 For they could not keep it °at that time, because the priests had not sanctified themselves sufficiently, neither had the People gathered themselves together to Jerusalem.

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4 And the thing °pleased the king and all the ²congregation.

5 So they established a decree to make proclamation °throughout ¹all Israel, from Beersheba even to Dan, that they should come to ¹keep the passover unto ¹the LORD ¹God of Israel at Jerusalem: for they °had not done it of a long time in such sort as it was written.

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(p. 603)

6 So the °posts went with the letters °from the king and his princes throughout all Israel and Judah, and according to the commandment of the king, saying, "Ye °children of Israel, turn again unto ¹the LORD ¹God of °Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, and He will return to the remnant of you, that are escaped out of the hand of °the kings of Assyria.

7 And be not ye like your fathers, and like your brethren, which °trespassed against ¹the LORD ¹God of their fathers, Who therefore gave them up to desolation, °as ye see.

8 Now be ye not °stiffnecked, as your fathers were, but °yield yourselves unto ¹the LORD, and enter into His sanctuary, which He hath sanctified for ever: and serve ¹the LORD your ¹God, that the fierceness of His wrath may turn away from you.

9 For if ye turn again unto ¹the LORD, your brethren and your °children shall find compassion before them that °lead them captive, so that they shall come again into this land: for ¹the LORD your ¹God is °gracious and merciful, and will not turn away His face from you, if ye return unto Him."

10 So the °posts passed from city to city through the country of Ephraim and Manasseh even unto Zebulun: but they laughed them to scorn, and mocked them.

11 Nevertheless °divers °of Asher and Manasseh and of Zebulun humbled themselves, and came to Jerusalem.

12 Also in Judah the hand of °God was to give them °one heart to do the commandment of the king and of the princes, °by the word of ¹the LORD.

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13 And there assembled at Jerusalem much People to keep the feast of unleavened bread in ²the second month, a very great ²congregation.

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14 And they arose and took away the °altars that were in Jerusalem, and all the altars for incense took they away, and cast them into the °brook Kidron.

T p
(p. 604)
14th Zif
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15 Then they killed the passover on the fourteenth day of ²the second month: and the priests and the Levites were ashamed, and sanctified themselves, and brought in the burnt offerings into the house of ¹the LORD.

16 And they °stood in their place after their manner, according to °the law of Moses °the man of God: the priests sprinkled the blood, which they received of the hand of the Levites.

17 For there were many in the ²congregation that were not sanctified: therefore the Levites had the charge of the killing of the °passovers for every one that was not clean, to sanctify them unto ¹the LORD.

18 For a multitude of the people, even many of Ephraim, and Manasseh, Issachar, and Zebulun, had not cleansed themselves, yet did

4 pleased = was right in the eyes of.

5 throughout all Israel. The king, Hoshea, not objecting. Cp. 2 Kings 17. 2.

had not done it. Not since the division of the kingdom.

6 posts = couriers. Cp. Est. 3. 13, 15; 8. 10, 14. Jer. 51. 31. Elsewhere rendered "footmen" (1 Sam. 22. 17), or "guard" (1 Kings 14. 27, 28. 2 Kings 10. 25. 2 Chron. 12. 10, 11).

from = from the hand of: i. e. by his direction.

children = sons.

Abraham, Isaac, and Israel. See note on 1 Kings 18. 36 for the 5 occurrences of this expression.

the kings of Assyria. Pul and Tilgath-pilneser (2 Kings 15. 19. 1 Chron. 5. 26). These escaped captives were from the large numbers which had already been removed. See note on v. 9 and Ap. 67. xii.

7 trespassed. Heb. mā'al. Ap. 44. xi.

as = according as.

8 stiffnecked. Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, put for obstinacy.

yield yourselves = submit yourselves. Heb. "give the hand", "hand" being put by Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for submission. Cp. 1 Chron. 29. 24.

9 lead them captive. Though the ten tribes, as such, had not been deported, yet thousands had been led captive. Hezekiah's Song of the degrees (Ps. 126. 1) refers to this. Cp. v. 6, and see Ap. 67. xii.

gracious, &c. Cp. Ex. 34. 6.

11 divers men. Heb. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III. of Asher. These must have remained with Judah. Cp. Luke 2. 36, showing that Judah was representative of the whole nation. See note on 1 Kings 12. 17.

12 God. Heb. Elohīm (with Art.) = the [true] God. Ap. 4. I.

one heart. It is to this that Hezekiah refers in his Song of the degrees (Ps. 133. 1). It is a Psalm of David, selected by Hezekiah because David knew the blessedness of this "unity". See 2 Sam. 19. 9, 14 and Ap. 67. xv.

by. Some codices, with six early printed editions and Syr., read "according to".

14 altars. The brazen serpent also. See 2 Kings 18. 4. brook - ravine.

30. 15-27 (T, p. 603). THE FEAST. OBSERVANCE. (Extended Alternation.)

T p | 15-18-. Passover eaten.

q | -18, 19. Intercession of Hezekiah.

r | 20. Acceptance by Jehovah.

p | 21-26. Feast kept.

q | 27-. Blessing of the priests.

r | -27. Acceptance by Jehovah.

16 stood, &c. Heb. "stood in their standing"; i. e. stood in their appointed place. Fig. Polyptoton (Ap. 6).

the law of Moses. Cp. 29. 22.

the man of God. See note on Deut. 33. 1, and Ap. 49.

17 passovers. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the "passover lambs".

18 otherwise. Hezekiah considered this to be the lesser of two evils.

20 healed. And did not visit according to Lev. 15. 31.

they eat the passover °otherwise than it was written.

But Hezekiah prayed for them, saying, "The good ¹LORD pardon every one

19 That prepareth his heart to seek ¹God, ¹the LORD ¹God of his fathers, though he be not cleansed according to the purification of the sanctuary."

20 And ¹the LORD hearkened to Hezekiah, ¹and °healed the People.

21 And the °children of Israel that were p

616 ° present at Jerusalem kept the feast of unleavened bread seven days with great gladness: and the Levites and the priests praised ¹ the LORD day by day, *singing* with loud instruments unto ¹ the LORD.

22 And Hezekiah spake ° comfortably unto all the Levites that taught the good knowledge of ¹ the LORD: and they did eat throughout the feast seven days, ° offering peace offerings, and making confession to ¹ the LORD ¹ God of their fathers.

23 And the whole assembly took counsel to keep ° other seven days: and they kept *other* seven days with gladness.

24 For Hezekiah king of Judah did give to the ² congregation a thousand bullocks and seven thousand sheep; and the princes gave to the ² congregation a thousand bullocks and ten thousand sheep: and a great number of priests sanctified themselves.

25 And all the ² congregation of Judah, with the priests and the Levites, and all the ² congregation that came out of Israel, and the ° strangers that came out of the land of Israel, and that dwelt in Judah, rejoiced.

26 So there was great joy in Jerusalem: for since the time of Solomon the son of David king of Israel *there was* ° not the like in Jerusalem.

q (p. 604) 27 Then ° the priests the Levites arose and blessed the People:

r and their voice was heard, and their prayer came up to His ° holy dwelling place, *even* unto heaven.

M² (p. 601) 31 Now ° when all this was finished, ° all Israel that were ° present went out to the ° cities of Judah, and brake the images in pieces, and cut down the ° groves, and threw down the high places and the altars out of all Judah and Benjamin, in Ephraim also and Manasseh, until they had utterly destroyed them all. Then all the ° children of Israel returned, ° every man to his possession, into their own cities.

N³ 2 And Hezekiah appointed ° the courses of the priests and the Levites after their courses, ¹ every man according to his service, the priests and Levites for burnt offerings and for peace offerings, to minister, and to give thanks, and to praise in the gates of the tents of ° the LORD.

N⁴ s (p. 605) 3 *He appointed* also ° the king's portion of his substance for the burnt offerings, *to wit*, for the morning and evening burnt offerings, and the burnt offerings for the sabbaths, and for the new moons, and for the set feasts, as *it is* ° written in the law of ² the LORD.

4 Moreover he commanded the people that dwelt in Jerusalem to give the portion of the priests and the Levites, that they might be encouraged in the law of ² the LORD.

t 5 And as soon as the commandment came abroad, the ¹ children of Israel brought in abundance the firstfruits of corn, wine, and oil, and honey, and of all the increase of the field; and the tithe of all *things* brought they in abundantly.

21 present = found.

22 comfortably. Cp. Isa. 40. 2.

offering. Heb. *zābach*. Ap. 43. I. iv.

23 other seven days. As at Solomon's Dedication.

25 strangers = sojourners. Ex. 12. 48, 49.

26 not the like. Referring to the extra days of v. 23. Perfectly true; for this was "since the time of Solomon". Josiah's passover (2 Kings 23. 22, 23) was after Hezekiah's.

27 the priests the Levites. Cp. Deut. 17. 9. But some codices, with Sept. and Vulg., read "and the". holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

31. 1 when. After, not before. All true reformation begins within and works outward. Cp. Phil. 2. 12, 13.

all Israel. See note on 30. 1.

present = found.

cities. Jerusalem had been cleansed before the passover. Cp. 30. 14.

groves = the *'Asherim*. Ap. 42. children = sons. every man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

2 the courses of the priests. 1 Chron. 24—26.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

3 the king's portion. Cp. 32. 27—29 and Num. 18; 28; and 29.

written in the law. See Ap. 47.

31. 3—10 (N⁴, p. 601). RESTORATION OF OFFERINGS. (*Alternation*.)

N⁴ s | 3, 4. Hezekiah. Command.

t | 5—8. Obedience of the people.

s | 9. Hezekiah. Question.

t | 10. Answer of the chief priests.

6 tithe. A.V., 1611, read "tithes" (pl.).

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

by heaps. Heb. "heaps, heaps" = great heaps. Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6.

7 third . . . seventh: i.e. Sivan, Tammuz, Ab, Elul, Ethanim. See Ap. 51. 5, p. 74.

to lay the foundation: i.e. to begin to build up the heaps.

11—19 (M³, p. 601). THE WORSHIP OF JEHOVAH. PREPARATION. (*Introversion*.)

M³ u | 11— Hezekiah. Command.

v | 11. Storehouses prepared.

v | 12— Storehouses filled.

u | 12—21. Hezekiah. Overseers.

11 chambers = storehouses.

6 And concerning the ¹ children of Israel and Judah, that dwelt in the cities of Judah, they also brought in the ° tithe of oxen and sheep, and the tithe of holy things which were consecrated unto ² the LORD their ° God, and laid *them* ° by heaps.

7 In the ° third month they began ° to lay the foundation of the heaps, and finished *them* in the ° seventh month.

8 And when Hezekiah and the princes came and saw the heaps, they blessed ² the LORD, and His People Israel.

9 Then Hezekiah questioned with the priests and the Levites concerning the heaps.

10 And Azariah the chief priest of the house of Zadok answered him, and said, "Since *the People* began to bring the offerings into the house of ² the LORD, we have had enough to eat, and have left plenty: for ² the LORD hath blessed His People; and that which is left *is* this great store."

11 Then Hezekiah commanded to prepare ° chambers in the house of ² the LORD; and they prepared *them*,

M³ u

v

v 12 And brought in the °offerings and the
(p. 605) tithes and the °dedicated *things* faithfully:

616 over which Cononiah the Levite was ruler,
u and Shimei his brother was the next.

13 And Jehiel, and Azaziah, and Nahath,
and Asahel, and Jerimoth, and Jozabad, and
Eliel, and Ismachiah, and Mahath, and Be-
naiah, were overseers under the hand of
Cononiah and Shimei his brother, at the com-
mandment of Hezekiah the king, and ¹⁰Azariah
the ruler of the house of °God.

14 And Kore the son of Imnah the Levite,
the porter ° toward the east, was over the free-
will offerings of ¹³God, to distribute the ° obla-
tions of ° the LORD, and ° the most holy things.

15 And next him were ° Eden, and Miniamin,
and Jeshua, and Shemaiah, Amariah, and
Shecaniah, in the cities of the priests, in *their*
° set office, to give to their brethren by
courses, as well to the great as to the small:

16 Beside their genealogy of males, from
three years old and upward, even unto every
one that entereth into the house of ° the LORD,
his daily portion for their service in their
charges ° according to their courses;

17 Both to the genealogy of the priests by
the house of their fathers, and the Levites
from twenty years old and upward, in their
charges ° by their courses;

18 And to the genealogy of all their little
ones, their wives, and their sons, and their
daughters, through all the ° congregation: for
in their ¹⁵set office they ° sanctified themselves
in holiness:

19 Also of the sons of Aaron the ° priests,
which were in the fields of the suburbs of
their cities, in every several city, the ° men
that were expressed by name, to give portions
to all the males among the priests, and to all
that ° were reckoned by genealogies among
the Levites.

20 And thus did Hezekiah throughout all
Judah, and wrought *that which was* good and
right and truth before ° the LORD his ° God.

21 ° And in every work that he began in the
service of the house of ° God, and in the law,
and in the commandments, to seek his ° God,
he did *it* with all his heart, and prospered.

J L V 32 ° After these things, and the ° establish-
(p. 606) ment thereof, Sennacherib king of As-
603 syria came, and entered into Judah, and en-
camped against the fenced cities, and thought
° to win them for himself.

W w 2 And when Hezekiah saw that Sennacherib
was come, and that he was purposed to fight
against Jerusalem,

3 He took counsel with his princes and his
° mighty men ° to stop the waters of the fount-
ains which *were* without the city: and they
did help him.

4 So there was gathered much people to-
gether, who stopped all the fountains, and
° the brook that ran through the midst of the
land, saying, "Why should the ° kings of As-
syria come, and find much water?"

5 Also he strengthened himself, and built up
all the wall that was broken, and raised *it* up
to the towers, and another wall without, and
° repaired Millo *in* the city of David, and made
darts and shields in abundance.

12 offerings = heave offerings. See note on Ex. 29. 27,
and Ap. 43. II. viii.

dedicated = holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

13 God. Heb. Elohim (with Art.) = the [true] God. Ap.
4. I.

14 toward the east. Cp. 1 Chron. 9. 18.

oblations = heave offerings, as in v. 12.

the most holy things. Cp. Lev. 2. 3; 6. 17, 25, 29.

15 Eden. Cp. 29. 12.

set office = office of trust.

16 according to. Some codices, with seven early
printed editions, read "in".

17 by. Some codices, with one early printed edition,
read "according to".

18 congregation = assembly. See note on Gen. 28. 3.
sanctified themselves in holiness: or, devoted
themselves [as] a holy body. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

19 priests. Some codices, with Syr., read "priest".
men. Heb. 'ēnōsh (no Art.). Ap. 14. III.

were reckoned by genealogies: or, registered them-
selves.

21 And. A special various reading called *Sevir*
(Ap. 34) omits "And".

32. 1-23 (L, p. 601). THE INVASION OF SENNACHERIB. (*Introversion.*)

L | V | 1. Sennacherib. Invasion.
W | 2-8. Defence. Preparation.
X | 9-19. Sennacherib. Message and letters.
W | 20. Defence. Prayer.
V | 21-23. Sennacherib. Destruction.

1 After these things. Thirteen years after the
events in chapter 31.

establishment = "[done in] faithfulness".
to win. Heb. to break them up. Supply Fig. *Ellipsis*
(Ap. 6) thus: "to break them up [and annex them] for
himself".

2-8 (W, above). DEFENCE. PREPARATION. (*Alternation.*)

W | w | 2-5. Hezekiah. His works.
x | 6-. The People. Captains over them.
w | 6-8-. Hezekiah. His encouragement.
x | 8-. The People. Confidence.

3 mighty men. Heb. *gibbōr*. Ap. 14. IV.
to stop. By covering up the fountain En-rogel
(now known as "The Virgin's Fount"), or Gihon (upper
pool), on east side of Ophel. Discovered by Sir Charles
Warren in 1867. This was brought down to the west
side of the city by Hezekiah (v. 30. Cp. 2 Kings 20. 20).
En-rogel was stopped on the east side, and a channel
cut through to the lower pool of Gihon on the west,
and south to Siloam, a shaft running down to the water
beneath Zion: referred to in Ps. 46. 4. This is con-
trasted with the Assyrian host, which is compared in the
previous verse to raging waters. Isaiah refers to these
works (Isa. 22. 9-11).

4 the brook - the overflow: i.e. Gihon, which fre-
quently did so.

kings = the [great] king. Pl. of majesty.

5 repaired Millo. See notes on 2 Sam. 5. 9. 1 Kings
11. 27. 1 Chron. 11. 8.

6 street = broad space.

spake comfortably. Cp. Isa. 40. 2.

7 Be strong, &c. Heb. "be ye strong", &c. See
note on Deut. 31. 6. Josh. 10. 25.

multitude. Compared to raging waters (Ps. 46. 2, 3).
with us. Note the *Introversion* in vv. 7, 8 called *Anti-*
metabolē (Ap. 6), with us, with him, with him, with us.
Cp. 2 Kings 6. 16.

8 And he set captains of war over the People, x
and gathered them together to him in the
° street of the gate of the city,

and ° spake comfortably to them, saying, w
7 ° "Be strong and courageous, be not afraid
nor dismayed for the king of Assyria, nor for
all the ° multitude that *is* with him: for *there*
be more ° with us than with him:

603 8 With him *is* an arm of flesh; but with us *is* ° the LORD our ° God to help us, and to fight our battles."

x And the People rested themselves upon the words of Hezekiah king of Judah.

X y 9 ° After this did Sennacherib king of Assyria ° send his servants to Jerusalem, (but he himself laid siege ° against Lachish, and all his ° power with him,) unto Hezekiah king of Judah, and unto all Judah that were at Jerusalem, saying,

z a 10 "Thus saith Sennacherib king of Assyria, ° Whereon do ye ° trust, that ye abide in the siege in Jerusalem?

11 Doth not Hezekiah persuade you to give over yourselves to die by famine and by thirst, saying, ° The LORD our ° God shall ° deliver us out of the hand of the king of Assyria?

12 Hath not ° the same Hezekiah taken away His high places and His altars, and commanded Judah and Jerusalem, saying, 'Ye shall worship before one altar, and burn incense upon it?'

b 13 Know ye not what I and my fathers have done unto all the ° people of other lands? were the gods of the nations of those lands any ways able to ° deliver their lands out of mine hand?

14 ° Who was there among all the gods of those nations that my fathers utterly destroyed, that could ° deliver his people out of mine hand, that your ° God should be able to deliver you out of mine hand?

15 Now therefore let not Hezekiah deceive you, nor persuade you on this manner, neither yet believe him: for no ° god of any nation or kingdom was able to ° deliver his people out of mine hand, and out of the hand of my fathers: how much less shall your ° God ° deliver you out of mine hand?"

y 16 And his servants spake yet more against ° the LORD ° God, and against His servant Hezekiah.

z b 17 He wrote also letters ° to rail on ° the LORD ° God of Israel, and to speak against Him, saying, "As the gods of the nations of other lands have not ° delivered their people out of mine hand, so shall not the ° God of Hezekiah ° deliver His people out of mine hand."

a 18 Then they cried with a loud voice in the Jews' speech unto the people of Jerusalem that were on the wall, to affright them, and to trouble them; that they might take the city.

19 And they spake against the ° God of Jerusalem, as against the gods of the people of the earth, which were the work of the hands of ° man.

W (p. 606) 20 And for this cause Hezekiah the king, and the prophet Isaiah the son of Amoz, ° prayed and cried to ° heaven.

y 21 And ° the LORD sent an angel, which cut off all ° the mighty men of valour, and the leaders and captains in the camp of the king of Assyria. So he ° returned with shame of face to his own land. And when he was come into the house of his god, ° they that came forth of his own bowels slew him there with the sword.

8 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

32. 9-19 (X, p. 606). SENNACHERIB. MESSAGE AND LETTERS. (*Alternation and Introversion*).

X	y	9. Sennacherib's servants.	
	z	a 10-12. Hezekiah's weakness.	} Railing message.
		b 13-15. Sennacherib's strength.	
	y	16. Sennacherib's servants.	
	z	b 17. Sennacherib's strength.	} Railing letters.
		a 18, 19. Hezekiah's weakness.	

9 After this. Omitting the account of the surrender of 2 Kings 18. 14-16.

send his servants. Cp. 2 Kings 18. 17-37; 19. 1-35. Isa. 10. 8-11; 36; 37.

against Lachish. A difficult task, for Rab-shakeh found Sennacherib had abandoned the siege (2 Kings 19. 8). Joshua had found it the same (see note on "second day", Josh. 10. 31, 32). In Jer. 34. 7 it still belonged to Judah. power=royal retinue.

10 Whereon . . . ? Note the Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6), used throughout Rab-shakeh's message, vv. 10-14.

trust=confide. Heb. *batāh*. Ap. 69. I. Note the reference to Hezekiah's "trust in Jehovah" in his Songs of the degrees (121. 3; 125. 1-3; 127. 1; 130. 5-8, and see Ap. 67. x. 11 deliver=rescue.

12 the same Hezekiah. Contrast Ahaz (28. 22). See Ap. 67. i. 13 people=peoples.

14 Who . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

15 god. Heb. *'ēlōah*. Ap. 4. V.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. Pl., with verb "deliver" in sing.

16 God. Elohim (with Art.)=the [true] God.

17 to rail. It is this railing which is referred to in Hezekiah's "Songs of the degrees": e. g. Pss. 120. 2, 3; 123. 3, 4; 129. 5-7.

19 God of Jerusalem. A remarkable title used by heathen.

man. Heb. *'ādām* (with Art.). Ap. 14. I.

20 prayed and cried. This is what Hezekiah refers to in his "Songs of the degrees" (Pss. 120. 1; 123. 1-3; 130. 1, 2). Cp. Isa. 38. 10-20. 2 Kings 19. 15-19; 20. 2, 3. See Ap. 67. iv. One of the few O.T. instances of united prayer.

heaven. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for God Himself. "Heaven" used here because the prayer was made to God, as "the Maker of heaven and earth" (2 Kings 19. 15. Isa. 37. 16). This is referred to in Hezekiah's "Songs of the degrees" (Pss. 121. 1, 2; 123. 1; 124. 8). See Ap. 67. v.

21 returned with shame. This is referred to in Hezekiah's "Songs of the degrees" (Ps. 129. 4, 5). R.V. "be ashamed and turned backward". See Ap. 67. iii.

they that came forth of his own bowels. The phrase occurs only here. See notes on 2 Kings 19. 37.

23 brought gifts . . . presents. This explains v. 27, and tells us how he could show treasures to the ambassadors from Babylon (2 Kings 20. 13. Isa. 39. 1, 2), after he had stripped himself for Sennacherib in 2 Kings 18. 15. nations=the nations.

24-31 [For Structure see next page].

24 In those days. While Sennacherib's host was still surrounding Jerusalem. This is a brief summary of what is described in 2 Kings 20 and Isaiah 38.

22 Thus ° the LORD saved Hezekiah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem from the hand of Sennacherib the king of Assyria, and from the hand of all other, and guided them on every side.

23 And many ° brought gifts unto ° the LORD to Jerusalem, and ° presents to Hezekiah king of Judah: so that he was magnified in the sight of all nations from thenceforth.

24 ° In those days Hezekiah was sick to the

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death, and prayed unto ^sthe LORD: and He spake unto him, and He ^ogave him a sign.

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25 But Hezekiah rendered not again according to the benefit *done* unto him; for his heart was lifted up: therefore there was wrath upon him, and upon Judah and Jerusalem.

26 Notwithstanding Hezekiah humbled himself for ^othe pride of his heart, *both* ^{he} and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the wrath of ^sthe LORD came not upon them in the days of Hezekiah.

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27 And Hezekiah had exceeding much riches and honour: ^oand he made himself treasures for silver, and for gold, and for precious stones, and for spices, and for shields, and for all manner of pleasant jewels;

28 Storehouses also for the increase of corn, and ^owine, and oil; and stalls for all manner of beasts, and ^ocotes for flocks.

29 Moreover he provided him cities, ²⁷ and possessions of flocks and herds in abundance: for ^sGod had given him substance very much.

30 ¹²This same Hezekiah also ^ostopped the upper watercourse of Gihon, ²⁷ and brought it straight down to the west side of the city of David. And Hezekiah prospered in all his works.

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31 Howbeit in *the business* of the ambassadors of the princes of ^oBabylon, who sent unto him to enquire of ^othe wonder that was *done* in the land, ¹⁵God left him, to try him, that he might know all *that was* in his heart.

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32 Now the rest of the acts of Hezekiah, and his ^ogoodness, ^obehold, they *are* written in the vision of ^oIsaiah the prophet, the son of Amoz, ^oand in the book of the kings of Judah and Israel.

33 And Hezekiah ^oslept with his fathers, and they buried him in the chiefest of the sepulchres of the sons of David: and all Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem did him honour at his death. And Manasseh his son reigned in his stead.

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33 ^oManasseh was twelve years old when he began to reign, and he reigned fifty and five years in Jerusalem:

Z e i

2 But did *that which was* evil in the sight of ^othe LORD, like unto the abominations of the ^oheathen, whom ^othe LORD had cast out before the ^ochildren of Israel.

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3 For he built again the high places which Hezekiah his father had broken down, and he reared up altars for Baalim, and made ^ogroves, and worshipped all ^othe host of heaven, and served them.

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4 Also he built altars in the house of ²the LORD, whereof ²the LORD ^ohad said, "In Jerusalem shall My ^oname be for ever."

5 And he built altars for all ²the host of heaven in the two courts of the house of ²the LORD.

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6 And ^{he} caused his ²children to ^opass through the fire in the valley of the son of Hinnom: also he ^oobserved ^otimes, and used enchantments, and used witchcraft, and dealt with a

32. 24-31 (K, p. 601). PERSONAL. SICKNESS. (Alternation.)

K c | 24. Sickness.

d | 25, 26. Transgression. Ingratitude.

c | 27-30. Prosperity.

d | 31. Transgression. Pride.

gave him a sign. Recorded in 2 Kings 20. 1-11. The going back of the shadow on the sun-dial of Ahaz ten degrees, which caused him to give the title of the fifteen "Songs of the degrees" (Pss. 120-134). See Ap. 67.

26 the pride = the lifting up. Cp. v. 25.

27 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in vv. 27-30.

28 wine = new wine. Heb. *tirōsh*. Ap. 27. ii.

cotes. Anglo-Saxon for enclosures.

30 stopped. The latest discoveries prove that the upper pool (Gihon) is identical with En-rogel (= the Fuller's Spring), now "the Virgin's Fount". A rock-hewn channel was cut from this westward to "the lower pool of Gihon, and eastward to Siloam". On the water supply at that time, see Isa. 7. 3; 8. 6; 22. 9-11; 36. 2. Cp. v. 3, 4 and 2 Kings 20. 20.

31 Babylon. The first occurrence of the name in connection with Judah.

the wonder. Cp. v. 24. 2 Kings 20. 10, 11. Isa. 38. 7, 8.

32 goodness = kindnesses.

behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

Isaiah. See Isa. 36-39.

and in, or [following] upon.

33 slept with his fathers. See note on Deut. 31. 16.

33. 1-20 (G¹⁶, p. 545). MANASSEH. (Introversion.)

G¹⁶ Y | 1. Introduction.

Z | 2-13. Events. Personal. Apostasy.

A | 14. Public events. Buildings.

Z | 15-17. Events. Personal. Reformation.

Y | 18-20. Conclusion.

1 Manasseh. This chapter is complementary to 2 Kings 21; vv. 11-17, concerning his reformation, are supplementary. See Ap. 56.

2-13 (Z, above). EVENTS. PERSONAL. APOSTASY, AND REPENTANCE (Introversion.)

Z e | 2-9. Manasseh. His apostasy from Jehovah.

f | 10-. Jehovah's remonstrance.

g | -10. Disregard.

h | 11. Captivity.

h | 12, 13-. Deliverance.

g | -13-. Regard.

f | -13-. Jehovah's restoration.

e | -13. Manasseh. His acknowledgment of Jehovah.

2-9 (e, above). HIS APOSTASY. (Introversion.)

e i | 2. Evil-doing. General.

k | 1 | 3. Heathen high places rebuilt.

m | 4, 5. Temple profaned.

k | l | 6. Heathen practices resumed.

m | 7, 8. Temple profaned.

i | 9. Evil-doing. General.

Particular.

2 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

heathen = nations. children = sons.

3 groves = *Ashērōth*. See Ap. 42.

the host of heaven. Cp. Deut. 17. 3.

4 had said. In Deut. 12. 11. 1 Kings 8. 29; 9. 3.

2 Chron. 6. 6; 7. 16. name. See note on Ps. 20. 1.

6 pass through the fire. Cp. Lev. 18. 21. Deut.

18. 10. 2 Kings 23. 10. 2 Chron. 28. 3.

observed times. Consulted auguries.

times = clouds, which were watched for auguries.

familiar spirit. See note on Lev. 19. 31.

evil = the evil. Heb. *rā'a'* (with Art.). Ap. 44. viii.

^ofamiliar spirit, and with wizards: he wrought much ^oevil in the sight of ²the LORD, to provoke Him to anger.

(p. 608) ^m 7 And he set a carved image, the ° idol which
588 ° God had said to David ° and to Solomon his
to son, "In this house, and in Jerusalem, which
533 I have chosen before all the tribes of Israel,
will I put My ° name for ever :

8 Neither will I any more remove the foot of Israel from out of the land which I have appointed for ° your fathers; ° so that they will take heed to do all that I have commanded them, according to the whole law and the statutes and the ordinances by the hand of Moses."

9 So Manasseh made Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem to err, and to do worse than the ° heathen, whom ° the LORD had destroyed before the ° children of Israel.

10 And ° the LORD spake to Manasseh, and to his People :

but they would not hearken.

11 Wherefore ° the LORD brought upon them the ° captains of the host of ° the king of Assyria, which took Manasseh ° among the thorns, and bound him with fetters, and carried him to Babylon.

12 And when he was in affliction, he besought ° the LORD his ° God, and humbled himself greatly before the ° God of his fathers,
13 And prayed unto Him :

and He was intreated of him,

and heard his supplication, and brought him again to Jerusalem into his kingdom. Then ° Manasseh knew that ° the LORD ° was ° God.

14 Now after this he built a wall without the city of David, on the west side of ° Gihon, in the valley, even to the entering in at the fish gate, and compassed about ° Ophel, and raised it up a very great height, and put captains of war in all the fenced cities of Judah.

15 And he took away the strange gods, and the ° idol out of the house of ° the LORD, and all the altars that he had built in the mount of the house of ° the LORD, and in Jerusalem, and cast them out of the city.

16 And he repaired the altar of ° the LORD, and sacrificed thereon peace offerings and thank offerings, and commanded Judah to serve ° the LORD ° God of Israel.

17 Nevertheless the People did sacrifice still in the high places, yet unto ° the LORD their ° God only.

18 Now the rest of the acts of Manasseh, and his prayer unto his ° God, and the words of the seers that spake to him in the name of ° the LORD ° God of Israel, ° behold, they are written in the book of the kings of ° Israel.

19 ° His prayer also, and how God was intreated of him, and all his ° sins, and his ° trespass, and the places wherein he built high places, and set up ° groves and graven ° images, before he was humbled: behold, they are written among the sayings of ° the seers.

20 So Manasseh ° slept with his fathers, and they buried him ° in his own house: and Amon his son reigned in his stead.

7 idol = similitude.

God. Heb. Elohim (with Art.) = the [true] God. Ap. 4. I. and = even.

8 your. Sept., Syr., and Vulg. read "their". Cp. 2 Kings 21. 8. so that = if only.

11 captains = princes. See note on "Gezer", 1 Kings 9. 15-17.

the king of Assyria. Esar-haddon.

among the thorns = with hooks, or rings. A monument has been found showing this king Esar-haddon leading two captives with hooks or rings through their lips. And in an inscription he says: "I transported (from Syria) into Assyria men and women innumerable... I counted among the vassals of my realm twelve kings of Syria, beyond the mountains, Balou king of Tyre, Manasseh king of Judah".

14 Gihon. See notes on 32. 3, 4, 30.

Ophel. Northern part of Zion, south of Temple.

18 behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

Israel. See note on 1 Kings 12. 17.

19 His prayer. Not recorded. That given in the Apocrypha not considered genuine.

sins. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i. A.V., 1611, reads "sin". trespass. Heb. *mā'al*. Ap. 44. xi.

images. Same word as v. 22 and Deut. 7. 5. Always pl. in O.T.

the seers = the *chozai*. See note on 1 Chron. 29. 29.

20 slept with his fathers. See note on Deut. 31. 16. in his own house. The Sept. reads "in the garden of his own house". Cp. 2 Kings 21. 18.

33. 21-25 (G¹⁷, p. 545). AMON. (Introversion.)

G¹⁷ n | 21. Introduction.

o | 22, 23. Personal. Evil-doing. Committed.

o | 24. Personal. Evil-doing. Punished.

n | 25. Conclusion.

21 Amon. Cp. 2 Kings 21. 19-24.

22 evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

as = according as.

23 but Amon = "but he Amon".

trespassed more and more = he multiplied trespass. Heb. *'āshām*. Ap. 44. ii.

25 the People of the land = the commonalty. Cp. 36. 1.

34. 1-35. 27 (G¹⁸, p. 545). JOSIAH. (Introversion.)

G¹⁸ B | 34. 1, 2. Introduction.

C | 34. 3-35. 19. Events. Ecclesiastical.

C | 35. 20-25. Events. Military.

B | 35. 26, 27. Conclusion.

1 Josiah. These two chapters are complementary to 2 Kings 22. 1-23. 30. See Ap. 56.

21 ° Amon was two and twenty years old when he began to reign, and reigned two years in Jerusalem.

22 But he did that which was ° evil in the sight of ° the LORD, ° as did Manasseh his father: for Amon sacrificed unto all the carved ° images which Manasseh his father had made, and served them;

23 And humbled not himself before ° the LORD, as Manasseh his father had humbled himself; ° but Amon ° trespassed more and more.

24 And his servants conspired against him, and slew him in his own house.

25 But ° the People of the land slew all them that had conspired against king Amon; and the People of the land made Josiah his son king in his stead.

34 ° Josiah was eight years old when he began to reign, and he reigned in Jerusalem one and thirty years.

2 And he did that which was right in the

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sight of °the LORD, and walked in the ways of David his father, and °declined *neither* to the right hand, nor to the left.

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3 For in the eighth year of his reign, while he was yet young, °he began to seek after the °God of David his father: and in the twelfth year he began to purge Judah and Jerusalem from the high places, and the °groves, and the °carved images, and the molten images.

4 And they °brake down the altars of Baalim in his presence; °and the images, that were on high above them, he cut down; and the °groves, and the °carved images, and the molten images, he brake in pieces, and made dust of them, and strowed it upon the °graves of them that had sacrificed unto them.

5 And he °burnt the bones of the priests upon their altars, and cleansed Judah and Jerusalem.

6 And so did he in the cities of Manasseh, and Ephraim, and Simeon, even unto Naphthali, °with their mattocks round about.

7 And when he had broken down the altars and the °groves, and had beaten the graven images into powder, and cut down all the idols throughout all the land of Israel, he returned to Jerusalem.

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8 Now in the eighteenth year of his reign, when he had purged the land, and the house, °he sent Shaphan the son of Azaliah, and Maaseiah the governor of the city, and Joah the son of Joahaz the recorder, °to repair the house of °the LORD his °God.

9 And when they came to °Hilkiah the high priest, they delivered the money that was brought into the house of °God, which the Levites that kept the doors had gathered of the hand of Manasseh and Ephraim, and of all the remnant of Israel, and of all Judah and Benjamin; and they returned to Jerusalem.

10 And they put it in the hand of the workmen that had the oversight of the house of °the LORD, and they gave it to the workmen that wrought in the house of °the LORD, to repair and amend the house:

11 Even to the artificers and builders gave they it, to buy hewn stone, and timber for couplings, and to floor the houses which the kings of Judah had destroyed.

12 And °the men did the work faithfully: and the overseers of them were Jahath and Obadiah, the Levites, of the sons of Merari; and Zechariah and Meshullam, of the sons of the Kohathites, to set it forward; and other of the Levites, °all that could skill of instruments of musick.

13 °Also they were over the bearers of burdens, and were overseers of all that wrought the work in any manner of service: and of the Levites there were scribes, and officers, and porters.

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14 And when they brought out the money that was brought into the house of °the LORD, Hilkiah the priest °found a book of the law of °the LORD given °by Moses.

15 And Hilkiah answered and said to Shaphan the scribe, "I have °found the book of the law in °the house of °the LORD." And Hilkiah delivered the °book to Shaphan.

2 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. declined = turned aside or swerved.

34. 3-35. 19 (C, p. 609). EVENTS. ECCLESIASTICAL. (Division.)

C | D¹ | 34. 3-33. Reformation made.
D² | 35. 1-19. Passover kept.

3-33 (D¹, above). REFORMATION. MADE. (Introversion. Compound Alternations.)

D ¹	E	G	3-7. Judah and Jerusalem. The purging.	
		H	p ¹ 8-13. Temple. Repair.	
			q ¹ 14-16-. Book found and delivered.	
			p ² -16, 17. Temple. Repair.	
			q ² 18, 19. Book found and read.	
		F	r 20, 21. Jehovah. Inquiry.	
			s 22. Servant's obedience.	
		F	r 23-28-. Jehovah. Answer.	
			s -28. Servant's return.	Consequences.
E	G		29. Judah and Jerusalem. The assembling.	
		H	p ³ 30-. Temple. Entry of Josiah.	
			q ³ -30. Book read.	
			p ⁴ 31-. Temple. Station of Josiah.	
			q ⁴ -31-33. Book obeyed.	

3 he began. Doubtless Zephaniah and Jeremiah were used in influencing Josiah. Both prophesied during his reign. Zephaniah began in first year of Josiah; Jeremiah in his thirteenth year, i. e. in 510.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

groves = 'Ashêrim. See Ap. 42.

carved images. Same as Deut. 7. 5.

4 brake down. Note the Fig. *Synonymiâ* (Ap. 6), by which the words are heaped together to impress us with the thoroughness of the work: e. g. "brake down", "cut down", "brake in pieces", "made dust of them", "strowed it", and "burnt".

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), connecting these particulars in vv. 4, 5.

graves. Heb. *keber* = a burial place, from *kābar*, to bury (Gen. 23. 4, 20, &c.). Primary idea is heaping up atumulus. *Keber* = a grave; *Shêol* = the grave. See Ap. 35.

5 burnt the bones. Thus fulfilling 1 Kings 13. 2.

6 with their mattocks: or, in their ruins.

8 he sent. This is supplementary to 2 Kings 22. 3. to repair. This had been done before by Joash (2 Kings 12. 4-15).

9 Hilkiah. Cp. 1 Chron. 6. 13.

12 the men. Heb. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

all that could skill = all that had understanding, or ability.

13 Also. Some think this should be omitted with the italics "they were" and "were".

14 found a book of the law. Without doubt the book which Moses himself wrote, the original copy of the Pentateuch. Cp. 2 Kings 22. 8, and see Ap. 47.

by = by the hand of. 16 to = to the hand of.

17 gathered together. Heb. poured out, or melted down.

18 given me = given to me.

16 And Shaphan carried the °book to the king, and brought the king word back again, saying, "All that was committed °to thy servants, they do it."

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17 And they have °gathered together the money that was found in the house of °the LORD, and have delivered it into the hand of the overseers, and to the hand of the workmen."

18 Then Shaphan the scribe told the king, saying, "Hilkiah the priest hath °given me a °book." And Shaphan read it before the king.

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19 And it came to pass, when the king had heard the words of the law, that he rent his clothes.

Fr (p. 610) 20 And the king commanded Hilkiah, and Ahikam the son of Shaphan, and °Abdon the son of Micah, and Shaphan the scribe, and Asaiah a servant of the king's, saying,

21 "Go, enquire of °the LORD for me, and for them that are left in Israel and in Judah, concerning the words of the °book that is found: for great is the wrath of °the LORD that is poured out upon us, because our fathers have not kept °the word of °the LORD, to do after all that is written in this °book."

s 22 And Hilkiah, and they that the king °had appointed, went to Huldah the prophetess, the wife of Shallum the son of Tikvath, the son of Hasrah, keeper of the wardrobe; (now she dwelt in Jerusalem in the °college;) and they spake to her to that effect.

Fr 23 And she answered them, "Thus °saith °the LORD °God of Israel, 'Tell ye the °man that sent you to me,

24 'Thus saith °the LORD, °Behold, I will bring evil upon this place, and upon the inhabitants thereof, even all the curses that are °written in the book which they have read before the king of Judah:

25 Because they have forsaken Me, and have burned incense unto other gods, that they might provoke Me to anger with all the °works of their hands; therefore °My wrath shall be poured out upon this place, and shall not be quenched.'"

26 And as for the king of Judah, who sent you to enquire of °the LORD, so shall ye say unto him, 'Thus °saith °the LORD °God of Israel concerning the words which thou hast heard;

27 'Because thine heart was tender, and thou didst humble thyself before °God, when thou heardest °His words against this place, and against the inhabitants thereof, and humbledst thyself before Me, and didst rend thy clothes, and weep before Me; °I have even heard thee also,' °saith °the LORD.

28 "Behold, I will °gather thee to thy fathers, and thou shalt be °gathered to thy °grave in peace, neither shall thine eyes see all the °evil that °I will bring upon this place, and upon the inhabitants of the same.'"

s So they brought the king word again.

E G 29 Then the king sent and gathered together all the elders of Judah and Jerusalem.

H p³ 30 And the king went up into the house of °the LORD, and all the °men of Judah, and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and the priests, and °the Levites, and all the People, great and small:

q³ and he read in their ears all the words of the °book of the covenant that was found in the house of °the LORD.

p⁴ 31 And the king °stood in his place,

q⁴ and made °a covenant before °the LORD, to walk after °the LORD, and to keep His commandments, and His testimonies, and His statutes, with all his heart, and with all his °soul, to perform the words of the covenant which are written in this book.

20 Abdon: or Achbor. Cp 2 Kings 22. 12. See note on 1 Chron. 25. 11.

21 the word. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "the words" (pl.).

22 had appointed. The Sept. reads "named"; the Syr. reads "sent".

college: or second quarter [of the city].

23 saith = hath said.

man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

24 Behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

written in the book. See note on v. 14; 35. 12, and Ap. 47.

25 works. Some codices, with one early printed edition and Syr., read "workmanship". Cp. 2 Kings 22. 17.

My wrath shall be poured out. Heb. text reads "that My wrath might be poured out". Some codices, with nine early printed editions and Sept., read "My wrath hath been poured out".

27 His words. Some codices, with Sept., read "My words".

28 gather thee to thy fathers. This is explained by the next sentence. See note on 2 Sam. 12. 23.

gathered to thy grave. Fig. Euphemismos (Ap. 6), for dying. evil. Heb. rā'ā'. Ap. 44. viii.

30 and. Note the Fig. Polysyndeton (Ap. 6) in vv. 30-33. the Levites. And prophets (2 Kings 23. 2).

31 stood in his place: or stood on his stand. Fig. Polyptoton (Ap. 6). a = the.

soul. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13.

32 present = found.

33 took away. Cp. 2 Kings 23. 4-8.

children = sons.

serve, even to serve. Fig. Epizeuxis. Ap. 6.

all his days. Significant words, showing that in their hearts the people were still inclined to worship other gods, as Jeremiah testifies (Jer. 25. 3). See also Jer. 11 and 13.

35. 1-19 (D², p. 610). PASSOVER KEPT. (Introversion.)

D² t | 1-. Passover. Kept.

u | -1. Time. Fourteen days.

v | 2-6. Command.

w | 7. Donation of the king.

v | 8, 9. Donation of the princes and others.

v | 10-16. Obedience.

u | 17. Time. Seven days.

t | 18, 19. Passover. None like it.

1 Josiah. This passover kept in the eighteenth year of his reign (2 Kings 23. 21-23).

kept a passover. One of the ten observances recorded. See note on Ex. 12. 28.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

fourteenth day. In this respect it was unlike Hezekiah's. Cp. 30. 2, 3. 2 Kings 23. 22, 23.

2 he set the priests, &c. This passover is interesting from the succinct description of its observance.

32 And he caused all that were °present in Jerusalem and Benjamin to stand to it. And the inhabitants of Jerusalem did according to the covenant of °God, the °God of their fathers.

33 And Josiah °took away all the abominations out of all the countries that pertained to the °children of Israel, and made all that were present in Israel to °serve, even to serve °the LORD their °God. And °all his days they departed not from following °the LORD, the °God of their fathers.

35 Moreover °Josiah °kept a passover unto °the LORD in Jerusalem:

and they killed the passover on the °fourteenth day of the first month.

2 And °he set the priests in their charges,

D² t
(p. 611)

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and encouraged them to the service of the house of ¹the LORD,

3 And said unto the Levites ° that taught ° all Israel, which were ° holy unto ¹the LORD, ° "Put ° the ° holy ark in the house which Solomon the son of David king of Israel did build; *it shall not be a burden upon your shoulders: serve now ¹the LORD your ° God, and His People Israel,*

4 And prepare yourselves by the houses of your fathers, after your courses, according to ° the writing of David king of Israel, and according to ° the writing of Solomon his son.

5 And stand in the ° holy place according to the ° divisions of ° the families of the fathers of your brethren ° the People, and after the division of the families of the Levites.

6 So kill the passover, and sanctify yourselves, and prepare your brethren, that they may do according to the word of ¹the LORD ° by the hand of Moses."

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7 And Josiah gave to ° the People, of the flock, lambs and kids, all for the passover offerings, for all that were present, to the number of thirty thousand, and three thousand bullocks: these were of the king's substance.

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8 And his princes gave willingly unto the People, to the priests, and to the Levites: ° Hilkiah and Zechariah and Jehiel, rulers of the house of ° God, gave unto the priests for the passover offerings two thousand and six hundred small cattle, and three hundred oxen.

9 Conaniah also, and ° Shemaiah and Nethaneel, his brethren, and Hashabiah and Jeiel and ° Jozabad, chief of the Levites, gave unto the Levites for passover offerings five thousand small cattle, and five hundred oxen.

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10 So the service was prepared, and the priests stood in their place, and the Levites in their courses, according to the king's commandment.

11 And ° they killed the passover, and the priests sprinkled the blood from their hands, and the Levites flayed them.

12 And they removed the burnt offerings, that they might give according to the divisions of ° the families of ° the People, to ° offer unto ¹the LORD, as it is written in ° the book of Moses. And so did they with the oxen.

13 And they roasted the passover with fire according to the ordinance: but the other ° holy offerings ° sod they in pots, and in caldrons, and in pans, and divided them speedily among all ° the People.

14 And ° afterward they made ready for themselves, and for the priests: because the priests the sons of Aaron were busied in ° offering of burnt offerings and the fat until night; therefore the Levites prepared for themselves, and for the priests the sons of Aaron.

15 And the singers the sons of Asaph were in their place, according to the commandment of ° David, and Asaph, and Heman, and Jeduthun the king's ° seer; and the porters waited at every gate; ° they might not depart from their service; for their brethren the Levites prepared for them.

16 So all the service of ¹the LORD was pre-

3 that taught all Israel. This was the great and special duty of the priests and Levites. But they neglected it for their ritual, as too many priests have done from that day to this. See notes on Deut. 33. 10; 17. 11, &c. all Israel. Not Judah only.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

Put the holy ark. It had probably been removed during the reparation of the Temple.

the holy ark = the Sanctuary's Ark. See note on Ex. 25. 22 and 1 Chron. 13. 3.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

4 the writing of David. Cp. 1 Chron. 28. 19; 2 Chron. 29. 25, 27, 30.

the writing of Solomon. Cp. 2 Chron. 8. 14.

5 divisions. The word occurs only here.

the families = the houses.

the People = the sons of the People: i. e. the common people.

6 by the hand of Moses. This is Divine testimony as to the authorship of the Pentateuch (Ex. 12).

8 Hilkiah. The high priest (34. 9).

God. Heb. Elohim (with Art.) = the [true] God. Ap. 4. I.

9 Shemaiah . . . Jozabad. Cp. 31. 12-15.

11 they: i. e. the Levites.

12 offer = bring near. Heb. *kārab*. Ap. 43. I. i.

the book of Moses: i. e. Exodus. See Ap. 47.

13 sod = boiled.

14 afterward. Contrast Ezek. 34.

offering = offering up. Heb. *ālāh*. See Ap. 43. I. vi.

15 David, and Asaph. Cp. 1 Chron. 25. 1; 6. 33, 39, 44.

seer. See notes on Judg. 9. 9. 1 Chron. 29. 29.

they might not: or they need not.

17 children = sons.

18 no passover like to that. Cp. 2 Kings 23. 22. No discrepancy with Hezekiah's passover (30. 26); none like Hezekiah's till then. This, of Josiah's, was later, and exceeded it.

19 kept. The Septuagint Version adds here [with a colon after kept]: "after all these things that Josiah did in the house, who also burnt those who had familiar spirits, and the wizards, and the images, and the idols, and the sodomites, which were in the land of Judah and in Jerusalem, that he might confirm the words of the law that were written in the book which Hilkiah the priest had found in the house of the Lord. There was no one like him before him, who turned to the Lord with all his heart, and all his soul, and all his strength, according to all the law of Moses, and after him there rose up none like him. Nevertheless the Lord turned not from the anger of His great wrath, wherewith the Lord was greatly angry against Judah, for all the provocations wherewith Manasseh provoked Him. And the Lord said: 'I shall even remove Judah also from My presence, as I have removed Israel; and I have rejected the city which I chose, even Jerusalem, and the house of which I said, 'My Name shall be there.'"

pared the same day, to keep the passover, and to offer burnt offerings upon the altar of ¹the LORD, according to the commandment of king Josiah.

17 And the ° children of Israel that were present kept the passover at that time, and the feast of unleavened bread seven days.

18 And there was ° no passover like to that kept in Israel from the days of Samuel the prophet; neither did all the kings of Israel keep such a passover as Josiah kept, and the priests, and the Levites, and all Judah and Israel that were present, and the inhabitants of Jerusalem.

19 In the eighteenth year of the reign of Josiah was this passover ° kept.

C x¹ (p. 613) 500 20 °After all this, when Josiah had prepared the °temple, °Necho king of Egypt came up to fight °against °Charchemish by Euphrates :

y¹ and Josiah went out against him.

x² 21 But ° he sent ambassadors to him, saying, "What have I to do with thee, thou king of Judah? I come not against thee this day, but against the house wherewith I have war: for °God commanded me to make haste: forbear thee from meddling with °God, Who is with me, that He destroy thee not."

y² 22 Nevertheless Josiah would not turn his face from him, but °disguised himself, that he might fight with him, and hearkened not unto the words of °Necho from the mouth of °God, and came to fight in the valley of °Megiddo.

x³ 23 And the archers shot at king Josiah; and the king said to his servants, "Have me away; for I am sore wounded."

y³ 24 His servants therefore took him out of that chariot, and put him in the second chariot that he had; and they brought him to Jerusalem, and he died, and was buried in one of the °sepulchres of his fathers. And all Judah and Jerusalem mourned for Josiah.

25 And °Jeremiah lamented for Josiah: and all the singing men and the singing women spake of Josiah in their lamentations to this day, and made them an ordinance in Israel: and, °behold, they are written in the lamentations.

B (p. 609) 26 Now the rest of the acts of Josiah, and his °goodness, according to that which was written in the law of °the LORD,

27 And his deeds, first and last, behold, they are written in the book of the kings of Israel and Judah.

G¹⁹ a (p. 613) 36 Then °the People of the land took Jehoahaz the son of Josiah, and made him king in his father's stead in Jerusalem.

500 2 Jehoahaz was twenty and three years old when he began to reign, and he reigned three months in °Jerusalem.

b 3 And the king of Egypt put him down at Jerusalem, and condemned the land in an hundred °talents of silver and °a talent of gold.

b 4 And the king of Egypt made Eliakim his brother king over Judah and Jerusalem, and turned his name to Jehoiakim.

a And Necho took Jehoahaz his brother, and carried him to °Egypt.

G²⁰ c 5 Jehoiakim was twenty and five years old when he began to reign, and he reigned eleven years in Jerusalem: and he did that which was °evil in the sight of °the LORD his °God.

d 6 Against him °came up °Nebuchadnezzar

did, and for the innocent blood which Jehoiakim had shed; and he had filled Jerusalem with innocent blood; yet the LORD refused to utterly destroy them". The son of Nabopolassar.

35. 20-25 (C, p. 609). EVENTS. MILITARY. (Repeated Alternation.)

C | x¹ | 20-. Pharaoh-necho. Invasion.
y¹ | -20. Josiah. Advance.
x² | 21. Pharaoh-necho. Embassy.
y² | 22. Josiah. Persistence.
x³ | 23. Pharaoh-necho. Victory.
y³ | 24, 25. Josiah. Death. Lamentation.

20 After all this. Thirteen years after. temple = house.

Necho. Called also Pharaoh-necho. Said to be the founder of the twenty-fifth dynasty, about the thirty-fifth year of Manasseh: i. e. in 553 B. C.

against = at.

Charchemish = the fortress of Chemosh. Pharaoh-necho's object was to share the spoils of the falling empire of Assyria. Nineveh was taken 607 B. C. Cp. Jer. 46. 2.

21 he. Pharaoh-necho.

22 disguised himself. As Ahab had done (18. 29, 1 Kings 22. 30).

Megiddo. Cp. 2 Kings 23. 29.

24 sepulchres = graves. Heb. *keber*, as in 34. 4.

25 Jeremiah lamented. This does not refer to the book of that name (Lamentations), though Josiah is referred to in it (Lam. 4. 20 and Jer. 22. 10-18). Cp. Zech. 12. 11. 2 Kings 23. 31.

behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

26 goodness = kindnesses. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, put for acts of kindness. See 32. 32.

36. 1-4 (G¹⁹, p. 545). JEHOAHAZ. (Introversion.)

G¹⁹ | a | 1, 2. Jehoahaz. Accession.
b | 3. King of Egypt puts him down.
b | 4-. King of Egypt sets his brother up.
a | -4. Jehoahaz. Captivity.

1 the People of the land = the commonalty. Cp. 33. 35. Not lawfully, for Jehoahaz was not the eldest son.

2 Jerusalem. The Sept. adds here, probably owing to the *Homoteleuton* in the word Jerusalem: "Jerusalem, and his mother's name was Amital, daughter of Jeremiah of Lobbah: and he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD, according to all that his fathers had done: and Pharaoh-neckhao bound him in Deblatha, in the land of Aimath, that he might not reign in Jerusalem".

3 talents . . . a talent. See Ap. 51. II. 6.

4 Egypt. The Sept. adds: "Egypt, and he died there: and they had given the silver and the gold to Pharaoh: at that time the land began to be taxed to give the money at the command of Pharaoh; and every one, as he could, kept demanding the silver and the gold of the People of the land, to give it to Pharaoh-neckhao".

5-8 (G²⁰, p. 545). JEHOIAKIM. (Introversion.)

G²⁰ | c | 5. Introduction.
d | 6. Nebuchadnezzar. Jehoiakim taken.
d | 7. Nebuchadnezzar. Temple spoiled.
c | 8. Conclusion.

5 evil. Heb *ra'a*. Ap. 44. viii.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I. The Sept. adds here: "according to all that his fathers did. In his days came Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon into the land, and he served him three years, and then revolted from him. And the LORD sent against them the Chaldeans, and bands of Syrians, and bands of Moabites, and the sons of Ammon and Samaria; but after this, they rebelled according to the word of the LORD, by the hand of his servants the prophets. However, the anger of the LORD was upon Judah, to remove him from His presence, because of the sins of Manasseh in all that he

6 came up. See Ap. 53.

Nebuchadnezzar.

500-489 king of Babylon, and bound him in °fetters, °to carry him to Babylon.

d (p. 613) 7^e Nebuchadnezzar also carried of the vessels of the house of °the LORD to Babylon, and put them in his temple at Babylon.

c 8 Now the rest of the acts of Jehoiakim, and his abominations which he did, and that which was °found in him, behold, they are written in the °book of the kings of Israel and Judah: and Jehoiachin his son reigned in his stead.

G²¹ e (p. 614) 489-488 9 °Jehoiachin was °eight years old when he began to reign, and he reigned three months and ten days in Jerusalem: and he did *that which was* °evil in the sight of °the LORD.

f 10 And when the year was expired, king °Nebuchadnezzar °sent, and °brought him to Babylon,

f with the goodly vessels of the house of °the LORD,

e and made °Zedekiah °his brother king over Judah and Jerusalem.

G²² g 488 to 11 Zedekiah was one and twenty years old when he began to reign, and reigned eleven years in Jerusalem.

477 12 And he did *that which was* °evil in the sight of °the LORD his °God, and °humbled not himself before Jeremiah the prophet *speaking* from the °mouth of °the LORD.

h 13 And he also rebelled against king °Nebuchadnezzar, who had °made him swear by °God:

i but he stiffened his neck, and hardened his heart from turning unto °the LORD °God of Israel.

k 14 Moreover all the chief of the priests, and the People, °transgressed very much after all the abominations of the °heathen; and polluted the house of °the LORD which He had °hallowed in Jerusalem.

i 15 And °the LORD °God of their fathers sent to them by His messengers, °rising up betimes, and sending; because He had compassion on his People, and on His dwelling place:

16 But °they mocked the messengers of °God, and despised His words, and misused His prophets, until the wrath of °the LORD arose against His People, till *there was* °no remedy.

h 17 Therefore °He brought upon them the king of the Chaldees, who slew their young men with the sword in the house of °their sanctuary, and had no compassion upon young man or maiden, old man, or him that stooped for age: He gave *them* °all into his hand.

18 And °all the vessels of the house of °God, great and small, and the treasures of the house of °the LORD, and the treasures of the king, and of his princes; all *these* he brought to Babylon.

477 19 And they burnt the house of °God, and brake down the wall of Jerusalem, and burnt all the palaces thereof with fire, and destroyed all the goodly vessels thereof.

g 20 And them that had escaped from the

fetters. Heb. brasses, or bronzes (Dual). Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the two chains or fetters made of brass.

to carry him to Babylon. There were four deportations: (1) Manasseh (33. 11), no date given, but apparently 580-570 B.C.; (2) Jehoiakim (36. 6, Daniel in this; Dan. 1. 1), 496 B.C.; (3) Jehoiachin (v. 10. 2 Kings 24. 14, Mordecai in this. Est. 2. 5, 6), 489 B.C.; (4) Zedekiah (36. 20. 2 Kings 25, Nehemiah in this), 477 B.C. From this last are reckoned the seventy years of 36. 21. Jer. 25. 9, 11, 12.

8 found in him = found upon him. On this is grounded the belief that he was tattooed with idolatrous marks or signs forbidden by Lev. 19. 28. Cp. Rev. 13. 16, 17; 14. 9, 11; 16. 2; 19. 20; 20. 4.

book. See Ap. 47.

36. 9, 10 (G²¹, p. 545). JEHOIACHIN. (Introversion.)

G²¹ e | 9. Accession.

f | 10-. King. Captive.

f | -10-. Temple. Spoiled.

e | -10. Supercession.

9 Jehoiachin. Called also Jeconiah (1 Chron. 3. 16) and Coniah (Jer. 22. 24, 28). Cp. 2 Kings 24. 8. The "Je" (= Jehovah) being cut off from his name.

eight years. Some codices, with Sept. and Syr., read "eight", but 2 Kings 24. 8 reads "eighteen". The "eighteen" must include his co-regency, the "eight" to his reigning alone. This practice was common in Israel and Judah as well as in ancient contemporary kingdoms.

10 sent. N.B., not "came".

brought him = had him brought.

Zedekiah. Originally Mattaniah. Cp. 2 Kings 24. 17, &c.

his brother: i. e. his next of kin. In this case his uncle (2 Kings 24. 17. 1 Chron. 3. 15).

11-21 (G²², p. 545). ZEDEKIAH. (Introversion.)

G²² g | 11, 12. Evil-doing. Against Jehovah.

h | 13-. Nebuchadnezzar. Rebellion.

i | -13. Jehovah. Obduracy of Zedekiah.

k | 14. Priests and people. Evil-doing.

i | 15, 16. Jehovah. Remonstrance.

h | 17-19. Nebuchadnezzar. Revenge.

g | 20, 21. Evil-doing. Requited by Jehovah.

12 humbled not himself, &c. Cp. Jer. 34. 8; 37. 2; and 38. 17, &c.

mouth. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for what is spoken by it.

13 made him swear. Ezekiel refers to this (Ezek. 17. 11-20).

14 transgressed very much = abounded in treachery. Heb. "multiplied to transgress transgression". Fig. *Polyptoton* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. Heb. *mā'al*. Ap. 44. xi.

heathen = nations.

hallowed. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

15 rising up betimes. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

16 they mocked = they kept mocking. Cp. Matt. 23. 37. Especially Urijah (Jer. 26. 20-23) and Jeremiah (chaps. 37 and 38).

God. Heb. Elohim (with Art.) = the [true] God. Ap. 4. I.

no remedy. These words, occurring as they do on the last page of the Hebrew Bible, led to the conversion of the late Joseph Rabinovitch, of Kischeneff.

17 He brought. To leave us in no doubt as to the real cause. Cp. Judg. 1. 8, and see Ap. 53.

their sanctuary. No longer Jehovah's. Compare and contrast "My Father's house" (John 2. 16) and "your house" (Matt. 23. 38). The former at the beginning of His ministry; the latter at the close.

all = the whole that came into her hand.

477 sword carried he away to Babylon; where
to they were °servants to him and his sons until
426 the reign of °the kingdom of Persia:

21 To °fulfil the word of °the LORD by the mouth of °Jeremiah, until the land had enjoyed her sabbaths: for °as long as she lay desolate she kept sabbath, to °fulfil °threescore and ten years.

B³ 22 Now in °the first year of Cyrus king of
(p. 530) Persia, that the word of °the LORD spoken
426 by the mouth of °Jeremiah might be accomplished, °the LORD stirred up the °spirit of Cyrus king of Persia, that he made a proclamation throughout all his kingdom, and put it also in writing, saying,

23 "Thus saith Cyrus king of Persia, 'All the kingdoms of the earth hath °the LORD °God of heaven given me; and °he hath charged me to build Him an house in Jerusalem, which is in Judah. Who is there among you of all His People? °The LORD his °God be with him, and let him go up'".

20 servants. Cp. Jer. 27. 6, 7. Dan. 1. This was foretold in 2 Kings 20. 17, 18. Isa. 39. 7.

the kingdom of Persia. See the Chronological Structure of Ezra-Nehemiah (p. 618), and notes there.

21 fulfil . . . fulfil. At beginning and end of v. in Heb. Note the emphasis by the Fig. *Epanadiplosis*. Ap. 6.

Jeremiah. Cp. Jer. 25. 9, 12; 29. 10.

as long as = all the days. Thus completing a period of seventy years. This was foretold also (Lev. 23. 32; 26. 34, 35). threescore and ten years. See special note on 36. 21, below.

22 the first year of Cyrus. See note on Ezra 1. 1. spirit. Heb. *rûach*.

23 God of heaven. First occurrence of this expression. Now used because His People was *Lo Ammi* (= "not My People"), and He (Jehovah) had withdrawn from their midst. It is the title peculiar to the times of the Gentiles, while God acts from heaven, and not from between the cherubim as Jehovah the God of Israel, or as "the Lord of all the earth" (His millennial title). See the other occurrences (twenty in all = 3 x 6, Ap. 10): Ezra 1, 2; 5, 11, 12; 6, 9, 10; 7, 12, 21, 23. Neh. 1. 4, 5; 2. 4, 20. Ps. 136. 26. Dan. 2. 18, 19, 37, 44. Jonah 1. 9. Rev. 11. 13; 16. 11.

He hath charged me. Cp. Isa. 44. 28; 45. 13.

SPECIAL NOTE ON 2 Chron. 36. 21.

THE "SERVITUDE", THE "CAPTIVITY", AND THE "DESOLATIONS".

Three Periods of *seventy years* are assigned to these three respectively, and it is necessary that they should be differentiated.

i. The "SERVITUDE" began in the fourth year of JEHOIAKIM, and the first of NEBUCHADNEZZAR, when the "KINGDOM" passed under CHALDEAN rule for seventy years (Jer. 25. 1). This period closed with the capture of BABYLON by DARIUS the MEDIAN (ASTYAGES), and the "Decree" of CYRUS to rebuild the Temple. It lasted from 496-426 B.C.

ii. The "CAPTIVITY" commenced, and is dated by EZEKIEL from the carrying away to BABYLON of JECHONIAH, in the eighth year of NEBUCHADNEZZAR (2 Kings 24. 8-16). This was in 489 B.C. Consequently, when the "Servitude" ended in 426 B.C., the "Captivity" had lasted for sixty-three (9×7) years.

Seven years later CYRUS died, in 419 B.C. That year (419) is further notable for:

1. The appointment of Nehemiah as Governor of Jerusalem by Cambysses (Neh. 5. 14).
2. The completion of "the wall" in fifty-two days (Neh. 6. 15); and
3. The fact it marks the end of the *fifth* of the "seven sevens" of Dan. 9. 25. (See Appendix 50. VI, p. 60; and 50: VII (5), p. 67. The "Captivity" lasting from 489 to 419 B.C.

iii. The "DESOLATIONS" commenced with the beginning of the *third* and last siege of JERUSALEM by NEBUCHADNEZZAR in 479 B.C., and cover a period of "seventy years", ending in the second year of DARIUS HYSTASPIS: i. e. in 409 B.C.

This "threescore and ten years" which is referred to here (2 Chron. 36. 21), is the fulfilment of Lev. 26. 32-35, and has reference to "the LAND".

It is this period of which DANIEL says he "understood by books", as being the number of the years that Jehovah "would accomplish in the Desolations of Jerusalem" (Dan. 9. 2).

The DARIUS here (Dan. 9. 1) is evidently CYRUS, the son of ASTYAGES (see notes on p. 618, and Ap. 57); and as the first year of his reign was 426 B.C., it follows that *seventeen* years had, then, yet to run before the "Desolations" of the LAND were ended, in 409 B.C.

Hence, DANIEL's prayer, that follows, resulted in the giving to him the famous prophecy of the "seventy sevens" of years contained in Dan. 9. 20-27.

EZRA-NEHEMIAH.

THE STRUCTURE OF THE TWO BOOKS AS A WHOLE*, ACCORDING TO THEIR CANONICAL ORDER.

(*Division.*)

A¹ | EZRA. THE REBUILDING OF THE TEMPLE.

A² | NEHEMIAH. THE REBUILDING OF THE WALLS.

(**A¹**, above). EZRA. THE REBUILDING OF THE TEMPLE.

(*Introversion.*)

A¹ | **B** | 1. 1-4 (**N**†). THE PEOPLE. EMANCIPATION.

C | 1. 5-2. 70 (**P**). THE RETURN UNDER ZERUBBABEL.

D | 3. 1-6 (**Q**). THE ALTAR. BUILDING AND FEAST.

D | 3. 7-6. 22 (**Q**). THE TEMPLE. BUILDING AND FEAST.

C | 7. 1-8. 36 (**P**). THE RETURN UNDER EZRA.

B | 9. 1-10. 44 (**N**). THE PEOPLE. DEDICATION. REFORMATION.

(**A²**, above). NEHEMIAH. THE REBUILDING OF THE WALLS.

(*Introversion and Alternation.*)

A² | **E** | 1. 1-6. 19 (**K**†). THE WALL. REBUILDING. DISORDERS OVERCOME.

F | **H** | 7. 1-4 (**N**). JERUSALEM. CHARGE OVER.

J | 7. 5-73- (**P**). THE RETURN UNDER ZERUBBABEL.

G | 7. -73-8. 18 (**Q**). FEAST OF THE SEVENTH MONTH (426 B. C.).

G | 9. 1-10. 39 (**N**). FEAST OF THE SEVENTH MONTH (404 B. C.).

F | **H** | 11. 1-36 (**N**). JERUSALEM. RESIDENTS IN.

J | 12. 1-26 (**N**). THE RETURN UNDER EZRA.

E | 12. 27-13. 31 (**K**). THE WALL. DEDICATION. DISORDERS OVERCOME.

* In Hebrew manuscripts of the Bible, and the early printed editions of the Hebrew text, these two books are always treated and reckoned as one book: the 685 verses being numbered from the first verse of Ezra to the last verse of Nehemiah; the middle verse of the one book being given by the Massorites as Neh. 8. 32; while of the ten Sedarim (or Cycles for public reading), the fourth begins at Ezra 8. 35 and ends with Neh. 2. 10. See note at foot of p. 632. Moreover, the notes which the Massorites place at the end of each book are placed at the end of Nehemiah, and not at the end of Ezra. Cp. note on the books of SAMUEL, KINGS, and CHRONICLES, p. 366.

The Structure of the one book is set forth as above, the two Divisions being given in their CANONICAL ORDER.

EZRA confines himself mainly to the events connected with the TEMPLE.

NEHEMIAH confines himself mainly to the events connected with the WALL and the CITY.

Ezra comes first in the Canonical Order, because the TEMPLE is more important than the WALL, morally and spiritually.

Nehemiah follows, because the WALL is of secondary importance.

When the whole of the events are looked at in their CHRONOLOGICAL and HISTORICAL order, a different Structure is necessarily observed: this Structure is determined by certain *fixed points*, common to both Orders. These fixed points determine the place of the remaining events recorded in the two parts respectively. See Table of Events and CHRONOLOGICAL Structure on p. 618, and the Harmony of Events in Ap. 58.

† The letters of this fount (in brackets) correspond with the same letters in the CHRONOLOGICAL Structure on page 617.

CERTAIN FIXED POINTS IN THE TWO DIVISIONS OF THE JOINT BOOKS

May be exhibited as follows, in brief: a complete list of all the events will be found in Appendix 58.

EZRA.

1. 1-4. The People. Emancipation.
1. 5—
2. 70. The Return under Zerubbabel.
(The Temple still desolate: and for sixteen
years later. Hag. 1. 1-4.)
- Feast of the Seventh Month (426 B. C.).
3. 1-13. Temple. Foundation laid.
4. 1-6. 15. The Temple: building.
6. 16-22. Dedication of the Temple.
7. 1-8. 36. The Return under Ezra.
9. 1-4. Feast, &c., of the Seventh Month
(404 B. C.).
9. 5. Separation of the People.
Ezra's Prayer.
10. 1-44. Strange wives put away, and the
Covenant made.

NEHEMIAH.

1. 1-6. 19. The WALL. Rebuilding.
External disorders overcome.
7. 1-4. The condition of the city.
(People few. Houses not built.)
7. 5-73. The Return under Zerubbabel.
7. -73—
8. 18. Feast of the Seventh Month (426 B. C.).
9. 1-37. Feast, &c., of the Seventh Month
(404 B. C.).
9. 38. Separation of the People.
Levites' Prayer.
10. 1-39. Strange wives put away, and the
Covenant made.
11. 1-12-26. Residents in Jerusalem.
12. 27-47. Dedication of the wall.
13. 1-31. Reformation of the People.

We are now in a position to complete the CHRONOLOGICAL Structure of the joint books.

THE STRUCTURE OF EZRA-NEHEMIAH AS A WHOLE, ACCORDING TO THE HISTORICAL AND CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER OF EVENTS.*

(*Introversions and Alternation.*)

- A¹A²K** | Neh. 1. 1-6. 19 (E⁺). THE WALL. REBUILDING. EXTERNAL DISORDERS OVERCOME.
- L** | **N** | Neh. 7. 1-4 (H). JERUSALEM. CHARGE OVER IT.
- O** | Ezra 1. 1-4 (B). THE PEOPLE. EMANCIPATION.
- M** | **P** | Neh. 7. 5-73- (J). } THE RETURN UNDER ZERUBBABEL.
Ezra 1. 5-2. 70 (C). }
- Q** | Neh. 7. -73-8. 18 (G). } FEAST OF THE SEVENTH MONTH (426 B. C.).
Ezra 3. 1-7 (D). }
- R** | Ezra 3. 8-13 (D). THE TEMPLE. FOUNDATION.
- R** | Ezra 4. 1-6. 22 (D). THE TEMPLE. BUILDING AND DEDICATION.
- M** | **P** | Ezra 7. 1-8. 36 (C). THE RETURN UNDER EZRA.
- Q** | Neh. 9. 1-3 (G). } FEAST OF THE SEVENTH MONTH (404 B. C.).
Ezra 9. 1-4 (B). }
- L** | **O** | Neh. 9. 4-10. 39 (G). } THE PEOPLE. SEPARATION.
Ezra 9. 5-10. 44 (B). }
- N** | Neh. 11. 1-12. 26 (F). JERUSALEM. RESIDENTS IN IT.
- K** | Neh. 12. 27-13. 31 (E). THE WALL. DEDICATION. INTERNAL DISORDERS OVERCOME.

* See notes on p. 618.

† The Index letters (in brackets) correspond with the same letters which indicate the same members in the CANONICAL Structure, on page 616.

NOTES TO THE CHRONOLOGICAL STRUCTURE (p. 617).

The CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER of EVENTS, and the STRUCTURE based thereon, revolutionises the traditional view, which treats this one book as two books; places Ezra historically as preceding Nehemiah; and inserts the book of ESTHER between Ezra, chapters 6 and 7, instead of before Ezra-Nehemiah. (See date, Est. 1. 3.)

Those who thus dislocate the two divisions of this book proceed to speak of certain portions as being "misplaced", and "not original", and as having "false connections". These so-called "discrepancies", after having thus been first made by the commentators, are charged home on the inspired writers themselves.

That the "difficulties" exist only in the minds of the critics will be seen if we note the following facts:—

1. The fixed points, common to the two parts of the book, determine for us the true position of all the other parts, and result in giving us the Chronological Structure of the whole on page 617.

2. The traditional view places the building of the temple by Ezra as coming many years before Nehemiah 1. But this is inconceivable in view of the report brought by Hanani to Nehemiah concerning the desolations (Neh. 1. 3) and repeated to the king (Neh. 2. 3).

3. Nehemiah would surely have inquired about the welfare of the 42,360 exiles who are supposed to have returned to Jerusalem, and not about "the Jews that had escaped, which were left of the captivity" (Neh. 1. 2).

4. When the wall was finished, "the houses were not yet builded" (Neh. 7. 1-4).

5. When the Feast of the seventh month was kept (Neh. 8), "the foundation of the temple of the Lord was not yet laid" (Ezra 3. 1-6).

6. When the people dwelt in their "cieled houses", the house of the Lord still lay waste (Hag. 1. 1-4). These facts are more certain than all chronology, and are more important and conclusive than all reasoning.

7. The names of some of the kings mentioned have been hitherto regarded as proper names; whereas, according to Sir Henry Rawlinson, Professor Sayce, *The Encyclopædia Britannica*, and *The Century Encyclopædia of Names*, three at least are appellatives (like Pharaoh, Abimelech, Czar, Shah, Sultan); viz. Ahasuerus, which means "The venerable king", Artaxerxes, which means "The great king", and Darius, which means "The maintainer". See the Genealogy of the Persian kings (Ap. 57). If these appellatives denote separate and different individual kings, no place can be found for them all on the page of history.

8. See the longer notes on special passages at the end of Nehemiah, page 658.

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1 Now in the first year of °Cyrus king of Persia, that the word of °the LORD by the °mouth of Jeremiah might be fulfilled, °the LORD stirred up the °spirit of °Cyrus king of Persia, that he made a proclamation throughout all his kingdom, and *put it* also in writing, saying,

2 "Thus saith Cyrus king of Persia, °The LORD °God of heaven °hath given me all the kingdoms of the earth; and *he* hath °charged me to build Him °an house at Jerusalem, which *is* in Judah.

3 °Who *is there* among you of all His People? his °God be with him, and let him go up to Jerusalem, which *is* in Judah, and °build the house of °the LORD °God of Israel, (*he is the °God*), which *is* in Jerusalem.

4 And °whosoever °remaineth in any place where *he* sojourneth, let °the °men of his place help him with silver, and with gold, °and with goods, and with beasts, beside the free-will offering for the °house of °God that *is* in Jerusalem."

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5 Then rose up °the °chief of the fathers of °Judah and Benjamin, and the priests, and the Levites, with all *them* whose °spirit °God had raised,

B a to go up to build the house of °the LORD which *is* in Jerusalem.

b **6** And all they that *were* about them strengthened °their hands with vessels of silver, with gold, with goods, and with beasts, and with precious things, beside all *that* was willingly offered.

7 Also Cyrus the king brought forth the vessels of the house of °the LORD, °which Nebuchadnezzar had brought forth out of Jerusalem, and had put them in the house of his gods;

8 Even those did Cyrus king of Persia bring forth by the hand of Mithredath the treasurer, and numbered them unto °Sheshbazzar, the prince of Judah.

9 And this *is* the number of them: thirty °chargers of gold, a thousand °chargers of silver, nine and twenty knives,

10 Thirty basons of gold, silver basons of a second sort four hundred and ten, and other vessels a thousand.

11 All the vessels of gold and of silver *were* five thousand and four hundred. All *these* did °Sheshbazzar bring up with *them* of the captivity that were brought up from Babylon unto Jerusalem.

of Judah". **9** chargers = basons or bowls. Heb. 'āḡartāl. In Numbers kē'ārāh, plate or dish. Eng. "charger", from French charger, to load. Hence used of both a dish and a horse.

TITLE, Ezra. For the Structure of the two books (Ezra-Nehemiah) as a whole, in their canonical order, see p. 616. For the Structure of the chronological order, see p. 617 and the reasons for it, on p. 618. The book of Esther precedes (chronologically) the book of Ezra-Nehemiah.

1 Cyrus. The son of Astyages and Esther. See Ap. 57, 58, on the genealogy of the Persian kings. So named nearly 200 years before he was born (Isa. 44. 28). The book of Esther precedes the book of Ezra-Nehemiah, and Neh. 1. 1-7. 4 precedes Ezra 1. 1-14. See note on Neh. 1. 2. Est. 3. 8; 10. 3, and Ap. 57, 58.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. mouth. Cp. 2 Chron. 36. 21-23. Jer. 29. 10-14. spirit. Heb. rūach. Ap. 9.

2 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

God of heaven. See note on 2 Chron. 36. 23. Appropriate in the mouth of Cyrus, and in contrast with all heathen inscriptions.

hath given me. The son of Astyages (the venerable king=Ahasuerus) and Esther. Trained by Mordecai and Nehemiah, he was brought up in the knowledge of God and His Word.

charged me to build. Cp. Isa. 44. 24-28; 45. 1-6, 13. an house. This proclamation put first, as it is the great subject treated of by Ezra.

3 Who is there . . . ? Fig. Erotēsis. Ap. 6. build=rebuild.

4 whosoever [of the captive people] remaineth in any place, &c. Note the Fig. Ellipsis. Ap. 6. remaineth = is left.

the men of his place : i. e. his Persian neighbours. men. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

and. Note the Fig. Polysyndeton. Ap. 6.

God. Heb. Elohim (with Art.) = the [true] God. Ap. 4. I.

1. 5-2. 70 (C, p. 616; P, p. 617). THE RETURN UNDER ZERUBBABEL.
(Alternation and Introversion.)

C A | 1. 5-. The chief of the fathers.
B | a | 1. -5. Return to Jerusalem.
b | 1. 6-11. Assistance (v. 6 by Persians, vv. 7-11 by the king).
A | 2. 1-67. The sons of the Province.
B | b | 2. 68, 69. Assistance (by Israelites).
a | 2. 70. Residents in the cities.

5 the chief of the fathers : i. e. those named in the next chapter. chief = heads.

Judah and Benjamin. But the other tribes found representatives. Cp. 2. 59, 70, where the terms "of Israel" and "all Israel" are used. In 1 Chron. 9. 3, Ephraim and Manasseh are mentioned by name. See note on 1 Kings 12. 17.

6 their hands = them. Put by Fig. Synecdoche (of Part), Ap. 6, for themselves.

7 which Nebuchadnezzar had brought. Cp. 2 Kings 24. 13; 25. 14. 2 Chron. 36. 7. Jer. 27. 18-22; 28. 6; 52. 18, 19. Dan. 1. 2; 5. 2.

8 Sheshbazzar = the Chaldean name of the prince of Judah. Not Zerubbabel, which means born at Babel. Probably = Nehemiah, for he was the son of Hachaliah and Ziddikiah (Neh. 10. 1), and therefore a "prince

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2 Now °these are the °children of °the Province that went up out of the captivity, of those which had been carried away, whom Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon had carried away unto Babylon, and came again unto Jerusalem °and Judah, every °one unto his city;

2 Which °came with Zerubbabel: °Jeshua, °Nehemiah, °Seraiah, Reelaiah, °Mordecai, Bilshan, Mizpar, Bigvai, Rehum, Baanah. The number of the °men of °the People of Israel:

d **3** The ¹children of Parosh, two thousand an hundred seventy and two.

4 The ¹children of Shephatiah, three hundred seventy and two.

5 The ¹children of Arah, seven hundred seventy and five.

6 The ¹children of Pahath-moab, of the ¹children of Jeshua and Joab, two thousand eight hundred and twelve.

7 The ¹children of Elam, a thousand two hundred fifty and four.

8 The ¹children of Zattu, nine hundred forty and five.

9 The ¹children of Zaccai, seven hundred and threescore.

10 The ¹children of Bani, six hundred forty and two.

11 The ¹children of Bebai, six hundred twenty and three.

12 The ¹children of Azgad, a thousand two hundred twenty and two.

13 The ¹children of Adonikam, six hundred sixty and six.

14 The ¹children of Bigvai, two thousand fifty and six.

15 The ¹children of Adin, four hundred fifty and four.

16 The ¹children of Ater of Hezekiah, ninety and eight.

17 The ¹children of Bezai, three hundred twenty and three.

18 The ¹children of Jorah, an hundred and twelve.

19 The ¹children of Hashum, two hundred twenty and three.

20 The ¹children of Gibbar, ninety and five.

21 The ¹children of Beth-lehem, an hundred twenty and three.

22 The ²men of Netophah, fifty and six.

23 The ²men of Anathoth, an hundred twenty and eight.

24 The ¹children of Azmaveth, forty and two.

25 The ¹children of °Kirjath-arim, Chephirah, and Beeroth, seven hundred and forty and three.

26 The ¹children of Ramah and Gaba, six hundred twenty and one.

27 The ²men of Michmas, an hundred twenty and two.

28 The ²men of Beth-el and Ai, two hundred twenty and three.

29 The ¹children of Nebo, fifty and two.

30 The ¹children of Magbish, an hundred fifty and six.

31 The ¹children of the other Elam, a thousand two hundred fifty and four.

32 The ¹children of Harim, three hundred and twenty.

2. 1-67 (A, p. 619). THE SONS OF THE PROVINCE. (Introversion.)

A c | 1, 2. In sum. The number.
d | 3-58. Names found.
d | 59-63. Names not found.
c | 64-67. In sum.

1 these are. This chapter is parallel with Neh. 7. 69. See the Structure, M P, p. 617, and Ap. 58. children = sons.

the Province: i. e. the Persian province of Judah. Cp. Neh. 1. 3.

and Judah. Some codices read "and unto Judæa". Cp. Neh. 7. 6.

one. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

2 came with Zerubbabel. But not till after Neh. 1. 1-7. 4. See note on Neh. 1. 2, 3. In Neh. 7. 4 no houses built, but in Hag. 1. 4, houses built and yet Temple lying waste.

Jeshua. The great helper of Zerubbabel.

Nehemiah. Cp. Neh. 1. 1; 10. 1. See note on "Sheshbazzar", 1. 8.

Seraiah = Azariah (Neh. 7. 7). Not Seraiah the high priest, put to death with Zedekiah (2 Kings 25. 18-21).

Mordecai. He had been taken in Jehoiachin's deportation (Est. 2. 5, 6).

men. Heb. pl. of 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

the People of Israel. See note on 1. 5. So 2. 59, 70; 3. 1; 7. 13; 9. 1; 10. 5. Cp. 1 Kings 12. 17.

25 Kirjath-arim. Now Khan 'Erma. Some codices, with Sept. and Vulg., read "Kirjath-jearim".

36 Jedaiah. The head of the ninth course (1 Chron. 24. 11).

37 Immer. The head of the sixteenth course (1 Chron. 24. 14).

38 Pashur. Cp. Jer. 20. 1; 21. 1 and 1 Chron. 9. 12. Probably belonging to the fifth course, as son of Malchijah. Cp. 1 Chron. 24. 9 with Neh. 11. 12.

39 Harim. The third course. These four were subdivided into six each, making the twenty-four.

43 Nethinims = men given to God or His service. Temple servants. Cp. v. 58; 7. 7, 24; 8. 17, 20. Neh. 3. 26; 10. 28; 11. 21. 1 Chron. 9. 2.

33 The ¹children of Lod, Hadid, and Ono, seven hundred twenty and five.

34 The ¹children of Jericho, three hundred forty and five.

35 The ¹children of Senaah, three thousand and six hundred and thirty.

36 The priests: the ¹children of °Jedaiah, of the house of Jeshua, nine hundred seventy and three.

37 The ¹children of °Immer, a thousand fifty and two.

38 The ¹children of °Pashur, a thousand two hundred forty and seven.

39 The ¹children of °Harim, a thousand and seventeen.

40 The Levites: the ¹children of Jeshua and Kadmiel, of the ¹children of Hodaviah, seventy and four.

41 The singers: the ¹children of Asaph, an hundred twenty and eight.

42 The ¹children of the porters: the ¹children of Shallum, the ¹children of Ater, the ¹children of Talmon, the ¹children of Akkub, the ¹children of Hatita, the ¹children of Shobai, in all an hundred thirty and nine.

43 The °Nethinims: the ¹children of Ziha, the ¹children of Hasupha, the ¹children of Tabbaoth,

44 The ¹children of Keros, the ¹children of Siaha, the ¹children of Padon,

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45 The ¹ children of Lebanah, the ¹ children of Hagabah, the ¹ children of Akkub,
 46 The ¹ children of Hagab, the ¹ children of ° Shalmal, the ¹ children of Hanan,
 47 The ¹ children of Giddel, the ¹ children of Gahar, the ¹ children of Reaiah,
 48 The ¹ children of Rezin, the ¹ children of Nekoda, the ¹ children of Gazzam,
 49 The ¹ children of Uzza, the ¹ children of Paseah, the ¹ children of Besai,
 50 The ¹ children of Asnah, the ¹ children of Mehumim, the ¹ children of Nephusim,
 51 The ¹ children of Bakbuk, the ¹ children of Hakupha, the ¹ children of Harhur,
 52 The ¹ children of Bazluth, the ¹ children of Mehida, the ¹ children of Harsha,
 53 The ¹ children of Barkos, the ¹ children of Sisera, the ¹ children of Thamah,
 54 The ¹ children of Nezhiah, the ¹ children of Hatipha.
 55 The ¹ children of Solomon's servants: the ¹ children of Sotai, the ¹ children of Sophereth, the ¹ children of Peruda,
 56 The ¹ children of Jaalah, the ¹ children of Dargon, the ¹ children of Giddel,
 57 The ¹ children of Shephatiah, the ¹ children of Hattil, the ¹ children of Pochereth of Zebaim, the ¹ children of Ami.
 58 All the ⁴³ Nethinims, and the ¹ children of Solomon's servants, were three hundred ninety and two.
 59 And these were they which went up from Tel-melah, Tel-harsa, Cherub, Addan, and Immer: but they could not shew their father's house, and their seed, whether they were ° of Israel:
 60 The ¹ children of Delaiah, the ¹ children of Tobiah, the ¹ children of Nekoda, six hundred fifty and two.

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61 And of the ¹ children of the priests: the ¹ children of Habaiah, the ¹ children of Koz, the ¹ children of Barzillai; which took a wife of the daughters of Barzillai the Gileadite, and was called after their name:

62 These sought their register among those that were reckoned by genealogy, but they were not found: therefore were they, ° as polluted, put from the priesthood.

63 And the ° Tirshatha said unto them, that they should ° not eat of the most ° holy things, till there stood up a priest ° with ° Urim and ° with Thummim.

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64 The whole ° congregation together was ° forty and two thousand three hundred and threescore,

65 Beside their servants and their ° maids, of whom there were seven thousand three hundred thirty and seven: and there were among them two hundred singing men and singing women.

66 Their horses were seven hundred thirty and six; their mules, two hundred forty and five;

67 Their camels, four hundred thirty and five; their asses, six thousand seven hundred and twenty.

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68 And ° some of the ° chief of the fathers, when they came to the house of ° the LORD which is at Jerusalem, offered freely for the house of ° God to set it up in his place:

46 Shalmal. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Sept. and Syr., read "Selami".

59 of Israel. See note on 2. 2, and cp. 1 Kings 12. 17.

62 as polluted, put. R.V.=deemed polluted and put. Heb. *gā'al*, to pollute; not *gā'al*, to redeem. Supply *Ellipsis* thus: "therefore were they [rejected] from the priesthood as polluted". So in Neh. 7. 64; 13. 29. Isa. 59. 3; 63. 3. Lam. 4. 14. Zeph. 3. 1. Mal. 1. 7.

63 Tirshatha—governor (Persian title). Here refers to Nehemiah, as in Neh. 8. 9; 10. 1; 12. 26. The Heb. title is *Pechah* (Neh. 5. 14, 18; 12. 26). Whence the Turkish *Pashah*. See note on 5. 3.

not eat of the most holy things: i. e. the remains of the meal offering, sin offering, and right shoulder of the peace offerings. Cp. Lev. 2. 3; 10. 12-14, 16, 17. Num. 18. 9, 10.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5. with=for. Urim and with Thummim. See note on Ex. 28. 30. Num. 26. 55.

64 congregation=assembly, or muster. forty and two thousand three hundred and threescore. This number (42,360) agrees with Neh. 7. 66. The two lists of names are not alike; but there is no "discrepancy". The two lists, while they agree in the numbers, and vary in names, yet have the totals identical. This shows the independence of the two accounts.

Numbered in Ezra 2.	42,360
Named in Ezra	29,818
„ in Neh., not in Ezra ...	1,765
Difference between names and numbers	10,777

Numbered in Neh. 7.	42,360
Named in Nehemiah	31,089
„ in Neh., not in Ezra ...	494
Difference between names and numbers	10,777

65 maids=handmaids.

68 some=a portion. Ezra mentions what one portion gave. Nehemiah (7. 70) mentions what he and two other portions gave. Hence the numbers "perforce" cannot be the same, and there is no "discrepancy".

chief=heads.
 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
 God. Heb. Elohim (with Art.)—the [true] God. Ap. 4. I.

69 treasure=tresury.
 drams. See Ap. 51. I. 1 (2).
 pound. See Ap. 51. II. 4 (1).

70 all Israel. See note on 2. 2, and 1 Kings 12. 17.

3. 1-13 (D, p. 616; Q, p. 617). THE TEMPLE. FOUNDATION AND FEAST. (Division).

D | C¹ | 1-6. The setting up of the altar.
 | C² | 7-13. The foundation of the house.

1-7 [For Structure of C¹ see next page].

1 seventh month. Tisri. See Ap. 51. III. 5. children=sons. of Israel. See note on 2. 2, and 1 Kings 12. 17. the cities. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "their cities". man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II. to=in. Therefore this was after Neh. 7. 1-4.

69 They gave after their ability unto the ° treasure of the work threescore and one thousand ° drams of gold, and five thousand ° pound of silver, and one hundred priests' garments.

70 So the priests, and the Levites, and some of the people, and the singers, and the porters, and the Nethinims, dwelt in their cities, and ° all Israel in their cities.

3 And when the ° seventh month was come, and the ° children ° of Israel were in ° the cities, the People gathered themselves together as one ° man ° to Jerusalem.

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2 Then stood up °Jeshua the son of °Jozadak, and his brethren the priests, and °Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and his brethren, and builded the altar of the °God of Israel, to °offer burnt offerings thereon, as *it is* °written in the law of Moses °the 1 man of God.

3 And they set the altar upon his bases; for fear was upon them because of the °people of those countries: and they 2 offered burnt offerings thereon unto °the LORD, *even* burnt offerings morning and evening.

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4 They °kept also the feast of tabernacles, °as *it is* written, and offered the daily burnt offerings by number, according to the custom, as the duty of every day required;

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5 And afterward offered the continual burnt offering, both of the new moons, and of all the set feasts of 3 the LORD that were consecrated, and of every one that willingly offered a free-will offering unto 3 the LORD.

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6 From the first day of the seventh month began they to offer burnt offerings unto 3 the LORD. But the foundation of the temple of 3 the LORD was not yet laid.

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7 They gave money also unto the masons, °and to the °carpenters; and meat, and drink, and oil, unto them of Zidon, and to them of Tyre, to °bring cedar trees from Lebanon to the sea of °Joppa, according to the °grant that they had °of Cyrus king of Persia.

8 Now in the second year of their coming unto the house of °God at Jerusalem, in the second month, began Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and Jeshua the son of Jozadak, and the remnant of their brethren the priests and the Levites, and all they that were come out of the captivity unto Jerusalem; and appointed the Levites, from twenty years old and upward, to °set forward the work of the house of 3 the LORD.

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9 Then stood Jeshua *with* his sons and his brethren, Kadmiel and his sons, the sons of °Judah, together, to 8 set forward the workmen in the house of 8 God: the sons of Henadad, *with* their sons and their brethren the Levites.

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10 And when the builders laid the foundation of the temple of 3 the LORD,

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°they set the priests in their apparel with trumpets, and the Levites the sons of Asaph with °cymbals, to praise 3 the LORD, after the ordinance of David king of Israel.

11 And they sang together by course in praising and giving thanks unto 3 the LORD; because *He is* good, for His °mercy endureth for ever toward Israel. And all the People °shouted with a great shout, when they praised 3 the LORD, because the foundation of the house of 3 the LORD was laid.

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12 But many of the priests and Levites and °chief of the fathers, °who were ancient men, that had seen the first house, when the foundation of this house was laid before their eyes,

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wept with a loud voice; and many °shouted aloud for joy:

13 So that the People could not discern the noise of the shout of joy from the noise of the weeping of the People: for the People shouted

3. 1-7 (C1, p. 621). SETTING UP THE ALTAR. (Alternations.)

C1 D | 1. Time. Seventh month.
E | e | 2, 3. Altar and offerings.
f | 4. Feast of Tabernacles.
E | f | 5-. Other Feasts.
e | -5. Altar and offerings.
D | 6-. Time. Seventh month.

2 Jeshua. The high priest. Spelt Joshua in Hag. 1. 1; 2. 2. Zech. 3. 1.

Jozadak. The son of Seraiah (1 Chron. 6. 14, 15). But Ezra was the son of Seraiah (Ezra 7. 1). Therefore Ezra was brother to Jozadak and uncle to Joshua the high priest.

Zerubbabel. Cp. Matt. 1. 12. Luke 3. 27, called Zorobabel.

God. Heb. Elohim (with Art.) = the [true] God. Ap. 4. I. offer = offer up. Heb. 'alah. Ap. 43. I. vi. written in the law of Moses. See note on Ex. 17. 14, and Ap. 47.

the man of God (with Art.) the [true] God. See note on Deut. 33. 1; and Ap. 49.

3 people = peoples.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

4 kept, &c. As recorded also in the parallel passage (Neh. 8. 1-18).

as it is written. See Lev. 23. 34-43. Deut. 16. 13-15, and cp. 1 Kings 8. 2, 65.

3. 7-13 (C2, p. 621). THE FOUNDATION OF THE HOUSE. (Repeated Alternation.)

C2 g1 | 7, 8. The work set forward.
h1 | 9. The priests. Stationed.
g2 | 10-. The work. Foundation laid.
h2 | -10, 11. The priests. Praise.
g3 | 12-. The work. Contrasted.
h3 | -12, 13. The priests. Emotion.

7 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), to emphasise each detail.

carpenters = artificers, bring cedar trees. Cp. 1 Kings 5. 6. 2 Chron. 2. 8, 10. Joppa. Cp. Josh. 19. 46. Acts 9. 35, 43. Jon. 1. 3.

grant. Occurs only here.

of = from. Genitive of Origin. See Ap. 17.

8 God. Heb. Elohim (with Art.) = the [true] God. Ap. 4. I.

set forward = oversee.

9 Judah: or Hodaviah, as in 2. 40.

10 they set the priests: or, the priests took their stand. cymbals. Heb. *m'zittayim*. Dual form, meaning two metal discs struck together, making a clashing sound. Not *zizilim*, which = timbrels, but is translated cymbals in 2 Sam. 6. 5 and Ps. 150. 5, from the rustling sound. See note on 1 Chron. 13. 8.

11 mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.

shouted with a great shout. Fig. *Polyptoton*. Ap. 6.

12 chief = heads.

who were. Some codices, with one early printed edition and Vulg., read "and the".

shouted aloud for joy. Thus fulfilling Jer. 33. 10, 11.

4. 1-6. 22 [For Structures see next page].

1 adversaries. The Samaritans (v. 10). See note on 2 Kings 17. 24, 26.

children = sons, the temple. The walls and gates already built by Nehemiah. See Structures (pp. 616, 617), and notes on Neh. 1. 2. The desolations did not end with Ezra 1, though the servitude did. Cp. Jer. 25. 11. 2 Chron. 36. 21. See special note at end of 2 Chronicles, p. 615.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

with a loud shout, and the noise was heard afar off.

4 Now when the °adversaries of Judah and Benjamin heard that the °children of the captivity builded °the temple unto °the LORD °God of Israel;

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425 2 Then they came to °Zerubbabel, and to the °chief of the fathers, and said unto them, "Let us build with you: for °we seek your °God, as ye do; and °we do sacrifice unto Him since the days of °Esar-haddon king of °Assur, which brought us up hither."

H (p. 623) 3 But °Zerubbabel, and °Jeshua, and the rest of the °chief of the fathers of Israel, said unto them, "Ye have nothing to do with us to build an house unto our °God; but we ourselves together will build unto °the LORD °God of °Israel, °as king Cyrus the king of Persia hath commanded us."

J N 4 Then the people of the land weakened the hands of the People of Judah, and °troubled them in building,

O from 425-410 5 And hired counsellors against them, to frustrate their purpose, all the days of °Cyrus king of Persia, even until the reign of °Darius king of Persia.

N (6 And in the reign of °Ahasuerus, in the beginning of his reign, wrote they unto him an accusation against the inhabitants of Judah and Jerusalem.)

(7 And in the days of °Artaxerxes, wrote Bishlam, Mithredath, Tabeel, and the rest of their °companions, unto Artaxerxes king of Persia; and the writing of the letter was written in °the Syrian tongue, and interpreted in the Syrian tongue.

8 °Rehum °the chancellor and Shimshai °the scribe wrote a letter against Jerusalem to °Artaxerxes the king °in this sort:

9 Then wrote °Rehum the chancellor, and Shimshai °the scribe, and the rest of their °companions; the °Dinaites, the °Apharsathchites, the °Tarpelites, the °Apharsites, the °Archevites, the Babylonians, the °Susanchites, the °Dehavites, and the °Elamites,

10 And the rest of the °nations whom the great and noble °Asnapper brought over, and set in the cities of Samaria, and the rest that are °on this side the river, and °at such a time.

11 This is the copy of the letter that they sent unto him, even unto °Artaxerxes the king; "Thy servants the °men °on this side the river, and °at such a time.

O P i 12 Be it known unto the king, that the °Jews which came up from thee to us are come unto Jerusalem, building the rebellious and the bad

like the French of to-day. Cp. 2 Kings 18. 26. From 6. 19—7. 11 is Hebrew; and Syriac again from 7. 12-27; then Hebrew. the chancellor = the master of judgments or decrees. the scribe: or secretary. in this sort = after this manner. 9 Dinaites. Probably from a Persian city. Apharsathchites. A Medo-Persian tribe. Tarpelites. Probably from east of Elymais. Apharsites. Of Persian origin. Archevites. From Babylonia. Cp. Gen. 10. 10. Susanchites. From the Persian province or city of Shushan, the capital of Elam. Dehavites = the Dahae of Herodotus (i. 125). Elamites. From a province of Persia. 10 nations = peoples. Asnapper = Assur-bani-pal, or Sardanapalus, the only Assyrian king who got into Elam, or held Shushan (now Susa) its capital. on this side = beyond, on the west side: regarded from the east side of the Euphrates. at such a time. This may refer to the date of the letter; or be rendered, as in R. V., "and so forth". 11 men. Chald. 'ēnōsh. See Ap. 14. iii.

4. 12-16 (O, above). ACTION. WRITING. (Introversion and Alternation.)

O P i | 12. Notification.
k | 13. Hypothesis. "If".
Q | 14. Concern. Maintenance.
Q | 15. Advice. Search.
P | i | 16-. Certification.
k | -16. Hypothesis. "If".

12 Jews. Nehemiah, Hanani, and friends. Occurs eight times in Ezra, viz. 4. 12, 23; 5. 1, 5; 6. 7, 7, 8, 14. The name by which they were known to Gentiles, because the majority belonged to Judah.

4. 1-6. 22 (D, p. 616; Q, p. 617). THE TEMPLE. BUILDING AND DEDICATION. (Division.)

D | F1 | 4. 1-6. 15. The building.
F2 | 6. 16-22. The dedication.

4. 1-6. 15 (F1, above). THE BUILDING. (Extended Alternation.)

F1 G | 4. 1, 2. Adversaries. Temptation.
H | 4. 3. Obedience to God's word.
J | 4. 4-16. Opposition. Letter to Cyrus.
K | 4. 17-22. King's answer. Success of plot.
L | 4. 23, 24-. Work. Cessation.
M | -24. Duration of cessation.
G | 5. 1. Helpers. (Prophets.) Exhortation.
H | 5. 2. Obedience to God's word.
J | 5. 3-17. Opposition. Letter to Darius.
K | 6. 1-12. King's answer. Defeat of plot.
L | 6. 13, 14. Work. Recommencement.
M | 6. 15. Date of completion.

2 Zerubbabel. See note on 3. 2. chief = heads. we seek your God. A priest had been sent to these Samaritans (2 Kings 17. 28-33).

we do sacrifice unto Him. Heb. text = "although we have not been sacrificing". Some codices, and two early printed editions, with Sept. and Syr., add "unto Him". Esar-haddon. The son and successor of Sennacherib (see notes on 2 Kings 19. 37, and 2 Chron. 33. 11).

Assur = Assyria. 3 Jeshua. See note on 3. 2. Israel. See note on 2. 2 and 1 Kings 12. 17. as = according as.

4. 4-16 (J, above). OPPOSITION. LETTER TO CYRUS. (Alternation.)

J N | 4. 4, 5-. Opponents. Counsellors.
O | -5. Action. To frustrate.
N | 6-11. Opponents. Writers.
O | 12-16. Action. Writing.

4 troubled them in = terrified them from.

5 Cyrus. The son of Astyages and Esther. See Ap. 57, 58.

Darius: i. e. Darius Hystaspis (see Ap. 57, 58). "Darius" being only an appellative (= the maintainer), needs "Hystaspis" to be added, to identify him; as Astyages, when called Darius, needs the addition of "the Mede". See Ap. 58, and notes on p. 618.

6 Ahasuerus = the venerable king. See Ap. 57, 58, and p. 618. An appellative, used here of Cyrus (v. 5), or retrospectively of Astyages; or, this verse may be retrospective, and should be in parenthesis.

7 Artaxerxes = the great king. Used here of the Cyrus of v. 3. See Ap. 57, 58, and p. 618. Verses 7-23 may also be retrospective of Neh. 2. 20-6. 15.

companions = colleagues or associates. the Syrian tongue: i. e. in Aramaic characters as well as in the Aramaic language. Cp. Est. 1. 22; 8. 9, where "writing" (Heb. kāthab, to grave) is the same word as in this book.

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425 city, and have ° set up the walls *thereof*, and joined the foundations.

k (p. 623) 13 Be it known now unto the king, that, if this city be builded, and the walls set up *again*, then will they not pay toll, tribute, and custom, and so thou shalt endamage the revenue of the kings.

Q 14 Now because ° we have maintenance from the king's palace, and it was not meet for us to see the king's dishonour, therefore have we sent and certified the king;

Q 15 That search may be made in the book of the records of thy fathers: so shalt thou find in the book of the records, and know that this city is a rebellious city, and hurtful unto kings and provinces, and that they have moved sedition within the same of old time: for which cause was this city destroyed.

P i 16 We certify the king that,

k if this city be builded *again*, and the walls thereof set up, by this means thou shalt have no portion on this side the river."

K l (p. 624) 17 Then sent the king an ° answer unto ° Rehum the chancellor, and to Shimshai the scribe, and to the rest of their ° companions that dwell in Samaria, and unto the rest beyond the river, "Peace, and at such a time.

m 18 The letter which ye sent unto us hath been plainly read before me.

m 19 And ° I commanded, and search hath been made, and it is found that this city of old time hath ° made insurrection against kings, and that rebellion and sedition have been made therein.

20 There have been ° mighty kings also over Jerusalem, which have ruled over all countries beyond the river; and toll, tribute, and custom, was paid unto them.

l 21 Give ye now ° commandment to cause these ° men to cease, and that this city be not builded, until *another* ° commandment shall be given from me.

22 Take heed now that ye fail not to do this: why should damage grow to the hurt of the kings?"

L (p. 623) 23 Now when the copy of king ° Artaxerxes' letter was read before ° Rehum, and Shimshai the scribe, and their ° companions, they went up in haste to Jerusalem unto the ° Jews, and made them to cease ° by force and power.)

24 Then ceased the work of the house of ° QDD which is at Jerusalem.

M 425-410 So it ceased unto the second year of the reign of ° Darius king of Persia.

G 1st Elul 410 5 Then the prophets, ° Haggai the prophet, and ° Zechariah the son of Iddo, prophesied unto the Jews that were in Judah and Jerusalem in the name of the ° QDD ° of Israel, ° even unto them.

H 2 Then rose up Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and Jeshua the son of Jozadak, and began to build the house of ° QDD which is at Jerusalem: and with them were the prophets of ° QDD helping them.

set up the walls. Quite true; for Nehemiah's work had long preceded this. See the Chronological Structure, p. 617, and notes on p. 618; also Ap. 58. And note that, when Nehemiah's work was done (7. 4) and the houses built, the house of God was still lying waste (Hag. 1. 1-4). The Temple not mentioned here.

14 we have maintenance = the salt of the palace is our salt. See note on Num. 18. 19.

4. 17-22 (K, p. 623). KING'S ANSWER. SUCCESS OF PLOT. (*Introversion.*)

K | 1 | 17. Mission.
m | 18. Reception.
m | 19, 20. Verification.
l | 21, 22. Prohibition.

17 answer. Chald. *piṭhām* = an order or decree. A Persian word. Occurs only here and 5. 5, 11; 6. 11. Dan. 3. 16; 4. 17. 19 I commanded = I made a decree.

made insurrection. Chald. lifted itself up.

20 mighty kings. Such as David and Solomon.

21 commandment = decree.

men = strongmen, *gubrayya'a*. Chald. form of Ap. 14. IV.

23 by force. Chald. by arm; "arm" being put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the force put forth by it.

24 QDD. Chald. 'ēlāhā' (*ha*, emphatic), sing., same as Heb. Eloah. Ap. 4. V.

5. 1 Haggai. The prophet of that name. In the second year of Darius (Hag. 1. 1), "sixth month".

Zechariah. The prophet of that name. In the second year of Darius, "eighth month" (Zech. 1. 1).

QDD. Chald. 'ēlāh (sing.). Same as Eloah. Ap. 4. V. of Israel. Still "Israel", because representative of the whole nation. See note on 1 Kings 12. 17.

even unto them: or "[which was] over them". 2 QDD. Chald. 'ēlāhā', as in 4. 24. Heb. Eloah (emph.). Ap. 4. V.

5. 3-17 (J, p. 623). OPPOSITION. LETTER TO DARIUS. (*Extended Alternation.*)

J | R | 3, 4. Governor. "Who commanded?" } Verbal.
S | 5-. Non-cessation. Fact.
T | -5. Appeal to Darius.
R | 6-10. Governor. "Who commanded?" } Letter.
S | 11-16. Non-cessation. Reason.
T | 17. Appeal to Darius.

3 governor. Chald. *peṭāh* (modern "Pasha"). Tatnai was governor in Syria, Zerubbabel was governor in Judah. Cp. vv. 6, 14; 6. 6, 7, 13; 8. 36. Dan. 3. 2, 3, 27; 6. 7; and Hag. 1. 1, 14; 2. 2, 21.

companions = colleagues or associates.

commanded you = made a decree to you; given a firman.

make up = build. So the wall had already been built by Nehemiah. See the Chronological Structure, p. 617, and notes on p. 618; and Ap. 58.

4 said = told. Chald. *āmar*, which must be followed by the words spoken (which are given in next clause).

we. Note this pronoun (first person sing. and pl.). Here, and 7. 27-9. 15, and Neh. 1. 1-7. 73; 12. 27-43; 13. 4-31. Sept., Syr., and Arab. read "they".

after this manner. Verse 4 should be rendered "we told them what the names were, accordingly the names of the men", &c. It is not a question.

men. As in 4. 21.

make this building. Heb. "build this building". Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

3 At the same time came to them Tatnai, ° governor on this side the river, and Shethar-boznai, and their ° companions, and said thus unto them, "Who hath ° commanded you to build this house, and to ° make up this wall?"

4 Then ° said ° we unto them ° after this manner, "What are the names of the ° men that ° make this building?"

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S (p. 624) 5 But ° the eye of their ¹ 𐤇𐤍𐤍 was upon the
410 ° elders of the Jews, that they could not cause
them to cease,

T till the matter came to ° Darius: and then
they returned ° answer by letter concerning
this matter.

R 6 The copy of the letter that ° Tatnai, ³ go-
vernor on this side the river, and Shethar-
boznai, and his ³ companions the ° Apharsach-
ites, which were on this side the river, sent
unto ° Darius the king:

7 They sent a letter unto him, wherein was
written thus; "Unto ° Darius the king, all
peace.

8 Be it known unto the king, that we went
into the ° province of Judea, to the house of
the great ² 𐤇𐤍𐤍, which is builded with ° great
stones, and timber is laid in the walls, and
this work goeth fast on, and prospereth in
their hands.

9 Then asked we those elders, and said unto
them thus, 'Who commanded you to build
this house, and to make up these walls?'

10 We asked their names also, to certify
thee, that we might write the names of the
'men that were the ° chief of them.

S U n (p. 625) 11 And thus they returned us answer, saying,
'We are the servants of ° the ¹ 𐤇𐤍𐤍 of heaven
and earth,

o and build the house that was builded ° these
many years ago, which a great king of Israel
builded ° and set up.

V 12 But after that our fathers had provoked
the ¹¹ 𐤇𐤍𐤍 of heaven unto wrath,

V He ° gave them into the hand of Nebuchadnezzar
the king of Babylon, the Chaldean, who
destroyed this house, and carried the People
away into Babylon.

U n 13 But in the first year of ° Cyrus the king
426 of ° Babylon the same king Cyrus made a de-
cree to build this house of ² 𐤇𐤍𐤍.

14 And ° the vessels also of gold and silver of
the house of ² 𐤇𐤍𐤍, which Nebuchadnezzar
took out of the temple that was in Jerusalem,
and brought them into the temple of Babylon,
those did Cyrus the king take out of the temple
of Babylon, and they were delivered unto one,
whose name was ° Sheshbazzar, whom he
had made ³ governor;

15 And said unto him, 'Take these vessels,
go, ° carry them into the temple that ° is in Jeru-
salem, and let the house of ² 𐤇𐤍𐤍 be builded in
his place.'

o 16 Then came the same ¹⁴ Sheshbazzar, and
laid the foundation of the house of ² 𐤇𐤍𐤍
which is in Jerusalem: and since that time
even until now hath it been in building, and
yet it is not finished.'

T (p. 624) 17 Now therefore, if it seem good to the king,
let there be search made in the king's treasure
house, which is there at ¹³ Babylon, whether it
be so, that a decree was made of Cyrus the
king to build this house of ² 𐤇𐤍𐤍 at Jerusalem,
and let the king send his pleasure to us con-
cerning this matter."

5 the eye. Fig. *Anthropopathia*. Ap. 6.
elders. Chald. *sib* = grey, hoary. Used only of Ezra
here and 6, 7, 8, 14.

Darius. See note on 4. 5.

answer. See note on 4. 17.

6 Tatnai. His name has been recently found in a
contract. Apharsachites. See note on 4. 9.

8 province. Cp. Neh. 1. 3.

great = rolling: i. e. too heavy to be moved without
rolling. 10 chief = head.

5. 11-16 (S, p. 624). CESSATION. REASON.
(Introversion and Alternation.)

S | U | n | 11-. Answer of builders.

o | -11. The building.

V | 12-. People. Provocation.

V | -12. People. Captivity.

U | n | 13-15. Answer of Cyrus.

o | 16. The building.

11 the 𐤇𐤍𐤍 of heaven. See note on 2 Chron. 36. 23.

𐤇𐤍𐤍. Chald. *'ēlah*. Same as Eloah. Ap. 4. V.

these many years ago. Nearly 500 years.

and set up. Cp. 1 Kings 6. 1.

12 gave them. Cp. 2 Kings 24. 2; 25. 8-11.

13 Cyrus. Cp. 1. 1.

Babylon. Included now with Persia. Cp. 6. 1. Neh. 13. 6.

14 the vessels. Cp. Ezra 1. 7, 8; 6. 6.

Sheshbazzar. See note on 1. 8. This was Nehemiah,
who was present, though the stone was actually laid
by Zerubbabel (Zech. 4. 9).

15 carry them into = set them down, or deposit them
in. is = is to be.

6. 1-12 (K, p. 623). KING'S ANSWER. DEFEAT
OF PLOT. (Alternation.)

K | p | 1. Darius. Search made.

q | 2-5. Decree found (Cyrus).

p | 6, 7. Darius. Forbearance ordered.

q | 8-12. Decree made (Darius).

1 Darius: i. e. Darius (Hystaspis). See Chronological
Structure and notes (pp. 617, 618), and Ap. 57, 58.

Babylon. See note on 5. 13.

2 Achmetha = Ecbatana, the capital of ancient Media.

3 first year of Cyrus. Cp. 1. 1.

𐤇𐤍𐤍. Chald. *'ēlāhā* = Heb. Eloah (Ap. 4. V.); the
final "ha" is for emphasis.

offered. Chald. *d'ba'h*. Same as Heb. *zebach*. Ap.
48. I. iv. cubits. See Ap. 51. III. 2.

4 rows = layers or stories, as in 1 Kings 6. 36.

new timber. Should be "timber, one": i. e. one row.
In changing the ancient characters into the modern
square characters the *aleph* ('a) in *had'a* ("one"), in the
ancient character, was mistaken for *tau*, the "th"
in *hadath* ("new"), and so was transliterated. The Sept.
has preserved the original reading, and the R.V. notes
it in the margin. The two lines should read: "layers
of great stones, three; and a layer of timber, one".

house = treasury: "house" being put by Fig. *Metonymy*
(of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the treasures in it.

6 Then ° Darius the king made a decree, and
search was made in the house of the rolls,
where the treasures were laid up in ° Babylon.

2 And there was found at ° Achmetha, in the
palace that is in the province of the Medes,
a roll, and therein was a record thus written:

3 "In the ° first year of Cyrus the king the same
Cyrus the king made a decree concerning the
house of ° 𐤇𐤍𐤍 at Jerusalem, Let the house be
builded, the place where they ° offered sacrifices,
and let the foundations thereof be strongly
laid; the height thereof threescore ° cubits, and
the breadth thereof threescore cubits;

4 With three ° rows of great stones, and a
row of ° new timber: and let the expences be
given out of the king's ° house:

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q

410 5 And also let the golden and silver °vessels of the house of °³GD³, which Nebuchadnezzar took forth out of the temple which °is at Jerusalem, and brought unto Babylon, be restored, and brought again unto the temple which is at Jerusalem, every one to his place, and place them in the house of °³GD³."

p 6 "Now therefore, °Tatnai, governor beyond the river, Shethar-boznai, and your °companions the Apharsachites, which are beyond the river, be ye far from thence:

7 Let the work of this house of °³GD³ alone; let the governor of the °Jews and the elders of the Jews build this house of °³GD³ in his place.

q 8 Moreover °I make a decree what ye shall do to the elders of these °Jews for the building of this house of °³GD³: that of the king's goods, even of the tribute beyond the river, forthwith expences be given unto these °men, that they be not hindered.

9 And that which they have need of, both young bullocks, and rams, and lambs, for the burnt offerings of the °³GD³ of heaven, wheat, salt, °wine, and oil, according to the appointment of the priests which are at Jerusalem, let it be given them day by day without fail:

10 That they may offer sacrifices of °sweet savours unto the °³GD³ of heaven, and pray for the life of the king, and of his sons.

11 Also I have made a decree, that whosoever shall °alter this word, let timber be pulled down from his house, and being set up, let him be hanged thereon; and let his house be made a dunghill for this.

12 And the °³GD³ That hath caused His name to dwell there destroy all kings and people, that shall put to their hand to °alter and to destroy this house of °God which is at Jerusalem. ¶ Darius have made a decree; let it be done with speed."

L 13 Then °Tatnai, governor on this side the river, Shethar-boznai, and their companions, according to that which °Darius the king had sent, so they did speedily.

14 And the elders of the °Jews builded, and they prospered through the prophesying of Haggai the prophet and Zechariah the son of Iddo. And they builded, and finished it, according to the °commandment of the °³GD³ of Israel, and according to the °commandment of °Cyrus, and °Darius, and °Artaxerxes king of Persia.

M 15 And this house was finished on the third day of the month °Adar, which was in the sixth year of the reign of °Darius the king.

F² r 16 And the °children of Israel, the priests, and the Levites, and the rest of the °children of the captivity, kept the dedication of this house of °³GD³ with joy,

s 17 And °offered at the dedication of this house of °³GD³ an hundred bullocks, two hundred rams, four hundred lambs; and for a sin offering for °all Israel, twelve he goats, according to the number of the tribes of Israel.

5 vessels. Cp. 1. 7.

is = was.

6 Tatnai, governor = Tatnai, pasha. See notes on 5. 3, 6.

companions = fellow-labourers or colleagues.

7 Jews. See note on 4. 12.

8 I make a decree. This was a new decree of Darius Hystaspis.

men = strong men. Chald. *gubbrayya'*. Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. IV.

9 GD³. Chald. *ēlāh*. (Sing.) Same as Heb. Eloah. Ap. 4.

GD³ of heaven. See note on 2 Chron. 36. 23.

wine - strong red wine. Heb. *chemer*. See Ap. 27. iii.

10 sweet savours. See note on Lev. 1. 9.

11 alter. A similar strong threat in the inscription of Darius on the Behistūn rock (Ap. 57). Cp. Dan. 3. 29.

12 alter. Supply Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6): "alter [this decree]".

14 commandment = decree.

Cyrus, and Darius, and Artaxerxes. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton*, to mark the important fact that three kings, at various times, were concerned in the rebuilding of Jerusalem. The last named was the first in order.

Darius was Darius Hystaspis, and Artaxerxes was Astyages (the father of Cyrus), the same as in Neh. 2. 1. See Ap. 57 and 58; and notes on p. 618.

15 Adar - the twelfth month. See Ap. 51. III. 4.

6. 16-22 (F², p. 623). THE DEDICATION. (Introversion.)

F² r | 16. Feast of Dedication. "Kept with joy."

s | 17. The People. Their offerings.

t | 18. The priests. Set.

u | 19. The passover kept.

t | 20. The priests. Purified.

s | 21. The People. Their purification.

r | 22. Feast of passover. "Kept with joy."

16 children = sons.

17 offered = brought near. Ap. 43. I. i

all Israel. See note on 1 Kings 12. 17. Note the number "twelve". Ap. 10.

18 as it is written = according to the writing.

the book of Moses: i. e. the Pentateuch. See Ap. 47.

19 And, &c. Here recommences the Hebrew language. See note on 4. 8.

kept the passover. One of the ten so recorded. See note on Ex. 12. 28.

21 heathen = nations.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

18 And they set the priests in their divisions, and the Levites in their courses, for the service of °³GD³, which is at Jerusalem; °as it is written in °the book of Moses.

19 °And the °children of the captivity °kept the passover upon the fourteenth day of the first month.

20 For the priests and the Levites were purified together, all of them were pure, and killed the passover for all the °children of the captivity, and for their brethren the priests, and for themselves.

21 And the °children of Israel, which were come again out of captivity, and all such as had separated themselves unto them from the filthiness of the °heathen of the land, to seek °the LORD °God of Israel, did eat,

22 And kept the feast of unleavened bread seven days with joy: for °the LORD had made them joyful, and turned the heart of the king

405 of Assyria unto them, to strengthen their hands in the work of the house of ²¹ God, the ²¹ God of Israel.

C (P) W¹ 7 Now after these things, in the reign of
(p. 627) ° Artaxerxes king of Persia,

X¹ v¹ ° Ezra the ° son of ° Seraiah, the son of Azariah,
404 the son of Hilkiah,

2 The son of Shallum, the son of Zadok, the son of Ahitub,

3 The son of Amariah, the son of Azariah, the son of Meraioth,

4 The son of Zerariah, the son of Uzzi, the son of Bukki,

5 The son of Abishua, the son of Phinehas, the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron the chief priest:

6 This Ezra went up from Babylon; and he was a ° ready scribe in the law of Moses, which ° the LORD ° God of Israel had given: and the king granted him all his request, according to the hand of ° the LORD his ° God upon him.

w¹ 7 And there went up some of the ° children of Israel, ° and of the priests, and the Levites, and the singers, and the porters, and the ° Nethinims, unto Jerusalem,

W² in the seventh year of Artaxerxes the king.

404 X² v² 8 And he came to Jerusalem in the ° fifth
1st Nisan month, which was in the seventh year of the king.

to 9 For upon ° the first day of the ° first month
1st Ab began he to go up from Babylon, and on the first day of the fifth month came he to Jerusalem, according to the good ° hand of his ° God upon him.

w² 10 For Ezra had prepared his heart to seek the law of ° the LORD, and to do it, and ° to teach in ° Israel statutes and judgments.

W³ Y 11 Now this is the copy of the letter that the king ° Artaxerxes gave unto Ezra the priest, ° the scribe, even a scribe of the words of the commandments of ° the LORD, and of His statutes to ° Israel.

12 ° Artaxerxes, king of kings, unto Ezra the priest, a scribe of the law of the ° G D D of heaven, perfect peace, and at such a time.

Z x 13 I make ° a ° decree, that all they of the People of ° Israel, and of ° his priests and Levites, in my realm, which are minded of their own freewill to go up to Jerusalem, go with thee.

y z 14 Forasmuch as thou art sent of the king, and of his ° seven counsellors, to enquire concerning Judah and Jerusalem, according to the law of thy ° G D D which is in thine hand;

15 And to carry the silver and gold, which the king and his counsellors have freely offered unto the ° G D D of ° Israel, Whose habitation is in Jerusalem,

16 And all the silver and gold that thou canst find in all the province of Babylon, with the freewill offering of the People, and of the priests, offering willingly for the house of their ° G D D which is in Jerusalem:

a 17 That thou mayest buy speedily with this money bullocks, rams, lambs, with their ° meat offerings and their drink offerings, and offer

7. 1-8. 36 (C, p. 616; P, p. 617). THE RETURN UNDER EZRA. (Repeated Alternation.)

C W¹ | 7. 1-. Artaxerxes. Time.

X¹ | v¹ | 7. 1-6. Ezra. Journey. Hand of God.
w¹ | 7. 7-. His companions.

W² | 7. -7. Artaxerxes. Date.

X² | v² | 7. 8, 9. Ezra. Journey. Hand of God.
w² | 7. 10. His purpose.

W³ | 7. 11-26. Artaxerxes. Decree.

X³ | v³ | 7. 27, 28-. Ezra. Blessing.
w³ | 7. -28. His companions. "Chief men."

W⁴ | 8. 1. Artaxerxes. Time.

X⁴ | v⁴ | 8. 2-14. Companions of Ezra.
w⁴ | 8. 15-36. Ezra. Journey. Hand of God.

1 Artaxerxes = the great king: i.e. Darius (Hystaspis). See notes on p. 618. Ap. 57 and 58.

Ezra. By this genealogy (vv. 1-5), compared with 1 Chron. 6. 15, Ezra was brother to Jehozadak and uncle to the high priest Joshua. Ezra was deported with Zedekiah.

son - descendant.

Seraiah. Slain at Riblah (2 Kings 25 18-21).

6 ready = skilful.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

7 children - sons.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in this verse. Nethinims. See note on 2. 43.

8 fifth month. Nisan (March-April). Ap. 51. III. 4.

9 the first day of the first month. See note on Gen. 8. 13.

first month. Ab (July-August). Ap. 51. III. 4.

10 to teach in Israel. This was the chief duty of priests. See note on Deut. 33. 10.

Israel. Judah contained representatives of the whole Nation. See note on 1 Kings 12. 17.

7. 11-26 (W³, above). ARTAXERXES. DECREE. (Introversion.)

W³ | Y | 11, 12. Introduction.

Z | 13 25. The decree for Ezra.

| Y | 26. Conclusion.

11 the scribe . . . a scribe - a perfect scribe. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6).

12 G D D. Chald. 'ēlāh. Same as Heb. Eloah. Ap. 4. V.

G D D of heaven. See note on 2 Chron. 36. 23.

13 decree. This decree (vv. 12 26) is in Chaldee, not in Hebrew. An inscription found at Susa commences with the same words. Cp. Dan. 2. 37.

13-25 (Z, above). THE DECREE FOR EZRA. (Alternation.)

Z | x | 13. To companions.

y | 14-20. To Ezra. Supplies.

x | 21-24. To treasurers.

y | 25. To Ezra. Magistracy.

13 his: i.e. Israel's priests.

14-20 (y, above). TO EZRA. SUPPLIES. (Introversion.)

y | z | 14-16. The king's money.

a | 17, 18. For service. Offerings.

a | 19. For service. Vessels.

z | 20. The king's treasury.

14 seven counsellors. Cp. Est. 1. 10, 14.

15 Israel. See note on 1 Kings 12. 17.

17 meat offerings - meal offerings. Heb. gift offerings. Ap. 43. II. iii.

404 them upon the altar of the house of your ¹² GDD which is in Jerusalem.

18 And whatsoever shall seem good to thee, and to thy brethren, to do with the rest of the silver and the gold, that do after the will of your ¹² GDD .

ⁿ (p. 627) 19 The °vessels also that are given thee for the service of the house of thy ¹² GDD , those deliver thou before the ¹² GDD of Jerusalem.

^z 20 And whatsoever more shall be needful for the house of thy ¹² GDD , which thou shalt have occasion to °bestow, bestow it out of the king's treasure house.

^x 21 And °I, even J Artaxerxes the king, do make a decree to all the treasurers which are beyond the river, that whatsoever Ezra the priest, the scribe of the law of the ¹² GDD of heaven, shall require of you, it be done speedily,

22 Unto an hundred °talents of silver, and to an hundred °measures of wheat, and to an hundred °baths of °wine, and to an hundred baths of oil, and salt °without prescribing how much.

23 Whatsoever is commanded by the ¹² GDD of heaven, let it be °diligently done for the house of the ¹² GDD of heaven: for °why should there be wrath against the realm of the king and his sons?

24 Also we certify you, that touching any of the priests and Levites, singers, porters, °Nethinims, or ministers of this house of ° GDD , it shall not be lawful to impose toll, tribute, or custom, upon them.

^y 25 And thou, Ezra, after the wisdom of thy ¹² GDD , that is in thine hand, set magistrates and judges, which may judge all the People that are beyond the river, all such as know the laws of thy ¹² GDD ; and °teach ye them that know them not.

^Y 26 And whosoever will not do the law of thy ¹² GDD , and the law of the king, let judgment be executed speedily upon him, whether it be unto death, or °to banishment, or to confiscation of goods, or to imprisonment."

^{X³ v³} 27 °Blessed be °the LORD °God of our fathers, Which hath put such a thing as this in the king's heart, to beautify the house of °the LORD which is in Jerusalem:

28 And hath extended °mercy unto me before the king, and his counsellors, and before all the king's °mighty princes.

^{w³} And J was strengthened as the hand of °the LORD my °God was upon me, and I gathered together out of Israel °chief men to go up with me.

^{W⁴} 8 These are now the °chief of their fathers, and this is the genealogy of °them that went up with me from Babylon, in the reign of °Artaxerxes the king.

^{X¹ w⁴} 2 Of the sons of Phinehas; Gershom: of the sons of Ithamar; Daniel: of the sons of David; Hattush.

3 Of the sons of Shechaniah, of the sons of Pharosh; Zechariah: and with him were reckoned °by genealogy of the males an hundred and fifty.

19 vessels. See note on 1. 1.

20 bestow, bestow. Fig. *Anadiplosis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

21 I, even I. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

22 talents. See Ap. 51. II.

measures . . . baths. See Ap. 51. III. 3.

wine. Cp. 6. 9. Heb. *chemer*. Ap. 27. iii.

without prescribing how much = without measure.

23 diligently = quickly, exactly. A Persian word, 'adrazda'. Occurs only here.

why . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

24 GDD . Chald. 'ēlahah = Heb. Eloah (emph.). See Ap. 4. V.

26 to banishment: or exclusion from the assembly. Chald. = to rooting out. Occurs only here.

27 Blessed, &c. These two verses (27, 28) resume the Hebrew language.

28 mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.

mighty. Heb. *gibbōr*. Ap. 14. IV.

chief heads.

8. 1 chief = heads: i. e. heads of houses.

them that went up. Most of these names appear in ch. 2 and Neh. 10. The number is 1,496. If there were no women with them, this might be the cause of the "strange" marriages in ch. 10 and Neh. 10.

Artaxerxes: i. e. Darius (Hystaspis). See Ap. 57 and 58.

3 by genealogy = a lineage.

4 Pahath-moab. Cp. 2. 6.

5 sons of Shechaniah. Sept. reads "sons of Zattu, Shechaniah".

9 Of. Some codices, with one early printed edition and Sept., read "And of".

10 sons of Shelomith. Sept. reads "sons of Bani, Shelomith".

12 ten. Some codices, with Syr., read "twenty".

13 last. In contrast with others.

these. The only case where there were three heads. In all other cases (except v. 14, where there are two) only one head is mentioned.

14 them. Heb. text reads "him"; but some codices, with one early printed edition, read "them", as in A.V.

4 Of the sons of °Pahath-moab; Elihoenai the son of Zerabiah, and with him two hundred males.

5 Of the °sons of Shechaniah; the son of Jahaziel, and with him three hundred males.

6 Of the sons also of Adin; Ebed the son of Jonathan, and with him fifty males.

7 And of the sons of Elam; Jeshaiiah the son of Athaliah, and with him seventy males.

8 And of the sons of Shephatiah; Zebadiah the son of Michael, and with him fourscore males.

9 °Of the sons of Joab; Obadiah the son of Jehiel, and with him two hundred and eighteen males.

10 And of the °sons of Shelomith; the son of Josiphiah, and with him an hundred and threescore males.

11 And of the sons of Bebai; Zechariah the son of Bebai, and with him twenty and eight males.

12 And of the sons of Azgad; Johanan the son of Hakkatan, and with him an hundred and °ten males.

13 And of the °last sons of Adonikam, whose names are °these, Eliphelet, Jeiel, and She-maiah, and with them threescore males.

14 Of the sons also of Bigvai; Uthai, and Zabbud, and with °them seventy males.

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15 And I gathered them ° together to the river that runneth to ° Ahava; and there ° abode we in tents three days: and I viewed the People, and the priests, and found there ° none of the sons of Levi.

16 Then sent I ° for Eliezer, for Ariel, for She-maiah, and for Elnathan, and for Jarib, and for Elnathan, and for Nathan, and for Zechariah, and for Meshullam, ° chief men; also for ° Joiarib, and for Elnathan, ° men of understanding.

17 And I sent them with commandment unto Iddo the chief at the place ° Casiphia, and I told them what they should say unto Iddo, and to his brethren the ° Nethinims, at the place ° Casiphia, that they should bring unto us ministers for the house of our ° God.

18 And by the good hand of our ° God upon us they brought us ° a man of understanding, of the sons of Mahli, the son of Levi, the son of Israel; and Sherebiah, with his sons and his brethren, eighteen;

19 And Hashabiah, and with him Jeshaiah of the sons of Merari, his brethren and their sons, twenty;

20 Also of the ° Nethinims, whom David and the princes had appointed for the service of the Levites, two hundred and twenty ° Nethinims: all of them were expressed by name.

B b

21 Then I proclaimed a fast there, at the river ° of ° Ahava, that we might afflict ourselves before our ° God, to seek of Him a right way for us, and for our little ones, and for all our substance.

22 For I was ashamed to require of the king a band of soldiers and horsemen to help us against the enemy in the way: because we had spoken unto the king, saying, "The hand of our ° God is upon all them for good that seek Him; but His power and His wrath is against all them that forsake Him."

23 So we fasted and besought our ° God for this: and He was intreated of us.

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24 Then I separated twelve of the ° chief of the priests, Sherebiah, Hashabiah, and ten of their brethren with them,

25 And weighed unto them the silver, and the gold, and the vessels, even the ° offering of the house of our ° God, which the king, and his counsellors, and his lords, and ° all Israel there present, had offered:

26 I even weighed unto their hand six hundred and fifty ° talents of silver, and silver vessels an hundred ° talents, and of gold an hundred ° talents;

27 Also twenty ° basons of gold, ° of a thousand ° drams; and two vessels of ° fine copper, precious as gold.

28 And I said unto them, "Ye are ° holy unto ° the LORD; the vessels are ° holy also; and the silver and the gold are a freewill offering unto ° the LORD ° God of your fathers.

29 Watch ye, and keep them, until ye weigh them before the ° chief of the priests and the Levites, and chief of the fathers of ° Israel, at Jerusalem, in the chambers of the house of ° the LORD."

30 So took the priests and the Levites the weight of the silver, and the gold, and the vessels, to bring them to Jerusalem unto the house of our ° God.

B b

31 Then we departed from the river of Ahava

8. 15-36 (v⁴, p. 627). EZRA. JOURNEY.
(Introversion and Alternation.)

v ⁴	A	15-20. Mission. Commenced.
	B	b 21-23. Difficulty. Encountered.
		c 24-30. Charge.
	B	b 31, 32. Difficulty. Overcome.
		c 33-35. Charge.
	A	36. Mission. Completed.

15 together = out.

Ahava. Ahava. The name of the river, and of the city. Cp. v. 21. abode = encamped.

none of the sons of Levi. Only priests and laymen. The Levites were slack. Cp. 2. 40. Only a small number accompanied Zerubbabel (2. 36). Not so the priests (2. 36-39).

16 for. The Syr. and Vulg. omit the word "for" throughout this verse, and read "then sent I Eliezer", &c., as in v. 17. chief men = heads.

Joiarib. A.V., 1611, read "Jarib". men of understanding. Fig. *Antimereia* (of Noun), Ap. 6 - wise and prudent men, especially for teaching.

17 Casiphia. Not identified. Probably near Babylon. Nethinims. These were the ministers of the Levites. Originally Gibeonites. See note on 2. 43.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

18 a man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

21 of. Omitted in A.V., 1611. 24 chief - princes.

25 offering = heave offering. Ap. 43. II. viii.

all Israel. See note on 2. 2 and 1 Kings 12. 17.

26 talents. See Ap. 51. II. 6.

27 basons = bowls. of = valued at.

drams. Heb. *darics*. See Ap. 51. I, and cp. 2. 69 and 1 Chron. 29. 7.

fine copper, &c. - copper shining like gold.

28 holy = a holy body. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

34 By number and by weight of every one: or, the whole by number and weight.

35 Also, &c. The fourth of the ten *Sedarim* (or cycles for public reading) begins here and goes on to Neh. 2. 10, where it ends; thus uniting the two books in one. See note, p. 632. children = sons.

36 commissions - Royal decrees. Heb. *dath*. See note on Est. 1. 8.

lieutenants. Heb. *satraps*. A Persian title.

God. Heb. Elohim (with Art.) = the [true] God. Ap. 4. I.

on the twelfth day of the first month, to go unto Jerusalem: and the hand of our ° God was upon us, and He delivered us from the hand of the enemy, and of such as lay in wait by the way.

32 And we came to Jerusalem, and abode there three days.

33 Now on the fourth day was the silver and the gold and the vessels weighed in the house of our ° God by the hand of Meremoth the son of Uriah the priest; and with him was Eleazar the son of Phinehas; and with them was Jozabad the son of Jeshua, and Noadiah the son of Binnui, Levites;

34 ° By number and by weight of every one: and all the weight was written at that time.

35 ° Also the ° children of those that had been carried away, which were come out of the captivity, offered burnt offerings unto the ° God of Israel, twelve bullocks for all Israel, ninety and six rams, seventy and seven lambs, twelve he goats for a sin offering: all this was a burnt offering unto ° the LORD.

36 And they delivered the king's ° commissions unto the king's ° lieutenants, and to the governors on this side the river: and they furthered the People, and the house of ° God.

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9 Now when these things were done, ° the princes came to me, saying, "The ° People of Israel, and the priests, and the Levites, have not separated themselves from the ° people of the lands, *doing* according to their abominations, *even* of the ° Canaanites, the Hittites, the Perizzites, the Jebusites, the Ammonites, the Moabites, the Egyptians, and the Amorites.

2 For they have taken of their daughters for themselves, and for their sons: so that the ° holy seed have mingled themselves with the people of *those* lands: yea, the hand of the princes and rulers hath been chief in this ° trespass."

E¹ d¹ **3** And when I heard this thing, I ° rent my garment and my mantle, and plucked off the hair of my head and of my beard, and sat down ° astonished.

e¹ **4** Then were assembled unto me every one that ° trembled at the words of the ° God of ° Israel, because of the ° transgression of those that had been carried away;

E² d² F² and I sat ° astonished until the evening ° sacrifice. **5** And at the evening sacrifice I arose up from my heaviness; and ° having rent my garment and my mantle, ° I fell upon my knees, and spread out my hands unto ° the LORD my ° God,

G f¹ **6** And said, "O my ° God, I am ashamed and blush to lift up my face to Thee, my ° God: for our ° iniquities are increased over *our* head, and our ° trespass is grown up unto the heavens.

7 Since the days of our fathers *have we been* in a great ° trespass unto this day; and for our ° iniquities have we, our kings, and our priests, ° been delivered into the hand of the kings of the lands, to the sword, to captivity, and to a spoil, and to ° confusion of face, as *it is* this day.

g¹ **8** And now for ° a little ° space grace hath been *shewed* from ° the LORD our ° God, to leave us a ° remnant to escape, and to give us ° a nail in His ° holy place, that our ° God may lighten our eyes, and give us a little reviving in our bondage.

9 For ° we were ° bondmen; yet our ° God hath not forsaken us in our bondage, but hath extended ° mercy unto us in the sight of the ° kings of Persia, to give us a reviving, to set up the house of our ° God, and ° to repair the desolations thereof, and to ° give us a wall in Judah and in Jerusalem.

f² **10** And now, O our ° God, ° what shall we say after this? for we have forsaken Thy commandments,

11 Which Thou hast commanded ° by Thy servants the prophets, saying, 'The land, unto which ye go to possess it, is an unclean land with the ° filthiness of the ° people of the lands, with their abominations, which have filled it from one end to another with their uncleanness.

12 Now therefore give not your daughters unto their sons, neither take their daughters unto your sons, ° nor seek their peace or their wealth for ever: that ye may be strong, and eat the good of the land, and leave *it* for an inheritance to your ° children for ever.'

9. 1—10. 44 (B, p. 617). THE PEOPLE. DEDICATION. REFORMATION. (*Division*.)

B | C¹ | 9. 1—10. 17. The evil-doing. Confessed.
C² | 10. 18—44. The evil-doers. Reformed.

9. 1—10. 17 (C¹, above). THE EVIL-DOING. (*Introversion and Alternation*.)

C¹ | D¹ | 9. 1, 2. The evil reported to Ezra.
E¹ | d¹ | 9. 3. Ezra. Grief.
E² | d² | 9. 4—10. 1—4. Assembly. Trembling. Prayer.
E³ | d³ | 10. 5—8. Ezra. Grief. Weeping.
E⁴ | d⁴ | 10. 9. Assembly. Trembling. Charge.
E⁴ | e⁴ | 10. 10, 11. Ezra. Charge. Obedience.
D² | 10. 12—14. Assembly. Obedience.

D² | 10. 15—17. The evil removed by Ezra.

1 the princes. Not all of them. Cp. v. 2.

People of Israel. See note on 2. 2 and 1 Kings 12. 17. people = peoples, or nations.

Canaanites. Contrary to the law (Ex. 34. 12—16. Deut. 7. 1—3). See Ap. 23 and 25.

2 holy seed, or the sanctuary's seed. See note on Ex. 3. 5 and cp. Dan. 2. 43. Ex. 19. 6; 22. 31. Deut. 7. 6; 14. 2. trespass = defection. Heb. *mā'al*. Ap. 44. xi. Not the same word as in v. 6.

3 rent my garment, &c. These were signs of inward mourning. See v. 5. Josh. 7. 6. 1 Sam. 4. 12. 2 Sam. 1. 2; 13. 31. 2 Kings 18. 37. Job 1. 20. Matt. 26. 65. astonished: i. e. causing astonishment in such as saw me.

4 trembled at the words, &c. Cp. Isa. 66. 2.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I. transgression = defection. Heb. *mā'al*. Ap. 44. xi.

9. 4—10. 1— (d², above). EZRA. PRAYER.

(*Introversion and Alternation*.)

d² | F | 9. 4, 5. Prostration and astonishment (Acts).
G | f¹ | 9. 6, 7. Confession.
G | g¹ | 9. 8, 9. Divine mercy.
f² | 9. 10—12. Confession.
g² | 9. 13, 14. Divine wrath.
f³ | 9. 15. Confession.

F | 10. 1—10. Prostration and weeping (Acts).

sacrifice = meal offering. Heb. *minchah*. Ap. 43. II. iii.

5 having rent = having already rent.

I fell upon my knees. Cp. 10. 1. 2 Chron. 6. 13. Dan. 6. 10. Luke 22. 41. Acts 7. 60; 9. 40; 20. 36; 21. 5. the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

6 iniquities. Heb. *āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv. trespass. Heb. *ashma* (fem.) = guilt incurred. The masc. = guilt imputed (as in Lev. 5. 7. Num. 5. 8. 2 Kings 12. 16. Ps. 68. 21). Ap. 44. ii. Not the same word as in v. 2. Cp. vv. 7, 13, 15.

7 been delivered. For these selfsame sins! as in v. 2. confusion of face. Cp. Dan. 9. 5—7.

8 a little while. Heb. *kim'at*. See note on "almost" (Prov. 5. 14). Referring to the respite which had been begun by the kings of Assyria (6. 22. Neh. 9. 32) and continued by the kings of Persia. remnant to escape. The same which Nehemiah had already inquired about (Neh. 1. 2, 3).

a nail = a peg surely driven in. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the dwelling secured by it.

holy place = Jerusalem, or sanctuary. Cp. Ps. 24. 3. Isa. 56. 7; 57. 13.

9 we were. Or, supply the Ellipsis "we [are]". bondmen. The subjects of the Persians (Neh. 9. 36). mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.

kings of Persia. See Ap. 57.

to repair the desolations. Cp. Neh. 1. 2, 3.

give us a wall. This helps to prove that the task of Nehemiah had already been effected. See the Structure on p. 617, notes on p. 618, and Ap. 58.

10 what shall we say . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

11 by = by the hand of.

filthiness. Showing Ezra's acquaintance with the Pentateuch. Cp. Gen. 15. 16. Deut. 9. 5. 1 Kings 21. 26.

12 nor seek their peace. Ref. to Pent.: the very words of Deut. 23. 6. children = sons.

^{g2} (p. 630) 404 13 And after all that is come upon us for our °evil deeds, and for our great °trespass, seeing that Thou our God hast punished us less than our °iniquities deserve, and hast given us °such deliverance as this;

14 °Should we again break Thy commandments, and join in affinity with the °people of these abominations? wouldest not Thou be angry with us till Thou hadst consumed us, so that *there should be* no remnant nor escaping?

^{f3} 15 O °LORD °God of Israel, Thou art righteous: for °we remain yet escaped, as *it is* this day: °behold, we are before Thee in our °trespasses: for we cannot stand before Thee because of this."

^F 10 Now °when Ezra had prayed, and when he had confessed, weeping and casting himself down before the house of °God,

^{e2} there assembled unto him out of °Israel a very great °congregation of °men and women and °children: for the People °wept very sore.

12th Tisri 2 And Shechaniah the son of Jehiel, one of °the sons of Elam, °answered and said unto Ezra, "We have °trespassed against our °God, and have taken strange wives of the °people of the land: yet now there is hope °in °Israel concerning this thing.

3 Now therefore let us make a covenant with our °God to put away all the wives, and °such as are born of them, according to the °counsel of °my LORD*, and of those that °tremble at the commandment of our °God; and let it be done °according to the law.

4 °Arise; for *this* matter *belongeth* unto thee: we also *will be* with thee: be of good courage, and do *it*."

^{E3 d3} 5 Then arose Ezra, and made °the chief priests, °the Levites, and all °Israel, to swear that they should do according to this word. And they sware.

6 °Then Ezra rose up from before the house of °God, and went into the chamber of °Johanan the son of Eliashib: and *when* he °came thither, he did eat no bread, nor drink water: for he °mourned because of the °transgression of them that had been carried away.

7 And they made proclamation throughout Judah and Jerusalem unto all the °children of the °captivity, that they should gather themselves together unto Jerusalem;

8 And that whosoever would not come within three days, according to the counsel of the princes and the elders, all his substance should be °forfeited, and himself separated from the °congregation of those that had been °carried away.

^{e8} 29th Chisleu 9 Then all the °men of °Judah and Benjamin gathered themselves together unto Jerusalem within three days. *It was* the °ninth month, on the twentieth *day* of the month; and all the people sat in the °street of the house of °God, °trembling because of *this* matter, and for the great rain.

^{E4 d4} 10 And Ezra the priest stood up, and said unto them, "We have °transgressed, and have taken strange wives, to increase the °trespass of °Israel.

11 Now therefore make confession unto °the

13 evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

such deliverance: or, such a reserved survival.

14 Should we . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

15 we remain yet escaped: or, we are left but a remnant that is escaped. Cp. Neh. 1. 2, 3. behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

10. 1 when Ezra had prayed. Note the change to the third person. This does not imply another authorship. Such changes are common. Cp. Isa. 6. 5-8; 7. 3; 37. 6 with other passages. Also Jer. 20. 1-6 with v. 7; and 21. 1 and 28. 1, 5.

God. Heb. *Elohim* (with Art.) = the [true] God. Ap. 4. I. Israel. Cp. 1. 5; 2. 2, 69, 70; 6. 21; 7. 10, 13; 8. 25; 9. 1. See note on 1 Kings 12. 17.

congregation = assembly. Assembled 24th Tisri. Cp. Neh. 9. 3.

men. Heb. *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

children = little ones. Heb. *yeled*. Not the same word as in v. 7.

wept very sore. Heb. "wept a great weeping". Fig. *Polyptōton*. Ap. 6. See note on Gen. 26. 28.

2 the sons of Elam. Cp. v. 26.

answered and said. A Heb. idiom, by which the first verb "answered" must be rendered according to the context. Here = "confessed and said".

trespassed = acted treacherously. Heb. *mā'al*. Ap. 44. xi. people = peoples. in = for.

3 such as are born. It does not appear that Shechaniah's proposal was carried out. Cp. vv. 11, 14.

counsel. See Ps. 33. 11; 73. 24; 106. 13. Prov. 8. 14; 19. 21. Isa. 46. 10, 11.

my LORD* = Jehovah. One of the 134 places where *Jehovah* was altered by the *Sōpherim* to *Adonay*. See App. 32 and 4. viii. 2. tremble. Cp. 9. 4.

according to the law. See Deut. 24. 1, 2.

4 Arise. It would seem that Ezra continued kneeling.

5 the chief priests = the princes of the priests. Cp. 2 Chron. 36. 14.

the Levites. Some codices, with one early printed edition, read "and the Levites".

6 Then Ezra rose up. In response to Shechaniah. Johanan. The son of Eliashib, the high priest who succeeded Joiakim, the successor of Jeshua (Neh. 12. 10, 23). came thither. According to Syr. and Arabic = "lodged (or spent the night) there".

mourned. Cp. the first occ. of Heb. *'ābāl*. Gen. 37. 34. transgression = unfaithfulness. Heb. *mā'al*. Ap. 44. xi. Cp. v. 2 and 10.

7 children = sons. Not the same word as in v. 1.

captivity = exile. As in vv. 6, 8, 16; 1. 11; 2. 1; 4. 1; 6. 19, 20, 21; 8. 35; 9. 4.

8 forfeited = devoted.

carried away = into captivity.

9 Judah and Benjamin. Yet spoken of as containing representatives of all Israel. See note on v. 1.

ninth month. That is Chisleu (= Nov.-Dec.), four months after Ezra's arrival (7. 8).

street = broad place.

10 trespass. Heb. *'āshah*. See note on 9. 6. Ap. 44. ii.

11 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

12 As thou hast said = according to thy words. Heb. marg. reads "word".

13 a time of much rain = the rainy season.

transgressed = rebelled. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix.

LORD °God of your fathers, and do His pleasure: and separate yourselves from the °people of the land, and from the strange wives."

12 Then all the °congregation answered and said with a loud voice, "As thou hast said, so must we do.

13 But the People are many, and *it is* °a time of much rain, and we are not able to stand without, neither *is this* a work of one day or two: for we are many that have °transgressed in this thing.

14 Let now our °rulers of all the ¹congregation stand, and let all them which have taken strange wives in our cities come at appointed times, and with them the elders of every city, and the judges thereof, until the fierce wrath of our ¹God ° for this matter be turned from us."

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(p. 630) 15 ° Only Jonathan the son of Asahel and Jahaziah the son of °Tikvah ° were employed about this *matter*; and Meshullam and Shab-bethai the Levite helped them.

16 And the ⁷children of the ⁷captivity did so. And Ezra the priest, with °certain °chief of the fathers, after the house of their fathers, and all of them by *their* names, were separated, and sat down in the first day of the tenth month to examine the matter.

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Tebeth 17 And they made an end with all the ¹men that had taken strange wives by ° the first day of the first month.

C² 18 And among the sons of the priests there were found that had taken strange wives: *namely*, of °the sons of Jeshua the son of Jozadak, and his brethren; Maaseiah, and Eliezer, and Jarib, and Gedaliah.

19 And they °gave their hands that they would put away their wives; and °being guilty, they offered °a ram of the flock for their ¹⁰trespass.

20 And of the sons of Immer; Hanani, and Zebadiah.

21 And of the sons of Harim; Maaseiah, and Elijah, and Shemaiah, and Jehiel, and Uzziab.

22 And of the sons of Pashur; Elioenai, Maaseiah, Ishmael, °Nethaneel, Jozabad, and Elasah.

23 Also of the Levites; Jozabad, and Shime, and Kelaiah, (the same is Kelita,) Pethahiah, Judah, and Eliezer.

24 Of the singers also; Eliashib: and of the porters; Shallum, and Telem, and Uri.

25 Moreover of ¹Israel: of the sons of Parosh; Ramiah, and Jeziah, and Malchiah, and Miamin, and Eleazar, and Malchijah, and Benaiah.

26 And of the sons of Elam; Mattaniah, Zechariah, and Jehiel, and Abdi, and Jeremoth, and Eliah.

27 And of the sons of Zattu; Elioenai, Eliashib, Mattaniah, and Jeremoth, and Zabad, and Aziza.

28 Of the sons also of Bebai; Jehohanan, Hananiah, Zabbai, and Athlai.

29 And of the sons of Bani; Meshullam, Malluch, and Adaiah, Jashub, and Sheal, °and Ramoth.

30 And of the sons of Pahath-moab; Adna,

14 rulers = princes.

for. Heb. 'ad = "until", as in the previous clause. Translate and supply Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) thus: "until the fierce wrath of our God be turned from us, until this matter [be carried out]".

15 Only = But, or, Nevertheless.

Tikvah. Cp. 2 Kings 22. 14 and 2 Chron. 34. 22.

were employed, &c. = superintended [the business].

16 certain = men. Heb. 'enōsh. Ap. 14. III.

chief = heads.

17 the first day of the first month. See note on Gen. 8. 13. Ezra's last date. The commission, therefore, sat for eighty-eight days.

18 the sons of Jeshua. Who had come up with Zerubbabel (2. 2). There were 973 priests of that house (2. 36). There were found guilty seventeen priests, ten Levites singers and porters, and eighty-six lay people, making 118 in all.

19 gave their hands. Heb. idiom for giving their word. Cp. 2 Kings 10. 15.

being guilty. Cp. Lev. 5. 1.

a ram. See Lev. 5. 14-19.

22 Nethaneel. Some codices, with five early printed editions, read "and Nethaneel".

29 and Ramoth. Heb. text reads "Jeremoth". Marg. reads "and Ramoth".

31 of. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., have this word "of" in the text.

44 strange = foreign.

Thus ends the first part of this book "Ezra-Nehemiah"; not abruptly; as it is followed by the second part, which is concerned mainly with the rebuilding of the city and the walls, instead of with the Temple. The incidents recorded in Neh. 1. 1-7. 4 had taken place before the first return under Zerubbabel. See the Structures and notes on pp. 617, 618, and Ap. 58. Cp. also Neh. 7. 4 with Hag. 1. 1-4.

and Chelal, Benaiah, Maaseiah, Mattaniah, Bezaleel, and Binnui, and Manasseh.

31 And °of the sons of Harim; Eliezer, Ishijah, Malchiah, Shemaiah, Shimeon,

32 Benjamin, Malluch, and Shemariah.

33 Of the sons of Hashum; Mattenai, Mat-tathah, Zabad, Eliphelet, Jeremai, Manasseh, and Shimei.

34 Of the sons of Bani; Maadai, Amram, and Uel,

35 Benaiah, Bedeiah, Chelluh,

36 Vaniah, Meremoth, Eliashib,

37 Mattaniah, Mattenai, and Jaasau,

38 And Bani, and Binnui, Shimei,

39 And Shelemiah, and Nathan, and Adaiah,

40 Machnadebai, Shashai, Sharai,

41 Azareel, and Shelemiah, Shemariah,

42 Shallum, Amariah, and Joseph.

43 Of the sons of Nebo; Jeiel, Mattithiah, Zabad, Zebina, Jadau, and Joel, Benaiah.

44 All these had taken °strange wives: and some of them had wives by whom they had ⁷children.

[N.B. This division of the book Ezra-Nehemiah, in the later printed Hebrew Bibles, is quite modern. It breaks up the *fourth* of the ten *Sedarim* (or cycles for public reading) which begins at Ezra 8. 35 and ends with Neh. 2. 10. See note on p. 617, and cp. note on p. 366.]

THE TEN SEDARIM

are as follows:

- (1) Ezra 1. 1-3. 12.
- (2) " 3. 13-6. 17.
- (3) " 6. 18-8. 34.
- (4) " 8. 35-Neh. 2. 10.
- (5) Neh. 2. 11-3. 37.

- (6) Neh. 3. 38-6. 14.
- (7) " 6. 15-8. 9.
- (8) " 8. 10-10. 1 (Heb. 9. 37).
- (9) " 10. 1 (Heb. 2)-12. 25.
- (10) " 12. 26-13. 31.

THE BOOK OF NEHEMIAH.

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1 °THE words of °Nehemiah the son of °Hachaliah. And it came to pass in the month °Chisleu, in the °twentieth year, as °S °was in °Shushan the palace,

2 That °Hanani, one of my brethren, came, he and certain °men of Judah; and °I asked them concerning °the Jews that had °escaped, which were left of the captivity, and concerning Jerusalem.

3 And °they said unto me, °“The remnant that are °left of the captivity there in the °Province are in great affliction and reproach: the wall of Jerusalem also is °broken down, and the gates thereof are burned with fire.”

4 And it came to pass, when I heard °these words, that I sat down and wept, and mourned certain days, and fasted, and °prayed before the °God of heaven,

5 And said, “I beseech thee, O °LORD °God of heaven, the great and terrible °GOD, That °keepeth covenant and mercy for them that love Him and °observe His commandments:

6 Let Thine °ear now be attentive, and Thine eyes open, that Thou mayest hear the prayer of Thy servant, which °I pray before Thee now, day and night, for the °children of Israel Thy servants,

7 and confess the °sins of the °children of Israel, which we have °sinned against Thee: both °I and my father's house have °sinned.

8 We have dealt very corruptly against Thee, and have not kept the commandments, nor the statutes, nor the judgments, which °Thou commandedst °Thy servant Moses.

9 Remember, I beseech Thee, the word that °Thou commandedst °Thy servant Moses, saying, °“If ye °transgress, °I will scatter you abroad among the nations:

was removed thither from Babylon. Excavations in 1909 by M. de Morgan, at Susa, exposed the remains of three cities. Among them, four black stone pillars, with the Code of Khammurabi (see Ap. 15). Bricks of his palace or temple were also found. Occupied by Babylonians in 2800 B.C. **2 Hanani.** Shortened form of Hananiah. Cp. 7. 2. See note above, and cp. Dan. 1. 3, 6. **men.** Heb. 'ēnōsh. See Ap. 14. III. **I asked.** Not about Ezra, and the 42,360 who are supposed to have been already in the Province of Judah: this Nehemiah would surely have done if they had really been there. **the Jews.** Mentioned eleven times in this book (1. 2; 2. 16; 4. 1, 2, 12; 5. 1, 3, 17; 6. 6; 13. 23, 24). **escaped:** i. e. from the lands of their captivity. See Jer. 44. 13, 14. Why escape if already set free (Ezra 1. 3)? **3 they said:** that which could not have been said if Ezra and his thousands had been already there. **The remnant.** For the history of this “remnant” see Jer. 40—44. Only a few poor serfs there (Jer. 52. 15, 16). **left.** Not carried away or returned (Jer. 52. 15, 16). **Province = Judah.** See Ezra 5. 8. **broken down.** Just as left by Nebuchadnezzar (2 Kings 25. 9, 10. Jer. 52. 12—14). For the subsequent history see Jer. 40 to 44.

4—11— (h, above). PRAYER. (Introversion.)

h | k | 4—6—. Regard.

l | 6, 7. Confession. People's sins.

m | 8, 9. Remembrance.

l | 10. Confession. Jehovah's goodness.

k | 11—. Regard.

4 these words. Evidently the first authentic news he had heard. No wonder he was heartbroken. **prayed.** Nehemiah a man of prayer. Cp. 4. 4, 5; 5. 19; 6. 9, 14; 13. 14, 22, 29, 31. **God of heaven.** See note on 2 Chron. 36. 23. This title peculiar to the “times of the Gentiles”, when God dwells no longer “between the Cherubim”, but acts as from a distance. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I, and cp. the title “Lord of all the earth” in Zech. 6. 5, when He again claims the land, as in Josh. 3. 11, 13. See note on 2 Chron. 36. 23. **5 LORD = Jehovah.** See Ap. 4. II. **GOD.** Heb. 'El (with Art.). See Ap. 4. IV. **keepeth covenant.** Nehemiah goes back to the language of the Pentateuch (Deut. 7. 9). **observe = keep.** Cp. Ex. 20. 6; 34. 6, 7. **6 ear.** Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. Nehemiah refers to Lev. 26. 40—45, and 1 Kings 8. 46—52. **children = sons.** **sins... sinned... sinned.** Heb. *chātā*. Ap. 4. i. **I.** Like Daniel, he includes himself. Cp. Dan. 9. 3—19. **7 Thou commandedst.** Again a reference to the Pentateuch: as being well known. See Lev. 26. 33, 39—45. Deut. 4. 25—31; 28. 64; 30. 1—4. **Thy servant Moses.** See note on first occurrence, 1 Kings 8. 53. **8 If.** This word is clearly implied in Heb. Cp. Deut. 4. 25, &c. **transgress.** Heb. *mā'al*. Ap. 44. xi.

1. 1—6. 19 (E, p. 616; K, p. 617). THE WALL. BUILDING. EXTERNAL DISORDERS OVERCOME. (Division.)

E | H¹ | 1. 1—2. 20. Desolation.
H² | 3. 1—6. 19. Reparation.

1. 1—2. 20 (H¹, above). DESOLATION. (Alternation and Introversion.)

H¹ | J | 1. 1. Date.
K | L | 1. 2, 3. The desolations. Reported.
M | h | 1. 4—11—. Prayer.
i | 1. —11. Office. King's cupbearer.
J | 2. 1—. Date.
K | M | i | 2. 1—4—. Office. King's cupbearer.
h | 2. —4. Prayer.
L | 2. 5—20. The desolations. Repeated.

1 The words. Divine revelation in writing must be made up of words (see Ap. 47). The “words” here were written, *chronologically*, long before the book of Ezra. See the Structures (pp. 616, 617, notes on p. 618; also Ap. 50, 57, and 58).

Nehemiah = comforter of (=appointed by) Jehovah. From 10. 1 he was one of the “princes” (9. 38) who signed the Solemn Covenant: a prince of Judah, for the “king's seed” and “princes” were taken to Babylon (Dan. 1. 3), according to the prophecy in 2 Kings 20. 17, 18. The next who signed was Zidkijah, a son of king Jehoiakim (1 Chron. 3. 16). Hanani (v. 2), his brother or near kinsman (a shortened form of Hananiah, cp. v. 2, and 7. 2), was another “prince”, renamed Shadrach (Dan. 1. 3—6), Nehemiah was the Sheshbazzar of Ezra 1. 8.

Five parties seen in action in this book: Nehemiah, Ezra, the People, their enemies, and the God of heaven. **Chisleu.** The ninth month. See Ap. 51. III. 4. **twentieth year.** See Ap. 50. VI and VII. 5. Cp. 2. 1. Forty-two years from the beginning of the Babylonian *Servitude*, thirty-five years from Jehoiachin's captivity, and twenty-three years from the destruction of Jerusalem, and the beginning of the *Desolations*. See special note on p. 615.

I was in Shushan. Like Joseph in Egypt, Obadiah in Samaria, Daniel in Babylon, and the saints in Caesar's household (Phil. 4. 22). **was = came to be.**

Shushan. He had been there about sixteen years, and

455 9 But ^{if} ye °turn unto Me, and keep My commandments, and do them; though there were of you cast out unto the uttermost part of the heaven, yet will I gather them from thence, and will bring them unto the place that I have chosen to set My name there.

l (p. 633) 10 Now ^{these} are Thy servants and Thy People, whom Thou hast °redeemed by Thy great power, and by Thy strong hand.

k 11 O °LORD*, I beseech Thee, let now Thine ear be attentive to the prayer of Thy servant, and to the prayer of Thy servants, who °desire to fear Thy name: and prosper, I pray Thee, Thy servant this day, and grant him °mercy in the sight of this °man."

i For I was the king's cupbearer.

J 454 2 And it came to pass in the month °Nisan, in that °wine was before him: and I took up the °wine, and gave it unto the king. Now I had not been ^{beforetime} sad in his presence.

K M i 2 Wherefore the king said unto me, "Why is thy countenance sad, seeing thou art not sick? this is nothing else but °sorrow of heart." Then I was very sore afraid,

3 And said unto the king, "Let the king live for ever: why should not my countenance be sad, when the city, the place of my fathers' sepulchres, °lieth waste, and the gates thereof are consumed with fire?"

4 Then the king said unto me, "For what dost thou make request?"

h So I prayed to the °God of heaven.

L N n (p. 634) 5 And I said unto the king, "If it please the king, and if thy servant have found favour in thy sight, that thou wouldest send me unto Judah, unto the city of my fathers' sepulchres, that I may build it."

6 And the king said unto me, (°the queen also °sitting °by him,) "For how long shall thy journey be? and when wilt thou return?" So °it pleased the king to send me; and I set him a time.

o 7 Moreover I said unto the king, "If it please the king, let letters be given me to the °governors beyond the river, that they may convey me over till I come into Judah;

8 And a letter unto Asaph the keeper of the king's °forest, that he may give me timber to make beams for the gates of the palace which appertained to the house, and for the °wall of the city, and for the house °that I shall enter into." And the king granted me, according to the good °hand of my °God upon me.

p 9 Then I came to the governors beyond the river, and gave them the king's letters. Now the king had sent °captains of the °army and horsemen with me.

q (p. 634) 10 When °Sanballat the °Horonite, and

main subject of Nehemiah's section of the joint book.

hand. Fig. *Anthropopathia*. Ap. 6. Also put by Fig. *Metonymy* (Ap. 6) for God's purpose (Acts 4. 28, 30); power (1 Chron. 29. 16); sovereignty (Ps. 31. 15); providence (1 Chron. 29. 16); supply (Ps. 104. 28); prosperity (Neh. 2. 8); security (John 10. 28, 29). God, Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. 9 captains = princes. army = force.

10 Sanballat. An Aramaic papyrus, recently (1909) discovered at Elephantine (in Egypt), was written by two Jews (Delaya and Shelemya) to the sons of this Sanballat, who is called the "governor of Samaria". It is dated the seventeenth year of Darius Nothos (son of Darius Hystaspis). See Ap. 57 (Nothos = Greek "bastard"). Here ends the fourth of the ten *Sedarim* (or, Cycles for public reading) which commenced with Ezra 8. 35; thus showing that the two books were and are to be regarded as one. See note on p. 632; and cp. notes on p. 366. Horonite. Not of Beth-horon (Josh. 10. 10), but an alien (ch. 13. 27, 28) of Horonaim, a Moabite. Cp. Isa. 15. 5. Jer. 48. 3, 5, 34. See also the Moabite Stone. Ap. 54.

9 turn unto Me. National repentance was ever the one great condition of Israel's national blessing (Deut. 30. 2, &c.); and is still the condition. Cp. Acts 3. 19-21, which, with Acts 28. 17, 23-29, was the last national call.

10 redeemed. Heb. *pādāh*. See note on Ex. 6. 6; 13. 13.

11 LORD*. Heb. Adonai. See Ap. 4. VIII. 2. But it is one of the 134 alterations of the *Sopherim*. See Ap. 34. desire to fear = delight in revering. mercy = tender mercies.

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

2. 1 Nisan. The first month (Abib, Ex. 12. 2, &c.), called Nisan after the Captivity. This was four months after receiving the news (see Ap. 51. III. 5).

the twentieth year. See longer notes on p. 653.

Artaxerxes = the great king. An appellative (like Pharaoh, Czar, &c.) used of several kings of Persia. Synonymous with Artachshast (Arta = great, and Kshatza = king, preserved in the modern "Shah"). See Ap. 57 and 58. This Artaxerxes was the great king ASYRAGES (of Herodotus), and ARSAMES (of Darius Hystaspis' Inscription), the husband of Esther, and father of Cyrus. He was also the Ahasuerus of Est. 1. 1, which means "the venerable king"; and he was also the "Darius the Mede" of Ezra 6. 14 and Dan. 5. 31. See Ap. 57 and 58.

wine. Heb. *yayin*. See Ap. 27. I.

2 sorrow of heart. See Prov. 15. 13.

3 Let the king live. The usual Oriental salutation. lieth waste. Cp. 1. 3. Impossible if Ezra with his 42,360 returned exiles were already there, and had rebuilt the temple! See notes on 1. 2; 5. 5, and on the Chronological Structure (p. 617, with the notes on p. 618). See also note on Ezra 4. 12, p. 624.

God of heaven. See note on 1. 5.

2. 5-20 (L, p. 633). THE DESOLATIONS. (REPEATED.) (Alternations.)

L	N	n	5, 6. Desolations. Repeated to king and queen.
			o 7, 8. Letters requested.
			p 9. The governors beyond the river.
			q 10. Opposition.
		O	11-15. Nehemiah. Inspection.
N	n	n	16, 17. Desolations. Repeated to rulers.
			o 18-. Letters, and king's words reported.
			p -18. Rulers in Jerusalem.
			q 19. Opposition.
		O	20. Nehemiah. Encouragement.

6 the queen. Heb. *ha-shēgāl* = wife. Occurs only here and in Ps. 45. 9. Dan. 5. 2, 3, 23. Not a Heb. word, but borrowed from the Akkadian *sha* = a bride, and *gal* = great. Used of a foreign queen. Here it would exactly suit "the great bride" or "foreign (Jewish) queen", Esther. (See notes on the Chronological Structure of Ezra-Nehemiah, p. 618.) Esther is introduced here (parenthetically) because of her sympathy and interest, which Nehemiah so greatly needed at this juncture, as Mordecai had needed it before (Est. 4. 14).

sitting. Not reclining.

by = close to.

it pleased the king. The fruit of Nehemiah's prayer (v. 4).

7 governors = pashas.

8 forest = park. Heb. *pārdēs*. A Persian word which occurs only here, Ecc. 2. 5, and Song 4. 13, where it is rendered "orchards". Sept. renders it "paradise", which occurs twenty-eight times: (nine times = Eden, nineteen times = garden, Heb. *gan*.)

wall. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Syr., and Vulg., read "walls" (pl.). These walls are the

that I shall enter into: or, whereunto I shall

come. hand. Fig. *Anthropopathia*. Ap. 6. Also put by Fig. *Metonymy* (Ap. 6) for God's purpose (Acts 4. 28, 30); power (1 Chron. 29. 16); sovereignty (Ps. 31. 15); providence (1 Chron. 29. 16); supply (Ps. 104. 28); prosperity (Neh. 2. 8); security (John 10. 28, 29).

God, Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. 9 captains =

princes. army = force. 10 Sanballat. An Aramaic papyrus, recently (1909) discovered at Elephantine (in Egypt), was written by two Jews (Delaya and Shelemya) to the sons of this Sanballat, who is called the "governor of Samaria". It is dated the seventeenth year of Darius Nothos (son of Darius Hystaspis). See Ap. 57 (Nothos = Greek "bastard"). Here ends the fourth of the ten *Sedarim* (or, Cycles for public reading) which commenced with Ezra 8. 35; thus showing that the two books were and are to be regarded as one. See note on p. 632; and cp. notes on p. 366. Horonite. Not of Beth-horon (Josh. 10. 10), but an alien (ch. 13. 27, 28) of Horonaim, a Moabite. Cp. Isa. 15. 5. Jer. 48. 3, 5, 34. See also the Moabite Stone. Ap. 54.

°Tobiah the servant, the Ammonite, °heard of it, °it grieved them exceedingly that there was come a °man to seek the welfare of the °children of °Israel.

O 11 So I came to Jerusalem, and was there three days.

12 And I arose in the night, 3 and some few °men with me; neither told I any¹⁰ man what my °God had put in my heart to do °at Jerusalem: neither was there any beast with me, save the beast that 3 rode upon.

13 And I went out °by night by °the gate of the valley, even before the dragon well, and to the dung °port, and °viewed the walls of Jerusalem, °which were broken down, and the gates thereof were consumed with fire.

14 Then I went on to¹³ the gate of the fountain, and to the king's pool: but there was no place for the beast that was under me to pass.

15 Then went I up in the night by °the brook, and viewed the wall, and turned back, and entered by the gate of the valley, and so returned.

" 16 And the °rulers knew not whither 3 went, or what 3 °did; neither had I as yet told it to the Jews, °nor to the priests, °nor to the nobles, °nor to the rulers, °nor to °the rest that did the work.

17 Then said I unto them, "Ye see °the distress that we are in, how Jerusalem °lieth waste, and the gates thereof are burned with fire: come, and let us build up the wall of Jerusalem, that we be no more a reproach."

o 18 Then I told them of the °hand of my °God which was good upon me; as also the king's words that he had spoken unto me.

p And they said, "Let us rise up and build." So they strengthened their hands for this °good work.

q 19 But when Sanballat the¹⁰ Horonite, and °Tobiah the servant, the Ammonite, and °Geshem the °Arabian, heard it, °they laughed us to scorn, and despised us, and said, "What is this thing that ye do? will ye rebel against the king?"

O 20 Then answered I them, and said unto them, "The °God of heaven, °he will prosper us; therefore we His servants will arise and build: but ye have no portion, nor right, nor memorial, in Jerusalem."

H² P R
(p. 635)

3 Then °Eliashib the high priest rose up with his brethren the priests, and they builded °the sheep gate; they sanctified it, and set up the °doors of it; even unto the tower of Meah, they sanctified it, unto the tower of °Hananeel.

2 And °next unto him builded °the men of Jericho. And next to them builded Zaccur the son of Imri.

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(p. 635)

3 But the °fish gate did the sons of Has-senaah build, who also laid the beams thereof, and set up the °doors thereof, the locks thereof, and the bars thereof.

4 And °next unto them repaired Meremoth the son of Urijah, the son of Koz. And next

Tobiah the servant. Probably a freed slave. Still called so by Fig. Ampliato. Ap. 6. Also an alien, an Ammonite. heard. Nehemiah had come through Samaria. Cp. 4. 1-13. it grieved them. This is the first of six (see Ap. 10) forms which the opposition took. Note them, and observe how Nehemiah met each respectively: (1) Grief (2. 10); (2) laughter (2. 19); (3) wrath and indignation (4. 1-3); (4) fighting (4. 7, 8); (5) subtilty (6. 1, 2); (6) compromise (6. 5-7). man. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I = any human being. children - sons.

Israel. Again used of Judah. See note on Ezra 2. 2, and 1 Kings 12. 17.

12 men. Heb. 'enōsh. Ap. 14. III. at Jerusalem: or, for Jerusalem.

13 by night. Could Nehemiah have gone thus secretly if Ezra had 42,360 Jews there? And what need for it? Nehemiah had only a few men, and was in the midst of enemies.

the gate. Note the twelve gates (corresponding with the twelve gates of Rev. 21. 21). See Ap. 59.

port = gate. viewed - kept peering into. which were, &c. Heb. text so written; but to be read, with some codices and three early printed editions, "how they were broken down".

15 the brook. Heb. nahal, a torrent, mostly fed by rains. Not nāhār, a constant river.

16 rulers. Heb. ḡānīm, used of the Babylonian magistrates or prefects; occurs only in Ezra and Nehemiah. did - was doing.

nor. Note the Fig. Paradiastolē. Ap. 6.

the rest: i.e. of those who had accompanied Nehemiah.

17 the distress. How so, if the Temple was already built?

18 good work. This work was "good" because it was "prepared" by God. See Eph. 2. 10.

19 Geshem. Called Gashmu (6. 6), an Arab Sheik. Like the other two, an alien. In Ps. 83. 6, all three nationalities associated as the enemies of Israel.

Arabian. Descendants of Hagar. Hence Hagarenes. they laughed, &c. The second form of opposition. See note on "grieved", v. 10.

3. 1-6. 19 (H², p. 633). REPARATION. (Alternation.)

H² P | 3. 1-32. Commencement of work.
Q | 4. 1-6. 14. Opposition. Wrath. Mockery (III).
P | 6. 15. Completion of work.
Q | 6. 16-19. Opposition. Wrath. Hostility (IV).

3. 1-32 (P, above). COMMENCEMENT OF WORK. (Introversion.)

P R | 1. 2. From the sheep gate.
r¹ | 3-5. The fish gate.
r² | 6-12. The old gate.
r³ | 13. The valley gate.
r⁴ | 14. The dung gate.
r⁵ | 15-24. The fountain gate.
r⁶ | 25. The prison gate.
r⁷ | 26, 27. The water gate.
r⁸ | 28, 29. The horse gate.
r⁹ | 29, 30. The east gate.
r¹⁰ | 31. The Miphkad gate.
R | 32. To the sheep gate.

The other gates.

1 Eliashib - God restores. The son of Joiakim, the son of Jeshua (cp. 12. 10). He was earnest in material work, but negligent of what was spiritual (see 13. 4, 7).

the sheep gate. Near the present St. Stephen's gate, at north-east corner of Temple area. So called because the sheep for sacrifice were brought in here. Cp. John 5. 2. This was the point of beginning and ending. See Ap. 59.

doors. Heb. dal = a door or gate hanging on hinges; not the same word as v. 20.

Hananeel. Cp. 12. 39. The partial fulfilment of

Cp. Zech. 14. 10. The two towers were on either

the men of Jericho. Cp. Ezra 2. 34.

The gate opposite to their city. Heb. 'enōsh. Ap. 14. III. 3 fish gate. See note on 2. 13, and Ap. 59.

Jer. 31. 38, which stretches on to what is still future. 2 next unto him - at his hand. the men of Jericho. Cp. Ezra 2. 34. The gate opposite to their city. Heb. 'enōsh. Ap. 14. III.

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unto them repaired Meshullam the son of Berechiah, the son of Meshezabeel. And next unto them repaired Zadok the son of Baana.

5 And ⁴next unto them the Tekoites repaired; but their nobles put not their necks to the work of their ° LORD.

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6 Moreover the ° old gate repaired Jehoiada the son of Paseah, and Meshullam the son of Besodeiah; they laid the beams thereof, and set up the ¹ doors thereof, and the locks thereof, and the bars thereof.

7 And ⁴next unto them repaired Melatiah the Gibeonite, and Jadon the Meronothite, the ² men of ° Gibeon, and of Mizpah, unto the throne of the ° governor on this side ° the river.

8 ° Next unto him repaired Uzziel the son of Harhaiah, of the ° goldsmiths. Next unto him also repaired Hananiah the son of *one of the* ° apothecaries, and they ° fortified Jerusalem unto the broad wall.

9 And ⁴next unto them repaired Rephaiah the son of Hur, the ° ruler of the half ° part of Jerusalem.

10 And ⁴next unto them repaired Jedaiah the son of Harumaph, ° even ° over against his ° house. And ⁴next unto him repaired Hattush the son of Hashabniah.

11 Malchijah the son of Harim, and Hashub the son of Pahath-moab, repaired the ° other piece, and the ° tower of the ° furnaces.

12 And ⁴next unto him repaired Shallum the son of Halohesh, the ° ruler of the half part of Jerusalem, *he* and ° his daughters.

r³

13 The valley gate repaired Hanun, and the inhabitants of ° Zanoah; they built it, and set up the ¹ doors thereof, the locks thereof, and the bars thereof, and a thousand ° cubits on the wall unto the dung gate.

r⁴

14 But the dung gate repaired Malchiah the son of Rechab, the ° ruler of ° part of ° Beth-haccerem; *he* built it, and set up the ¹ doors thereof, the locks thereof, and the bars thereof.

r⁵

15 But the ° gate of the fountain repaired Shallun the son of Col-hozeh, the ruler of ° part of Mizpah; *he* built it, and covered it, and set up the ¹ doors thereof, the locks thereof, and the bars thereof, and the wall of the pool of ° Siloah by the ° king's garden, and unto the ° stairs that go down from the city of David.

16 After him repaired Nehemiah the son of Azbuk, the ° ruler of the half ° part of ° Beth-zur, unto the *place* over against ° the sepulchres of David, and to the ° pool that was made, and unto the ¹⁰ house of the ° mighty.

17 After him repaired the Levites, Rehum the son of Bani. ² Next unto him repaired Hashabiah, the ° ruler of the half ° part of ° Keilah, in his part.

18 After him repaired their brethren, Bavai the son of Henadad, the ° ruler of the half ° part of ° Keilah.

19 And ⁴next to him repaired Ezer the son of Jeshua, the ° ruler of ° Mizpah, another piece over against the going up to the armoury at the turning of the wall.

5 LORD. Heb. Adonim. Ap. 4. VII. 3. As in Ps. 8. 1, 9. The A.V., 1611, had "LORD".

6 old gate. See note on 2. 13, and Ap. 59.

7 Gibeon... Mizpah. Now *'el Jib...* *Sâf*, about 4 and 5½ miles north-north-west of Jerusalem respectively.

governor. The Persian governor.

the river. The Euphrates.

8 Next = at his hand. Some codices, with five early printed editions, Sept., and Vulg., read "and at".

goldsmiths = refiners.

apothecaries = perfumers.

fortified. Heb. *Homonym*, *'āzab*. See note on Ex. 23. 5.

9 ruler = prince. Heb. *sar*. Not the same word as 2. 16. part = circuit.

10 even. Some codices, with two early printed editions, omit this word.

over against his house. So v. 23. A true principle in all reformation work.

house = temporary erection, dwelling, home; not having doors with hinges as in vv. 1, 3, 6, 13, 14, 15, but only an "entrance" as in v. 20. See notes on v. 20, and 7. 4.

11 other second. Cp. vv. 20, 21.

tower of the furnaces. At the north-west corner of the city. Cp. 12. 38.

furnaces: or ovens.

12 his daughters. Showing how women may contribute to the work of reformation.

13 Zanoah. Now *Zanu'a*, about 2½ miles south of Beth-Shemesh.

cubits. See Ap. 51. III. 2 (1).

14 Beth-haccerem = house of the vineyards (Jer. 6. 1): not identified yet. Perhaps *'Ain Karim*.

15 gate. See Ap. 59.

Siloah = sent. See John 5. 1, 2. Cp. John 9. 7. At south-east corner of Ophel.

king's garden. See 2 Kings 25. 4.

stairs. On east side of the city. This fixes the site of Zion. See note on first occurrence (2 Sam. 5. 7). Cp. 12. 37. Discovered by Dr. Bliss, *Quarterly Statement*, Palestine Exploration Fund, Jan., 1897.

16 Beth-zur. Now *Beit Sūr*, about four miles north of Hebron.

the sepulchres of David. These therefore were in Zion, and include those of his descendants.

pool. See 2 Kings 20. 20.

mighty = mighty men. Heb. pl. of *gibbōr*. Ap. 14. IV.

17 Keilah. Now *Kila*, about fifteen miles south-east of Jerusalem, in the Hebron mountains. See 1 Sam. 23. 1-13.

20 earnestly = zealously. This is said, to the everlasting memory, of Baruch. Prov. 10. 7.

door. Heb. *pethach* = entrance. Not same word as vv. 1, 3, 6, 13, 14, 15. See longer note on 7. 4.

24 house. See note on 7. 4.

20 After him Baruch the son of Zabbai ° earnestly repaired the ¹¹ other piece, from the turning of the wall unto the ° door of the ¹⁰ house of Eliashib the high priest.

21 After him repaired Meremoth the son of Urijah the son of Koz another piece, from the ²⁰ door of the ¹⁰ house of Eliashib even to the end of the ¹⁰ house of Eliashib.

22 And after him repaired the priests, the ² men of the plain.

23 After him repaired Benjamin and Hashub ¹⁰ over against their ¹⁰ house. After him repaired Azariah the son of Maaseiah the son of Ananiah by his ¹⁰ house.

24 After him repaired Binnui the son of Henadad another piece, from the ° house of Azariah unto the turning of the wall, even unto the corner.

^{r⁶} (p. 635) 25 Palal the son of Uzai, over against the turning of the wall, and the tower which lieth out from the king's ° high ¹⁰ house, that was by the ° court of the prison. After him Pedaiah the son of Parosh.

^{r⁷} 26 ° (Moreover the ° Nethinims dwelt in ° Ophel, unto the place over against ° the water gate toward the east, and the tower ° that lieth out.)
27 After them the Tekoites repaired another piece, over against the great tower ²⁶ that lieth out, even unto the wall of ²⁶ Ophel.

^{r⁸} 28 From above ° the horse gate repaired the priests, every ° one ¹⁰ over against his ¹⁰ house.
29 After them repaired Zadok the son of Immer ¹⁰ over against his ¹⁰ house.

^{r⁶} After him repaired also Shemaiah the son of Shechaniah, the keeper of the east gate.
30 After him repaired Hananiah the son of Shelemiah, and Hanun the sixth son of Zalaph, another piece. After him repaired Meshullam the son of Berechiah over against his chamber.

^{r¹⁰} 31 After him repaired Malchiah ° the goldsmith's son unto the place of the ²⁶ Nethinims, and of the merchants, over against the ° gate Miphkad, and to the going up of the corner.

^R 32 ° And between the going up of the corner unto the ° sheep gate repaired the goldsmiths and the merchants.

^{Q S U¹} (p. 637) 4 ° But it came to pass, that when ° Sanballat heard that we ° builded the wall, he was ° wroth, and took great indignation, and mocked the Jews.

2 And he spake before his brethren and the ° army of Samaria, and said, ° “What do these feeble Jews? will they ° fortify themselves? ° will they sacrifice? will they make an end in a day? will they revive the stones out of the heaps of the rubbish which are burned?”

3 Now ° Tobiah the Ammonite was by him, and he said, “Even that which they build, if a fox go up, he shall even break down their stone wall.”

^{V¹} 4 ° Hear, O our ° God; for we are ° despised: and turn their reproach upon their own head, and give them for a prey in the land of ° captivity:

5 And ° cover not their ° iniquity, and let not their ° sin be blotted out from before Thee: for they have provoked Thee to anger before the builders.

^{W¹} 6 So built we the wall; and all the wall was joined together ° unto the half thereof: for the People had a ° mind to work.

^{U²} 7 ° But it came to pass, that when Sanballat, ° and Tobiah, and the Arabians, and the Ammonites, and the Ashdodites, heard that the walls of Jerusalem were made up, and that the breaches began to be ° stopped, then they were very ¹ wroth,

8 And conspired all of them together to come and to fight against Jerusalem, and to ° hinder it.

^{V²} 9 Nevertheless we made our prayer unto our ° God, and ° set a watch against them day and night, because of them.

^{W²} 10 And Judah said, “The strength of the bearers of burdens is decayed, and there is much rubbish; so that we ° are not able to build the wall.”

25 high house: or upper, i. e. the site or ruin of it. Not yet rebuilt. Cp. 7. 4.

court of the prison. Where Jeremiah had been imprisoned more than once (Jer. 32. 2; 33. 1; 38. 7, 13).

26 Moreover. Note the Parenthesis of v. 26.

Nethinims. Their work was to carry wood and water for the Temple. Hence their dwelling. See note on Ezra 2. 43.

Ophel = the Ophel: the hill south of Moriah. Formerly Jebus, afterward Zion. See Ap. 68.

the water gate. By Gihon. Now 'Ain Umm ed Deraï, “the Virgin's Fount”. On east side of Ophel, in Kedron valley. See Ap. 59 and 68.

that lieth out. Probably the “tower in Siloam”, Luke 13. 4.

28 the horse gate. See Ap. 59.

one = man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

31 the goldsmith's son: or, the son of Zorphi.

gate Miphkad: or, gate of review or registry. Probably north-east of Temple. See Ap. 59.

32 And. This is reckoned in the *Massorah* as the middle verse of the 685 verses of the whole book “Ezra-Nehemiah”, showing that the two books were one.

sheep gate. See Ap. 59. The work thus ended where it had been begun. Cp. v. 1.

4. 1-6. 14 (Q, p. 635). OPPOSITION. (Introversion.)

Q | S | 4. 1-23. Opposition. Wrath (III). Fighting (IV).
T | 5. 1-5. Grievance.
T | 5. 6-19. Redress.
S | 6. 1-14. Opposition. Compromise (V and VI).

4. 1-23 (S, above). OPPOSITION. THIRD AND FOURTH. (Extended and Repeated Alternation.)

S | U¹ | 1-3. Opposition. Wrath and mockery (III).
V¹ | 4, 5. Prayer.
W¹ | 6. Perseverance.
U² | 7, 8. Opposition. Conspiracy to fight (IV).
V² | 9. Prayer.
W² | 10. Despondency.
U³ | 11. Opposition. Hostility.
V³ | 12. Warning.
W³ | 13-23. Encouragement. Sword and trowel.

1 But - And.

Sanballat. See note on 2. 10.

builded = were building.

wroth. The third form of opposition. See note on 2. 10.

2 army = force.

What . . . ? Fig. *Eroticis*. Ap. 6.

fortify. Heb. *Homonym*, 'āzab. See note on Ex. 23. 5.

Marg. note of A. V. and R. V. neither needed nor correct.

will they sacrifice? Showing that no altar was as yet built or sacrificial worship being carried on.

3 Tobiah. See note on 2. 10.

4 Hear . . . turn. Fig. *Apostrophe*. Ap. 6. Nehemiah's prayer an echo of Pss. 120; 121; 123. 3, 4; 124; 125; 127; 129. In accord with that dispensation.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

despised = become a taunt.

captivity. Some codices, with six early printed editions and Syr., read “their captivity”.

5 cover not. Heb. *kāṣāh* = conceal not. Not *kāphar*, to cover by atonement.

iniquity. Heb. 'āvāh. Ap. 44. iv.

sin. Heb. *chātā*. Ap. 44. i.

6 unto the half. The circuit complete to half the height.

mind = heart.

7 But. In Heb. text ch. 4 begins here.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

stopped = repaired. So the only other occurrence of the Heb. (2 Chron. 24. 13).

8 hinder = cause a miscarriage.

9 set a watch. The result of the prayer.

10 are not = shall not.

U³ (p. 637) 11 And our adversaries said, "They shall not
454 know, neither see, till we come in the midst
among them, and slay them, and °cause the
work to cease."

V³ 12 And it came to pass, that when the Jews
which dwelt ° by them came, they said unto us
° ten times, "From all places whence ye shall
return unto us ° they will be upon you."

W³ s (p. 638) 13 Therefore set I in ° the lower places behind
the wall, and on the higher places, I even set
the people after their families with their
swords, their spears, and their bows.

t 14 And I looked, and rose up, and said unto the
nobles, and to the ° rulers, and to the rest of the
People, "Be not ye afraid of them: remember
° the LORD*, Which is great and terrible, and
fight for your brethren, your sons, and your
daughters, your wives, and your houses."

15 And it came to pass, when our enemies
heard that it was known unto us, and ° God
had ° brought their counsel to nought, that we
returned all of us to the wall, every ° one unto
his work.

u 16 And it came to pass from that time forth,
that the half of my ° servants wrought in the
work, and the other half of them held both the
spears, the shields, and the bows, and the ° ha-
bergeons; and the ° rulers were ° behind all the
house of Judah.

17 They which builded on the wall, and they
that bare burdens, with those that laded, every
one with one of his hands wrought in the work,
and with the other hand held a weapon.

18 ° For the builders, every ¹⁵ one had his
sword girded by his side, and so builded.

s And he that sounded the trumpet was by me.

t 19 And I said unto the nobles, and to the
° rulers, and to the rest of the people, "The
work is great and large, and we are separated
upon the wall, ¹⁵ one far from another.

20 In what place therefore ye hear the sound
of the trumpet, resort ye thither unto us: our
° God shall fight for us."

u 21 So we laboured in the work: and half of
them held the spears from the rising of the
morning till the stars appeared.

22 Likewise at the same time said I unto the
people, "Let every ¹⁵ one with his ¹⁶ servant
° lodge within Jerusalem, that in the night they
may be a guard to us, and labour on the day."

23 So neither I, nor my brethren, nor my ¹⁶ ser-
vants, nor ° the ° men of the guard which follow-
ed me, ° none of us put off our clothes, saving
that every ¹⁵ one put them off for washing.

T v 5 And there was ° a great cry of ° the people
and of their wives against their brethren
the Jews.

w 2 For there were that said, "We, our sons, and
our daughters, are many: therefore we take up
corn for them, that we may eat, and live."

3 Some also there were that said, "We ° have
mortgaged our lands, vineyards, and houses, that
we might buy corn, because of ° the dearth."

4 There were also that said, "We have
borrowed money for the king's tribute, and
that upon our lands and vineyards.

v 5 Yet now our flesh is as the flesh of our

11 cause, &c. = suspend the work.

12 by = close to. ten times. Cp. Gen. 31. 7.
they will be upon you. Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6).
Render: "From all quarters to which ye will turn
[they will be] upon us".

13 the lower places behind: or, the lowest parts
of the space behind.

4. 13-23 (W³, p. 637). ENCOURAGEMENT.
(Extended Alternation.)

W³ s | 13. Weapons.

t | 14, 15. Encouragement to nobles, &c.

u | 16-18-. Division of labour and defence.

s | -18. Trumpets.

t | 19, 20. Encouragement to nobles, &c.

u | 21-23. Division of labour and guard.

14 rulers. See note on 2. 16.

the LORD* = Jehovah. One of the 134 places where
the *Sopherim* altered Jehovah to Adonai. See Ap. 32,
and cp. Ap. 4. II, VIII (2).

15 brought, &c. Cp. Job 5. 12; Ps. 33. 10.

one - man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

16 servants = young men.

habergeons = corselets or coats of mail.

rulers = princes. Heb. *sār*.

behind. To encourage, and help if needed.

18 For - And.

22 lodge = pass the night. Few, or no houses yet.
See 7. 4; 13. 21. Cp. Heb. *lūn*. First occurrence Gen.
19. 2; 24. 23, 25, 54, &c. See longer note on p. 653.

23 the men of the guard. The Persian guard
attached to Nehemiah.

men. Heb. *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

none of us, &c. The Heb. is lit. "none of us put off
our clothes; each man went with his weapon (or tool)
[and his] water". A single and measured part of the
ration "water" being put for the whole. Fig. *Synec-
doche* (of the Part), Ap. 6; just as we use "salt" for
"salary", because it was once the most important part
of the salary. Or, the water may have been required
for making the mortar. The Fig. is used to emphasise
the exigency of the circumstances. The text is thus not
"defective".

5. 1-5 (T, p. 637). GRIEVANCE. (Alternation.)

T v | 1. Complaint.

w | 2-4. Cause. Debt (Particular).

v | 5-. Complaint.

w | -5. Cause. Alienation (General).

1 a great cry. So there were troubles within as well
as without. Cp. 2 Cor. 7. 5.

the people = the common people, in contrast with the
nobles and rulers (v. 7), who had returned with Nehe-
miah.

3 have mortgaged = are mortgaging.

the dearth. One of the thirteen famines (Ap. 10) re-
corded in Scripture. See note on Gen. 12. 10.

5 children = sons. lo. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

6-19 (T, p. 637). REDRESS.
(Repeated Alternation.)

T x¹ | 6-8-. Nehemiah. Anger and remonstrance.

y¹ | -8. People. Silence.

x² | 9-11. Nehemiah. Expostulation.

y² | 12-. People. Promise.

x³ | -12, 13-. Nehemiah. Adjuration.

y³ | -13. People. Performance.

x⁴ | 14-19. Nehemiah. Example.

brethren, our ° children as their ° children: and,
° lo, we bring into bondage our sons and our
daughters to be servants, and some of our
daughters are brought unto bondage already;
neither is it in our power to redeem them;

for other men have our lands and vineyards."
6 And I was very angry when I heard their
cry and these words.

w

T x¹

454 7 ° Then I consulted with myself, and I rebuked the nobles, and the ° rulers, and said unto them, "Ye ° exact usury, every ° one of his brother." And I ° set a great ° assembly ° against them.

8 And I said unto them, "We after our ability have ° redeemed our brethren the Jews, which were sold unto the ° heathen; and will ye even sell your brethren? or shall they be sold unto us?"

y¹ (p. 638) Then held they their peace, and found nothing to answer.

x² 9 Also I said, "It is not good that ye ° do: ° ought ye not to walk in the fear of our ° God because of the ° reproach of the heathen our enemies?"

10 ¶ likewise, and my brethren, and my ° servants, might exact of them money and corn: I pray you, let us ° leave off this usury.

11 Restore, I pray you, to them, even this day, their lands, their vineyards, their oliveyards, and their houses, also ° the hundredth part of the money, and of the corn, ° the ° wine, and the oil, that ye exact of them."

y² 12 Then said they, "We will restore them, and will require nothing of them; so will we do ° as thou sayest."

x³ Then I ° called the priests, and took an oath of them, that they should do according to this promise.

13 Also I shook my lap, and said, "So ° God shake out every ° man from his house, and from his labour, that performeth not this promise, even thus be he shaken out, and emptied."

y³ And all the ° congregation said, "Amen," and praised ° the LORD. And the people did according to this promise.

x¹ (14 ° Moreover from the ° time that ¶ was appointed to be their ° governor in the land of Judah, ° from the twentieth year even unto the two and thirtieth year of ° Artaxerxes the king, that is, twelve years, ¶ and my brethren have not eaten ° the bread of the ° governor.

15 But the former governors that had been before me were chargeable unto the People, and had taken of them bread and wine, ° beside forty ° shekels of silver; yea, even their servants bare rule over the People: but so did not ¶, because of the fear of ° God.

16 Yea, also I continued in the work of this wall, neither bought ° we any land: and all my ° servants were gathered thither unto the work.

17 Moreover there were at my table an hundred and ° fifty of the Jews and ° rulers, beside those that came unto us from among the ° heathen that are about us.

18 Now that which was ° prepared for me daily was one ox and six choice sheep; also fowls were prepared for me, and once in ten days store of all sorts of ° wine: yet for all this required not I the bread of the governor, because the bondage was heavy upon this People.

19 ° Think upon me, my ° God, for good, according to all that I have done for this people.)

S X (p. 639) 6 Now it came to pass, when ° Sanballat, ° and ° Tobiah, and ° Geshem the Arabian, and the rest of our enemies, heard that I had

7 Then = And. rulers. See note on 2. 16.

exact usury. It was twelve per cent. See v. 11.

one = man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

set = appointed.

assembly = body [of witnesses.] Heb. k'hallah (fem.). Occurs only here and Deut. 33. 4. against = over.

8 redeemed = re-purchased. Heb. k'ānāh, to acquire by purchase; not g'āl, to redeem by purchase; or pādāh, to deliver by power. See notes on Ex. 6. 6; 13. 13.

heathen = nations.

9 do = are doing.

ought ye . . . ? Fig. Erotēsis. Ap. 6.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

10 servants = young men.

leave off. Heb. Homonym, 'āzab. Here means to leave off. See note on 3. 8.

11 the hundredth part. Paid at one per cent. per month, as was the custom; it was twelve per cent. per annum.

the wine. Some codices, with two early printed editions and Syr., read "and the new wine".

wine. Heb. tīrōsh. Ap. 27. II.

12 as = according as.

called: i. e. as witnesses.

13 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

congregation = assembly or muster.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

14 Moreover. See special note on vv. 14-19, on p. 653, and longer notes on p. 653.

time = day. governor = Pasha. from the twentieth year. See Ap. 50. VI and VII (5).

Artaxerxes = the great king, viz. Astyages. See notes on p. 618, and Ap. 57.

the bread of the governor. The supplies due to him from the people.

15 beside. Heb. 'aḥar = after: i. e. after the rate of, as in Jer. 3. 17; 18. 12. Rendered "beside" only here, out of several hundred times.

shekels. See Ap. 51. II.

16 we. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "I".

17 fifty of = fifty men of (Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II).

heathen = nations.

18 prepared. At Nehemiah's own cost.

wine. Heb. yayin. Ap. 27. I.

19 Think. Fig. Apostrophe (Ap. 6) and Fig. Anthropopatheia (Ap. 6).

6. 1-14 (S, p. 637). OPPOSITION. FIFTH AND SIXTH: (COMPROMISE). (Extended Alternation.)

S | X | 1. Occasion.

Y | 2-8. First stratagem. (V) Compromise.

Z | 9-. Fear.

A | -9. Prayer.

X | 10-. Occasion.

Y | -10-12. Second stratagem. (VI) Affrighting.

Z | 13. Fear.

A | 14. Prayer.

1 Sanballat . . . Tobiah. See notes on 2. 19; 4. 7. and. Note the Fig. Polysyndeton (Ap. 6), for emphasis. Geshem. Another spelling in Sanballat's letter (v. 6), Gashmu.

2-8 (Y, above). FIRST STRATAGEM. (V) COMPROMISE. (Repeated Alternation.)

Y | a¹ | 2. Application. Made.

b¹ | 3. Nehemiah. Refusal.

a² | 4-. Application. Repeated. Four times.

b² | -4. Nehemiah. Refusal repeated. Four times.

a³ | 5-7. Accusation.

b³ | 8. Nehemiah. Denial.

builted the wall, and that there was no breach left therein; (though at that time I had not set up the doors upon the gates;)

2 That ¹ Sanballat and ¹ Geshem sent unto me, saying, "Come, let us meet together in

Y a¹

454 °some one of the villages in the °plain of °Ono." But they thought to do me °mischief.

b¹ 3 And I sent messengers unto them, saying, "I am doing a great work, so that I cannot come down: °why should the work cease, whilst I leave it, and come down to you?"

a² 4 Yet they sent unto me °four times after this sort;

b² and I answered them °after the same manner.

a³ 5 Then sent Sanballat his °servant unto me in like manner the fifth time with an °open letter in his hand;

6 Wherein was written, "It is reported among the °heathen, and °Gashmu saith it, that thou and the Jews think to rebel: for which cause thou buildest the wall, that thou mayest be their king, according to these words.

7 And thou hast also appointed prophets to preach of thee at Jerusalem, saying, °There is a king in Judah: and now shall it be reported to the king according to these words. °Come now therefore, and let us take counsel together."

b³ 8 Then I sent unto him, saying, "There are no such things done as thou sayest, but thou °feignest them out of thine own heart."

Z 9 For they all °made us afraid, saying, "Their hands shall be weakened from the work, that it be not done."

A °Now therefore, O God, strengthen my °hands.

X 10 Afterward I came unto the house of °Shemaiah the son of Delaiah the son of Mehetabeel, who was °shut up;

Y c (p. 640) and he said, "Let us meet together in °the house of °God, within the temple, and let us °shut the doors of the temple:

d for they will come to slay thee; yea, in the night will they come to slay thee."

c 11 And I said, °"Should such a °man as I flee? and who is there, that, being as I am, would go into the temple to save his life? I will not go in."

d 12 And, °lo, I perceived that °God had not sent him; but that he pronounced this prophecy against me: for °Tobiah and °Sanballat had hired him.

Z (p. 639) 13 °Therefore was he hired, that I should be afraid, and do so, and °sin, and that they might have matter for an evil report, that they might reproach me.

A 14 My °God, °think thou upon °Tobiah and °Sanballat according to these their works, and on the prophetess Noadiah, and the rest of the prophets, that would have put me in fear.

P (p. 635) 15 So the wall was finished in the twenty and fifth day of the month Elul, in °fifty and two days.

Q 16 And it came to pass, that when all our enemies heard thereof, and all the °heathen that were about us saw these things, they were much cast down in their own eyes: for they perceived that this work was wrought of our °God.

17 Moreover in those days °the nobles of Judah sent many letters unto Tobiah, and the letters of Tobiah came unto them.

2 some one of the villages = in *Ophërim* (7. 29. Ezra 2. 25); now *Kefr 'Ana*, twenty-five miles from Jerusalem; eight miles east of Jaffa; six miles north of Lydda. plain = valley, or combe.

Ono. Now *Kefr 'Ana*, five miles north of Lydda (Ezra 2. 33). Cp. ch. 11. 31.

mischief: to kill or capture Nehemiah. Cp. Prov. 26. 24.

3 why . . . ? Fig. *Erotësis*. Ap. 6.

4 four times. The enemy takes no denial.

after the same manner. The only sure and safe procedure. Cp. 1 Sam. 17. 30.

5 servant = young man.

open letter. That others might read it.

6 heathen = nations.

7 There is a king: or, he hath become king.

Come now, &c. The object still compromise.

8 feignest. Only here and 1 Kings 12. 33 (devise).

9 made us afraid. Sought to make them afraid, but Nehemiah had no fear. See v. 11.

Now. Some codices, with three (and one in marg.) early printed editions, read "Thou".

hands. Some codices, with six early printed editions, read "hand".

10 Shemaiah. A professed friend, but a false prophet. See v. 12.

shut up = confined, as in prison. Heb. *'āzar*. See Jer. 33. 1; 36. 5; 39. 15.

6. -10-12 (Y, p. 639) SECOND STRATAGEM. (VI) (AFFRIGHTING). (Alternation.)

Y | c | -10-. Stratagem. Made.

d | -10. Pretence. Feigned.

c | 11. Stratagem. Failure.

d | 12. Pretence. Discovered.

the house of God. This must have been a temporary structure. Nehemiah would not be without some place wherein to worship. The Altar not yet erected. The Temple not yet built. See notes on 7. 4, and p. 618; also Ap. 58.

God. Heb. *Elohim* (with Art.) = the [true] God. Ap. 4. I. shut = close, so as to conceal.

11 Should. Fig. *Erotësis*. Ap. 6. Heb. *šāgar*. Cp. 13. 19. man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

12 lo. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

13 Therefore = to this end.

sin. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

14 think. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. Cp. 5. 19.

15 fifty and two days. If finished on twenty-fifth Elul, and work took fifty-two days, it must have been commenced on third of Ab (fifth month). Work rapid, because all materials there: and God's good hand was there upon them.

17 the nobles = certain nobles. Not necessarily all.

18 son in law. Connected also with a high priest Eliashib. Cp. 13. 4.

Meshullam. Cp. 3. 4, 30.

7. 2 Hanani. He must have returned to Jerusalem with Nehemiah. Cp. 1. 2.

and = even. Cp. 1. 2.

18 For there were many in Judah sworn unto him, because he was the °son in law of Shechaniah the son of Arah; and his son Johanan had taken the daughter of °Meshullam the son of Berechiah.

19 Also they reported his good deeds before me, and uttered my words to him. And Tobiah sent letters to put me in fear.

7 Now it came to pass, when the wall was built, and I had set up the doors, and the porters and the singers and the Levites were appointed,

2 That I gave my brother °Hanani, °and Ha-

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454 naniah the ruler of the ° palace, charge over Jerusalem: for he ° was a faithful ° man, and ° feared ° God above many.

3 And I said unto them, "Let not the gates of Jerusalem be opened until the sun be hot; and while they ° stand by, let them ° shut the doors, and bar them: and appoint watches of the inhabitants of Jerusalem, every ° one in his watch, and every ° one to be over against his ° house."

4 Now the city was ° large and great: but the People were ° few therein, and the ° houses were not builded.

J (P) B 5 And my ° God put into mine heart to gather together the nobles, and the rulers, and the People, that they might be reckoned by genealogy.

C (And I ° found ° a register of the genealogy of them which came up at the first, and found written therein,

6 "These are the ° children of the province, that went up out of the captivity, of those that had been carried away, whom Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon had carried away, and came again to Jerusalem and to Judah, every one unto his city;

7 Who ° came with Zerubbabel, Jeshua, Nehemiah, Azariah, Raamiah, Nahamani, Mordecai, Bilshan, Mispereth, Bigvai, Nehum, Baanah. The number, I say, of the ° men of ° the People of Israel was this;

C e¹ 8 The ° children of Parosh, two thousand an hundred seventy and two.

9 The ° children of Shephatiah, three hundred seventy and two.

10 The ° children of Arah, six hundred fifty and two.

11 The ° children of Pahath-moab, of the ° children of Jeshua and Joab, two thousand and eight hundred and eighteen.

12 The ° children of Elam, a thousand two hundred fifty and four.

13 The ° children of Zattu, eight hundred forty and five.

14 The ° children of Zaccai, seven hundred and threescore.

15 The ° children of Binnui, six hundred forty and eight.

16 The ° children of Bebai, six hundred twenty and eight.

17 The ° children of Azgad, two thousand three hundred twenty and two.

18 The ° children of Adonikam, six hundred threescore and seven.

19 The ° children of Bigvai, two thousand threescore and seven.

20 The ° children of Adin, six hundred fifty and five.

21 The ° children of Ater of Hezekiah, ninety and eight.

22 The ° children of Hashum, three hundred twenty and eight.

23 The ° children of Bezai, three hundred twenty and four.

24 The ° children of Hariph, an hundred and twelve.

25 The ° children of Gibeon, ninety and five.

26 The ° men of Beth-lehem and Netophah, an hundred fourscore and eight.

27 The ° men of Anathoth, an hundred twenty and eight.

palace = stronghold. Cp. 2. 8. North of Temple area. was a faithful man = was as [it were] truth's own man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II. Here, with *kaph veritatis* (*k'ish 'emeth*), for emphasis. feared = revered.

God. Heb. 'eth-hā'ēlohim = the [true, or triune] God. See Ap. 4. I.

3 stand by: as on guard.

shut. Heb. *gūph*, to close, as a gate.

one. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

house = dwelling. See note on 7. 4.

4 large and great = wide, or open, and large.

few therein. This could not have been said if Zerubbabel had already returned with nearly 50,000 people (Ezra 2. 64-67).

houses were not builded. See longer notes on p. 653.

7. 5-73 (J, p. 616; P, p. 617). THE RETURN UNDER ZERUBBABEL. (*Introversion*.)

J B | 5-. Assembly and genealogy.

C | -5-7. Register. Found (General).

C | 8-69. Register. Contents (Particular).

B | 70-73. Assembly. Contributors.

This portion corresponds with Ezra 1. 5-2. 70. Therefore all that precedes (1. 1-7. 4) must come, chronologically, before Ezra 1. 5. Nehemiah's record here interrupted, and resumed after some twelve years. See 5. 14. This portion was written after the Temple had been rebuilt (cp. 8. 5, 16), when Darius Hystaspis was reigning (see Ap. 57, 58, and 50. VII. 5).

5 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

found. This account probably written long after this date (426): say, between 404 and 400 b.c. Heb. = I find that the list of names was, &c. See longer note on p. 653.

a register, which is here inserted. It consists of Judah and Benjamin. Levi was not here as a distinct community (cp. Deut. 10. 8, 9).

6 children - sons.

7 came with Zerubbabel. That was in 426 b.c. The covenant and separation did not take place till 404 b.c. twenty-two years later (ch. 10, where Zerubbabel is not mentioned, probably because then dead). men. Heb. pl. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

the People of Israel. Another proof that Israel is not exclusively used of the ten tribes. See vv. 61, 73; 12. 47; and note on 1 Kings 12. 17.

The names are repeated from Ezra 2. See note on v. 66, p. 642.

8-69 (C, above). REGISTER. CONTENTS. (PARTICULAR.) (*Repeated Alternation*.)

C | e¹ | 8-62. Names found. Detail.

f¹ | 63-65. Not found. Priests.

e² | 66. Names found. Sum.

f² | 67. Not found. Servants and strangers.

e³ | 68, 69. Possessions. Animals.

33 the other. Some codices, with two early printed editions, read 'echad = a certain, instead of 'achēr = another, or the other (rival).

34 the other. Some codices, with one early printed edition, read "one", or "a certain", as above.

28 The ° men of Beth-azmaveth, forty and two.

29 The ° men of Kirjath-jearim, Chephirah, and Beeroth, seven hundred forty and three.

30 The ° men of Ramah and Gaba, six hundred twenty and one.

31 The ° men of Michmas, an hundred and twenty and two.

32 The ° men of Beth-el and Ai, an hundred twenty and three.

33 The ° men of ° the other Nebo, fifty and two.

34 The ° children of ° the other Elam, a thousand two hundred fifty and four.

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35 The ⁶children of Harim, three hundred and twenty.

36 The ⁶children of Jericho, three hundred forty and five.

37 The ⁶children of Lod, Hadid, and Ono, seven hundred twenty and one.

38 The ⁶children of Senaah, three thousand nine hundred and thirty.

39 The priests: the ⁶children of Jedaiah, of the house of Jeshua, nine hundred seventy and three.

40 The ⁶children of Immer, a thousand fifty and two.

41 The ⁶children of Pashur, a thousand two hundred forty and seven.

42 The ⁶children of Harim, a thousand and seventeen.

43 The Levites: the ⁶children of Jeshua, of Kadmiel, and of the ⁶children of Hodevah, seventy and four.

44 The singers: the ⁶children of Asaph, an hundred forty and eight.

45 The porters: the ⁶children of Shallum, the children of Ater, the ⁶children of Talmon, the ⁶children of Akkub, the ⁶children of Hatita, the ⁶children of Shobai, an hundred thirty and eight.

46 ^oThe Nethinims: the ⁶children of Ziha, the children of Hashupha, the ⁶children of Tabbaoth,

47 The ⁶children of Keros, the ⁶children of Sia, the ⁶children of Padon,

48 The ⁶children of Lebana, the ⁶children of Hagaba, the ⁶children of Shalmal,

49 The ⁶children of Hanan, the ⁶children of Giddel, the ⁶children of Gahar,

50 The ⁶children of Reaiah, the ⁶children of Rezin, the ⁶children of Nekoda,

51 The ⁶children of Gazzam, the ⁶children of Uzza, the ⁶children of Phaseah,

52 The ⁶children of Besai, the ⁶children of Meunim, the ⁶children of Nephishesim,

53 The ⁶children of Bakbuk, the ⁶children of Hakupha, the ⁶children of Harhur,

54 The ⁶children of Bazlith, the ⁶children of ^oMehida, the ⁶children of Harsha,

55 The ⁶children of Barkos, the ⁶children of Sisera, the ⁶children of Tamah,

56 The ⁶children of Nezhiah, the ⁶children of Hatipha.

57 The ⁶children of Solomon's servants: the ⁶children of Sotai, the ⁶children of Sophereth, the ⁶children of Perida,

58 The ⁶children of Jaala, the ⁶children of Darkon, the ⁶children of Giddel,

59 The ⁶children of Shephatiah, the ⁶children of Hattil, the ⁶children of Pochereth of Zebaim, the ⁶children of Amon.

60 All ⁴⁶the Nethinims, and the ⁶children of Solomon's servants, were three hundred ninety and two.

61 And these were they which went up also from Tel-melah, Tel-haresha, Cherub, Addon, and Immer: but they could not shew their father's house, nor their seed, whether they were of ⁷Israel.

62 The ⁶children of Delaiah, the ⁶children of Tobiah, the ⁶children of Nekoda, six hundred forty and two.

63 And of the priests: the ⁶children of Haba-

46 The Nethinims. Descendants of the Gibeonites and other foreigners. Only 612 returned from Babylon: 392 with Zerubbabel (Ezra 2. 58. Neh. 7. 60), and 220 with Ezra (Ezra 8. 20. Neh. 11. 21). See note on Ezra 2. 43.

54 Mehida. Some codices, with four early printed editions, read "Mehira" (with r, ⁷ Resh) instead of Mehida (with d, ⁷ Daleth).

64 among those, &c. = wherein they were registered. Cp. Ezra 2. 62.

it was. Some codices, with six early printed editions, read "they were".

as polluted, put. See note on Ezra 2. 62.

65 Tirshatha. See note on Ezra 2. 63.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

Urim and Thummim = the Urim and the Thummim. See notes on Ex. 28. 30. Num. 28. 55.

66 congregation = assembly, convocation, or muster. Cp. Ezra 2. 64. Heb. *kāhāl*.

forty and two thousand three hundred and three-score. This number (42,360) agrees with Ezra 2. 64. Though the two lists are not identical, there is no discrepancy, but the difference shows the independence of the two accounts:

Numbered in Neh. 7.		42,360
Named in Neh.	31,089	
" not in Ezra	494	31,583
Difference between names and numbers		10,777

See note on Ezra 2. 64, which shows the same result.

68 Their horses . . . mules. This verse is found in some codices, with six early printed editions.

70 some = a portion.

chief = heads.

gave. Nehemiah mentions what he, the chiefs, and the rest of the people gave. Ezra (2. 68, 69) mentions what only one portion gave. Hence the numbers are necessarily different.

drams. Chald. *darkēmōnīm*. See Ap. 51. I. 1 (2).

iah, the ⁶children of Koz, the ⁶children of Barzillai, which took one of the daughters of Barzillai the Gileadite to wife, and was called after their name.

64 These sought their register ^oamong those that were reckoned by genealogy, but ^oit was not found: therefore were they, ^oas polluted, put from the priesthood.

65 And the ^oTirshatha said unto them, that they should not eat of the most ^oholy things, till there stood up a priest with ^oUrim and Thummim.

66 The whole ^ocongregation together was ^oforty and two thousand three hundred and threescore, e³

67 Beside their manservants and their maid-servants, of whom there were seven thousand three hundred thirty and seven: and they had two hundred forty and five singing men and singing women. f²

68 ^oTheir horses, seven hundred thirty and six: their ^omules, two hundred forty and five: e³

69 Their camels, four hundred thirty and five: six thousand seven hundred and twenty asses.)

70 And ^osome of the ^ochief of the fathers gave unto the work. The ⁶⁵Tirshatha ^ogave to the treasure a thousand ^odrams of gold, fifty basons, five hundred and thirty priests' garments. B

71 And some of the ⁷⁰chief of the fathers gave to the treasure of the work twenty thousand

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72 And that which the rest of the people gave was twenty thousand 70 drams of gold, and two thousand pound of silver, and threescore and seven priests' garments.

73 So the priests, and the Levites, and the porters, and the singers, and some of the People, and ° the Nethinims, and all 7 Israel, dwelt in their cities;

G (Q) U and when ° the seventh month came, the 6 children of Israel were in their cities.

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8 ° And all the People gathered themselves together as one ° man into the ° street that was before ° the water gate;

V W¹ g and they spake unto Ezra the scribe to bring ° the book of the law of Moses, which ° the LORD had commanded to Israel.

2 And ° Ezra the priest brought the law before the ° congregation both of 1 men and women, and all that could hear with understanding, ° upon the first day of the seventh month.

X h 3 And he read therein before the 1 street that was before 1 the water gate from the ° morning until midday, before the ° men and the women, and those that could understand; and the ears of all the People were attentive unto the book of the law.

i 4 And Ezra the scribe stood upon a ° pulpit of wood, which they had made for the purpose; and ° beside him stood Mattithiah, and Shema, and Ananiah, and Urijah, and Hilkiah, and Maaseiah, on his right hand; and on his left hand, Pedaiiah, ° and Misbael, and Malchiah, and Hashum, and Hashbadana, Zechariah, and Meshullam.

g 5 And Ezra ° opened the book ° in the sight of all the People;

X i (for he was above all the People;) and when he opened it, all the People ° stood up:

6 And Ezra blessed 1 the LORD, the great ° God. And all the people answered, ° "Amen, Amen," with ° lifting up their hands: and they bowed their heads, and worshipped 1 the LORD with their faces to the ground.

7 Also Jeshua, and Bani, and Sherebiah, Jamin, Akkub, Shabbethai, Hodijah, Maaseiah, Kelita, Azariah, Jozabad, Hanan, Pelaiah, and the Levites, caused the People to understand the law: and the People stood in their place.

h 8 So they ° read in 1 the book in the law of ° God ° distinctly, ° and ° gave the sense, ° and ° caused them to understand the reading.

W² j 9 And ° Nehemiah, which is the Tirshatha, and Ezra the priest the scribe, and the Levites that taught the People, said unto all the People, "This day is ° holy unto 1 the LORD your ° God; mourn not, nor weep." For all the People wept, when they heard the words of the law.

k 10 Then he said unto them, "Go your way, eat the fat, and drink the sweet, and send portions unto them for whom nothing is prepared:

71 pound. Heb. *māneh*. Ap. 51. II. 4 (1).

73 the Nethinims. See note on Ezra 2. 43.

7. -73-8. 18 (G, p. 616; Q, p. 617). THE FEAST OF THE SEVENTH MONTH (426 B.C.). (Introversion.)

G U | 7. -73-8. 1-. The solemn assembly.

V | 8. -1-12. The first day.

V | 8. 13-18-. The second and following days.

U | 8. -18. The solemn assembly.

the seventh month. This was in 426 B.C., not in 404 B.C., which is referred to in 9. 1-3 and Ezra 9. 1-4. See Ap. 58.

8. -1-12 (V, above). THE FIRST DAY.

(Division.)

V | W¹ | 8. -1-8. The book. Opened and read.

W² | 8. 9-12. The book. Effect of reading.

8. -1-8 (W¹, above). THE BOOK. OPENED AND READ. (Alternation and Introversion.)

W¹ | g | -1, 2. The book brought forth.

X | h | 3. The reading.

i | 4. Station of Ezra and others.

g | 5-. The book opened.

X | i | -5-7. Station of Ezra and others.

h | 8. The reading.

1 And = Then. man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II. street = broad or open space. See vv. 3, 16; 3. 26; 12. 36, 37, 40.

the water gate. See notes on 3. 26 and 5. 9.

the book = scroll. The well-known book (Deut. 31. 10, 11). See Ap. 47.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah (with *'eth*). Ap. 4. II.

2 Ezra the priest. It was the priest's duty at this and at all times to teach the people the Word of God. See note on Deut. 17. 11; 33. 10; and cp. Mal. 2. 7.

congregation = assembly or muster. upon the first day, &c. This was according to the requirement of Deut. 31. 9-12, every seventh year. Cp. Lev. 23. 23 25.

3 morning = daylight. men. Heb. pl. *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

4 pulpit = high platform. Eng. "pulpit" from Lat. *pulpitum*, a stage of a theatre.

beside him. Thirteen priests with him: fourteen in all. Ap. 10.

and. Some codices, with five early printed editions, omit this "and".

5 opened the book = unrolled the scroll.

in the sight = before the eyes.

stood up. In token of reverence (Judg. 3. 20. Job 29. 8; 37. 14).

6 God. Heb. *Elohim* (with Art.) = the [true] God. Ap. 4. I. Amen, Amen. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6), emphasising the great solemnity.

lifting up. Heb. *mo'al*. Occurs only here. Cp. 1 Tim. 2. 8.

8 read in the book: i. e. the Heb. text of the Pentateuch. See Ap. 47.

distinctly = a distinct [reading], i. e. (according to the Talmud) translating and interpreting it in the Chaldee paraphrase.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), to emphasise each clause.

gave the sense: i. e. divided the sentences, &c., according to sense.

caused them to understand the reading: i. e. gave the traditional pronunciation of the words (which were then without the vowel points).

8. 9-12 (W², above). THE BOOK. EFFECT OF READING. (Extended Alternation.)

W² | j | 9. Prohibition. No weeping.

k | 10-. Dismissal.

l | -10. Joy.

j | 11. Prohibition. No grieving.

k | 12-. Departure.

l | -12. Joy.

9 Nehemiah. He now uses the third person. This is not necessarily a sign of change of authorship. holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

Tisri 426 for *this* day ° is ° holy unto our ° LORD : neither be ye sorry ;

(p. 643) l for the ° joy of ° the LORD ° is your ° strength."

j 11 So the Levites stilled all the People, saying, "Hold your peace, for the day is ° holy ; neither be ye grieved."

k 12 And all the people went their way

l to eat, and to drink, and to send portions, and to make great mirth, because they had understood the words that were declared unto them.

V m (p. 644) 13 And on the second day were gathered together the ° chief of the fathers of all the People, the priests, and the Levites, unto Ezra the scribe, even to understand the words of the law.

n o 14 And they ° found ° written in the law which ° the LORD had commanded by Moses, that the ° children of Israel should dwell in ° booths in the feast of the seventh month :

p 15 And that they should publish and proclaim in all their cities, and in Jerusalem, saying, "Go forth unto the ° mount, and fetch olive branches, and pine branches, and myrtle branches, and palm branches, and branches of thick trees, to make booths, ° as it is written."

p 16 So the People went forth, ° and brought them, and made themselves booths, every ° one upon the roof of his house, and in their courts, and in the courts of the house of ° God, and in the ° street of ° the water gate, and in the ° street of the gate of Ephraim.

o 17 And all the ° congregation of them that were come again out of the captivity made booths, and sat under the booths : for since the days of ° Jeshua the son of Nun unto that day had ° not the ° children of ° Israel ° done so. And there was very great gladness.

m 18 Also day by day, from the first day unto the last day, ° he read in ° the book of the law of ° God.

n And they kept the feast seven days ;

U and on the eighth day was a solemn ° assembly, according unto the ° manner.

G(N) Y¹ Tisri 404 9 Now in the twenty and fourth day of ° this month the ° children of Israel were assembled with fasting, and with sackclothes, and earth upon them.

2 And the seed of Israel separated themselves from all ° strangers, and stood and confessed their ° sins, and the ° iniquities of their fathers.

3 And they stood up in their place, and read in ° the book of the law of ° the LORD their ° God one fourth part of the day ; and another ° fourth part they confessed, and worshipped ° the LORD their ° God.

Z¹ q¹ 4 Then stood up upon the ° stairs, of the Levites, Jeshua, and Bani, Kadmiel, Shebaniah, Bunni, Sherebiah, ° Bani, and ° Chenani,

r¹ and cried with a loud voice unto ° the LORD their ° God.

10 is = it [is].

LORD. Heb. Adonim. Ap. 4. VIII (3). Joy. Chald. *hedvāh*. Occurs only here, 1 Chron. 16. 27, and Ezra 6. 16.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

is - that [is].

strength = defence, or refuge.

8. 13-18 (V, p. 643). THE SECOND AND FOLLOWING DAYS. (*Alternation.*)

V m | 13. Second day. Reading.

n | 14-17. Feast. Tabernacles (manner).

m | 18-. Every day. Reading.

n | -18-. Feast. Tabernacles (continuance).

14-17 (n, above). FEAST. TABERNACLES (MANNER). (*Introversion.*)

n o | 14. Command. To dwell in booths.

p | 15. To go forth, &c.

p | 16. The going forth, &c.

o | 17. Obedience. Dwelling in booths.

13 chief = heads.

14 found : i. e. they came to the place where direction was given.

written. See note on Ex. 17. 14, and Ap. 47.

children = sons.

booths. Cp. Lev. 23. 39-43. Deut. 16. 13-15.

15 mount = hill country.

as it is written. See Lev. 23. 42.

16 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), to mark the minuteness of the obedience.

one = man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

17 Jeshua. Another spelling of Joshua.

not . . . done so. 2 Chron. 8. 13 speaks only of the offerings required by the Law, which Solomon offered. Nothing is said *there* of what the People did ; so that there is no "discrepancy", as is alleged.

Israel. See note on 1 Kings 12. 17.

18 he. Some codices, with Syr., read "they".

assembly = restraint : i. e. restraint from work.

manner = regulation, or ordinance.

9. 1-10. 39 (G, p. 616 ; (N), p. 617). THE SEPARATION OF THE PEOPLE.

(*Repeated Alternations.*)

G Y¹ | 9. 1-3. The People. Separation and worship.

Z¹ | q¹ | 9. 4-. The Levites. Cry to Jehovah.

r¹ | 9. -4. Prayer.

q² | 9. 5-. The Levites. Blessing Jehovah.

r² | 9. -5-38. Praise.

Y² | 10. 1-27. The People. Covenant made.

Z² | q³ | 10. 28-. The Levites. Themselves.

r³ | 10. -28-. Separation from foreigners.

q⁴ | 10. -28. The Levites. Their families.

r⁴ | 10. 29-. Cleaving to their brethren.

Y³ | 10. -29-39. The People. Ordinances.

Neh. 9. 1-10. 39 is parallel with Ezra 9. 1-10. 44. Ezra 4. 1-8. 36 comes between Neh. 8. 18 and 9. 1. See the Table and Structure on p. 617, notes on p. 618, and Ap. 58.

1 this month. In 404 B.C., not in 426 B.C. (7. 73). Same as Ezra 9. 1-4. See Ap. 58.

children = sons.

2 strangers = sons of the foreigner.

sins. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

iniquities. Heb. *'āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

3 the book of the law. See Ap. 47.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

4 stairs - platform. Omit the comma.

Bani, and Chenani. Some codices, with Sept., read "sons of Chenani".

5 Levites. For these names, cp. 3. 17 ; 7. 43 ; 10. 10 ; 12. 8, 24. Ezra 2. 40 ; 3. 9.

5 Then the ° Levites, Jeshua, and Kadmiel, Bani, Hashabniah, Sherebiah, Hodijah, Shebaniah, and Pethahiah, said, q²

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°“Stand up and bless ³the LORD your ³God for ever and ever: and °blessed be Thy glorious name, which is exalted above all blessing and praise.

6 °Thou, even °Thou, °art ³LORD alone; °Thou hast made °heaven, the °heaven of heavens, with all their host, the earth, °and all things that are therein, the seas, and all that is therein, and °Thou preservest them all; and the host of heaven worshippeth Thee.

B¹ s

7 Thou °art ³the LORD the ³God, Who didst °choose Abram, °and broughtest him forth out of Ur of the Chaldees, and gavest him the name of °Abraham;

8 And foundest his heart °faithful before Thee, °and madest a °covenant with him to give the land of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Jebusites, and the Girgashites, to give it, I say, to his seed, and hast performed Thy words; for Thou art righteous:

9 °And didst see the °affliction of our fathers in Egypt, and heardest their cry by the Red sea;

10 °And °shewedst signs and wonders upon Pharaoh, and on all his servants, and on all the people of his land: for thou knewest that they dealt proudly against them. So didst Thou get Thee a name, as it is this day.

11 °And Thou didst divide the sea before them, so that they went through the midst of the sea on the dry land; and their °persecutors Thou threwest into the deeps, as a stone into the °mighty waters.

12 Moreover Thou °leddest them in the day by a °cloudy pillar; °and in the night by a pillar of fire, to give them light in the way wherein they should go.

13 °Thou camest down also upon mount Sinai, °and spakest with them from heaven, and gavest them right judgments, and °true laws, °good statutes and commandments:

14 °And °madest known unto them Thy °holy °sabbath, and commandedst them precepts, statutes, and laws, by the hand of Moses Thy servant:

15 °And °gavest them bread from heaven for their hunger, and broughtest forth °water for them out of the rock for their thirst, and °promisedst them that they should go in to possess the land which Thou hadst °sworn to give them.

t¹

16 But they and our fathers °dealt proudly, °and hardened their necks, and hearkened not to Thy commandments,

17 °And refused to obey, neither were mindful of Thy wonders that Thou didst °among them; but hardened their necks, and in their rebellion °appointed a captain to return °to their bondage:

s²

but Thou art °a °ⓂⓂⓂ °ready to pardon, gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and °of great kindness, and forsookest them not.

t²

18 Yea, when they had made them °a molten calf, °and said, °‘This is thy ³God That brought thee up out of °Egypt,’ and had wrought great provocations;

9. -5-38 (r², p. 644). PRAISE. CONFESSION. PRAYER. (Repeated Alternation.)

r²

A¹ | 5, 6. Praise of Jehovah.

B¹ | 7-31. Confession.

A² | 32. Prayer to Jehovah.

B² | 33-37. Confession.

A³ | 38. Covenant with Jehovah.

5 Stand up, &c. One of the most glorious of all Doxologies. blessed be = let them bless.

6 Thou . . . Thou . . . Thou. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

art LORD = [art] ⓂⓂ, Jehovah. heaven = the heavens. heaven of heavens. Fig. *Polyptoton* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), throughout this confession.

7-31 (B¹, above). CONFESSION. (Repeated Alternation.)

B¹

s¹ | 7-15. Jehovah. Grace.

t¹ | 16, 17-. Israel. Ingratitude. Pride.

s² | 17. Jehovah. Pardon.

t² | 18. Israel. Ingratitude. Provocation.

s³ | 19-25. Jehovah. Manifold mercies.

t³ | 26. Israel. Rebellion.

s⁴ | 27-. Jehovah. Punishment.

t⁴ | -27-. Israel. Humiliation. Cry.

s⁵ | -27. Jehovah. Manifold mercies.

t⁵ | 28. Israel. Evil-doing repeated.

s⁶ | -28-. Jehovah. Punishment.

t⁶ | -28-. Israel. Humiliation. Cry.

s⁷ | -28, 29-. Jehovah. Mercies.

t⁷ | -29. Israel. Ingratitude. Pride.

s⁸ | 30-. Jehovah. Forbearance.

t⁸ | -30-. Israel. Obstinacy.

s⁹ | -30, 31. Jehovah. Judgment. Forbearance.

7 choose Abram. Cp. Gen. 11.31; 12.1; 17.5. Josh. 24.1-3. Abraham. See note on Gen. 17.5, and Ap. 50. III. The letter ן (*Hē*) = five. This is the number of *grace* (Ap. 10), put into the middle of the names (Abram and Sarai), as a symbol of the grace that called him. See Ap. 50. III for the repetition of five in its multiples all through his life.

8 faithful. Because He had made it so. Cp. Jas. 3. 6. covenant. Cp. Gen. 15. 1, 18; 17. 7, 8.

9 affliction humiliation. Cp. Ex. 2. 23-25.

10 shewedst signs, &c. See Ex. 7. 7, 8-10; 12 and 14. Pss. 105. 27; 106. 7; 135. 9.

11 persecutors - pursuers.

mighty waters. Cp. Ex. 15. 5.

12 leddest them - leddest them gently.

cloudy pillar. Cp. Ex. 13. 21.

13 Thou camest down. Cp. Ex. 19. 20; 20. 1.

true laws. Heb. laws of truth. See note on John 1. 17.

good statutes. See note on Gen. 26. 5. Deut. 4. 7.

14 madest known . . . Thy, &c. Jehovah's Sabbath was in Gen. 2. 1-3. Made known to Israel (Ex. 20. 9-11). Established as a sign (Ex. 31. 13-17).

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

sabbath = cessation (from work), rest. This rest was made for man (Mark 2. 27).

15 gavest them bread. Ex. 16. 14, 15. Cp. John 6. 57, 58. water. Ex. 17. 6. Num. 20. 9-11.

promisedst. Deut. 1. 8.

16 dealt proudly - fostered pride.

17 among - with.

appointed a captain. See Num. 14. 4.

to their bondage. Some codices, with one early printed edition, read *bemigrāim* = to Egypt, instead of *bemiryām* - in their rebellion.

a. The A.V. of 1611 had "the".

ⓂⓂ. Heb. *Eloah*. See Ap. 4. V.

ready to pardon = of forgivenesses.

of great kindness = abounding in lovingkindness.

18 a molten calf. Ex. 32. 4.

This. Singular number: i. e. "This [calf]".

Egypt. Some codices, with six early printed editions and Syr., read "the land of Egypt". Cp. Ex. 32. 4.

^{s3} 19 Yet ^tThou in Thy ° manifold mercies for-
(p. 645) sookest them not in the wilderness: the pillar
Tisri of the cloud ° departed not from them by day,
404 to ¹²lead them in the way; neither the pillar of
fire by night, to shew them light, and the way
wherein they should go.

20 Thou gavest also Thy good ° spirit to in-
struct them, ° and withheldest not Thy ° man-
na from their mouth, and gavest them ¹⁵ water
for their thirst.

21 Yea, forty years didst Thou sustain them
in the wilderness, so *that* they lacked nothing;
their ° clothes waxed not old, and their feet
swelled not.

22 Moreover Thou gavest them kingdoms
and ° nations, and didst ° divide them into
corners: so they possessed the land of ° Si-
hon, and the land of the king of Heshbon, and
the land of ° Og king of Bashan.

23 Their ¹ children also multipliedst Thou as
the stars of heaven, and broughtest them
into the land, concerning which Thou hadst
promised to their fathers, that they should go
in to possess *it*.

24 So the ¹ children went in and possessed the
land, and Thou subduedst before them the
inhabitants of the land, the Canaanites, and
gavest them into their hands, with their
kings, and the ° people of the land, that they
might do with them as they would.

25 And they took strong cities, and a ° fat
land, and possessed houses full of all goods,
° wells digged, vineyards, and oliveyards, and
fruit trees in abundance: so they did eat, and
were filled, and became fat, and ° delighted
themselves in Thy great goodness.

^{t3} 26 Nevertheless they were disobedient, and
rebelled against Thee, and cast Thy law be-
hind their backs, and ° slew Thy prophets
which ° testified against them to turn them to
Thee, and they wrought great provocations.

^{s4} 27 Therefore Thou deliveredst them into the
hand of their ° enemies, who vexed them:

^{t4} and in the time of their trouble, when they
cried unto Thee,

^{s5} ^tThou heardest *them* from heaven; and ° ac-
cording to Thy ¹⁸ manifold mercies Thou
° gavest them saviours, who saved them out
of the hand of their ° enemies.

^{t5} 28 But after they had rest, they did ° evil
again before Thee:

^{s6} therefore leftest Thou them in the hand of
their ° enemies, so that they had the dominion
over them:

^{t6} yet when they returned, and cried unto Thee,
^tThou heardest *them* from heaven;

^{s7} and many times didst Thou deliver them
° according to Thy mercies;

29 And ²⁶ testifiedst against them, that Thou
mightest bring them again unto Thy law:

^{t7} yet ^tthey ¹⁶ dealt proudly, and hearkened not
unto Thy commandments, but ° sinned against
Thy judgments, (which if ° a man do, ° he shall
live in them;) and withdrew the shoulder,
and hardened their neck, and would not hear.

^{s8} 30 Yet many years didst Thou forbear them,

19 manifold mercies. Cp. v. 27 and Ps. 106. 45.

departed not. Cp. Ex. 13. 21, 22.

20 spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9. Cp. Num. 11. 16, 17.
Deut. 34. 9. Ps. 143. 10, and v. 30 below.

manna. Cp. Ex. 16. 15. Josh. 5. 12.

21 clothes. Cp. Deut. 8. 4; 29. 5.

22 nations peoples.

divide them into corners = apportion them their
lot. Heb. *pe'ah* = quarter, region. See Lev. 19. 9; 23. 22.
Cp. Jer. 9. 26; 49. 32. The word occurs in the allotment
of the Land, in Josh. 15. 5; 18. 12, 14, 15, 20.

Sihon . . . Og. Cp. Num. 21. 21, &c.

24 people = peoples.

25 fat land = rich soil.
wells digged. Heb. *bōr*, cisterns hewed. See note
on Gen. 21. 19.

delighted themselves = made their Eden. Heb.
ānag. Hithp. pret. only here.

26 slew Thy prophets. See 1 Kings 19. 10. Cp.
Matt. 23. 37. Acts 7. 52.

testified against = solemnly admonished.

27 enemies = adversaries.

according to. Some codices, with seven early printed
editions and Sept., read "in".

gavest them saviours. See Judg. 3. 9.

28 evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

enemies = oppressors.

according to. Some codices, with two early printed
editions, Sept., and Vulg., read "in".

29 sinned. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

a man. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

he shall live, &c. See note on Lev. 18. 2.

30 in = by the hand of; "hand" put by Fig. *Metonymy*
(of Cause), Ap. 6, for the ministry or agency of the pro-
phets.

31 GOD. Heb. *El*. Ap. 4. IV.

32 mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.

and. Some codices, with six early printed editions,
omit this "and".

33 we. Note how Nehemiah (here), Ezra (9. 6-11), and
Daniel (9. 5-19) associate themselves with the people in
their confessions.

have done wickedly. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

35 wicked. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

and ²⁶ testifiedst against them by Thy spirit
° in Thy prophets:

yet would they not give ear:

therefore gavest Thou them into the hand of
the ²⁴ people of the lands.

31 Nevertheless for Thy great mercies' sake
Thou didst not utterly consume them, nor for-
sake them; for ^tThou *art* a gracious and merci-
ful ° GOD.

32 Now therefore, our ³ God, the great, the
mighty, and the terrible ³¹ GOD, Who keepest
covenant and ° mercy, let not all the trouble
seem little before Thee, that hath come upon
us, on our kings, on our princes, ° and on our
priests, and on our prophets, and on our
fathers, and on all Thy People, since the time
of the kings of Assyria unto this day.

33 Howbeit ^tThou *art* just in all that is
brought upon us; for Thou hast done right,
but ° we ° have done wickedly:

34 Neither have our kings, our princes, our
priests, nor our fathers, kept Thy law, nor
hearkened unto Thy commandments and Thy
testimonies, wherewith Thou didst ²⁶ testify
against them.

35 For ^tthey have not served Thee in their
kingdom, and in Thy great goodness that
Thou gavest them, and in the large and fat
land which Thou gavest before them, neither
turned they from their ° wicked works.

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36 °Behold, we are servants this day, and °for the land that Thou gavest unto our fathers to eat the fruit thereof and the good thereof, behold, we are servants in it:

37 And it yieldeth much increase unto the kings whom Thou hast set over us because of our °sins: also they have dominion over our bodies, and over our cattle, at their pleasure, and we are in great distress.

A³
(p. 645) 38 °And because of all this we make a sure covenant, and write it; and our °princes, Levites, and priests, seal unto it."

Y² u 10 Now °those that sealed were, Nehemiah, the °Tirshatha, the son of Hachaliah,

v and Zidkijah,
2 Seraiah, Azariah, Jeremiah,
3 Pashur, Amariah, Malchijah,
4 Hattush, Shebaniah, Malluch,
5 Harim, Meremoth, Obadiah,
6 Daniel, Ginnethon, Baruch,
7 Meshullam, Abijah, Mijamin,
8 Maaziah, Bilgai, Shemaiah: these were the priests.

v 9 And the Levites: both Jeshua the son of Azaniah, Binnui of the sons of Henadad, Kadmiel;

10 And their brethren, Shebaniah, Hodijah, Kelita, Pelaiah, Hanan,
11 Micha, Rehob, Hashabiah,
12 Zaccur, Sherebiah, Shebaniah,
13 Hodijah, Bani, Beninu.

u 14 The °chief of the people; Parosh, Pahathmoab, Elam, Zatthu, Bani,
15 Bunni, Azgad, Bebai,
16 Adonijah, Bigvai, Adin,
17 Ater, Hizkijah, Azzur,
18 Hodijah, Hashum, Bezai,
19 Hariph, Anathoth, Nebai,
20 Magpiash, Meshullam, Hezir,
21 Meshezabeel, Zadok, Jaddua,
22 Pelatiah, Hanan, Anaiah,
23 Hoshea, Hananiah, Hashub,
24 Hallohesh, Pileha, Shobek,
25 Rehum, Hashabnah, Maaseiah,
26 And Ahijah, Hanan, Anan,
27 Malluch, Harim, Baanah.

q³
(p. 644) 28 And the rest of the People, the priests, the Levites, the porters, the singers, the °Nethinims,

r³ and all they that had separated themselves from the °people of the lands unto °the law of °God,

q⁴ their wives, their sons, and their daughters, every one having knowledge, and having understanding;

r⁴ 29 They clave to their brethren, their nobles, and entered into a curse, and into an oath, to walk in °God's law, which was °given by °Moses the servant of °God, and to observe and do all the commandments of °the LORD °our Lord, and His judgments and His °statutes;
30 And that we would not give our daughters unto the °people of the land, nor take their daughters for our sons:

x 31 And if the °people of the land bring °ware or any victuals °on the sabbath day to sell, that we would not buy it of them on the sab-

36 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6. for=as to.

37 sins. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

38 And because, &c. Ch. 10 in Heb. text begins with this verse.

princes. Nehemiah and Hananiah, if not others, were members of the royal family of Judah. See 1. 1.

10. 1-27 (Y², p. 644). THE PEOPLE. COVENANT MADE. (*Introversion*.)

Y² u | 1-. The chief. Nehemiah the Governor.

v | -1-8. The priests.

v | 9-13. The Levites.

u | 14-27. The chiefs of the people.

This chapter is parallel with the last chapter of Ezra (10. 1-44). Consequently all beyond it is supplementary (chronologically). See note on 9. 1, the Structure on p. 617, notes on p. 618, and Ap. 58.

1 those that sealed. These are stated by the Talmudical writings, and the unanimous voice of tradition, to have formed "The Great Synagogue". It consisted at first of 120 members, but was afterward reduced to seventy. It represented the five divisions of the nation: (1) the chiefs of the priests; (2) the chief Levites; (3) the chiefs of the people; (4) the representatives of the cities; (5) the doctors of the law. Its work was (by solemn oath): (1) not to intermarry with the heathen; (2) to keep the sabbath; (3) to keep the sabbatical year; (4) to pay annually $\frac{1}{3}$ of a shekel to the temple; (5) to supply wood for the altar; (6) to pay the priestly dues; (7) to collect and preserve the canonical scriptures. The Great Synagogue lasted 110 years: from Nehemiah to Simon the Just, when, having completed its work, it became known as the *Sanhedrim* of the N.T., the supreme council of the Jewish nation; which rejected the kingdom, and crucified the King (Messiah).

Tirshatha. See note on Ezra 2. 63.

14 chief=heads.

28 Nethinims. See note on Ezra 2. 43.

people = peoples.

the law of God. See Ex. 17. 14 and Ap. 47.

God. Heb. Elohim (with Art.) = the [true] God. Ap. 4. I.

-29-39 (Y³, p. 644). THE PEOPLE. ORDINANCES. (*Introversion*.)

Y³ w | -29, 30. The People. Marriages.

x | 31. The sabbath.

x | 32-37. The Temple.

w | 38, 39. The Priests, &c. Service.

29 given. See Ap. 47.

Moses the servant of God. The first of four occurrences of this expression in the Hebrew Bible. See Dan. 9. 11. 1 Chron. 6. 49; 2 Chron. 24. 9.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

our Lord. Heb. our Adonai. Ap. 4. VIII (3) = our sovereign Lord. Cp. Ps. 8. 1, 9.

statutes. See note on Deut. 4. 1.

31 ware = wares. Heb. pl. only here.

on the sabbath. Cp. 9. 14; 13. 15, 16, 18, 19, 21. This observation of the sabbath ensured the reading of God's Word, and the multiplication of copies.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

leave, &c.: i. e. forego the produce of the seventh year, the seventh year. See Ex. 23. 10, 11. Lev. 25. 2, 7.

the exaction of every debt. Heb. = the burden of every bond. Cp. 5. 10, 11, and Deut. 15. 2; especially in the year of release.

32-37 (x, above). THE TEMPLE. (*Division*.)

x C¹ | 32. Money.

C² | 33, 34. Provisions.

C³ | 35-39. Firstfruits and tithes.

bath, or on the °holy day: and that we would °leave °the seventh year, and °the exaction of every debt.

32 Also we made ordinances for us, to charge x C¹

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ourselves yearly with the third part of a shekel for the service of the house of our God;

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33 For the shewbread, and for the continual meat offering, and for the continual burnt offering, of the sabbaths, of the new moons, for the set feasts, and for the holy things, and for the sin offerings to make an atonement for Israel, and for all the work of the house of our God.

34 And we cast the lots among the priests, the Levites, and the people, for the wood offering, to bring it into the house of our God, after the houses of our fathers, at times appointed year by year, to burn upon the altar of the LORD our God, as it is written in the law:

C³

35 And to bring the firstfruits of our ground, and the firstfruits of all fruit of all trees, year by year, unto the house of the LORD:

36 Also the firstborn of our sons, and of our cattle, as it is written in the law, and the firstlings of our herds and of our flocks, to bring to the house of our God, unto the priests that minister in the house of our God:

37 And that we should bring the firstfruits of our dough, and our offerings, and the fruit of all manner of trees, of wine and of oil, unto the priests, to the chambers of the house of our God; and the tithes of our ground unto the Levites, that the same Levites might have the tithes in all the cities of our tillage.

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38 And the priest the son of Aaron shall be with the Levites, when the Levites take tithes: and the Levites shall bring up the tithe of the tithes unto the house of our God, to the chambers, into the treasure house.

39 For the children of Israel and the children of Levi shall bring the offering of the corn, of the new wine, and the oil, unto the chambers, where are the vessels of the sanctuary, and the priests that minister, and the porters, and the singers: and we will not forsake the house of our God.

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11 And the rulers of the People dwelt at Jerusalem:

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the rest of the People also cast lots, to bring one of ten to dwell in Jerusalem the holy city, and nine parts to dwell in other cities.

A D

2 And the People blessed all the men, that willingly offered themselves to dwell at Jerusalem.

E F¹

3 Now these are the chief of the province that dwelt in Jerusalem:

G¹

but in the cities of Judah dwelt every one in his possession in their cities, to wit, Israel, the priests, and the Levites, and the Nethinims, and the children of Solomon's servants.

F² H¹ t

4 And at Jerusalem dwelt certain of the children of Judah,

u

and of the children of Benjamin.

t

Of the children of Judah; Athaiah the son

32 shekel. See Ap. 51. II. 5.

33 meat offering = gift, or meal offering. Heb. *minchah*. See Ap. 43. II. iii.

burnt offering. Ap. 43. II. ii.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

Israel. See note on 1 Kings 12. 17.

34 the wood offering. Heb. the offering of wood. Fig. *Hypallage*. Ap. 6. Not prescribed by the law. Josephus calls it *Xylophory*, or wood-bearing. A feast kept on the 22nd of Ab, and at other times.

burn. Heb. *bā'ar*, to consume. Not *yāsath* (as in 1. 3; 2. 17); or *sāraph* (as in 4. 2. Ap. 43. I. viii.).

written in the law. See note on Ex. 17. 14, and Ap. 47.

37 offerings = heave offerings. See Ap. 43. II. viii.

wine = new wine. Heb. *tirōsh*. Ap. 27. ii.

38 into = attached to.

39 children = sons.

not forsake: not fail to provide for. Sept. has same word as Heb. 10. 25, *egkataleipontes*.

11. 1-36 (H, p. 616; (N), p. 617). JERUSALEM. RESIDENCES IN. (Alternation.)

H | D | 1-. Dwelling. Proportion.

E | -1. The dwellers. Distribution.

D | 2. Dwelling. Blessing.

E | 3-36. The dwellers. Distribution.

1 rulers = princes.

dwelt. At this time more thickly peopled than 7. 4.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

2 men. Heb. pl. of *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

3 36 (E, above). THE DWELLERS. (Repeated Alternation.)

E | F¹ | 3-. In Jerusalem.

G¹ | -3. In the cities.

F² | 4-19. In Jerusalem.

G² | 20. In the cities.

F³ | 21-24. In Jerusalem.

G³ | 25-36. In the villages.

3 chief = heads.

but = and.

one. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

Israel. See note on 1 Kings 12. 17. The common name of the nation, not of the ten tribes merely.

the Nethinims. See note on Ezra 2. 43.

children = sons. Cp. 7. 57, 60. Ezra 2. 55, 58.

4-19 (F², above). IN JERUSALEM. (Division.)

F² | H¹ | 4-9. Civil.

H² | 10-19. Sacred.

4-9 (H¹, above). CIVIL. (Alternation.)

H¹ | t | 4-. Judah.

u | -4-. Benjamin.

t | -4-6 Judah.

u | 7-9. Benjamin.

5 Shiloni = the Shilonite.

of Uziah, the son of Zechariah, the son of Amariah, the son of Shephatiah, the son of Mahalaleel, of the children of Perez;

5 And Maaseiah the son of Baruch, the son of Col-hozeh, the son of Hazaiah, the son of Adaiah, the son of Joiarib, the son of Zechariah, the son of Shiloni.

6 All the sons of Perez that dwelt at Jerusalem were four hundred threescore and eight valiant men.

7 And these are the sons of Benjamin; Sallu the son of Meshullam, the son of Joed, the son of Pedaiiah, the son of Kolaiah, the son of Maaseiah, the son of Ithiel, the son of Jesaiah.

404 8 And after him Gabbai, Sallai, nine hundred
to twenty and eight.

408 9 And Joel the son of Zichri *was* their over-
seer: and Judah the son of Senuah *was* second
over the city.

H² J¹ 10 Of the priests: Jedaiah the son of Joiarib,
(p. 649) Jachin.

11 Seraiah the son of Hilkiyah, the son of Meshullam, the son of Zadok, the son of Merai-
oth, the son of Ahitub, *was* the ruler of the
house of ° God.

12 And their brethren that did the work of the house *were* eight hundred twenty and two: and Adaliah the son of Jeroham, the son of Pelaliah, the son of Amzi, the son of Zechariah, the son of Pashur, the son of Malchiah,

13 And his brethren, ° chief of the fathers, two hundred forty and two: and Amashai the son of Azareel, the son of Ahasai, the son of Meshillemoth, the son of Immer,

14 And their brethren, ° mighty men of valour, an hundred twenty and eight: and their overseer *was* Zabdiel, the son of *one of* the great men.

J² 15 Also of the Levites: Shemaiah the son of Hashub, the son of Azrikam, the son of Hashabiah, the son of Bunni;

16 And Shabbethai and Jozabad, of the ¹³ chief of the Levites, *had* the oversight of the outward business of the house of ° God.

17 And Mattaniah the son of Micha, the son of Zabdi, the son of Asaph, *was* ° the principal to begin the thanksgiving in prayer: and Bakbukiah the second among his brethren, and ° Abda the son of Shammua, the son of Galal, the son of Jeduthun.

18 All the Levites in the ° holy city *were* two hundred fourscore and four.

J³ 19 Moreover the porters, Akkub, Talmon, and their brethren that kept the gates, *were* an hundred seventy and two.

G² 20 And the residue of Israel, of the priests,
(p. 648) *and* the Levites, *were* in all the cities of Judah, every ° one in his inheritance.

F³ 21 But ° the Nethinims dwelt in Ophel: and Ziha and Gispa *were* over ° the Nethinims.

22 The overseer also of the Levites at Jerusalem *was* Uzzi the son of Bani, the son of Hashabiah, the son of Mattaniah, the son of Micha. Of the sons of Asaph, the singers *were* over the business of the house of ° God.

23 For *it was* ° the king's commandment concerning them, that a certain portion should be for the singers, due for every day.

24 And Pethahiah the son of Meshezabeel, of the ³ children of Zerah the son of Judah, *was* at the king's hand in all matters concerning the people.

G¹ K¹ 25 And for the ° villages, ° with their fields,
(p. 649) some of the ³ children of Judah dwelt at Kirjath-arba, and *in* the ° villages thereof, and at Dibon, and *in* the ° villages thereof, and at Jekabzeel, and *in* the ° villages thereof,

26 And at Jeshua, and at Moladah, and at Beth-pheret,

27 And at Hazar-shual, and at Beer-sheba, and *in* the ²⁵ villages thereof,

28 And at Ziklag, and at Mekonah, and *in* the ²⁵ villages thereof,

11. 10-19 (H², p. 648). SACRED. (Division.)

H ²	J ¹	10-14. The priests.
	J ²	15-18. The Levites.
	J ³	19. The porters.

11 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

13 chief=heads.

14 mighty men. Heb. *Gibbôr*. Ap. 14. IV.

16 God. Heb. Elohim (with Art.)=the [true] God. Ap. 4. I.

17 the principal to begin the thanksgiving. Or, [was] head: "the starting point [was], he was to praise at the time of prayer."

Abda the son of Shammua. Probably=Obadiah the son of Shemaiah, as in 1 Chron. 9. 16.

18 holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5, or, = the Sanctuary's city.

20 one=man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

21 the Nethinims... the Nethinims. Fig. *Epanadiplosis*. Ap. 6. The clause beginning and ending with the same word. See note on Ezra 2. 43.

23 the king's: i. e. Darius Hystaspis. Cp. Ezra 7. 24. See Ap. 57 and 58.

25-36 (G³, p. 648). IN THE VILLAGES. (Division.)

G ³	K ¹	25-30. Judah.	} Civil.
	K ²	31-35. Benjamin.	
	K ³	36. Levites. Sacred.	

25 villages. Heb. daughters, i. e. of the mother city. with their fields = in their fields: i. e. unwalled (Lev. 25. 31). Cp., for the names that follow, Josh. 15. 13, &c.

29 En-rimmon. Now *Khan Umm er Râmâmim*. (Cp. Josh. 15. 32; 19. 7; 1 Chron. 4. 32.)

30 Zanoah. Now *Khan Zanûta*.

dwelt=encamped.

35 the valley of craftsmen. Cp. 6. 2 and 1 Chron. 4. 14. craftsmen=artificers.

36 were divisions, &c.: or, "Judah's divisions [were assigned] to Benjamin".

12. 1-26 (J, p. 616; (N), p. 617). THE RETURN UNDER EZRA. (Alternation.)

J	v	1-7. Priests.	} Names.
	w	8, 9. Levites.	
	v	10-21. Priests.	
	w	22-25. Levites.	

1 these. Nehemiah had given the heads of families (7. 6-73) and the numbers of the four classes of priests (7. 39-42). Cp. Ezra 2. 36-39. Here he inserts twenty-two names, the heads of priests' classes, or courses formed out of these four, "in the days of Jeshua" (v. 7). See Ezra 6. 18.

Ezra. Not the Ezra of the book of Ezra.

29 And at ° En-rimmon, and at Zareah, and at Jarmuth,

30 ° Zanoah, Adullam, and *in* their ²⁵ villages, at Lachish, and the fields thereof, at Azekah, and *in* the ²⁵ villages thereof. And they ° dwelt from Beer-sheba unto the valley of Hinnom.

31 The ³ children also of Benjamin from Geba *dwelt* at Michmash, and Aija, and Beth-el, and *in* their ²⁵ villages, K²

32 And at Anathoth, Nob, Ananiah,

33 Hazor, Ramah, Gittaim,

34 Hadid, Zeboim, Neballat,

35 Lod, and Ono, ° the valley of ° craftsmen.

36 And of the Levites ° were divisions *in* Judah, and *in* Benjamin. K³

12 Now ° these *are* the priests and the Levites that went up with Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and Jeshua: Seraiah, Jeremiah, ° Ezra, J^v

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2 Amariah, Malluch, Hattush,
3 Shechaniah, Rehun, Meremoth,
4 Iddo, Ginnetho, Abijah,
5 Miamin, Maadiah, Bilgah,
6 Shemaiah, and Joiarib, Jedaiah,
7 Sallu, Amok, Hilkaiah, Jedaiah. These
were the °chief of the priests and of their
brethren in the days of Jeshua.

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8 Moreover °the Levites: Jeshua, Binnui,
Kadmiel, Sherebiah, Judah, and Mattaniah,
which was over the thanksgiving, he and his
brethren.

9 Also Bakbukiah and Unni, their brethren,
were °over against them °in the watches.

v

10 And Jeshua begat Joiakim, Joiakim also
begat Eliashib, and Eliashib begat Joiada,
11 And Joiada begat Jonathan, and Jona-
than begat Jaddua.

12 And in the days of Joiakim were priests,
the °chief of the fathers: of Seraiah, Meraiah;
of Jeremias, Hananiah;

13 Of Ezra, Meshullam; of Amariah, Jehoha-
nan;

14 Of Melicu, Jonathan; of °Shebaniah,
Joseph;

15 Of Harim, Adna; of Meraioth, °Helkai;

16 Of Iddo, Zechariah; of Ginnethon, Me-
shullam;

17 Of Abijah, Zichri; of Miniamin, of Moa-
diah, Piltai;

18 Of Bilgah, Shammua; of Shemaiah, Je-
honathan;

19 And of Joiarib, Mattenai; of Jedaiah,
Uzzi;

20 Of Sallai, Kallai; of Amok, Eber;

21 Of Hilkaiah, Hashabiah; of Jedaiah, Ne-
thaneel.

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22 The Levites in the days of Eliashib,
Joiada, and Johanan, and Jaddua, were re-
corded °chief of the fathers: also the priests,
to the reign of °Darius the Persian.

23 The sons of Levi, the °chief of the fathers,
were written in °the book of the chronicles,
even until the days of Johanan the son of
Eliashib.

24 And the °chief of the Levites: Hashabiah,
Sherebiah, and Jeshua the son of Kadmiel,
with their brethren over against them, to
praise and to give thanks, according to the
commandment of David °the °man of °God,
ward over against ward.

25 Mattaniah, and Bakbukiah, Obadiah,
Meshullam, Talmon, Akkub, were porters keep-
ing the °ward at the °thresholds of the gates.

26 These were in the days of Joiakim the son
of Jeshua, the son of Jozadak, and in the days
of Nehemiah the °governor, and of Ezra the
priest, the scribe.

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27 And at the dedication of the wall of Jeru-
salem they sought the Levites out of all their
places, to bring them to Jerusalem, to keep
the dedication with gladness, both °with
thanksgivings, and with singing, with cym-
bals, psalteries, and with harps.

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28 And the sons of °the singers gathered
themselves together, both out of the °plain
country round about Jerusalem, and from the
villages of Netophathi;

7 chief = heads.

8 the Levites. Cp. Ezra 2. 40 and 7. 43, above.

9 over against = corresponding to those in v. 8.
in the watches: i. e. the courses, or waitings.

14 Shebaniah. Some codices, with two early printed
editions, Sept., and Syr., read "Shechaniah".

15 Helkai. Some codices, with six early printed
editions, read "Hilkai".

22 Darius = Darius Hystaspis. See Ap. 57 and 58.

23 the book of the chronicles: i. e. the public
records or registers.

24 the man of God. See Ap. 49.

man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

God. Heb. Elohim (with Art.) = the [true] God. Ap. 4. I.

25 ward = charge.

thresholds = gatherings or storehouses.

26 governor = Pasha. Chald. *peçah*.

12. 27-13. 31 (E, p. 616; (K), p. 617). THE
WALL. DEDICATION. INTERNAL DISORDERS
OVERCOME. (Division.)

E | L¹ | 12. 27-47. Dedication of the wall.
| I² | 13. 1-31. Internal disorders overcome.

12. 27-47 (L¹, above). DEDICATION OF THE
WALL. (Introversion.)

L ¹	M	O ¹	27. Assemblage. Levites.
		P ¹	28, 29. Singers.
		P ²	30. Priests and Levites.
	O ²	31-. Assemblage. Princes of Judah.	
		N	Q ¹ -31-. The two companies.
			R ¹ -31-37. Right hand. Thanks-
			giving.
		N	R ² 38, 39. Left hand. Thanks-
			giving.
			Q ² 40-. The two companies.
	M	O ³	-40-42. Assemblage. In detail.
		P ³	43. Offerings. Rejoicing.
		P ⁴	44. Offerings. Rejoicing.
		O ⁴	45-47. Assemblage. In sum.

27 with thanksgivings. Ps. 147 would have been
a suitable psalm for the occasion, and Ps. 122.

28 the singers. Mentioned in v. 24.

plain country = surrounding country.

29 the house of Gilgal. Heb. Beth-Gilgal.

31 companies of them that gave thanks. Heb.
celebrations; "celebrations", or thanksgivings, put for
the choirs who rendered them, by Fig. Metonymy (of
Effect), Ap. 6.

32 Hoshaiah. Cp. Jer. 42. 1; 43. 2.

33 Ezra. Not Ezra the scribe.

29 Also from °the house of Gilgal, and out
of the fields of Geba and Azmaveth: for the
singers had builded them villages round about
Jerusalem.

30 And the priests and the Levites purified P²
themselves, and purified the People, and the
gates, and the wall.

31 Then I brought up the princes of Judah O²
upon the wall,

and appointed two great °companies of them N Q¹
that gave thanks,

whereof one went on the right hand upon the R¹
wall toward the dung gate:

32 And after them went °Hoshaiah, and half
of the princes of Judah,

33 And Azariah, °Ezra, and Meshullam,

34 Judah, and Benjamin, and Shemaiah, and
Jeremiah,

35 And certain of the priests' sons with

408 trumpets; *namely*, Zechariah the son of Jonathan, the son of Shemaiah, the son of Mattaniah, the son of Michaiah, the son of Zaccur, the son of Asaph:

36 And his brethren, Shemaiah, and Azarael, Milalai, Gilalai, Maai, Nethaneel, and Judah, Hanani, with the musical instruments ° of David 24 the man of 24 God, and Ezra the scribe before them.

37 And at the fountain gate, which was over against them, they went up by ° the stairs of the city of David, at the going up of the wall, above the house of David, even unto the water gate eastward.

N R²
(p. 650) 38 And the other 31 *company of them that gave thanks* went over against *them*, and 3 after them, and the half of the people upon the wall, from beyond the tower of the furnaces even unto the broad wall;

39 And from above the gate of Ephraim, and above the old gate, and above the fish gate, and the tower of Hananeel, and the tower of Meah, even unto the sheep gate: and they stood still in the prison gate.

Q² 40 So stood the two 31 *companies of them that gave thanks* ° in the house of 24 God,

M O³ and 3, and the half of the rulers with me:

41 And the priests; Eliakim, Maaseiah, Miniamin, Michaiah, Elioenai, Zechariah, and Hananiah, with trumpets;

42 And Maaseiah, and Shemaiah, and Eleazar, and Uzzi, and Jehohanan, and Malchijah, and Elam, and Ezer. And the singers sang loud, with Jezrahiah *their* overseer.

P³ 43 Also that day they ° offered great sacrifices, and rejoiced: for 24 God had made them rejoice with great joy: the wives also and the ° children rejoiced: so that the joy of Jerusalem was heard even afar off.

P¹ 44 And at that time were ° some appointed over the chambers for the treasures, for the ° offerings, for the firstfruits, and for the tithes, to gather ° into them out of the fields of the cities the portions ° of the law for the priests and Levites: for Judah rejoiced for the priests and for the Levites that waited.

O¹ 45 And both the singers and the porters kept the ° ward of their ° God, and the ward of the purification, according to the commandment of David, and of Solomon his son.

46 For in the days of David and Asaph of old *there were* chief of the singers, and songs of praise and thanksgiving unto 45 God.

47 And ° all Israel in the days of Zerubbabel, and in the days of Nehemiah, gave the portions of the singers and the porters, every day his portion: and they sanctified *holy things* unto the Levites; and the Levites sanctified *them* unto the ° children of Aaron.

L² S x
(p. 651) 13 ° On that day they read in ° the book of Moses in the audience of the People;

and therein ° was found written, that the Ammonite and the ° Moabite should not come into the ° congregation of ° God for ever;

2 ° Because they met not the ° children of Israel with bread and with water, but ° hired Balaam against ° them, that he should ° curse

36 of David: i. e. dating from, or invented by him.

37 the stairs. See 3. 15.

40 in = at.

43 offered. Heb. *zābāḥ*. Ap. 43. I. iv. children = offspring.

44 some = men. Heb. *'enōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

offerings = heave offerings. Heb. *tērūmah*. Ap. 43. II. viii.

into them = by them: i. e. these officers; not into the chambers, for "chambers" is fem. and "them" is masc. of the law. So in Cod. Hillel; but some codices, with one early printed edition, read "portions for thanksgiving".

45 ward = charge.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

47 all Israel. Used of Judah, Benjamin, and those who returned with them. See note on 1 Kings 12. 17. children = sons.

13. 1-31 (L², p. 650). INTERNAL DISORDERS OVERCOME. (*Introversion*.)

L² S | 1-9. Strangers.

T | 10-14. Sin. Cheating.

T | 15-22. Sin. Sabbath-breaking.

S | 23-31. Strangers.

1-9 (S, above). STRANGERS. (*Alternation*.)

S | x | 1, 2. Lawful exclusion.

y | 3. Separation.

x | 4-7. Unlawful inclusion.

y | 8, 9. Separation.

1 On that day: i. e. of which he is about to write. the book of Moses. See Ap. 47.

was found written = they came to the place or passage (viz. Deut. 23. 3-6). Not a discovery, but in the course of the public reading (as in Luke 4. 17). Cp. 8. 14. Moabite (masc.). This did not therefore exclude Ruth, a female, though married to Mahlon before Boaz. congregation = assembly, or muster.

God. Heb. Elohim (with Art.) = the [true] God. Ap. 4. I.

2 Because they (pl.). Num. 22. 56. Deut. 23. 3, 4. children = sons.

hired Balaam. Num. 22. 5, 6. Josh. 24. 9, 10.

them (sing.), i. e. Israel.

curse. Heb. *kālal* = reproach, imprecate.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

3 mixed multitude. Always a snare. Cp. Num. 11. 4.

4 And before this. See longer note on 13. 4-9, p. 653.

5 meat offerings = gift offerings. Heb. *minḥah*. Ap. 43. II. iii.

new wine. Heb. *tirōsh*. Ap. 27. ii.

offerings = heave offerings. Ap. 43. II. viii.

6 not I at Jerusalem. Nehemiah did not return with Haggai and Zachariah at the beginning of this reign. See longer note on p. 653.

the two and thirtieth year. See longer note on p. 653.

them: howbeit our ° God turned the curse into a blessing.

3 Now it came to pass, when they had heard the law, that they separated from Israel all the ° mixed multitude.

4 ° And before this, Eliashib the priest, having the oversight of the chamber of the house of our 2 God, was allied unto Tobiah:

5 And he had prepared for him a great chamber, where aforetime they laid the ° meat offerings, the frankincense, and the vessels, and the tithes of the corn, the ° new wine, and the oil, which was commanded to be given to the Levites, and the singers, and the porters; and the ° offerings of the priests.

6 But in all this time was ° not I at Jerusalem: for in ° the two and thirtieth year of

403 ° Artaxerxes king of Babylon came I unto the king, and after certain days ° obtained I leave of the king:

7 And I came to Jerusalem, and understood of the °evil that Eliashib did for Tobiah, in preparing him a chamber in the courts of the house of ° God.

y (p. 651) 8 And it grieved me sore: therefore ° I cast forth all the household stuff of Tobiah out of the chamber.

9 Then I commanded, and they cleansed the chambers: and thither brought I again the vessels of the house of ° God, with the ° meat offering and the frankincense.

T z (p. 652) 10 And I perceived that the portions of the Levites had not been given *them*: for the Levites and the singers, that did the work, were fled every ° one to his field.

a 11 Then contended I with the rulers, and said, "Why is the house of ° God forsaken?" And I gathered them together, and set them in their place.

12 Then brought all Judah the tithe of the corn and the new ° wine and the oil unto the treasuries.

13 And ° I made treasurers over the treasuries, Shelemiah the priest, and Zadok the scribe, and of the Levites, Pedaiah: and ° next to them was Hanan the son of Zaccur, the son of ° Mattaniah: for they were counted faithful, and their office was to distribute unto their brethren.

b 14 Remember me, O my ° God, concerning this, and wipe not out my ° good deeds that I have done for the house of my ° God, and for the ° offices thereof.

T z 15 In those days saw I in Judah *some* treading ° wine presses on the sabbath, and bringing in sheaves, and lading asses; as also wine, grapes, and figs, and all *manner* of burdens, which they brought into Jerusalem on the sabbath day: and I testified *against* them in the day wherein they sold victuals.

16 There dwelt men of Tyre also therein, which brought fish, and all manner of ware, and sold on the sabbath unto the ° children of Judah, ° and in Jerusalem.

a 17 Then I contended with the nobles of Judah, and said unto them, "What ° evil thing is this that ye do, and profane the sabbath day?"

18 Did not your fathers thus, and did not our ° God bring all this ° evil upon us, and upon this city? yet ye bring more wrath upon Israel by ° profaning the ° sabbath."

19 And it came to pass, that when the gates of Jerusalem began to be dark before the sabbath, I commanded that the gates should be shut, and charged that they should not be opened till after the sabbath: and *some* of my servants set I at the gates, *that* there should no burden be brought in on the sabbath day.

20 So the merchants and sellers of all kind of ware lodged without Jerusalem once or twice.

21 Then I testified against them, and said unto them, "Why ° lodge ye about the wall? if ye do so again, I will lay hands on you." From that time forth came they no *more* on the sabbath.

22 And I commanded the Levites that they

Artaxerxes = Darius Hystaspis. See longer note on p. 653.

obtained I leave = I earnestly requested. Heb. *shā'al*. See note on "enquire", 1 Sam. 28. 6, 7.

7 evil. Heb. *vā'a'*. Ap. 44. VIII.

8 I cast forth. His authority was not disputed. Malachi (2-4) also rebukes the People.

13. 10-22 (T and T, p. 651). NON-PAYMENT. (Extended Alternation.)

T | z | 10. Neglect. Tithes.

a | 11-13. Reformation.

b | 14. Prayer.

T | z | 15, 16. Neglect. Sabbath.

a | 17-22-. Reformation.

b | -22. Prayer.

10 one = man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

13 I made treasurers: or, I set in charge, next to them: or, to help them.

Mattaniah. Cp 11. 17.

14 good deeds = kindnesses.

offices = charges.

15 wine presses. Heb. *gath*, a wine press; not *yekeb*, a wine vat.

16 and. Some codices, with six early printed editions, Syr., and Vulg., omit this "and".

18 profaning. Notwithstanding the covenant made in 10. 31.

sabbath. A special various reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 34), one early printed edition, and Syr., add the word "day", as in v. 17.

21 lodge. See note on 4. 22.

22 greatness = abundance.

mercy = lovingkindness, or, grace.

23-31 (S, p. 651). STRANGERS. (Alternations.)

S | U | 23, 24. Unlawful marriages. (General.)

V | c | 25-. Action.

d | -25. Adjuration.

c | 26. Words.

d | 27. Adjuration.

U | 28-. Unlawful marriage. (Particular.)

V | e | -28. Action. Expulsion.

f | 29. Prayer.

e | 30, 31-. Action. Cleansing.

f | -31. Prayer.

23 had married. Notwithstanding the covenant of 10. 30 and Ezra 10. 12, 14.

Ashdod. Now, *Esūd*. Josh. 15. 46. 1 Sam. 5 and 6. The Azotus of Acts 8. 40

24 according to the language. Some codices, with four early printed editions, read "but with the tongue"

25 cursed: i.e. caused them to be cursed. Heb. idiom. Heb. *kālal*, as in v. 2.

smote. Heb. idiom = caused them to be smitten (as in Matt. 27. 26. Mark 15. 16. John 19. 1).

certain = men. Heb. *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

should cleanse themselves, and *that* they should come *and* keep the gates, to sanctify the sabbath day.

Remember me, O my ° God, *concerning* this also, and spare me according to the ° greatness of Thy ° mercy.

23 In those days also saw I Jews *that* ° had married wives of ° Ashdod, of Ammon, *and* of Moab:

24 And their ° children spake half in the speech of Ashdod, and could not speak in the Jews' language, but ° according to the language of each people.

25 And I contended with them, and ° cursed them, and ° smote ° certain of them, and plucked off their hair,

d and made them swear by ¹God, saying, "Ye shall not give your daughters unto their sons, nor take their daughters unto your sons, or for yourselves.

c 26 °Did not Solomon king of Israel °sin by these things? yet among °many nations was there no king like him, who was beloved of his ¹God, and ¹God made him king over all Israel: nevertheless even him did °outlandish women cause to °sin.

d 27 °Shall we then hearken unto you to do all this great °evil, to °transgress against our ¹God in marrying °strange wives?"

U 28 And °one of the sons of Joiada, the son of Eliashib the high priest, was son in law to Sanballat the Horonite:

V e therefore I chased him from me.

f 29 Remember them, O my ¹God, because °they have defiled the priesthood, and the °covenant of the priesthood, and of the Levites.

e 30 Thus cleansed I them from all ²⁷strangers, and appointed the °wards of the priests and the Levites, every ¹⁰one in his business;

31 And for °the wood offering, at times appointed, and for the firstfruits.

26 Did not Solomon . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Cp. 1 Kings 11. 2 Sam. 12. 24, 25.

sin. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

many = the many.

outlandish = the foreign. Heb. *nakrī*.

27 Shall we . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

transgress. Heb. *mā'al*. Ap. 44. xi.

strange = foreign. Heb. *nakar*, as in v. 30.

28 one of the sons, &c. Joiada the son of Eliashbi was led astray by the degeneracy of his father (v. 4), and married the daughter of Sanballat (2. 10). Joiada's son was Manasseh, who, according to Josephus (*Ant.* xi. 8. 3), fled to Samaria, where Sanballat built the Samaritan temple at Gerizim, and made Manasseh the high priest of it.

29 they have defiled. Cp. Mal. 2. 1-8. Heb. *gā'al*, a Homonym. See note on Ezra 2. 62.

covenant. Cp. 9. 38.

30 wards of = charges for. N.B. no Art. here.

31 the wood offering. See note on 10. 34, 35.

Remember me. Thus ends the latest sacred history of the O.T.; chronological, not canonical. In 2 Macc. 2. 13 it is recorded of Nehemiah "how he, founding a library, gathered together the books about the kings and prophets, and the books of David, and letters of kings about sacred gifts".

°Remember me, O my ¹God, for good.

LONGER NOTES ON SPECIAL PASSAGES IN NEHEMIAH.

2. 1 the twentieth year. The "seventy sevens" of Dan. 9. 24-27 begin here (454 B.C.). The "seven sevens" (Dan. 9. 25), or forty-nine years begin here, and end in 405 B.C.; marked by the completion and dedication of the second Temple.

The "threescore and two sevens" (Dan. 9. 26), or 434 years begin (or rather, follow on) in 405 B.C., and end in A.D. 29, the year of the Cross.

The last "seven" is therefore, still future.

The first four of the "seven sevens" ended in 426 B.C., marked by the Decree of Cyrus, which ended the Babylonian Servitude of seventy years. See Ap. 50, 57, and 58.

5. 14-19 Moreover from the time that I was appointed, &c. Verses 14-19 are put within brackets for the following reasons:

As Nehemiah's record must have been written many years later, after the dedication both of the Temple (405 B.C.) and the Wall (403 B.C.), the reference to his policy during the twelve years of his governorship, from the twentieth to the thirty-second year of ARTAXERXES (DARIUS HYSTASPIS, 419-407 B.C.), is introduced here, in order to emphasise the contrast between the rapacity of "the nobles and rulers" (5. 7), and his own conduct. For he says that, not only at that time (454 B.C.) did he not exploit the people for his own advantage, but that during his governorship (which ended in 407 B.C., some four or five years at least before the time of his writing the final record, more than forty years later than 454), when, according to Eastern views, he would have been justified in getting as much as he could out of his office, he not only lived entirely at his own charges but supported others also. See note below on 13. 4-9.

7. 4 the houses were not builded = no sign of houses being built. This statement refers to the permanent stable habitations of the city proper which Haggai speaks of as being in existence forty-four years later (Hag. 1. 4, 9). The word *bayith*, house, means a dwelling, and in 2. 3 and 3. 31 is rendered "place", which clearly indicates its meaning in these passages. Among the ruined houses left by Nebuchadnezzar many might easily have been made habitable sufficiently to fulfil the conditions of 8. 16.

7. 5 I found a register of the genealogy of them which came up at the first. It must be borne in mind that Nehemiah wrote long after this date (426 B.C.); probably between 403 and 400 B.C. It is quite natural therefore that he should write of finding such a book as this. When he says, "I found a book", &c., it does not mean that Nehemiah found or discovered the register at that time; but, writing long after, he says, "I find that the list of names was, so and so", &c.

13. 4-9 And before this . . . the two and thirtieth year of Artaxerxes king of Babylon (13. 6). The ARTAXERXES (great king) here is DARIUS HYSTASPIS. The record here must have been written after the dedication of both Temple (405 B.C.) and Wall (403 B.C.). The thirty-second year is that of the king's age, not of his reign, for he only succeeded CAMBYSES in 411 B.C. His twentieth year (5. 14) was 419 B.C., when, on the death of Cyrus, NEHEMIAH was "appointed" to be "governor in the land of Judah".

Consequently Nehemiah's twelve years of governorship end in 407 B.C., two years before the completion and dedication of the Temple, and when DARIUS HYSTASPIS had been reigning three years.

In that year (407) NEHEMIAH evidently receives a report from his deputy (probably HANANI still) as to the Temple progress, and doubtless of the ELIASHIB-TOBIAH scandal. He determines to go himself, obtains leave of absence (with difficulty, apparently, 13. 6), and comes to Jerusalem. Arriving there, he "understands" the evil concerning Eliashib, casts forth TOBIAH and his "stuff", and hurries on the Temple work towards completion.

ESTHER.

THE STRUCTURE OF THE BOOK AS A WHOLE.

(Introversions and Alternations.)

A¹ | 1. 1. AHASUERUS. REIGN. EXTENT OF KINGDOM.

B¹ | **D¹** | 1. 2—2. 20. AHASUERUS. ON HIS THRONE.

E¹ | **F** | 2. 21—23. MORDECAI. DISCOVERY OF PLOT (BIGTHAN AND TERESH).

G | 3. 1—15. HAMAN. HIS PLOT.

F | 4. 1—3. MORDECAI. DISCOVERY OF HAMAN'S PLOT.

C¹ | 4. 4—5. 14. ESTHER. HER INTERCESSION.

B² | **D²** | 6. 1. AHASUERUS. ON HIS BED.

E² | **H** | 6. 2, 3. MORDECAI. KING'S INQUIRY.

J | 6. 4—9. HAMAN. KING'S INQUIRY.

H | 6. 10—14. MORDECAI. KING'S COMMAND.

C² | 7. 1. ESTHER. HER BANQUET.

B³ | **D³** | 7. 2—. AHASUERUS. AT ESTHER'S TABLE.

E³ | **K** | 7. —2. KING. INQUIRY AND PROMISE.

L | 7. 3, 4. ESTHER. PLEA FOR LIFE.

K | 7. 5—10. KING. INQUIRY AND WRATH.

C³ | 8. 1—. ESTHER. HER ROYAL GIFT.

B⁴ | **D⁴** | 8. —1, 2. AHASUERUS. ON HIS THRONE.

E | **M** | 8. 3—6. ESTHER. PLEA FOR HER PEOPLE.

N | 8. 7—17. KING. DECREE.

M | 9. 1—28. ESTHER. PLEA FOR HER PEOPLE.

C⁴ | 9. 29—32. ESTHER. HER ROYAL AUTHORITY.

A² | 10. 1—3. AHASUERUS. REIGN. EXTENT OF KINGDOM.

THE BOOK OF ESTHER.

A¹
472-422
(Regnal)

B¹ D¹ A¹ a
(p. 655)

1 Now it came to pass in the days of Ahasuerus, (°this is Ahasuerus which reigned, °from India even unto Ethiopia, over °an hundred and seven and twenty provinces:)

2 That °in those days, when the king °Ahasuerus °sat on the throne of his kingdom, which was in °Shushan the °palace,

3 In °the third year of his reign, he made °a feast unto all his princes and his servants; the °power of °Persia and Media, the nobles and princes of the provinces, being before him:

4 When he shewed the riches of his glorious kingdom and the honour of his excellent majesty many days, even °an hundred and fourscore days.

5 And when these days were expired, the king made °a feast unto all the people that were present in Shushan the °palace, both unto great and small, seven days, in the court of the garden of the king's °palace;

6 Where were white, green, and blue, hangings, fastened with cords of fine linen and purple to silver rings and pillars of marble: the °beds were of gold and silver, upon a pavement of red, and blue, and white, and black, marble.

7 And they gave them drink in vessels of gold, (°the vessels being diverse one from another,) and royal °wine in abundance, according to the state of the king.

8 And the drinking was according to the °law; none did compel: for so the king had appointed to all the officers of his house, that they should do according to every °man's pleasure.

9 Also °Vashti the queen made a feast for the women in the royal house which belonged to king Ahasuerus.

10 On the seventh day, when the heart of the king was merry with wine, he °commanded Mehuman, Biztha, Harbona, Bigtha, and Abagtha, Zethar, and Carcas, the °seven chamberlains that served in the presence of °Ahasuerus the king,

11 To bring °Vashti the queen before the king with the crown royal, to shew the °people and the princes her beauty: for she was fair to look on.

12 But the queen °Vashti °refused to come at

TITLE, Book of Esther. One of the five *Megilloth*. For its place in the Hebrew Canon see Ap. 1. Read at the Feast of Purim. Comes *chronologically* thus: (1) Daniel; (2) Esther; (3) Nehemiah; (4) Ezra. The Divine name does not occur, except five times in the form of an *Acrostic* (Ap. 6). See Ap. 60, and notes on Est. 1. 20; 5. 4, 13; 7. 5, 7.

1 Now it came to pass in the days of. See important note of Rabbinical commentators on Gen. 14. 1. Ahasuerus = the venerable king. An appellative, like Pharaoh, Czar, Shah, &c. See notes on p. 618 and Ap. 57 and 58.

this. Implying that others were so called, from whom he is to be distinguished. This Ahasuerus was Astyages (Gr.), Arsames (Persian). See Ap. 57 and 58. "This Ahasuerus" emphasises the one who was specially renowned. Fig. *Parenthesis*. Ap. 6.

from India even unto Ethiopia: i. e. the two extreme boundaries of the known world.

an hundred and seven and twenty provinces. Dan. 6. 1 says 120 princes. The number continually altered to suit the requirements of government. Only in Dan. 6. 1 do we find 120. Plato says that "when Darius (i. e. 'the Maintainer' = Astyages) came to the throne, being one of the seven, he divided the country into seven portions" (*De Legibus* iii). These are the seven named in vv. 13, 14. When Babylon afterward fell into his hands, he divided his newly acquired kingdom into 120 parts (Dan. 9. 1. Cp. 6. 1). Why should he not have added these to the seven he already possessed, and thus have made the 127 of Est. 1. 1; 9. 30? In the later days of Darius (Hystaspis) these had reduced to twenty-three, as stated and named on the *Behistun* inscription.

1. 2-2. 20 (D¹, p. 654). AHASUERUS. ON HIS THRONE. (*Division*.)

D ¹	A ¹	1. 2-12. Queen Vashti. Offence.
	A ²	1. 13-2. 1. Queen Vashti. Degradation.
	A ³	2. 2-20. Queen Esther. Substituted.

1. 2-12 (A¹, above). QUEEN VASHTI. OFFENCE. (*Alternation*.)

A ¹	a	2, 3. Feast: king's to nobles.
	b	4. Display of riches.
	a	5-9. Feasts: king's to people; queen's to women.
	b	10-12. Display of Vashti.

2 in those days: i. e. the days when these events took place. At other times he dwelt at Ecbatana, or elsewhere. Verse 1 mentions the ruler; v. 2, the place; v. 3, the time. sat = took his seat, or came to.

Shushan. Now, the ruins of *Susa*, on the river Shapur, east of Persian Gulf.

palace = castle, or fortress. Cp. Neh. 1. 1.

3 the third year: i. e. in 471; six years after the destruction of Jerusalem. Astyages now seventeen or

eighteen years. See Ap. 50. VII (5). In this year Xerxes (who is supposed to be this king), according to *Herod.* vii. 8, and *Diod. Sic.* xi. 2, was preparing his expedition against Greece; whereas this chapter presupposes a season of peace and quiet. a feast. For its own sake. No reason is given. power. Put by

Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6, for those who exercised it: viz. the people of power. Persia and Media. In this book this is always the order, except 10. 2. In Daniel it is the reverse. 4 an hundred and fourscore days. This was to allow all peoples to be feasted in turn. Not all at the same time; or one feast of that duration. 5 palace = house, or, large house. 6 beds = couches. 7 the vessels.

Note the frequent *Parentheses* (Ap. 6) in vv. 1, 7, 13, 14, 20. wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. I. 8 law. Heb. *dath* = royal decree, or special mandate, as in vv. 13, 15, 19; 3. 8; 4. 11, 16. man's. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

9 Vashti. The daughter of Alyattes (king of Lydia), married by Cyaxares to his son Astyages after the battle of Halys. See Ap. 57. 10 commanded. Heb. *'amar*. So rendered in vv. 15, 17; 2. 20; 4. 13; 6. 1; 9. 14, 25. Note the different words rendered "command" and "decree" in this book. seven chamberlains = seven eunuchs. This shows the minuteness of the writer's knowledge. 11 people = peoples.

12 refused. Probably because sent for by servants; not by the nobles (v. 3), and before the "peoples" (v. 5).

471 the king's °commandment by *his* chamberlains; therefore was the king very wroth, and his anger burned in him.

A² c (p. 656) 13 Then the king said to the wise men, which knew the times, °(for so *was* the king's manner toward all that knew °law and judgment:

14 And the next unto him *was* Carshena, Shethar, Admatha, Tarshish, Meres, Marsena, and Memucan, the °seven princes of °Persia and Media, which saw the king's face, and which sat the first in the kingdom;)

15 "What shall we do unto the queen Vashti according to °law, because she hath not performed the °commandment of the king °Ahasuerus °by the chamberlains?"

d 16 And Memucan answered before the king and the princes, °"Vashti the queen hath not done wrong to the king only, but also to all the princes, and to all the °people that are in all the provinces of the king °Ahasuerus.

17 For *this* deed of the queen shall come abroad unto all women, so that they shall despise their husbands in their eyes, when it shall be reported, 'The king °Ahasuerus °commanded °Vashti the queen to be brought in before him, but she came not.'

18 Likewise shall the °ladies of °Persia and Media say this day unto all the king's princes, which have heard of the deed of the queen. Thus *shall there arise* too much contempt and wrath.

19 If it please the king, let there go a royal °commandment from him, and let it be written among the °laws of the °Persians and the Medes, that it be °not altered, That °Vashti come no more before king °Ahasuerus; and let the king give her royal estate unto another that is better than she.

20 And when the king's °decree which he shall make shall be published throughout all his empire, °(for °it is great,) °ALL THE WIVES SHALL GIVE to their husbands honour, both to great and small."

c 21 And the saying pleased the king and the princes; and the king did according to the word of Memucan:

d 22 For he sent letters into all the king's provinces, into every province according to the writing thereof, and to every people after their language, that every °man should bear rule in his own house, and that *it* should be published according to the language of every people.

A³ B¹ 2 °After these things, when the wrath of king °Ahasuerus was appeased, he remembered °Vashti, and what she had done, and what was decreed against her.

2 Then said the king's servants that ministered unto him, "Let there be fair young °virgins sought for the king:

3 And let the king appoint officers in all the provinces of his kingdom, that they may gather together all the fair young °virgins unto Shushan the palace, to the house of the women, unto the °custody of Hege the king's °chamberlain, keeper of the women; and let their things for purification be given *them*:

4 And let the °maiden which pleaseth the king be queen instead of °Vashti." And the thing pleased the king; and he did so.

commandment. Heb. *dābar* = word, precept. Occurs v. 19; 2. 8; 3. 15; 8. 14, 17. See note on v. 10. 13 for. See note on the parentheses, v. 7.

1. 13-22 (A², p. 655). QUEEN VASHTI. DEGRADATION. (*Alternation*.)

A² c | 13-15. King's inquiry of wise men.
d | 16-20. Advice. Given.
c | 21. King's agreement with wise men.
d | 22. Advice. Acted on.

18 ladies = princesses.

19 not altered. Cp. Dan. 6. 8.

20 decree = rescript. Only here and Ecc. 8. 11. it is great: i. e. the decree is important.

ALL THE WIVES SHALL GIVE. This is the first of the five *Acrostics* (Ap. 6), exhibiting in the initials the Divine name. See Ap. 60.

2. 1-20 (A³, p. 655). QUEEN ESTHER. SUBSTITUTED. (*Repeated Alternation and Introversions*.)

A³ B¹ | 1-4. Maidens. Sought.

C¹ | e¹ | 5, 6. Mordecai. Position.
f¹ | 7. Esther. Relation.

B² | 8-. Maidens. Gathered.

C² | f² | -8, 9. Esther. Included.
e² | 10, 11. Mordecai. Solicitude.

B³ | 12-14. Maidens. Rotation.

C³ | f³ | 15-18. Esther. Selection.
e³ | 19, 20. Mordecai. Station.

1 After these things: i. e. in 467. Astyages was now twenty-one. In the seventh year (v. 16); one of these spent in preparations (v. 12).

Ahasuerus. See note on 1. 1.

Vashti. See note on 1. 9.

2 virgins. Heb. *bethulah*. See note on Gen. 24. 43.

3 custody = hand. chamberlain = eunuch.

4 maiden = a young person. Heb. *na'ar*.

5 a certain Jew = a man (Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II), a Jew. The contrast between Judah and Israel was lost in a strange land; and, as Nebuchadnezzar's campaign was against Judah, so "Jew" became the name used by Gentiles.

Mordecai. Daniel and Ezekiel taken to Babylon (2 Kings 24. 14, 15); Nehemiah and Mordecai to Shushan; and Mordecai dwelt in the royal palace, as did Daniel and others (Dan. 1. 4. 2 Kings 20. 16-18).

a Benjamite. Thus Mordecai, a Benjamite, ends Jehovah's war against Amalek. Ex. 17. 16. Cp. 3. 1 with 7. 10; 9. 10. A work entrusted to Saul (a Benjamite). 1 Sam. 15. 2-33.

6 Jeconiah = Jehoiachin (2 Kings 24. 6).

carried away. Cp. 2 Kings 24. 14, 15. Jer. 52. 24-34. 133 years before the generally received date (i. e. 598-465 = 133), which, therefore, cannot be correct. From the carrying away of Jeconiah to the marriage of Esther to Astyages in his seventh year was only twenty-two years (489-467). See Ap. 50. VII (5).

7 Hadassah = myrtle. Not living with Mordecai (who was in the palace, v. 5), but brought up by him.

Esther = star. But Rabbi Yehudah derives it from *gathar*, to hide, because she was hidden in her guardian's house; and her nationality also was concealed (v. 10).

father. Abihail: now dead. See v. 15; 9. 29.

5 Now in Shushan the palace there was °a certain Jew, whose name *was* °Mordecai, the son of Jair, the son of Shimei, the son of Kish, °a Benjamite;

6 Who had been carried away from Jerusalem with the captivity which had been carried away with °Jeconiah king of Judah, whom Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon had °carried away.

7 And he brought up °Hadassah, that *is*, °Esther, his uncle's daughter: for she had neither °father nor mother, and the °maid *was* fair and beautiful; whom Mordecai, when her

C¹ e¹

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467 father and mother were dead, took for his own daughter.

B² (p. 656) 8 So it came to pass, when the king's ° commandment and his ° decree was heard, and when many ° maidens were gathered together unto Shushan the palace, to the ° custody of Hegai,

C² F² that ° Esther was brought also unto the king's house, to the custody of Hegai, keeper of the women.

9 And the ° maiden pleased him, and she ° obtained kindness of him; and he speedily gave her her things for purification, with such things as belonged to her, and seven ° maidens, which were meet to be given her, out of the king's house: and he ° preferred her and her ° maids unto the best place of the house of the women.

e² 10 Esther had ° not shewed her People nor her kindred: for ° Mordecai had charged her that she should not shew it.

11 And ° Mordecai walked every day before the court of the women's house, ° to know how ° Esther did, and what should become of her.

B³ 12 Now when every ° maid's turn was come to go in to king ° Ahasuerus, after that she had been twelve months, according to the manner of the women, ° for so were the days of their purifications accomplished, to wit, six months with oil of myrrh, and six months with sweet odours, and with other things for the purifying of the women;)

13 Then thus came every ° maiden unto the king; whatsoever she desired was given her to go with her out of the house of the women unto the king's house.

14 In the evening she went, and on the morrow she returned into the second house of the women, to the ° custody of Shaashgaz, the king's ° chamberlain, which kept the concubines: she came in unto the king no more, except the king delighted in her, and that she were called by name.

C³ F³ 15 Now when the turn of ° Esther, the daughter of Abihail the uncle of Mordecai, who had taken her for his daughter, was come to go in unto the king, she required nothing but what Hegai the king's ° chamberlain, the keeper of the women, appointed. And ° Esther ° obtained favour in the sight of all them that looked upon her.

16 So ° Esther was taken unto king Ahasuerus into his house royal in the tenth month, which is the month ° Tebeth, in the ° seventh year of his reign.

17 And the king loved ° Esther above all the women, and she ° obtained grace and favour in his sight more than all the ° virgins; so that he set the royal crown upon her head, and made her queen instead of ° Vashti.

18 Then the king made a great feast unto all his princes and his servants, even ° Esther's feast; and he made a ° release to the provinces, and gave gifts, according to the state of the king.

e³ 19 And ° when the ° virgins were gathered together the second time, then ° Mordecai ° sat in the king's gate.

20 Esther had ° not yet shewed her kindred nor her People; ° as ° Mordecai had charged her: ° for Esther did the ° commandment of

3 commandment = word. Heb. *dābar*. See note on 1. 12. decree = Imperial decree. Heb. *dāth*, as in 3. 15; 4. 3, 8; 8. 14, 17; 9. 1, 13, 14. 9 obtained = won. preferred = promoted. Probably influenced by Mordecai.

10 not shewed. Not till 7. 3-5. This was Mordecai's wisdom. Cp. v. 20.

11 to know. This was Mordecai's solicitude. All this proves that these events must have taken place before the emancipation made by Cyrus (the son of this Astyages, Ap. 57), recorded in Ezra 1. No such secrecy would have been necessary, and no thought of allowing the People, whom he had just emancipated, to be exterminated, as is described in the book of Esther: But Cyrus, being her son, would be carefully prepared by her and Mordecai to begin his reign by such emancipation from Babylon (note, not from Shushan: cp. Ezra 1. 1 with Jer. 25. 11, 12), thus fulfilling Isa. 44. 28 and 45. 1-4.

12 for. Another Parenthesis. Ap. 6. See note on 1. 7. 16 Tebeth. See Ap. 51. VII. 5.

seventh year. The first feast was in the third year. The search probably took one year; the preparation another; oblations another. Other seasons are unnamed.

18 release = a holiday. Heb. *hānāhah*.

19 when, &c. = while they were collecting, &c.

sat in the king's gate. Mordecai was of the king's household. See v. 6. This guarded Esther's interests, and enabled him to obtain all information. (N.B. Haman lived in his own house with his family in the city.)

20 as = according as.

for, &c. Thus revealing a new characteristic of Esther. This secrecy was hardly needed if the emancipation of Ezra 1. 1 had already taken place.

commandment. Heb. *amar*, as in 1. 10, 15, 17.

2. 21-23 (F, p. 654). MORDECAI. DISCOVERY OF PLOT. (Alternation.)

F | g | 21-. Mordecai. Station.

h | -21. Conspiracy. Made.

g | 22, 23-. Mordecai. Discovery.

h | -23. Conspiracy. Punished.

21 gate. Heb. *sha'ar* = the lofty gate of a palace, not the same word as "door", v. 21; 6. 2.

door = threshold. Heb. *šaph*.

22 was known. Mordecai sat in the king's gate: the very place to hear all news.

23 written. See note on 6. 1.

3. 1-15 [For Structure see next page].

1 After these things. Haman was not made Grand Vizier till five years later. See v. 7.

Ahasuerus. See note on 1. 1.

Agagite. A descendant of Amalekite kings (Num. 24. 7. 1 Sam. 15. 8, 32). Called an Amalekite by Josephus (Ant. xi. 6. 5).

5 Mordecai, like as when she was brought up with him.

21 In those days, while ° Mordecai ° sat in the king's ° gate,

two of the king's chamberlains, Bigthan and Teresh, of those which kept the ° door, were wroth, and sought to lay hand on the king Ahasuerus.

22 And the thing ° was known to ° Mordecai, who told it unto ° Esther the queen; and Esther certified the king thereof in ° Mordecai's name.

23 And when inquisition was made of the matter, it was found out;

therefore they were both hanged on a tree: and it was ° written in the book of the chronicles before the king.

3 ° After these things did king ° Ahasuerus promote Haman the son of Hammedatha the ° Agagite, and advanced him, and set his seat above all the princes that were with him.

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467 2 And all the king's servants, that were in the king's gate, bowed, and revered Haman: for the king had so commanded concerning him.

k But Mordecai bowed not, nor did him reverence. (p. 658)

3 Then the king's servants, which were in the king's gate, said unto Mordecai, "Why transgressest thou the king's commandment?"

4 Now it came to pass, when they spake daily unto him, and he hearkened not unto them, that they told Haman, to see whether Mordecai's matters would stand: for he had told them that he was a Jew.

E 1 5 And when Haman saw that Mordecai bowed not, nor did him reverence, then was Haman full of wrath.

6 And he thought scorn to lay hands on Mordecai alone; for they had shewed him the People of Mordecai: wherefore Haman sought to destroy all the Jews that were throughout the whole kingdom of Ahasuerus, even the People of Mordecai.

m 1st Nisan 462 7 In the first month, (that is, the month Nisan,) in the twelfth year of king Ahasuerus, they cast Pur, that is, the lot, before Haman from day to day, and from month to month, to the twelfth month, that is, the month Adar.

D i 8 And Haman said unto king Ahasuerus, "There is a certain People scattered abroad and dispersed among the people in all the provinces of thy kingdom; and their laws are diverse from all people; neither keep they the king's laws: therefore it is not for the king's profit to suffer them.

9 If it please the king, let it be written that they may be destroyed: and I will pay ten thousand talents of silver to the hands of those that have the charge of the business, to bring it into the king's treasuries."

k 10 And the king took his ring from his hand, and gave it unto Haman the son of Hammedatha the Agagite, the Jews' enemy.

11 And the king said unto Haman, "The silver is given to thee, the People also, to do with them as it seemeth good to thee."

E m 12 Then were the king's scribes called on the thirteenth day of the first month,

l and there was written according to all that Haman had commanded unto the king's lieutenants, and to the governors that were over every province, and to the rulers of every people of every province according to the writing thereof, and to every people after their language; in the name of king Ahasuerus was it written, and sealed with the king's ring.

13 And the letters were sent by posts into all the king's provinces, to destroy, to kill, and to cause to perish, all Jews, both young and old, little children and women, in one day, even upon the thirteenth day of the twelfth month, which is the month Adar, and to take the spoil of them for a prey.

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14 The copy of the writing for a commandment to be given in every province was published unto all people, that they should be ready against that day.

15 The posts went out, being hastened by the king's commandment, and the decree was

3. 1-15 (G, p. 654). HAMAN. PLOT.

(Alternations and Introversion.)

G D | i | 1, 2-. Haman. Advancement.
k | -2-4. The king. Command re Haman.
E | 1 | 5, 6. The plot. Devised.
m | 7. Pur. The month by lot.
Twelfth month.
D | i | 8, 9. Haman. Plot purposed.
k | 10, 11. The king. Compliance with Haman.
E | m | 12-. Pur. The day by lot.
Thirteenth day.
l | -12-15. The plot. Succeeds.

2 gate = lofty porch. Heb. *sha'ar*. See note on 2. 21. bowed. Heb. *kāra'*. *Kāra'*, used of idols (1 Kings 19. 18. 2 Chron. 29. 29). *Shahah* is the word used of bowing to kings and others.

commanded = appointed or charged. Heb. *zavah*. Mordecai. See note on 2. 5.

bowed not. He could not bow to an Amalekite, against whom Jehovah had declared perpetual war. See note on Ex. 17. 16.

3 transgressest. Heb. *'abar*. Ap. 44. VII.

6 Haman sought. Another assault of Satan against the nation through whom the Seed of the woman was to come. See Ap. 23, p. 27.

7 they cast. From 1st Nisan 462 to 13th Adar 462. Pur. Persian for "lot". The reference is to "the monthly prognosticators" of Isa. 47. 13. This was to fix on a fortunate time. Cp. 9. 24.

8 Haman said. Having got the month and the day (the thirteenth, see v. 13, cp. Ap. 10), he could go to the king. There is a certain People. Would it have been necessary for Haman thus to have explained and described the Jews, if they had already received their emancipation? Impossible! We are asked to believe this according to the traditional teaching. But see note on 10. 3, and Ap. 57 and 58.

scattered abroad, &c. Cp. 2 Chron. 36. 23. Ezra 1. 1-4. There is no reference to any emancipation here. laws. See note on 1. 8. 9 talents. See Ap. 51. II.

10 the Jews' enemy. Haman so called four times: 3. 10; 8. 1; 9. 10, 24. No one else so called in Scripture.

11 the People also. This was the aim of the great enemy, who was using Haman as he had tried to use Pharaoh in Egypt. See Ap. 23.

12 the thirteenth day. Ominous number. See Ap. 10. Note the three thirteens: 3. 12, 13; 8. 12.

13 posts = the hand of the runners. Cp. 8. 10. destroy . . . kill . . . cause to perish. Note the Fig. *Synonymia* (Ap. 6), to emphasise the utter destruction contemplated.

perish. Heb. *'abad*. Here and 4. 16; 7. 4; 8. 11: not 9. 28. take the spoil. See note on 9. 10.

14 commandment = Imperial decree. Heb. *dath*. See note on 2. 8. people = peoples.

15 commandment = word. Heb. *dabar*. See note on 1. 12. decree. Heb. *dath*. See notes on 1. 8; 2. 8. sat down to drink. So Joseph's brethren (Gen. 37. 25), and Herod (Matt. 14. 6. Mark 6. 21). So will it be (Rev. 11. 7-10).

the city. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the inhabitants.

perplexed. A rare word. Ex. 14. 3, "entangled". Joel 1. 18. This verse speaks of the effect on the Persians. Ch. 4 speaks of the effect on the Jews. Contrast 8. 15.

4. 1-3 (F, p. 654). MORDECAI. DISCOVERY OF (HAMAN'S) PLOT. (Division.)

F | n¹ | 1, 2. Bitter cry. Mordecai. Shushan.
n² | 3. Bitter cry. Jews. Provinces.

1 done - being done.

given in Shushan the palace. And the king and Haman sat down to drink; but the city Shushan was perplexed.

4 When Mordecai perceived all that was done, Mordecai rent his clothes, and put

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462 on sackcloth with ashes, and went out into the midst of the city, and cried with a loud and a °bitter cry;

2 And came °even before the king's gate: for none *might* enter into the king's gate clothed with sackcloth.

ⁿ2 (p. 658) 3 And in every province, whithersoever the king's °commandment and his °decree came, *there was* great mourning among the Jews, °and °fasting, °and weeping, °and wailing; °and many lay in sackcloth and ashes.

^C1 ^G1 H (p. 659) 4 So Esther's °maids and her °chamberlains came and told *it* her. Then was the queen exceedingly grieved; and she sent raiment to clothe Mordecai, and to take away °his sackcloth from him: but he received *it* not.

J o 5 Then called Esther for Hatach, *one* of the king's °chamberlains, whom he had appointed to attend upon her, and gave him a °commandment to Mordecai, to know what *it was*, and why *it was*.

6 So Hatach went forth to Mordecai unto the street of the city, which *was* before the king's gate.

P 7 And Mordecai told him of all that had happened unto him, and of °the sum of the money that Haman had promised to pay to the king's treasuries for the Jews, to destroy them.

8 Also he gave him the copy of the writing of the °decree that was given at Shushan to destroy them; to shew *it* unto Esther, and to declare *it* unto her, and to charge her that she should go in unto the king, to make supplication unto him, and to make request before him for her People.

9 And Hatach came and told Esther the words of Mordecai.

J o 10 Again Esther spake unto Hatach, and gave him °commandment unto Mordecai;

11 "All the king's servants, and the people of the king's provinces, do know, that whosoever, whether °man or woman, shall come unto the king into the inner court, who is not called, *there is* one °law of his to put *him* to death, except such to whom the king shall hold out the golden sceptre, that he may live: but I have not been called to come in unto the king these thirty days."

P 12 And they told to Mordecai Esther's words.

13 Then Mordecai °commanded to answer Esther, "Think not with °thyself that thou shalt escape in the king's house, more than all the Jews.

14 For if thou altogether holdest thy peace at this time, *then* shall there °enlargement and deliverance arise to the Jews from another place; but *then* and thy father's house shall be destroyed: and °who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for *such* a time as this?"

H 15 Then Esther bade *them* return Mordecai *this answer*,

16 "Go, gather together all the Jews that are present in Shushan, and fast ye for me, and neither eat nor drink °three days, night or day: I also and my °maidens will fast likewise; and so will I go in unto the king, which *is* not according to the °law: and if °I perish, I perish."

bitter cry. Not (we may be sure) without confession and prayer, as with Nehemiah (ch. 1), and Daniel (ch. 9). 2 even—as far as.

3 commandment—word. See note on 1. 12.

decree—Imperial decree. Heb. *dāth*. See notes on 1. 8; 2. 8.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), to emphasise the greatness and universality of the mourning, fasting, &c. These were the accompaniments of true repentance.

4. 4—5. 14 (^C1, p. 654). ESTHER. INTERCESSION. (*Division*.)

^C1 | ^G1 | 4. 4-17. Esther and Mordecai.
| ^G2 | 5. 1-14. Esther and the king.

4. 4-17 (^G1, above). ESTHER AND MORDECAI. (*Introversion and Alternation*.)

^G1 | H | 4. Esther. Information.
| J | o | 5, 6. Esther. Inquiry of Mordecai.
| | p | 7-9. Mordecai. Reply and request.
| J | o | 10, 11. Esther. Message to Mordecai.
| | p | 12-14. Mordecai. Reply and expostulation.
| H | 15-17. Esther. Decision.

4 maids. See note on 2. 4.

chamberlains=eunuchs.

his. Edition of A.V., 1611, reads "the".

5 commandment—charge. Heb. *zavāh*. See 3. 2.

7 the sum of the money—the exact sum of the money. Mordecai knew of this, but how we cannot tell. He evidently did not know that the king had made Haman a present of it (3. 11).

11 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

law—Imperial decree. Heb. *dāth*. See note on 1. 8.

13 commanded. Heb. *'amar*. See note on 1. 10.

thyself—thy soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

14 enlargement—respite.

who knoweth...? Note the Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. Used here of hope and trust in God and His overruling grace.

16 three days, night or day. The Jerusalem Talmud says "a day and night together make up a *nukthēmeron*, and that any part of such period is counted as a whole". Cp. 1 Sam. 30. 12, 13. Jonah 1. 17. Matt. 12. 40. I perish. See note on 3. 13.

17 went his way=passed over: i.e. over the river Ulai, on which Shushan is built, to the Jewish quarter, to accomplish his part of the compact.

5. 1-14 (^G2, above). ESTHER AND THE KING. (*Alternations*.)

^G2 | K | 1, 2. King on royal throne.
| L | q | 3. King. Inquiry.
| | r | 4. Esther. Invitation given.
| q | 5-. King. Compliance.
| | r | 5. Esther. Invitation accepted.
| K | 6-. King at Esther's banquet.
| L | s | 6. King. Promise.
| | t | 7, 8. Esther. Second invitation.
| | s | 9-. Haman's joy.
| | t | 9-14. Esther. Second invitation.

1 the third day. The beginning of a new life for Israel. See Ap. 10.

inner court. All houses had courts; a palace had several.

over against=right opposite.

upon his royal throne. To transact business.

gate=porch, or entrance. Heb. *pethah*.

17 So Mordecai °went his way, and did according to all that Esther had °commanded him.

5 Now it came to pass on °the third day, that Esther put on *her* royal *apparel*, and stood in the °inner court of the king's house, °over against the king's house: and the king sat °upon his royal throne in the royal house, °over against the °gate of the house.

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462 2 And it was so, when the king saw Esther the queen standing in the court, *that* she °obtained favour in his sight: and the king held out to Esther the golden sceptre that *was* in his hand. So Esther drew near, and touched the top of the sceptre.

L q (p. 659) 3 Then said the king unto her, "What wilt thou, queen Esther? and what *is* thy request? it shall be even given thee to the half of the °kingdom."

r 4 And Esther answered, "If *it seem* good unto the king, °LET THE KING AND HAMAN COME THIS DAY unto the banquet that I have prepared for him."

q 5 Then the king said, "Cause Haman to make haste, that he may do as Esther hath said."

r So the king and Haman came to the banquet that Esther had prepared.

K 6 And the king said unto Esther at the banquet of wine, °"What *is* thy °petition? and it shall be granted thee: and what *is* thy °request?

L s even to the half of the °kingdom it shall be performed."

t (p. 659) 7 Then answered Esther, and said, "My petition and my request *is*;

8 If I have found favour in the sight of the king, and if it please the king to grant my petition, and to perform my request, let the king and Haman come to the banquet that I shall prepare for them, and I will °do to morrow as the king hath said."

s 9 Then went Haman forth that day joyful and with a glad heart:

t u but when Haman saw Mordecai in the king's gate, that he °stood not up, nor °moved for him, he was full of indignation against Mordecai.

v 10 Nevertheless Haman refrained himself: and when he came home, he sent and called for his friends, and °Zeresh his wife.

11 And Haman °told them of the glory of his riches, and the multitude of his °children, and all *the things* wherein the king had promoted him, and how he had advanced him above the princes and servants of the king.

v 12 Haman said moreover, "Yea, Esther the queen did let no man come in with the king unto the banquet that she had prepared but myself; and to morrow am I invited unto her also with the king.

u 13 Yet all °THIS AVAILETH ME NOTHING, so long as I see °Mordecai the Jew sitting at the king's gate."

14 Then said °Zeresh his wife and all his friends unto him, "Let a °gallows be made of fifty °cubits high, and °to morrow speak thou unto the king that Mordecai may be hanged thereon: then go thou in merrily with the king unto the banquet." And the thing pleased Haman; and he caused the °gallows to be made.

D³ (p. 654) 6 °On that night °could not the king sleep, and he °commanded to bring the book of records of the chronicles; and °they were read before the king.

2 obtained = won. Cp. 4. 11.

3 kingdom. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for a year's revenue. Cp. Mark 6. 23.

4 LET THE KING AND HAMAN COME THIS DAY. This is the second of the five *Acrostics* (Ap. 6) of the Divine name (Ap. 4. II) in this book. See Ap. 60. The second pivot on which the history turns.

6 What is thy petition? He must have seen that there was something behind the mere banquet. petition = question. request = wish.

8 do to morrow. She still keeps back her petition, showing the king that he had rightly divined that there was something important behind it.

5. -9-14 (t, p. 659). ESTHER. SECOND INVITATION. (*Introversion.*)

t | u | -9. Mordecai. Haman's indignation.

v | 10, 11. Haman. Ostentation.

v | 12. Haman. Pride.

u | 13, 14. Mordecai. Haman's gallows.

9 stood not up. Notwithstanding the crisis reached; and well knowing the cause of it.

moved = stirred. Only here, and Ecc. 12. 3.

Zeresh his wife. By *Gematria* = 507 (13³ × 3). See note on 9. 10, also Ap. 10.

11 told = recounted.

children = sons. He had ten sons. See 9. 10.

13 THIS AVAILETH ME NOTHING. This is the third of the five *Acrostics* of this book, exhibiting the Divine names (Ap. 4. II) to the eye. See Ap. 60.

Mordecai. The enmity was not merely personal, but religious; which is the worst form enmity can take.

14 gallows = tree: i. e. a stake to which a criminal was fastened till he died. The same word for cross. Cp. 2. 23; 7. 9; and see Acts 5. 30; 10. 39; 13. 29. 1 Pet. 2. 24. cubits. See Ap. 51. III (2).

to morrow. There was no delay; but, quick as the action was, it was none too soon for its real usefulness.

6. 1 On that night. The time for Divine action had come. See Ap. 23, p. 27.

could not the king sleep. God uses small things to accomplish His purposes. See note on Judg. 3. 21. We know not what He used here. But the time had come for Him to work.

commanded. Heb. 'amar. See note on 1. 10.

they . . . read. The very portion which God ruled for the working out of His plan.

2 Mordecai had told. See 2. 21, 22.

door = threshold. Heb. *saph*. Cp. 2. 21.

4 Now Haman was come. This was the next step. The Fig. *Parenthesis* (Ap. 6) is used to emphasise the importance of it. gallows = tree. See note on 5. 14.

5 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

standeth in the court. As explained in the *Parenthesis*, v. 4.

come in. Note the Fig. *Anaipsis* (Ap. 6); v. 5 ending with the same verb which begins the next sentence.

2 And it was found written, that °Mordecai had told of Bigthana and Teresh, two of the king's chamberlains, the keepers of the °door, who sought to lay hand on the king Ahasuerus.

3 And the king said, "What honour and dignity hath been done to Mordecai for this?" Then said the king's servants that ministered unto him, "There is nothing done for him."

4 And the king said, "Who *is* in the court?" °(Now Haman was come into the outward court of the king's house, to speak unto the king to hang Mordecai on the °gallows that he had prepared for him.)

5 And the king's servants said unto him, °"Behold, Haman °standeth in the court." And the king said, "Let him °come in."

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6 So Haman °came in. And the king said unto him, "What shall be done unto the °man whom the king delighteth to honour?" Now Haman °thought in his heart, "To whom would the king delight to do honour more than to myself?"

7 And Haman answered the king, "For the °man whom the king delighteth to honour,

8 Let the royal apparel be brought which the king useth to wear, °and the horse that the king rideth upon, °and the crown royal which is set upon his head:

9 °And let this apparel °and horse be delivered to the hand of °one of the king's most noble princes, that they may array the man withal whom the king delighteth to honour, °and bring him on horseback through the street of the city, °and proclaim before him, 'Thus shall it be done to the °man whom the king delighteth to honour.'"

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10 Then the king said to Haman, °"Make haste, and take the apparel and the horse, °as thou hast said, and do even so to Mordecai the Jew, that sitteth at the king's gate: let nothing fail of all that thou hast spoken."

11 Then took Haman the apparel and the horse, and arrayed Mordecai, and brought him on horseback through the street of the city, and proclaimed before him, "Thus shall it be done unto the °man whom the king delighteth to honour."

12 And Mordecai came again to the king's gate. But Haman °hasted to his house mourning, °and having his head covered.

13 °And Haman told °Zeresh his wife °and all his friends every thing that had befallen him. Then said his wise men and °Zeresh his wife unto him, "If Mordecai be of the seed of the Jews, before whom thou hast begun to fall, thou shalt not prevail against him, but shalt surely fall before him."

14 And °while they were yet talking with him, came the king's chamberlains, and °hasted to bring Haman unto the banquet that Esther had prepared.

6 came in. See note on v. 5.

man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II. thought = said.

8 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in vv. 8, 9, to emphasise the eagerness with which Haman enumerated the honours his heart desired.

9 one = a man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

10 Make haste = be expeditious. Heb. māhar, as in 5. 5; not dahaph (to urge oneself), as in v. 12; 3. 15; or bāhal (to hurry away), as in v. 14; 8. 14. as = according as.

12 hasted. Heb. dahaph. See note on v. 10.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in vv. 12, 13, emphasising the excitement which had seized him.

13 Zeresh. See note on 5. 14.

14 while. Everything was hastening to the approaching crisis.

7. 2 petition . . . request. See note on 5. 6. kingdom. See note on 5. 3.

3 my life = my soul. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13. Life put before petition, and her People put before her request.

4 are = have been.

sold. Implying that a bargain had been made.

destroyed . . . slain . . . perish. Note the Fig. *Synonymia* (Ap. 6), to emphasise the urgency of her petition. Cp. 3. 13. perish. See note on 3. 13.

countervail = make good, or compensate.

5 answered and said. Note the idiom = threatened and said. See note on Deut. 1. 41.

WHO IS HE, AND WHERE IS HE . . . ? This is the fifth Acrostic, which gives (not Jehovah but) the Divine Name "I AM" of Ex. 3. 14. See Ap. 60.

HE. Note the emphatic repetition of this pronoun.

7 life = soul. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13.

THAT THERE WAS EVIL DETERMINED AGAINST HIM. This is the fourth, and last, of the four acrostics exhibiting the name Jehovah in this book. See Ap. 60.

evil. Heb. rā'a'. Ap. 44. viii.

the king. Note the Fig. *Epanadiplosis* (Ap. 6), the verse beginning and ending with the same word, marking and emphasising its importance.

8 bed = couch.

Will he force . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

9 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

gallows. See note on 5. 14.

cubits. See Ap. 51. III. 2 (1).

10 they hanged Haman. See note on "Benjamite" (2. 5).

C² 7 So the king and Haman came to banquet with Esther the queen.

B³ D³ 2 And the king said again unto Esther on the second day at the banquet of wine,

E¹ K "What is thy °petition, queen Esther? and it shall be granted thee: and what is thy °request? and it shall be performed, even to the half of the °kingdom."

I 3 Then Esther the queen answered and said, "If I have found favour in thy sight, O king, and if it please the king, let °my life be given me at my petition, and my People at my request:

4 For we °are °sold, 3 and my People, to be °destroyed, to be °slain, and to °perish. But if we had been sold for bondmen and bondwomen, I had held my tongue, although the enemy could not °countervail the king's damage."

K 5 Then the king Ahasuerus °answered and said unto Esther the queen, °"WHO IS °HE, AND WHERE IS HE, that durst presume in his heart to do so?"

6 And Esther said, "The adversary and enemy is this wicked Haman." Then Haman was afraid before the king and the queen.

7 And the king arising from the banquet of wine in his wrath went into the palace garden: and Haman stood up to make request for his °life to Esther the queen; for he saw °THAT THERE WAS °EVIL DETERMINED AGAINST HIM by °the king.

8 Then the king returned out of the °palace garden into the place of the banquet of wine; and Haman was fallen upon the °bed whereon Esther was. Then said the king, °"Will he force the queen also before me in the house?" As the word went out of the king's mouth, they covered Haman's face.

9 And Harbonah, one of the chamberlains, said before the king, °"Behold also, the °gallows fifty °cubits high, which Haman had made for Mordecai, who had spoken good for the king, standeth in the house of Haman." Then the king said, "Hang him thereon."

10 So °they hanged Haman on the °gallows that he had prepared for Mordecai. Then was the king's wrath pacified.

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17 And in every province, and in every city, whithersoever the king's ¹⁴ commandment and his ¹⁴ decree came, the Jews had joy and gladness, a feast and a good day. And many of the people of the land ^o became Jews; for the fear of the Jews fell upon them.

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9 Now in the twelfth month, that is, the month Adar, on the ^o thirteenth day of the same, when the king's ^o commandment and his ^o decree drew near to be put in execution, in the day that the enemies of the Jews hoped to have ^o power over them, ^o (though it was turned to the contrary, that ^o the Jews had rule over them that hated them;)

2 The Jews gathered themselves together in their cities throughout all the provinces of the king Ahasuerus, to lay hand on such as sought their hurt: and no ^o man could ^o withstand them; for the fear of them fell upon all ^o people.

3 And all the rulers of the provinces, and the lieutenants, and the deputies, and officers of the king, helped the Jews; because the fear of Mordecai fell upon them.

4 For ^o Mordecai was great in the king's house, and his fame went out throughout all the provinces: for this ² man Mordecai waxed greater and greater.

d¹ 5 Thus the Jews smote all their enemies with the stroke of the ^o sword, ^o and ^o slaughter, ^o and ^o destruction, ^o and did what they would unto those that hated them.

6 And in Shushan the palace the Jews slew and ^o destroyed five hundred ² men.

7 ^o And Parshandatha, and Dalphon, and Aspatha,

8 And Poratha, and Adalia, and Aridatha,

9 And Parmashta, and Arisai, and Aridai, and Vajezatha,

10 ^o The ten sons of Haman the son of Hammedatha, ^o the enemy of the Jews, ^o slew they;

e¹ but on the spoil ^o laid they not their hand.

O i 11 On that day the number of those that were slain in Shushan the palace was brought before the king.

k 12 And the king said unto Esther the queen, "The Jews have slain and destroyed five hundred ² men in Shushan the palace, and the ten sons of Haman; what have they done in the rest of the king's provinces? now what is thy petition? and it shall be granted thee: or what is thy request further? and it shall be done."

13 Then said Esther, "If it please the king, let it be granted to the Jews which are in Shushan to do to morrow also according unto this day's ¹ decree, and ^o let Haman's ten sons ^o be hanged upon the gallows."

i 14 And the king ^o commanded it so to be done: and the ¹ decree was given at Shushan; and they hanged Haman's ten sons.

the whole family = 10,868 (13 × 836). See Ap. 10 for the significance of this. On the other hand, 'Eth-Hadassah hi' Esther (2. 7) adds up 1,152 = 8 × 12², and "Mordecai", son of Jair, son of Shimei, son of Kish, a Benjamite (2. 5), adds up 1,912 = (8 × 239). See Ap. 10. slew they. See note on "Benjamite" (2. 5). They probably remembered taking the spoil instead of obeying in 1 Sam. 15. Hence the emphasis on this in vv. 10, 15, 16. 13 let Haman's ten sons be hanged. One of the ten deaths occasioned or obtained by women. See note on Judg. 4. 21. death. They were slain in conflict first. See vv. 6, 7.

17 became Jews = made common cause with the Jews.

9. 1-28 (M, p. 654). ESTHER. PLEA FOR HER PEOPLE. (Repeated Alternation and Introversion.)

M N¹ c¹ | 1-4. Assemblage.
d¹ | 5-10-. Slaughter. Palace.
e¹ | -10. Abstinence from plunder.
O | i | 11. King. Receives report.
k | 12, 13. Esther's request.
i | 14. King. Makes another decree.
N² | c² | 15-. Assemblage.
d² | -15-. Slaughter. Shushan. City.
e² | -15. Abstinence from plunder.
c³ | 16-. Assemblage.
d³ | -16-. Slaughter. Provinces.
e³ | -16. Abstinence from plunder.
O | l | 17. Feasting. Provinces. One day (13th).
m | 18. Feasting. Shushan. Three days (13th, 14th, and 15th).
l | 19. Feasting. Villages. One day (14th).
N³ | f | 20. Letters of Mordecai.
g | 21, 22. Days. Commemoration.
h | 23, 24. Observance.
f | 25. Letters of the king.
g | 26. Days. Names (Purim).
h | 27, 28. Observance.

1 thirteenth. See note on 3. 12.

commandment. Heb. *dābar*. See note on 1. 12.

decree. Heb. *dāth*. See note on 2. 8.

power = mastery. See note on 8. 11.

though, &c. Note the *Parenthesis*. Ap. 6.

the Jews = the Jews themselves.

2 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. 11.

withstand = stand before. people = the peoples.

4 Mordecai = the man (Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. 11) Mordecai, greatly emphasising the person. Cp. Num. 12. 3. 1 Kings 11. 28. Dan. 9. 21.

5 sword . . . slaughter . . . destruction. Note the Fig. *Synonymia* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton*. Ap. 6.

6 destroyed, &c. Note that they took no advantage of the permission given in 8. 11.

7 And. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in vv. 7-9, particularising each one of Haman's ten sons.

10 The ten sons. In all Heb. MSS. and printed editions these ten names are written with the word *ve'eth*, being the demonstrative pronoun = self, or this same, or himself, thus:

<i>ve'eth</i>	Parshandatha,
<i>ve'eth</i>	Dalphon,
<i>ve'eth</i>	Aspatha,
<i>ve'eth</i>	Poratha,
<i>ve'eth</i>	Adalia,
<i>ve'eth</i>	Aridatha,
<i>ve'eth</i>	Parmashta,
<i>ve'eth</i>	Arisai,
<i>ve'eth</i>	Aridai,
<i>ve'eth</i>	Vajezatha.

It has been suggested that it is because they were hanged one above another. But, as each Hebrew character is a number as well as a letter, the numerical value of these names (regarded as an addition sum) amounts to 10,244, or 13 × 788; while Haman the Agagite = 117 (13 × 9), and Zeresh = 507 (13 × 39), and

the enemy of the Jews. See note on 3. 10.

laid they not their hand. Cp. note on "take the spoil" in 1 Sam. 15. Hence the emphasis on this in vv. 10, 15, 16.

13 let Haman's ten sons be hanged. One of the ten deaths occasioned or obtained by women. See note on Judg. 4. 21.

be hanged. Not alive, but hanged up after death. They were slain in conflict first. See vv. 6, 7.

14 commanded. Heb. *'amar*. See note on 1. 10.

N² c² 15 For the Jews that *were* in Shushan gathered themselves together on the fourteenth day also of the month Adar,

d² and slew three hundred ² men at Shushan ;
e³ but on the prey they ¹⁰ laid not their hand.

c³ 16 But the other Jews that *were* in the king's provinces gathered themselves together,

d³ and stood for ° their lives, and ° had rest from their enemies, and slew of their foes seventy and five thousand,

e³ but they ¹⁰ laid not their hands on the prey,

O 1 17 On the ¹ thirteenth day of the month Adar ; and on the fourteenth day of the same rested they, and made it a day of feasting and gladness.

m 18 But the Jews that *were* at Shushan assembled together on the ¹ thirteenth day thereof, and on the fourteenth thereof; and on the fifteenth day of the same they rested, and made it a day of feasting and gladness.

l 19 Therefore the Jews of the villages, that dwelt in the unwall'd towns, made the fourteenth day of the month Adar a day of gladness and feasting, and a good day, and of sending portions one to another.

N³ f 20 And Mordecai wrote these things, and sent letters unto all the Jews that *were* in all the provinces of the king Ahasuerus, both nigh and far,

g 21 To ° stablish *this* among them, that they should keep the fourteenth day of the month Adar, and the fifteenth day of the same, yearly,

22 As the days wherein the Jews rested from their enemies, and the month which was turned unto them from sorrow to joy, and from mourning into a good day: that they should make them days of feasting and joy, and of sending portions one to another, and gifts to the poor.

h 23 And the Jews undertook to do as they had begun, and as Mordecai had written unto them ;
24 Because Haman the son of Hammedatha, the Agagite, ¹⁰ the enemy of all the Jews, had devised against the Jews to destroy them, and had cast Pur, that *is*, the lot, to consume them, and to destroy them ;

f 25 But when *Esther* came before the king, he ¹⁴ commanded by letters that his wicked ° device, which he devised against the Jews, should return upon his own head, and that he and his sons should be hanged on the gallows.

g 26 Wherefore they called these days ° Purim after the name of ° Pur. Therefore for all the words of this letter, and of *that* which they had seen concerning this matter, and which had come unto them,

h 27 The Jews ° ordained, and took upon them, and upon their seed, and upon all such as joined themselves unto them, so as it should not fail, that they would keep these two days according to their writing, and according to their appointed time every year ;

28 And *that* these days *should* be remembered and kept throughout every generation, every family, every province, and every city ; and *that* these days of ²⁶ Purim ° should not fail from among the Jews, nor the memorial of them ° perish from their seed.

16 their lives = themselves Heb. *nepheesh*. Ap. 18. had rest from. Dr. Ginsburg thinks the Heb. should read "to avenge themselves upon". Cp. 8. 13.

21 stablish = ordain. Heb. *kūm*, as in vv. 29, 31.

25 device, which he devised = his great device. Fig. *Polyptoton*. Ap. 6.

26 Purim = lots. The name of the feast to this day. Pur. See note on 8. 7.

27 ordained. Heb. *kūm*, as in vv. 21, 31.

28 should not fail. This sounds like a prophecy, and sets a seal on the inspiration of the book.

perish = come to an end. See note on 8. 13.

9. 29-32 (C⁴, p. 654). ESTHER. ROYAL AUTHORITY. (Alternation.)

C⁴ n | 29-. Esther. Authority.

o | -29-31-. Confirmation.

n | -31. Esther. Authority.

o | 32. Confirmation.

29 the daughter of Abihail. See 2. 15.

confirm. Heb. *kūm*, as in vv. 21, 31.

30 hundred, &c. See note on 1. 1.

31 enjoined = ordained. Heb. *kūm*.

as = according as.

decreed = ordained. Heb. *kūm*, as in vv. 27, 29, 31.

themselves = their souls. Heb. *nepheesh*. Ap. 18.

32 decree = command. Heb. *ma'amar*. Occurs only in Esther (1. 18 ; 2. 20).

10. 1 isles = coasts.

2 power. Heb. *tokeph*. See note on 8. 11.

are they not . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

3 next = the second = the Grand Vizier. Cp. 8. 2.

speaking peace = maintaining peace.

his seed: i.e. the People of Israel. N.B. in Persia, not Judæa.

Thus was prepared the way for the emancipation of the Jews, which, not long after, was proclaimed by Cyrus (Ezra 1. 1), the son of Astyages and Esther (see Ap. 57), and is further proof that this book comes, chronologically, before the book Ezra-Nehemiah. N.B. the year 461 is the midway year of the Babylonian Servitude (496-426). See special note on p. 615.

29 Then Esther the queen, ° the daughter of Abihail, and Mordecai the Jew, wrote with all authority,

to ° confirm this second letter of ²⁶ Purim.

30 And he sent the letters unto all the Jews, to the ° hundred twenty and seven provinces of the kingdom of Ahasuerus, *with* words of peace and truth,

31 To ²⁹ confirm these days of ²⁶ Purim in their times appointed,

according as Mordecai the Jew and Esther the queen had ° enjoined them, and ° as they had ° decreed for ° themselves and for their seed, the matters of the fastings and their cry.

32 And the ° decree of Esther confirmed these matters of ²⁶ Purim ; and it was written in the book.

10 And the king Ahasuerus laid a tribute upon the land, and upon the ° isles of the sea.

2 And all the acts of his ° power and of his might, and the declaration of the greatness of Mordecai, whereunto the king advanced him, ° are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Media and Persia ?

3 For Mordecai the Jew was ° next unto king Ahasuerus, and great among the Jews, and accepted of the multitude of his brethren, seeking the wealth of his People, and ° speaking peace to all ° his seed.

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JOB.

THE STRUCTURE OF THE BOOK AS A WHOLE.

(*Introversion.*)

A | 1. 1-5. INTRODUCTION. HISTORICAL

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A | 42. 14-17. CONCLUSION. HISTORICAL

* Note that by this grand *Introversion* the ministry of ELIHU, the Mediator, is placed in the middle, summing up the ministry of Job's three friends, and introducing the ministry of JEHOVAH.

NOTE ON THE DATE AND AUTHORSHIP OF THE BOOK OF JOB.

A lengthened account of the discussion of these questions would be without profit.

But, if JOB was the son of ISSACHAR (Gen. 46. 13), then we have a clue that may help us to a decision of both.

It is better to keep within the Bible itself for the settlement of its problems; and to treat the whole Book as the context of all its parts.

There is no reason why JOB should not be the son of ISSACHAR, and no better evidence is forthcoming for a different view.

The three friends of Job were descendants of Esau; they would therefore be contemporaries.

ELIPHAZ, of TEMAN, in Idumea, was a son of ESAU, and had a son called TEMAN, from whom his country took its name (Gen. 36. 10, 11). It was noted for its "wise men" (Jer. 49. 7); and is mentioned with EDM (Amos 1 11, 12). Compare Jer. 25. 23, where both are connected with Bcz, the brother of Uz (Gen. 22. 21).

BILDAD the Shubite. SHUAH was the sixth son of ABRAHAM by KETURAH (Gen. 25. 2); and is mentioned in connection with ESAU, EDM, and TEMAN (Jer. 49. 8).

ZOPHAR the Naamathite. NAAMAH (now *Nā'aneh*, six miles south of Lod, in the lowlands of Judah).

If JOB was the son of ISSACHAR (Gen. 46. 13), he would have gone down to Egypt with his father.

ISSACHAR was forty at "the going down to Egypt". (See Ap. 50. III, p. 52.)

If JOB was the third son (Gen. 46. 13), he would have been about twenty at that time (1706 B. C.).

We are told that he lived 140 years after his "double" blessing (42. 10). If that "double" blessing included length of years, then his age would have been $70 + 140 = 210$ (i. e. three seventies of years). His lifetime would be from 1726-1516 B. C.

According to this, he was born the year after JOSEPH was sold, and died 119 years after the death of JOSEPH (in 1635 B. C.). When JOSEPH died, JOB was ninety-one. If his "double" blessing did include length of years, then his affliction took place twenty-one years previously, when he was seventy. His removal from Egypt to Uz must therefore have taken place earlier still.

When JOB died (1516 B. C.) MOSES was fifty-five, and had been in MIDIAN fifteen years (twenty-five years before the Exodus).

This would account for JOB being a worshipper of the God of ABRAHAM, and explains how Moses could have been the author of the book, and perhaps an eye- and ear-witness of the events it records in Midian. If so, the time has come (as Dr. Stier foretold and hoped¹) when this book would be regarded as "the *Porch* of the Sanctuary"; and when this "fundamental wisdom of original revelation will cease to be ascribed, as it now is by some of the best, to a later poet in Israel".

¹ *The Words of the Lord Jesus*. Vol. iv, p. 406.

°THE BOOK OF JOB.

A A
(p. 667)
1726-1516

1 °THERE °was a °man in the land of °Uz,
°whose name was °Job; and °that °man
°was °perfect and upright, and one that feared
°God, and eschewed °evil.

B **2** And there were born unto him seven sons
and three daughters.

C **3** His substance also was seven thousand
sheep, °and three thousand camels, and five
hundred yoke of oxen, and five hundred she
asses, and a very great household ;

C so that this °man was the greatest of all the
°men of the east.

B **4** And his sons went and feasted in their
houses, every °one °his day; and sent and
called for their three sisters to eat and to drink
with them.

A **5** And it was so, when the days of their
feasting °were gone about, that Job sent and
sanctified them, and rose up early in the
morning, and °offered burnt offerings accord-
ing to the number of them all: for Job said,
"It may be that my sons have °sinned, and
°cursed °God in their hearts." Thus did Job
continually.

B D a **6** Now there °was a day when the °sons of
°God came to °present themselves before °the
LORD, and °Satan came also among them.

to the borders of Chaldaea. Job. In Heb. 'Iyyōb = afflicted. that = this. was = came to be, as
in Gen. 1. 2. perfect = inoffensive. None are "perfect" in the English sense of the word. Heb. tām.
See Gen. 20. 5. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. evil. Heb. rā'a'. Ap. 44. viii. 3 and. Note
the Fig. Polysyndeton. Ap. 6. men - sons. 4 one = man, as in v. 1. his day. Probably = birthday.
Cp. v. 5; 3. 3. Gen. 40. 20. 5 were gone about = came round. offered = offered up. Ap. 43. I. vi.
Showing that, from Gen. 4 onward, the institution was observed. sinned. Heb. chātā'. Ap. 44. i.
cursed. One of the eighteen emendations of the Sopherim (Ap. 33), by which the primitive Heb. text,
kālal = to curse, was changed to barak = to bless, as in v. 11 and 2. 5, 9. Translated "cursed" in A.V., and
"renounced" in R.V., in spite of bārak (blessed) standing in the printed text. See notes on 2 Sam. 12. 14
and Ps. 10. 3.

1. 6-2. 10 (B, p. 665). SATAN'S ASSAULT. (Extended Alternation.)

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| B | D | a | 1. 6. Presentation of the Adversary. |
| | | b | 1. 7. Jehovah's question. |
| | | c | 1. 8. His approbation of Job. |
| | | d | 1. 9-11. Calumination of the Adversary. |
| | | e | 1. 12-. Limited permission given. |
| | | f | 1. -12. Departure of the Adversary. |
| | | g | 1. 13-19. Inflictions (Job's possessions). |
| | | h | 1. 20, 21. Job's patience. |
| | | i | 1. 22. Job not sinning. |
| | D | a | 2. 1. Presentation of the Adversary. |
| | | b | 2. 2. Jehovah's question. |
| | | c | 2. 3. His approbation of Job. |
| | | d | 2. 4, 5. Calumination of the Adversary. |
| | | e | 2. 6. Limited permission given. |
| | | f | 2. 7-. Departure of the Adversary. |
| | | g | 2. -7. Infliction (Job's person). |
| | | h | 2. 8-10-. Job's patience. |
| | | i | 2. -10. Job not sinning. |

6 sons of God - the angels. Cp. 38. 7, and see Ap. 23. present themselves = take their stations.
the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. Satan = the Adversary.

TITLE, The Book of Job has always formed an
integral part of the Hebrew Canon; and some fifty-
seven passages in it are quoted or referred to in the
other books of the Bible. See Ap. 61.

The object of the book is to show "the end of the
LORD" (Jas. 5. 11): the end to which Job was brought
in 40. 4, 5; 42. 5, 6; viz. the confession of human impo-
tence in attaining righteousness, and thankfully casting
himself on Divine omnipotence for salvation. All tends
to this "end". The three friends show the impotence
of human experience (Eliphaz), human tradition (Bil-
dad), and human merit (Zophar). Elihu points to God
as the giver of a Divine righteousness for helpless
guilty sinners. See note on p. 666.

1. 1-5 (A, p. 665). THE INTRODUCTION. HISTORICAL. (Introversion.)

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| A | A | 1. Job's character. |
| | B | 2. His sons and daughters. Their number. |
| | C | 3-. His possessions. Great. |
| | C | -3. His position. Great. |
| | B | 4. His sons and daughters. Their unanimity. |
| | A | 5. Job's conduct. |

1 There was a man = A man came to be. This settles
the question as to the historical fact.

was = came to be. See note on p. 666.

man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

Uz. In Gen. 22. 20, 21, immediately after the offering
of Isaac, Abraham hears that his brother Nahor has
eight sons, and among them two named Uz and Buz,
and Kemuel the father of Aram. Uz gives his name
to the land. Buz and Aram are connected with Elihu
(32. 2). See Ap. 62.

The land of Uz is mentioned in Jer. 25. 20 and
Lam. 4. 21. South of Edom, west of Arabia, extending

b 7 And ⁶the LORD said unto ⁶Satan, "Whence
i7) comest thou?" Then ⁶Satan answered ⁶the
LORD, and said, "From going to and fro in the
earth, and from walking up and down in it."

c 8 And ⁶the LORD said unto ⁶Satan, "Hast
thou considered My servant Job, that *there is*
none like him in the earth, a ¹perfect and an
upright ¹man, one that feareth ¹God, and es-
cheweth ⁶evil?"

d 9 Then ⁶Satan answered ⁶the LORD, and said,
"Doth Job fear ¹God for nought?"

10 ⁶Hast not ¹Thou made an hedge about him,
and about his house, and about all that he hath
on every side? Thou hast blessed the work of
his hands, and his substance is increased in
the land.

11 But put forth Thine ⁶hand now, and ⁶touch
all that he hath, and He will ⁶curse Thee to
Thy face."

e 12 And ⁶the LORD said unto ⁶Satan, "Behold,
all that he hath *is* in thy ⁶power; only upon
himself put not forth thine hand."

f So ⁶Satan went forth from the presence of ⁶the
LORD.

g 13 And ⁶there ¹was ⁶a day when his sons and
56 his daughters *were* eating and drinking ⁶wine
in their eldest brother's house:

14 And there came a messenger unto Job,
⁶and said, "The oxen were plowing, and the
asses feeding beside them:

15 And ⁶the Sabeans fell *upon them*, and
took them away; yea, they have slain the
⁶servants with the edge of the sword; and ³
only am escaped alone to tell thee."

16 ⁶While he *was* yet speaking, there came
also another, and said, "The fire of ¹God is
fallen from heaven, ¹⁴and hath burned up the
sheep, and the servants, and consumed them;
and ³only am escaped alone to tell thee."

17 ¹⁶While he *was* yet speaking, there came
also another, and said, "The Chaldeans made
out three bands, ¹⁴and fell upon the camels,
and have carried them away, yea, and slain
the servants with the edge of the sword; and
³only am escaped alone to tell thee."

18 ¹⁶While he *was* yet speaking, there came
also another, and said, "Thy sons and thy
daughters *were* eating and drinking ¹³wine in
their eldest brother's house:

19 And, ⁶behold, there came a great ⁶wind
from the wilderness, and smote the four corners
of the house, and it fell upon the young men,
and they are dead; and ³only am escaped
alone to tell thee."

h 20 Then Job arose, and rent his mantle, and
⁶shaved his head, and fell down upon the
ground, and worshipped,

21 And said, "Naked came I out of my mo-
ther's womb, and naked shall I return thither:
⁶the LORD gave, and ⁶the LORD hath taken
away; blessed be the name of ⁶the LORD."

i 22 In all ⁶this Job ⁶sinned not, nor charged
¹God ⁶foolishly.

a 2 Again there ⁶was ⁶a day when ⁶the sons
of ⁶God came to present themselves before
⁶the LORD, and ⁶Satan came also among them
to present himself before ⁶the LORD.

8 evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

9 Doth Job . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

10 Hast not Thou . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

11 hand. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for
power exercised by it.

touch = hurt. Fig. *Tapeinosis* (Ap. 6), meaning much
more than "touch".

12 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

power. Heb. "hand". Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of
Cause), Ap. 6, for power exercised by it.

13 there was a day = the fit, or usual day. When
Job was seventy. See notes on p. 666.

wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. i.

14 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), to em-
phasise the details in all these reports of the calamities.

15 the Sabeans. Heb. Sheba. Put by Fig. *Me-
tonymy* (of the Subject), Ap. 6, for the people of Sheba.
Cp. 6. 19. Isa. 60. 6. servants = young men.

16 While he *was* yet speaking. Repeated three
times to show the rapidity and vehemence of Satan's
assault.

The fire of God = A fire of Elohim. Fig. *Enallage*
(Ap. 6) a great (or terrible) fire. Elohim used as an
adj. Cp. Song 8. 6. Ps. 80. 10.

19 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

20 shaved his head. Symbolic of mourning (Lev.
21. 5. Jer. 7. 29; 16. 6. Mic. 1. 16).

22 this: i. e. these calamities.

sinned. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

foolishly with injustice.

2. 1 was = came to be. a day - the fit, or usual.
the sons of God. See note on 1. 6.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II, and Ap. 23.

Satan = the Adversary.

3 perfect and an upright. See note on 1. 1.

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

4 Skin. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6, one part of
the body put for the whole. Also Fig. *Paræmia*. Ap. 6.
life = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

5 But = However.

put forth Thine hand. See note on 1. 11.

touch = touch bone to his.

curse. See note on 1. 5.

6 save his life = save his soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

2 And ¹the LORD said unto ¹Satan, "From
whence comest thou?" And ¹Satan answered
¹the LORD, and said, "From going to and fro
in the earth, and from walking up and down
in it."

3 And ¹the LORD said unto ¹Satan, "Hast
thou considered My servant Job, that *there is*
none like him in the earth, a ⁶perfect and an
upright ⁶man, one that feareth ¹God, and
escheweth ⁶evil? and still he holdeth fast his
integrity, although thou movedst Me against
him, to destroy him without cause."

4 And ¹Satan answered ¹the LORD, and said,
"Skin for skin, yea, all that a ³man hath will
he give for his ⁶life.

5 ⁶But ⁶put forth Thine hand now, and ⁶touch
his bone and his flesh, and he will ⁶curse Thee
to Thy face."

6 And ¹the LORD said unto ¹Satan, "Behold,
he *is* in thine hand; but ⁶save his life."

7 So went ¹Satan forth from the presence of
¹the LORD,

and smote Job with sore boils from the sole of
his foot unto his crown.

^h 8 And he took him a potsherd to scrape himself withal; and he °sat down among the ashes.
 (p. 667) ¹⁶⁵⁶ 9 Then said his wife unto him, °“Dost thou still °retain thine integrity? °curse °God, and die.”

10 But he said unto her, “Thou speakest as one of the foolish women speaketh. °What? °shall we receive good at °the hand of °God, and shall we not receive °evil?”

ⁱ In all °this did not Job °sin with his lips.

^{C E j} (p. 669) 11 Now when Job's three friends heard of all this °evil that was come upon him, they came °every one from his own place; °Eliphaz the Temanite, and °Bildad the Shubite, and °Zophar the Naamathite:

^k for they had made an appointment together to come to mourn with him and to comfort him.

^F 12 And when they lifted up their eyes afar off, and knew him not, they lifted up their voice, and wept;

^F and they rent °every one his mantle, and sprinkled dust upon their heads toward heaven.

^{E j} 13 So they sat down with him upon the ground seven days and seven nights, and none spake a word unto him:

^k for they saw that his grief was very great.

^{D G¹ L¹} 3 °After this opened Job his mouth, and °cursed °his day.
 2 And Job °spake, and said,
 3 “Let the day perish wherein I was born, °and the night in which it was said, ‘There is a °man child conceived.’
 4 Let that day be °darkness; let not °^{GD} regard it from above, neither let the light shine upon it.
 5 Let °darkness and °the shadow of death °stain it; let a cloud dwell upon it; let the blackness of the day terrify it.
 6 As for that night, let °darkness seize upon it; let it not be joined unto the days of the year, let it not come into the number of the months.

8 sat down – was sitting.

9 Dost thou . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsia*. Ap. 6. retain – remain firm in.

10 What? shall we . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsia*. Ap. 6. the hand – from. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6. God. Heb. Elohīm (with Art.) – the [true] God. Ap. 4. I. this – these calamities. sin. Heb. *chātā*. Ap. 44. i.

2. 11–13 (C, p. 665). THE THREE FRIENDS. THEIR ARRIVAL.

(Introversion and Alternation.)

^C ^{E j} | 11-. Their visit. Hearing of Job's calamities.
 | ^k | -11. The reason.
 | ^F | 12-. Their sorrow. (Real.)
 | ^F | -12. Their sorrow. (Symbolical.)
 | ^{E j} | 13-. Their visit. Seeing Job's calamities.
 | ^k | -13. The reason.

11 every one. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II.

Eliphaz. From Teman, which is connected with Esau and Edom (Gen. 36. 4, 11. 1 Chron. 1. 35, 36, 53, &c.). Temanites famed for wisdom. He argued from the standpoint of human *experience*.

Bildad. Probably descended from Shuah, youngest son of Keturah by Abraham (Gen. 25. 2). Settled east of Palestine (Gen. 25. 6). He argued from human *tradition*.

Zophar. Probably from Naamah, southern frontier of Judah. He argued from the ground of human *merit*.

3. 1–31. 4 (D, p. 665). JOB AND HIS FRIENDS. (Introversion and Repeated Alternation.)

^D ^{G¹} | 3. 1–26. Job's lamentation. Introduction.
 | ^{H¹} | ^{J¹} | 4. 1–5. 27. Eliphaz's first address.
 | | ^{K¹} | 6. 1–7. 21. Job's reply to Eliphaz.
 | | ^{J²} | 8. 1–22. Bildad's first address.
 | | ^{K²} | 9. 1–10. 22. Job's reply to Bildad.
 | | ^{J³} | 11. 1–24. Zophar's first address.
 | | ^{K³} | 12. 1–14. 22. Job's reply to Zophar.
 | ^{H²} | ^{J⁴} | 15. 1–35. Eliphaz's second address.
 | | ^{K⁴} | 16. 1–17. 16. Job's reply to Eliphaz.
 | | ^{J⁵} | 18. 1–21. Bildad's second address.
 | | ^{K⁵} | 19. 1–29. Job's reply to Bildad.
 | | ^{J⁶} | 20. 1–29. Zophar's second address.
 | | ^{K⁶} | 21. 1–34. Job's reply to Zophar.
 | ^{H³} | ^{J⁷} | 22. 1–30. Eliphaz's third address.
 | | ^{K⁷} | 23. 1–24. 25. Job's reply to Eliphaz.
 | | ^{J⁸} | 25. 1–6. Bildad's third address.
 | | ^{K⁸} | 26. 1–27. 10. Job's reply to Bildad.
 | | ^{J⁹} | 27. 11–28. 28. Zophar's third address.¹
 | ^{G²} | 29. 1–31. 40. Job's self-justification. Conclusion.

¹ For the reasons for this division, see note on 27. 11.

3. 1–26 (G¹, above). JOB'S LAMENTATION. (Repeated Alternation.)

^{G¹} | ^{L¹} | 3. 1–9. Birth lamented.
 | | ^{M¹} | 10. Reasons.
 | ^{L²} | 11, 12. Infancy lamented.
 | | ^{M²} | 13–19. Reasons.
 | ^{L³} | 20–23. Manhood lamented.
 | | ^{M³} | 24–26. Reasons.

1 After this: i. e. after this long restraint. cursed. Here we have the Heb. *kālal*, which was in the primitive text. See note on 1. 5. his day: i. e. his birthday. Cp. v. 3. 2 spake = answered, i. e. began, or lamented. Heb. idiom. See note on Deut. 1. 41. 3 and = or. He knew not which it was. Cp. Judg. 11. 31. man. Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. IV. 4 darkness. Heb. *hashak*. ^{GD}. Heb. Eloah. See Ap. 4. V. 5 the shadow of death. Heb. *zalmaveth* – the darkness of death. stain it = pollute it. Heb. *ga'al*, to pollute; not *gā'al*, to redeem. 6 darkness = intense or thick darkness. Heb. *ophel*. Not *hashak* (vv. 4, 5, 9) which is less intense.

(A New Metrical Version.)

JOB'S LAMENTATION.

3. 3–26 (G¹, above).

^{L¹} (p. 669) 3 Perish the day when born I was to be,
 Or night which said a man-child is brought forth.
 4 That day! may it be darkness evermore;
 Let not Eloah care for it above,

And let not light shed on it one clear ray.
 5 Let darkness stain it and the shade of death.
 Let densest clouds upon it settle down;
 Let gathering darkness fill it with alarm.
 6 That night! Let darkness take it for its own;
 Be it not joyous, 'mid the other days,
 Nor come into the number of the months.

1656 7° Lo, let that night be solitary, let no joyful voice come therein.

8 Let them curse it that curse the day, who are ready to raise up °their mourning.

9 Let the stars of the twilight thereof be °dark; °let it look for light, but *have* none; neither let it see the dawning of the day:

M¹ (p. 669) 10 Because it shut not up the doors of my mother's womb, nor hid sorrow from mine eyes.

L² 11° Why died I not °from the womb? *why* did I not °give up the ghost when I came out of the belly?

12 °Why did °the knees °prevent me? or why the breasts that I should suck?

M² 13 For now should I have lain still and been quiet, I should have slept: then had I been at rest,

14 With kings and counsellors of the earth, which built °desolate places for themselves; 15 Or with princes that had gold, who filled their houses with silver:

16 Or as an hidden untimely birth I had not been; as infants *which* never saw light.

17 There the °wicked cease *from* troubling; and there the °weary be at rest.

18 *There* the prisoners rest together; they hear not the voice of the °oppressor.

19 The small and great are there; and the servant is free from his °master.

L³ 20 °Wherefore is light given to him that is in misery, and life unto the bitter *in* °soul;

21 Which °long for death, but it *cometh* not; and dig for it more than for hid treasures;

22 Which rejoice exceedingly, *and* are glad, when they can find the °grave?

23 °Why is light given to a °man whose way is hid, and whom °GOD hath hedged in?

M³ 24 For my sighing cometh before °I eat, and my roarings are poured out like the waters.

25 For the thing which I greatly feared is

7 Lo. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

8 their mourning - a dragon. Referring probably to what the constellation signified.

9 dark. Heb. *hāshak*. See v. 4.

let it look. Fig. *Prosopopeia*. Ap. 6.

11 Why . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

from = in, or within.

give up the ghost = die. Heb. *gavā'*, to expire. Cp. 10. 18; 13. 19; 14. 10.

12 the knees [of the mother]. Fig. *Ellipsis*. Ap. 6. prevent = come before, so as to meet.

14 desolate places = ruins: i. e. places (tombs or monuments) already going to ruins.

17 wicked = lawless agitators. Heb. *rāsha'*. Ap. 44. x. weary = worn out [of strength].

18 oppressor = taskmaster.

19 master = masters. Heb. pl. for emphasis.

20 Wherefore . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

21 long = wait, or look for.

22 grave = sepulchre. Heb. *keber*. See Ap. 35.

23 Why . . . ? Fig. *Ellipsis*. Ap. 6. A.V. supplies the sentence from v. 20; but it may be repeated from v. 22, "the grave", regarding vv. 21, 22 as a parenthesis.

ⓄⓄⓄ. Heb. *Eloah*. Ap. 4. V.

24 I eat = my food.

4. 1—5. 27 [For Structure see next page].

1 answered and said = replied and said. The *idiom* (Ap. 6) requires that the first verb (where nothing has been as yet said) must be rendered according to the context: "spake", "prayed", "began", "concluded", &c. Here it = replied and said. See note on Deut. 1. 41.

2 assay = attempt, or try. to commune = a word.

who . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

speaking. Heb. *millah* = words composing the matter of what is said.

come upon me, and that which I was afraid of is come unto me.

26 I was not in safety, neither had I rest, neither was I quiet; yet trouble came."

4 Then Eliphaz the Temanite °answered and said,

2 "If we °assay °to commune with thee, wilt thou be grieved?

but °who can withhold himself from °speaking?

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7 Lo! let that night be cheerless evermore;

And let no joyful sound be heard therein.

8 Let those engaged in banning days curse this;

Those ready e'en to rouse Leviathan.

9 Let all the twilight stars thereof be dark:

Let it look forth for light, but look in vain;

Nor ever see the eyelids of the dawn.

M¹ 10 Because it shut not up my mother's womb,
And from mine eyes hid all this misery.

L² 11 Why should I not have died within the womb?

Or, when brought forth, why not have then expired?

12 Wherefore were [nursing] knees prepared for me?

Or why were breasts [prepared] that I should suck?

M² 13 For then, in silence had I been laid down;

I should have sunk to sleep and been at rest

14 With monarchs and with counsellors of Earth;

(The men who build their mouldering monuments),

15 With princes who [in life] possessed much gold,

(And who, with silver, had their houses filled).

16 Would I had been but an untimely birth,

Like stillborn babes which never see the light.

17 For there the wicked cause no more annoy.

And there the wearied ones [at last] find rest:

18 Together with them captives find repose,

And hear no more the harsh taskmasters' voice.

19 The small and great alike are gathered there;

The servant from his masters is set free.

20 Wherefore unto the toilworn gives He light?

Or life [prolongs] to the embittered soul?

21 (To those who look for death that cometh not,

And seek for it as those who treasure seek,

22 Who would rejoice with exultation—yea!

Be glad indeed, if they could find the grave).

23 The grave—"Tis for the man whose way is hid,

For him whom ⓄⓄⓄ hath hedged round about.

24 For sighing cometh in, in place of food,

My groanings are like water poured forth.

25 For, that which I so feared hath come on me,

And what I dreaded, that hath come to me.

26 I was not careless; nor did feel secure;

Nor rested without thought: yet, trouble came.

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ELIPHAZ. FIRST ADDRESS.

4. 1—5. 27 (J¹, p. 669).

2 If one replies to thee, wouldst thou be grieved?

Yet, who from speaking can refrain himself?

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- O (p. 671) 1656 3 °Behold, thou hast instructed many, and thou hast strengthened the weak hands.
 4 Thy °words have upholden him that was °falling, and thou hast strengthened the feeble knees.
 5 But now it is come upon thee, and thou faintest; it toucheth thee, and thou art troubled.
 P Q 6 °Is not *this* thy fear, thy confidence, thy hope, and the uprightness of thy ways?
 R n 7 Remember, I pray thee, °who ever perished, being innocent? or where were the righteous cut off?
 O 8 Even as I have seen, they that plow °iniquity, and sow °wickedness, reap the same.
 9 By the °blast of ° QDQ they perish, and by the °breath of His °nostrils are they consumed.
 10 The roaring of the lion, and the voice of the fierce lion, and the teeth of the young lions, are broken.
 11 The old lion perisheth for lack of prey, and the stout lion's whelps are scattered abroad.
 Q p¹ 12 Now a thing was secretly brought to me, and mine ear received °a little thereof.
 13 In thoughts from the visions of the night, when deep sleep falleth on °men,
 14 Fear came upon me, and trembling, which made °all my bones to shake.
 15 Then °a spirit passed before my face; the hair of my flesh stood up:
 16 It stood still, but I could not discern the form thereof: an image was before mine eyes, there was silence, and I heard a voice, saying,
 p² 17 °"Shall °mortal man be more just than ° QDQ ? shall a °man be more pure than his Maker?
 18 °Behold, He °put no trust in His °servants; and His angels He °charged with folly:
 19 How much less in them that dwell in °houses of clay, whose foundation is in the dust, which are crushed °before the moth?
 20 They are destroyed from morning to evening: they perish for ever without any regarding it.

4. 1—5. 27 (J¹, p. 669). ELIPHAZ. FIRST ADDRESS. (*Introversion and Alternations.*)

- J¹ N | 1 | 4. 1, 2-. Apprehension.
 m | 4. -2. Apology.
 O | 4. 3-5. Trouble. (Particular.)
 P | Q | 4. 6. Righteousness. (Particular.)
 R | n | 4. 7. General pro- } Appeal
 | | position. } to ex-
 o | 4. 8-11. Proof. } perience.
 | | "I have seen." }
 P' | Q | 4. 12-5. 1. Righteousness. (General.)
 R | n | 5. 2. General pro- } Appeal
 | | position. } to ex-
 o | 5. 3-5. Proof. "I } perience.
 | | have seen." }
 O | 5. 6-26. Trouble. (General.)
 N | l | 5. 27-. Research.
 m | 5. -27. Recommendation.

- 3 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.
 4 words = sayings. Heb. *millah*. See note on "speaking" (v. 2).
 falling = stumbling.
 6 Is not . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. The A.V. of 1611 reads "confidence; the uprightness of thy ways and thy hope?" First altered in the Cambridge edition of 1638. Name of editor is unknown.
 7 who . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.
 8 iniquity. Heb. *'āven*. Ap. 44. iii.
 wickedness. Heb. *'āmāl*. Ap. 44. v.
 9 blast. Heb. *neshāmāh*. Ap. 16.
 QDQ . Heb. *Eloah*. Ap. 4. V.
 breath = spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.
 nostrils. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.
 4. 12—5. 1 (Q, above). RIGHTEOUSNESS. (GENERAL.) (*Division.*)
 Q | p¹ | 4. 12-16. Vision.
 | p² | 4. 17—5. 1. Voice. (Angelic, v. 18. Human, vv. 19-21).
 12 a little = a whispering.
 13 men. Heb. pl. of *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.
 14 all = the multitude of.
 15 a spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9: i. e. a movement of air, caused by something unseen.
 17 Shall . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.
 mortal man. Heb. *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.
 man - strong man. Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. IV.
 18 put no trust - putteth no faith in. Heb. *'āman*. Ap. 69. III. Cp. 15. 15, 31.
 servants = messengers (Ps. 104. 4).
 charged = will charge.
 19 houses of clay. Cp. 2 Cor. 5. 1.
 before - sooner than.

- O (p. 671) 3 Behold, how many others thou hast taught;
 And hast been wont to nerve enfeebled hands.
 4 The faltering step thy words have lifted up;
 And thou hast strengthened oft the feeble knees.
 5 But now, to thee [misfortune] comes, what grief!
 Because it toucheth thee, thou art dismayed!
 P Q 6 [Ought] not thy fear [of God to be] thy trust?
 And the uprightness of thy ways thy hope?
 R n 7 Reflect; when has the guiltless been destroyed?
 Or when were any upright ones cut off?
 O 8 Aye have I seen that they who evil plough
 And mischief sow, do ever reap the same.
 9 They perish, smitten by the blast of QDQ ,
 And by His angry blast they are consumed.
 10 [Hushed is] the lion's roar! the young lion's growl!
 And broken are the strong young lion's teeth!
 11 The fierce lion perisheth for lack of prey;
 The lion's whelps are scattered far and wide.

- 12 Now, unto me a thing was brought by stealth;
 Mine ear did catch a whispering thereof.
 13 When thoughts arise, in visions of the night,
 When falls on mortals vision-seeing sleep.
 14 Great fear did come on me, and trembling [dread];
 It made my very bones to stand in awe!
 15 And o'er my face there then did pass a breath,
 Which made my very hair to stand on end.
 16 It stopped: but nothing could I then discern;
 I looked: and lo, an image without form.
 Silence: and then I heard a voice—[which said]—
 17 "CAN MORTAL MAN MORE RIGHTEOUS BE THAN QDQ ?
 OR ROASTFUL MAN BEFORE HIS MAKER PURE?
 18 IN HIS OWN SERVANTS HE WILL PUT NO TRUST,
 HIS ANGELS HE WILL CHARGE WITH IGNORANCE.
 19 How much more those who dwell in houses made
 Of clay; with their foundation laid in dust:
 [So frail], they will be crushed before a moth;
 20 'Tween morn and eve destroyed will they be:
 Will perish utterly—with none to save.

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19 He shall deliver thee in °six troubles: yea, in seven there shall no °evil touch thee.

20 In °famine He shall redeem thee from death: and in war from the °power of the sword.

21 Thou shalt be hid from the scourge of the tongue: neither shalt thou be afraid of destruction when it cometh.

22 At destruction and °famine thou shalt °laugh: neither shalt thou be afraid of the beasts of the earth.

23 For °thou shalt be in league with the °stones of the field: and the beasts of the field shall be at peace with thee.

24 And thou shalt know that thy °tabernacle shall be in peace; and thou shalt visit thy habitation, and °shalt not °sin.

25 Thou shalt know also that thy seed shall be °great, and thine offspring as the grass of the earth.

26 Thou shalt come to thy °grave in a full age, like as a °shock of corn °cometh in in his season.

N l 27 Lo this, we have searched it, so it is;

m hear it, and know thou it for °thy good."

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6 But Job °answered and said,
2 °"Oh that °my grief were thoroughly weighed, and my calamity laid in the balances together!

3 For now it would be heavier than the sand of the sea: therefore my words are swallowed up.

4 For the °arrows of °THE ALMIGHTY are within me, the poison whereof °drinketh up my °spirit: the °terrors of °GOD do set themselves in array against me.

5 °Doth the wild ass °bray when he hath grass? or °loweth the ox over his fodder?

6 °Can that which is unsavoury be eaten without salt? or is there any taste in the °white of an egg?

7 The things that my °soul refused to touch are as my sorrowful °meat.

T 8 °Oh that I might have my request; and that °GOD would grant me °the thing that I long for!

9 Even that it would please °GOD to °destroy

19 six. Named in the following verses.

evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

20 famine=famishing. Heb. *rā'gab*. Cp. v. 22.

power. Heb. =hands. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6; hands put for the destructive power which is in them.

22 famine=pains of hunger. Heb. *kāphān*. Not the same word as v. 20.

laugh. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, put for the feeling of security expressed by it.

23 thou shalt be in league=thy covenant shall be. stones. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), Ap. 6, put for whatever is hurtful to the soil.

24 tabernacle=tent, or less settled house.

shalt not sin=shalt nothing miss. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i. See below.

25 great=many.

26 grave. Heb. *keber*. See Ap. 85.

shock=stack. Heb. *gadīsh*, a heap of sheaves of corn.

cometh in=mounteth up. 27 thy good=thyself.

6. 1—7. 21 (K¹, p. 669). JOB'S REPLY TO ELIPHAZ'S FIRST ADDRESS. (*Introversion*.)

K¹ S | 6. 1—7. Job's excessive grief.

T | 6. 8—13. Death to be desired.

U | 6. 14—21. Remonstrance. (Their feelings.)

U | 6. 22—30. Remonstrance. (Their words.)

T | 7. 1—10. Death to be desired.

S | 7. 11—21. Job's excessive grief.

1 answered=spake, but Heb. idiom=replied. See note on 4. 1 and Deut. 1. 41.

2 Oh. Fig. *Ecphrōnēsis*. Ap. 6.

my grief: i.e. the cause of my grief.

4 arrows. Fig. *Anthropopathēia*. Ap. 6. Cp. Deut.

32. 23. 42. Ps. 38. 2. Ezek. 5. 16. Zech. 9. 14.

THE ALMIGHTY. Heb. Shaddai. Ap. 4. VII.

drinketh=draineth.

spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9. Perhaps in the sense of taking away his courage.

terrors. Only here and Ps. 88. 16.

GOD. Heb. Eloah. Ap. 4. V.

5 Doth... loweth...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Only here and 1 Sam. 6. 12.

bray. Only here and 30. 7. when he hath=over.

6 Can...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

white of an egg. "Egg" occurs only here. "White" (Heb. *rir*) is found elsewhere only in 1 Sam. 21. 13, where it is rendered "spittle".

7 soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

meat=bread. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), Ap. 6, put for all kinds of food.

8 the thing that I long for=my expectation. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, put for the thing desired.

9 destroy=crush.

me; that He would let loose His hand, and cut me off!

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19 In troubles six He will deliver thee;

Yea! e'en in seven shall no misfortune harm.

20 In famine He will ransom thee from death;

In battle from the power of the sword;

21 In slander thou shalt be in safety hid;

And when destruction comes thou shalt not fear:

22 At dearth and devastation thou wilt laugh;

And of the beasts thou shalt not be afraid.

23 For with the field stones thou wilt be in league;

And e'en wild beasts shall be at peace with thee.

24 Yea, thou shalt know that peace is in thy tent;

And, looking through thy home, wilt nothing miss.

25 And thou shalt know thy offspring numerous;

Thy progeny as herbage of the field:

26 And thou, in ripe old age unto thy grave

Shalt come; like sheaves in harvest gathered in.

N l 27—Lo! this we well have pondered; so it is:

m —27 Hear it, and treasure it for thine own good.

JOB'S REPLY TO ELIPHAZ'S FIRST ADDRESS.

6. 1—7. 21 (K¹, p. 669).

2 Oh, that my woe could be exactly weighed,

And my bemoaning set in scale therewith!

3 The woe more heavy than the sand would weigh:

'Tis this that makes my utterances wild.

4 For Shaddai's arrows now [stick fast] in me,

The heat whereof my spirit drinketh up:

GOD'S terrors now against me are arrayed.

5 Will the wild ass o'er tender herbage bray?

Or lows the ox while fodder he doth eat?

6 Can tasteless food be eaten without salt?

Or is there any taste in white of egg?

7 The very things my soul refus'd to touch

Are, as it were, my uninviting food.

8 Oh, that my prayer might come [before my God]:

That Eloah would grant my heart's desire:

9 That it would Eloah please to crush me quite;

That He would loose His hand, and cut me off.

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10 Then should I yet have comfort; yea, °I would harden myself in sorrow: let Him not spare; for I have not concealed the words of the Holy One.

11 °What is my strength, that I should hope? and °what is mine end, that I should prolong my °life?

12 Is my strength the strength of stones? or is my flesh of brass?

13 Is not my help in me? and is °wisdom driven quite from me?

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14 To him that is afflicted pity *should be shewed* from his friend; but he forsaketh the fear of °THE ALMIGHTY.

15 My brethren have dealt deceitfully as a brook, and as °the stream of brooks they pass away;

16 Which are blackish by reason of the ice, and wherein the snow is hid:

17 What time they wax warm, they vanish: when it is hot, they are consumed out of their place.

18 The paths of their way are turned aside; they go °to nothing, and perish.

19 The °troops of Tema looked, the °companies of Sheba waited for them.

20 They were confounded because they had hoped; they came thither, and were ashamed.

21 For now ye are nothing; ye see my casting down, and are afraid.

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22 °Did I say, 'Bring unto me?' or, 'Give a reward for me of your °substance?'

23 Or, 'Deliver me from the enemy's hand?' or, 'Redeem me from the hand of the °mighty?'

24 Teach me, and I will hold my tongue: and cause me to understand wherein I have erred.

25 How forcible are right °words! but what doth your arguing °reprove?

26 Do ye imagine to reprove words, and the speeches of one that is desperate, *which are as* °wind?

27 Yea, ye overwhelm the fatherless, and ye dig a *pit* for your friend.

10 I would harden, &c. Occurs only here. = Let me even exult in my anguish (should He not spare) that I have not concealed, &c.

11 What . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Continued in vv. 12, 13. life = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

13 wisdom = stability. See note on Prov. 2. 7.

15 the stream of brooks. Heb. *'āphik* = a torrent restrained in a narrow channel, natural or artificial, open as in a gorge, or covered as in an aqueduct, passing away, inaccessible, and out of sight. See note on first occurrence, 2 Sam. 22. 16.

18 to nothing = into a waste. Heb. *tohū*, as in Gen. 1. 2.

19 troops = caravans.

companies = travellers.

22 Did I say . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Continued in v. 23.

substance. Heb. strength; put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for what is produced by it.

23 mighty = adversary. Cp. chs. 1 and 2.

25 words = sayings.

reprove = convince, or confute: i. e. what can a reproof from you reprove? See translation, below.

26 wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

30 Is there . . . ? cannot . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

7. 1 Is there not . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. an appointed time = a warfare. Cp. 14. 14.

man = mortal man. Heb. *'enōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

are not . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

2 the shadow = the shade: i. e. daytime.

work. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6, for the wages or reward gained by work: i. e. evening.

28 Now therefore be content, look upon me; for *it is evident* unto you if I lie.

29 Return, I pray you, let it not be iniquity; yea, return again, my righteousness *is* in it.

30 °Is there iniquity in my tongue? °cannot my taste discern perverse things?

7 °Is there not °an appointed time to °man upon earth? °are not his days also like the days of an hireling? T

2 As a servant earnestly desireth °the shadow, and as an hireling looketh for *the reward* of his °work:

10 I then should comfort find; yea, e'en in this,—
(Though He spare not, that I could yet endure),—
The Holy One whom I have not yet denied.

11 But what then is my strength, that I should hope?

Or what mine end, though I be patient still?

12 My strength; has it become the strength of stones?
Or has my flesh become like flesh of brass?

13 [Alas!] if my help lie not in myself,
All that is stable hath been driv'n from me.

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14 E'en to th' afflicted, love is due from friends;
E'en though the fear of Shaddai he forsake.

15 But my friends prove illusive, like a brook;
Like streams whose flowing waters disappear,

16 And are not seen by reason of the ice,
[Or of the] snow, which, falling, covers them.

17 What time it waxeth warm, the streams dry up;
When it is hot they vanish from their place:

18 They turn aside from out their usual course;
Are lost; and gone up into empty air.

19 The caravans of Tema look about;
The travellers of Sheba long for them.

20 They feel ashamed that they had trusted them.
They reach the spot; they stand; and are amazed.

21 [And thus it is with you]. Ye come to me;
Ye see a fearful sight; and are dismayed.

22 Came ye because I said, "Give aught to me?"
Or, "Of your substance bring to me a gift?"

23 Or, "Snatch me from the adversary's power?"
Or, "Ransom me from the oppressor's hand?"

24 Teach me, I pray; and I will hold my peace!
And make me understand where I have erred.

25 How forcible are words of uprightness!
But wherein doth your arguing convince?

26 Do ye reprove by fast'ning on my words,
When one in sheer despair [at random] speaks

27 Like to the wind? Orphans ye might as well
Assail; and on your friend's disasters feast.

28 Be satisfied then. Do but look on me.
And 'twill be plain to you if I speak false.

29 Return, I pray you; let not wrong prevail;
Yea, turn again; my cause is truly just.

30 Is there, I ask, perverseness in my tongue?
And can I not discern iniquity?

7 Is not a mortal's life a warfare here
On earth? and as a hireling's day, his days?

2 As [weary] labourer panteth for the shade,
And as the hireling longeth for his wage,

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3 So am I made to possess months of vanity, and wearisome nights are appointed to me.

4 When I lie down, I say, 'When shall I arise, and the night be gone?' and I am full of tossings to and fro unto the °dawning of the day.

5 My flesh is clothed with worms and clods of dust; my skin is broken, and become loathsome.

6 My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle, and are spent without hope.

7 O remember that my life is °wind: mine eye shall no more see good.

8 The eye of him that hath seen me shall see me no more: Thine eyes are upon me, and I am not.

9 As the cloud is consumed and vanisheth away: so he that goeth down to °the grave shall come up no more.

10 He shall return no more to his house, neither shall his place °know him any more.

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11 Therefore I will not refrain my mouth; I will speak in the anguish of my °spirit; I will complain in the bitterness of my °soul.

12 °Am I a sea, or a °whale, that Thou settest a °watch °over me?

13 When I say, 'My bed shall comfort me, my couch shall ease my °complaint;'

14 Then Thou scarest me with dreams, and terrifiest me through visions:

15 So that my °soul chooseth strangling, and death °rather than my °life.

(16 I °loathe it; I would not live alway): let me alone; for my days are vanity.

17 °What is °man, that Thou shouldest magnify him? and that Thou shouldest set Thine heart upon him?

18 And that Thou shouldest visit him °every morning, and try him every moment?

19 How long wilt Thou not depart from me, nor let me alone till I swallow down my spittle?

20 I have sinned; what shall I do unto Thee, O Thou Preserver of °men? why hast Thou set me as a mark against Thee, so that I am a burden °to myself?

4 dawning. Heb. *nesheph*. A Homonym, having two meanings: (1) as here, daylight; (2) darkness. See notes on 1 Sam. 30. 17. 2 Kings 7. 5, 7.

7 wind. Heb. *rûach*. Ap. 9.

9 the grave. Heb. *Sheöl*. See Ap. 35.

10 know = recognise.

11 spirit. Heb. *rûach*. Ap. 9.

soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

12 Am I . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

whale = a sea-monster.

watch = a bound. Cp. Jer. 5. 22.

over = about, as in 13. 27. Prov. 8. 29.

13 complaint = complainings.

15 rather than my life = by mine [own] hands.

life = bones, or limbs: i. e. hands.

16 loathe [it] = loathe [life], v. 16 is parenthetical, being the thought of suicide, which intrudes itself upon him.

17 What is man . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

18 every morning. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6, put for all time: i. e. continuously.

20 men. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

to myself. One of the emendations of the *Sopherim* (Ap. 33), by which the primitive text "unto Thee" was altered to the current text (by the omission of the last letter) to "unto myself".

21 transgression. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix.

iniquity. Heb. *'āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

8. 1-22 (J², p. 669). BILDAD'S FIRST ADDRESS.
(Introversion and Alternation.)

J² V | 8. 1, 2. Reproof of Job.

W | X | 3. Appeal to Reason.

Y | 4-7. Application to Job.

W | X | 8-19. Appeal to tradition.

Y | 20. Application to Job.

V | 21, 22. Comfort for Job.

2 How long . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

words = sayings. wind. Heb. *rûach*. Ap. 9.

21 And why dost Thou not pardon my °transgression, and take away mine °iniquity? for now shall I sleep in the dust; and Thou shalt seek me in the morning, but I shall not be."

8 Then answered Bildad the Shuhite, and said,

2 °"How long wilt thou speak these things? and how long shall the °words of thy mouth be like a strong °wind?

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3 So I inherit months of vanity;
And nights of weariness have been my lot.

4 As soon as I lie down to sleep, I say:
'How long till I arise, and night be gone?'
And I am full of tossings till the dawn.

5 My flesh is clothed with worms, and clods of earth;
My broken skin heals up; then runs afresh.

6 Swifter than weaver's shuttle are my days,
And they are spent without a gleam of hope.

7 Remember that my life is but a breath,
Mine eye shall not again enjoyment see.

8 The eyes that see me now, will see no more,
But Thine will see me, though I shall not be.

9 As wasted cloud that vanishes away,
So he that goes to Sheöl comes not back;

10 No more doth he return unto his house.
The place that knew him knoweth him no more.

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11 [And hence my grief]. I cannot check my words;
In anguish of my spirit I must speak,
And utterance find for bitterness of soul.

12 Am I a [restless] sea? or monster of
The deep, that Thou about me sett'st a bound?

13 Should I have said, "My bed shall comfort me;
My couch shall yield a respite from my moans."

14 Anon Thou terrifiest me with dreams,

And with alarming visions fillest me,
15 So that my soul e'en strangling would prefer—
Death [self-inflicted, wrought]—by mine own hands.

16 I loathe my life: I would not thus live on.

Let me alone; my days are vanity.

17 What is frail man that Thou shouldst lift him up?
Or that Thou shouldest set Thy heart on him?

18 That every morning Thou shouldst visit him,
And ev'ry moment put him to the test?

19 How long e'er Thou wilt turn away from me?
Wilt Thou not for one instant let me be?

20 Watcher of men, what shall I do to Thee,
If I have sinned? why set me as Thy butt,
As if I were a burden unto Thee?

21 Why, rather, dost Thou not forgive my sin,
And take all mine iniquity away?

For in the dust I soon shall lay me down;
And thou shalt seek me, but I shall not be.

BILDAD'S FIRST ADDRESS.

8. 1-29 (J², p. 669).

2 How long wilt thou pour forth such talk as this?
And thy mouth's words be like the blustering wind?

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Y

3 °Doth °GOD pervert judgment? or °doth °THE ALMIGHTY pervert justice?

4 If thy °children have sinned against Him, and He have cast them away °for their °transgression;

5 If thou wouldst seek unto °GOD betimes, and make thy supplication to °THE ALMIGHTY;

6 If thou wert pure and upright; surely now He would °awake for thee, and make the °habitation of thy righteousness prosperous.

7 Though thy beginning was small, yet thy latter end should greatly increase.

W X

8 For enquire, I pray thee, of the former age, and prepare thyself to the search of their fathers:

9 (For we are but of yesterday, and know nothing, because our days upon earth are a shadow:)

10 °Shall not they teach thee, °and tell thee, and utter words out of their °heart?

11 °Can the rush grow up without mire? can the flag grow without water?

12 Whilst it is yet in his greenness, and not cut down, it withereth before any other herb.

13 °So are °the paths of all that forget °GOD; and the hypocrite's hope shall perish:

14 Whose °hope shall be cut off, and whose trust shall be a spider's web.

15 He shall lean upon his house, but it shall not stand: he shall hold it fast, but it shall not endure.

16 °He is green before the sun, and his branch shooteth forth in his garden.

17 His roots are wrapped about °the heap, and °seeth the °place of stones.

18 If he destroy °him from his place, then °it shall deny him, saying, I have not seen thee.

19 °Behold, this °is the joy of his way, and out of the earth shall others grow.

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20 °Behold, °GOD will not cast away a

3 Doth . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

GOD. Heb. *El*. Ap. 4. IV.

THE ALMIGHTY. Heb. *Shaddai*. Ap. 4. VII.

4 children = sons.

for = by the hand of; by their own act.

transgression = rebellion. Heb. *pāsh'a*. Ap. 44. ix.

6 awake for thee: i. e. hear thy prayer. Cp. Sept. and Pss. 7. 6; 35. 23; 44. 23.

habitation of thy righteousness = thy righteous home. Fig. *Antimerēia* (of Noun). Ap. 6.

10 Shall . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

and. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., and Syr., read this "and" in the text.

heart. Supply *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), by adding the words "such as these": referring to what follows in vv. 11-19 (see below).

11 Can . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. This is the first simile. See the second, vv. 16-19.

13 So are, &c. The application of the first simile. the paths. The Sept. reads "the latter end".

14 hope = confidence.

16 He. Supply *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), "He [like a tree]". This is the second simile, and the application is in v. 20. The first simile is in v. 11, with its application in vv. 13-15.

17 the heap = a spring, or fountain, as in Song 4. 12. Heb. *gal*. Pl. in Josh. 15. 19, &c.

seeth = overlooks: i. e. overtops.

place = house.

18 him . . . it. See translation, below: "him" and "it" refer to the tree.

19 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

is. Supply "ends" instead of "is".

20 help = take by the hand.

21 rejoicing = shouting for joy.

22 clothed with shame. Cp. Pss. 35. 26; 109. 29; 132. 18.

dwelling place = tent.

wicked = lawless. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

perfect man, neither will He °help the evil doers:

21 Till He fill thy mouth with laughing, and thy lips with °rejoicing.

22 They that hate thee shall be °clothed with shame; and the °dwelling place of the °wicked shall come to nought."

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3 The [righteous] GOD: Will He in judgment err? Or, Shaddai: Will He e'er pervert the right?

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4 It may be that thy sons 'gainst Him have sinned; And He, through THEIR rebellion, cut them off.

5 If thou wouldst now seek unto GOD thyself, And supplication unto Shaddai make;

6 If thou thyself wert only right and pure; Then surely He would hear thine earnest prayer, And prosperous make thy righteous dwelling place.

7 However small thy first estate might seem, Thy latter end should be exceeding great.

W X

8 Enquire, I pray thee, of the former age; And of their fathers set thyself to learn;

9 (For we're of yesterday, and nothing know; Yea, as a shadow are our days on earth).

10 Shall THEY not speak to thee, and wise things tell To thee from their experience: [such as these]?

11 "The reed: can it grow high without the mire? And can the flag thrive where no water is?

12 While yet 'tis green, and while it stands uncut, Sooner than any grass it withers up.

13 So is the end of all who GOD forget;

So perisheth the hypocrite's vain hope.

14 His confidence shall worthless prove to him; And that on which he trusts, a spider's house.

15 He leans upon it, and it giveth way, He clings to it; but it will not endure.

16 [Or like the tree] so green before the sun, Whose boughs spread forth o'er all his garden-bed;

17 Beside the fountain are its roots entwined;

It overtops the [lofty] house of stone;

18 If one uproot it from its place, at once It doth disown him, with 'I know thee not.'

19 Behold [thus ends] the joy of its brief life, While, where it grew shall other trees spring up."

20 But upright men GOD never casts away; Nor takes He evil doers by the hand.

21 [Then wait]; and one day He will fill thy mouth With laughter, and thy lips with shouts of joy.

22 [While] they who hate thee shall be clothed with shame,

And tents of wicked men exist no more.

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9 Then Job °answered and said,
2 "I know *it is* so of a truth: but °how
should °man be just with °GOD?
3 If he °will contend with Him, he cannot
answer Him one of a thousand.
4 *He is* wise in heart, and mighty in strength:
°who hath hardened *himself* against Him, and
hath prospered?

B u 5 Which removeth the mountains, and °they
know not: Which overturneth them in His
anger.

6 Which shaketh the earth out of her place,
and the pillars thereof tremble.

7 Which commandeth the sun, and it riseth
not; and sealeth up the stars.

8 Which alone spreadeth out the heavens,
and treadeth upon the °waves of the sea.

9 Which maketh °Arcturus, °Orion, and
°Pleiades, and the °chambers of the south.

10 Which doeth great things past finding out;
yea, and wonders without number.

v 11 °Lo, He goeth by me, and I see *Him* not:
He passeth on also, but I perceive Him not.

12 °Behold, He taketh away, °who can hinder
Him? °who will say unto Him, °What doest
Thou?

A² 13 If °GOD will not °withdraw His anger,
the proud °helpers do stoop under Him.

14 How much less shall I answer Him, and
choose out my words to reason with Him?

15 Whom, though I were righteous, yet would
I °not answer, but I would make supplication
to my Judge.

16 If I had called, and He had answered me;
yet would I not believe that He had hearkened
unto my voice.

17 For He breaketh me with a tempest, and
multiplieth my wounds without cause.

18 He will not suffer me to take my °breath,
but filleth me with bitterness.

B u 19 If I speak of strength, lo, *He is* strong:
and if of judgment, °who shall set me a time
to plead?

20 If I justify myself, mine own mouth shall

9. 1—10. 22 (K², p. 669). JOB'S REPLY TO
BILDAD'S FIRST ADDRESS. (*Division.*)

K² | Z¹ | 9. 1-35. Job's answer to Bildad.
| Z² | 10. 1-22. Job's expostulation with God.

9. 1-25 (Z¹, above). JOB'S ANSWER TO BILDAD.
(*Alternations.*)

Z ¹	A ¹	1-4. Job unable to answer.	} General.
B	u	5-10. God's power. Works unsearchable.	
v		11, 12. God's dealings. Ways inscrutable.	
A ²		13-18. Job unable to answer.	} Personal.
B	u	19-24. God's exercise of power. Unequal.	
v		25-31. God's dealings. Unequal.	
A ³		32-35. Job unable to answer.	

1 answered = responded. See note on 4. 1.
2 how . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. This is the one
great question of the book.

man = mortal man. Heb. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.
GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

3 will = desire to.

4 who . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Cp. 2 Chron. 36. 13.
Isa. 48. 4.

5 they know. Fig. *Prosopopœia*. Ap. 6.

8 waves of the sea. The celebrated Mugah Codex
(the earliest quoted in the *Massōrah* itself), Ap. 30, reads
"cloud": i. e. thick cloud.

9 Arcturus. Heb. 'āsh. A name still connected
with "the Great Bear" (the more ancient name being
"the greater sheepfold": Arab. *al naish*, the assembled
(as in a fold). See 38. 31, 32, and Ap. 12, p. 18.

Orion. Heb. *k'gil*. Cp. 38. 31. Amos 5. 8. A strong
one, or the coming prince. See Ap. 12, p. 17.

Pleiades. Heb. *kimāh* = the congregation of the judge.
See 38. 31, 32. Amos 5. 8, and Ap. 12, p. 17. A constel-
lation in the neck of Taurus.

chambers of the south: i. e. the [hidden] recesses,
or the invisible spaces; on the latitude of Job's residence.

11 Lo. } Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

12 Behold. }

13 GOD. Heb. Eloah. Ap. 4. V.

withdraw = avert.

helpers = confederates.

15 not answer = not [dare to] answer.

18 breath. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

condemn me: *if I say*, 'I am perfect,' it shall
also prove me perverse.

JOB'S REPLY TO BILDAD'S FIRST ADDRESS.

9. 2—10. 22 (K², p. 669).

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9 2 Most surely do I know that this is so;
But how can mortal man be just with GOD?

3 If man contend in argument with Him,
Of thousand things he could not answer one.

4 However wise of heart, and stout of limb,
Who ever braved Him, and prospered?

B u 5 Who moveth mountains, and they know it not;
Who overturneth them in His fierce wrath;

6 Who maketh Earth to tremble from her place,
So that its pillars rock themselves in fear.

7 Who bids the sun, and it withholds its light,
And round about the stars he sets a seal.

8 Who arch'd the heavens by Himself alone,
And marcheth on upon the cloudy heights.

9 Who made the Fold, Orion, Pleiades,
Yea, [stars in] the recesses of the South.

10 Who doeth mighty works, past finding out,
And wondrous things, in number infinite.

v 11 Behold! He passeth, but I see Him not;

He sweepeth by, but is invisible.

12 Lo, He doth seize; who then can hold Him back?
Or, who shall say to Him "What doest Thou?"

13 Should GOD, at length, His anger not avert,
Helpers of pride must stoop beneath His hand.

14 How then can I [address or] answer Him?
Or choose my words [for argument] with Him?

15 I could not be induced to make reply,
Though just: but I would supplicate my Judge.

16 If I had called, and He had answered me,
Yet could I not feel sure that He had heard—

17 He Who o'erwhelms me with [destructive] storm,
And multiplies my wounds without a cause:

18 Who hardly suffers me to take my breath,
But fills me with excess of bitterness.

19 If I appeal to strength; Lo! He is strong.
And if to justice; who could summon Him?

20 Should I attempt to justify myself,
My mouth would instantly the act condemn:

And, if I say that I am free from blame,
Then it would only my perverseness prove.

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21 *Though I were perfect, yet would I not know ° my soul: I would despise my ° life.*

22 *This is one thing, therefore I said it, ° He destroyeth the perfect and ° the wicked.*

23 *If the scourge slay suddenly, He will laugh at the trial of the innocent.*

24 *The earth is given into the hand of ° the wicked: He ° covereth the faces of the judges thereof; ° if not, where, and who is ° He?*

^v (p. 677) 25 *Now my days are swifter than a ° post: they flee away, they see no good.*

26 *They are passed away as the ° swift ships: as the eagle that hasteth to the prey.*

27 *If I say, ° I will forget my ° complaint, I will leave off my heaviness, and comfort myself: °*

28 *I am afraid of all my sorrows, I know that Thou wilt not hold me innocent.*

29 *If I be ° wicked, ° why then labour I in vain?*

30 *If I wash myself with snow water, and make my hands ° never so clean;*

31 *Yet shalt Thou plunge me in the ditch, and mine own clothes shall ° abhor me.*

A³ 32 *For He is not a ° man, as I am, that I should answer Him, and we should come together in judgment.*

33 *° Neither is there ° any Daysman betwixt us, that might lay His hand upon us both.*

34 *Let Him take His rod away from me, and let not ° His fear ° terrify me:*

35 *° Then would I speak, and not fear Him; but it is not so with me.*

Z² C (p. 678) 10 *My ° soul is weary of my ° life; I will ° leave my ° complaint ° upon myself; I will speak in the bitterness of my ° soul.*

2 *I will say unto ° GOD, ° Do not condemn me; shew me wherefore Thou contendest with me.*

D w 3 *Is it good unto Thee that Thou shouldest oppress, that Thou shouldest despise the work of Thine ° hands, and shine upon the counsel of the ° wicked?*

21 *Though I could say, "My heart and life are pure," I should [indeed] despise [and loathe] myself.*

22 *'Tis all the same: therefore I say it out:*

The good and wicked He [alike] destroys.

23 *If pestilential scourge slay suddenly, He mocketh at the trouble of the good!*

24 *The earth is given over to a lawless one;*

The faces of its judges He doth veil;
If not; then who is he [that doth all this]?

^v (p. 677) 25 *My days have gone more swiftly than a post, They fled apace; as if no good they saw.*

26 *They passed by like swift papyrus boat,*

Or as the vulture pounceth on its food.

27 *If I should say*

"I will forget my grief,

Cast off my heaviness and comfort take;"

28 *Then, with a shudder, I recall my woe.*

I know Thou wilt not hold me innocent;

29 *[Thou wilt] account me guilty. [Be it so];*

Then wherefore should I labour thus in vain?

30 *E'en though I bathe in water pure as snow, And wash my hands [and make them] clean with soap;*

31 *E'en then Thou wouldest plunge me in the ditch;*

21 *my soul= myself. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13. life. Heb. chayai.*

22 *the wicked= a lawless one. Heb. rashā'. Ap. 44. x.*

24 *covereth: i. e. so that they cannot discern between right and wrong.*

25 *post= runner, or courier. Cp. Est. 3. 13, 15.*

26 *swift ships= ships of ebeh. Hence vessels of bulrush (eb); vessels of desire ('ābeh), i. e. desiring to reach their haven; vessels of enmity ('ēybāh), i. e. pirate vessels; or vessels of the Nile ('ābai, Abyssinian for Nile).*

Others, vessels of Joppa. Perhaps the last is best.

27 *complaint= complaining.*

29 *wicked. Heb. rashā'. Ap. 44. x.*

why...? Fig. Erotēsis. Ap. 6.

30 *never so clean= clean with soap.*

31 *abhor. Fig. Prosopopeia.*

32 *man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.*

33 *Neither is there. Some codices, with Sept. and Syr., read "Oh that there were".*

any Daysman= any umpire, arbiter, or mediator. In Job's case He was found in Elihu; in ours, in Christ.

34 *His fear= the fear that He causes.*

terrify= startle, or scare. Cp. 13. 21; 33. 7.

35 *Then would I= Fain would I.*

10. 1-22 (Z², p. 677). JOB'S EXPOSTULATION WITH GOD. (Introversion and Alternation.)

Z² C | 1, 2. Petition.

D | w | 3-7. Expostulation. God's power.

x | 8-13. His creature.

D | w | 14-17. Expostulation. God's ways.

x | 18, 19. His creature.

C | 20-22. Petition.

1 *soul. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13. life. Heb. chayai.*

leave= let go, let loose: i. e. tell forth, give vent to.

complaint= complaining. upon= about.

2 *GOD. Heb. Eloah. Ap. 4. V.*

3 *hands. Fig. Anthropopatheia. Ap. 6. Cp. Pss. 119. 73; 138. 8; and 139. 5, 10.*

wicked= lawless. Heb. rashā'. Ap. 44. x.

4 *Hast...? seest...? Fig. Erotēsis. Ap. 6.*

man= mortal man. Heb. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

5 *man's= a strong man's. Heb. geber. Ap. 14. IV.*

4 *° Hast Thou eyes of flesh? or ° seest Thou as ° man seeth?*

5 *Are Thy days as the days of ° man? are Thy years as ° man's days,*

6 *That thou enquirest after mine iniquity, and searchest after my sin?*

And make me an abhorrence to my clothes.

32 *For He is not a man such as myself,*

Whom I might answer—"Meet me: let us plead!"

33 *Oh! that there were with us an Arbiter,*

One Who could put His hand upon us both!

34 *Oh! that He would remove from me His rod,*

So that His terror might not make me fear.

35 *Fain would I speak, and boldly plead my cause:*

But now, [alas], it is not so with me.

10 *My soul hath grown a-weary of my life;*

I yield myself unto my inward grief;

Let me tell out my bitterness of soul:

2 *To GOD then will I say, "Condemn me not;*

But make it known why Thou dost strive with me.

3 *Is it a pleasure that Thou should'st oppress?*

And thus despise the work of Thine own hands,

And shine upon the schemes of wicked men?

4 *Hast Thou then eyes of flesh [like mortal man]?*

Dost Thou behold indeed as he beholds?

5 *Are Thy days like the days of mortal man?*

Or, like the days of mighty man, Thy years?

6 *That Thou should'st seek for mine iniquity,*

And for my sin should'st [diligently] search?

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7 Thou knowest that I am not °wicked; and there is none that can deliver out of Thine hand.

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8 Thine °hands have made me and fashioned me together round about; yet Thou dost destroy me.

9 Remember, I beseech Thee, that Thou hast made me as the clay; and wilt Thou bring me into dust again?

10 °Hast Thou not poured me out as milk, and curdled me like cheese?

11 Thou hast clothed me with skin and flesh, and hast °fenced me with bones and sinews.

12 Thou hast granted me life and favour, and Thy visitation hath preserved my °spirit.

13 And these things hast Thou hid in Thine heart: I know that this is with Thee.

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14 If I sin, then Thou markest me, and Thou wilt not acquit me from mine °iniquity.

15 If I be °wicked, woe unto me; and if I be righteous, yet will I not lift up my head. I am full of °confusion; therefore see Thou mine affliction;

16 For it increaseth. Thou huntest me as a fierce lion: and again Thou shewest thyself marvellous upon me.

17 Thou renewest Thy witnesses against me, and increasest Thine indignation upon me; °changes and war are against me.

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18 °Wherefore then hast Thou brought me forth out of the womb? °Oh that I had °given up the ghost, and no eye had seen me!

19 I should have been as though I had not been; I should have been carried from the womb to the grave.

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20 °Are not my days few? cease then, and let me alone, that I may take comfort a little,

21 Before I go whence I shall not return, even to the land °of °darkness and the shadow of death;

22 A land of °darkness, as °darkness itself; and of the shadow of death, without any order, and where the light is °as darkness."

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7 Thou know'st that guilty I shall not be proved, But from Thy hand can none deliver me.

8 Thy hands took pains with me and fashioned me.

At once, all round Thou hast engulfed me!

Remember, that as clay Thou mouldedst me;

And wilt Thou turn me back again to dust?

10 Didst Thou not erstwhile pour me forth like milk?

And make me to coagulate like cheese?

11 With skin and flesh hast Thou not clothed me?

With bones and sinews fortified my frame?

12 Both life and favour Thou hast given me;

Thy watchful providence preserved my breath.

13 Yet these things Thou wast planning in Thy heart:

I know that this was in Thy mind long since.

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14 If I had sinned, then Thou wouldst it have marked,

And wouldst not have acquitted me from guilt.

15 Had I been wicked, woe is unto me!

And were I just, I would not lift my head,

So full of shame am I. Behold my woe.

16 And should I [dare to] lift it, then wouldst Thou, Like howling lion, still pursue my soul, And yet against me show Thy wondrous power.

7 wicked. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

11 fenced me = knit me together.

12 spirit = breath. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

14 iniquity. Heb. *āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

15 confusion. Heb. *kālōn* = shame. First occurrence.

17 changes and war = successions, yea hostile successions. Fig. *Hendiadys* (Ap. 6) = one thing: i. e. a constant succession.

18 Wherefore . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

Oh . . . ! Fig. *Ecphonēsis*. Ap. 6.

given up the ghost = died. Heb. *gāra'*. Cp. 3. 11; 13. 19; 14. 10. Not 11. 20.

20 Are not . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

21 of darkness and the shadow = deep darkness.

Fig. *Hendiadys*. Ap. 6. Not two things, but one.

darkness. Heb. *hāshak*. See note on 3. 6.

22 darkness. Heb. *'ēyphāh*. See note on 3. 6.

darkness itself. Heb. *'ophel*. See note on 3. 6.

as darkness. Heb. *'ophel*. See above.

11. 1-20 (J³, p. 669). ZOPHAR'S FIRST ADDRESS. (*Introversion and Alternations*.)

J³ E | 1-6. Rebuke. God's judgments (particular) on Job.

F | y | 7, 8. Human ignorance.

z | 9-12. Divine knowledge.

F | y | 13, 14. Human merit.

z | 15-19. Divine reward.

E | 20. Rebuke. God's judgments (general) on the wicked.

1 answered = spake. See note on 4. 1.

Zophar. See note on 2. 11.

2 Should . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

3 lies = babblings.

men. Heb. *m'thīm*. Ap. 14. V.

no man = none.

11 Then °answered °Zophar the Naamathite, and said,

2 °"Should not the multitude of words be answered? and °should a °man full of talk be justified?

3 Should thy °lies make °men hold their peace? and when thou mockest, shall °no man make thee ashamed?

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17 Against me wouldst Thou bring new witnesses, Thine indignation toward me would increase, Troop after troop against me they would come.

18 Then wherefore didst Thou bring me from the womb?

I might have died, and no eye looked on me.

19 I should have been as if I had not been;

And from the womb been carried to the grave."

20 How few my days! Oh! let Him then desist,

And leave me, that I may some comfort take,

21 Before I go whence I shall not return,

Into the darkness and the shades of death,

22 A land of darkness, dark as darkest night.

The land of death-shade, where no order reigns,

And where the day is like the midnight—dark.

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2 Will not a mass of words admit reply?

And must a man, verbose, perforce be right?

3 Thy talk may put to silence mortal men: Thou may'st mock THEM, none putting thee to shame.

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4 For thou hast said, 'My doctrine is pure, and I am clean in Thine eyes.'

5 But oh that °GDD would speak, and open His °lips against thee;

6 And that He would shew thee the secrets of wisdom, that *they are* °double to °that which is! Know therefore that °GDD °exacteth of thee *less* than thine °iniquity *deserveth*.

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7 °Canst thou by searching find out °GDD? canst thou find out °THE ALMIGHTY unto perfection?

8 *It is* as high as heaven; °what canst thou do? deeper than °hell; °what canst thou know?

z

9 The measure thereof is longer than the earth, and broader than the sea.

10 If He °cut off, and shut up, or gather together, then °who can hinder Him?

11 For He knoweth vain °men: He seeth °wickedness also; °will He not then consider it?

F y

12 For °vain °man would be wise, though °man be born *like* a wild ass's colt.

13 °If thou prepare thine heart, and stretch out thine hands toward Him;

14 If °iniquity be in thine hand, put it far away, and let not °wickedness dwell in thy °tabernacles.

z

15 For then shalt thou lift up thy face without spot; yea, thou shalt be stedfast, and shalt not fear:

16 °Because thou shalt forget thy misery, and remember it as waters that pass away:

17 And thine °age shall be clearer than the noonday; thou shalt °shine forth, thou shalt be as the morning.

18 And thou shalt °be secure, because there is hope; yea, thou shalt °dig about thee, and thou shalt take thy rest in safety.

19 Also thou shalt lie down, and none shall make thee afraid; yea, many shall °make suit unto thee.

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20 But the eyes of the °wicked shall fail, and they shall not escape, and their hope shall be as the giving up of the °ghost."

5 GDD. Heb. Eloah. Ap. 4. V.

lips. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

6 double: i. e. manifold.

that which is. Cp. note on Prov. 2. 7.

exacteth. Theology. Zophar's mistake. God is no exactor. iniquity. Heb. 'āwāh. Ap. 44. iv.

7 Canst...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

THE ALMIGHTY. Heb. El Shaddai. Ap. 4. VII.

8 what...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

hell. Heb. *Sheōl*. Ap. 35.

10 cut off=pass by.

who...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

11 wickedness=iniquity. Heb. 'āven. See Ap. 44. iii. will He not then, &c. = although He seemeth not to perceive it.

12 vain man would be wise. Fig. *Paronomasia*. Ap. 6. "A man", *nābub yillābēb*="a man senseless [would become] sensible" if God did always punish immediately. man. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.

13 If thou prepare. This was Zophar's false theology.

14 iniquity. Heb. 'āven. Ap. 44. iii.

tabernacles=tents. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "tent" (sing.). Ap. 40.

16 Because. Syr. reads "For now".

17 age. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the things done in it. See below. Heb. *heled*, like Greek *aion*.

shine forth=soar or shoot upward like the rays of the rising sun.

18 be secure. On this verse see translation below.

dig=look about, as in Josh. 2. 2. Cp. ch. 39. 29: i. e. before lying down (v. 19).

19 make suit, &c. Heb. intreat thy face: i. e. seek thy favour.

20 wicked=lawless. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

ghost=breath. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

12. 1—14. 22 (K³, p. 669). JOB'S REPLY TO ZOPHAR'S FIRST ADDRESS. (*Repeated Alternation*.)

K³ | G | 12. 1-4. Non-inferiority of Job to his friends.

H | 12. 5-12. Job's appeal to his friends.

J | 12. 13-25. God. Job declares Him.

G | 13. 1-5. Non-inferiority of Job to his friends.

H | 13. 6-18. Job's appeal to his friends.

J | 13. 19-14. 22. God. Job appeals to Him.

1 answered. See note on 4. 1.

2 No doubt, &c. Fig. *Eironeia*. Ap. 6.

12 And Job °answered and said,
2 °"No doubt but ye are the people,
and wisdom shall die with you.

K³ G
(p. 680)

4 Thou mayest say indeed [to one of THEM],

"Pure is my doctrine: I have shown myself

5 Pure in His eyes." Would but Eloah speak,

And ope' His lips with thee, and show thee some

6 Of wisdom's secrets: how they far surpass

All that is seen. Know, then, that GDD exacts

Not more than thine iniquity deserves.

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7 Eloah's wisdom deep canst thou search out!

Or, Shaddai's perfect way canst thou attain?

8 It is as high as heaven: What canst thou do?

Deeper than Sheol's depths: What canst thou know?

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9 Its measurement is longer than the earth;

[Its breadth is] broader than the ocean wide.

10 If He pass by, and make arrest, or should

To judgment call; who then shall Him resist?

11 For well He knows the vanity of men:

And marks their sin, though seeming not to heed.

12 But man, vain man, doth understanding lack:

Yea, man is born like a wild ass's colt.

F y

13 [But as for thee]: Hadst thou prepared thy heart,

And stretched forth thy hands to Him in prayer:

14 If sin were in thy hand, put it far off;

Nor dwell there, in thy tent, iniquity,

15 Thou wouldst thy face uplift without a stain;

Yea, firm thou wouldst stand, and need not fear:

16 For all thy misery thou wouldst then forget;

Or, think of it as waters passed away.

17 A time would come far brighter than the noon:

And thou soar upward like the rays of morn.

18 Thou wouldst have confidence; for there is hope;

And, having look'd around, mightst rest secure,

19 And lay thee down, with none to make afraid;

Nay, many will be paying court to thee.

20 But as for wicked men, their eyes will fail,

And every refuge to them useless prove;

Their hope will vanish like a puff of breath.

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JOB'S REPLY TO ZOPHAR'S FIRST ADDRESS.

12. 2—14. 22 (K³, p. 669).

12 2 Ye are the people: not a doubt of that:

And, as for wisdom, it will die with you:

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3 But I have understanding as well as you ;
 I am not inferior to you : yea, ° who knoweth
 not such things as these ?

4 I am as one mocked of his neighbour, who
 calleth upon °GOD, and He answereth him :
 the just upright *man* is laughed to scorn.

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5 He that is ready to slip with *his* feet is as
 a lamp despised in the thought of him that is
 at ease.

6 The tabernacles of robbers prosper, and
 they that provoke °GOD are secure ; into
 whose hand °GOD bringeth abundantly.

7 But ask now the beasts, and °they shall
 teach thee ; and the fowls of the air, and °they
 shall tell thee :

8 Or speak to the earth, and it °shall teach
 thee : and the fishes of the sea °shall declare
 unto thee.

9 ° Who knoweth not in all these that ° the
 hand of ° the LORD hath wrought this ?

10 In Whose hand is the °soul of every living
 thing, and the °breath of all ° mankind.

11 Doth not the ear try words ? and the
 mouth taste his meat ?

12 With the °ancient is wisdom ; and in
 length of days understanding.

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13 With °Him is wisdom and strength, He
 hath counsel and understanding.

14 ° Behold, He breaketh down, and it cannot
 be built again : He °shutteth up a °man, and
 there can be no °opening.

15 ° Behold, He withholdeth the waters, and
 they dry up : also He sendeth them out, and
 they overturn the earth.

16 With Him is strength and °wisdom : the
 deceived and the deceiver are His.

17 He leadeth counsellors away spoiled, and
 maketh the judges fools.

18 He looseth the bond of kings, and girdeth
 their loins with a girdle.

19 He leadeth princes away spoiled, and
 overthroweth the mighty.

3 who knoweth not . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

4 GOD. Heb. Eloah. Ap. 4. V.

6 GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

7 they shall, &c. Fig. *Prosopopœia*. Ap. 6.

9 the hand. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

10 soul=life. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

breath=spirit. Heb. *rûach*. Ap. 9.

mankind=flesh of man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

12 ancient=aged. Heb. word found only here and
 15. 10 ; 29. 8 ; and 32. 6.

13 Him : i. e. Jehovah (v. 9).

14 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

shutteth . . . opening. Heb. idiom for exercising
 authority. Cp. Rev. 3. 7. Fig. *Paræmia*. Ap. 6.

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

16 wisdom=stability. See note on Prov. 2. 7.

20 the speech=the lip. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of
 Cause), Ap. 6, for what is spoken by it.

trusty=faithful. Heb. *'āman*. See Ap. 69. III. Ren-
 dered by "trust" three times in Job (4. 18 ; 15. 15, 31).

21 weakeneth=looseneth.

strength=girdle. Occurs only here and Ps. 109. 19
 and Isa. 23. 10.

22 discovereth=uncovereth.

23 increaseth=maketh them great. Occurs only
 here and 36. 24.

24 heart. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6,
 for the courage given by it.

wilderness=a pathless *tohū*. Cp. note on Gen. 1. 2.

20 He removeth away ° the speech of the
 ° trusty, and taketh away the understanding
 of the aged.

21 He poureth contempt upon princes, and
 °weakeneth the °strength of the mighty.

22 He °discovereth deep things out of dark-
 ness, and bringeth out to light the shadow of
 death.

23 He °increaseth the nations, and destroyeth
 them : He enlargeth the nations, and straiten-
 eth them *again*.

24 He taketh away the °heart of the chief of
 the people of the earth, and causeth them to
 wander in a °wilderness *where there is no way*.

25 They grope in the dark without light, and
 He maketh them to stagger like a drunken *man*.

3 But I have intellect as well as you ;
 And I am not inferior to you :
 Who hath not knowledge of such things as these ?
 4 My neighbours come and mock me ; and they say
 "Aha! he calls on GOD, that He should answer him!"
 And I, an upright man, am made their sport.

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5 A lamp is scorned by one who feeleth safe ;
 But 'tis prepared for them of tottering feet.
 6 Prosp'rous and peaceful are the spoilers' tents.
 Security is theirs who GOD provoke :
 Abundance doth Eloah give to them.
 7 Ask now the beasts : each will thy teacher be ;
 The birds of heav'n shall learning to thee bring.
 8 Hold converse with the Earth, and it will speak ;
 Yea, fishes of the sea will tell their tale.
 9 Who knoweth not, by every one of these,
 That 'tis Jehovah's hand that doeth this ?
 10 In Whose hand lieth every living soul,
 The spirit of all flesh,—of every man.
 11 Doth not the ear discern the sense of words,
 Just as the palate doth distinguish food ?
 12 So with the aged wisdom should be found,
 And length of days should understanding give.

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13 With Him, then, there must wisdom be, and might ;
 Counsel [to plan] and wisdom [to adapt].

14 Lo ! He casts down, and no one can raise up.
 He shutteth up, and no man openeth.
 15 The waters He withholds ; the streams run dry :
 He sends them forth ; they devastate the earth.
 16 To Him [belong] both strength and wisdom's
 might,
 To Him [are known] deceivers and deceived ;
 17 'tis He Who leadeth counsellors, from whom
 He wisdom strips ; and maketh judges fools.
 18 'tis He Who breaks [confed'rate] bonds of kings,
 And girds their loins with cords [as prisoners led] ;
 19 He leadeth priests [of their pretensions] stripped,
 And overthroweth the long-established [thrones].
 20 The trusted [speaker] He deprives of speech ;
 And takes away discernment from the old.
 21 'tis He Who doth on princes pour contempt ;
 And strippeth of their strength [the stout] and
 strong.
 22 Deep things from out of darkness He reveals ;
 Yea, bringeth things to light from out death's
 shade.
 23 He maketh nations great ; and then destroys :
 Increaseth them ; and then, doth captive lead.
 24 Princes of Earth of reason He deprives,
 And makes them wander in a pathless waste.
 25 They grope in darkness, as in densest night :
 He makes them stagger like a drunken man.

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13 °Lo, mine eye hath seen °all *this*, mine ear hath heard and understood it.
2 What ye know, *the same* do I know also: I am not inferior unto you.
3 Surely I would speak to °THE ALMIGHTY, and I desire to reason with °GOD.
4 But ye are °forgers of lies, ye are all physicians of no value.
5 °O that ye would altogether hold your peace! and it should be your wisdom.

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6 Hear now my reasoning, and hearken to the pleadings of my lips.
7 °Will ye speak wickedly for °GOD? and talk deceitfully for Him?
8 °Will ye accept His person? °will ye contend for °GOD?
9 °Is it good that He should search you out? or as one man °mocketh °another, do ye so mock Him?
10 He will surely reprove you, if ye do secretly accept persons.
11 Shall not His excellency make you afraid? and His dread fall upon you?
12 Your °remembrances are °like unto ashes, your °bodies to °bodies of clay.
13 Hold your peace, let me alone, that I may speak, and let come on me what will.
14 °Wherefore do I °take my flesh in my teeth, and put my °life in mine °hand?
15 Though He slay me, yet will I °trust in Him: but I will maintain mine own ways before Him.
16 He also shall be my salvation: for an hypocrite shall not come before Him.
17 °Hear diligently my speech, and my °declaration with your ears.
18 °Behold now, I have °ordered my cause; I know that I shall be justified.

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19 °Who is he that will plead with me? for now, if I hold my tongue, I shall °give up the ghost.
20 Only do not two things unto me: then will I not hide myself from Thee.

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13 Behold, mine own eye hath seen all these things, Mine ear hath heard; and understood them all.
2 What ye know, I know also, even I: In no one thing do I fall short of you.
3 It is to Shaddai that I fain would speak; With GOD to reason, that is my desire.
4 But as for you, smirchers with lies are ye; Physicians of no value are ye all.
5 Would ye but altogether hold your peace; That, of itself, would show that ye were wise.

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6 But hear, I pray, the reasoning of my mouth, And to the pleadings of my lips attend.
7 Is it for GOD ye utter what is wrong? Is it on His behalf ye speak deceit?
8 Dare ye show partiality to Him? Is it, indeed, for GOD that ye contend?
9 Would it be well that He should search you out Or can ye mock at Him, as at frail man?
10 You He will openly convict, be sure, If you in partiality acquit.
11 Will not His majesty make you afraid? And will not dread of Him upon you fall?
12 Your weightiest words are as the ashes—light; Your arguments, like clay defences—weak.
13 Hold ye your peace; let me alone, that I May speak,—and then, let come on me what will.

13. 1 Lo. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.
 all this. Some codices, with Syr. and Vulg., read "all these things". Cp. 33. 29.
3 THE ALMIGHTY. Heb. *Shaddai*. Ap. 4. VII.
 GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.
4 forgers of=besmearers with. Occurs only here, 14. 7 and Ps. 119. 69.
5 O. Fig. *Ecphōnēsis*. Ap. 6.
7 Will ye...? } Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.
9 Is it...? }
 mocketh=befooleth.
 another. Heb. *ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.
12 remembrances=memorable or weighty sayings.
 like unto ashes=similitudes of ashes: i.e. light.
 bodies=defences. Heb. *gab*=mounds. Add "[like to] clay defences": i.e. weak.
14 Wherefore...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.
 take my flesh in my teeth. Fig. *Parēmia*. Ap. 6.
 Still preserved in Arabic for rushing into danger.
 Like the next clause, which is a proverb preserved in English.
 life=soul. Heb. *nephes*. Ap. 13.
 hand. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "hands" (pl.).
15 trust in Him=wait for Him. Heb. *yāhal*. See Ap. 69. VI.
17 Hear diligently. Fig. *Polyptōton*. Ap. 6. "Hear ye, hearing": i.e. Listen attentively; or, give diligent heed. Cp. Isa. 6. 9. See note on Gen. 26. 28.
 declaration=opinion. Occurs only here.
18 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.
 ordered=set in order.
19 Who...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.
 give up the ghost=to expire. See note on 3. 11.
23 How many...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.
 iniquities. Heb. *āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv.
 sins. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. viii.
 transgression. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix.

21 Withdraw Thine hand far from me: and let not Thy dread make me afraid.
22 Then call Thou, and I will answer: or let me speak, and answer Thou me.
23 °How many are mine °iniquities and °sins? make me to know my °transgression and my °sin.
24 °Wherefore hidest Thou Thy face, and holdest me for Thine enemy?
25 °Wilt Thou break a leaf driven to and fro? and °wilt Thou pursue the dry stubble?

14 Aye, come what may, I willingly the risk Will take; and put my life into my hand.
15 Though He may slay me, I will wait for Him; And, before Him, my doings would defend.
16 Yes, even He shall my salvation be, For ne'er will hypocrite before Him stand.
17 Hear now [my friends], give heed unto my word, And keep my declaration in your ears.
18 Behold now, I have orderèd my cause; I know that I shall be declarèd just.

19 Who then is he that will contend with me? For now, if I keep silence, I should die.
20 Only, [O God] do not two things to me; And then I will not hide me from Thy face:
21 Thy hand—from off me—take Thou far away, Nor let Thy terror fill me with alarm.
22 Then call Thou [me, and] I will answer [Thee]; Or, I will speak, and do Thou answer me.
23 How many are my sins,—iniquities,— Transgressions?—These, oh! make Thou me to know.
24 Why hidest Thou from me Thy countenance? Why shouldst Thou count me as Thine enemy?
25 Wilt Thou pursue me as a driven leaf? And chase me as the stubble [light and] dry?

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26 For Thou writest bitter things against me, and makest me to possess the °iniquities of my youth.

27 Thou putttest my feet also in the stocks, and lookest narrowly unto all my paths; Thou °settest a print upon the heels of my feet.

28 And °he, as a rotten thing, consumeth, as a garment that is moth eaten.

14 °Man that is born of a woman is of few days, and full of trouble.

2 He cometh forth like a flower, and is cut down: he fleeth also as a shadow, and continueth not.

3 And °dost Thou open Thine eyes upon such an one, and bringest °me into judgment with Thee?

4 °Who can bring a clean thing out of an unclean? not one.

5 Seeing his days are determined, the number of his months are with Thee, Thou hast appointed his °bounds that he cannot pass;

6 Turn from him, that he may rest, till he shall accomplish, as a hireling, his day.

7 °For there is hope of a tree, if it be cut down, that it will sprout again, and that the tender branch thereof will not cease.

8 Though the root thereof wax old in the earth, and the stock thereof die in the ground;

9 Yet through the scent of water it will bud, and bring forth boughs like a °plant.

10 But °man dieth, and °wasteth away: yea, °man °giveth up the ghost, and °where is he?

11 As the waters fail from the sea, and the flood decayeth and drieth up:

12 So °man lieth down, and riseth not: till the heavens be no more, they shall not awake, nor be raised out of their sleep.

13 °O that Thou wouldest hide me in °the grave, that Thou wouldest keep me secret, until Thy wrath be past, that Thou wouldest appoint me a set time, and remember me!

14 If a °man die, °shall he °live again? all

26 iniquities. Heb. 'āvāh. Ap. 44. iv.

27 testest a print=they make a print on my feet.

28 he, &c.=they (my feet) waste away.

14. 1 Man. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I. "Man" is to v. 1 what v. 1 is to the whole paragraph. The Heb. accent (*D^ehī*) emphasises the word "man", and divides the verse into two members; viz. (1) man and (2) his characteristics which are three: (1) his origin (born in sin), (2) his brevity of life, and (3) his fulness of sorrow.

3 dost . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

me. Sept., Syr., and Vulg. read "him".

4 Who . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Fig. *Parœmia*. Ap. 6.

5 bounds. Four early printed editions read "fixed times".

7 For there is hope of a tree. This is a positive independent statement, about which there is no doubt. There should be a full stop here. Then the Heb. accents mark off two hypotheses: (1) if it is cut down (v. 7) the Spring will wake its sap; (2) if waxing old (v. 8) it may still send forth a new growth. But there is no hope of man's living again like a tree. If he is to "live again" he must be raised from the dead.

9 plant=a new plant.

10 man=strong man. Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. IV.

wasteth away=will decompose.

giveth up, &c. See note on 3. 11.

where . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

12 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

13 O. Fig. *Ecphrōsis*. Ap. 6.

the grave=Sheol. Ap. 35.

14 shall . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

live again: i. e. in resurrection. Cp. John 11. 25, 26.

appointed time=service, or warfare.

change=improvement. Heb. *halaph*=a change for the better. See note on Lev. 27. 10.

15 desire=a longing.

16 sin. Heb. *chātā*. Ap. 44. i.

the days of my °appointed time will I wait, till my °change come.

15 Thou shalt call, and I will answer Thee: Thou wilt have a °desire to the work of Thine hands.

16 For now Thou numberest my steps: °dost Thou not °watch over my °sin?

26 For bitter things, against me, Thou dost write, And dost entail on me my sins of youth.

27 My feet Thou settest fast within the stocks, And lookest closely into all my ways, Branding Thy mark upon my very feet.

28 While these, thus marked, in rottenness wear out, As garment when the moth hath eaten it.

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14 [Frail son of] man that is of woman born, How few his days; and these, of trouble full!

2 He springeth like a flow'r, and is cut down: He fleeth as a shadow; makes no stay.

3 Yet, op'nest Thou Thine eyes on such an one? And bring'st him into judgment with Thyself?

4 Oh that a clean thing could come forth from out A thing unclean! But there is no such one.

5 If now his days are all [by Thee] decreed, And fixed the number of his months with Thee, If Thou hast made him bounds he may not pass,

6 Then look away from him, that he may rest, And, like a hireling, may fulfil his day.

7 For of a tree, indeed, there still is hope That, if it be cut down, 'twill sprout again; And that its suckers will not cease [to grow].

8 Though, in the earth, the root thereof wax old, Though in the dust[of earth] its stump should die;

9 [Yet] will the scent of water make it bud, And put forth shoots like newly-planted tree.

10 But man—he dies; and, fallen, he departs: Yea, man—when he expireth—Where [is he]?

11 As waters fail, and vanish from the sea, And as a river wasteth and dries up;

12 So man lies down and rises not again: Until the heavens are no more, they ne'er Awake; nor are aroused from their sleep.

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13 Oh! that in Sheol Thou wouldst cover me; Conceal me, till Thine anger turn away; Fix me a time; and then remember me.

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14 If a man dieth, will he live again? Then—all my days of service I will wait, Until the time of my reviving come;

15 Then shalt Thou call, and I will answer Thee; For Thou wilt yearn toward Thy handiwork.

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16 But now—Thou numberest my ev'ry step: And Thou wilt not pass over [all] my sin.

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17 My °transgression is sealed up in a bag, and Thou sewest up mine °iniquity.

18 And surely the mountain falling cometh to nought, and the rock is removed out of his place.

19 °The waters wear the stones: Thou wastest away the things which grow out of the dust of the earth; and Thou destroyest the hope of °man.

20 Thou prevailest for ever against him, and he passeth: Thou changest his countenance, and sendest him away.

21 His sons come to honour, and he knoweth it not; and they are brought low, but he perceiveth it not of them.

22 °But his flesh upon him shall have pain, and °his soul °within him shall °mourn."

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(p. 684)

15 Then °answered °Eliphaz the Temanite, and said,

2 °"Should a wise man utter °vain knowledge, and fill his belly with the east °wind?

3 °Should he reason with unprofitable talk? or with speeches wherewith he can do no good?

b 4 Yea, thou castest off °fear, and restrainest prayer before °GOD.

5 For thy mouth uttereth thine °iniquity, and thou chooseth the tongue of the crafty.

6 Thine own mouth condemneth thee, and not §: yea, thine own lips testify against thee.

a 7 °Art thou the first °man that was born? or wast thou °made before the hills?

8 °Hast thou °heard the °secret of °GOD? and dost thou restrain wisdom to thyself?

9 °What knowest thou, that we know not? what understandest thou, which is not in us?

10 With us are both the grayheaded and very aged men, much elder than thy father.

11 °Are the consolations of °GOD small with thee? is there any °secret thing with thee?

12 °Why doth thine heart carry thee away? and what do thy eyes wink at,

17 transgression. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix. iniquity. Heb. *āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

19 The waters, &c. Fig. *Parcmia*. Ap. 6. man = a mortal. Heb. *ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

22 But. This verse describes what happens while he is alive. See below.

his soul = he himself. Heb. *nepheš*. Ap. 13. within = over.

mourn: i. e. mourn "over himself". Heb. *ālāiv*, as in Hos. 10. 5.

15. 1-35 (J⁴, p. 669). ELIPHAZ. SECOND ADDRESS. (*Division*.)

J⁴ K¹ | 15. 1-16. On Job's reasonings.

K² | 15. 17-35. On God's dealings.

1-16 (K¹, above). ON JOB'S REASONINGS. (*Alternations*.)

K¹ a | 1-3. Questions concerning Job's words.

b | 4-6. Proofs in answer.

a | 7-14. Questions concerning Job's character.

b | 15, 16. Proofs in answer.

1 answered = replied. See note on 4. 1.

Eliphaz. See note on 2. 11. This is the second of his three addresses.

2 Should . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

vain = empty. i. e. windy science.

wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

4 fear = reverence.

GOD. Heb. *El*. Ap. 4. IV.

5 iniquity. Heb. *āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

7 Art . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

man. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

made = brought forth.

8 Hast . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

heard = overheard.

secret. Heb. *sōd* = secret counsellings, used of two or more in council. QDD. Heb. *Eloah*. Ap. 4. V.

9 What . . . ? } Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

11. Are . . . ? }

secret = concealed. Heb. *lū'at*. Rendered by Theodotion (R. Sept.), *mustērion* (= secret); Aquila (R. Sept.), *aporrhētā* (= forbidden); Symmachus (R. Sept.), *homilia* (= intercourse).

12 Why . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

13 spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

13 That thou turnest thy °spirit against °GOD, and lettest such words go out of thy mouth?

17 For, sealèd is my guilt, as in a bag,
And mine iniquity Thou fast'nest up.

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18 Yes!—e'en a mountain falling, wastes away;

The rock may be removed from its place;

19 The [flowing] waters wear away the stones;

The floods thereof may wash away the soil:

E'en so the frail man's hope Thou dost destroy;

20 Thou overpowerest him, and he is gone;

His face doth fade; Thou sendest him away.

21 His sons are honoured, but he knows it not;

They are brought low, but he perceives it not.

22 Only [till then] he feels pain over it,

Only [till then] he over it doth mourn.

ELIPHAZ. SECOND ADDRESS.

(J⁴, 15. 2-35).

2 A wise man, should he give vain knowledge forth,
Or fill himself with words like blustering wind?

3 Should he contend with words of no avail,
Or speeches wherewith he can do no good?

4 But thou—thou wouldst make void the fear of GOD, b
And weaken [all] devotion [due] to Him.

5 Thy mouth declares thine own iniquity;

And thou thyself dost choose the crafty tongue.

6 Thine own mouth and not § doth thee condemn;
Yea, thine own lips against thee testify.

7 Art thou the first man who was [ever] born? a
Wast thou brought forth before the hills [were made]?

8 Eloah's secret counsel didst thou hear?

And to [His] wisdom canst thou e'er attain?

9 What knowest thou, that is not known to us?

What understandest thou, that we do not?

10 (The grey-haired and the aged is with us,
More full of days than thine own father was).

11 GOD'S comfortings, are they too small for thee?

Or is there any secret [sin] with thee?

12 Why let thy feelings carry thee away?

What meaneth, then, this quiv'ring of thine eyes?

13 That thou shouldst turn thy rage against [thy]

GOD,

And cause such words to issue from thy mouth.

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and *he* *which* *is* born of a woman, that he
should be righteous ?

b (p. 684) 15 °Behold, He putteth no °trust in His
°saints; yea, the heavens are not clean in His
°sight.

16 How much more abominable and filthy *is*
°man, which drinketh °iniquity like water ?

K² c 17 I will shew thee, hear me; and that *which*
I have seen I will declare;

18 Which wise men have told from their
fathers, and have not hid *it* :

19 Unto whom alone the earth was given,
and no stranger passed among them.

20 The °wicked man °travaileth with pain
all *his* days, and the number of years is
hidden to the oppressor.

21 A dreadful sound *is* in his ears: in prosper-
ity the destroyer shall come upon
him.

22 He believeth not that he shall return out
of darkness, and *he* *is* °waited for of the
sword.

23 *He* wandereth abroad for bread, *saying*,
'Where *is* *it*?' he knoweth that the day
of darkness is ready at his hand.

24 Trouble and anguish shall make him
afraid; they shall prevail against him, as a
king ready to the battle.

d 25 For he stretcheth out his hand against
°GOD, and strengtheneth himself against
°THE ALMIGHTY.

26 He runneth upon Him, *even* on *his*
neck, upon the thick bosses of his buck-
lers:

27 Because he covereth his face with his fat-
ness, and maketh °collops of fat on *his*
flanks.

c 28 And he dwelleth in desolate cities, *and* in
houses which no man inhabiteth, which are
ready to become heaps.

29 He shall not be rich, neither shall his sub-

14 man = a mortal. Heb. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III. See
note on 14. 1.
clean = pure.

15 Behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.
trust = faith. Heb. 'āman. Cp. v. 31. Ap. 69. III.
saints = holy ones. Here = angels. Cp. 4. 18.
sight = eyes.

16 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.
iniquity. Heb. 'āval. Ap. 44. vi.

15. 17-35 (K², p. 669). ON GOD'S DEALINGS.
(Alternation.)

K² c | 15. 17-24. God's judgments.
d | 25-27. Reasons. The procuring cause.
c | 28-34. God's judgments.
d | 35. Reasons. The procuring cause.

20 wicked man = lawless one. Heb. rāshā'. Ap. 44. x.
From v. 20 to v. 35 Eliphaz repeats what he had heard
from tradition.

travaileth = "he travaileth".

22 waited for of the sword = destined to the power
of the sword.

25 THE ALMIGHTY. Heb. 'El Shaddai. Ap. 4. VII.

27 collops = lumps, or slices.

29 shall he prolong the perfection thereof. The
Sept. reads "shall their shadow stretch along upon
the ground".

30 breath. Heb. rūach. Ap. 9.

34 congregation = assembly.
tabernacles = tents.

stance continue, neither °shall he prolong
the perfection thereof upon the earth.

30 He shall not depart out of darkness; the
flame shall dry up his branches, and by
the °breath of His mouth shall he go away.

31 Let not him that is deceived trust in
vanity: for vanity shall be his recom-
pence.

32 It shall be accomplished before his time,
and his branch shall not be green.

33 He shall shake off his unripe grape as the
vine, and shall cast off his flower as the
olive.

34 For the °congregation of hypocrites *shall*
be desolate, and fire shall consume the
°tabernacles of bribery.

14 What is a mortal, that he should be pure ?
Or he of woman born, that he be just ?

b (p. 684) 15 Lo! in His holy ones He puts no faith ;
(The very heav'n's in His sight are not pure.)

16 How much less [man], corrupt, defiled! Yea,
man,
Who drinks, like water [his] iniquity.

K² c 17 Give heed to me; and I will thee instruct;
And that which I have seen I will declare:

18 (Which wise men plainly have made known to us,
And have not hid them—truths their fathers
taught;

19 The men to whom alone the land was given,
And among whom no alien passed): [They said]:

20 "The wicked sorely labours all his days,
His years reserved for the oppressor's greed.

21 A voice of terror ever fills his ears;
And when he prospers, then the spoiler comes.

22 He has no hope from darkness to return;
[And thinks] that he is destined for the sword;

23 He wanders forth and asks:—'O, where is bread'
Well knowing that a dark day draweth nigh.

24 Distress and anguish fill him with alarm;
They overpow'r him like a warrior's charge.

25 Because he stretchèd out his hand 'gainst GOD

And haughtily El Shaddai did defy,

26 [Because] he used to run with stiffened neck

Against Him, with the bosses of his shield;

27 Because his face he clothed with his own fat,

And gathered rolls of fat upon his loins.

28 Therefore he dwelleth in a ruined place;

In houses where none other deigns to live;

In places destined to be ruined heaps.

29 He will not long be rich, nor will his wealth

Endure, nor will his shadow lengthen out.

30 From darkness he will nevermore escape;

His tender branch the flame shall wither up;

In God's hot anger he will pass away.

31 Let no one put his faith in vain deceit:

For vanity will be his recompense;

32 [And] he will be cut off before his time,

So that his palm will not be always green.

33 As shaketh off the vine its unripe fruit,

Or as the olive casts away its flower,

34 So will the household of the vile be naught;

And fire consume the tents of the corrupt

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35 They conceive °mischief, and bring forth vanity, and their °belly prepareth deceit."

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(p. 686)

16 Then Job °answered and said,
2 "I have heard many such things:
°miserable comforters *are* ye all.

3 °Shall °vain words have an end? or °what emboldeneth thee that thou answerest?

4 3 also could speak as ye *do*: if °your soul were in °my soul's stead, I could heap up words against you, and shake mine head at you.

5 *But* I would strengthen you with my mouth, and the moving of my lips should assuage your grief.

6 Though I speak, my grief is not asswaged: and *though* I forbear, what am I eased?

M¹ 7 But now He hath made me weary: Thou hast made desolate all my company.

8 And Thou hast filled me with wrinkles, which °is a witness *against* me: and my °leanness rising up in me beareth witness to my face.

9 He teareth *me* in His wrath, Who hateth me: He gnasheth upon me with His teeth; mine enemy sharpeneth His eyes upon me.

10 They have gaped upon me with their mouth; they have smitten me upon the cheek reproachfully; they have gathered themselves together against me.

11 °GOD hath delivered me to °the ungodly, and turned me over into the hands of °the wicked.

12 I was at ease, but He hath broken me asunder: He hath also taken *me* by my neck, and shaken me to pieces, and set me up for His mark.

13 His archers compass me round about, He cleaveth my reins asunder, and doth not spare; He poureth out my gall upon the ground.

14 He breaketh me with breach upon breach, He runneth upon me like a °giant.

15 I have °sewed sackcloth upon my skin, and defiled my horn in the dust.

35 mischief. Heb. 'āmāl. Ap. 44. v. belly. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for the thoughts produced by emotion.

16. 1—17. 16 (K⁴, p. 689). JOB'S REPLY TO ELIPHAZ'S SECOND ADDRESS.

(Repeated Alternation.)

K⁴ L¹ | 16. 1-6. Reproof.
M¹ | 16. 7-16. Despondency.
L² | 16. 17-21. Reply.
M² | 16. 22—17. 1. Despondency.
L³ | 17. 2-10. Challenge.
M³ | 17. 11-16. Despondency.

1 answered = replied. See note on 4. 1.

2 miserable = wearisome.

3 Shall . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

vain words = empty words. Heb. words of wind.

what . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

4 your soul — you (emph.). Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

my soul = me (emph.). Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

8 is = is become.

leanness. Fig. *Prosopop ia*. Ap. 6.

11 GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

the ungodly = an evil one. Heb. 'āvāl. Ap. 44. vi.

the wicked = the lawless ones. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

14 giant = mighty man. Heb. *gibbōr*. Ap. 14. IV.

15 sewed sackcloth, &c. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the sorrow which accompanied it.

16 shadow of death. Not a mere shade or shadow, but the deep darkness of the grave. Cp. 3. 5; 10. 21; 12. 22; 24. 17; 28. 3; 34. 22, &c.

17 injustice = violence. Only occurrence of English word in O.T.

18 O. Fig. *Ecphōnēsis*. Ap. 6.

cover not . . . my blood. The reference is to the practice which remains to this day, based on Num. 35. 33. Lev. 17. 13. Job's desire is that the evidence of his sufferings may not be hidden.

19 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

16 My face is foul with weeping, and on my eyelids *is* the °shadow of death;

17 Not for *any* °injustice in mine hands: also my prayer *is* pure. L²

18 °O earth, °cover not thou my blood, and let my cry have no place.

19 Also now, °behold, my Witness *is* in heaven, and my record *is* on high.

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35 For evil they conceive, and mischief bear;
Their heart doth travail with iniquity."

JOB'S REPLY TO ELIPHAZ'S SECOND ADDRESS.

16. 1—17. 16 (K⁴, p. 689).

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16 2 Of such like things I have abundance heard;
[Yea] ministers of trouble are ye all.

3 Shall such vain words come never to an end?
Or what emboldens thee to answer still?

4 For I could also speak as well as ye.
If *ye* were in distress instead of *me*,

Against you I could heap together words;
Against you I could shake my head in scorn;

5 I with *my* mouth could [also] harden you;
And with my lip I, too, could you restrain.

6 Though, if I speak, my grief is not assuaged;
If I forbear, how much of it departs?

M¹ 7 Ah! God hath verily exhausted me!

Yea all my family Thou hast destroyed;

8 And shrivelled up my skin. Look! what a sight!
My leanness, like a witness, riseth up
And testifies my ruin to my face.

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9 His anger rends, and maketh war on me,

And He hath gnashed upon me with His teeth.
He is mine enemy; His eyes are swords:

10 [And vile] men gape upon me with their mouths;
And, with contempt, they smite me on my cheeks,
And band themselves against me all at once.

11 GOD to the evil one delivers me,
And headlong casts me into hands malign.

12 At ease I was, when He did shatter me:
He seized my neck, and dashed me to the ground:
Then picked me up, and set me for His mark.

13 His archers did encompass me around.
One cleaves my reins asunder—spares me not;
Another pours my gall upon the earth;

14 Another breaketh me with breach on breach.
He runneth at me like a man of war.

15 I have sewn sackcloth round about myself:
My glory is defiled in the dust:

16 My face with weeping has become inflamed:
And o'er mine eyelids comes the shade of death.

17 [All this] was not for wrong that I had done;
My prayer was pure [made in sincerity].

18 (O Earth! do thou not cover up my blood;
And let my cry [for vengeance] have no rest.)

19 E'en now, lo! in the heav'ns my Witness is;
And He Who voucheth for me is on high.

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20 My ° friends scorn me: *but* mine eye poureth out tears unto ° **GD**.

21 O that one might plead for a ° man with ° God, as a ° man *pleadeth* for his neighbour!

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(p. 686)

22 When a few years are come, then I shall go ° the way *whence* I shall not return.

17 My ° breath ° is ° corrupt, my days are ° extinct, ° the graves *are ready* for me.

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2 Are there not mockers with me? and doth not mine eye ° continue in their provocation?

3 ° Lay down now, ° put me in a surety with Thee; ° who *is he that* will ° strike hands with me?

4 For Thou hast hid their heart from understanding: therefore shalt Thou not exalt *them*.

5 ° "He that speaketh flattery to *his* friends, even the eyes of his ° children shall ° fail."

6 He hath made me also a byword of the people; and ° aforetime I was as a ° tabret.

7 Mine eye also is dim by reason of sorrow, and all my ° members *are* as a shadow.

8 Upright *men* shall be astonished at this, and the innocent shall stir up himself against the hypocrite.

9 The righteous also shall hold on his way, and he that hath clean hands shall be stronger and stronger.

10 But as for ° you all, do ye return, and come now: for I cannot find *one wise man* among you.

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11 My days are past, my purposes are broken off, *even* the thoughts of my heart.

12 They change the night into day: the light *is* short because of ° darkness.

13 If I wait, ° the grave *is* mine house: I have made my bed in the darkness.

14 I have said to corruption, 'Thou *art* my father: ' to the worm, 'Thou *art* my mother, and my sister.'

15 And where *is* now my hope? as for my hope, who shall see it?

16 They shall go down to the bars of ° the pit, when *our* rest together *is* in the dust."

20 friends = neighbours.

GD. Heb. Eloah. Ap. 4. V.

21 man = strong man. Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. IV.

man = son of man. Heb. *ben-'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

22 the way, &c. Fig. *Euphemism* (Ap. 6), for death.

17. 1 breath = spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

is = has become.

corrupt = consumed.

extinct. Heb. *zā'ak*. Occurs only here.

the graves. The Sept. reads as in translation below.

2 continue in = constantly dwell on.

3 Lay down now = Appoint it so, I pray.

put me, &c. = be thou my bond. Cp. Isa. 38. 14 ("undertake").

who is he...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. The answer is given in v. 4 by Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), "[not they]".

strike hands. The idiom for making a compact. Cp. Prov. 6. 1; 11. 15; 17. 18; 22. 26, &c.

5 He that, &c. Supply *Ellipsis*, as in translation below; and treat v. 5 as a quotation.

children = sons.

fail = look in vain.

6 aforetime = in former times. Cp. Ruth 4. 7.

tabret = a drum. Heb. *topheth*. To the sound and warning of which people gave heed. See note on 1 Sam. 10. 5. After this verse imagine a pause.

7 members = limbs.

10 you. So some codices, with Syr. and Vulg., which A.V. and R.V. followed. Other codices read "them".

12 darkness. Heb. *hāshak*. See note on 3. 6.

13 the grave. Heb. *Sheōl*. Ap. 35. Cp. v. 16.

16 the pit. Heb. *Sheōl*. Ap. 35. Cp. v. 13.

18. 1-21 (J⁵, p. 669). BILDAD'S SECOND ADDRESS. (*Division*.)

J⁵ | N¹ | 1-4. Reproof of Job.

| N² | 5-21. Doom of the wicked.

1 answered. See note on 4. 1.

Bildad. See note on 2. 11.

2 How long...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

an end: or, a perversion.

18 Then ° answered ° Bildad the Shuhite, and said,

2 ° "How long *will it be ere* ye make ° an end of words? mark, and afterwards we will speak.

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20 My friends are they who scorn me, [mock my grief]:

But to Eloah I pour out my tears,

21 That He may justify me with Himself,
E'en as a son of man pleads for his friend.

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22 For yet a few more years will come and go,
And I shall go the way whence none return.

17 My spirit's gone; extinguished are my days:
A grave I seek, and [yet I shall] not find.

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2 Surely do those who mock beset me round;
Mine eye doth on their provocation rest.

3 Arrange a pledge, I pray; be Thou my bond;
Who is there [else] will pledge himself for me?

4 [Not they]. Their heart from wisdom Thou hast hid:

Thou wilt not, then, let them prevail. [Tis said]

5 "When one for profit doth betray his friends;
His very children look to him in vain."

6 But me the people's byword He hath made:
Whereas, aforetime, I was as a drum,
[And all did heed the warning that I gave].

7 Therefore mine eye becometh dim from grief;
And all my limbs are to a shadow shrunk.

8 The upright will astounded be at this,
The pure be stirr'd by [treatment so] unjust.

9 But still the righteous on his way will hold;
The innocent will go from strength to strength.

10 [Despite] them all, come now, I beg of you;
Shall I not find among you one wise man?

11 My days are passed; [and all] my purposes
Are broken off;—my heart's most cherished plans.

12 Night is appointed me instead of day:
[My] light is drawing near to darkness [deep].

13 If I should hope, lo, Sheōl is my home;
Yea, in the darkness I should make my bed;

14 "My father *thou*"—I say now to the grave;
"My mother" and "my sister"—to the worm.

15 ["If I should hope," I said:] "where then is hope?
And who [alas!] should see my blessedness?"

16 With me to Sheōl would they both go down,
And rest together, with me, in the dust."

BILDAD'S SECOND ADDRESS.

18. 2-21 (J⁵, p. 669).

18 2 How long will you thus hunt about for words?
Pray understand, and after, let us speak.

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3 °Wherefore are we counted as beasts, and reputed °vile in °your sight?

4 He teareth °himself in his anger: °shall the earth be forsaken for thee? and shall the rock be removed out of his place?

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5 Yea, the °light of the °wicked shall be put out, and the spark of his fire shall not shine.

6 The °light shall be °dark in his °tabernacle, and his °candle shall be put out °with him.

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7 The °steps of his strength shall be straitened, and his own counsel shall cast him down.

8 For he is cast into a net by his own feet, and he °walketh upon a snare.

9 °The °gin shall take him by the heel, and °the °robber shall prevail against him.

10 The snare is °laid for him in the ground, and a trap for him in the way.

11 Terrors shall make him afraid on every side, and shall °drive him to his feet.

12 His °strength shall be hungerbitten, and destruction shall be ready at his side.

13 It shall devour the °strength of his °skin: even the °firstborn of death shall devour his °strength.

14 His confidence shall be rooted out of his °tabernacle, and it shall bring him to the °king of terrors.

15 °It shall dwell in his °tabernacle, because it is °none of his: brimstone shall be scattered upon his habitation.

16 His roots shall be dried up beneath, and above shall his branch be cut off.

e

17 His remembrance shall perish from the earth, and he shall have no name in the street.

18 He shall be driven from light into darkness, and chased out of the world.

19 He shall neither have son nor °nephew among his people, nor any remaining in his dwellings.

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20 They that come after him shall be astonished at his °day, as they that went before were affrighted.

O²

21 Surely such are the dwellings of the

3 Wherefore . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. vile: or, stupid.

your sight. Sept. and Syr. read "thine eyes".

4 himself = his soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. shall . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

18. 5-21 (N², p. 687). DOOM OF THE WICKED. (Division.)

N² | O¹ | 5-20. Particular.
| O² | 21. General.

5-20 (O¹, above). DOOM. (PARTICULAR.) (Alternation.)

O¹ | e | 5, 6. Extinction.

f | 7-16. Result. } vv. 7, 8. Evils from himself.
| vv. 9-16. Evils from others.

e | 17-19. Extinction.

f | 20. Result. Astonishment of others.

5 light. The reference is to the universal practice of burning a light during the night.

wicked = lawless. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

6 dark. Heb. *hashak*: see note on 3. 6; showing that the man is dead, and not alive to keep the light burning. tabernacle = tent. candle = lamp.

with him = over him: see note on "dark", above.

7 steps of his strength = his firm step. Gen. of character. Ap. 17. 1.

8 walketh = walketh habitually.

9 the gin = a gin. A.V., 1611, reads "grin" = a snare. Same meaning, but now obsolete. the = a.

robber = noose.

10 laid = hidden.

11 drive him to his feet = follow at his feet. Cp. 1 Sam. 25. 42.

12 strength, &c. i.e. shall be weakened by hunger. Same word as v. 7, not same as v. 13.

13 strength = parts or members of his body.

skin. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap. 6, for the whole body. Cp. Ex. 22. 26.

firstborn of death: i.e. the chief, or worst, or cruellest death. Fig. *Euphemismos*. Ap. 6.

14 king of terrors. Euphemy, for death.

15 It: i.e. every one of the terrors.

none of his = not, indeed, his own.

16 nephew = grandson (Judg. 12. 14).

20 day. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the thing done in the day: i.e. his fall.

21 wicked. Heb. *āval*. Ap. 44. vi. Occurs elsewhere only in 27. 7; 29. 17; 31. 3, and Zeph. 3. 5.

GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

°wicked, and this is the place of him that knoweth not °GOD."

3 Wherefore are we accounted like the beasts, [And wherefore] held as stupid in thine eyes?

4 Lo! in his anger 'tis himself he rends! For thee, shall Earth be rendered desolate? Or shall the rock be moved from its place?

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5 Yes! True! the sinner's light shall be put out; And from his fire shall no bright flame ascend.

6 Daylight shall darkness in his tent become; The lamp which hangs above him shall go out.

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7 His once firm step shall [halt, and] weakened be, And his own counsel cast him headlong down.

8 By his own feet he's urged into a net, For in his chosen way there lies a snare.

9 The [hidden] snare shall seize him by the heel; The noose shall [catch him and shall] hold him fast.—

10 The snare lies hidden for him in the ground; The trap in ambush waits beside his path.

11 Terrors shall startle him on every side; [At every step] they make his feet to start.

12 Through pangs of hunger shall his strength decline: A dire disease stands ready at his side

13 The members of his body to consume;

Yea, Death's Firstborn his members shall devour,

14 Uproot him from his tent (in which he trusts), And to the King of Terrors hurry him.

15 These terrors in his tent shall dwell,—yet not His own. Brimstone upon it shall descend;

16 [While] from beneath his roots shall be dried up, And from above his branch shall be cut off.

17 His memory has perish'd from the Earth, No name is left to him in all the land.

18 From light to darkness do they thrust him forth, And from the world they drive him far away:

19 Childless among his people he is left: In all his habitation none survives.

20 They who come after wonder at his doom, As they who went before were seized with fear.

21 Such are the dwellings of [all] wicked men; Yea, such the place of him who knows not GOD.

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19 Then Job ° answered and said,
2 "How long will ye vex ° my soul,
and break me in pieces with words?

3 These ten times have ye reproached me:
ye are not ashamed *that* ye ° make yourselves
strange to me.

4 And be it indeed *that* I have ° erred, mine
° error ° remaineth with myself.

5 If indeed ye will magnify *yourselves* against
me, and plead against me my reproach.

Q 6 Know now that ° 𐤂𐤋𐤍 hath overthrown
me, and hath compassed me with His net.

7 ° Behold, I cry out of wrong, but I am not
heard: I cry aloud, but *there is* no judgment.

8 He hath fenced up my way that I cannot
pass, and He hath set darkness in my paths.

9 He hath stripped me of my glory, and
taken the crown *from* my head.

10 He hath ° destroyed me on every side, and
I am gone: and mine hope hath He ° removed
like a tree.

11 He hath also kindled His wrath against
me, and He counteth me unto Him as *one of*
His enemies.

12 His troops come together, and raise up
their way against me, and encamp round
about my ° tabernacle.

13 He hath put my brethren far from me,
and mine acquaintance are verily estranged
from me.

14 My kinsfolk have failed, and my familiar
friends have forgotten me.

15 They that dwell in mine house, and my
maids, count me for a stranger: I am an alien
in their sight.

16 I called my servant, and he gave *me* no
answer; I intreated him with my mouth.

17 My ° breath is ° strange to my wife, ° though
I intreated for the ° children's *sake* of mine
own body.

18 Yea, ° young children despised me; I
° arose, and they spake against me.

19 All my ° inward friends abhorred me: and
they whom I loved are turned against me.

JOB'S REPLY TO BILDAD'S SECOND ADDRESS.

19. 2-29 (K⁵, p. 669).

2 How long will ye [thus grieve and] vex my soul,
And break me all to pieces with your words?

3 Already ten times have ye taunted me;
And still are not ashamed to wrong me thus.

4 Be it that I have sinned, [as ye say],
My sense of sin abideth with myself.

5 If 'gainst me still ye magnify yourselves,
And plead against me that I [must have] sinned:

Q 6 Then know ye that Eloah hath o'erthrown
My cause; and made His net to close me round.

7 Behold, I cry out ["Wrong!"] but am not heard:
I cry out "Help!" but there is no redress:

8 My path He hedgeth up; I cannot pass;
And on my way He maketh darkness rest:

9 From me my glory He hath stripped off,
And from my head hath He removed the crown.

10 On all sides I am crush'd, where'er I go:
He hath my hope uprooted like a tree:

11 Against me He hath made His anger burn,
And counts me toward Him as His enemy.

19. 1-29 (K⁵, p. 669). JOB'S REPLY TO BILDAD'S SECOND ADDRESS. (*Introversion.*)

K⁵ P | 1-5. Censure of his friends for their re-
proaches.

Q | 6-20. Complaints of God's dealings as his
enemy.

Q | 21-27. Appeal to his hope in God as his
Redeemer.

P | 28, 29. Warning to his friends to cease their
reproaches.

1 answered = replied. See note on 4. 1.

my soul = me. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

3 make yourselves strange to me: or, are in-
solent to me.

4 erred . . . error. Heb. *shāgā*. Ap. 44. xii.

remaineth with myself: i. e. is mine own affair.

6 𐤂𐤋𐤍. Heb. Eloah. Ap. 4. V.

7 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6. See translation
below.

10 destroyed = crushed.

removed = uprooted.

12 tabernacle = tent.

13, 14. Note the Alternation in these two verses.

17 breath. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

strange = offensive.

though I, &c. See rendering below.

children's = sons': i. e. had his sons not died.

18 young children = the very boys; or, young mis-
creants.

arose = would fain rise.

19 inward = intimate. Heb. men of my counsel = my
confidential friends.

20 the skin of my teeth = the gums. See rendering
below.

21 Have pity, &c. Fig. *Ecphrōnēsis*. Ap. 6.

the hand. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

touched = stricken. Fig. *Tapeinōsis*. Ap. 6.

22 GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

20 My bone cleaveth to my skin and to my
flesh, and I am escaped with ° the skin of my
teeth.

21 ° Have pity upon me, have pity upon me,
O *ye* my friends; for ° the hand of ° 𐤂𐤋𐤍 hath
° touched me.

22 Why do ye persecute me as ° GOD, and
are not satisfied with my flesh?

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2 How long will ye [thus grieve and] vex my soul,
And break me all to pieces with your words?

3 Already ten times have ye taunted me;
And still are not ashamed to wrong me thus.

4 Be it that I have sinned, [as ye say],
My sense of sin abideth with myself.

5 If 'gainst me still ye magnify yourselves,
And plead against me that I [must have] sinned:

Q 6 Then know ye that Eloah hath o'erthrown
My cause; and made His net to close me round.

7 Behold, I cry out ["Wrong!"] but am not heard:
I cry out "Help!" but there is no redress:

8 My path He hedgeth up; I cannot pass;
And on my way He maketh darkness rest:

9 From me my glory He hath stripped off,
And from my head hath He removed the crown.

10 On all sides I am crush'd, where'er I go:
He hath my hope uprooted like a tree:

11 Against me He hath made His anger burn,
And counts me toward Him as His enemy.

12 Together [gainst me] do His troops come on;
Against me they their earthworks have cast up,
And round about my tent have they encamped.

13 My brethren hath He put far off from me,
And mine acquaintance from me are estranged.

14 My near-of-kin have ceased [and failed] me,
And my familiar friends forgotten me.

15 The dwellers in my house, the very maids,
Account [and treat] me as a stranger now:
I am become an alien in their eyes.

16 I called my servant,—but he answered not,
[Though] I entreated him with mine own mouth.

17 My breath is grown offensive to my wife,
So would my fondling to my sons appear.

18 Yea—e'en the very boys despise me now;
They jeer at me when I attempt to rise.

19 My confidential friends from me recoil:
And those I loved turn right away from me.

20 My bone cleaves fast unto my skin and flesh,
All shrunk away the cov'ring of my teeth.

21 Have pity; oh, have pity, ye, my friends;
Eloah's hand [alas!] hath stricken me.

22 Wherefore pursue me as if ye were GOD?
Will not my body's [ills] suffice for you?

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23 °Oh that my words were now written!
oh that they were printed in a book!

24 That they were °graven with an iron pen
and lead in the rock for ever!

25 For I °know that my °Redeemer liveth,
and that He shall stand at the latter day upon
the °earth:

26 And though after my °skin worms de-
stroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see
°GOD:

27 Whom I shall see for myself, and mine
eyes shall behold, and not °another; though
my reins be consumed within me.

P (p. 689) 28 °But ye should say, 'Why persecute we
him, °seeing the root of the matter is found in
°me?'

29 Be ye afraid of the sword: for wrath
bringeth the °punishments of the sword, that
ye may know °there is a judgment."

J⁶ R (p. 690) 20 Then °answered °Zophar the Naamath-
ite, and said,

2 "Therefore do my thoughts cause me to
answer, and for this I make haste.

3 I have heard the °check °of my reproach,
and the °spirit of my understanding causeth
me to answer.

4 °Knowest thou not this °of old, since °man
was placed upon earth,

5 That the triumphing of the °wicked is
short, and the joy of the hypocrite but for
a moment?

S 6 Though his excellency mount up to the
heavens, and his head reach unto the clouds;

7 Yet he shall perish for ever like his own
°dung: they which have seen him shall say,
'Where is he?'

8 He shall fly away as a dream, and shall not
be found: yea, he shall be chased away as a
vision of the night.

9 The eye also which saw him shall see him
no more; neither shall his place any more be-
hold him.

10 His °children shall °seek to please the
°poor, and his hands shall restore their goods.

23 Oh! Fig. *Ecphōnēsis*. Ap. 6.

24 graven = engraven. See translation below.

25 know. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6,
to include all the effects of knowing.

Redeemer = next of kin. Heb. *gō'el*. See notes on
Ex. 6. 6, and cp. Ruth 2. 20; 4. 1, 3, 6. Isa. 59. 20.

earth = dust of [the earth].

26 skin. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6, for
the whole body.

27 another = a stranger. A pause must be made
between vv. 27 and 28.

28 But ye: or, Ye shall [then] say.

seeing. Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6). Supply by repeating
the question, "Why see a root of blame in him?"
me. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., and Vulg.,
read "him".

29 punishments = sins; "sins" put by Fig. *Metony-
my* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the punishments called for by
them.

there is a judgment = that judgment will be exe-
cuted.

20. 1-29 (J⁶, p. 669). ZOPHAR'S SECOND ADDRESS. (*Introversion*.)

J⁶ R | 1-5. His theme stated.

S | 6-28. Expansion of the theme.

R | 29. The theme restated.

1 answered = spake again. See note on 4. 1.

Zophar. See note on 2. 11.

3 check = correction.

of = for: i.e. meant to confound me, referring to
chap. 19.

spirit of = spirit from. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

4 Knowest thou not this? This was Zophar's
reply to Job in 19. 25, implying that Job had no such
hope.

of old = from of old.

man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

5 wicked = lawless. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

7 dung. See note on Isa. 25. 10.

10 children = sons.

seek to please = pay court to.

poor = impoverished. Heb. *dāl*. See note on Prov. 6. 11.

12 wickedness. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

11 His bones are full of the sin of his youth,
which shall lie down with him in the dust.

12 Though °wickedness be sweet in his mouth,
though he hide it under his tongue;

23 Oh that my words could now be written down!

Oh that a record could be graven with pen

24 Of iron, cut in rock [and filled] with lead,
A witness evermore. [The words are these].

25 I KNOW THAT MY REDEEMER [EVER] LIVES,
AND AT THE LATTER DAY ON EARTH SHALL STAND;

26 AND AFTER [WORMS] THIS BODY HAVE CONSUMED,
YET IN MY FLESH I SHALL ELOAH SEE:

27 WHOM I, E'EN I, SHALL SEE UPON MY SIDE.

MINE EYES SHALL SEE HIM—STRANGER, NOW, NO MORE:
[FOR THIS] MY INMOST SOUL WITH LONGING WAITS.

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P (p. 689) 28 Ye shall [then] say,
"Why did we him pursue?
Why seek to find in him a root of blame?"

29 Beware! and of the sword be ye afraid:
For wrathful are the sword's dread punishments;
And ye shall know indeed its judgment [sure].

ZOPHAR'S SECOND ADDRESS.

20. 2-29 (J⁶, p. 669).

J⁶ R 20 2 Not so: my thoughts impel me to respond,
And therefore is my haste within me [roused].

3 Correction meant for my reproof, I hear,

But zeal, with knowledge, gives me a reply.

4 Know'st thou [not] this?—a truth of olden time,
Since Adam first was placed upon the earth:

5 That brief the triumph of the wicked is,
And momentary is the sinner's joy?

6 His joy may mount up to the [very] skies,
His head reach up unto the [highest] clouds:

7 Like his own stubble he is swept away;
And they who see shall say, "Where has he
gone?"

8 He fleeth as a dream, and is not found:
Is chased away, like visions of the night.

9 The eye which saw him sees him not again;
His dwelling-place descrieth him no more.

10 His children shall pay court unto the poor;
And his own hands give back again his wealth.

11 His bones are filled with sins in secret done,
And with him in the dust they shall lie down.

12 Though wickedness, while in his mouth, be sweet,
Though underneath his tongue he keep it hid,—

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13 *Though* he spare it, and forsake it not; but keep it still within his °mouth:

14 *Yet* his °meat in his bowels is turned, *it is* the gall of asps within him.

15 He hath swallowed down riches, and he shall vomit them up again: °GOD shall cast them out of his belly.

16 He shall suck the poison of asps: the viper's tongue shall slay him.

17 He shall not see the °rivers, the °floods, the °brooks of honey and butter.

18 That which he laboured for shall he restore, and shall not swallow *it* down: according to *his* substance shall the restitution be, and he shall not rejoice *therein*.

19 Because he hath oppressed *and* hath forsaken the °poor; *because* he hath violently taken away an house which he builded not;

20 Surely he shall not °feel quietness in his belly, he shall not save of that which he desired.

21 There shall none of his °meat be left; therefore shall no man look for his goods.

22 In the fulness of his sufficiency he shall be in straits: °every °hand of the °wicked shall come upon him.

23 *When* he is about to fill his belly, *God* shall cast the fury of His wrath upon him, and shall rain *it* upon him while he is eating.

24 He shall flee from the iron weapon, *and* the bow of steel shall strike him through.

25 It is drawn, and cometh out of the body; yea, the glittering sword cometh out of his gall: terrors *are* upon him.

26 All darkness shall be hid in his secret places: a fire °not blown shall consume him; it shall go ill with him that is left in his °tabernacle.

27 The heaven shall reveal his °iniquity; and the earth shall rise up against him.

28 The increase of his house shall depart, *and his goods* shall °flow away in the day of His wrath.

29 This *is* the portion of a °wicked °man

13 mouth = palate.

14 meat = bread; "bread" put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species) Ap. 6, for all kinds of food.

15 GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

17 rivers = divisions of water for irrigation, as in a garden. Heb. *palgey mayim*. See notes on Prov. 21. 1, and Ps. 1. 3.

floods = rivers. Heb. *nāhār*, everflowing.

brooks = wadys. Heb. *nāhal*, summer streams.

20 feel = know, or experience.

22 every hand of the wicked = all power of trouble. hand. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the power exercised by it.

wicked. Heb. *āmāl*. Ap. 44. v.

26 not blown. Not blown up, or produced by man. tabernacle = tent.

27 iniquity. Heb. *āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

28 flow away = melt away, disappear.

29 man. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

21. 1-34 (K⁶, p. 669). JOB'S REPLY TO ZOPHAR'S SECOND ADDRESS. (*Repeated Alternation*.)

K⁶ T¹ | 1-6. Appeal to his friends.
U¹ | 7-26. Contrasted cases. The wicked (vv. 7-21). The good (vv. 22-26).
T² | 27-29. Appeal to his friends.
U² | 30-33. Contrasted cases. The wicked: in life (vv. 30, 31); in death (vv. 32, 33).
T³ | 34. Appeal to his friends.

1 answered = replied. See note on 4. 1.

2 Hear diligently. See note on 13. 17.

3 mock on = mock [thou] on, as if pointing to him.

4 man. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

why . . . ? Fig. *Erolēsis*. Ap. 6.

my spirit = myself. Heb. *rūach* (Ap. 9). Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap. 6, for the whole person, for emphasis.

from °God, and the heritage appointed unto him by °GOD."

21 But Job °answered and said,
2 °"Hear diligently my speech, and let this be your consolations.

3 Suffer me that I may speak; and after that I have spoken, °mock on.

4 As for me, *is* my complaint to °man? and if *it were* so, °why should not °my spirit be troubled?

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(p. 690)

13 Keeping it long, and loth to let it go,

Retaining it within his palate's taste;

14 Yet in his bowels is his food all changed;

Within him it becomes the gall of asps.

15 He swallowed wealth, but vomiteth it up:

Yea, from his belly GOD will drive it forth.

16 The venom of the adder shall he suck;

The poison of the viper slayeth him.

17 He shall not look upon the [flowing] streams,

Or floods, or brooks of honey and of milk.

18 In vain he toiled, he shall not swallow [it];

Like wealth giv'n back, in it he has no joy.

19 Because he crush'd, and helpless left, the poor;

[And] seized upon a house he did not build:

20 Because content within he never knew,

Nor let escape him ought that he desired,

21 (No, not a shred that he devour'd not):

Therefore it is, his wealth shall not endure.

22 When it is at its height, his straits begin;

The power of distress shall come on him.

23 For, when he is about to eat his food,

Then [God] shall send on him His burning wrath,

And rain it on him for his punishment.

24 [Though] he may flee away from lance of steel,

The [shaft from] bow of brass shall pierce him through:

25 [And if] one draws it forth from out his flesh,

The gleaming arrow-head from out his gall,

[Then other] terrors shall upon him come.

26 For his hid treasures every trouble waits;

A fire not blown [by man] devours them all;

It shall consume what in his tent is left.

27 The heav'n's shall his iniquity reveal:

Against him riseth up the [very] earth:

28 The increase of his house to exile goes,

Like flowing waters, in God's day of wrath.

29 Such is the sinner's portion sent from God;

And such the doom GOD hath appointed him.

JOB'S REPLY TO ZOPHAR'S SECOND ADDRESS.

21. 1-34 (K⁶, p. 669).

2 Oh, do but list with patience to my words

And so let this your consolation be.

3 Oh, bear with me, I pray, and let me speak;

And after I have done, thou canst mock on.

4 Is it to man that my appeal I make?

Might I not in that case impatient be?

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5 Mark me, and be astonished, and °lay your hand upon your mouth.

6 Even when I remember I am afraid, and trembling taketh hold on my flesh.

U¹ g¹
(p. 692)

7 Wherefore do the °wicked live, become old, yea, are mighty in power?

8 Their seed is established in their sight with them, and their offspring before their eyes.

9 Their houses °are safe from fear, neither is the rod of °GOD upon them.

10 °Their bull gendereth, and faileth not; °their cow calveth, and casteth not her calf.

11 They send forth their little ones like a flock, and their °children dance.

12 They take the timbrel and harp, and rejoice at the sound of the °organ.

13 They spend their days in wealth, and in a moment °go down to °the grave.

14 Therefore they say unto °GOD, 'Depart from us; for we desire not the knowledge of Thy ways.

15 °What is °THE ALMIGHTY, that we should serve Him? and °what profit should we have, if we pray unto Him?'

16 °Lo, their good is not in their hand: the counsel of the °wicked is far from me.

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17 °How oft is the °candle of the °wicked put out! and how oft cometh their destruction upon them! °God distributeth sorrows in His anger.

18 °They are as °stubble before the °wind, and as chaff that the storm carrieth away.

19 °GOD layeth up °his °iniquity for his °children: He rewardeth him, and he shall know it.

20 His eyes shall see his destruction, and he shall drink of the wrath of °THE ALMIGHTY.

21 For what pleasure hath he in his house after him, when the number of his months is cut off in the midst?

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22 Shall any teach °GOD knowledge? seeing he judgeth those that are high.

5 lay your hand, &c. A token of having no answer.

7-26 (U¹, p. 691). 30-33 (U², p. 691). CONTRASTED CASES. (Repeated Alternation.)

U ¹	g ¹ 7-16. Prosperity.	} The wicked.
	h ¹ 17-21. Adversity.	
	g ² 22-24. Prosperity.	} The good.
	h ² 25, 26. Adversity.	
U ²	g ³ 30, 31. Prosperity in life.	} The wicked.
	h ³ 32, 33. Prosperity in death.	

7 wicked = lawless. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

9 are safe = are in peace.

°GOD. Heb. Eloah. Ap. 4. V.

10 their = each.

11 children = lads.

12 organ. Heb. *'ūgab* = a wind instrument. Cp. Gen. 4. 21. Job 30. 31. Ps. 150. 4.

13 go down = get dashed.

the grave. Heb. *Sheōl*. Ap. 35.

14 GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

15 What . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

THE ALMIGHTY. Heb. Shaddai. Ap. 4. VII.

16 Lo. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

17 How oft . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. These words must be repeated to supply the *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) at the beginning of vv. 18 and 19, as in middle of v. 17.

candle = lamp.

wicked = lawless. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

God. Supply "How oft He", &c., instead of "God".

18 They: i. e. [How oft] they.

stubble = crushed straw. Heb. *teben* (not *kash* = straw. wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

19 °GOD = [How oft] Eloah. Ap. 4. V.

his: i. e. the lawless man's children.

iniquity. Heb. *'āven*. Ap. 44. iii. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause) Ap. 6, for punishment brought on by it.

children = sons.

24 breasts = skin bottles.

25 soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

23 One dieth in his full strength, being wholly at ease and quiet.

24 His °breasts are full of milk, and his bones are moistened with marrow.

25 And another dieth in the bitterness of his °soul, and never eateth with pleasure. h²

26 They shall lie down alike in the dust, and the worms shall cover them.

5 Turn now, and look on me, and stand amazed,

And lay ye now your hand upon your mouth.

6 For, when I think of it, I am dismayed,
And trembling taketh hold upon my flesh.

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(p. 692)

7 Why [suffers God] ungodly men to live,
And to grow old; yea, to wax strong in power?

8 With them their seed is 'stablished; yea, with them

Their offspring [live and] grow before their eyes.

9 Their houses are in peace; they know no fear;

No scourge descends upon them from °GOD'S hand.

10 Their bull engendereth, and doth not fail;

Their cow doth calve, and casteth not her calf.

11 Their little children skip about like lambs;

Their elder children mingle in the dance.

12 With timbrel and with harp they lift their voice;

And merry make with cheerful sound of pipe.

13 They in prosperity complete their days,

And in a moment to the grave go down.

14 Yet, unto GOD they say:

"Depart from us;

No knowledge of Thy ways do we desire.

15 [Pray] Who is Shaddai that we Him should serve?

And what the profit if to Him we pray?"

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16 But lo! their good comes not from their own hand.
Far be the way of wicked men from me.

17 [But yet, ye say]
"How oft goes out the lamp of evil men!
[How oft] calamity doth on them come!
[How oft] are pangs apportioned them in wrath!
[How oft] are they as straw before the blast,
Like chaff the storm and tempest drive away!"

19 [Ye say]; "Eloah lays up for the sons
The father's evil life, in recompense,
That his own eyes may [all] the trouble see.
When from the wrath of Shaddai he shall drink.

21 What pleasure hath he in prosperity,
When cut off is the number of his months?"

22 Is it to GOD that one can knowledge teach?

Seeing 'tis He Who judgeth things on high!

23 [For, lo]: one dieth in the very height

Of his prosperity, calm, and at ease:

24 His breasts are full of nourishment; his bones
With marrow are well moistened [and fresh].

25 Another dies in bitterness of soul,
And never has he tasted any good.

26 Together in the dust they both lie down:
Alike, o'er both, the worm its covering spreads.

T² (p. 691) 1656 27 ° Behold, I know your thoughts, and the devices *which* ye wrongfully imagine against me.

28 For ye say, ° Where is the house of the ° prince? and ° where are the dwelling places of the ° wicked?

29 ° Have ye not asked them that go by the way? and do ye not know their tokens,

U² g³ (p. 692) 30 ° That the ° wicked is reserved to the day of destruction? they shall be brought forth to the day of wrath.

31 ° Who shall declare his way to his face? and ° who shall repay him *what* he hath done?

h³ 32 Yet shall he be brought to ° the grave, and shall remain in the ° tomb.

33 The ° clods of the valley shall be sweet unto him, and every ° man shall draw after him, as *there are* innumerable before him.

T (p. 691) 34 How then comfort ye me in vain, seeing in your answers there remaineth ° falsehood?"

J⁷ V¹ (p. 693) 22 Then ° Eliphaz the Temanite ° answered and said,

2 ° "Can a ° man be profitable unto ° GOD, ° as he that is wise may be profitable unto himself?

3 ° Is it any pleasure to ° THE ALMIGHTY, that thou art righteous? or is it gain to Him, that thou makest thy ways perfect?

4 ° Will He reprove thee for fear of thee? ° will He enter with thee into judgment?

W X 5 ° Is not thy ° wickedness great? and thine ° iniquities ° infinite?

6 For thou hast taken a pledge from thy brother for nought, and ° stripped ° the naked of their clothing.

7 Thou hast not given water to the weary to drink, and thou hast withholden bread from the hungry.

8 But *as for* the mighty ° man, he had the earth; and the honourable man dwelt in it.

27 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

28 Where . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. prince = noble.

29 Have ye not . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

30 That. Supply *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) before "That" = "[They say] that". See translation below.

31 Who . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

32 the grave = sepulchre. Heb. *ķeber*. Ap. 35. tomb = tumulus, or sepulchral mound.

33 clods. Heb. *degeb* = soft, or moist clods. Occurs only here and 38. 38. man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

34 falsehood = perverseness. Heb. *mā'al*. Ap. 44. xi.

22. 1-30 (J⁷, p. 669). ELIPHAZ. THIRD ADDRESS. (*Alternations*.)

J⁷ V¹ | 1-4. Argument. (General.) Concerning God.
W | X | 5-9. Accusation. (Particular.)
Y | 10, 11. Punishment. (Particular.)
V² | 12. Argument. (General.) Concerning God.
W | X | 13, 14. Accusation. (Particular.)
Y | 15-20. Punishment. (General.)
V³ | 21-30. Argument. (Particular.) Concerning God, and Job.

1 Eliphaz. See note on 2. 11.

answered = spake. See note on 4. 1.

2 Can . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

man = a strong man. Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. IV.

GOD. Heb. *El*. Ap. 4. IV.

as = nay. The Heb. accent (*Tēbīr*) on *kī*, "as", is disjunctive, and means "nay". See note on Isa. 28. 28.

3 Is it . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

THE ALMIGHTY. Heb. *Shaddai*. Ap. 4. VII.

4 Will He . . . ? } Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

5 Is not . . . ? }

wickedness. Heb. *'āval*. Ap. 44. vi.

iniquities. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

infinite = without end.

6 stripped the naked. Fig. *Oxymoron*. Ap. 6.

the naked the poorly clad, or threadbare.

8 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II. See translation below.

9 Thou hast sent widows away empty, and the arms of the fatherless have been broken.

10 Therefore snares *are* round about thee, and sudden fear troubleth thee; Y

11 Or darkness, *that* thou canst not see; and abundance of waters cover thee.

T² (p. 691) 27 Behold, [my friends], I know your thoughts, which ye Against me do so wrongfully maintain.

28 Ye say
"Where is the dwelling of the Prince?
And where the tent wherein the wicked dwell?"

29 Have ye not asked of travellers? Do not Ignore what they have noted down. [They say]:—

U² g³ (p. 692) 30 "The wicked, in the day of wrath, is spared; Yea, in the day of wrath he doth escape."

31 Who, to his face, will dare denounce his way? Who shall requite him that which he hath done?

h³ 32 He too will be escorted to the tomb; And o'er his monument one keepeth watch.

33 The valley's clods do gently cover him: Behind, [the mourners] come in lengthened train; Before, they all in countless numbers walk.

T³ (p. 691) 34 How then console ye me with worthless [words], Seeing your answers only failure prove?

ELIPHAZ'S THIRD [AND LAST] ADDRESS.

22. 1-30 (J⁷, p. 669).

J⁷ V¹ (p. 693) 22 2 Will mighty man advantage bring to GOD? Nay, he, though wise, can profit but himself.

3 To Shaddai is it gain if thou be just?

Or any profit if thy ways be pure?

4 From awe of thee will He debate with thee?

Or into judgment with thee will He come?

5 It may be that thy wickedness is great,

And without number thine iniquities:

6 That thou didst take thy brother's pledge for naught;

Or didst strip off the garments of the poor;

7 Or, that thou didst not give the weary drink,

Or from the hungry thou withholdest bread.

8 [Thou may'st have said]—

"The land is for the strong";

And, "favoured men [alone] should dwell therein:"

9 Widows [thou may'st] have sent away unhelped,

And robbed the fatherless of their support.

10 This may be why the snares are round thee spread, And terror cometh on thee suddenly: Y

11 [And why] the darkness thou canst not explain; [And why] the waterfloods o'erwhelm thy soul.

V² 12 ° Is not ° **GD** in the height of heaven ?
(p. 693) and ° behold the height of the stars, how high
1656 they are!

W X 13 ° And thou sayest, ° ‘How doth ° GOD
know? can He judge through the ° dark cloud?
14 Thick clouds are a covering to Him, that
He seeth not; and He ° walketh in the ° circuit
of heaven.’

Y 15 Hast thou marked the old way which
° wicked ° men have trodden?

16 Which were cut down out of time, whose
foundation was overflown with a flood:

17 Which said unto ° GOD, ‘Depart from us:’
and what can ° THE ALMIGHTY do for them?

18 Yet He filled their houses with good
things: but the counsel of the ° wicked is far
from me.

19 The righteous see it, and are glad: and
the innocent laugh them to scorn.

20 ° Whereas our substance is not cut down,
but the remnant of them the fire consumeth.

V 21 ° Acquaint now thyself with Him, and be
at peace: thereby ° good shall come ° unto thee.

22 Receive, I pray thee, the law from His
mouth, and lay up His words in thine heart.

23 If thou ° return to ° THE ALMIGHTY, thou
shalt be built up, thou shalt put away ° ini-
quity far from thy ° tabernacles.

24 Then shalt thou lay up gold as dust, and
the gold of Ophir as the stones of the brooks.

25 Yea, ° THE ALMIGHTY shall be thy defence,
and thou shalt have plenty of silver.

26 For then shalt thou have thy delight in
° THE ALMIGHTY, and shalt lift up thy face unto
° **GD**.

27 Thou shalt make thy prayer unto Him,
and He shall hear thee, and thou shalt pay
thy vows.

28 Thou shalt also decree a thing, and it
shall be established unto thee: and the light
shall shine upon thy ways.

29 When men are cast down, then thou shalt
say, ‘There is lifting up; and He shall save
° the humble person.’

12 Is not . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

GD. Heb. Eloah. Ap. 4. V.

behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

13 And, &c. = “and [yet may be] thou sayest”.

How . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

dark cloud. Heb. *‘ārāphēl*. See note on 3. 6.

14 walketh = walketh habitually.

circuit = vault. Heb. *hūg*.

15 wicked. Heb. *‘āven*. Ap. 44. iii.

men. Heb. *mēthim*. Ap. 14. V.

18 wicked = lawless. Heb. *rāshā’*. Ap. 44. x.

20 Whereas. Supply Ellipsis (Ap. 6), “[and say]
Surely”, &c. See translation below.

21 Acquaint. This is the false theology of Eliphaz.
Cp. 42. 8.

good = blessing. } Most codices, with Aram., Sept.,
unto = upon. } Syr., and Vulg., read “thy gain
shall be blessing”.

23 return. Sept. adds “and submit thyself”.

iniquity. Heb. *‘āvah*. Ap. 44. iv.

tabernacles = tents. Some codices, with four early
printed editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read “tent”;
others, with six early printed editions (and one in
margin), read “tents” (pl.).

29 the humble. Heb. the man of downcast eyes.
Cp. Luke 18. 13.

30 the island of. Island put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of
Subject), Ap. 6, for coasts, or borders; but the words
are omitted by the Sept.

it. The Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg. read “thou”.

23. 1—24. 25 [For Structure see next page].

1 answered = replied [a third time]. See note on
4. 1.

2 complaint = complaining.

my. Sept. and Syr. read “His”.

stroke = hand. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause),
Ap. 6, for the calamity occasioned by it. Cp. 13. 21;
19. 21.

30 He shall deliver ° the island of the inno-
cent: and ° it is delivered by the pureness of
thine hands.’”

23 Then Job ° answered and said,
2 “Even to day is my ° complaint
bitter: ° my ° stroke is heavier than my
groaning.”

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V² 12 [Is not] Eloah high in Heav'n sublime?
(p. 693) Behold the highest of the stars, how high!

W X 13 [And yet, may be] thou say'st
“How doth GOD know?
And through the thickest darkness can He
judge?”

14 Thick clouds enrobe Him, that He cannot see;
Alone He walketh in the vault of heaven.”

Y 15 Oh that thou wouldst consider well the way
Which wicked men of old have ever trod.

16 They who were snatched away before their time,
Their strong foundation swept, as with a flood.

17 Who unto GOD did say “Depart from us!”
[And ask'd] “what good could Shaddai do to them!”

18 Yet, He it was Who filled their homes with good.

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The way of wicked men is far from me.

19 The righteous see that they may well rejoice;
The innocent will laugh at them, [and say],

20 “Surely our substance hath not been destroyed;
While their abundance is consumed with fire.”

V³ 21 Acquaintance make with Him, and be at peace;
For thereby blessing shall upon thee come.

22 Receive, I pray, instruction from His mouth,

And lay up [all] His words within thy heart,

23 To Shaddai come thou back: submit thyself:
[And], from thy tent put far away thy sin:

24 Then thou shalt lay up treasure as the dust,
And [gold] of Ophir as the pebble-stones.

25 Yea, Shaddai, He shall be thy precious ore,
And [His] great strength as silver unto thee.

26 For then in Shaddai thou shalt take delight,
And to Eloah thou wilt lift thy face.

27 Then shalt thou pray to Him, and He will hear,
And unto Him thou wilt perform thy vows.

28 The thing thou purposest shall come to pass:
And over all thy ways the light shall shine.

29 When others are depressed, then thou shalt say
‘Look up! For, humble men He will exalt;

30 Yea, He doth let the innocent escape.’

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So too shalt thou, through innocence of hands.

JOB'S REPLY TO ELIPHAZ'S THIRD ADDRESS.

23. 1—24. 25 (K⁷, p. 669).

23 2 To-day again my plaint is bitter, still:
His hand is heavier than all my groans.

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3 ° Oh that I knew where I might find Him! that I might come even to His seat!

4 I would order my cause before Him, and fill my mouth with arguments.

5 I would know the words which He would answer me, and understand what He would say unto me.

k (p. 695) 6 Will He plead against me with His great power? No; but He would put strength in me.

7 There the righteous might dispute with Him; so should I be delivered for ever from my Judge.

j 8 Behold, I go forward, but He is not there; and backward, but I cannot perceive Him:

9 On the left hand, where He doth work, but I cannot behold Him: He hideth Himself on the right hand, that I cannot see Him:

k 10 But He knoweth the way that I °take: °when He hath tried me, I °shall come forth as gold.

B 11 My foot hath held His steps, His way have I kept, and not declined.

12 Neither have I gone back from the commandment of His lips; I have esteemed the words of His mouth more than °my necessary food.

A 13 But He is in one mind, and who can turn Him? and what °His soul desireth, even that He doeth.

14 For He performeth the thing that is appointed for me: and many such things are with Him.

15 Therefore am I troubled at His presence: when I consider, I am °afraid of Him.

16 For °GOD maketh my heart °soft, and °THE ALMIGHTY troubleth me:

17 °Because I was not cut off before the °darkness, neither hath He covered the °darkness from my face.

24 °Why, seeing °times are not hidden from °THE ALMIGHTY, do they that know Him not °see His °days?

B 1 2 °Some remove the °landmarks; they violently take away flocks, and feed thereof.

3 They drive away the ass of the fatherless, they °take the widow's ox for a pledge.

23. 1—24. 25 (K⁷, p. 669). JOB'S REPLY TO ELIPHAZ'S THIRD ADDRESS. (Alternation.)

K⁷ | A | 23. 1-10. God's inscrutability.
B | 23. 11, 12. Job's integrity.
A | 23. 13-24. 1. God's inscrutability.
B | 24. 2-25. Man's iniquity.

23. 1-10 (A, above). GOD'S INSCRUTABILITY. (Alternation.)

A | j | 1-5. Job's wish for trial.
k | 6, 7. His confidence of the issue.
j | 8, 9. Job's search for trial.
k | 10. His confidence of the issue.

3 Oh. Fig. *Ecphōnēsis*. Ap. 6.

10 take: or choose.

when he hath: or, if He would.

shall=should.

12 my necessary food. Heb. my own law=my appointed portion: i. e. my ordinary allowance; "law" being put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Genus), Ap. 6, for what is allowed by it. Cp. Gen. 47. 22. Prov. 30. 8.

13 His soul=Himself. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

15 afraid. See note on Deut. 28. 66.

16 GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

soft=faint, or unnerved. Cp. Deut. 20. 3. Isa. 7. 4. THE ALMIGHTY. Heb. Shaddai. Ap. 4. VII.

17 Because, &c. See translation below.

darkness. Heb. *hashak*. See note on 3. 6.

darkness. Heb. *'ophel*. See note on 3. 6.

24. 1 Why...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

times. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct) for the events which take place in them.

THE ALMIGHTY. Heb. Shaddai. Ap. 4. VII.

see=perceive, or understand.

days. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for His doings in them: e. g. visitation, or judgment, &c. Cp. 18. 20. Pss. 37. 13; 137. 7. Ezek. 21. 29. Obad. 12. Luke 19. 42. 1 Cor. 4. 3.

24. 2-25 (B, above). MAN'S INIQUITY. (Alternation.)

B | l | 2-17. Crimes of lawless men.
m | 18-20. What the issue ought to be.
l | 21, 22. Crimes of lawless men.
m | 23-25. What the issue commonly is.

2 Some: i. e. the lawless men, whose various crimes are detailed in the following verses.

landmarks. Cp. Deut. 19. 14.

3 take... for a pledge. Cp. v. 9 and Deut. 24. 6, 17. Amos 2. 8.

3 Oh, that I knew where I might find Him: knew How I might come unto His [judgment] seat!

4 I would set out my cause before His face; And I would fill my mouth with arguments.

5 And well I know how He would answer me, And understand what He to me would say.

k (p. 695) 6 Would He with His great pow'r contend with me? Nay, He would surely set on me His heart.

7 There I, an upright man, would plead with Him, And [so] for ever from my Judge go free.

j 8 Lo, to the East I go: He is not there; And to the West, but I perceive Him not: 9 Or North, where He doth work, I look in vain; Or in the South, He hides where none can see.

k 10 But mine habitual way He knoweth well; If tried, I know I should come forth as gold.

B 11 My foot unto His steps hath firmly held; His way I have observed, nor gone aside:

12 From His commands I have not turned back; His words I prized more than my daily food.

13 But He is [God] alone: Who turneth Him? What He desireth, even that He doth.

14 What is decreed for me He will perform: And many such [decrees] He hath in store.

15 [Shut] from His presence out, I am in fear; I think of Him and I am sore afraid.

16 For GOD [it is] Who maketh faint my heart; Yea, Shaddai is the One Who troubleth me.

17 Not from the darkness am I thus dismayed; Nor yet because thick darkness veils my face.

24 Since, then, events from Shaddai are not hid, Why do not they who love Him know His ways?

2 [The lawless men, their neighbours'] landmarks move;

They seize on flocks, and feed them [as their own].

3 [Some] from the fatherless drive off their ass, And take the widow's ox from her in pledge;

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4 ° They turn the needy out of the way: the ° poor of the earth hide themselves together.

5 ° Behold, as wild asses in the desert, go they forth to their work; rising betimes for a prey: the wilderness *yieldeth* food for them and for their ° children.

6 They reap ° every one ° his corn in the field: and they gather the vintage of ° the wicked.

7 They cause the ° naked to lodge without clothing, that *they have* no covering in the cold.

8 They are wet with the showers of the mountains, and embrace the rock for want of a shelter.

9 They pluck the fatherless from the breast, and take a pledge of the poor.

10 They cause *him* to go ° naked without clothing, and they take away the sheaf *from* the hungry;

11 Which make oil within their walls, and tread *their* winepresses, and suffer thirst.

12 ° Men groan from out of the ° city, and the ° soul of the wounded crieth out: yet ° **QDD** layeth not folly to them.

13 ° They are of those that rebel against the light; they know not the ways thereof, nor abide in the paths thereof.

14 The murderer rising with the light killeth the poor and needy, ° and in the night is as a thief.

15 The eye also of the adulterer waiteth for the ° twilight, saying, 'No eye shall see me: ' and disguiseth *his* face.

16 In the dark ° they dig through houses, which they had marked for themselves in the daytime: they know not the light.

17 For the morning *is* to them even as the shadow of death: ° if *one* know *them*, *they are* in the terrors of the shadow of death.

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18 *He* is swift as the waters; their portion is cursed in the earth: ° he ° beholdeth not ° the way of the vineyards.

19 Drought and heat consume the snow

4 They: [while others]. See translation below. poor = wretched.

5 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6. children = offspring.

6 every one. Fig. *Ellipsis*. Ap. 6. his corn. Heb. *be'ilo*. But if divided thus, *be'li lo*, it means "not his own". The word "corn" must be supplied as an *Ellipsis* of the Acc. See translation below. the wicked = a lawless one. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44 x.

7 naked. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Whole), Ap. 6, for scantily clad, or threadbare.

12 Men. Heb. *m'thim*. Ap. 14. V. city. The Sept. adds "and houses".

soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 18.

QDD. Heb. *Eloah*. Ap. 4. V.

13 They. There is a pause between vv. 12 and 13. "They" is emphatic = These. Note the three stages of the lawless: (1) avoiding the light (v. 16. John 3. 20); (2) consequent ignorance; (3) final result.

14 and = and [then again].

15 twilight = darkness. A Homonym. See notes on 1 Sam. 30. 17. 2 Kings 7. 5. 16 they: i. e. burglars.

17 if one know them. See translation below.

18 he. Some codices, with Sept. and Vulg., read "and he".

beholdeth = returneth. the = to the.

19 the grave. Heb. *Sheol*. Ap. 35.

sinned. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

20 wickedness. Heb. *āval*. Ap. 44. vi. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for the wicked man.

21 He evil entreateth. See translation below.

waters: so doth ° the grave those which have ° sinned.

20 The womb shall forget him; the worm shall feed sweetly on him; he shall be no more remembered; and ° wickedness shall be broken as a tree.

21 ° He evil entreateth the barren that beareth not: and doeth not good to the widow.

22 He draweth also the mighty with his power: he riseth up, and no man is sure of life.

23 Though it be given him to be in safety, whereon he resteth; yet His eyes are upon their ways.

4 [While others] turn the needy from their way; And all the poor [and wretched] hide themselves.

5 Behold them! As wild-asses they go forth, And, on the plains, they early seek their prey; The barren steppe doth yield their children food.

6 They reap [down corn] in fields which are not theirs;

The vineyard of the wicked they do dress.

7 Ill-clad, they lodge without a covering, And without shelter are they from the cold.

8 With sweeping-rain from mountain-storm they're wet;

For want of refuge they embrace the rock.

9 These [tyrants] tear the orphan from the breast; That which is on the poor they take to pledge.

10 Stripped of their [scanty] clothing they go forth, And, hungry, carry [their task-masters'] sheaves:

11 Within their walls these poor press out their oil; Their wine-presses they tread, yet suffer thirst.

12 From city and from houses groans ascend; With shrieks those being murdered cry for help; Yet **QDD** regards not this enormity!

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13 [Others again] rebel against the light; They have no knowledge of its [blessèd] ways, Neither abide they in the paths thereof.

14 The murderer at day-break riseth up, That he may slay the poor and destitute;

And [then again] at night he plays the thief.

15 Th' adulterer for [midnight's] darkness waits, "No eye [saith he] shall see the path I take;" And so he puts a covering on his face.

16 [Burglars] break into houses in the dark, Which they had set a mark on in the day;

For such as these the daylight do not love.

17 To such, the light is as the shade of death; For [in the light] death's terrors they discern.

18 Swift as the [rushing] waters' face, [so will] His cursed portion vanish from the earth:

Nor will he to his vineyard e'er return.

19 As drought and heat to water turn the snows, [E'en so] will *Sheol* deal with those who sin.

20 The womb which bore him doth forget him there; The worm doth [feed on him and] find him sweet:

He will not be remembered any more: The wicked man lies, shivered, like a tree.

21 [Again, the wicked] wrongs the barren [wife]; And to the widow no compassion shows.

22 And by his might he drags the strong away: He riseth up, no one is sure of life.

23 [God] lets them rest secure, and confident: Though still His eyes are ever on their ways.

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24 They are exalted for a little while, but are gone and brought low; they are taken out of the way as all *other*, and cut off as the tops of the ears of corn.

25 And if it be not so now, who will make me a liar, and make my speech nothing worth?"

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25 Then °answered °Bildad the Shuhite, and said,

2 "Dominion and fear are with Him, He maketh peace in His high places.

3 °Is there any number of His armies? and upon whom doth not His light arise?

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4 °How then can °man be justified with °GOD? or how can he be °clean *that is* born of a woman?

5 °Behold even to the moon, and it shineth not; yea, the stars are not pure in His sight.

6 °How much less °man, *that is* a °worm? and the son of °man, *which is* a °worm?

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26 But Job °answered and said, 2 °"How hast thou helped *him that is* without power? °how savest thou the arm *that hath* no strength?

3 °How hast thou counselled *him that hath* no wisdom? and °how hast thou plentifully declared the thing °as it is?

4 To whom hast thou uttered words? and whose °spirit came from thee?

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5 °Dead *things* °are formed from under the waters, and the inhabitants thereof.

6 °Hell *is* naked before Him, and °destruction hath no covering.

7 He stretcheth out the °north over the empty place, and hangeth the earth °upon nothing.

8 He bindeth up the waters in His thick clouds; and the cloud is not rent under them.

9 He holdeth back the face of His throne, and spreadeth His cloud upon it.

10 He hath compassed the waters with bounds, until the day and night come to an end.

11 The pillars of heaven °tremble and are °astonished at His reproof.

12 He divideth the sea with His power, and by His understanding He smiteth through the proud.

24 They tower a little while, and then are gone; Brought low, they are, like others, gathered in; Or cut off even as the ears of corn.

25 If this be not so who can prove me wrong? Or make my words to be of no account?

BILDAD'S THIRD ADDRESS.

25. 1-6 (J^s, p. 669).J^s Cⁱ
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With Him dominion is and reverence;

2 'tis He Who maketh harmony on high;

3 The number of His armies who can count?

Yea, upon whom ariseth not His light?

C²

4 How then can mortal man be just with GOD?

Or he be pure who is of woman born?

5 Behold the moon: to Him it shineth not;

The very stars in His sight are not pure.

6 How much less mortal man—[the food of] worms—

Or any son of man—himself a worm!

JOB'S REPLY TO BILDAD'S THIRD ADDRESS.

26. 1-27. 10 (K^s, p. 669).K^s D

2 How hast thou helped him who hath no pow'r?

25. 1-6 (J^s, p. 669). BILDAD'S THIRD ADDRESS. (Division.)J^s | C¹ | 1-3. God. His omnipotence.C² | 4-6. Man. His impotence.

1 answered = concluded. See note on 4. 1.

Bildad. See note on 2. 11.

3 Is there . . . ? } Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

4 How . . . ? } Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

man = mortal man. Heb. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. iv.

clean = pure. 5 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

6 How much less . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

worm. Heb. *rimmah*, put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for that which is corruptible.

man. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.

worm = maggot. Heb. *tōlā'*, put by Fig. *Metonymy*

(of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for that which is weak.

26. 1-27. 10 (K^s, p. 669). JOB'S REPLY TO BILDAD'S THIRD ADDRESS. (Alternation.)K^s | D | 26. 1-4. Appeal to his friend.

E | 26. 6-14. God's ways: His power incomparable.

D | 27. 1-5. Appeal to his friends.

E | 27. 6-10. Job's ways: his righteousness unblameable.

1 answered = replied [to Bildad]. See note on 4. 1.

2 How . . . ? Figs. *Exouthenismos*, *Erotēsis*, and *Eironeia*. Ap. 6.

3 as it is = the thing that is. See note on "sound wisdom". Prov. 2. 7.

4 spirit. Heb. *neshāmāh*. Ap. 16.

5 Dead things are formed from under the waters. The Ellipsis must be supplied thus: "[The place where] the Rephaim stay [which is] beneath the waters, and the things that are therein." This place thus answers

to the other place, Sheōl, the grave, in the next verse.

Dead things. Heb. "The Rephaim", the offspring of the fallen angels, akin to the *Nephilim* (Gen. 6. 4. See

Ap. 23 and 25 and note on Isa. 26. 14, 19).

are formed = remain. Heb. *hul*, a Homonym with three meanings: (1) to stay, remain, as here; Gen. 8. 10.

Judg. 3. 25. 2 Sam. 8. 29. Lam. 4. 6. Hos. 11. 6: even to wait, hence to trust, Job 35. 14. Cp. Ps. 37. 7. Lam. 8. 26;

(2) to be in pain, and hence to bring forth, Deut. 2. 25. Isa. 23. 4; 26. 18; 54. 1; 66. 8. Ps. 29. 9, &c.; (3) to be

formed as made or brought forth, 26. 13. Ps. 51. 5; 90. 2. Deut. 32. 18. Prov. 8. 24, 25; 26. 10. Job 15. 7.

6 Hell. Heb. *Sheōl*. Ap. 35.

destruction. Heb. *Abaddon*.

7 north. See note on Ps. 75. 6. Isa. 14. 13, 14.

upon nothing = not on any thing.

11 tremble . . . astonished. Fig. *Prosopopeia*. Ap. 6.

Or succour brought to him who hath no strength?

3 How hast thou counselled him who is unlearned?

Or hast made fully known the thing that is?

4 By whom hast thou [been taught] to speak these words?

Whose inspiration hath come forth to thee?

5 Where stay the [mighty] Rephaim [of old]?

Beneath the sea, and things that are therein!—

6 [Open] before Him, Sheōl naked lies,

And deep Abaddon hath no covering.

7 The North He stretches o'er the empty space,

And hangeth not the Earth on anything.

8 He bindeth up the waters in thick clouds,

And [yet] the cloud beneath them is not rent.

9 He closeth fast the entrance to His throne,

And over it He spreadeth His dark cloud.

10 The round horizon bounds the waters' face,

And there the fading light with darkness blends.

11 The pillars of the heav'ns He makes to rock;

And they are terrified at His rebuke.

12 By His great pow'r He calms the [raging] sea;

And by His wisdom He subdues the proud.

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13 By His °spirit He hath °garnished the heavens; His hand °hath formed the °crooked °serpent.

14 Lo, these are parts of His ways: °but how little a portion is heard of Him? but the thunder of His power who can understand?"

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27 Moreover Job continued his parable, and said,

2 "As °GOD liveth, Who hath taken away my judgment; and °THE ALMIGHTY, Who hath vexed °my soul;

3 All the while my °breath is in me, and the °spirit of °GOD is in my nostrils;

4 My lips shall not speak °wickedness, nor my tongue utter deceit.

5 °God forbid that I should justify you: till I °die I will not remove mine integrity from me.

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6 My righteousness I hold fast, and will not let it go: my heart shall not reproach me so long as I live.

7 Let mine enemy be as the °wicked, and he that riseth up against me as the °unrighteous.

8 For °what is the hope of the hypocrite, though he hath gained, when °GOD °taketh away °his soul?

9 °Will °GOD hear his cry when trouble cometh upon him?

10 °Will he delight himself in °THE ALMIGHTY? °will he °always call upon °GOD?

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11 °I will teach you by the hand of °GOD: that which is with °THE ALMIGHTY will I not conceal.

12 °Behold, all ye yourselves have seen it; why then are ye thus altogether vain?

13 °This is the portion of a °wicked °man with °GOD, and the heritage of oppressors, which they shall receive of °THE ALMIGHTY.

14 If his °children be multiplied, it is for the sword: and his offspring shall not be satisfied with bread.

15 Those that remain of him shall be °buried in death: and °his widows shall not weep.

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Ap. 6. 13 This is the portion, &c. Zophar thus takes up the words with which he had concluded his second address (20. 29). man. Heb. 'adam. Ap. 4. 1. 14 children = sons. 15 buried in death = buried through pestilence. his widows. The widow of each one of them.

13 spirit. Heb. ruach. Ap. 9.

garnished = beautified.

hath formed = doth stay. See note on v. 5.

crooked = fleeing. Heb. barîh. The word occurs only here; Isa. 27. 1; 43. 14, referring to the constellation "Serpens".

serpent = nachash, the shining one. Hence a serpent; here, the constellation so called.

14 but how little a portion = 'tis but a whisper.

27. 2 GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

THE ALMIGHTY. Heb. Shaddai. Ap. 4. vii.

my soul = me. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13.

3 breath. Heb. neshamah. Ap. 16.

spirit = breath. Heb. ruach. Ap. 9.

GOD. Heb. Eloah. Ap. 4. V.

4 wickedness. Heb. 'avil. Ap. 44. vi.

5 God forbid = Far be it from me. Fig. Deisis. Ap. 6. die = expire.

7 wicked = lawless. Heb. rashah. Ap. 44. x.

unrighteous. Heb. 'avil. Ap. 44. vi. See note on "wicked", 18. 21.

8 what . . . ? Fig. Erotesis. Ap. 6.

taketh away his soul. By a different division of the letters it means "when he lifteth up his soul to God", or "when God demandeth his soul".

his soul = himself; or, his life. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13.

9 Will . . . ? Fig. Erotesis. Ap. 6.

10 always = continually.

27. 11—28. 28 (J⁹, p. 669). ZOPHAR'S THIRD ADDRESS. (Introversion and Alternations.)

J⁹ F | 27. 11—23. Unwisdom.

G | n | 28. 1—6. What man knows.

o | 28. 7, 8. What man does not know.

G | n | 28. 9—11. What man can do.

o | 12—19. What man can not do.

F | 28. 20—28. Wisdom.

11 I will teach you. This is Zophar's third and last address. (1) It is required by the Structure on p. 669 to complete the symmetry of the book. (2) The sentiments of 27. 11—28. 28 demand it, for they are the very opposite of Job's and the same as Zophar's in 27. 13; 20. 29. (3) If these are Job's words, then his friends had convinced him, which Elihu declares they had not done (32. 12). (4) The Heb. of 29. 1 does not mean "continued", but "added to take up his discourse", which may mean conclusion as well as continuance. (5) It marks off and

separates 29. 1—31. 40 from Job's ordinary replies. Instead of replying to Zophar, Job utters his "self-justification" (in 29. 1—31. 40), which corresponds with his lamentation in 3. 1—26, and forms the conclusion (G²) as that had been the introduction (G¹), and prepares us for "the words of Job are ended" in 31. 40.

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13 The heav'ns so fair His Spirit beautifies,
The Serpent [constellation] He hath formed.

14 Lo, these are but the outlines of His ways;
A whisper only, that we hear of Him;
His wondrous pow'r, who then, can comprehend?

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27 Moreover Job did add these words, and say:

2 As GOD doth live Who takes away my right,
E'en Shaddai, Who hath so embittered me;

3 So long as breath remaineth in [my mouth],
And in my nostrils is Eloah's breath,

4 These lips of mine shall not perverseness speak,—
My tongue shall never utter what is false.

5 No; never will I grant that you are right,
Nor, while I live, my innocence let go;

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6 My right I hold; I will not give it up!
My heart shall not reproach me all my days,

7 E'en were the Evil One mine enemy,
And he—th' Unjust—should my accuser be.

8 What hope is left the godless man, what gain,
When once Eloah doth his life demand?

9 Will GOD [indeed] give ear unto his cry
When [trouble or] distress on him shall come?

10 He is not one who doth in Shaddai joy!
Or on Eloah calls, at any time!

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27. 11—28. 28 (J⁹, p. 669).

11 I now would speak about the ways of GOD,
And Shaddai's dealings [with you] not conceal.

12 Ye, surely, must have seen them for yourselves;
Or are ye, then, so altogether vain?

13 This is the lot of wicked men from GOD;
Th' oppressor's heritage from Shaddai's hand:

14 If sons do multiply, 'tis for the sword:
Of bread his offspring will not have enough:

15 Their issue buried, killed by pestilence,
Their widows will not lamentation make.

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16 Though he heap up silver as the dust, and prepare raiment as the clay;

17 He may prepare *it*, but the just shall put *it* on, and the innocent shall divide the silver.

18 He buildeth his house as a moth, and as a °booth *that* the °keeper maketh.

19 The rich man shall lie down, but °he shall not be °gathered: he openeth his eyes, and °he *is* not.

20 Terrors take hold on him as waters, a tempest stealeth him away in the night.

21 The east wind carrieth him away, and he departeth: and as a storm hurleth him out of his place.

22 For °God shall cast upon him, and not spare: he °would fain flee out of his hand.

23 Men shall clap their hands at him, and shall hiss him out of his place.

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28 °Surely there °is a °vein for the silver, and a place for gold *where* they fine *it*.

2 Iron is taken out of the °earth, and brass is molten *out of* the stone.

3 °*He* setteth an end to darkness, and searcheth out all perfection: the stones of darkness, and the shadow of death.

4 The flood breaketh out from the inhabitant; *even the waters* forgotten of the foot: they are dried up, they are gone away from °men.

5 *As for* the earth, out of it cometh bread: and under it is turned up as it were fire.

6 The stones of it *are* the place of sapphires: and it hath dust of gold.

7 *There is* a path which no fowl knoweth, and which the vulture's eye hath not seen:

8 The °lion's whelps have not trodden it, °nor the fierce lion passed by it.

9 He putteth forth his hand upon the °rock; he overturneth the mountains by the roots.

16 Though silver, like the dust, he heapeth up,
And garments, made in number like the sand,
17 Though he prepare, the just will put them on;
His silver will the innocent divide.

18 The house he builds, 'tis frail as is the moth's,
Or as the booth which vineyard watcher makes.

19 He lies down rich, [his wealth] not gathered in:
He openeth his eyes, and it is gone!

20 Terrors will overtake him as a flood:
A whirlwind in the night will sweep him off.

21 The east wind catcheth him, and he is gone;
Yea, as a storm, it hurls him from his place.

22 He who, before, was wont to flee from him,
Will now come down on him, and will not spare.

23 In triumph he will clap his hands at him;
And hiss him forth from out his dwelling-place.

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28 Yes, for the silver there exists a vein;

A place withal for gold which they refine.

2 From out the earth iron may be brought up;
And copper may be smelted from the ore.

3 To darkness [neath the earth] man sets a bound;
In all directions he explores [beneath];
Yea, e'en the ores of earth in darkness [hid].

4 A shaft he sinks, 'neath where the settler dwells:
And there, forgotten by the well-worn way,
The miners bore, and pass away [from sight].

18 booth. Generally made of branches of trees.
Cp. Isa. 1. 8. Jonah 4. 5. Lev. 23. 40-42.

keeper = watcher: i. e. vineyard watcher.

19 he = it: i. e. his wealth which is out at interest,
gathered = gathered in, or collected.

he = it: i. e. his wealth is gone. Not he, the rich man,
for if he opens his eyes, he "is", not "is not".

22 God is wrongly supplied. It means "he who was
wont in times past to flee from the rich man will now
come down on him".

would fain flee. Heb. a fleeing would flee. Fig.
Polyphton (Ap. 6) = would hastily flee.

28. 1 Surely. This is the continuation of Zophar's
last address. Not Job's words. Cp. 35. 16; 38. 2.
They are opposed to his own words, and confirm those
of his friends. Cp. his second address, 20. 1-29.

is = doth exist.

vein = outlet: i. e. mine, or shaft.

2 earth = dust.

3 *He* = man: i. e. the miner.

4 men = mortal men. Heb. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

8 lion's whelps = sons of pride: i. e. ravenous beasts.
nor = and . . . not.

9 rock = flint.

10 He cutteth out rivers among the rocks;
and his eye seeth every precious thing.

11 He bindeth the floods from overflowing;
and *the thing that is* hid bringeth he forth to light.

12 But where shall wisdom be found? and
where *is* the place of understanding?

13 'Man knoweth not the price thereof;
neither is it found in the land of the living.

14 The depth saith, 'It is not in me:' and
the sea saith, 'It is not with me.'

15 It cannot be gotten for gold, neither shall
silver be weighed *for* the price thereof.

16 It cannot be valued with the gold of Ophir,
with the precious onyx, or the sapphire.

17 The gold and the crystal cannot equal it:
and the exchange of it *shall not be for* jewels
of fine gold.

5 As for the earth, bread cometh forth from it:
Yet underneath it fire is stirred up.

6 Among its stones are glowing sapphires found;
And in its dust are nuggets of pure gold.

7 There is a path no bird of prey hath known;
Nor hath the eagle's eye discovered it.

8 [A path] which no proud beast hath ever trod:
Not e'en the lion ever passed that way.

9 Man lays his hand upon the flinty rock;
The hills he overturneth by their roots.

10 He cutteth water-channels in the rocks:
His eye detecteth every precious thing.

11 The overflowing floods he doth restrain:
The hidden things he bringeth forth to light.

12 But wisdom—whence can wisdom be obtained?
And understanding: where is found its place?

13 No mortal man doth know the way thereto;
Among the living it can not be found.

14 Th' abyss exclaims "[Wisdom] is not in me."
And ocean roars—"Nor dwelleth it with me."

15 Fine gold cannot be given in its stead,
Neither can silver for its price be weighed.

16 With Ophir's gold it never can be bought;
Nor with the onyx, or the sapphire gem.

17 Crystal and gold cannot compare with it;
Nor vessels of pure gold be its exchange.

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18 No mention shall be made of coral, or of pearls: for the price of wisdom is above rubies.

19 The topaz of Ethiopia shall not equal it, neither shall it be valued with pure gold.

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20 °Whence then cometh wisdom? and °where is the place of understanding?

21 Seeing it is hid from the eyes of all living, and kept close from the fowls of the air.

22 °Destruction and death °say, 'We have °heard the fame thereof with our ears.'

23 °God understandeth the way thereof, and °he knoweth the place thereof.

24 For °he looketh to the ends of the earth, and seeth under the whole heaven;

25 To make the weight for the °winds; and He weigheth the waters by measure.

26 When He made a decree for the rain, and a way for the lightning of the thunder:

27 Then did He see it, and declare it; He prepared it, yea, and searched it out.

28 And unto °man He said, °Behold, °the fear of °the LORD*, °that is wisdom; and to depart from evil is understanding.'"

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29 °Moreover Job °continued his parable, and said,

2 °"Oh that °I were as in months past, as in the days when °GDD preserved me;

3 When His °candle shined upon my head, and when by His light I walked through darkness;

4 As I was in the days of my °youth, when the °secret of °GDD was upon my °tabernacle;

5 When °THE ALMIGHTY was yet with me, when my °children were about me;

6 When I washed my steps with butter, and the rock poured me out °rivers of oil;

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7 When I went out to the gate through the city, when I prepared my seat in the °street!

pressive discourse. This is Job's last address (G²), corresponding with his first (G¹). See the Structure on p. 669. 2 Oh. Fig. *Ecphōnēsis*. Ap. 6. I. Note the frequency of "I" (self-occupation). In ch. 29, the "I" of prosperity; in ch. 30, the "I" of adversity; in ch. 31, the "I" of self-righteousness. Contrast the "I" of 42. 2-6, the "end". GDD. Heb. Eloah. Ap. 4. V. 3 candle=lamp. 4 youth=autumn's prime, or maturity. secret=counsel. tabernacle=tent. 5 THE ALMIGHTY. Heb. Shaddai. Ap. 4. VII. children=youths. 6 rivers=divisions. Hence the little channels made in garden irrigation. See note on Ps. 1. 3, and Prov. 21. 1. 7 street=broad or open place.

20 Whence... where...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

22 Destruction. Heb. *Abaddōn*. say... heard. Fig. *Prosopopœia*. Ap. 6.

23 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

25 winds. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

28 man. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

the fear = the reverence.

the LORD*. One of the 134 alterations of the *Sopherim* (Ap. 32), by which the name "Jehovah" in the primitive text, was changed to Adonai.

that is wisdom. This was a libel on Job, for Job had this "fear" or reverence; yet he was suffering. That was the very point in question, and leads up to the answer. This was Zophar's philosophy. The fear of the LORD is not true wisdom; it is only "the beginning of wisdom" (Ps. 111. 10, Prov. 1. 7; 9. 10). True wisdom is to take the place of the sinner before God, and Job takes this place (42. 5, 6). This is "the end of the LORD" (Jas. 5. 11), and it is "the end" of this book. This wisdom "justifies God" (Ps. 51. 3, 4, 6. Matt. 11. 19, Luke 7. 35). True wisdom is "given", and we have to be "made" to know it (Prov. 30. 24. 2 Tim. 3. 15, Job 38. 36). Cp. 33. 27, 28; 34. 31; 35. 11; 39. 17. Zophar's was human wisdom founded on human merit. To depart from evil is what every prudent man would do from good policy.

29. 1-31. 40 (G², p. 669). JOB'S SELF-JUSTIFICATION. (*Division*.)

G ²	H ¹	29. Saddened retrospect of past prosperity.
	H ²	30. Sorrowful description of present misery.
	H ³	31. Solemn asseveration of innocence.

29. 1-25 (H¹, above). SADDENED RETROSPECT OF PAST PROSPERITY. (*Introversion*.)

H ¹	J	p	1-6. Job's prosperity. (What he was.)
		q	7-11. His honour. (What he had.)
	K	r	12. Redress of wrong.
		s	13. Beneficence
		t	14. Righteousness.
	K	t	14. Justice.
		s	15, 16. Beneficence.
		r	17. Redress of wrong.
	J	p	18-20. Job's prosperity. (What he thought.)
		q	21-25. His honour. (What he had.)

1 Moreover = And.

continued his parable: i.e. again took up his im-

18 Corals and pearls can not with it be named;
The worth of rubies wisdom far excels.

19 The topaz gem of Cush vies not therewith;
And purest gold with it can not be weighed.

F
(p. 698)

20 Whence, then, this wisdom? [Whence, then, doth it come?]

And understanding, where is found its place?

21 So hidden from the eyes of all who live;

And from the birds of heav'n so close concealed.

22 Death and Destruction [both alike] declare:—

"The rumour of it, it hath reached our ears."

23 Eloah, though, hath understood the way;

And He discerns the [secret] place thereof.

24 For HE can look to Earth's remotest bounds,

And all beneath the heavens He beholds.

25 So that He gives the air its density;

And waters meteth out by measurement.

26 When for the rain He issued a decree,

A way appointed for the thunder-flash;

27 Then did He see it; then declared it [good];

Yea, He established it and showed it forth:

28 And to the sons of Adam thus He saith:—

"Lo! Wisdom is to reverence the Lord;

And understanding is to flee from sin."

JOB'S SELF-JUSTIFICATION. CONCLUSION.

29. 1-31. 40 (G², p. 669).

2 Oh that I were as in the olden times;

As in the days when GDD watched over me.

3 When shone His lamp so brightly o'er my head,

And, by His light, I could in darkness walk.

4 As fared I in the spring-time of my life,

With GDD'S own secret presence in my tent.

5 When Shaddai yet was with me as my stay,

And round me were my children in their youth.

6 When with abundant milk my feet I bathed,

And oil from out the rock flowed forth for me.

7 When to the city's gate I made my way,

And in the open place prepared my seat;

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8 The young men saw me, and hid themselves: and the aged arose, *and* stood up.

9 The princes refrained talking, and ° laid their hand on their mouth.

10 The nobles held their peace, and their tongue cleaved to the roof of their mouth.

11 When the ear heard *me*, then ° it blessed me; and when the eye saw *me*, it ° gave witness to me:

K r (p. 700) 12 Because I delivered the ° poor that cried, and the fatherless, and *him that had* none to help him.

s 13 The blessing of him that was ready to perish came upon me: and I caused the widow's heart to sing for joy.

t 14 I put on righteousness, and it clothed me: *my judgment was* as a robe and a diadem.

K t s 15 I was eyes to the blind, and feet was I to the lame.

16 I was a father to the ° poor: and the cause *which* I knew not I searched out.

r 17 And I brake the jaws of the ° wicked, and plucked the spoil out of his teeth.

J p 18 Then I said, 'I shall ° die in my nest, and I shall multiply *my* days ° as the sand.'

19 My root was spread out by the waters, and the dew lay all night upon my branch.

20 My glory was fresh in me, and my bow was renewed in my hand.

g 21 Unto me *men* gave ear, and waited, and kept silence at my counsel.

22 After my words they spake not again; and my speech dropped upon them.

23 And they waited for me ° as for the rain; and they opened their mouth wide *as* for the latter rain.

24 *If* I laughed on them, they believed *it* not; and the light of my countenance they cast not down.

25 I chose out their way, and sat chief, and

9 laid their hand, &c. In token of silence and submission.

11 it blessed . . . gave witness. Fig. *Prosopopœia*. Ap. 6.

12 poor = wretched. Heb. 'ānāh. See note on Prov. 6.11.

16 poor = helpless. Heb. 'ebyōn. See note on Prov. 6.11.

17 wicked. Heb. 'avil. Ap. 44. vi. See note on 18. 21.

18 die in my nest. The Sept. reads "grow old as a palm trunk".

as the sand. A note in Cod. (No. 1 in King's Lib., Brit. Mus.) states that the Western School points this to mean "as a phoenix". The Vulg. reads "as a palm".

23 as for the rain: i.e. the early rain, which is sometimes so late as to cause anxiety.

30. 1-31 (H², p. 700). SORROWFUL DESCRIPTION OF PRESENT MISERY. (*Alternation*.)

H² L | 1-14. From others. (vv. 1-8, their character. vv. 9-14, their conduct.)

M | 15-18. In himself. (vv. 15, 16, mental. vv. 17, 18, bodily.)

L | 19-24. From God. (vv. 19, 20, silence. vv. 21-24, action.)

M | 25-31. In himself.

1 I. Note the "I" of adversity in ch. 30. See note on 29. 2.

dwelt as a king in the army, as one *that* comforteth the mourners.

30 But now *they that* are younger than ° I have me in derision, whose fathers I would have disdained to have set with the dogs of my flock.

2 Yea, whereto *might* the strength of their hands *profit* me, in whom old age was perished?

3 For want and famine *they were* solitary; fleeing into the wilderness in former time desolate and waste.

4 Who cut up mallows by the bushes, and juniper roots *for* their meat.

5 They were driven forth from among *men*, (they cried after them as *after* a thief;)

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8 The young men saw me, and withdrew themselves; Yea, all the elders would rise up, and stand.

9 The rulers, too, from talking would refrain, And lay their hand, for silence, on their mouth.

10 The nobles' voice was hush'd; they held their peace;

Their tongue, in silence, to their palate clave:

11 The ear that heard me blessed me as it heard; The eye that saw me witness bore to me,

K r (p. 700) 12 That I did save the poor when he cried out: The fatherless, and him who had no help.

s 13 The perishing to me his blessing gave; I caused the widow's heart to sing for joy.

t 14 My righteousness I put on as my robe: My justice, as my cloak and diadem.

K t s 15 I was instead of eyes unto the blind, And to the lame I was instead of feet.

16 A father was I to the needy ones; The cause I did not know I searched out.

r 17 I loved to break the jaws of evil men, And pluck the prey, still living, from their teeth.

J p 18 I said, "I shall grow old as doth the palm; Yea, multiplied like sand my days shall be:

19 My root unto the waters shall spread out, And all night long the dew be on my branch,

20 My glory shall remain with me still fresh; My bow, within my hand, renew its strength."

21 To me men hearkened, waited, and gave ear, And at my counsel silence they did keep.

22 When I had spoken, none replied again, So that on them my wisdom still might fall.

23 Yea, they would wait, as men for showers wait, And open wide their mouths as for the rain.

24 That I should mock them they would ne'er believe, Nor would they cause a shadow on my face;

25 'Twas mine to choose their way, and sit as chief; As king among his subjects so I dwelt; And among mourners as a comforter.

30 But, now, my juniors hold me up to scorn, Whose fathers I would have disdained to put On level with the dogs that watched my flock.

2 What profit would their strength have been to me When they had lost their ripened manhood's powers?

3 Through hunger they were like the barren rock, These vagrants, driven from the land of drought, For ages past a desolation wild;

4 Who pluck among the bushes bitter herbs, And make the roots of juniper their food.

5 From human intercourse are they chased forth, [And] men cry after them, as after thieves:

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6 To dwell in the °cliffs of the valleys, *in* caves of the earth, and *in* the rocks.

7 Among the bushes they brayed; under the nettles they were gathered together.

8 They were °children of fools, yea, °children of base men: they were °viler than the earth.

9 And now am I their song, yea, I am their byword.

10 They abhor me, they flee far from me, and spare not to spit in my °face.

11 Because He hath loosed my cord, and afflicted me, they have also let loose the bridle before me.

12 Upon my right hand rise the youth; they push away my feet, and they raise up against me the ways of their destruction.

13 They mar my path, they set forward my calamity, °they have no helper.

14 They came upon me as a wide breaking in of waters: in the desolation they rolled themselves upon me.

M
(p. 701)

15 Terrors are turned upon me: they pursue °my soul as the °wind: and my welfare passeth away as a cloud.

16 And now my °soul is poured out upon me; the days of affliction have taken hold upon me.

17 My bones are pierced in me in the night season: and my sinews take no rest.

18 By the great force of my disease is my garment changed: it bindeth me about as the °collar of my coat.

L

19 He hath cast me into the mire, and I am become like dust and ashes.

20 I cry unto Thee, and Thou dost not °hear me: I stand up, and Thou regardest me not.

21 Thou art become cruel to me: with Thy strong hand Thou opposest thyself against me.

22 Thou liftest me up to the °wind; Thou

6 cliffs = ravines; or, most dreadful ravines.

8 children = sons.

viler than the earth = smitten or scourged out of the land.

10 face = presence.

13 they have no helper = they derive no help or benefit from it.

15 my soul = what is noble or excellent in me. Not *nephesh* (Ap. 13) here, as in vv. 16 and 25.

wind. Heb. *rûach*. Ap. 9.

16 soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

18 collar: the opening in the tunic for the neck.

20 hear = answer.

22 my substance. See note on "sound wisdom". Prov. 2. 7.

24 grave. Heb. *bî'î*, a mound or tumulus. But others point it *b'e'î* = a prayer.

his destruction = their calamity.

25 Did not I...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

poor = helpless. Heb. *'ebyôn*. See note on Prov. 6. 11.

26 darkness. Heb. *'ophel*. See note on 3. 6.

27 prevented = came on.

28 congregation = assembly.

causest me to ride upon it, and dissolvest °my substance.

23 For I know that Thou wilt bring me to death, and to the house appointed for all living.

24 Howbeit He will not stretch out His hand to the °grave, though they cry in °his destruction.

25 °Did not I weep for him that was in trouble? was not my °soul grieved for the °poor?

26 When I looked for good, then evil came unto me: and when I waited for light, there came °darkness.

27 My bowels boiled, and rested not: the days of affliction °prevented me.

28 I went mourning without the sun: I stood up, and I cried in the °congregation.

29 I am a brother to dragons, and a companion to owls.

M

6 In dark ravines they make their dwellingplace, In holes of earth, and caverns of the rocks;

7 Among the desert scrub they raise their shouts, [And] under bramble bushes herd [like beasts].

8 Children of fools, yea, sons without a name, As outcasts they are driven from the land.

9 But, now, I have become their mocking-song; I have become a by-word unto them.

10 They [all] abhor and stand aloof from me; And spare not now to spit before my face.

11 Since He hath loosed my bow, and humbled me, They too, before me, cast off all restraint.

12 At my right hand this rabble rises up; They thrust aside my feet; [leave me no room]; Against me they oppose their hostile ways:

13 They mar my path; [my movements they impede]; They seek my hurt, although it helps them not,

14 As [waters] through a breach, they come [on me]; And like a tempest they rush in on me.

M
(p. 701)

15 All now is overthrown: and, like the wind, Terrors my dignity have scattered far; And gone, like clouds, is my prosperity.

16 And now my soul within me is poured out; The days of my affliction hold me fast.

17 By night my bones are pierced [with pains] with-out;

My throbbing nerves [within me] never rest.

18 By great exertion is my garment changed; It girds me as my tunic girds my neck.

19 Into the mire His hand hath cast me down; To dust and ashes I may be compared.

20 I cry aloud to Thee, Thou answe'rest not;

I stand [in prayer], but Thou dost not regard.

21 Thou art become relentless [to my prayer]; And dost assail me with Thy mighty hand.

22 Thou used'st to uplift me on the wind; [Yea] Thou didst cause me [thereupon] to ride:

[But now] my substance Thou dost bring to naught.

23 I know that Thou wilt turn me o'er to death,—

E'en to the place ordained for all who live.

24 Ah! prayer [for these] is vain. He will not help, Though when in trouble they may cry [to Him].

L

25 Did not I weep for him whose lot was hard? Was I not for the helpless sorely grieved?

26 Yet, when I looked for good, then evil came; And darkness [deep], when I expected light.

27 My bowels boil, and they are never still; So suddenly has trouble come on me.

28 Shrouded in gloom I go, without the sun. I rose in the assembly, and cried "Help!"

29 Brother am I become to howling brutes, And a companion to the screeching birds.

M

1656 30 My skin is black upon me, and my bones are burned with heat.

31 My harp also is *turned* to mourning, and my *organ* into the voice of them that weep.

H³ N¹ u¹
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31 °I made a covenant with mine eyes; °why then should I think upon a maid?

v¹ 2 For what portion of °GOD is there from above? and what inheritance of °THE ALMIGHTY from on high?

3 °Is not destruction to the °wicked? and a strange *punishment* to the workers of °iniquity?

4 °Doth not He see my ways, and count all my steps?

N² u² 5 If I have walked with vanity, or if my foot hath hasted to deceit;

v² 6 Let me be weighed in an even balance, that °GOD may know mine integrity.

N³ u³ 7 If my step hath turned out of the way, and mine heart °walked after mine eyes, and if any blot hath cleaved to mine hands;

v³ 8 Then let me sow, and let another eat; yea, let my offspring be rooted out.

N⁴ u⁴ 9 If mine heart have been deceived by a woman, or if I have laid wait at my neighbour's door;

v¹ 10 Then let my wife grind unto another, and let others bow down upon her.

11 For this is an heinous °crime; yea, it is an °iniquity to be punished by the judges.

12 For it is a fire that consumeth to destruction, and would root out all mine increase.

N⁵ u⁵ 13 If I did despise the cause of my manservant or of my maidservant, when they contended with me;

v⁵ 14 What then shall I do when °GOD riseth up? and when He visiteth, what shall I answer Him?

15 Did not He That made me in the womb make him? and did not One fashion us in the womb?

N⁶ u⁶ 16 If I have withheld the °poor from their de-

31 organ=lute.

31. 1-40 (H³, p. 700). SOLEMN ASSEVERATION OF HIS INNOCENCE. (*Repeated Alternation.*)

H ³	N ¹	u ¹	1. Sin. (Unchastity.)
		v ¹	2-4. Consequence.
	N ²	u ²	5. Sin. (Deceit.)
		v ²	6. Consequence. (Trial desired.)
	N ³	u ³	7. Sin. (Dishonesty.)
		v ³	8. Consequence. (Imprecation.)
	N ⁴	u ⁴	9. Sin. (Adultery.)
		v ⁴	10-12. Consequence. (Imprecation.)
	N ⁵	u ⁵	13. Sin. (Injustice.)
		v ⁵	14, 15. Consequence. (Penalty.)
	N ⁶	u ⁶	16-21. Sin. (Inhumanity.)
		v ⁶	22, 23. Consequence. (Imprecation.)
	N ⁷	u ⁷	24-27. Sins of heart. (Covetousness, 24, 25. Idolatry, 26, 27.)
		v ⁷	28. Consequence. (Penalty.)
	N ⁸	u ⁸	29-34. Sins of heart. (Malignity, 29-31. Inhospitality, 32. Hypocrisy, 33, 34.)
		v ⁸	35-37. Consequence. (Trial desired.)
	N ⁹	u ⁹	38, 39. Sin. (Fraud.)
		v ⁹	40. Consequence.

1 I. Note the "I" of self-justification; and see note on 29. 2.

why...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

2 GOD. Heb. Eloah. Ap. 4. V.

THE ALMIGHTY. Heb. Shaddai. Ap. 4. VII.

3 Is not...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

wicked. Heb. 'āvil. Ap. 44. vi. See note on 18. 21.

iniquity. Heb. 'āven. Ap. 44. iii.

4 Doth not He...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

7 walked. Fig. *Prosopopeia*. Ap. 6.

11 crime. Heb. *zimmah*. Ap. 44. xiii.

iniquity. Heb. 'āvāh. Ap. 44. iv.

iniquity to be punished by the judges = a judicial iniquity; or, an iniquity in the eye of the law.

14 GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. iv.

16 poor. Heb. *dal* = impoverished or reduced in means. See note on Prov. 6. 11.

sire, or have caused the eyes of the widow to fail;

17 Or have eaten my morsel myself alone, and the fatherless hath not eaten thereof;

18 (For from my youth he was brought up with me, as with a father, and I have guided her from my mother's womb;)

30 Without: my skin is all burnt up, and black; Within: my bones are all consumed with heat.

31 Therefore my harp to mourning has been turned; My lyre is like the voice of them that weep.

H³ N¹ u¹
(p. 703)

31 A covenant mine eyes had made [with God]; How then could I upon a virgin gaze?

v¹ 2 What would my judgment be from GOD above? Or what my lot from Shaddai in the height?

3 Is not calamity for evil men? To those who sin is not disaster due?

4 Would not Eloah see my [evil] way? [Would He not] take account of all my steps?

N² u² 5 If I have walked in ways of falsity, Or if my foot hath hasted to deceit;

v² 6 Then let Him weigh me in just balances, And let Eloah know my blamelessness.

N³ u³ 7 If from THE way, my step aside hath swerved, And I have coveted what I had seen, Or any stain has cleaved unto my hands:

v³ 8 Then let me sow and let another reap, And let my plantings all be rooted up.

9 By woman if my heart have been enticed, And at my neighbour's door I have laid wait:

10 Then let my wife grind for another man, Let others humble her [as if their slave].

11 For such a deed would be a heinous sin, A sin that must be brought before the judge;

12 A fire 'twould be that to Abaddon burns, Destroying all my increase at the root.

13 If I had spurned my servants' righteous cause, When they had brought before me their complaint:

14 What then could I have done when GOD rose up? When He required, could I have answered Him?

15 Who in the womb made ME, made He not him? And from one source gave being to us both?

16 If from the poor man's prayer I turned away, [Or if] I caused the widow's eyes to fail;

17 Or if I ate my morsel all alone, So that the fatherless ate none thereof:—

18 [But no]! As with a father he grew up With me: and from my birth I guided her.

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19 If I have seen any perish for want of clothing, or any °poor without covering;

20 If his °loins have not blessed me, and if he were not warmed with the fleece of my sheep;

21 If I have lifted up my hand against the fatherless, when I saw my °help in the gate:

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22 Then let mine arm fall from my shoulder blade, and mine arm be broken from °the bone.

23 For destruction from °GOD was a terror to me, and by reason of His °highness I could not °endure.

N⁷ u⁷

24 If I have made gold my hope, or have said to the fine gold, 'Thou art my confidence';

25 If I rejoiced because my wealth was great, and because mine hand had gotten much;

26 If I beheld °the sun when it shined, or the moon walking in brightness;

27 And my heart hath been secretly enticed, or °my mouth hath kissed my hand:

v⁷

28 This also were an °iniquity to be punished by the judge: for I should have denied the °GOD That is above.

N⁸ u⁸

29 If I rejoiced at the destruction of him that hated me, or lifted up myself when °evil °found him:

30 (Neither have I suffered my mouth to °sin by wishing a curse to °his °soul.)

31 If the °men of my °tabernacle said not, 'Oh that we had of his flesh! we cannot be satisfied.'

32 The stranger did not lodge in the street: but I opened my doors to the traveller.

33 If I covered my °transgressions °as Adam, by hiding mine °iniquity in my bosom:

34 Did I fear a great multitude, or did the contempt of families terrify me, that I kept silence, and went not out of the door?

19 poor = helpless. Heb. 'ebyôn. See note on Prov. 6. 11.

20 loins have not blessed. Fig. *Prosopopæia*, Ap. 6: i. e. the loins so covered.

21 help. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for those who would be on his side.

22 the bone. A.V. marg., "the chanel bone". Obsolete Eng. for channel = what is channelled or scooped out: i. e. the socket.

23 highness = majesty.

endure = escape. 26 the sun = the light.

27 my mouth hath kissed my hand: i. e. the outward sign of homage [to, or in worship, of the sun].

29 evil. Heb. *rā'a*. Ap. 44. viii.

found. Fig. *Prosopopæia*. Ap. 6.

30 sin. Heb. *chātā*. Ap. 44. i.

his. A special various reading called *Sevīr* (Ap. 34) reads "their".

soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

31 men. Heb. *methim*. Ap. 14. V.

tabernacle = tent.

33 transgressions. Heb. *pāsha*. Ap. 44. ix. Some codices, with two early printed editions, Sept., and Vulg., read "transgression" (sing.).

as Adam. Cp. Gen. 3. 10.

iniquity. Heb. *āvah*. Ap. 44. iv.

35 Oh! Fig. *Ecphrōnēsis*. Ap. 6.

behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

adversary = man (Heb. *īgh*. Ap. 14. II) of my quarrel.

38 land cry ... complain. Fig. *Prosopopæia*. Ap. 6.

39 have caused, &c. = made the souls of the owners groan.

life = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

35 °Oh that one would hear me! °behold, my desire is, that °THE ALMIGHTY would answer me, and that mine °adversary had written a book.

36 Surely I would take it upon my shoulder, and bind it as a crown to me.

37 I would declare unto Him the number of my steps; as a prince would I go near unto Him.

38 If my °land cry against me, or that the furrows likewise thereof °complain;

39 If I have eaten the fruits thereof without money, or °have caused the owners thereof to lose their °life:

v⁸N⁹ u⁹

19 If e'er I saw one perishing [with cold],

Or any needy without covering:

20 Have not his [very] loins blessed me indeed, When he has felt the warmth of my lambs' fleece?

21 If 'gainst the orphan I have raised my hand, Because I saw the judge would take my part:

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22 [Then] let my shoulder from its socket fall, And [let] my arm be broken from its blade.

23 No! GOD'S destruction ever was my dread, Before His majesty I could not stand.

N⁷ u⁷

24 If I have put my confidence in gold, Or to the fine gold said ["Thou art] my trust":

25 If I rejoiced because my wealth was great, Because my hand had vast abundance gained:

26 If on the sun I looked as it shone forth, Or on the moon, so bright, as it marched on,

27 And secretly my heart hath been enticed, So that my hand [in worship] touched my mouth:

v⁷

28 This, too, had been a sin before the law; For then I had denied the GOD above.

N⁸ u⁸

29 Over my foe's misfortune had I joyed? Or e'er exulted when ill came on him?

30 (Nay, not my mouth would I permit to sin, By asking for a curse upon his soul.)

31 Though have not those of mine own household said,

"Oh! that we had [our foeman's] flesh [to eat], That we might satiate ourselves [therewith]."

32 The stranger never lodged outside [my tent]; My doors I opened to the traveller.

33 If I, like Adam, my transgression hid, And in my breast concealed my secret sin:

34 Then let me tremble at the rabble crowd, Yea, let the scorn of men of rank affright, And let me silence keep, and not go forth.

35 (Oh! that I had but one to hear what I Have noted down! Let Shaddai answer me! Or, let mine adversary write his charge!

36 Would I not on my shoulder lift it up, Or bind it as a crown upon [my head]?

37 The number of my steps I would declare; Yea, as a prince I would draw near to him.)

38 If all my land against me had cried out, And [if] its furrows all together wept;

39 If without having paid, I ate its fruits, And made the souls of those who owned it groan:

v⁸N⁹ u⁹

v⁹ (p. 703) 1656 40 ° Let thistles grow instead of wheat, and cockle instead of barley." The words of Job are ° ended.

O¹ (p. 705) 32 So these three ° men ceased to answer Job, because he was righteous in his own eyes.

2 Then was kindled the wrath of ° Elihu the son of ° Barachel the ° Buzite, of the kindred of ° Ram: against Job was his wrath kindled, because he justified ° himself rather than ° God.

3 Also against his three friends was his wrath kindled, because they had found no answer, and yet had ° condemned Job.

4 Now Elihu had waited till Job had spoken, because they were elder than he.

5 When Elihu saw that there was no answer in the mouth of these three ° men, then his wrath was kindled.

O² P¹ y 6 And Elihu the son of Barachel the Buzite answered and said, "I am young, and ye are very old;

z wherefore I was afraid, and durst not shew you mine opinion.

7 I said, ° Days should speak, and multitude of ° years should teach wisdom.'

y 8 But there is a ° spirit in ° man: and the ° inspiration of ° THE ALMIGHTY giveth them understanding.

9 Great ° men are not always wise: neither do the aged understand judgment.

z 10 Therefore I said, 'Hearken to me; I also will shew mine opinion.'

11 ° Behold, I waited for your words; I gave ear to your reasons, whilst ye searched out what to say.

12 Yea, I attended unto you, and, ° behold, there was none of you that ° convinced Job, or that answered his ° words:

13 Lest ye should say, 'We have found out wisdom: ° GOD thrusteth him down, not ° man.

14 Now he hath not directed his words against me: neither will I answer him with your speeches."

15 (They were amazed, they answered no more: they left off speaking.

inspiration. Heb. *n'shāmāh*. Ap. 16.

Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

convicts first, that the man may condemn himself.

Ap. 4. IV. man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

40 Let thistles grow. This is not an imprecation, but an argument in favour of his integrity: i. e. Had he been as his friends alleged, would he not have had bad instead of bountiful harvests? See translation below. ended: so far as his friends were concerned. He had words for God (ch. 42. 1-6).

32. 1-37. 24 (E, p. 665). THE MINISTRY OF ELIHU: THE MEDIATOR. (Division.)

E | O¹ | 32. 1-5. The connecting narrative.
O² | 32. 6-37. 24. The ministry proper.

32. 1-5 (O¹, above). THE CONNECTING NARRATIVE. (Alternation.)

O¹ | w | 1. The three men. Job's friends.
x | 2, 3. Anger of Elihu.
w | 4. The one man. Job.
x | 5. Anger of Elihu.

1 men. Heb. pl. of *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

2 Elihu = God is Jehovah; or, my God is He. Not named before. His addresses occupy six chapters. His two counts of indictment (vv. 2, 3) are based upon what precedes, and lead up to "the end of the Lord" in what follows from v. 13.

Barachel = whom God hath blessed.

Buzite. Descended from Buz, the second son of Nahor, the brother of Abraham (Gen. 22. 20, 21). See notes on p. 666.

Ram = Aram, related to Buz (Gen. 22. 21).

himself = his soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

3 condemned Job. The primitive text reads "condemned God", but was altered from motives of false reverence by the *Sopherim* to "Job". See Ap. 33.

32. 6-37. 24 (O², above). ELIHU'S MINISTRY. (Repeated Alternation.)

O² | P¹ | 32. 6-22. Elihu. Introduction.
Q¹ | 33. 1-33. His first address to Job.
P² | 34. 1. Elihu. Continuation.
Q² | 34. 2-37. His words to Job's friends.
P³ | 35. 1. Elihu. Continuation.
Q³ | 35. 2-16. His second address to Job.
P⁴ | 36. 1. Elihu. Conclusion.
Q⁴ | 36. 2-37. 24. His words on God's behalf.

32. 6-22 (P¹, above). ELIHU. INTRODUCTION. (Alternation.)

P¹ | y | 6-. Personal. Seniority.
z | -6, 7. Reason for not speaking before.
y | 8, 9. Personal. Qualification.
z | 10-22. Reason for speaking now.

7 Days... years. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for men of years: aged men.

8 spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

11 Behold. Heb. *Shaddai*. Ap. 4. VII. words = arguments.

13 GOD. Heb. *El*.

v⁹ (p. 703) 40 [Then] thorns had thrived instead of wheat I'd sowed,
And noxious weeds, instead of barley, grown.
Job's words are ended: [he will say no more].

ELIHU'S ADDRESSES.

32. 6-37. 24 (E, p. 665).

INTRODUCTION, 32. 6-22.

O² P¹ y (p. 705) 32 6 I am but young in years, and ye are old:

z Therefore it was that I held back in fear,
And durst not show what my opinion was.

7 For those of many days should speak, I thought;
A multitude of years should wisdom teach.

y 8 Howe'er, a spirit dwells in mortal man,
And Shaddai's breath makes them to understand:

9 The greatest men are not at all times wise;
Nor do the aged [always] rightly judge.

10 Therefore I said, "O hearken unto me;
I too will show my knowledge, even I."

11 Lo! I have listened unto your discourse;
To all your reasonings I have given ear,
Waiting till ye have searched out what to say.

12 But, though to you I carefully gave heed,
There was not one of you convicted Job;
Not one who really answered what he said.

13 I pray you, say not "We have wisdom found;
'tis GOD alone Who thrusts him down, not man."

14 Since not 'gainst me hath he arrayed his words,
I will not with your words reply to him.

15 (All broken down, they answer him no more:
They have not any more a word to say.

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16 When I had waited, (for they spake not, but stood still, and answered no more;)

17 *I said, 'I will answer also my part, I also will shew mine opinion.*

18 For I am full of °matter, the °spirit within me constraineth me.

19 ¹¹ Behold, my belly is as °wine which hath no vent; it is ready to burst like new °bottles.

20 I will speak, that I may be refreshed: I will open my lips and answer.

21 Let me not, I pray you, accept any °man's person, neither let me give flattering titles unto °man.

22 For I know not to give flattering titles; in so doing my Maker would °soon take me away.'

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33 Wherefore, Job, I pray thee, hear my speeches, and hearken to all my words.

2 °Behold, now I have opened my mouth, my tongue hath spoken in my mouth.

b¹ 3 °My words shall be of the uprightness of my heart: and my lips shall utter knowledge clearly.

4 The °Spirit of °GOD hath made me, and the °breath of °THE ALMIGHTY hath given me life.

a² 5 If thou canst answer me, set thy words in order before me, stand up.

b² 6 °Behold, I am according to °thy wish in °GOD'S stead: I also am formed out of the clay.

7 °Behold, my terror shall not make thee afraid, neither shall my hand be heavy upon thee.

S c 8 Surely thou hast spoken in mine hearing, and I have heard the voice of °thy words, saying,

9 'I am clean without °transgression, I am innocent; neither is there °iniquity in me.

10 °Behold, He °findeth occasions against me, °He counteth me for His enemy.

11 He putteth my feet in the stocks, He marketh all my paths.'

18 matter. Heb. *millah* = the matter of what is said.

19 wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. i.

bottles = skin bottles; which, if fermentation is not completed, sometimes burst.

21 man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

22 soon. See note on Prov. 5. 14

33. 1-33 (Q¹, p. 705). ELIHU'S WORDS TO JOB. (Alternations.)

Q¹ R¹ a¹ | 1, 2. Call for attention.

b¹ | 3, 4. His fitness. { g | 3. Internal.
h | 4. External.

a² | 5. Call for answer.

b² | 6, 7. His fitness. { h | 6. External.
g | 7. Internal.

S c | 8-11. Job's error. Justification of himself.

d | 12. Answer. God's greatness (in Creation).

S c | 13. Job's error. Charge against God.

d | 14-30. Answer. God's goodness (in Revelation).

R² | a³ | 31-. Call for silence.

b³ | -31. His fitness. "I will speak."

a⁴ | 32. Call for answer.

b⁴ | 33. His fitness. "I will teach."

2 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

3 My words. In this chapter are to be found most of the fundamental doctrines of the N.T.

4 Spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

GOD. Heb. *El*. Ap. 4. IV.

breath. Heb. *neshāmāh*. See Ap. 16.

THE ALMIGHTY. Heb. *Shaddai*. Ap. 4. VII.

6 thy wish. Cp. 13. 3, 18-24; 16. 21; 23. 3-9; 30. 20; 31. 35.

8 thy words. Cp. 9. 17; 10. 7; 11. 4; 16. 17; 23. 10, 11; 27. 5; 29. 14; 31. 1.

9 transgression. Heb. *pāsha*. Ap. 44. ix.

iniquity. Heb. *'āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

10 findeth = seeketh. Cp. Num. 14. 35; 32. 7.

He counteth. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "that He may count".

12 GOD. Heb. *Eloah*. Ap. 4. V.

greater than man. This is the theme of Elihu's addresses.

man = mortal man. Heb. *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

12 °Behold, in this thou art not just: I will answer thee, that °GOD is °greater than °man.

16 And still I waited, though they could not speak, But silent stood and offered no reply.)

17 I will reply—e'en I;—on mine own part; I too will show my knowledge, even I.

18 For I am filled full with [wisdom's] words; The spirit in my breast constraineth me.

19 It is as wine secured, without a vent, Like wine-skins new, which are at point to burst.

20 So, I will speak, that I may find relief; Open my lips, and take up my discourse.

21 I will not now regard the face of man, And to no man will flattering titles give.

22 I know not how to flatter. Otherwise My Maker soon would summon me away.

ELIHU. FIRST ADDRESS TO JOB. 33. 1-33.

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33 And now, O Job, I pray thee hear me speak, And be attentive to my every word.

2 Behold now that I have begun to speak; My tongue shall utterance give, distinct and clear:

b¹ 3 For all that I shall say comes from my heart, My lips shall speak what is sincere and true.

4 GOD'S Spirit made me [at the first], and [still] 'tis the Almighty's breath must quicken me.

5 If thou be able, answer me, I pray: Array thy words in order; take thy stand.

6 Lo, I am here—thou wishedst—in GOD'S stead. And of the clay I have been formed, [like thee].

7 Behold, my terror will not make thee fear; Nor heavy will my hand upon thee press.

8 But, surely, thou hast spoken in mine ears, And I have heard a voice of words like these:

9 "A man without transgression, pure, am I: Yea, I am clean; without iniquity.

10 He is against me; seeking grounds of strife, That He may count me as His enemy;

11 My feet He setteth fast within the stocks, And taketh observation of my ways."

12 Behold, thou art not just: I answer thee: HOW GREAT IS GOD COMPARED WITH MORTAL MAN?

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13 Why dost thou strive against Him? for He giveth not account of any of His matters.

14 For ⁴GOD speaketh once, yea twice, yet man perceiveth it not.

15 In a dream, in a vision of the night, when deep sleep falleth upon ¹²men, in slumberings upon the bed;

f¹ 16 Then He openeth the ears of ¹²men, and sealeth their instruction,

17 That He may withdraw °man from his purpose, and hide pride °from man.

18 He keepeth back his °soul from the °pit, and his life from perishing by the sword.

e³ 19 He is chastened also with pain upon his bed, and the multitude of his bones with strong pain:

20 So that his life abhorreth bread, and his ¹⁸soul dainty meat.

21 His flesh is consumed away, that it cannot be seen; and his bones that were not seen stick out.

22 °Yea, his ¹⁸soul draweth near unto the °grave, and his life to the destroyers.

f² 23 °If there be a messenger with Him, an °interpreter, one among a thousand, to shew unto ¹⁷man °His uprightness:

24 Then He is gracious unto him, and saith, 'Deliver him from going down to the ¹⁸pit: I have found °a Ransom.'

25 His flesh shall be fresher than a child's: he shall return to the days of his youth:

26 He shall pray unto ¹²GOD, and He will be favourable unto him: and he shall see His face with °joy: for He will render unto ¹²man ²³His righteousness.

27 He looketh upon ¹²men, and if any say, °'I have °sinned, and perverted that which was right, and it profited me not;'

28 He will deliver his ¹⁸soul from going into the ¹⁸pit, and his life shall see the light.

33. 14-30 (*d*, p. 706). GOD'S GOODNESS: IN REVELATION. (*Repeated Alternation*.)

d | *e¹* | 14, 15. Means. (Dreams and visions.)
| *f¹* | 16-18. Ends. (Negative.)
| *e²* | 19-22. Means. (Afflictions.)
| *f²* | 23-28. Ends. (Positive.)
| *e³* | 29. Means. (All these means.)
| *f³* | 30. Ends. (Neg. 30-. Pos. -30.) } In detail.
} In sum.

17 man. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.

from man. Heb. from *geber*. Ap. 4. III.

18 soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

pit. Heb. *shachath* = the grave, as dug out of the earth.

22 Yea. This "Yea" was not in the A.V. of 1611, nor in editions of 1646 and 1648.

grave. Heb. *shachath*, as in *v. 18*.

23 If there be. This is another way by which God speaks.

interpreter. To reveal God and His truth. Cp. John 1. 18.

His: i. e. God's righteousness.

24 a Ransom = an Atonement. Heb. *kopher*, a covering by shedding of blood, or the price of expiation, or atonement.

26 joy = shouts of joy.

27 I have sinned. This is true wisdom. See note on 28. 28. This is "the end of the Lord" (Jas. 5. 11), to which all was leading, and which is reached at length in 42. 2-5.

sinned. Heb. *chata'*. Ap. 44. i.

29 Lo. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

33 hearken = hearken thou.

29 °Lo, all these things worketh ⁴GOD oftentimes with ¹⁷man,

30 To bring back his ¹⁸soul from the ¹⁸pit, to be enlightened with the light of the living.

31 Mark well, O Job, hearken unto me: hold thy peace, and I will speak.

32 If thou hast anything to say, answer me: speak, for I desire to justify thee.

33 If not, °hearken unto me: hold thy peace, and I shall teach thee wisdom."

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13 Why, then, 'gainst Him didst thou dare make complaint,
That by no word of His He answe'reth thee?

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14 For GOD both speak. He speaks in sundry ways:
Again, again, though man regard it not.

15 He speaks in dreams, and visions of the night,
When, deep in slumber, lying on their bed,
There falls on men an overwhelming sleep.

f¹ 16 Then opens He their ear, that they may hear,

Pressing, as with a seal, the warning given,
17 To make a man withdraw himself from sin,

Or keep him from the [dangerous] way of pride.

18 Back from the pit 'tis thus He keeps a man,
And saves his life from falling by the sword.

e² 19 He speaks again, when, chastened, on his bed

Another lies, his bones all rack'd with pain;

20 So that his daily food he doth abhor,
And turns against his choicest dainty meat.

21 His flesh, it wastes away and is not seen:

His bones, before concealed, show through his skin.

22 Unto destruction he is drawing nigh,
And death's dark angel waits to end his life.

f² 23 Then, then, He speaks with him by Messenger
Who can interpret;—One, 'mong thousands chief,
Who will reveal to man HIS righteousness.

24 Then He doth show him grace [Divine, and saith]:—
"Deliver him from going down to death;

A Ransom I have found—Redemption's price."

25 Young as a child's becomes his flesh again,
And to his youthful days he doth return.

26 He, supplication to Eloah makes,
Who grace and kindly favour showeth him,
So that he looketh up to God with joy.

Thus, doth [He] give to man HIS righteousness.

27 This, then, becomes the burden of his song:—

"I sinned! and I perverted what was right!

Although no profit from it came to me."

28 His soul HE hath redeemed from the pit:

His life will yet again behold the light.

29 Thus doth GOD speak, in all these sundry ways:
Time after time; and yet again He speaks:

30 That from destruction He may save a soul,
And make him joy in light—the light of life.

31 Mark this, O Job, and hearken unto me.

I will now speak: and, as for thee, hold thou
Thy peace, while I with words of wisdom teach.

32 If there be any answer, answer me.

Speak: for I long to see thee justified.

33 If not; do thou then hearken unto me:

Hold thou thy peace, while wisdom I impart.

34 Furthermore Elihu ° answered and said,

2 "Hear my ° words, O ye wise *men*; and give ear unto me, ye that have knowledge.

3 For the ear trieth words, as the ° mouth tasteth meat.

4 Let us choose to us judgment: let us know among ourselves what *is* good.

5 For Job hath said, ° "I am righteous: and ° GOD hath taken away my judgment.

6 Should I lie against my right? my wound *is* incurable without ° transgression."

7 What ° man *is* like Job, *who* drinketh up scorning like water?

8 Which goeth in company with the workers of ° iniquity, and walketh with ° wicked ° men.

9 For he hath said, 'It profiteth a ° man nothing that he should delight himself with ° God.'

10 Therefore hearken unto me, ye ° men of understanding:

far be it from ° GOD, *that He should do* ° wickedness; and *from* ° THE ALMIGHTY, *that He should commit* ° iniquity.

11 For the work of a ° man shall He render unto him, and cause ° every man to find according to *his* ways.

12 Yea, surely ° GOD will not do ° wickedly, neither will ° THE ALMIGHTY pervert judgment.

13 ° Who hath given Him a charge over the earth? or ° who hath disposed the whole world?

14 If He set His heart upon ° man, *if* He gather unto Himself his ° spirit ° and his ° breath;

15 All flesh shall ° perish together, and ° man shall ° turn again unto dust.

16 If now *thou hast* understanding, hear this: hearken to the voice of my words.

17 ° Shall even he that hateth right govern? and wilt thou condemn Him that is most just?

34. 1 answered=addressed. See note on 4. 1.

34. 2-37 (Q², p. 705). ELIHU'S WORDS TO JOB'S FRIENDS. (*Introversion and Alternations*.)

Q⁴ T | g | 2-4. Appeal to his hearers.
h | 5, 6. Job's error. (5, Himself. 5, 6, God.)
i | 7-9. His reproof.
U | j | 10-. Call for attention.
k | 10-15. Vindication of God.
U | j | 16. Call for attention.
k | 17-33-. Vindication of God.
T | g | -33, 34. Appeal to his hearers.
h | 35. Job's error.
i | 36, 37. His reproof.

2 words=speech.

3 mouth=palate.

5 I am righteous. Cp. 9. 21-24; 10. 15; 27. 6; 13. 15, 18, 23; 16. 17; 19. 7; 23. 7, 10-12; 27. 5, &c.

GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

6 transgression. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix.

7 man=strong man. Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. IV.

8 iniquity. Heb. *'āven*. Ap. 44. iii.

wicked. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

men. Heb. pl. of *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

9 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

10 THE ALMIGHTY. Heb. Shaddai. Ap. 4. VII.

11 man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

every man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

13 Who...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

14 man=him.

spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

and=even; or, Fig. *Hendiadys* (Ap. 6), one thing meant by the two words.

breath. Heb. *neshāmāh*. Ap. 16. Cp. Gen. 2. 7.

15 perish=expire.

turn again. Cp. Gen. 3. 19. Ecc. 12. 7.

17 Shall...? } Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

18 Is it...? }

wicked=Belial.

princes=nobles.

ungodly. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x. Cp. v. 8.

18 ° *Is it fit* to say to a king, 'Thou art ° wicked?' and to ° princes, 'Ye are ° ungodly?'

ELIHU. ADDRESS TO JOB'S FRIENDS.

34. 1-37 (Q², p. 705).

34 Elihu then addressed [Job's friends] and said:

2 Hear now my words, ye wise [and clever] men; And ye who knowledge have, give ear to me.

3 For 'tis the ear that [proves and] trieth speech, E'en as the palate shows what food is good.

4 Then, let us, what is right, choose for ourselves: Let us decide among us, what is good.

5 Now Job hath said—

"I am and have been just:

But GOD my righteous cause hath turned away.

6 Shall I against my right speak what is false?

Sore is my wound; though through no sin of mine."

7 Where is the worthy man [who] like to Job, Drinks up as water all your scornful words?

8 And keepeth company with those who sin, And doth associate with wicked men?

9 For he hath said—

"It profiteth not man That he should take delight in Elohim."

10 To this, ye wise men, list to my reply:

Far be such evil from the mighty GOD, And far from Shaddai such iniquity.

11 For, sure, man's work He will repay to him, And will requite according to his ways.

12 Nay, surely, GOD will not do wickedly, And Shaddai never will pervert the right.

13 Who e'er to Him did delegate the charge Of earth? or trusted Him with all the world?

14 Should He think only of Himself, [and all]

His breath, the breath of life withdraw; [what then?]

15 All flesh together would [at once] expire, And man would straight to dust return again.

16 Now, if thou understanding hast, hear this; Give heed unto the teaching of my words.

17 Can one who hateth justice rule [the world]? Wilt thou condemn the Just, the Mighty One?

18 Shall one say to a King—"Thou worthless man"? Or, unto nobles, "Ye ungodly men"?

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19 °How much less to Him That °accepteth not the persons of ¹⁸princes, nor °regardeth the rich more than the °poor? for they all are °the work of His hands.

20 In a moment shall they die, and the people shall be troubled at midnight, and pass away: and the mighty shall be taken away °without hand.

21 For His eyes are upon the ways of °man, and He seeth all his goings.

22 There is no °darkness, nor shadow of death, where the workers of ⁸iniquity may hide themselves.

23 For He will not lay upon ²¹man more than right; that he should enter into judgment with ⁵GOD.

24 He shall break in pieces mighty men without number, and set others in their stead.

25 Therefore He knoweth their works, and He overturneth them in the night, so that they are °destroyed.

26 He striketh them as ⁸wicked men in the open sight of others;

27 Because they turned back °from Him, and would not consider any of His ways:

28 So that they cause the cry of the ¹⁹poor to come unto Him, and He heareth the cry of the afflicted.

29 °When ⁵giveth quietness, who then can make trouble? and °when He hideth His face, who then can behold Him? whether it be done against a nation, or against a ¹¹man only:

30 That the hypocrite reign not, lest the people be ensnared.

31 Surely it is meet to be said unto ⁵GOD, 'I have borne chastisement, I will not offend any more:

32 That which I see not teach Thou me: if I have done ⁸iniquity, I will do no more.'

33 °Should it be according to thy mind? He will recompense it, whether thou refuse, or whether thou choose; and not ³:

therefore speak what thou knowest.

19 How . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

accepteth not, &c. Cp. Deut. 10. 17. 2 Chron. 19. 7. Luke 20. 21. Acts 10. 34.

regardeth. A Homonym (Heb. *nākar*), with three meanings: (1) here, to regard; (2) to mistake, Deut. 32. 27; (3) to deliver, 1 Sam. 23. 7.

poor: i.e. reduced in circumstances. Heb. *dal*. See note on Prov. 6. 11.

the work, &c. Cp. 10. 3; 14. 15; 31. 15; 37. 7, &c.

20 without hand. Cp. Dan. 2. 34, 45; 8. 25; and see 1 Sam. 26. 11. 2 Sam. 24. 16.

21 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

22 darkness. Heb. *hāshak*. See note on 3. 6.

23 destroyed = crushed 27 from = from after.

29 When . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

30 hypocrite = profane man (Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I).

33 Should it be. See rendering below.

35 without wisdom. See note on 33. 27.

36 wicked. Heb. *'āven*. Ap. 44. iii.

37 rebellion. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix.

sin. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

35. 2-16 (Q³, p. 705). ELIHU'S WORDS TO JOB.
(Repeated Alternation.)

Q ³	V ¹	1 ¹	2, 3. Error. Job's.	} Personal.
			m ¹ 4-8. Answer.	
V ²	1 ²	9.	Error. Man's.	} General.
			m ² 10-13. Answer.	
V ³	1 ³	14-	Error. Job's.	} Personal.
			m ³ 14-16. Answer.	

2 GOD'S. Heb. *El*. Ap. 4. IV.

34 Let ⁸men of understanding tell me, and let a wise ⁷man hearken unto me.

35 Job hath spoken without knowledge, and his words were °without wisdom.

36 My desire is that Job may be tried unto the end because of his answers for °wicked ⁸men.

37 For he addeth °rebellion unto his °sin, he clappeth his hands among us, and multiplieth his words against ⁵GOD."

35 Elihu spake moreover, and said,
2 "Thinkest thou this to be right, that thou saidst, 'My righteousness is more than °GOD'S?'

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19 How much less wilt thou say it then to Him?

Who [neither] doth accept the face of kings,
Nor doth regard the rich above the poor,
For they are all the work of His own hands.

20 They in a moment die, e'en in a night;
The people tremble when they pass away:
The mighty fall, but by no [human] hand.

21 For on the ways of men His eyes are set,
And all their footsteps He doth see [and note].

22 There is no darkness, and no shade of death,
Where workers of iniquity may hide.

23 Man doth not need repeated scrutiny,
When he to GOD for [final] judgment comes.

24 He breaks the strong in ways we cannot trace;
And others, in their stead, He setteth up.

25 To this end takes He knowledge of their works;
And, in a night He overthroweth them,
[In such a way] that they are [all] destroyed.

26 [Sometimes] He smites the wicked where they stand,

In open sight of all men who behold;

27 Because they turned back from after Him,
Nor any of His ways would they regard;

28 But, [by oppression,] brought the poor man's cry
To Him Who hears the plaint of the oppressed.

29 When He gives quiet, who can e'er disturb?
Or who can see Him when He hides His face?

(Whether it be a nation or a man,

30 Whether because the godless may not reign,
Or those who of the people make a prey.)

31 If Job had [spoken] unto GOD, [and] said:
"I have borne chastisement: and never more

32 Will I transgress; that which I do not see
Teach me Thyself: if in the past I wrought
Iniquity, I will not work it more:"

33 Should He requite on thine own terms, [and say]:
"As thou wilt choose [so be it], not as I?"

Say therefore, now, O Job, if thou dost know.

34 For me would men of understanding speak;
Yea, every wise man listening now [will say]:

35 "Job, without knowledge, spoke in ignorance;
And void of understanding were his words."

36 Oh would that Job were proved unto the end,
For his replies are those of evil men.

37 Rebellion he doth add unto his sin:
Defiant in our midst he claps his hands;
And, against GOD he multiplies his words.

ELIHU. SECOND ADDRESS TO JOB.

35. 1-16 (Q³, p. 705).

1 Elihu further spake to Job and said:—

2 Dost thou count this sound judgment? Thou didst say,
"My righteousness surpasseth that of GOD:"

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1656 3 For thou saidst, ° What advantage will it be unto thee? and, ° What profit shall I have, if I be cleansed from my ° sin?

m¹ (p. 709) 4 I will answer thee, and thy companions with thee.

5 ° Look unto the heavens, and see; and behold the clouds which are higher than thou.

6 If thou ° sinnest, what doest thou against Him? or if thy ° transgressions be multiplied, what doest thou unto Him?

7 If thou be righteous, what givest thou Him? or what receiveth He of thine hand?

8 Thy ° wickedness may hurt ° a man as thou art; and thy righteousness may profit the son ° of man.

V² l² 9 By reason of the multitude of oppressions they make the oppressed to cry: they cry out by reason of the arm of the mighty.

m² 10 But none saith, ° Where is ° GOD my Maker, Who giveth songs in the night;

11 Who teacheth us more than the beasts of the earth, and maketh us wiser than the fowls of heaven?

12 There they cry, but none giveth answer, because of the pride of ° evil men.

13 Surely ° GOD will not hear vanity, neither will ° THE ALMIGHTY regard it.

V³ l³ 14 Although thou sayest thou shalt not see Him,

m³ yet judgment is before Him; therefore ° trust thou in Him.

15 But now, because it is not so, ° He hath visited in His anger; yet He knoweth it not in great extremity:

16 Therefore doth Job open his mouth in vain; he multiplieth words without knowledge."

P¹ (p. 705) 36 Elihu also proceeded, and said,

Q⁴ W (p. 710) 2 "Suffer me a little, and I will shew thee that I have yet to speak on ° GOD'S behalf.

3 Yea—thou dost ask "What is the gain to thee?" And, "Shall I profit more than by my sin?"

m¹ (p. 709) 4 I—even I, will make reply to thee, And, with thee, to these friends of thine as well.

5 Look up unto the heav'ns; consider them; Survey the skies, so high above thy head.

6 If thou hast sinned, what doest thou to Him? Be thy sins many, what dost thou to Him?

7 If thou art just, what dost thou give to Him? Or from thy hand what [gift] will He receive?

8 Thy sin may hurt a mortal like thyself; Thy righteousness may profit one like thee.

V² l² 9 Men make an outcry when they are oppressed: They cry for help when 'neath the tyrant's pow'r.

m² 10 But no one saith, "Where is my Maker, GOD, Who giveth songs to us in sorrow's night;

11 And teacheth us beyond the beasts of earth, And makes us wiser than the fowl of heav'n?"

12 But the true reason why He answereth not, Although they cry, is—evil doers' pride,

13 For vanity GOD will in no wise hear, Nor will th' Almighty hold it in regard.

V³ l³ 14 How much less, then, when thou dost say to Him—"I see Him not: [He doth not hear my cry]."

3 What...? Fig. *Erolēsis*. Ap. 6.

sin. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

5 Look = Look attentively.

6 transgressions. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix.

8 wickedness. Heb. *rāsha'*. Ap. 44. x.

a man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

of man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

10 GOD. Heb. *Eloah*. Ap. 4. V.

12 evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

13 THE ALMIGHTY. Heb. *El Shaddai* = GOD ALMIGHTY. Ap. 4. VII.

14 trust thou in = stay thyself upon. Heb. *hūl*. See Ap. 69. IV.

15 He. Supply Ellipsis: "[thou sayest] He".

36. 2—37. 24 (Q⁴, p. 705). ELIHU'S WORDS ON GOD'S BEHALF. (*Introversion and Alternations*.)

Q⁴ W | 36. 2-4. Introduction. "On God's behalf."

X | n | 36. 5. His attribute. "God is great."

o | 36. 6-15. Manifested in Providence.

p | 36. 16-25. Application and exhortation to fear His wondrous wrath.

X | n | 36. 26. His attribute. "God is great."

o | 36. 27-37. 13. Manifested in Creation.

p | 37. 14-22-. Application and exhortation to consider His "wondrous works."

W | 37. -22, 24. Conclusion. "On God's behalf."

2 GOD'S. Heb. *Eloah*. Ap. 4. V.

5 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

GOD. Heb. *El*. Ap. 4. IV.

is mighty. This is the text of Elihu's discourses, leading up to God's own addresses to Job. Cp. v. 26; and 33. 12. 6 wicked = lawless. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x. poor = wretched. Heb. *'anī*. See note on Prov. 6. 11.

3 I will fetch my knowledge from afar, and will ascribe righteousness to my Maker.

4 For truly my words shall not be false: He That is perfect in knowledge is with thee.

5 ° Behold, ° GOD ° is mighty, and despiseth not any: He is mighty in strength and wisdom.

6 He preserveth not the life of the ° wicked: but giveth right to the ° poor.

7 He withdraweth not His eyes from the righteous: but with kings are they on the throne; yea, He doth establish them for ever, and they are exalted.

Yet judgment is before Him: therefore wait. 15 But now, because He hath not punished thee, [Thou say'st]:—"His anger doth not visit sin;

Nor strictly mark wide-spread iniquity."

16 Thus Job doth fill his mouth with vanity; And, without knowledge, multiplieth words.

ELIHU. WORDS ON GOD'S BEHALF.

36. 2—37. 24 (Q⁴, p. 705).

2 Bear with me, while I, briefly, make thee see

There yet are words to say on GOD'S behalf.

3 My knowledge I shall gather from afar;

And to my Maker righteousness ascribe.

4 For truly, nothing false is in my words:

Th' Omniscient One it is Who deals with thee.

5 Lo! GOD IS GREAT,—but naught doth He despise:

In power great, in wisdom great, is He.

6 He will not let the wicked ever live:

But He will right the cause of the oppressed,

7 And not take from a righteous man His eyes.

He seateth them with kings upon the throne;

He makes them sit in glory; raised on high.

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8 And if *they* be bound in fetters, and be holden in cords of affliction;

9 Then He sheweth them their work, and their °transgressions that they have exceeded.

10 He openeth also their ear to discipline, and commandeth that they return from °iniquity.

11 If they obey and serve *Him*, they shall spend their days in prosperity, and their years in pleasures.

12 But if they obey not, they shall perish by the sword, and they shall die without knowledge.

13 But the hypocrites in heart heap up wrath: they cry not when He bindeth them.

14 °They die in youth, and their life is among the °unclean.

15 He delivereth the °poor in his affliction, and openeth their ears in oppression.

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16 Even so would He have removed thee out of the strait *into* a broad place, where *there* is no straitness; and that which should be set on thy table *should* be full of fatness.

17 But thou hast fulfilled the judgment of the °wicked: judgment and justice take hold on *thee*.

18 Because *there* is wrath, beware lest He take thee away with *His* stroke: then a great ransom cannot deliver thee.

19 °Will He esteem thy riches? *no*, not gold, nor all the forces of strength.

20 Desire not the night, when people are cut off in their place.

21 Take heed, regard not °iniquity: for this hast thou chosen rather than affliction.

22 °Behold, °GOD exalteth by His power: °who teacheth like Him?

23 °Who hath enjoined Him His way? or °who can say, 'Thou hast wrought °iniquity?'

24 Remember that thou magnify His work, which °men behold.

9 transgressions. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix.

10 iniquity. Heb. *'āven*. Ap. 44. iii. Not the same word as v. 23.

14 They die = their souls die. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. unclean = sodomites. See note on Deut. 23. 17.

19 Will He ... ? } Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

22 who ... ? }

iniquity. Heb. *'āval*. Ap. 44. vi. Not the same word as v. 10, 21. 24 men. Heb. pl. of *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

25 Every man. Heb. every *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I. man may behold = all mankind have gazed.

26 is great. See note on v. 5.

His years. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

29 can any ... ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

spreadings = suspensions, or floatings.

tabernacle = booth. Heb. *gukkāh*.

30 bottom = roots or offspring, i.e. clouds.

31 people = peoples.

33 sheweth = announceth.

25 °Every man may see it; °man may °behold *it* afar off.

26 Behold, °GOD °is great, and we know *Him* not, neither can the number of °His years be searched out.

27 For He maketh small the drops of water: they pour down rain according to the vapour thereof:

28 Which the clouds do drop *and* distil upon °man abundantly.

29 Also °can *any* understand the °spreadings of the clouds, *or* the noise of His °tabernacle?

30 °Behold, He spreadeth His light upon it, and covereth the °bottom of the sea.

31 For by them judgeth He the °people; He giveth meat in abundance.

32 With clouds He covereth the light; and commandeth it *not to shine by the cloud* that cometh betwixt.

33 The noise thereof °sheweth concerning it, the cattle also concerning the vapour.

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8 And, if they be in [iron] fetters bound,
Or, [if] they be held fast in sorrow's bonds,
9 [It is] that He may show to them their deeds
And their transgressions which have sprung from
pride.

10 Thus openeth He their ear, and doth instruct
And warn them from iniquity to turn.

11 Then, if they hearken and obey [His voice],
They in prosperity shall spend their days,
[And end] their years in peace and pleasantness.

12 Should they not heed, they perish by the sword;
And die, not knowing [how it is, or why].

13 But hypocrites in heart will heap up wrath,
[Because] they cry not when He bindeth them.

14 [Wherefore] they die while they are yet in youth,
Their life is spent among polluted ones.

15 Yet He doth save the poor in all his woes,
And openeth their ear in their distress.

16 Thus, in like manner, He would ~~thee~~ allure,
And from the mouth of trouble draw thee out
Into a pleasant place:—no trouble there;
Thy table well prepared with richest food.

17 But [if] with sinners' pleadings thou be filled,
Judgment and justice will lay hold on thee.

18 For, there is wrath; [beware, then,] of its stroke;
For, then, a ransom great will not suffice,

19 Nor treasure turn the threatened stroke aside,
Nor precious ore avail, nor all thy strength.

20 Oh, long not for the night [of death], in which

[Whole] nations get upheaved from out their place!

21 Take heed! regard not thou iniquity;
For this thou didst prefer to all thy woes.

22 Lo, GOD will be exalted in His pow'r:
Who can convey instruction like to Him?

23 Who is it that assigns to Him His way?
Or who can say to Him—"Thou hast done wrong"?

24 Remember that thou should'st extol His work,
Which men have contemplated, [and have sung]:

25 Yea, all have gazed in wonder thereupon;
And mortal man beholds it from afar.

26 Lo! GOD IS GREAT,—[greater] than we can
know;
The number of His years past finding out.

27 'Tis He Who draweth up the vapour-clouds;
And they distil [from heaven] in rain and mist:

28 E'en that which from the [low'ring] skies doth fall,
And poureth down on man abundantly.

29 Can any man explain the rain-clouds' balancings,
The rumbling thunders of His canopy?

30 Behold, He spreadeth out His light thereon,
While making dark the bottom of the sea.

31 (Yet He His judgment executes by these:
By these He giveth food abundantly.)

32 He [graspeth] in His hand the lightning flash,
And giveth it commandment where to strike.

33 Of this the noise thereof quick notice gives,
The [frightened] cattle warn of coming storm.

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37 At this also my heart trembleth, and is moved out of his place.

2 Hear attentively the noise of °His voice, and the sound *that* goeth out of °His mouth.

3 He directeth it under the whole heaven, and His lightning unto the ends of the earth.

4 After it a voice roareth: He thundereth with the voice of His excellency; and He will not stay them when His voice is heard.

5 °GOD thundereth marvellously with His voice; great things doeth He, which we cannot comprehend.

6 For He saith to the snow, 'Be thou on the earth;' likewise to the small rain, and to the great rain of His strength.

7 He scaleth up the hand of every °man; that all °men may know His work.

8 Then the beasts go into dens, and remain in their °places.

9 Out of the south cometh the whirlwind: and cold out of the north.

10 By the °breath of °GOD frost is given: and the breadth of the waters is straitened.

11 Also by watering He wearieth the thick cloud: He scattereth His bright cloud:

12 And it is turned round about by His counsels: that they may do whatsoever He commandeth them upon the face of the °world in the earth.

13 He causeth it to come, whether for correction, or for His land, or for mercy.

^p 14 Hearken unto this, O Job: stand still, and consider the wondrous works of °GOD.

^(p. 710) 15 °Dost thou know when °GOD disposed them, and caused the light of His cloud to shine?

16 °Dost thou know the balancings of the °clouds, the wondrous works of Him Which is perfect in knowledge?

17 How thy garments are warm, when He quieteth the earth by the south wind?

37. 2 His voice . . . His mouth. Fig. *Anthropopathia*. Ap. 6.

5 GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

7 man. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.

men. Heb. pl. of 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

8 places=lurking-places, or lairs.

10 breath. Heb. n'shāmāh. Ap. 16.

12 world=vast expanse, or the habitable world. Heb. tēbēl.

15 Dost . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

GOD. Heb. Eloah. Ap. 4. V.

16 clouds=thick clouds.

18 sky=skies.

looking glass=mirror.

20 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

21 wind. Heb. rûach. Ap. 9.

23 THE ALMIGHTY. Heb. Shaddai. Ap. 4. VII.

power. The Heb. accents mark off three distinct attributes: (1) power supreme; (2) righteousness abundant; (3) the consequent reverence from men, v. 24.

18 Hast thou with Him spread out the °sky, which is strong, and as a molten °looking glass?

19 Teach us what we shall say unto Him; for we cannot order *our* speech by reason of darkness.

20 Shall it be told Him that I speak? if a °man speak, surely he shall be swallowed up.

21 And now *men* see not the bright light which is in the clouds: but the °wind passeth, and cleanseth them.

22 Fair weather cometh out of the north:

with °GOD is terrible majesty.

23 *Touching* °THE ALMIGHTY, we cannot find Him out: *He* is excellent in °power, and in judgment, and in plenty of justice: He will not afflict.

24 °Men do therefore fear Him: He respecteth not any *that* are wise of heart."

37 [The rumbling thunder] makes my heart to quake, And [startled] it leaps up from out its place.

2 Hear ye, O hear, the roaring of His voice,

The loud reverberations from His mouth,

3 As under heaven's expanse the sound goes forth. His lightning to the Earth's extremities

4 [He sends], and after it the thunder roars:

He thund'reth with His voice of majesty: One cannot trace Him, though His voice be heard.

5 GOD'S voice is wondrous when He thundereth.

Great things He doth: we comprehend them not.

6 For to the snow He saith—"Fall thou on Earth:"

And to the show'r, yea, to the flooding rains

7 Which stop the work of man and make it cease,

That all men of His doing may take note;

8 Then must the beasts each to his covert go,

And in their lairs must they [perforce] remain.

9 Out from the south proceedeth the hot blast;

And from Mezarim comes the biting cold.

10 The wind of GOD produces the hoar-frost;

The waters wide are all congealed by it.

11 With rain He ladeneth the thick dark cloud,

And dissipates the filmy cumulus:

12 It turneth round about as He doth guide,

That His commandment it may execute

Upon the [vast] expanse of all the earth,

13 Whether in chastisement, or for His land,

Or else in mercy cause He it to come.

14 O Job! [I pray thee] hearken unto this:

Stand still and contemplate GOD'S wondrous works.

15 Know'st thou how Eloah gives charge to them,

And how He makes His light on them to shine?

16 Or dost thou know the thick-clouds' balancings,

His wondrous works, Whose knowledge hath no

bound?

17 How [is it that] thy garments [feel so] warm,

When He makes still the Earth with southern

heat?

18 Wast thou with Him [when] He spread out the sky;

And made it like a molten mirror [firm]?

19 Oh, tell me that which we should say to Him:

We know not what to say; so dark we are!

20 Must He be told that I would speak to Him!

And if I speak, can man see Him and live.

21 But now, [though] men see not the light [of God],

Yet He is bright [in splendour] in the skies:

But when the wind has passed and cleared the

clouds,

22 Then from the north there comes a golden light.

Ah! but with GOD there is a majesty

23 Divine. And Shaddai's paths we cannot find;

So great, so great is He in pow'r; so full

Of righteousness and truth: He will not crush.

24 Therefore can men but stand in awe of Him:

For none can know Him, be they e'er so wise.

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38 Then ° the LORD ° answered Job out of the whirlwind, and said,
2 ° "Who is this that ° darkeneth counsel by words without knowledge?

3 Gird up now thy loins like a ° man; for I will demand of thee, and ° answer thou Me.

B¹ C

4 ° Where wast thou when I laid the foundations of the earth? declare, if thou ° hast understanding.

5 Who hath laid the measures thereof, if thou knowest? or who hath stretched the line upon it?

6 Whereupon are the ° foundations thereof ° fastened? or who laid the corner stone thereof;

7 When the morning ° stars sang together, and all the ° sons of ° God shouted for joy?

D q¹

8 Or who shut up the sea with doors, when it brake forth, as if it had issued out of the womb?

9 When I made the cloud the garment thereof, and ° thick darkness a swaddlingband for it,

10 And ° brake up for it My decreed place, and set bars and doors,

11 And said, 'Hitherto shalt thou come, but no further: and here shall thy proud waves be stayed'?

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12 Hast thou commanded ° the morning since thy days; and caused the dayspring to know his place;

13 That it might take hold of the ends of the earth, that ° the wicked might be shaken out of it?

14 It is turned as clay to the seal; and they stand as a garment.

15 And from ¹³the wicked their light is withholden, and the high arm shall be broken.

q²

16 Hast thou entered into the springs of the sea? or hast thou walked in the ° search of the depth?

4 Where wast thou...? Figs. *Erotēsis* and *Irony*. Ap. 6.

6 foundations = sockets. fastened = sunk.

7 stars sang. Fig. *Prosopopeia*. Ap. 6. See Ap. 12. sons of God = angels. See note on Gen. 6. 2: and the eight occurrences of the expression in O.T. See also Ap. 23 and 25. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

9 thick darkness. Heb. *ārāphēl*. See note on 3. 6.

10 brake up = assigned. 12 the morning. See the Alternation below, vv. 12-14. 13 the wicked

= lawless. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x. Here and v. 15 the letter Ayin (r) is suspended (see note on Judg. 18. 30). Without it the word means "heads", with it "the lawless". All the ancient versions and early printed

editions read "the lawless". 16 search = secret.

38. 1-42. 6 (D, p. 665). JOB AND JEHOVAH. (Alternation.)

D | Y | 38. 1-40. 2. Jehovah's first address.

Z | 40. 3-5. Job's first answer.

Y | 40. 6-41. 34. Jehovah's second address.

Z | 42. 1-6. Job's second answer.

38. 1-40. 2 (Y, above). JEHOVAH'S FIRST ADDRESS. (Repeated Alternation.)

Y | A¹ | 38. 1-3. Jehovah's first appeal to Job.

B¹ | 38. 4-35. The inanimate creation. Wisdom exhibited in outward activities.

A² | 38. 36-38. Jehovah's second appeal to Job.

B² | 38. 39-39. 30. The animate creation. Wisdom manifested "in the inward parts."

A³ | 40. 1, 2. Jehovah's third appeal to Job.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. answered. See note on 4. 1. We now have Jehovah's own ministry, and the theme is Himself. Elihu's ministry furnishes the text: "God is greater than man" (33. 12). This leads up to "the end of the Lord" (Jas. 5. 11). "How should mortal man be just with God?" See 4. 17; 9. 2; 15. 14; 33. 9; 34. 5. How different from the ministry of the three friends, which, like most ministries of to-day, consists in the effort to make men "good" by persuasion.

2 Who is this...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. darkeneth. Heb. *hashak*. See note on 3. 6.

3 man. Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. IV. answer thou Me = cause Me to know.

38. 4-35 (B¹, above). THE INANIMATE CREATION. WISDOM EXHIBITED IN OUTWARD ACTIVITIES. (*Introversions*.)

B¹ | C | 4-7. The earth.

D | q¹ | 8-11. The sea.

r¹ | 12-15. The morn, and dawn. } Things pertaining to the earth.

q² | 16-18. The springs of the sea. }

E | 19-. Light. } Things pertaining to both the earth and the heavens.

E | -19-21. Darkness. }

D | q³ | 22, 23. Snow and hail. } Things pertaining to the heavens.

r² | 24-27. Lightning. }

q⁴ | 28-30. Rain, dew, and frost. }

C | 31-35. The heavens.

JEHOVAH'S TWO ADDRESSES TO JOB.

38. 1-42. 6 (D, p. 665).

JEHOVAH'S FIRST ADDRESS.

38. 1-40. 2 (Y, above).

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38 Then from the storm Jehovah spake to Job,

2 Pray, who is it that maketh counsel dark

By words devoid of knowledge, [and of truth]?

3 Gird up thy loins, now, like a man; for I

Will ask of thee, and do thou answer Me.

B¹ C

4 Where wast thou when I earth's foundations laid? Say, if thou know'st, and hast intelligence.

5 Who fix'd its measurements? (for thou wilt know),

Or who upon it stretched the measuring line?

6 On what were its foundations made to rest?

Or who its corner-stone [so truly] laid,

7 (When all the morning stars together sang,

And all the sons of God did shout for joy)?

8 Or, who fenced in with doors the [roaring] sea, When bursting forth from [Nature's] womb it came?

9 What time I made the clouds its covering-robe, And darkness deep the swaddling-band thereof;

10 When I decreed for it My boundary, And set its bars and doors, and to it said,

11 "Thus far--no farther, Ocean, shalt thou come: Here shalt thou stay the swelling of thy waves"?

12 Hast thou called Morning forth since thou wast born;

Or taught the early Dawn to know its place?

13 [Bid Morn] lay hold on outskirts of the earth; [Taught Dawn] to rout the lawless from their place?

14 [Bid Morn] change earth as clay beneath the seal; [Bid Dawn] enrobe the beauteous world with light?

15 Thus Morning robs the wicked of their prey, And stays, arrested, the uplifted arm.

16 The fountains of the sea hast thou explored?

Or, hast thou searched the secrets of the deep?

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17 Have the gates of death been opened unto thee? or hast thou seen the °doors of the shadow of death?

18 Hast thou perceived the breadth of the earth? declare if thou knowest it all.

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19 Where is the °way where light dwelleth?

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and as for darkness, where is the place thereof,
20 That thou shouldest take it to the bound thereof, and that thou shouldest know the paths to the house thereof?

21 Knowest thou it, because thou wast then born? or because the number of thy days is great?

D q³

22 Hast thou entered into the °treasures of the snow? or hast thou seen the °treasures of the hail,

23 Which I have reserved against the time of trouble, against the day of battle and war?

r²

24 By what way is the light °parted, which scattereth the east wind upon the earth?

25 Who hath divided a watercourse for the overflowing of waters, or a way for the lightning of thunder;

26 To cause it to rain on the earth, where no °man is; on the wilderness, wherein there is no °man;

27 To satisfy the desolate and waste ground; and to cause the bud of the tender herb to spring forth?

q⁴

28 Hath the rain a father? or who hath begotten the drops of °dew?

29 Out of whose womb came the ice? and the hoary frost of heaven, who hath gendered it?

30 The waters are hid as with a stone, and the face of the deep is frozen.

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31 Canst thou bind the sweet influences of °Pleiades, or loose the bands of °Orion?

32 Canst thou bring forth °Mazzaroth in his season? or canst thou guide °Arcturus with his sons?

33 Knowest thou the °ordinances of heaven? canst thou set °the dominion thereof in the earth?

17 doors=gates.

19 way. Supply Ellipsis: "Where is the way [to the place where] light", &c.

22 treasures=treasuries.

23 against the day, &c.: e.g. as in Josh. 10. 11.

24 part=divide up into parts: as the rays of light in a prism.

26 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

man. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.

28 dew=night mist. See note on Ps. 133. 3.

31 Pleiades. Heb. kimah. See Ap. 12.

Orion. Heb. k'sil. Ap. 12.

32 Mazzaroth=the twelve signs of the Zodiac marking the path of the sun in the heavens. Ap. 12.

Arcturus. Heb. 'ayish=the greater sheepfold: known to day as "the great bear". See Ap. 12.

33 ordinances=statutes.

the=his.

36 in the inward parts. Heb. tuchōth: occ. only here and Ps. 51. 6. See note on 28. 28 and Prov. 1. 7.

38. 39-39. 30 (B², p. 713). THE ANIMATE CREATION. WISDOM MANIFESTED "IN THE INWARD PARTS". (Introversion and Alternation.)

B² F | 38. 39-41. Sustenance. (The lion, vv. 39, 40. The raven, v. 41.)

G | H | 39. 1-4. Young. (The wild goats, v. 1-4. The hinds, vv. 1-4.)

J | 39. 5-12. Attribute. Freedom. (The wild ass, vv. 5-8. The wild bull, vv. 9-12.)

G | H | 39. 13-18. Young. (The ostrich.)

J | 39. 19-25. Attribute. Courage. (The war-horse.)

F | 39. 26-30. Sustenance. (The hawk, v. 26. The eagle, vv. 27-30.)

34 Canst thou lift up thy voice to the clouds, that abundance of waters may cover thee?

35 Canst thou send lightnings, that they may go, and say unto thee, 'Here we are'?

36 Who hath put wisdom °in the inward parts? or who hath given understanding to the heart?

37 Who can number the clouds in wisdom? or who can stay the bottles of heaven,

38 When the dust groweth into hardness, and the clods cleave fast together?

39 Wilt thou hunt the prey for the lion? or fill the appetite of the young lions,

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17 The gates of Death: have they been shown to thee?
Or hast thou seen the portals of its shade?

18 The utmost breadths of earth hast thou surveyed?
Reply, if thou hast knowledge of it all.

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19 Where lies the way that leads to Light's abode?

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And, as for Darkness, where is found its place;
20 That thou shouldst bring each to its proper bound,
And know the paths that lead unto its house?

21 Thou know'st [of course]: thou must have then been born,

And great must be the number of thy days!

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22 The treasures of Snow hast thou approach'd?

Or, Hast thou seen the storehouse of the hail,

23 Which 'gainst a time of trouble I have kept,
Against the day of battle and of war?

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24 The Light: by what way do its rays break up?

How drives the east wind o'er the earth its course?

25 Who cleft a channel for the floods of rain?

Or passage for the sudden thunder-flash?

26 So that it rains on lands where no one dwells,

On wilderness where no man hath his home,

27 To saturate the wild and thirsty waste,

And cause the meadow's tender herb to shoot?

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28 The Rain, hath it a father [beside Me]?

The drops of Dew: who hath begotten them?

29 Whose is the womb whence cometh forth the Ice?

And heaven's hoar-frost: who gave it its birth?

30 As, turned to stone, the waters hide themselves;

The surface of the deep, congeal'd, coheres.

31 Canst thou bind fast the cluster Pleiades?

Or, canst thou loosen [great] Orion's bands?

32 Canst thou lead forth the Zodiac's monthly Signs?

Or, canst thou guide Arcturus and his sons?

33 The statutes of the heavens: know'st thou these?

Didst thou set their dominion o'er the earth?

34 The clouds: canst thou to them lift up thy voice,

That plenteousness of rain may cover thee?

35 Canst thou send lightnings forth, that they may go,

And say to thee "Behold us! Here are we?"

36 Who hath put wisdom in the inward parts?

Or understanding given to the heart?

37 Who by his wisdom piles the clouds in tiers?

Or, who inclines the rain-clouds of the skies,

38 When dust, like metal fused, becometh hard,

And clods cleave fast together solidly?

39 The Lion: wilt thou hunt for him his prey?

Or satisfy the hunger of his young,

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40 When they couch in *their* dens, *and* abide in the covert to lie in wait?

41 Who provideth for the raven his food? when his young ones cry unto °GOD, they wander for lack of meat.

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39 °Knowest thou the time when the wild goats of the rock bring forth? or canst thou mark when the hinds do calve?

2 Canst thou number the months *that* they fulfil? or knowest thou the time when they bring forth?

3 They bow themselves, they bring forth their young ones, they cast out their sorrows.

4 Their young ones are in good liking, they grow up °with corn; they go forth, and return not unto them.

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5 Who hath sent out the wild °ass free? or who hath loosed the bands of the wild °ass?

6 Whose house I have made the wilderness, and the barren land his dwellings.

7 He scorneth the multitude of the city, neither regardeth he the crying of the driver.

8 The range of the mountains *is* his pasture, and he searcheth after every green thing.

9 Will the unicorn be willing to serve thee, or abide by thy crib?

10 Canst thou bind °the unicorn with his band in the furrow? or will he harrow the valleys after thee?

11 Wilt thou °trust him, because his strength is great? or wilt thou leave thy labour to him?

12 Wilt thou believe him, that he will bring home thy seed, and gather *it* into thy barn?

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13 °Gavest thou the goodly wings unto the peacocks? or wings and feathers unto the ostrich?

14 Which leaveth her eggs in the earth, and warmeth them in dust,

15 And forgetteth that the foot may crush them, or that the wild beast may break them.

41 GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

39. 1 Knowest thou . . . ? Note the Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6), used by Jehovah throughout this chapter for emphasis.

4 with corn = in the open field. Heb. *bar*. A *Homonym* with three meanings: (1) *pure, clear, clean* (11. 4. Song 6. 9, 10. Pss. 19. 8; 24. 4; 73. 1, &c.); hence corn winnowed and cleansed (Gen. 41. 35, 49. Ps. 65. 13. Prov. 11. 26. Joel 2. 24, &c.); (2) *the ground, or open field* (Job 39. 4), because bare and clean. Cp. Prov. 14. 4; (3) *son*: see note on Ps. 2. 12.

5 ass. Probably = mule.

10 the unicorn = the wild bull.

11 trust = confide in. Heb. *bātaḥ*. Ap. 69. I.

13 Gavest thou. The Ellipsis (Ap. 6) is correctly supplied.

17 GOD. Heb. Eloah. Ap. 4. V.

19 thunder = rustling mane.

20 afraid = leap.

grasshopper = locust.

nostrils = snorting.

16 She is hardened against her young ones, as though *they were* not hers: her labour is in vain without fear;

17 Because °GOD hath deprived her of wisdom, neither hath He imparted to her understanding.

18 What time she lifteth up herself on high, she scorneth the horse and his rider.

19 Hast thou given the horse strength? hast thou clothed his neck with °thunder?

20 Canst thou make him °afraid as a °grasshopper? the glory of his °nostrils is terrible.

21 He paweth in the valley, and rejoiceth in *his* strength: he goeth on to meet the armed men.

22 He mocketh at fear, and is not affrighted; neither turneth he back from the sword.

23 The quiver rattleth against him, the glittering spear and the shield.

40 What time within their dens they lay them down, Or in their jungle lairs they lie in wait?

41 Who is it that provides the Raven meat; When unto GOD his young ones lift their cry, And wander forth abroad from lack of food?

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39 Know'st thou the time the Rock-Goat gendereth? Observest thou the calving of the Hinds?

2 The months they fill, didst thou their number set, And know the time when they to birth should bring?

3 They bow themselves: they bring their offspring forth; And to the winds cast all their pangs away.

4 Strong grow their young; they fatten on the plains; And to their parents never more return.

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5 Who is it that sent forth the Wild Ass free? Or who hath loosened the swift runner's bands?

6 Whose dwelling I have made the wilderness; His haunts the salt and arid desert waste.

7 The city's busy tumult he doth scorn; The driver's shouts and cries he doth not hear.

8 The mountains are his ample pasture ground; There roameth he in quest of all things green.

9 The Wild Bull: will he be thy willing slave, Or pass the night, contented, by thy crib?

10 Canst thou in harness lead him forth to plough?

To harrow, will he follow after thee?

11 Wilt thou, for all his strength, confide in him? Or leave to him the tillage of thy ground?

12 Canst thou be sure he will bring home thy seed? Or gather corn to fill thy threshing-floor?

13 The Ostrich wing, admired tho' it be; Is it the pinion of the kindly Stork?

14 Nay! she it is that leaves to earth her eggs, And in the dust she letteth them be warmed;

15 Unmindful that the passing foot might crush, Or that the roaming beast might trample them.

16 She dealeth sternly with her young, as if Not hers: and fears not that her toil be vain.

17 For God created her devoid of sense; Nor gave her in intelligence a share.

18 Yet, when she lifteth up herself for flight, The horse and rider both alike she scorns.

19 The War-horse: didst thou give to him his strength? Or clothe his arching neck with rustling mane?

20 Make him leap lightly, as the locust does? The glory of his snorting fills with dread:

21 He paws the plain, rejoicing in his strength; He rusheth on to meet the armed host:

22 He mocks at fear, and cannot be dismayed; Nor from the sword will he turn back or flee,

23 Though 'gainst him rain the arrows of the foe, The glitter of the lance, and flash of spear.

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24 He swalloweth the ground with fierceness and rage: neither believeth he that *it is* the sound of the trumpet.

25 He saith among the trumpets, 'Ha, ha; ' and he smelleth the battle afar off, the thunder of the captains, and the shouting.

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26 Doth the hawk fly by thy wisdom, and stretch ° her wings toward the south?

27 Doth the eagle mount up at thy command, and make ° her nest on high?

28 ° She dwelleth and abideth on the rock, upon the crag of the rock, and the strong place.

29 From thence ° she seeketh the prey, and her eyes behold afar off.

30 ° Her young ones also suck up blood: and ° where the slain are, there is ° she.

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40 Moreover ° the LORD answered Job, and said,

2 ° " Shall ° he that contendeth with ° THE ALMIGHTY instruct Him? ° he that reproveth ° GOD, let him answer it."

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3 Then Job answered ° the LORD, and said, 4 ° " Behold, ° I am vile; ° what shall I answer Thee? I will ° lay mine hand upon my mouth.

5 ° Once have I spoken; but I will not answer: yea, ° twice; ° but I will proceed no further."

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6 Then answered ° the LORD unto Job out of the whirlwind, and said,

7 " Gird up thy loins now like a ° man: I will demand of thee, and declare thou unto Me.

8 Wilt thou also disannul My judgment? wilt thou condemn Me, that thou mayest be righteous?

9 Hast thou ° an arm like ° GOD? or canst thou thunder with a voice like Him?

10 Deck thyself now with majesty and excellency; and array thyself with glory and beauty.

11 Cast abroad the ° rage of thy wrath: and

26 her. Heb. = his.

28 She = He.

30 where the slain are, &c.: i. e. on a field of battle. Cp. Matt. 24. 28. Luke 17. 37.

she. A.V., 1611, reads " he ".

40. 1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 Shall ...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

he that contendeth = the caviller, or reprover.

THE ALMIGHTY. Heb. Shaddai. Ap. 4. VII.

he that reproveth = contender with, or disputer.

GOD. Heb. Eloah. Ap. 4. V.

4 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

I am vile. This is true wisdom. This is " the end of the Lord " (Jas. 5. 11), and the " end " of this whole book.

what ...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

lay mine hand, &c. Symbolic of silence and submission.

5 Once ... twice. Heb. idiom (Ap. 6) for doing a thing repeatedly. Cp. Ps. 62. 11.

but. Some codices, with Sept. and Syr., omit " but ".

40. 6—41. 34 (Y, p. 713). JEHOVAH'S SECOND ADDRESS. (*Repeated Alternation*.)

Y K¹ | 40. 6-13. Jehovah's first appeal to Divine power. (General.)

L¹ | 40. 14. Consequent admission.

K² | 40. 15—41. 10-. Jehovah's second appeal to Divine power. (Special.) Behemoth (40. 15-24). Leviathan (41. 1-10-).

L² | 41. -10, 11. Consequent inference.

K³ | 41. 12-34. Jehovah's third appeal to Divine power. (Special.) Leviathan, continued.

7 man. Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. IV.

9 an arm. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

11 rage = overflowings.

12 wicked = lawless. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

behold every one *that is* proud, and abase him.

12 Look on every one *that is* proud, and bring him low; and tread down the ° wicked in their place.

13 Hide them in the dust together; and bind their faces in secret.

14 Then will I also confess unto thee that *thine own right hand* can save thee. L¹

24 With noise and fury stampeth he the earth: Nor standeth steady when the trumpet sounds.

25 And when it sounds again he saith, " Aha! " And from afar the coming battle scents, The captain's thunder, and the shout of war.

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(p. 714)

26 Is it by thine instruction that the Hawk Soars high, and spreads his pinions to the south?

27 Is it at thy command the Eagle mounts, And builds his eyrie in the lofty heights?

28 The rock he makes his home; and there he dwells On crag's sharp tooth, and [lonely] fastnesses:

29 And thence he keenly spieth out the prey: His piercing eye beholds it from afar.

30 His young ones learn full soon to suck up blood; And where the slain are lying, there is he.

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40 Thus spake Jehovah from the storm to Job, 2 " Shall caviller to Shaddai knowledge give? Reprover of Eloah; answer Me! "

JOB'S FIRST REPLY TO JEHOVAH.

40. 3-5 (Z, p. 713).

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3 Then Job confess'd, and made reply; and said, 4 " Lo! I am vile! What shall I answer Thee? Rather, I lay my hand upon my mouth.

5 Already have I spoken far too much; I cannot answer. I will add no more."

JEHOVAH'S SECOND ADDRESS.

40. 6—41. 34 (Y, p. 713).

JEHOVAH'S FIRST APPEAL TO JOB.

40. 6-13 (K¹, above).

6 Again Jehovah said, from out the storm:—

7 Now like a strong man, gird thou up thy loins:

'tis I Who ask thee: make thou Me to know.

8 Wilt thou indeed My judgment disannul?

And Me condemn, that thou mayst righteous seem?

9 Hast thou an arm, then, like the mighty GOD?

Or, canst thou thunder with a voice like His?

10 Deck thyself now with glory and with might:

Array thyself with majesty and power:

11 Send far and wide thy overflowing wrath:

And on each proud one look, and bring him low:

12 Each proud one single out, and humble him;

Yea, crush the evil-doers where they stand:

13 Hide them away together in the dust;

And in the deepest dungeon have them bound.

14 THEN, ALSO, I MYSELF WILL OWN TO THEE THAT THY RIGHT HAND TO SAVE THEE WILL SUFFICE. L¹

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15 ⁴ Behold now ° behemoth, which I made with thee; he eateth grass as an ox.

16 ^o Lo now, his strength *is* in his loins, and his force *is* in the ° navel of his belly.

17 He moveth his tail like a cedar: the sinews of his stones are wrapped together.

18 His bones *are as* strong pieces of brass; his bones *are like* bars of iron.

19 ^{He} is the chief of the ways of ° GOD: He That made him can make His sword to approach *unto him*.

20 Surely the mountains bring him forth food, where all the beasts of the field play.

21 He lieth under the shady trees, in the covert of the reed, and fens.

22 The shady trees cover him *with their* shadow; the willows of the brook compass him about.

23 ⁴ Behold, he drinketh up a river, and hasteth not: he ° trusteth that he can draw up Jordan into his mouth.

24 He taketh it with his eyes: *his* nose pierceth through snares.

41 ^o Canst thou draw out ° leviathan with an hook? or his tongue with a cord *which* thou lettest down?

2 Canst thou put an ° hook into his nose? or bore his jaw through with a thorn?

3 Will he make many supplications unto thee? will he speak soft *words* unto thee?

4 Will he make a covenant with thee? wilt thou take him for a servant for ever?

5 Wilt thou play with him as *with* a bird? or wilt thou bind him for thy maidens?

6 Shall the companions make a banquet of him? shall they part him among the merchants?

7 Canst thou fill his skin with barbed irons? or his head with fish spears?

behemoth: probably the hippopotamus (Greek for river-horse).

16 Lo. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

navel = muscles.

23 trusteth - believeth. Heb. *batāh*. Ap. 69. I.

41. 1 Canst thou ...? Note the Fig. *Erotēsia* (Ap. 6) throughout this chapter.

leviathan: probably the crocodile.

2 hook = reed.

9 Behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

11 prevented = anticipated.

is = that is.

13 discover = uncover.

with = within.

double bridle = double row of teeth.

16 air. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

8 Lay thine hand upon him, remember the battle, do no more.

9 ° Behold, the hope of him is in vain: shall not *one* be cast down even at the sight of him?

10 None *is* so fierce that dare stir him up: who then is able to stand before Me?

11 Who hath ° prevented Me, that I should repay *him*? *whatsoever* is under the whole heaven ° is Mine.

12 I will not conceal his parts, nor his power, nor his comely proportion.

13 Who can ° discover the face of his garment? or who can come to *him* ° with his ° double bridle?

14 Who can open the doors of his face? *his* teeth *are* terrible round about.

15 *His* scales *are his* pride, shut up together *as with* a close seal.

16 One is so near to another, that no ° air can come between them.

17 They are joined one to another, they stick together, that they cannot be sundered.

JEHOVAH'S SECOND APPEAL TO JOB.

40. 15-41. 10- (K², p. 716).

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15 Behold Behemoth now, which I have made As well as thee. Grass like the ox he eats.

16 Behold, his massive strength is in his loins: His force doth in his belly's muscles lie;

17 Shakes he his tail? 'tis like a cedar tree. The sinews of his thighs are firm entwined.

18 His bones are strong, like unto tubes of brass; His ribs with bars of iron may compare.

19 A masterpiece of all GOD'S ways is he: Only his Maker can bring nigh His sword.

20 The mountains will bring produce forth for him, While all the beasts do, fearless, round him play.

21 Beneath the shady trees he lieth down, And rests in covert of the reed and fen:

22 The shady trees weave o'er him each its shade; While willows of the brook encompass him.

23 Suppose the stream should swell; he will not blench:

For he believes that Jordan he can drink.

24 Shall any take him while he lies on watch? Or with a hook shall any pierce his nose?

41 Canst thou draw up Leviathan with hook? Or catch, as with [an angler's] line, his tongue?

2 Canst thou insert into his nose a reed?

Or canst thou pierce his jaw through with a thorn?

3 Will he make many humble pray'rs to thee? Or will he ever say soft things to thee?

4 Will he engage in covenant with thee, That thou shouldst take him for thy lifelong slave?

5 Wilt thou, as with some linnet, play with him?

Or wilt thou cage him for thy maidens' sport?

6 Will trading dealers haggle o'er his price?

And retail him among the merchantmen?

7 Wilt thou with darts essay to fill his skin?

Or [pierce] his head with spears for catching fish?

8 Lay thou thy hand upon him, though but once:

Think only of the contest: do no more.

9 Behold, all hope of taking him is vain:

E'en at the sight of him one is cast down:

10- None so foolhardy as to stir him up:

-10 BEFORE ME, THEN, [HIS MAKER], WHO CAN STAND?

11 WHO E'ER FIRST GAVE TO ME, THAT I SHOULD HIM

REPAY? SINCE ALL BENEATH THE HEAV'NS IS MINE?

JEHOVAH'S THIRD APPEAL TO JOB.

41. 12-36 (K³, p. 716).

12 Silence I shall not keep about his parts:

His wondrous strength: his well-proportioned frame;

13 His coat of mail: who hath e'er stripped this off?

His double row of teeth: who enters there?

14 The doors which close his mouth: who opens them? His teeth's surroundings are a scare to see.

15 The scales which form his armour are his pride:

Each one shut up and closed as with a seal.

16 So near one to another do they lie

That air between them cannot find a way:

17 So close unto each other do they cleave,

And cling so fast, that none can sunder them.

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18 By his °neesings a light doth shine, and his eyes are like the eyelids of the morning.

19 Out of his mouth go burning lamps, and sparks of fire leap out.

20 Out of his nostrils goeth smoke, as out of a seething pot or caldron.

21 His °breath kindleth coals, and a flame goeth out of his mouth.

22 In his neck remaineth strength, and sorrow is turned into joy before him.

23 The flakes of his flesh are joined together: they are firm in themselves; they cannot be moved.

24 His heart is as firm as a stone; yea, as hard as a piece of the nether millstone.

25 When he raiseth up himself, the mighty are afraid: by reason of °breakings they °purify themselves.

26 The sword of him that layeth at him cannot hold: the spear, the °dart, nor the °habergeon.

27 He esteemeth iron as straw, and brass as rotten wood.

28 The arrow cannot make him flee: slingstones are turned with him into stubble.

29 °Darts are counted as stubble: he °laugheth at the shaking of a spear.

30 Sharp stones are under him: he spreadeth sharp pointed things upon the mire.

31 He maketh the deep to boil like a pot: he maketh the sea like a pot of ointment.

32 He maketh a path to shine after him; one would think the deep to be hoary.

33 Upon earth there is not his like, who is made without fear.

34 He beholdeth all high things: he is a king over all the °children of pride.

42 Then Job answered °the LORD, and said,

2 "I know that Thou canst do every thing, and that no thought can be withholden from Thee.

3 °Who is he that hideth counsel without

18 neesings. Obsolete for sneezings. From A.S. *fneosan*. Chaucer spells it *fnesen*.

21 breath=soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

25 breakings=terrors.

purify themselves=mistake their way; are bewildered; or, beside themselves.

26 dart=missile. Not same word as in v. 29. (Heb. *massā'*). habergeon=coat of mail.

29 darts=clubs. Not same word as in v. 26. (Heb. *tōthāk*).

laugheth. Fig. *Prosopopia*. Ap. 6.

34 children of pride=sons of pride, or proud beasts.

42. 1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

3 Who is he...? Supply the obvious *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) thus: "[Thou askedst] 'Who is this?'" &c.; which Jehovah did ask in 38. 1-3. 4 Hear=Hear, now.

I will demand of thee. Supply the *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6): "[Thou saidst]: 'Let him answer Me'" (see 40. 2).

6 I abhor myself, and repent. "The end of the Lord" (i. e. what Jehovah designed as the great lesson of this book) is at length reached. Cp. Jas. 5. 11.

42. 7-9 (C. p. 665). THE THREE FRIENDS. (Introversion and Alternation.)

C	M	7-. Jehovah ceases to speak to Job.
	N	7-. Job's friends spoken to by Jehovah.
	O	s 7-. What He said.
		t 7-. The reason. "Because."
	O	s 8-. What He said.
		t 8-. The reason. "Because."
	N	9-. Job's friends obey Jehovah.
	M	9-. Jehovah accepts Job.

7 these words: i. e. ch. 38. 1-41. 34.

knowledge? therefore have I uttered that I understood not; things too wonderful for me, which I knew not.

4 °Hear, I beseech Thee, and I will speak: °I will demand of thee, and declare thou unto me.

5 I have heard of Thee by the hearing of the ear: but now mine eye seeth Thee.

6 Wherefore °I abhor myself, and repent in dust and ashes."

7 And it was so, that after °the LORD had spoken °these words unto Job,

°the LORD said to Eliphaz the Temanite,

18 His sneezings are a flashing forth of light.

His eyes are like the eyelids of the Dawn.

19 Out of his mouth vapours like torches go, And sparks like fire therefrom make their escape.

20 Out of his nostrils goeth forth a smoke, As from a boiling pot on reed-fire set.

21 His breath,—as if it would set coals aflame; And from his mouth a flame seems issuing forth:

22 His strength abideth ever in his neck; Before his face grim terror dancing goes.

23 His softer folds of flesh, though hanging, cleave So close on him that moved they cannot be.

24 His heart is hard, hard as a stone is hard; Yea, like a nether millstone, firm and hard.

25 Whene'er he riseth up, the mighty cower; And, at the waves he makes, their fright is great.

26 Let one encounter him—no sword will stand: No spear, nor dart, nor iron coat of mail.

27 Iron he counts no better than a straw, And brass no better is than rotten wood.

28 The arrow will not make him flee away: Slingstones to him are stubble, and no more;

29 Like harmless chaff he counts the pond'rous club, And at the whizzing of a spear will laugh.

30 His under-parts are sharply pointed spikes: He spreads like threshing-drag upon the mire.

31 Like boiling pot he makes the deep to foam; And, like a well-stirr'd ointment pot, the Nile.

32 His wake he makes a sparkling, shiny path, So that the deep will look like hoary hair.

33 His equal is not found on all the earth: He hath been made insensible of fear:

34 On all things high he looketh [dauntlessly]; And over all proud beasts he is a king.

JOB'S SECOND REPLY TO JEHOVAH.

42. 1-6 (Z, p. 713).

1 Then answered Job, and to Jehovah said:—

2 "I know, I know, that Thou canst all things do: No purposes of THINE can be withstood.

3 [Thou askedst (38. 3; 40. 2)]—
"Who is this that counsel hides,
And darkens all, because of knowledge void?"

'tis I! I uttered things I could not know;
Things far too wonderful, beyond my ken.
4 Hear now, I pray thee: let me speak this once.
[Thou saidst (40. 2)]:—

'tis I who ask thee: Answer Me.'

5 I heard of Thee by hearing of the ear,
But now mine eye hath seen Thee, I abhor

[Myself]. In dust and ashes I repent."

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O s "My wrath is kindled against thee, and
(p. 718) against thy two friends:

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is right, °as My servant Job *hath*.

O s 8 Therefore take unto you now °seven bul-
locks and seven rams, and go to My servant
Job, and offer up for yourselves a °burnt offer-
ing; and My servant Job shall pray for you:

t for °him will I accept: lest I deal with you
after your folly, in that ye have not spoken of
Me *the thing which is right*, like My servant
Job."

N 9 So Eliphaz the Temanite and Bildad the
Shuhite and Zophar the Naamathite went,
and did according as °the LORD commanded
them:

M °the LORD also accepted °Job.

B P 10 And °the LORD °turned the captivity of
(p. 719) Job, when he prayed for his friends: also
°the LORD gave Job °twice as much as he
had before.

Q 11 Then came there unto him all his brethren,
and all his sisters, and all they that had been
of his acquaintance before, and did eat bread
with him in his house: and they bemoaned
him, and comforted him over all the °evil that
°the LORD had brought upon him: °every man
also gave him a °piece of money, and °every
one an earring of gold.

P 12 So °the LORD blessed the latter end of Job
more than his beginning: for he had fourteen
thousand sheep, °and six thousand camels,
and a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand
she asses.

Q 13 He had also °seven sons and three daugh-
ters.

A R 14 And he called the name of the first, °Je-
mima; and the name of the second, °Kezia;
and the name of the third, °Keren-happuch.

15 And in all the land were no women found
so fair as the daughters of Job: and their
father gave them inheritance among their
brethren.

S 16 After this lived °Job an hundred and forty
1656-1516 years,

not spoken of Me the thing that is right. We
have, therefore, an inspired record of what they said;
but all they said was not inspired, and cannot be
quoted as the Word of Jehovah.

as My servant Job hath: i. e. in 42. 1-6.

8 seven. See Ap. 10.

burnt offering. Heb. 'olah. Ap. 43. II. ii. See Ap. 15.
him = his face: face being put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of
the Part), Ap. 6, for the whole person.

9 Job. Heb. the face of Job, as in v. 8.

10-13 (B, p. 665). SATAN'S DEFEAT. (JOB
BLESSED WITH DOUBLE.) (*Alternation*.)

B | P | 10. Job's blessing.

Q | 11. His family.

P | 12. Job's blessing.

Q | 13. His family.

10 turned the captivity. Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6),
shab eth sh buth, emphasising recovery or deliverance
from any trouble, as in Ps. 126. 1, 4, &c.

twice as much. This blessing was included in "the
end of the Lord" (Jas. 5. 11). See note on p. 666.

11 evil = calamity. Heb. *ra'a'*. Ap. 44. viii. Cp.
Isa. 45. 7.

every man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

piece = weight, as in Gen. 33. 19. The Sept. reads "a
lamb, and four drachms weight of gold, even of un-
stamped [gold]"; or, "a piece of gold stamped with a
lamb."

every one. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

12 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), in vv.
12-15, to emphasise each particular thing.

14-16 (A, p. 665). CONCLUSION. (*Alternation*.)

A | R | 14, 15. Job's children.

S | 16-. His life.

R | -16-. Job's descendants.

S | -16. His death.

14 Jemima = beautiful as the day (Sept. and Vulg.)
or as a dove.

Kezia = fragrant as cassia (i. e. cinnamon).

Keren-happuch = horn of beauty or plenty. Cp. v. 15.

16 an hundred and forty years: i. e. from 1656
to 1516. See note on p. 666.

17 full of days = satisfied with days.

The Sept. has a long sub-scription, for which see Ap. 62.
The Arabic has a similar sub-scription, which professes
to have been taken from the Syriac, but it is not in the
Syriac version as given in Walton's *Polyglot*.

and saw his sons, and his sons' sons, even R
four generations.

17 So Job died, being old and °full of days. S

THE PSALMS.

THE STRUCTURE OF THE BOOK AS A WHOLE*.

1—150. THE FIVE BOOKS†.

A¹ | 1—41. THE GENESIS BOOK‡: CONCERNING MAN. The counsels of God|| concerning him. All blessing bound up in obedience (cp. 1. 1 with Gen. 1. 28). Obedience is man's "tree of life" (cp. 1. 3 with Gen. 2. 16). Disobedience brought ruin (cp. Ps. 2 with Gen. 3). The ruin repaired only by the SON OF MAN in His atoning work as the seed of the woman (cp. Ps. 8 with Gen. 3. 15). The book concludes with a Benediction and double Amen.

B¹ | 42—72. THE EXODUS BOOK‡: CONCERNING ISRAEL AS A NATION. The counsels of God|| concerning ISRAEL'S RUIN, ISRAEL'S REDEEMER, and ISRAEL'S REDEMPTION (Ex. 15. 13). Cp. Ps. 68. 4 with Ex. 15. 3, "JAH". It begins with Israel's cry for deliverance, and ends with Israel's king reigning over the redeemed nation. The book concludes with a Benediction and a double Amen.

C¹ | 73—89. THE LEVITICUS BOOK‡: CONCERNING THE SANCTUARY. The counsels of God|| concerning the Sanctuary in its relation to man, and the Sanctuary in relation to Jehovah. The Sanctuary, Congregation, Assembly, or Zion, &c., referred to in nearly every Psalm. The book concludes with a Benediction and a double Amen.

B² | 90—106. THE NUMBERS BOOK‡: CONCERNING ISRAEL AND THE NATIONS OF THE EARTH. The counsels of God|| concerning the EARTH, showing that there is no hope or rest for the Earth apart from Jehovah. Its figures and similes are from this world as a wilderness (cp. the references to mountains, hills, floods, grass, trees, pestilence, &c.). It begins with the prayer of Moses (the Man of the Wilderness), Ps. 90, and closes with a rehearsal of ISRAEL'S rebellions in the wilderness (Ps. 106). Note "the New Song" for "all the earth" in Ps. 96. 11, where the theme is contained in one sentence which gives an Acrostic, spelling the word "Jehovah": "Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad" (see note on 96. 11). The book concludes with a Benediction and Amen, Hallelujah.

A² | 107—150. THE DEUTERONOMY BOOK‡: CONCERNING GOD AND HIS WORD. The counsels of God|| concerning His Word, showing that all blessings for MAN (Book I), all blessings for ISRAEL (Book II), all blessings for the EARTH and the NATIONS (Book IV), are bound up with living on the words of God (Deut. 8. 3). Disobedience to Jehovah's words was the source of MAN'S sorrows, ISRAEL'S dispersion, the SANCTUARY'S ruin, and EARTH'S miseries. Blessing is to come from that Word written on the heart (cp. Jer. 31. 33, 34. Heb. 8. 10-12; 10. 16, 17). Ps. 119 is in this book. The Living Word (John 1. 1) began His ministry by quoting Deut. 6. 13, 16; 8. 3; 19. 20 in Matt. 4. 4, 7, 10. The book begins with Ps. 107, and in v. 20 we read, "He sent HIS WORD and healed them", and it concludes with five Psalms (one for each of the five books), each Psalm beginning and ending with "Hallelujah".

* Manuscript and Massoretic authorities, the Talmud (*Kiddushin* 33a) as well as the ancient versions, divide the Psalms into five books. The *Midrash* on Ps. 1. 1 says, "Moses gave to the Israelites the five books of the Law; and corresponding with these David gave them the five books of the Psalms."

The Structure of each Psalm being perfect in itself, we may well expect to find the same perfection in the arrangement of the five books respectively as well as of the one hundred and fifty Psalms as a whole.

Many attempts have been made from ancient times to discover the reason for the classification of the Psalms under these five books; but none of them is so satisfactory as to preclude this further attempt.

It is certain that the present order in which we have the Psalms is the same as it was when they were in the hands of our Lord, and were quoted repeatedly by Him, and by the Holy Spirit through the Evangelists and Apostles. Indeed, in Acts 13. 33, the Holy Spirit by Paul expressly mentions "the *second* Psalm". This puts us upon sure ground.

There must be a reason therefore why "the *second* Psalm" is not (for example) the *seventy-second*; and why the *ninetieth* (which is the most ancient of all the Psalms, being a prayer of Moses) is not the *first*.

The similar endings to each book are noted above. There are in all seven "Amens", and twenty-four Hallelujahs. All the latter (except the four in Book IV) are in Book V.

† For the relation of the five books of the Pentateuch to each other see Ap. 1.

‡ For the relation of the five books of the Psalms to the Pentateuch, see above, and the Structures prefixed to each book.

|| For the Divine Names and Titles occurring in the Psalms see Ap. 68. V.

1-41 (A', p. 720). THE FIRST OR GENESIS BOOK*. MAN.

(Division.)

- A' | A¹ | 1-8. "MAN", AND "THE SON OF MAN" (8. 4).
 A² | 9-15. "THE MAN OF THE EARTH" (ANTICHRIST, 10. 18).
 A³ | 16-41. "THE MAN CHRIST JESUS."

1-8 (A¹, above). "MAN", AND "THE SON OF MAN."

(Introversion and Alternations.)

- A¹ | B | D | 1†. MAN BLESSED. THE LAW OF JEHOVAH HIS DELIGHT (REFERS TO PARADISE).
 E | 2†. REBELLIOUS MAN. VAINLY MEDITATING AGAINST THE SON OF GOD,
 THROUGH WHOM ALONE UNIVERSAL DOMINION CAN BE RESTORED (v. 12 and Heb. 1. 5).
 C | F | 3. PRAYER IN VIEW OF THIS REBELLION (MORNING).
 "JEHOVAH MY SHIELD" (v. 3).
 G | 4. PRAYER IN VIEW OF THIS REBELLION (NIGHT).
 "HOW LONG?" (v. 2).
 C | F | 5. PRAYER IN VIEW OF THIS REBELLION (MORNING).
 "JEHOVAH MY KING" (v. 2).
 G | 6. PRAYER IN VIEW OF THIS REBELLION (NIGHT).
 "HOW LONG?" (v. 3).
 B | D | 7. MAN BLESSED. TRUST IN JEHOVAH HIS DEFENCE.
 E | 8. REBELLIOUS SUBDUED. THE SON OF MAN EXALTED WITH DOMINION IN
 THE EARTH.

9-15 (A², above). "THE MAN OF THE EARTH."

(Introversion.)

- A² | H | 9 (H¹), 10 (H²)†. "THE MAN OF THE EARTH." THE ANTICHRIST. HIS DAYS, CHARACTER,
 AND END. "THE TIMES OF TROUBLE" (9. 9; 10. 1). THE GREAT TRIBULATION. THE TWO PSALMS
 LINKED TOGETHER BY AN ACROSTIC ALPHABET, BROKEN, LIKE THOSE "TIMES".
 J | K | 11. PRAYER IN VIEW OF (9 and 10) THOSE "TIMES OF TROUBLE".
 L | 12. THE VANITY OF MAN.
 J | K | 13. PRAYER IN VIEW OF (9 and 10) THOSE "TIMES OF TROUBLE".
 L | 14. THE DEPRAVITY OF MAN.
 H | 15. THE PERFECT MAN. HIS CHARACTER AND ETERNAL ABIDING. LEADING UP TO A³.

16-41 (A³, above). "THE MAN CHRIST JESUS."

(Extended Alternations.)

- A³ | M | P | 16. TAKING HIS PLACE OF SUFFERING. JEHOVAH APPORTIONING HIS LOT.
 Q | 17. PRAYER AND APPEAL IN VIEW OF Ps. 16 (P).
 R | 18. ANSWER TO THE PRAYER OF Ps. 17, AND PROMISE OF DELIVERANCE AND TRIUMPH.
 N | S | 19. HIS PEOPLE ACKNOWLEDGING GOD'S GLORY IN CREATION AND REVELATION.
 T | 20. THEIR PRAYER AS THEY SEE IN MESSIAH THEIR OWN SALVATION.
 U | 21. THEIR EXULTATION IN MESSIAH'S EXALTATION.
 O | V | 22. THE GOOD SHEPHERD IN DEATH (John 10, 11). ATONEMENT THE
 BASIS OF ALL BLESSING.
 W | 23. THE GREAT SHEPHERD IN RESURRECTION (Heb. 13. 20).
 RESURRECTION THE BASIS OF PRESENT BLESSING.
 X | 24. THE CHIEF SHEPHERD IN GLORY (1 Pet. 5. 4). ADVENT
 THE BASIS OF ALL FUTURE BLESSING.
 M | P | 25. PRAYER WITH REFERENCE TO Ps. 16 (P). THE "PATH" AND THE "WAY" (cp. vv. 4, 8-10, 12
 with 16. 11).
 Q | 26. PRAYER WITH REFERENCE TO Ps. 17 (Q). APPEAL TO INTEGRITY (cp. 17. 1, 3, 4).
 R | 27 (R¹), 28 (R²). PRAYERS WITH REFERENCE TO Ps. 18 (R). ANSWER FROM JEHOVAH, AS
 HIS "ROCK" AND "DELIVERER".
 N | S | 29. HIS PEOPLE'S PRAISE FOR GOD'S GLORY IN CREATION. Cp. 19 (S).
 T | 30 (T¹), 31 (T²), 32 (T³), 34 (T⁴). THEIR PRAISE AS THEY SEE THE ANSWER
 TO Ps. 20 (Ps. 33 BEING THE FIRST "NEW SONG" IN THE PSALTER).
 U | 34. THEIR EXULTATION IN MESSIAH'S EXALTATION. As in "U", Ps. 21.
 O | V | 35 (V¹), 36 (V²). PRAYER AND PRAISE WITH REFERENCE TO ATONE-
 MENT AS BEING THE BASIS OF ALL BLESSING. Cp. 22 (V).
 W | 37. INSTRUCTION AS TO PRESENT BLESSING, IN VIEW OF Ps. 23 (W).
 X | 38 (X¹), 39 (X²), 40 (X³), 41 (X⁴). PRAYER AND PRAISE
 WITH REFERENCE TO FUTURE BLESSING. Cp. 41. 12, THE DIVINE
 ANSWER TO 24. 3 (X).

* For notes, see p. 722.

NOTES ON THE STRUCTURE, PAGE 721.

* In the first Book of the Psalms the leading thought *corresponds* with that of the first Book of the Pentateuch. The counsels of God are shown from the beginning to the end in relation to MAN.

As Genesis begins with the Divine *blessing* on Man (1. 28), so Psalm 1 opens with "*Blessed is the man*". All blessedness for man is shown to consist in subjection to, and occupation with, God's Law. It is the Tree of Life to him; and, meditating on this, he becomes like a well-watered tree in the Paradise of God.

But, in Gen. 3, Man rebelled against that Law: and Ps. 2 describes the consequences of that rebellion; while Ps. 3 takes its title from one who rebelled against God's King. The ruin can be repaired only by "THE MAN Christ Jesus" (the Seed of the woman, Gen. 3. 15): and in the Psalms of this first Book (the *third* section) we see Him in His atoning work, which alone sets man again in the blessedness which he had lost.

The first Book consists of *forty-one* Psalms. The central Psalm is 21, which sets forth the eternal life and blessedness of God's King. All that have titles (37) are David's—the man of God's choice.

Of the Divine Titles, Jehovah occurs 279 times, and Elohim only 48 times, 9 of which are joined with Jehovah. (See Ap. 4.) Note also the references to the events, &c., of Genesis in this first Book. (See Ap. 63. V.)

† Pss. 1 and 2 are linked together by having no Titles; and by Ps. 1 opening, and Ps. 2 closing with "Blessed".

The first or GENESIS book is divided into three sections, which (on p. 721) are stated thus:—

1. The *First* (Pss. 1–8) concerning "MAN".
2. The *Second* (Pss. 9–15) concerning "THE MAN OF THE EARTH" (the Antichrist).
3. The *Third* (Pss. 16–41) concerning "THE MAN CHRIST JESUS" (the Messiah).

‡ Pss. 9 and 10 are linked together by having an irregular alphabet running acrostically through the two. The alphabet is broken and irregular, like the "times of trouble", "the great tribulation", of which they speak.

|| Ps. 16 is the first *Michtam* Psalm. The others are Pss. 56–60. See Ap. 65. xii.

§ Ps. 32 is the first *Maschil* Psalm, denoting *instruction*.

THE °PSALMS.

BOOK I.

A C
(p. 723)

1 °BLESSED is the °man that °walketh not
in the counsel of the °ungodly,
Nor standeth in the way of °sinners,
Nor sitteth in the seat of the °scornful.

D a

2 But his delight is in °the law of °the
LORD;
And in His °law doth he °meditate day
and night.

b

3 And he shall °be °like a tree °planted by
the °rivers of water,
That bringeth forth his fruit in his season;
His leaf also shall not wither;
And whatsoever he doeth shall °prosper.

B D a

4 The ¹ungodly °are not so:

b

But are °like the chaff which the °wind
driveth away.

C

5 Therefore the ²ungodly shall not °stand
in the judgment,
Nor ¹sinners in the °congregation of the
°righteous.

A

6 °For ²the LORD °knoweth the way of the
°righteous:

B

But the way of the ungodly shall °perish.

E E
(p. 723)

2 °Why do the °heathen °rage,
And the °people °imagine a vain thing?

2 The kings of the earth °set themselves,
And the rulers °take counsel together,
Against °the LORD, and against His
°Anointed, °saying,

3 "Let us break °their bands asunder,
And cast away their cords from us."

F

4 He That sitteth in the heavens shall
°laugh:
°The LORD* shall have them in derision.

TITLE, Psalms. See Ap. 63, and the Structures,
pp. 720, 721. Cp. Luke 20. 42; 24. 44. Acts 1. 20.

1-8. MAN, AND THE SON OF MAN (A¹, p. 721).

1 (D, p. 721). MAN BLESSED. LAW OF
JEHOVAH. (Alternation.)

D | A | 1-3. The godly.
B | 4, 5. The ungodly.
A | 6-. The godly.
B | -6. The ungodly.

1-5 (A, 1-3; B, 4, 5). (Introversion and Alternation.)

A	C	1. Godly. Not standing with un-	} Their	The
		godly. Now.		
	D	a 2. Their character.	} way.	The
		b 3. Comparison.		
B	D	a 4-. Their character.	} way.	The
		b -4. Comparison.		
C		5. Ungodly. Not standing with		ungodly.
		godly. Then.		

1 BLESSED = How happy. The first Psalm begins
thus, and Ps. 2 ends thus. So does the last Psalm of
Book I (Ps. 41. 1, 13). Fig. *Antiptōsis* (Ap. 6). Cp. Jer.
17. 7, 8. See Ap. 63. vi for the Beatitudes in the Psalms.
man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche*
(of Species), Ap. 6, for all of both sexes.
walketh, &c.: i. e. who never did walk . . . stand . . .
sit. Fig. *Anabasis* (Ap. 6), three triplets:

walketh	counsel	ungodly	= continue in.
standeth	way	sinners	= carry out.
sitteth	seat	scornful	= settle down.

ungodly = lawless. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.
sinners. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.
scornful = scoffers. Heb. *lūz*.

2 the law = instruction: i. e. the whole Pentateuch
which contains it.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
meditate: i. e. continually and habitually.

3 be = become, or prove. Fig. *Simile*. Ap. 6.

like a tree. The first of two comparisons. See v. 4.
planted: i. e. in a garden. Not a "tree of the field".
rivers = divisions irrigating a garden. Heb. *palgēy-*
māyim. See note on Prov. 21. 1.

like the chaff. The
5 stand = rise. No part in
righteous = justified.
knoweth = approveth, or
perish = come to naught.

3 prosper. Cp. Gen. 39. 3, 23.

4 are not so, &c. = not so the ungodly.

other comparison. See v. 3. Cp. 35. 5. wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

first resurrection. Rev. 20. 5, 6. Cp. Ps. 49. 14.

6 For. Effect latent in first clause: cause latent in second clause.

acknowledgeth. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6. Cp. Nah. 1. 7. 2 Tim. 2. 19.

2 (E, p. 721). REBELLIOUS MAN. (Repeated Alternation.)

E | E | 1-3. Mankind. Speaking.
F | 4, 5. Jehovah. Fig. *Chleusmos*. Ap. 6.
G | 6-9. The Son. His rule.
E | 10. Mankind. Spoken to.
F | 11. Jehovah. Fig. *Apostrophe*. Ap. 6.
G | 12. The Son. His judgment.

The second Psalm of each book has to do with the enemy. See Ap. 10.

1 Why . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Repeat at beginning of v. 2. Cp. Acts 4. 25, 26. heathen = nations.
Note the quadruple *Anabasis* (Ap. 6): nations, peoples, kings, rulers. Cp. 1. 1. rage = tumultuously
assemble. people = peoples. imagine. Same as meditate in 1. 2. **2** set themselves = take
their stand. take counsel together = have gathered by appointment. So the Sept. and Aram. Cp.
48. 4. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. Anointed = Messiah. So Pss. 18. 50; 20. 6; 28. 8;
84. 9; 89. 38, 51; 132. 10, 17. In Dan. 9. 25, 26, rendered Messiah. saying. The Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6)
correctly supplied. **3** their: i. e. Jehovah's, and Messiah's. **4** laugh. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.
The LORD*. Primitive text was Jehovah. Altered by the *Sōpherim* to Adonai. See Ap. 32.

5 Then shall He speak unto them in His wrath,
And vex them in His sore displeasure.

6 Yet have I set My king
Upon My holy hill of Zion.

7 I will declare the decree:

² The LORD hath said unto Me, "Thou art My Son;

This day have I begotten Thee.

8 Ask of me, and I shall give Thee the
heaven for Thine inheritance.

And the uttermost parts of the earth for
Thy possession.

9 Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron;
Thou shalt dash them in pieces like a
potter's vessel."

10 Be wise now therefore, O ye kings:
Be instructed, ye judges of the earth.

11 Serve the LORD with fear,
And rejoice with trembling.

12 Kiss the Son, lest He be angry, and
ye perish from the way,
When His wrath is kindled but a little.
Blessed are all they that put their trust
in Him.

3 A Psalm of David, when he fled from
Absalom his son.

1 LORD, how are they increased that
trouble me!

Many are they that rise up against me.

2 Many there be which say of my soul,
"There is no help for him in God."
Selah.

3 But Thou, O LORD, art a shield for me;
My glory, and the lifter up of mine head.

4 I cried unto the LORD with my voice,
And He heard me out of His holy hill.
Selah.

5 I laid me down and slept;
I awaked; for the LORD sustained me.

6 I will not be afraid of ten thousands of
people,
That have set themselves against me
round about.

7 Arise, O LORD; save me, O my God:
For Thou hast smitten all mine enemies
upon the cheek bone;
Thou hast broken the teeth of the ungodly.

6 set=founded. Not the same word as v. 2.

My holy hill. Fig. *Antimereia* (Ap. 6). Heb. =
"mount of my Sanctuary".

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

Zion. The mount immediately south of Moriah.
See note on 2 Sam. 5. 7. Occurs thirty-eight times in
Psalms. "Jerusalem" occurs seventeen times. See
Ap. 68.

7 the=for a.

Thou art my Son. Quoted in Acts 13. 33. Heb.
1. 5; 5. 5. This is the Divine formula for anointing.
Cp. Matt. 3. 17, for Prophet; Matt. 17. 5, for Priest;
and Heb. 1. 5, 6, for King.

begotten Thee. Fig. *Anthropopatheia* (Ap. 6). It
refers to resurrection (Acts 13. 33. Rom. 1. 3, 4. Col.
1. 18. Rev. 1. 5).

8 Ask of me. Referring not to this present dispensation
of grace, but to coming dispensation of judgment.
I shall give, &c. Quoted in Rev. 2. 27; 12. 5; 19. 15.

9 break them=rule, or govern them. So Sept., Syr.,
and Vulg. rod=sceptre.

iron. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for
unbending authority.

10 Be wise. Fig. *Apostrophe*. Ap. 6.

11 the LORD. Heb. 'eth Jehovah. Ap. 4. II (objective).

12 Kiss=submit to, or be ruled by. Heb. *nashak*.
Occurs thirty-two times (first in Gen. 27. 26, 27. Always
so rendered except 1 Chron. 12. 2. 2 Chron. 17. 17. Ps.
78. 9 (where it is Poel Part.) "armed"; Ezek. 3. 13
"touched" (marg. "kissed"); and Gen. 41. 40, "be
ruled" (marg. "be armed", or "kiss").

Son. Aram. *bar*, a Homonym with two meanings:
(1) son (Dan. 3. 25. Ezra 5. 1, 2, 2; 6. 14. Dan. 3. 25; 5. 22;
7. 13, and Prov. 31. 2, 2, 2 (king Lemuel); (2) ground,
Dan. 2. 38; 4. 12, 15, 21, 23, 23, 25, 32. See note on Job
39. 4. So here in Ps. 2. 12=kiss the ground, Fig. *Me-*
tonymy (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for prostrate yourselves in
submission. The usual Heb. for "son" is *bēn*, and is
translated "son" or "sons" 2,890 times, and "child"
or "children" (where it ought always to be "son" or
"sons"), 1,549 times: making 4,439 in all. The
Aram. *ben* is also used for "son".

He: i. e. Jehovah, v. 11.

from the way. No Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) here, "from"
not needed="perish, way [and all]". Ending like
Ps. 1. 6. Cp. 146. 9. So 2 Kings 3. 4=wool [and all].

When His wrath is kindled: or, His wrath will
soon be kindled (R.V.).

a little=quickly. See note on "almost", Prov. 5. 14.
Blessed=How happy. Fig. *Beatitudo*. See note on 1. 1.

put their trust=flee for refuge to. Heb. *ḥaṣah*.
See Ap. 69. ii.

3 [For Structure see below].

Title. A Psalm. See Ap. 65. XVII.

when. The first psalm with an historical title. See
Ap. 63. viii and 64. Cp. 2 Sam. chs. 15-18.

1 LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

how...! Fig. *Exclamatio* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

increased=multiplied. Many=what multitudes.

2 Many. Fig. *Anaphora*. Ap. 6.

help=salvation, or deliverance. God. Heb. Elohim.

my soul=me, or myself. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. Selah. Connecting the contrast between "man" (as a creature) who knows God (Elohim) only
as Creator, with the speaker (David), who knew Jehovah as his Covenant God. See Ap. 4. I, II, and
66. ii. 3 art a shield. Fig. *Metaphor* (Ap. 6); "shield" put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6,
for defence. for me=about me. mine head. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6, put for whole person.

4 cried=shall cry. heard=will answer. holy hill. See note on 2. 6. Selah. Connecting the
peace which comes from prayer, as in Phil. 4. 6. See Ap. 66. II. 5 slept=have slept. At Mahanaim
(2 Sam. 17. 27-29). sustained=was sustaining. 7 ungodly=lawless. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

3 (F, p. 721). PRAYER IN VIEW OF PSALM 2 (MORNING). (*Introversion and Repeated Alternation*.)

F	H	c	1. Numbers of enemies against me.
			d 2. No salvation (they say).
			e 3. Thou my help. (Experience. 2nd person.)
			I 4. Prayer answered.
			I 5. Confidence justified. } (Experience. 3rd person.)
H	c	6. Numbers of enemies against me.	
		d 7-. Save me (I say).	
		e -7, 8. Thou my help. (Experience. 2nd person.)	

8 ° Salvation *belongeth* unto ¹the LORD :
 ° Thy blessing *is* upon Thy People. ° Selah.
 ° To the chief Musician on ° Neginoth.

4

° A Psalm of David.

1 ° Hear me when I call, O ° God of my
 righteousness:
 Thou hast enlarged me *when I was in*
 distress;
 ° Have mercy upon me, and hear my
 prayer.

2 O ye sons of ° men, ° how long *will ye turn*
 my glory into shame ?

How long will ye love vanity, and seek
 after ° leasing ? ° Selah.

3 But know that ° the LORD hath ° set apart
 ° him that is godly for Himself :
 ° The LORD will ¹hear when I call unto
 Him.

4 ° Stand in awe, and ° sin not :
 Commune with your own heart upon your
 bed, and be ° still. ° Selah.

5 ° Offer the ° sacrifices of righteousness,
 And put your ° trust in ° the LORD.

6 *There be many* ° that say, " Who will shew
 us *any* ° good ? "
 ° LORD, ° lift Thou up the light of Thy
 ° countenance upon us.

7 Thou hast put ° gladness in my heart,
 More than in the time *that* ° their corn and
 their ° wine increased.

8 I will both lay me down in peace, ° and
 sleep :

For Thou, ° LORD, only ° makest me dwell
 in ° safety.

° To the chief Musician ° upon Nehiloth.

5

° A Psalm of David.

1 ° Give ear to my words, O ° LORD,
 ° Consider my ° meditation.

2 ° Harken unto the ° voice of ° my cry, my
 King, and my ° God :
 For unto Thee will I pray.

3 My voice shalt Thou hear in the morning,
 O ° LORD ;

In the morning will I ° direct *my prayer*
 unto Thee, and will ° look up.

To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.

Referring to Jehovah's favour as being the true inheritance of godly Israelites, as shown in
 vv. 3, 6, 7. Cp. Ps. 144. 12-15, the other *Nehiloth* Psalm. See Ap. 65. xvi.

5 (F, p. 721). PRAYER IN VIEW OF PSALM 2 (MORNING). (*Repeated Alternation*.)

F | L | 1-3. Prayer to Jehovah.

M | 4. "For": Reason. Character of Jehovah.

N | 5, 6. The lawless and their wickedness.

O | 7. "But": The true worshippers. (*Sheminith*.)

L | 8. Prayer to Jehovah.

M | 9. "For": Reason. Character of the wicked.

N | 10. The wicked and their judgment.

O | 11, 12. "But": The true worshippers. (*Sheminith*.)

Title. A Psalm. See Ap. 65. XVII.

LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

The voice marks the tone of any cry.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

Ex. 40. 4, 23.

look up = look out, or watch for [an answer].

8 Salvation = deliverance, same word as "help", v. 2.
 Thy blessing is = Thy blessing has been, and will
 be: i. e. whatever may happen to me. In this spirit
 he sends back the Ark (2 Sam. 15. 25).

Selah. Connecting Ps. 3 with Ps. 4, which has the
 same subject. See Ap. 66. II.

To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.

Neginoth = smittings; from *nāgan*, to strike, as on
 strings. See Ap. 65. xv. Here the reference is to the
 smittings with words in Ps. 3, as in Lam. 3. 63 (cp. Job
 30. 9. Lam. 3. 14). Cp. the other *Neginoth* Psalms: 3. 2;
 5. 6; 53. 1; 54. 3; 60. 1, 11, 12; 66. 10-12; 75. 4-6 (cp. 77. 7,
 Isa. 38. 20, and Hab. 3. 19).

4 (G, p. 721). PRAYER IN VIEW OF PSALM 2
 (EVENING). (*Introversion and Alternation*.)

G | J | 1. Prayer to Jehovah.

K | f | 2-. The sons of men. (David.)

g | -2. The sons of men. (Themselves.)

K | f | 3. The sons of men. (David.)

g | 4, 5. The sons of men. (Themselves.)

J | 6-8. Prayer to Jehovah.

Title. A Psalm. See Ap. 65. xvii.

1 Hear = Answer.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

God of my righteousness = My righteous God.
 Genitive of relation or object.

Have mercy = be gracious, or show favour to.

2 men. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II.

how long = until when. Ellipsis correctly supplied.
 leasing = falsehood. Anglo-Saxon = *leasing*; Mid.
 Eng. = *lesing*.

Selah. Connecting and contrasting his enemies'
 acts with his own sure defence. See Ap. 66. ii.

3 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
 set apart. All depended on Jehovah's favour (Num.
 14. 8). Some codices, with Sept. and Vulg., read "hath
 given distinction to".

him that is godly: i. e. a subject of grace.

4 Stand in awe, &c. = Stand in awe and [so] sin not.
 sin. Heb. *chātā*. Ap. 44. i. still = silent.

Selah. Connecting their sin with its being put away.
 See Ap. 66. ii.

5 Offer the sacrifices. No Art. Heb. *zabāh*. Ap.
 43. I. iv.

sacrifices of righteousness = righteous sacrifices.
 Genitive of Character. How could they offer these
 while in rebellion against the Lord's Anointed?

trust = confide. Heb. *batah*. See Ap. 69. i.

6 that say . . . good. See note on 144. 12-15.
 lift Thou up. No priest with David to give the
 blessing of Num. 6. 24-26. See 2 Sam. 15. 32-37.

countenance. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

7 gladness. This was true "good".

their corn. See note on Ps. 144. 15.

wine = new wine. Heb. *tirōsh*. Ap. 27. II.

8 and sleep = sleep at once. This reference is to
 2 Sam. 17. 2. See note there.

makest = wilt make.

safety = confidence.

upon Nehiloth; better, *nehilōth* = concerning inherit-
 ance. Referring to Jehovah's favour as being the true inheritance of godly Israelites, as shown in
 vv. 3, 6, 7. Cp. Ps. 144. 12-15, the other *Nehilōth* Psalm. See Ap. 65. xvi.

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Ex. 40. 4, 23.

look up = look out, or watch for [an answer].

1 Give ear . . . Consider . . . 2 Harken. Fig. *Synonymia*. Ap. 6.

meditation. Connecting this Psalm with 1. 2; 2. 1. 2 voice.

my cry. Connecting this Psalm with 3. 4.

3 direct = set in order (as the wood on the altar). Cp. Gen. 22. 9.

M
(p. 725)

4 For *Thou art* not a °GOD That hath
pleasure in °wickedness:
Neither shall °evil dwell with Thee.

N

5 The °foolish shall not stand in Thy sight:
Thou hatest all workers of °iniquity.

6 Thou shalt destroy them that speak °leas-
ing:

1 The LORD will abhor the bloody and
deceitful °man.

O

7 But °as for me, I will come *into* Thy house
in the °multitude of Thy °mercy:
And in Thy fear will I worship toward
Thy °holy °temple.

L

8 Lead me, O 1 LORD, in Thy righteousness
because of mine enemies;
Make °Thy way straight before my face.

M

9 For *there is* no °faithfulness in °their
mouth;

°Their inward part *is* very wickedness;

°Their throat *is* an open sepulchre;

°They flatter with their °tongue.

N

10 °Destroy Thou them, O 2 God;
Let them fall °by their own counsels;
Cast them out in the multitude of their
°transgressions;
For they have rebelled against Thee.

O

11 But let all those that °put their trust in
Thee rejoice:

Let them ever shout for joy, because Thou
°defendest them:

Let them also that love °Thy name be
joyful in Thee.

12 For *Thou*, 1 LORD, wilt °bless the righteous;
With °favour wilt Thou compass him °as
with °a shield.

°To the chief Musician °on Neginoth °upon Sheminith.

6

°A Psalm of David.

G P
(p. 721)

1 O °LORD, rebuke me not in Thine anger,
Neither chasten me in Thy hot displeasure.

2 °Have mercy upon me, O 1 LORD; for *I*
am weak:

O 1 LORD, heal me; for my bones are vexed.

3 °My soul is also °sore vexed:
But *Thou*, O 1 LORD, °how long?

4 Return, O 1 LORD, deliver °my soul:
Oh save me for Thy °mercies' sake.

5 For in death *there is* °no remembrance of
Thee:

In °the grave who shall give Thee thanks?

Q

6 I am weary with my groaning;

R

All the night make I my bed to swim;

R

I water my couch with my tears.

Q

7 Mine eye is °consumed because of grief;
It waxeth old because of all mine °enemies.

P

8 °Depart from me, all ye workers of °ini-
quity;

For 1 the LORD hath °heard the voice of
my weeping.

9 1 The LORD hath °heard my supplication;
1 The LORD will °receive my prayer.

10 Let all mine enemies be ashamed and sore
vexed:

Let them return *and* be ashamed suddenly.

4 GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV. First occ. in Psalms.
wickedness=lawlessness. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.
evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

5 foolish=boasters.

iniquity. Heb. *'āven*. Ap. 44. iii.

6 leasing=falsehood. See note on 4. 2.

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

7 as for me. Cp. 17. 15; 26. 11; 35. 13; 41. 12; 55. 16;
69. 13; 73. 2. multitude=abundance.

mercy=lovingkindness, or grace.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

temple. Heb. *hēykāl*=palace: i. e. heaven itself,
which was the pattern for the earthly "house" or tent,
as being the dwelling-place of Jehovah. Hence it is
used of the Tabernacle (1 Sam. 1. 9; 3. 3). Cp. Pss. 11. 4;
18. 6.

8 Thy way: not mine.

9 faithfulness=steadfastness, or stability.

their=his. Referring to the man of v. 6.

Their. Three times repeated; refers to the "foolish"
and "workers" of v. 5.

tongue. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for
what is spoken by it.

10 Destroy Thou them=Deal with them as guilty.
by their own counsels. Answered in Ahithophel
(2 Sam. 15. 31; 17. 14, 23). A prayer suited for the dis-
pensation in which David lived. See Ap. 63. IX.

transgressions. Heb. *pāshā'*. Ap. 44. ix.

11 put their trust=flee for refuge to. Heb. *hāṣāh*.
See Ap. 69. ii. defendest=coverest.

Thy name=Thee Thyself. "Name" put by Fig.
Metonymy (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the person and
character: i. e. all that the name implies and includes.

12 bless the righteous=bless the justified one. Cp.
Pss. 1. 1; 2. 12; 3. 8.

favour. This is the "shield". In His favour is
"life" (30. 5); "preservation" (86. 2, marg.); "security"
(41. 11); "mercy" (Isa. 60. 10). Hence the prayer of 106. 4.

as. Fig. *Simile*. Ap. 6.

a shield. Heb. *zinnah*, a shield of the largest size.
See 1 Sam. 17. 7, 41. Only here, 35. 2 (buckler), and 91. 4
in the Psalms. In other Psalms it is *māḡēn*, smaller both
in size and weight (cp. 1 Kings 10. 17. 2 Chron. 9. 16). The
shield is the "favour" of Jehovah mentioned above.

To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.

on Neginoth. See sub-scription to Ps. 3 above, and
Ap. 65. xv.

upon Sheminith=relating to the class so called:
viz. true worshippers (v. 7), circumcised on the eighth
day="the righteous" of v. 12. Cp. the other Sheminith
Psalm (Ps. 11). See Ap. 65. xix.

6 (G, p. 721). PRAYER IN VIEW OF PSALM 2
(NIGHT). (*Introversion*.)

G | P | 1-5. Prayer offered.

Q | 6-. Exhaustion.

R | -6-. Tears.

R | -6. Tears.

Q | 7. Exhaustion.

P | 8-10. Prayer answered.

Title. A Psalm. See Ap. 65. XVII.

1 LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 Have mercy=Be gracious, or show favour to.

3 My soul=I. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

sore vexed=troubled. Same as John 12. 27. Cp.
42. 5, 6.

how long?=until when? Fig. *Erotēsis*; and, before
and after these words, the Fig. *Aposiopēsis*. Ap. 6.

4 mercies'=mercy's. Heb. lovingkindness.

5 no remembrance. See 30. 9; 88. 10-12; 115. 17;
118. 17. Isa. 38. 18, 19. Ecc. 9. 10.

the grave. Heb. *Sheōl*. Ap. 35.

7 consumed=wasted.

enemies=adversaries.

8 Depart, &c. Fig. *Apostrophe*. Ap. 6.

iniquity. Heb. *'āven*. Ap. 44. iii.

heard... 9 receive. Fig. *Synonymia*. Ap. 6.

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7 ° Shiggaion of David, which he sang unto the LORD, concerning the ° words of ° Cush ° the ° Ben-jamite.

D S
(p. 727)

T

1 O ° LORD my ° God, in Thee ° do I ° put my trust:

Save me from all them that ° persecute me, and deliver me:

U

2 Lest ° he ° tear ° my soul like a lion, Rending *it* in pieces, ° while *there is* none to deliver.

V

3 O ° LORD my ° God, if I have done this; If there be ° iniquity ° in my hands;

4 If I have rewarded ° evil unto him that was at peace with me;

V

(Yea, I have ° delivered him that without cause is mine ° enemy:)

U

5 Let the ° enemy ° persecute ° my soul, and ° take ° *it*;

Yea, let him ° tread down my life upon the earth,

And lay mine honour in the dust. ° Selah.

T

6 Arise, O ° LORD, in Thine anger, Lift up Thyself because of the rage of mine ° enemies:

And awake for me to the judgment *that* Thou hast commanded.

7 So shall the congregation of the ° people ° compass Thee about:

For their sakes therefore return Thou on high.

8 ° The LORD shall judge the ° people:

Judge me, O ° LORD, according to my righteousness, and according to mine integrity *that is* in me.

9 Oh let the ° wickedness of the ° wicked come to an end; but establish the just:

For the righteous ° God trieth the hearts and reins.

S

10 My ° defence *is* of ° God, Which saveth the ° upright in heart.

11 ° God judgeth the ° righteous, And ° GOD is angry *with the wicked* every day.

12 If he turn not, ° He will whet ° His sword; He hath bent His ° bow, and made it ready.

13 He hath also prepared for him the instruments of death;

He ° ordaineth His arrows against the persecutors.

14 ° Behold, he ° travaileth with ° iniquity, And hath ° conceived ° mischief, and ° brought forth falsehood.

15 He made a pit, and digged it, And is fallen into the ditch *which* he made.

16 His ° mischief shall return upon his own head,

And his violent dealing shall come down upon his own ° pate.

17 I will praise ° the LORD according to His righteousness:

And will sing praise to the name of ° the LORD ° MOST HIGH.

To the chief Musician ° upon Gittith.

8

A Psalm of David.

E W
(p. 728)

1 O ° LORD our ° LORD, How excellent *is* ° Thy name in all ° the earth!

7 (D, p. 721). MAN BLESSED. TRUST IN JEHOVAH. (*Introversion.*)

D

S | 1-. Trust in Jehovah for defence.

T | -1. Prayer for deliverance.

U | 2. The evil to be delivered from.

V | 3, 4-. Demerit.

V | -4. Merit.

U | 5. The evil to be delivered from.

T | 6-9. Prayer for deliverance.

S | 10-17. Trust in Jehovah for defence.

Title. *Shiggaion*=a loud cry in danger or joy, from *shā'ag*, always rendered "roar". Occurs twenty-one times. Both meanings are seen in this Psalm, and Hab. 3. 1 (pl. "set to"=concerning), the only two occurrences. See Ap. 65. XX.

words=matters, or business.

Cush. Who it was is not known: an evidence of genuineness. *the*=a.

Benjamite. Hence probably an adherent or servant of Saul, and therefore long before Shimei and Absalom.

1 LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I. do I=have I.

put my trust=flee for refuge. Heb. *hāṣāh*. See Ap. 69. ii.

persecute=pursue me. Refers probably to Saul.

2 he: i.e. Cush.

tear. Heb. *ṭaraph*. Refers to living prey.

my soul=me. Heb. *nepheš*. Ap. 13.

while there is none to deliver. Sept., Syr., and Vulg. read "and there be no deliverer to rescue".

Better, no sign of a rescuer. Cp. Lam. 5. 8.

3 iniquity. Heb. *āval*. Ap. 44. vi, not the same as v. 14. in my hands. Hands put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for what is done by them.

4 evil. Heb. *rā'a*. Ap. 44. viii.

delivered=rescued. Aram. and Syr. read "oppressed".

enemy=adversary. Heb. *zārar*.

5 enemy=foe. Heb. *oyeb*.

persecute... take... tread. Fig. *Anabasis*. Ap. 6. it=me.

Selah. Connecting the treading down of v. 5 with the rising up of Jehovah. See Ap. 66. II.

7 people=peoples.

compass Thee about=gather round Thee: i.e. to hear Thy judgment.

9 wickedness... wicked=lawlessness... lawless.

Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

10 defence=shield. See note on "shield", 6. 12.

upright. Plural.

11 righteous. Plural.

GOD. Heb. *El*. Ap. 4. IV. **12** He: i.e. God.

His sword... bow. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

13 ordaineth=will ordain.

14 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

travaileth... conceived... brought forth. Fig. *Anabasis*. Ap. 6.

travaileth=will travail.

iniquity. Heb. *āven*. Ap. 44. iii, not same word as v. 3.

mischiefs. Heb. *āmal*. Ap. 44. v.

16 pate=head; especially the smooth skull. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6, for the whole person, for emphasis. From "plate"=the smooth top of the head (Skeat).

17 MOST HIGH. Heb. *Elyōn*. See Ap. 4. VI. First occurrence in Psalms. The first of thirty-six occurrences in O.T. is Gen. 14. 18.

To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.

upon Gittith=relating to the Feast of Tabernacles (for which it was suited), because it commemorated safe dwelling after deliverance. See Ap. 65.

8 (E, p. 721). [For Structure see next page].

Title. A Psalm. See Ap. 65. xvii.

1 LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

LORD. Heb. *Adonim*. Ap. 4. VIII (3).

Thy name: i.e. Jehovah Himself; "name" being put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for His character, person, and attributes. See 20. 1. Cp. 5. 11.

the earth: i.e. the great subject of this Psalm. See note on vv. 4, 8.

X h
(p. 728)

j

X h

j

W

A² H¹ Y
(p. 728)

Z A

Who hast set Thy °glory above the heavens.

2 °Out of the mouth of °babes and sucklings hast Thou °ordained °strength
Because of Thine °enemies,
That Thou mightest still the °enemy and the °avenger.

3 When I consider Thy heavens, the °work of Thy °fingers,
The moon and the stars, which Thou hast °ordained;

4 °What is °man, that Thou art °mindful of him?
And °the son of °man, that Thou °visitest him?

5 For Thou hast made him a little lower than °the angels,
And hast °crowned him with glory and honour.

6 Thou madest °him to have °dominion over the °works of Thy °hands;
Thou °hast put °all things under his feet:

7 All sheep and oxen,
Yea, and the beasts of the field;

8 The fowl of the air, and the fish of the sea,
And whatsoever passeth through the paths of the seas.

9 O °LORD our °LORD,
How excellent is Thy name in all °the earth!

°To the chief Musician °upon Muth-labben.

9

°A Psalm of David.

1 (N) °I will praise Thee, O °LORD, with my whole heart;
I will shew forth all Thy marvellous works.

2 (N) I will be glad and rejoice in Thee:
I will sing praise to Thy name, O Thou °MOST HIGH.

3 (C) When mine enemies are turned back,
They shall fall and perish °at Thy presence.

8 (E, p. 721). REBELLIOUS MAN. SUBDUED.

E | W | 1-. Greatness of Jehovah in the earth.
X | h | -1. Glory of Jehovah in the heavens.
j | 2. His condescension to man.
X | h | 3. Glory of Jehovah in the heavens.
j | 4-8. His condescension to man.
W | 9. Greatness of Jehovah in the earth.

glory = majesty, or excellence.

2 Out of, &c. Quoted in Matt. 21. 16.

babes. Referring to his own youth. A still more definite reference to 1 Sam. 17. 14, 33, 42, 55, 56.

ordained = appointed. Heb. *yāṣād*.

strength. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject) for the praise due for what is put forth by it.

enemies = adversaries.

enemy = foe.

avenger = the revenger.

3 work. The Western *Massorites* (Ap. 30), with Sept. and Vulg., read "works" (pl.).

fingers. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

ordained = established. Heb. *kūn*.

4 What . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Quoted in Heb. 2. 5-8. Cp. 1 Cor. 15. 27 and Eph. 1. 22.

man = mortal man. Heb. *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

mindful . . . visitest. Fig. *Anabasis*. Ap. 6.

the son of man. No Art. Occurs 3 times before this (Num. 23. 19. Job 25. 6; 35. 8). In sing. 111 times in O.T. and 39 times in pl. (the other occurrences in the Pss. (49. 2; 144. 3) is a different word). Here (8. 4) the title relates to dominion in the earth. Cp. vv. 1, 6-9, and see notes on Ezek. 2. 1, Mat. 8. 20, and Rev. 14. 4.

man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

5 the angels. Heb. *Elohim*. See Ap. 4. I. Rendered "angels" in Heb. 2. 7; also here, in Sept., Vulg., Syr., and Arab. See also Ps. 97. 7. Heb. 1. 6.

crowned, &c. This refers to "the second man". See notes on Heb. 2. 8, and 2 Pet. 1. 17.

6 him: i. e. the "first man", Adam (Gen. 1. 26).

dominion, &c. This he lost in the Fall.

works. Some codices, with three early printed editions and Syr., read "work" (sing.).

hands. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

hast = didst. See Gen. 1. 26.

all things. Six are enumerated in vv. 7 and 8. (The number of man. See Ap. 10.)

To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.

upon Muth-labben = relating to the death of the champion (Goliath). Cp. 1 Sam. 17. 4, 46, &c., and 144, which has, in the Sept., the title "A Psalm of David concerning Goliath".

9-15 (A², p. 721). "THE MAN OF THE EARTH". (Division.)

A² | H¹ | 9. The Lawless one. (General.)

H² | 10. The Lawless one. (Particular.)

9 (H¹, above). THE LAWLESS ONE. (GENERAL.)

H¹ | Y | 1, 2. Thanksgiving.

Z | 3-10. Excision of the wicked.

Y | 11. Thanksgiving.

Z | 12-20. Excision of the wicked.

Psalms 9 and 10 are linked together by an irregular Acrostic (see notes on pp. 721, 722, and Ap. 63. VII), beginning at 9. 1 and ending with 10. 18. Seven letters are omitted. The Acrostic is irregular, corresponding with the "times of trouble". The notes will show how one subject pervades them (see H, p. 721). Cp. "the lawless one" (9. 5, 16 and 10. 2, 4, 13, 15); "times of trouble" (9. 9 and 10. 1); "the oppressed" (Heb. *dāk*, crushed, 9. 9 and 10. 18; occurs only here and 74. 21); "mortal men" (9. 19, 20 and 10. 18); "forget" (9. 12, 17, 18 and 10. 11, 12); "humble" (9. 12, 18, and 10. 12, 17); "not alway" (9. 18, and "never", 10. 11); "for ever and ever" (9. 5 and 10. 16); "arise, Jehovah" (9. 19 and 10. 12).

Title. A Psalm. See Ap. 65. XVII.

1 I will = Let me.

LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

2 MOST HIGH. Heb. *Elyōn*. Ap. 4. VI.

9. 3-10 (Z, above). EXCISION OF THE WICKED. (Alternations and Introversion.)

Z | A | 3. The wicked. Excision.

B | k | 4-. Deliverance.

l | -4, 5. Judgment.

A | 6. The wicked. Apostrophe.

B | - l | 7, 8. Judgment.

k | 9, 10. Deliverance.

3 at Thy presence = from before Thee.

B k
(p. 728)

4 For Thou hast maintained my right and my cause;

1

Thou °satest in the throne judging °right.

5 (3)

Thou hast rebuked the °heathen, Thou hast destroyed °the wicked, Thou hast °put out their name °for ever and ever.

A

6 (7) O °thou enemy, °destructions are come to °a perpetual end:

And thou hast destroyed cities;
Their memorial is perished with them.

1

7 (7) But °the LORD shall °endure for ever:
He hath prepared His throne for judgment.

8 (7)

And °He shall judge °the world in righteousness,
He shall minister judgment to the °people in uprightness.

k

9 (7) °The LORD also will be a refuge for °the oppressed,
A °refuge in °times of trouble.

10 (7)

And they that know °Thy name will °put their trust in Thee:
For Thou, °LORD, hast not forsaken them that seek Thee.

Y

11 (7) Sing praises to °the LORD, Which dwelleth in °Zion:
Declare among the °people His doings.Z C m
(p. 729)12 When He °maketh inquisition for blood,
He remembereth °them:
He °forgetteth not the °cry of the °humble.

n

13 (7) °Have mercy upon me, O °LORD;
Consider my trouble which I suffer of them that hate me,
Thou That liftest me up from the gates of death:

o

14 That I may shew forth all Thy °praise
In the gates of the daughter of °Zion:
°I will rejoice in Thy salvation.

D

15 (7) The °heathen are sunk down in the pit that they made:
In the net which they hid is their own foot taken.

E

16 °The LORD is known by the judgment which He executeth:
°The wicked is snared in the work of his own hands. °Higgaion. °Selah.

E

17 (7) The °wicked shall be °turned into °hell,
And all the nations that °forget °God.

D

C m

18 (7) For °the needy shall not alway be °forgotten:
The expectation of the °poor shall °not perish for ever.

n

19 Arise, O °LORD; let not °man prevail:
Let the heathen be judged °in Thy sight.
20 °Put them in fear, O °LORD:

o

That the °nations may know themselves to be but °men. °Selah.

H² F
(p. 729)10 (7) °Why standest Thou afar off, O °LORD?
°Why hidest Thou Thyself in °times of trouble?

G I

2 °The wicked in his pride doth °persecute °the poor:
Let them be taken in the devices that they have imagined.

4 satest = hast sat.

right = righteously.

5 heathen = nations.

the wicked = a lawless one: i. e. the Antichrist. Cp. 10. 3, 13, 14, 15. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

put out = blotted out. for ever, &c. Cp. 10. 16.

6 thou enemy. Same as the lawless one of v. 5. destructions are come = complete is the destruction. a perpetual end = for evermore. Some codices, with two early printed editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "swords are abandoned".

7 endure = sit as king.

8 He, &c. Quoted in Acts 17. 31.

the world = the habitable world. Heb. *tēbēl*. First occurrence in Psalms; never found with the Art. people = peoples.

9 the oppressed = the crushed one. Cp. 10. 18.

times of trouble = the great time of trouble: i. e. the tribulation of Matt. 24, Jer. 30, &c. Cp. 10. 1.

10 Thy name. See note on 5. 11.

put their trust = confide. Heb. *bāṭaḥ*. See Ap. 69. I.

11 Zion. See Ap. 68.

12-20 (Z, p. 728). EXCISION OF THE LAWLESS. (Introversion and Extended Alternations.)

Z C m | 12. Remembrance of oppressed.

n | 13. Prayer.

o | 14. Effect of the prayer.

D | 15. The nations.

E | 16. The wicked.

E | 17-. The wicked.

D | -17. The nations.

C m | 18. Remembrance of oppressed.

n | 19, 20-. Prayer.

o | -20. Effect of the prayer.

12 maketh inquisition for = inquireth concerning. them: i. e. those named in v. 10.

forgetteth not. Cp. vv. 17, 18 and 10. 11, 12.

cry = outcry.

humble = oppressed. Cp. v. 18 and 10. 12, 17.

13 Have mercy = Be gracious, or favourable to.

14 praise. So some codices, with four early printed editions (one in margin). Other codices read "praises". I will = that I may.

16 Higgaion = soliloquy, or meditation. See Ap. 66. I. Selah. Connecting the wicked one (sing.) of v. 16 with the wicked ones (pl.) of v. 17. See Ap. 66. II.

17 wicked = wicked ones (pl.). Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x. turned = returned. Cp. Job 21. 26; 34. 15. Ps. 104. 29. Ecc. 3. 20; 12. 7.

hell = the grave. Heb. Sheol. Ap. 35.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

18 the needy = a needy one.

poor = oppressed. Cp. v. 12.

not. Ellipsis of second negative. See note on Gen. 2. 6.

19 man. Heb. *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

in Thy sight = before Thee: i. e. at Thy coming.

20 Put them in fear = Appoint them some terror. nations. As in v. 5, "heathen".

Selah. Connecting Ps. 9, concerning "men" generally, with Ps. 10, "the man of the earth". See H, p. 728, and Ap. 66. II.

10 (H², p. 728). THE MAN OF THE EARTH. (PARTICULAR.) (Introversion and Alternations.)H² F | 1. Appeal to Jehovah.

G | I | 2-5. The lawless one. His acts.

J | 6. His thoughts (concerning himself.)

G | I | 7-10. The lawless one. His acts.

J | 11. His thoughts (concerning God.)

F | 12-18. Appeal to Jehovah.

1 Why . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

times of trouble = the great time of tribulation. Cp. 9. 9.

2 The wicked = a lawless one. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

Cp. vv. 4, 13, 15, and 9. 5, 16.

persecute = hotly pursue.

the poor = an oppressed one. Cp. v. 18, and 9. 9. Heb. *'ānī*. See note on Prov. 6. 11.

3 For ²the wicked boasteth of his ^oheart's desire,
And ^oblesseth the covetous, whom ¹the LORD abhorreth.

4 The ²wicked, through the pride of his countenance, will not seek *after God*:
^oGod is not in all his thoughts.

5 His ways are always grievous;
Thy judgments are far above out of his ^osight:

As for all his ^oenemies, he ^opuffeth at them.

6 He hath ^osaid in his heart, "I shall not be moved:
For *I shall* never be in adversity."

7 ^oHis mouth is full of cursing and deceit and fraud:

Under his tongue is mischief and vanity.

8 He sitteth in the lurking places of the villages:
In the secret places doth he murder the innocent:

His eyes are privily set against ^othe poor.

9 He lieth in wait secretly as a lion in his den:

He lieth in wait to catch ²the poor:
He doth catch ²the poor, when he draweth him into his net.

10 He croucheth, and humbleth himself,
That ²the poor may fall by his strong ones.

11 He hath ^osaid in his heart, "^oGOD hath forgotten:

He hideth his face; He will ^onever see it."

12 (P) ^oArise, O ¹LORD; O ¹¹GOD, lift up Thine hand:

Forget not ^othe humble.

13 ^oWherefore doth ²the wicked contemn ^oGod?

He hath said in his heart, "Thou wilt not ^orequire it."

14 (T) ^oThou hast seen it; for Thou beholdest mischief and spite, to requite it with Thy hand:

^oThe poor committeth himself unto Thee;
Thou art the helper of the fatherless.

15 (W) Break Thou the arm of ²the wicked and ²the evil man:

Seek out his ²wickedness till Thou find none.

16 ^oThe ¹LORD is King ^ofor ever and ever:
The ^oheathen are perished out of His land.

17 (N) ¹LORD, Thou hast ^oheard the desire of the ¹²humble:

Thou wilt ^oprepare their heart, Thou wilt ^ocause Thine ^oear to hear:

18 To judge the fatherless and the ^ooppressed,

That ^othe man of the earth may no more oppress.

^oTo the chief Musician.

11

^oA Psalm of David.

1 In the LORD ^oput I my trust:

How say ye to ^omy soul,
"Flee ^oas a bird to your mountain?"

2 For, lo, ^othe wicked bend their bow,
They make ready their arrow upon the string,

3 heart's=soul's. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. blesseth, &c. One of the emendations of the *Sopherim* (see Ap. 33). The primitive text of this line read, "the covetous man (or robber) blasphemeth, yea, abhorreth Jehovah". Cp. 1 Kings 21. 10, 13. Job 1. 5, 11; 2. 5, 9.

4 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I: i.e. "no sign of God in all his thoughts".

5 sight=ken. enemies=adversaries.

puffeth at=despise.

6 said in his heart. Cp. v. 11.

10. 7-10 (I, p. 729). THE LAWLESS ONE. ACTS. (Alternation.)

I | p | 7. His mouth and tongue.

q | 8-. Comparison to beast of prey.

p | -8. His eyes.

q | 9, 10. Comparison to beast of prey.

7 His mouth, &c. Quoted in Rom. 8. 14.

8 the poor=a weak one. Heb. *hēlekāh*.

11 GOD. Heb. *El*. Ap. 4. IV.

forgotten. Cp. v. 12, and 9. 12, 17, 18.

never see it. Cp. v. 14 and 9. 18.

12 Arise. Cp. 9. 19.

the humble=the humble ones. Cp. v. 17, and 9. 12, 18.

13 Wherefore...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

require it=investigate.

14 Thou hast seen. Cp. v. 11.

15 the evil=an evil one. Heb. *rā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii.

16 The LORD, &c. Quoted in Rev. 11. 15.

for ever and ever. Cp. 9. 5.

heathen=nations. Cp. 9. 5, 15.

17 heard... prepare... cause. Fig. *Anabasis*. Ap. 6. prepare=establish.

ear. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

18 oppressed. Cp. 9. 9.

the man. Heb. *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

the man of the earth. Spoken of above as the "lawless one". To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.

11 (K, p. 721). PRAYER IN VIEW OF PSALMS 9 and 10. (Introversion.)

K | L | 1. Trust in Jehovah. Defender of the righteous.

M | 2. The lawless. Violence manifested.

N | 3. The righteous. Tried.

O | 4-. Jehovah's temple and throne in heaven.

O | -4. Jehovah's eyes and eyelids on earth.

N | 5-. The righteous. Tried.

M | -5, 6. The lawless. Violence revenged.

L | 7. Trust in Jehovah. Lover of the righteous.

Title. A Psalm. See Ap. 65. XVII.

1 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

put I my trust=I have fled for refuge. Heb. *ḥaṣāh*. See Ap. 69. II.

my soul=me (for emphasis). Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. as. The Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg. read this "as" (or "like") in the text.

2 the wicked=the lawless ones. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x. privily=in the darkness.

the upright=upright ones.

3 the foundations: *hashshāthōth*=settled order of truth or institutions; not the roof or walls. the=a. do. Notsay or think, but lawfully and effectually "do".

4 eyes... eyelids. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

children=sons.

men. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

That they may ^oprivily shoot at ^othe upright in heart.

3 If ^othe foundations be destroyed,
What can ^othe righteous ^odo?

4 ¹The LORD is in His holy temple,
¹The LORD'S throne is in heaven:

His ^oeyes behold, His ^oeyelids try, the ^ochildren of ^omen.

5 ¹The LORD trieth ° the righteous :

But the ²wicked and him that loveth violence ° His soul hateth.

6 Upon the ²wicked He shall rain snares, Fire and brimstone, and an horrible ° tempest: *this shall be the portion of their cup.*

7 For the righteous ¹LORD loveth righteousness ;
° His countenance ° doth behold ° the upright.
° To the chief Musician ° upon Sheminith.

12

° A Psalm of David.

1 ° Help, ° LORD; for the ° godly man ° ceaseth ;
For the ° faithful fail from among the ° children of men.

2 ° They speak vanity every one with his neighbour :
With flattering lips and with a ° double heart do they speak.

3 ¹The LORD shall cut off all flattering lips, and ° The tongue that speaketh proud things :

4 Who have said, ° "With our tongue will we prevail ;
Our lips are our own: who is lord over us ?"

5 "For the oppression of the ° poor, for the sighing of the needy,
Now will I arise," ° saith ¹the LORD ;

"I will set *him* in safety ° from *him that* puffeth at ° him."

6 The ° words of ¹the LORD are pure ° words :
As ° silver tried in a ° furnace ° of ° earth,
° Purified seven times.

7 Thou shalt keep ° them, O ¹LORD,
Thou shalt preserve ° them from this generation for ever.

8 The ° wicked walk on every side,
When the vilest ° men are exalted.

° To the chief Musician.

13

° A Psalm of David.

1 ° How long wilt Thou ° forget me, O ° LORD ?
for ever ?

How long wilt Thou hide Thy ° face from me ?
2 How long shall I take counsel in ° my soul,
Having sorrow in my heart daily ?

How long shall mine enemy be exalted over me ?

3 Consider *and* ° hear me, O ¹LORD my ° God :
° Lighten mine eyes, lest I ° sleep the *sleep* of death ;

4 Lest mine enemy say, "I have prevailed against him ;"
And those that trouble me rejoice when I am moved.

1 How long . . . ? = Until when ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Four times repeated is the Fig. *Anaphora*. Ap. 6. forget . . . face. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. See 9, 12, 17, 18, and 10, 11, 12. LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. **2** my soul = myself (emph.). Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. **3** hear = answer. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. Lighten mine eyes = Revive me. sleep the sleep of death = sleep my last sleep. Heb. Fig. *Polyptōton*. Ap. 6.

5 the righteous = a righteous one.

His soul = He (emphatic). Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

6 tempest = blast. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

7 His countenance doth behold the upright = An upright one shall gaze upon His face. One of the emendations of the *Sopherim*. See Ap. 33, and note on Ex. 34. 20. To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64. upon Sheminith = the *Sheminith*. See Ap. 65. XIX.

12 (L, p. 721). THE VANITY OF MAN.

(Introversion and Alternation.)

L | P | 1. Decrease of the godly and faithful.

Q | r | 2. Man's words.

s | 3, 4. The speakers. "Cut off."

R | 5-. The oppression of the humble.

R | -5. Deliverance from the oppression.

Q | r | 6. Jehovah's words.

s | 7. The hearers. "Preserved."

P | 8. Increase of the lawless and vile.

Title. A Psalm. See Ap. 65. XVII.

1 Help = Save. LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. godly man = "gracious [man]".

ceaseth = is no more. Cp. Isa. 57. 1. Mic. 7. 2.

faithful. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, put for faithful men.

children of men = sons of men. (Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I.)

2 They speak. Man's words contrasted with Jehovah's words. Cp. v. 6, and see Structure above.

double = deceitful. Heb. "a heart and a heart". Cp. 1 Chron. 12. 33.

3 The tongue, &c. Quoted in Jas. 3. 5.

4 With our tongue will we prevail = Thanks to our tongue, we will prevail.

5 poor = wretched. Heb. *ānī*. See note on Prov. 6. 11. saith the LORD = let Jehovah say.

from him that puffeth at him = let him [the oppressed] despise it [the oppression]. him = it : i. e. the oppression.

6 words = the spoken words, sayings, or utterances. Cp. 119. 38. silver tried : i. e. pure silver.

furnace = crucible. Put a full stop after this word. of = to, or pertaining to (referring to the "words"). The letter lamed (ל = L) is the sign of the Dative case, not the Genitive.

earth. Heb. *ereṣ* (the earth), not *ādāmāh* (the ground) : i. e. "words for, or pertaining to the earth", but purified seven times : i. e. with spiritual perfection (see Ap. 10). Some are used with a higher meaning ; some in a different sense. Verse 6 is an alternation.

Purified. The verb is sing., agreeing with silver. Cp. "u", and "u".

r | t | The words of Jehovah are pure words.

u | As silver tried in a furnace :

t | [Words] pertaining to the earth :

u | Purified seven times.

7 them : i. e. the godly. Pl. ref. to "the faithful" of v. 1. them = him : refers to the man of grace (v. 1).

8 wicked = lawless. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

men : i. e. the sons of Adam, as in v. 1, "P".

To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.

13 (K, p. 721). PRAYER IN VIEW OF PSALMS 9, 10. (Division.)

K | S¹ | 1-4. Prayer.

S² | 5, 6. Praise.

1-4 (S¹, above). PRAYER.

S¹ | t | 1, 2-. For himself.

u | -2. Against the enemy.

t | 3. For himself.

u | 4. Against the enemy.

Title. A Psalm. See Ap. 65. XVII.

1 How long . . . ? = Until when ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Four times repeated is the Fig. *Anaphora*. Ap. 6. forget . . . face. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. See 9, 12, 17, 18, and 10, 11, 12. LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. **2** my soul = myself (emph.). Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. **3** hear = answer. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. Lighten mine eyes = Revive me. sleep the sleep of death = sleep my last sleep. Heb. Fig. *Polyptōton*. Ap. 6.

S² v
(p. 73²)
w
v
v

5 But I have °trusted in Thy °mercy;
My heart shall rejoice in Thy salvation.
6 I will sing unto ¹ the LORD,
Because He hath °dealt bountifully with me.
°To the chief Musician.

14

A Psalm of David.

L x¹
(p. 73²)

1 °The fool hath said in his heart, "There
is °no °GOD*."
They are corrupt, they have done abominable works,
°There is none that °doeth good.

y¹

2 °The LORD °looked down from heaven
upon the °children of °men,
°To see if there were any that did understand,
And seek °GOD*.

x²

3 They are °all gone aside, they are all
together become °filthy:
There is none that doeth good, no, not one.

y²

4 Have all the workers of °iniquity no knowledge?
Who °eat up My People as they eat bread,
And call not upon ² the LORD.

x³

5 There °were they in great fear:
For °GOD* is in the °generation of the
°righteous.

y³

6 Ye have shamed the counsel of the °poor,
Because ² the LORD is his refuge.
7 °Oh that the salvation of °Israel were
come out of °Zion!
When ² the LORD °bringeth back the captivity
of His people,
°Jacob shall rejoice, and °Israel shall be glad.

15

°A Psalm of David.

H T
(p. 73²)

1 °LORD, who shall abide in Thy °tabernacle?
Who shall °dwell in Thy °holy hill?

U. a

2 He that °walketh °uprightly, and °worketh
righteousness,
And °speaketh the °truth in his heart.

b

3 °He that backbiteth not with his tongue,
Nor doeth °evil to his °neighbour,
Nor °taketh up a reproach against his
neighbour.

U a

4 In whose eyes a vile person is contemned;
But he honoureth them that fear ¹ the LORD.

b

He that sweareth °to his own hurt, and
changeth not.

T

5 He that putteth not out his money to °usury,
Nor taketh °reward against the innocent.
He that doeth these things shall °never
be moved.

Title. A Psalm. See Ap. 65. XVII.

1 LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. tabernacle = tent: i. e. dwelling, or home. Some codices, with one early printed edition, read "tents"; pl. of majesty = Thy heavenly home. See Ap. 40. 3. dwell = abide continually. Fig. Anabasis. Ap. 6. holy hill = holy mountain: i. e. Mount Zion; the type of the heavenly kingdom. 2 walketh = walketh habitually. walketh . . . worketh . . . speaketh. Note Fig. Anabasis. Ap. 6. uprightly = without blame. truth. First occ. in the Psalms. 3 He that = that never hath. So in the following two lines. evil. Heb. *ra'a'*. Ap. 44. viii. neighbour = friend. taketh up = receiveth. 4 to his own hurt. Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "to his neighbour". 5 usury. Cp. Ex. 22. 25. Lev. 25. 36, 37. Deut. 23. 19, 20. reward = bribery. Cp. Ex. 23. 8. Deut. 27. 25. never be moved. See v. 1. Contrast 9. 15, 17, and cp. Matt. 7. 24-27. Pss. 16. 8; 125. 1.

13. 5, 6 (S², p. 731). PRAISE. (Introversion.)

S² v | 5-. Past.
w | -5. Future.
w | 6-. Future.
v | -6. Past.

5 trusted = confided. Heb. *batāh*. Ap. 69. I.
mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.

6 dealt bountifully with = compensated.
To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.

14 (L, p. 721). THE DEPRAVITY OF MAN.
(Repeated Alternation.)

L x¹ | 1. The lawless. Their words.
y¹ | 2. Jehovah. His inspection.
x² | 3. The lawless. Their deeds.
y² | 4. Jehovah. His expostulation.
x³ | 5, 6. The lawless. Their feelings.
y³ | 7. Jehovah. His interposition.

1 The fool: i. e. the impious man. Cp. 10. 4; 53. 1.
no -- no sign of a.

GOD*. The primitive text was "Jehovah" (Ap. 4. II), but the *Sopherim* say that they altered it to El (Ap. 4. IV). So vv. 2 and 5. See Ap. 32.

There is, &c. Quoted in Rom. 3. 10-12 with other scriptures.

doeth good. The Sept. adds "no not one". This completes the Fig. *Epanadiplosis* with v. 3 (Ap. 6).

2 The LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. Fig. *Epanadiplosis* (Ap. 6). The verse beginning and ending with "Jehovah" (see note on "God", v. 1). Psalm not for public use: but for David's private use.

looked . . . To see. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. children -- sons. men. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

3 all = the whole mass. Cp. "No, not one", Rom. 3. 10-12. filthy = corrupt.

4 iniquity. Heb. *'āven*. Ap. 44. iii.

eat up My People. Cp. Jer. 10. 25. Amos 8. 4. Mic. 3. 3. Between vv. 3 and 4 the Sept., Syr., and Vulg. insert four verses; three are retained in P.B.V. Probably an ancient marginal note which found its way into a MS.

5 were they in great fear. Fig. *Polyptoton*. Ap. 6. Heb. they feared a fear.

generation = circle. Heb. *dōr*, company, or class. righteous = righteous man.

6 poor = an oppressed one. Cp. Pss. 9 and 10.

7 Oh . . . ! Fig. *Epiphonēma*. Ap. 6. Zion. See Ap. 68. bringeth back the captivity. Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). See note on Deut. 30. 3.

Jacob . . . Israel. On these names, see notes on Gen. 32. 28; 43. 6; 45. 26, 28.

15 (H, p. 721). THE PERFECT MAN.
(Introversion and Alternation.)

H T | 1. His eternal abiding. Question.
U a | 2. Positive.
b | 3. Negative
U a | 4-. Positive.
b | -4, 5-. Negative. } Answers.
T | -5. His eternal abiding. Question.

The Structure is due to the Fig. *Synezeugmenon* (see *Zeugma*, Ap. 6), by which all the statements are yoked on together to one verb at the end instead of each having its own verb. For scope of Ps. 15 see the Structure of A², p. 721. Note contrasts with Ps. 12.

This Psalm forms the text of the Sermon on the Mount (Matt. 5-7). See Ap. 70. The theology pertains to the Kingdom, not to the Church of God. Not true of this present Dispensation. See Ap. 63. IX.

16

° Michtam ° of ° David.

P V¹ c
(p. 733)1 ° Preserve me, O ° GOD: for in Thee do I
° put my trust.

d

2 O my soul, ° thou hast said unto ° the
LORD, "Thou art my ° LORD*:

e

° My goodness *extendeth* not to Thee;3 ° But to the ° saints that are ° in the earth,
And ° to the excellent, ° in whom is all
° my delight."

e

4 Their sorrows shall be multiplied *that*
hasten *after* another god:Their drink offerings of blood will I not
offer,

Nor take up ° their names into my lips.

d

5 ° The LORD is the ° portion of mine inherit-
ance and of my cup:

Thou ° maintainest my ° lot.

6 The ° lines are fallen unto me in pleasant
places;

Yea, I have a goodly heritage.

c

7 I will bless ° the LORD, Who hath given me
counsel:My ° reins also ° instruct me in the night
seasons.V² f8 ° I have set ° the LORD always before me:
Because *He is* at my right hand, I shall
° not be moved.

g

9 Therefore ° my heart is glad, and my
° glory rejoiceth:

° My flesh also shall rest in hope.

g

10 For ° Thou wilt not leave ° my soul in ° hell;
Neither wilt Thou ° suffer Thine ° Holy One
to ° see ° corruption.

f

11 Thou wilt shew me ° the path of life:

In Thy presence is fulness of joy;

At ° Thy right hand *there are* pleasures for
evermore.

17

A ° Prayer of David.

Q W m
(p. 734)1 ° Hear the ° right, O ° LORD, ° attend unto
my cry,° Give ° ear unto my prayer, *that goeth* not
out of ° feigned lips.2 ° Let my sentence come forth from Thy
presence;Let Thine eyes behold the things that
are equal.

n

3 Thou hast proved mine heart; Thou hast
visited *me* in the night;Thou hast tried me, *and* shalt ° find no-
thing;I am purposed *that* my mouth shall not
° transgress.

see=experience, or know.

path of life. Refers to *Ascension*.

corruption. Showing that it is the body that is referred to.

Thy right hand. Cp. v. 8, and see Structure above ("f" and "f").

17 [For Structure see next page].

Title. Prayer. Heb. *T^ophillah*. One of five Psalms so called (17; 86; 90; 102; 142). See Ap. 63. It is
a prayer of Messiah, the true David; in view of Ps. 16. 6-11, cp. 17. 15.Give ear. Fig. *Anabasis*. Ap. 6. right=righteousness. Cp. v. 15, and Structure. LORD. Heb.
Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. ear. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. Cp. vv. 2, eyes; 7, hand; 8, wings; 15, face.

feigned=guileless.

eyes will discern upright ones.

transgress. Heb. *'abar*. Ap. 44. vii.

2 Let my sentence, &c.=From thy presence my judgment will come: Thine

3 find nothing. None but Christ could say this. See John 14. 30.

16-41 (A³, p. 721). "THE MAN CHRIST JESUS".16 (P, p. 721). TAKING HIS PLACE OF SUFFER-
ING. (*Division*.)P V¹ 1-7. David speaketh to Jehovah and to the
saints.V² 8-11. "David speaketh concerning" Messiah
(Acts 2. 25-28).1-7 (V¹, above). HIMSELF. HIS TRUST.(*Introversion*.)

V ¹ c	1. Prayer. For preservation.	David
d	2-. My Adonai. My good.	to
e	-2, 3. The saints.	Jehovah.
e	4. The apostates.	David
d	5, 6. My portion. My heritage.	to
c	7. Praise. For counsel.	saints.

Title. Michtam. See Ap. 65. XII.

of=relating to.

David. And therefore refers to David's Son, and
David's Lord, as do all the Davidic Psalms.

1 Preserve. Cp. Heb. 5. 7-9.

GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

put my trust=flee for refuge. Heb. *hāṣāh*. Ap. 69. II.2 thou hast said. Some codices, with two early
printed editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "I said",
in which case there is no Ellipsis, and "O my soul"
should be omitted.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

LORD*. One of the 134 places where the *Sopherim*
changed Jehovah (of the primitive text) to Adonai
(Ap. 32).

My goodness, &c.=I have no good beyond Thee.

3 But to=As for.

saints=holy (or separated) ones. See note on Ex. 3. 5.
in the earth=in His own Land.

to. Omit "to", in whom=in them.

my: or, His: i.e. Jehovah's. So the Sept.

4 their names: i.e. the names of their gods.

5 portion. Note the four things: portion (v. 5);
path, presence, pleasures (v. 11).

maintainest=wilt maintain.

lot. } Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for

6 lines. } the land thus allotted by it.

7 reins. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6,
for thoughts.

instruct-will instruct.

16. 8-11 (V², above). HIS MISSION AND WORK.
(*Introversion*.)V² f | 8. Jehovah at My right hand. (Life.)

g | 9. Rest in hope. Positive. (Death.)

g | 10. Not left in Sheōl. Negative. (Resurrection.)

f | 11. I at His right hand. (Ascension.)

8 I have set, &c. Quoted in Acts 2. 25-28; 13. 35.
not be moved. Cp. 15. 5.9 my heart=I myself, like "my soul". Fig. *Synec-
doche* (of Part). Ap. 6.glory. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6, for
the powers of the mind which give the glory.

My flesh also shall rest. Refers to Messiah's death.

10 Thou wilt not leave, &c. Refers to the Resurrection.

my soul=me. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.hell=the grave. Heb. *Sheōl*. Ap. 35.

suffer=give, or allow.

Holy One, or Thy beloved: i.e. Christ the Messiah
(Acts 2. 27). See note on 52. 9.

4 Concerning the works of °men, by the word of Thy lips
 3 have °kept me from the paths of °the destroyer.

5 Hold up my goings in Thy °paths,
 That my footsteps slip not.

6 3 have called upon Thee, for Thou wilt °hear me, O °GOD:
 Incline Thine °ear unto me, and hear my speech.

7 Shew Thy marvellous lovingkindness, O Thou That savest by Thy right hand them which °put their trust in Thee From those that rise up against them.

8 Keep me °as the °apple of the °eye,
 °Hide me under the shadow of Thy °wings,

9 From °the wicked that oppress me,
 From °my deadly enemies, who compass me about.

10 They are inclosed in their own fat:
 With their mouth they speak proudly.

11 They have now compassed us in our °steps:
 They have set their eyes bowing down to the earth;

12 Like as a lion that is greedy of his prey,
 And as it were a young lion lurking in secret places.

13 Arise, O °LORD,
 °Disappoint him, cast him down:

Deliver °my soul from °the wicked, which is Thy °sword:

14 From °men which are Thy °hand, O °LORD,

From °men of the °world, which have their portion in this life,
 And whose belly Thou fillest with Thy °hid treasure:
 °They are °full of °children,
 And leave the rest of their substance to their babes.

15 As for me, °I will behold Thy °face in righteousness:
 I shall be °satisfied, °when I awake, with °Thy likeness.

°To the chief Musician.

18 A Psalm of °David °the servant of °the LORD, who spake unto °the LORD the words of this °song °in the day that °the LORD °delivered him from the °hand of all his enemies, and from the hand of Saul: And he said,

1 °I will love Thee, O °LORD, my °strength.

2 °The LORD is my °rock, and my °fortress, and my deliverer;

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. song. Heb. *shirāh*. See Ap. 65. xxiv. in the day. Cp. 2 Sam. 22, and Ap. 18. delivered, &c. Cp. Luke 1. 74. hand=paw. 1 I will love Thee=Fervently do I love Thee. Heb. *raham*, to yearn over. This verse was added by David when the Psalm was handed over to the chief Musician (sub-script, and Ap. 64) for use in public worship. LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. strength. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6, for the source of all strength. Heb. *ḥazak*, strength (for holding fast); not the same word as vv. 2, 17, 17, 32, 39. 2 rock=fortress. Heb. *ḡela'*. See notes on Deut. 32. 13, and Ex. 17. 6. Note the Figs. *Anthropopatheia* and *Exergasia*. Ap. 6. fortress=mountain stronghold. Heb. *mēḡad*.

17 (Q, p. 721). PRAYER IN VIEW OF PSALM 16. (*Introversion and Repeated Alternation*.)

Q W | 1-6. I (°ānī) = As for me. The righteous sufferer.
 X | i | 7, 8. Prayer for deliverance.
 k | 9. From enemies.
 l | 10, 11. Description of them.
 Y | 12-. Comparison. Lion.
 Y | -12. Comparison. Young lion.
 X | i | 13-. Prayer for deliverance.
 k | -13, 14-. From enemies.
 l | -14. Description of them.
 W | 15. I (°ānī) = As for me). The righteous sufferer.

1-6 (W, above). THE RIGHTEOUS SUFFERER. (*Introversion*.)

W | m | 1, 2. Prayer. "Hear me". ("Thine eyes").
 n | 3, 4. Purpose. Mouth not transgress.
 n | 5. Purpose. Footsteps not slip.
 m | 6. Prayer. "Hear me". ("Thine ear").

4 men. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I. kept me from = I have marked. the destroyer = the oppressor, or violent one. Only here in the Psalms. 5 paths = tracks, or ruts.

6 hear = answer. See Structure, above. GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

7 put their trust = flee for refuge. Heb. *ḥāṣah*. Ap. 69. II. 8 as. Fig. *Simile*. Ap. 6.

apple...eye...wings. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. Hide = Thou wilt hide.

9 the wicked = the lawless ones. my deadly enemies = the foes of my soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

11 steps = ways, or goings, as in v. 5.

13 Disappoint = anticipate.

my soul = me myself. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

the wicked = a lawless one. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

sword. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

14 men. Heb. *mēthim*. Ap. 14. V.

hand. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. See note on "ear", v. 1.

world. Heb. *ḥeled*. The world as being transitory. See longer note on 49. 1.

hid. Fig. *Antimerēia* (Ap. 6). Act. Part. put for Noun. Heb. thy hid = thy hidden, or secret thing.

They are = Let them be.

full = satisfied with. Cp. v. 15. children = sons.

15 I will behold Thy face. See note on Ex. 23. 15; 34. 20.

face. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. Cp. v. 1, and see note on Ex. 23. 15; 34. 20.

satisfied = full, as in v. 14.

when I awake = when I awake from the sleep of death in resurrection. This prayer is in view of 16. 9-11. Resurrection of the body is the true inheritance.

Thy likeness = Thine appearing, or a vision of Thee. Cp. 1 John 3. 2.

To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.

18 [For Structure see next page].

Title. David. Like all Psalms of David, it finds its fulfilment in the true David. See the Structure of this book (A³, p. 721). Cp. 18. 4, 5 with 17. 9. It is placed, as first written, in 2 Sam. 22; but it is edited and placed here to find its true relation to other Psalms. Why should not David have the right claimed by all other writers? to say nothing of the Holy Spirit's right to do as He pleases and wills. It was edited for its place here, when it was handed over "to the chief Musician". See the sub-script, and Ap. 64.

the servant. Cp. Isa. 42. 1; 49. 6; 52. 13.

song. Heb. *shirāh*. See Ap. 65. xxiv. in the day. Cp.

2 Sam. 22, and Ap. 18. delivered, &c. Cp. Luke 1. 74. hand=paw. 1 I will love Thee =

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B F¹ m
(P. 735)

° My GOD, my ° strength, in Whom I will
° trust;
My ° buckler, and ° the horn of my salva-
tion, and my high tower.

n

3 I will call upon ° the LORD, Who is
° worthy to be praised:
So shall I be ° saved from mine enemies.

n

4 The ° sorrows of death compassed me,
And the floods of ° ungodly men made me
afraid.

m

5 The ° sorrows of ° hell compassed me about:
The ° snares of death ° prevented me.

F² o

6 In my distress I called upon ° the LORD,
And ° cried unto my ° God:
He heard my voice out of His ° temple,
And my cry came before Him, even into
His ° ears.

p

7 Then the earth ° shook and ° trembled;
The foundations also of the ° hills moved
And were ° shaken, because He was wroth.

q

8 There went up a smoke ° out of His ° nos-
trils,
And fire out of His ° mouth devoured:
Coals were kindled by it.

r

9 He bowed the heavens also, and came
down:
And ° darkness was under His ° feet.

r

10 And He ° rode upon a ° cherub, and did
° fly:

q

Yea, He did ° fly upon the wings of the
° wind.

p

11 He made ° darkness His secret place; His
pavilion round about Him
Were ° dark waters and thick clouds of the
skies.

o

12 At the brightness that was before Him
His thick clouds passed,
Hail stones and coals of fire.

F³ s

13 ° The LORD also thundered ° in the hea-
vens,
And the ° HIGHEST gave His voice;
Hail stones and coals of fire.

14 Yea, He sent out His arrows, and scat-
tered them;
And He shot out lightnings, and discom-
fited them.

15 Then the ° channels of waters were seen,
And the foundations of the ° world were
discovered

At Thy rebuke, O ° LORD,
At the ° blast of the ° breath of Thy ° nos-
trils.

16 He sent from above, He took me,
He drew me out of ° many waters.

11 darkness . . . dark. Heb. *hāshak*. See notes on Job 3. 6.

Sept., and Vulg., read "from" (2 Sam. 22. 14).

Heb. *'āphikim*. See note on 2 Sam. 22. 16.

blast. Heb. *n'shamah*. Ap. 16. breath. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

13 in. Some codices, with Aram.,

HIGHEST. Heb. *Elyōn*. Ap. 4. VI.

world. Heb. *tēbēl* = the habitable world. Gr. *oikoumenē*.

15 channels.

cherub. See Ap. 41.

wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

16 many waters. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for troubles.

18 (R, p. 721). ANSWER TO PRAYER. (Introversion.)

R | A | D | 1. Jehovah spoken to. Love.
E | 2. Jehovah spoken of. Deliverer.
B | 3-19. Enemies. Deliverance from.
C | 20-24. Equity of Jehovah's dealings.
Me.
C | 25-27. Equity of Jehovah's dealings.
Others.
B | 28-48. Enemies. Victory over.
A | D | 49. Jehovah spoken to. Praise.
E | 50. Jehovah spoken of. Deliverer.

2 My GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.
strength = rock (in original situation): hence, refuge.
Heb. *gār*. See Deut. 32. 13; not same as vv. 17, 32, 39.
trust = flee for refuge. See Ap. 69. II.
buckler = shield. Heb. *māgēn*, as in v. 30 and Ps. 5. 12.
the horn, &c. Quoted in Luke 1. 69.

3-19 (B, above). ENEMIES. DELIVERANCE FROM. (Division.)

B | F¹ | 3-6. David's call for deliverance.
F² | 7-15. Deliverance effected.
F³ | 16-19. Jehovah the deliverer.

3-6 (F¹, above). DAVID'S CALL FOR DELIVER- ANCE. (Introversion.)

F¹ | m | 3. David's call and confidence.
n | 4. Compassed by enemies. } Cp. t and t, v. 18.
n | 5. Compassed by danger. }
m | 6. David's call and answer.

3 worthy to be praised. Fig. *Antimereia*. Ap. 6,
Pass. Part. put for Adj. Heb. the praised One.

So shall I, &c. Quoted in Luke 1. 71.

saved = delivered (in the widest sense). Heb. *yasha'*.

4 sorrows = meshes, or snares (Heb. *hēbel*). Not bodily

pains. ungodly men = Belial.

5 hell = the grave. Heb. *Sheōl*. Ap. 35.

snares. Heb. *yākash* = noose, or snare.

prevented = were beforehand with, or confronted.

6 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

temple = palace. Put for heaven itself.

cried . . . ears. See note on v. 41.

7-15 (F², above). DELIVERANCE EFFECTED. (Introversion.)

F² | o | 7. Wonders on earth.
p | 8. Fire from heaven.
q | 9. Darkness in the heavens.
r | 10-. Jehovah's speedy succour.
r | -10. Jehovah's speedy succour.
q | 11. Darkness in the heavens.
p | 12-14. Fire from heaven.
o | 15. Wonders on earth.

7 shook . . . trembled . . . shaken. Fig. *Parono-*
masia. Ap. 6. Heb. *vattig'ash*, *vattir'ash*. Eng. =

"shaked . . . quaked and shaked", or "rocked and

reeled". hills = mountains.

8 out of = into.

nostrils . . . mouth. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

9 darkness. Heb. *'ārāphēl*. See note on Job 3. 6.

10 rode . . . fly. } Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

cherub. See Ap. 41.

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16-19 (F³, above). JEHOVAH THE DELIVERER. (Introversion.)

F³ | s | 16, 17-. Jehovah's deliverance.
t | -17. Compassed by enemies. } Cp. n and n, vv. 4, 5.
t | 18-. Compassed by enemies. }
s | -18, 19. Jehovah's deliverance.

17 He delivered me from my °strong enemy,
And from them which hated me:

For they were too °strong for me.

18 They °prevented me in the day of my
calamity:

But °the LORD was my stay.

19 He brought me forth also into a large
place;

He delivered me, °because He delighted in
me.

20 °The LORD rewarded me according to my
righteousness;

According to the cleanness of my hands
hath He recompensed me.

21 For I have kept the ways of °the LORD,
And have not wickedly departed from my
°God.

22 For all His judgments were before me,
And I did not put away His statutes from
me.

23 I was also upright °before Him,
And I kept myself from °mine iniquity.

24 Therefore hath °the LORD recompensed
me according to my righteousness,
According to the cleanness of my hands in
His eyesight.

25 With the °merciful Thou wilt shew Thy-
self merciful;

With an upright °man Thou wilt shew
Thyself upright;

26 With the pure Thou wilt shew Thyself pure;
°And with °the froward Thou wilt shew
Thyself °froward.

27 For Thou wilt °save the afflicted people;
But wilt bring down high looks.

28 For Thou wilt light my °candle:

°The LORD my °God will enlighten my
°darkness.

29 For by Thee I have °run through a troop;
And by my °God have I leaped over a wall.

30 As for °GOD, His way is perfect:

The °word of °the LORD is °tried:

He is a °buckler to all those that °trust in
Him.

31 For who is °GOD save °the LORD?
Or who is a °rock save our °God?

32 It is °GOD That girdeth me with °strength,
And maketh my way perfect.

33 He maketh my feet like hinds' feet,
And setteth me upon °my high places.

34 He teacheth my hands to war,
So that a bow of steel is °broken by mine
arms.

35 Thou hast also given me the °shield of Thy
salvation:

And Thy right hand hath holden me up,
And Thy °gentleness hath made me great.

36 Thou hast enlarged my steps under me,
That my feet did not slip.

37 I have °pursued mine enemies, and °over-
taken them:

Neither did I turn again till they were °con-
sumed.

38 I have °wounded them that they were not
able to rise:

They are °fallen under my feet.

39 For Thou hast girded me with °strength
unto the battle:

17 strong=strong (for might). Heb. 'āzaz. Not
same word as vv. 1, 2, 32, 39.

strong=strong (for activity). Heb. 'āmaz. Not same
word as vv. 1, 2, 32, 39.

19 because, &c. This is the one ground of blessing.
See note on Num. 14. 8, and 2 Sam. 15. 25, 26.

23 before=with.
mine iniquity. Some codices read "the wicked".

Heb. 'āvāh. Ap. 44. iv. 25 merciful=gracious.

With. Some codices, with two early printed editions,
Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "And with".

man=strong man. Heb. geber. Ap. 14. IV.

26 the froward=the perverse. Heb. 'ikēsh.
froward=a wrestler, or contender.

18. 28-48 (B, p. 735). ENEMIES. VICTORY OVER. (Extended Alternation.)

B u | 28-31. Help. General.

v | 32-39-. Vengeance on enemies.

w | -39-42. Subjugation of enemies.

x | 43-45. Deliverance.

u | 46. Help. General.

v | 47-. Vengeance on enemies.

w | -47. Subjugation of enemies.

x | 48. Deliverance.

28 candle=lamp. Used to-day, in the East, more for
comfort than light. 29 run=broken through.

30 GOD. Heb.=the El. Ap. 4. IV.

word=sayings, as in Pss. 12. 6 (fem. pl.); 19. 14 (masc.
pl.) (not v. 4); 119. 11 (see note there), &c.

tried=refined. Cp. Ps. 12. 6.

trust in= flee for refuge to. Heb. ḥaṣah. Ap. 69. II.

31 GOD. Heb. Eloah. Ap. 4. V.

rock. Heb. ṣur. See notes on Ex. 17. 6; 32. 13.

save=except.

32 strength=might (for valour). Heb. ḥil. Not the
same as vv. 1, 2, 17, 17.

33 my. Ginsburg thinks this should be omitted.

34 broken=bent.

35 shield. Heb. māḡēn, rendered "buckler", v. 2.
See note on Ps. 5. 12. gentleness=condescension.

37, 38 pursued... overtaken... consumed...
wounded... fallen. Fig. Anabasis. Ap. 6. The
tenses may be future, and prophetic.

41 cried... save. Fig. Paronomasia. Ap. 6. Heb.
yēshavv'ū... mōshia'. May be represented in Eng.
"they cried with fear, but none gave ear."

42 wind. Heb. rûach. Ap. 9.

cast them out: or scatter them. Some codices, with
Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "crush". Cp. 2 Sam.
22. 43. 43 heathen=nations, or Gentile peoples.

44 strangers=sons of the foreigner.

submit=come cringing.

Thou hast subdued under me those that
rose up against me.

40 Thou hast also given me the necks of mine
enemies;

That I might destroy them that hate me.

41 They °cried, but there was none to °save
them:

Even unto °the LORD, but He answered
them not.

42 Then did I beat them small as the dust
before the °wind:

I did °cast them out as the dirt in the streets.

43 Thou hast delivered me from the strivings
of the People;

And Thou hast made me the head of the
°heathen:

A People whom I have not known shall
serve me.

44 As soon as they hear of me, they shall
obey me:

The °strangers shall °submit themselves
unto me.

45 The "strangers shall fade away,
And ° be afraid out of their close places.

(p. 735) 46¹ The LORD liveth; and blessed be my rock;
And let the ° God of my salvation be exalted.

47 It is ° GOD That avengeth me,
And subdueth the People under me.

48 He delivereth me from mine enemies:
Yea, Thou liftest me up above those that
rise up against me:
Thou hast delivered me from the violent
° man.

A D (p. 735) 49 ° Therefore will I give thanks unto Thee,
O ° LORD, among the ° heathen,
And sing praises unto Thy name.

E 50 Great deliverance giveth He to His king;
And sheweth mercy to His ° ANOINTED,
To David, and to his seed for evermore.
° To the chief Musician.

19

° A Psalm of David.

S G H a (p. 737) 1 The heavens ° declare the glory of ° GOD;
And the ° firmament ° sheweth His handy-
work.

b 2 ° Day unto day ° uttereth ° speech,
And night ° unto night sheweth ° know-
ledge.

c 3 There is no ° speech nor ° language,
° Where their ° voice is not heard.

l 4 ° Their ° line is gone out through all the
° earth, and their ° words to the end of
the ° world.

J a In them hath He set a ° tabernacle for the
sun,

5 ° Which is as a bridegroom coming out of
his ° chamber,
° And rejoiceth as a ° strong man to run a
race.

6 His going forth is from the end of the
heaven,
And his circuit unto the ends of it:
And there is nothing hid from the heat
thereof.

G II 7 The ° law of ° the LORD is ° perfect, ° con-
verting ° the soul:
The ° testimony of ° the LORD is ° sure,
making wise the simple.

8 The ° statutes of ° the LORD are ° right, re-
joicing the heart:
The commandment of ° the LORD is pure,
° enlightening the eyes.

45 be afraid = come trembling.

48 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

49 Therefore, &c. Quoted in Rom. 15. 9.

50 Anointed = Messiah. Looking beyond David, to
David's Son and David's Lord.

To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64. The changes
from 2 Sam. 22 were made when David handed the
Psalm over for general use in public worship.

19 (S, p. 721). ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF CHRIST'S
GLORY IN CREATION, AND REVELATION.

S | G | H | 1-4. The heavens. The word written there:
(eight lines).
J | -4-6. In them (bāhem) the sun (six lines).
G | H | 7-10. The Scriptures. The word written
therein (eight lines).
J | 11-14. In them (bāhem) Thy servant (six
lines).

The position of this Psalm in the Structure (p. 721)
shows that it corresponds with "S", Ps. 29, with its
two answering parts, the "Glory" and the "Voice" of
Jehovah.

The verbs in the first part (1-6) are literary, and in
the second part astronomical, thus interlacing and
uniting the two parts in one whole.

Title. A Psalm of David. One Psalm: one whole,
not two odd scraps strung together by some late "re-
dactor". See Ap. 65. XVII.

1-6 (G, above). THE HEAVENS.
(Introversion.)

G | a | 1. The heavens.
b | 2. Their testimony. Incessant. (Pos.)
c | 3. Their words. Inaudible. (Neg.)
b | 4. Their testimony. Universal. (Pos.)
a | -4-6. The heavens.

1 declare = rehearse (the Piel part, implying repeti-
tion. Cp. 71. 15. Gen. 24. 66. Fig. *Prosopopæia*. Ap. 6.
GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.
firmament = expanse.

sheweth = is setting forth. Cp. first occurrence (Gen.
3. 11. Pss. 97. 6; 111. 6).

2 Day unto day = Day after day.

uttereth = constantly poureth forth. Heb. *nāba'*, to
tell forth, or prophesy.

speech = speaking. See note on 18. 30.

unto = after.

knowledge = intelligence, information.

3 language = words.

Where. Omit this word. There is no *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6).
voice = sound: i. e. "their voice is not heard"

4 Their, &c. Quoted in Rom. 10. 18.

line = inheritance. Heb. measuring, or allotting line.
Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for inheritance.

Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "voice". So Rom. 10. 18,
thus connecting the written word. See note on v. 7.

earth. Heb. *'erez* = the earth (as created).

words = sayings, or teachings. See note on 18. 30.

world. Heb. *tēbēl* = the world (as inhabited). Gr.
oikoumenē.

tabernacle = tent, or house. Hence the signs of the
Zodiac are called the "houses" of the sun, because in
them he moves and dwells, and completes his circuit.

This corresponds with God's servants dwelling and moving in the written "Word" (v. 11). 5 Which
is = And he. chamber = bridal canopy. Heb. *chuppāh*. First occurrence; elsewhere, only in Isa. 4. 5
("defence"). Joel 2. 16 ("closet"). And. Omit this "And". strong man. Heb. *gibbōr*. Ap.

14. IV. 7 law. Note the synthetic parallelism of the second half of this Psalm, which compares the
written words in the Scripture with the words written in the heavens, and preserved in the names of the
signs of the Zodiac and the constellations. See Ap. 12. Note in vv. 7-9 the six titles of the Word, its six
attributes, and its six effects (see Ap. 10). the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. The Covenant God, in
contrast with El (v. 1) the Creator. Occurs seven times in this latter half of the Psalm. perfect: like

all His other works. Note the six words in vv. 7-9. converting = returning. As the sun returns in
the heavens, so here the same word is used of the sinner's conversion (or returning). Note that all the
verbs in this second half are astronomical, as those in the first half are literary. See note above. the

soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. testimony = witness. Cp. 89. 37. sure = faithful and enduring; as
the sun is "the faithful witness in the heavens" (89. 37). 8 statutes = precepts. Heb. *piqqādīm*.

Found only in the Psalms, and in the Pl. right = righteous: i. e. equitable and just. enlightening =
giving light, as the sun (Gen. 1. 15, 17, 18. Isa. 60. 19).

9 The ° fear of ° the LORD is ° clean, enduring for ever:

The ° judgments of ° the LORD are ° true and righteous altogether.

10 More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold:

Sweeter also than honey and the honey-comb.

11 Moreover ° by them is Thy servant ° warned: And in ° keeping of them ° there is great reward.

12 Who can ° understand ° his ° errors?

° Cleanse Thou me from ° secret faults.

13 ° Keep back Thy servant also ° from presumptuous sins;

Let them not ° have dominion over me: then shall I be upright,

And I shall be innocent from ° the great ° transgression.

14 Let the words of my mouth, and the ° meditation of my heart, ° be acceptable ° in Thy sight,

O ° LORD, my ° strength, and my ° redeemer.

° To the chief Musician.

20

A Psalm of David.

1 ° The LORD ° hear thee in the day of trouble;

The ° name of the ° God of Jacob ° defend thee;

2 Send ° thee help from the sanctuary,

And ° strengthen thee out of ° Zion;

3 Remember ° all thy ° offerings,

And ° accept thy burnt sacrifice; ° Selah.

4 Grant thee according to thine own heart,

And fulfil all thy counsel.

5 We will rejoice in Thy salvation,

And in the ° name of our ° God we will set up our banners:

° The LORD ° fulfil all thy petitions.

6 Now know I that ° the LORD saveth ° His Anointed;

He ° will hear him from His ° holy heaven ° With the saving ° strength of His ° right hand.

7 ° Some trust in chariots, and some ° in horses:

But ° we will remember the ° name of ° the LORD our ° God.

8 They are brought down and fallen:

But we are risen, and ° stand upright.

9 ° Save, ° LORD:

Let the king ° hear us ° when we call.

° To the chief Musician.

printed editions, read "every present of thine".

Ap. 43 II. iii.

accept. Heb. turn to ashes. This was the only way by which Jehovah accepted what was offered. See note on Gen. 4. 4.

Selah. Here, connecting the prayer of v. 4 with the atonement or accepted sacrifice of v. 3; the only ground on which prayer can be answered. See Ap. 66. ii.

5 fulfil = will fulfil.

6 His Anointed = His Messiah.

will hear = answereth (continually).

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

With the saving strength = by the mighty saving deeds.

strength = might (inherent). Heb. gābar. Cp. Ap. 14. IV and v. 2 above.

right hand. Fig. Anthropopoeia. Ap. 6.

7 Some trust in = Some by, &c. in = by.

we will remember, &c. = we by, &c.

8 stand upright = are established.

9 Save, LORD, or, O LORD, save. Or, with Sept., "Jehovah save the king".

Cp. v. 6. when = in the day when. See Ap. 18.

9 fear = reverence.

clean = cleansing (especially Levitically). Cp. Lev. 16. 30. Num. 8. 7, 21. Ezek. 36. 33, &c. Heb. tahēr.

judgments = judicial requirements.

true = faithful (in perpetuity).

11 by them = in them. Heb. bāhem, as in v. 4, going about the Scriptures, moving and dwelling in the written Word, as the sun does in the heavens. (Cp. 1 Tim. 4. 16; 3. 14.)

warned = enlightened; hence, taught or admonished.

keeping = observing, or watching; as observers watch the heavenly bodies. Cp. 130. 6. Isa. 21. 11.

there is great reward = great [is] the reward.

12 understand = discern.

his. Not in Hebrew text.

errors = wanderings. Like those of the "planets" (= wanderers).

Cleanse = clear, or acquit. Heb. nāḳāh.

secret = hidden things; things that are not discerned.

13 Keep back = restrain or hold back; as the motions of the heavenly bodies are controlled. First occurrence Gen. 20. 6; 22. 12, 16; 39. 9. Cp. 1 Sam. 25. 39, &c. from presumptuous sins. Fig. Hypallage. Ap. 6.

Heb. keep back presumptuous [men] from me.

have dominion over = rule, as the sun and moon rule the day and night (Gen. 1. 18. Ps. 136. 8, 9).

the great = much.

transgression. Heb. pāsha'. Ap. 44. ix.

14 meditation. Heb. higgāon. See Ap. 66. I.

be acceptable = come with acceptance.

in Thy sight = before Thee.

strength = rock. Heb. gūr. See notes on 18. 1, 2.

redeemer. Heb. gā'al. See note on Ex. 6. 6. The Psalm begins with the Creator and ends with the Redeemer. Cp. the heavenly worship, where we have the same two in the same order (Rev. 4. 11 with 5. 9).

To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.

20 (T, p. 721). HIS PEOPLE'S PRAYER IN VIEW OF A³, p. 721). (Introversion.)

T | K | 1-4. Prayer.

L | 5-. We. His People's trust.

M | -5. Jehovah's Messiah.

M | 6. Jehovah's Messiah.

L | 7, 8. We. His People's trust.

K | 9. Prayer.

1 The LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

hear = answer.

name. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the person himself. Occurs three times in this Psalm: v. 1, the Defending Name; v. 5, the Displayed Name; v. 7, the Delivering Name.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

God of Jacob = Jacob's God: i. e. the God Who met Jacob when he had nothing and deserved nothing (but wrath), and gave him everything. The N.T. "God of all grace". See note on Gen. 32. 28; 43. 6; 45. 26, 28; this Divine title occurs in Pss. 46. 7, 11; 75. 9; 76. 6; 81. 1, 4; 84. 8; 94. 7; 114. 7; 146. 5. Cp. also Isa. 2. 3. Mic. 4. 2.

defend = shall defend. To this day the calling out the name of a person of rank or power will bring protection to one in danger from the violence of an enemy. In Psalms always used of God. Fut. as in vv. 2, 3, 4.

2 thee = thy.

strengthen = sustain, or support. Heb. ša'ad. Cp. v. 6 and 21. 1.

3 all thy offerings. Some codices, with eight early.

offerings = gift offerings, or presents. Heb. minchāh.

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21

° A Psalm ° of David.

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- 1 The king shall joy in Thy ° strength, O ° LORD;
And in Thy salvation how greatly shall he rejoice!
- 2 Thou hast given him his ° heart's desire,
And hast not withholden the request of his lips. ° Selah.
- 3 For Thou ° preventest him with the blessings of goodness:
Thou settest a ° crown of pure gold on his head.
- 4 He asked ° life of Thee, and Thou gavest it him,
Even length of days for ever and ever.
- 5 His glory is great in Thy salvation:
° Honour and majesty hast Thou laid upon him.
- 6 For Thou hast made him most ° blessed for ever:
Thou hast made him exceeding glad with Thy countenance.
- 7 For the king ° trusteth in ° the LORD,
And through the ° mercy of the ° MOST HIGH he shall not be moved.
- 8 Thine hand shall find out all Thine enemies:
Thy right hand shall find out those that hate Thee.
- 9 Thou shalt ° make them as a fiery oven in the time of Thine ° anger:
° The LORD shall swallow them up in His wrath,
And the fire shall devour them.
- 10 Their fruit shalt Thou destroy from the earth,
And their seed from among the ° children of ° men.
- 11 For they intended ° evil against Thee:
They imagined a mischievous device, which they ° are not able to perform.
- 12 Therefore shalt Thou make them turn their back,
When Thou shalt make ready Thine arrows upon Thy ° strings against the face of them.
- 13 Be Thou exalted, ° LORD, in Thine own ° strength:
So will we sing and praise Thy power.

° To the chief Musician, ° upon ° Aijeleth Shahar.

22

° A Psalm ° of David.

V R¹ S¹ T
(pp. 739
and 740)

- 1 ° My GOD, my GOD, why hast thou forsaken me?
Why art Thou so far from helping me,
and from the words of my ° roaring?

21 (U, p. 721). HIS PEOPLE'S JOY IN VIEW OF A³: THE CORONATION OF THEIR KING.
(Introversions and Alternations.)

- U N | 1. Messiah. Strong in Jehovah's strength.
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|---|---|---|----------------------------------|
| O | P | 2-5. Jehovah's dealings with the king. | } Rea- sons. Jehovah addressed. |
| | Q | d 6. His reward. | |
| | | e 7. His merit. | } Rea- sons. The king addressed. |
| O | P | 8-10. The king's dealings with his enemies. | |
| | Q | e 11. Their guilt. | } Rea- sons. |
| | | d 12. Their defeat. | |
- N | 13. Messiah. Strong in His own strength.

Title. A Psalm. See Ap. 65. XVII.

of=pertaining or relating to.

1 strength=prevailing strength. Heb. 'āraz, as in v. 13. Cp. notes on 20. 2, 6.

LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 heart's desire. Cp. 20. 4; 37. 4.

Selah. See Ap. 66. II. Here connecting the reason (v. 3) of the answer (v. 2) with the prayer of 20. 4; which, by the Selah of 20. 3, had been connected with the reason given there: i.e. atonement.

3 preventest=comest to meet. Cp. "settest" in v. 3. crown. See Rev. 14. 14, and cp. Matt. 8. 20.

4 life: i.e. resurrection life. Cp. Isa. 53. 10. Heb. 2. 10-18; 5. 7.

5 Honour, &c. Cp. Rev. 5. 13.

6 blessed. Cp. Rev. 5. 13.

7 trusteth=confideth. Heb. bāṭaḥ. Ap. 69. I.

mercy=lovingkindness, or grace.

MOST HIGH. Heb. Elyōn. Ap. 4. VI.

9 make them=place them as [in] a furnace of fire. anger. Heb. face is put by Fig. Metonymy (of Subject), Ap. 6, for the anger manifested by it.

10 children=sons. men. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.

11 evil. Heb. rā'a'. Ap. 44. viii.

are not able to perform=could not accomplish.

12 strings=bow-strings.

13 To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.

upon=relating to.

Aijeleth Shahar=the Day-dawn: David's Coronation, 953 B.C. Looking forward to the Day-dawn of Messiah's Coronation, which is the subject of the twenty-first Psalm, not of Ps. 22. Cp. 2 Sam. 23. 4; see note on 2 Pet. 1. 19, and Ap. 65. I. Cp. 139. 9.

22 (V, p. 721). MESSIAH. THE GOOD SHEPHERD, IN DEATH. (Division.)

- V | R¹ | 1-21. Messiah. His "sufferings." } See
| R² | 22-31. Messiah. His "glory." } Ap. 71.

1-21 (R¹, above). MESSIAH. HIS "SUFFERINGS". (Division.)

- R¹ | S¹ | 1-6. The "Sufferings." Messiah's prayer. Desertion.
| S² | 7-21. The "Sufferings." Messiah's plea. Enemies.

1-6 [For Structure of S¹, see next page].

Title. A Psalm. See Ap. 65. XVII.

of David=relating to or concerning David's Son and David's Lord (Matt. 22. 41-45). "The root and the offspring of David" (Rev. 22. 16). David "being a prophet and knowing... spake of". These three Psalms (22, 23, 24) relate to the sufferings and the glory

of "the Man Christ Jesus." 22=The Good Shepherd on Earth, in Death (John 10. 11). 23=The Great Shepherd, in Heaven, by Resurrection (Heb. 13. 20). 24=The Chief Shepherd, coming in His Glory to earth and Zion, again (1 Pet. 5. 4. Rev. 19). See the Structure of O (p. 721). Ps. 22 is Christ as the sin offering; Ps. 40, as the burnt offering; Ps. 69, as the trespass offering.

1 My GOD, my GOD. Heb. my El (Ap. 4. IV). God as Almighty in relation to the creature; not Jehovah (Ap. 4. II), in covenant relation with His servant. Quoted in Matt. 27. 46. Mark 15. 34. The Psalm is Christ's prayer and plea on the Cross. It begins with "My God, my God" (Matt. 27. 46. Mark 15. 34), and it ends with "It is finished". See note on v. 31, and cp. John 19. 30. If the Lord uttered the whole of this Psalm on the cross, the dying malefactor must have "heard", and believed (Rom. 10. 17). Cp. Luke 23. 32, 40-42. The "kingdom" had been referred to by Christ in Ps. 22. 22-30. See note on "roaring", below. The Fig. Epizeuxis (Ap. 6) is used for solemn emphasis. roaring=lamentation. Heb. shā'ag=spoken of a lion, and of thunder.

- U 2 O my °God, I cry in the daytime, but Thou
(p. 740) hearest not;
And in the night season, and am not silent.
- U 3 °But Thou art °holy,
O Thou That °inhabitest the praises of
Israel.
- U 4 Our fathers °trusted in Thee :
They °trusted, and Thou didst deliver them.
- 5 They cried unto Thee, and were delivered:
They °trusted in Thee, and were not con-
founded.
- T 6 But I am a °worm, and no °man ;
A reproach °of men, and °despised of the
People.
- S² V X 7 °All they that see me laugh me to scorn :
They °shoot out the lip, they shake the
head, saying,
8 °“ He °trusted on °the LORD that He would
deliver him :
Let Him deliver him, seeing He delighted
in him.”
- g 9 °But Thou art he That took me out of the
womb :
Thou didst °make me °hope when I was
upon my mother's breasts.
- 10 I was cast upon Thee from the womb :
Thou art my °GOD from my mother's belly.
- 11 Be not far from me ; for trouble is near ;
For there is °none to help.
- W h 12 Many bulls have compassed me :
Strong bulls of Bashan have beset me round.
- 13 They gaped upon me with their mouths,
As a ravening and a roaring lion.
- i 14 I am poured out like water,
And all my bones are out of joint :
My heart is like wax ;
It is melted °in the midst of my bowels.
- 15 My strength is °dried up like a potsherd ;
And my tongue cleaveth to my jaws ;
And Thou hast brought me into the dust
of death.
- W h 16 For °dogs have compassed me :
The °assembly of the °wicked have in-
closed me :
°They pierced my hands and my feet.
- i 17 I may °tell all my bones :
V f They °look and stare upon me.
- 18 They °part my garments among them,
And cast lots upon my vesture.
- g 19 °But be not Thou far from me, O °LORD * :
O my strength, haste thee to help me.
- 20 Deliver my °soul from the sword ;
My °darling from the °power of the 16 dog.
- 21 Save me from the °lion's mouth :
°For Thou hast °heard me °from the horns
of the °unicorns.

Luke 23. 34. John 19. 24.

19 LORD *. One of the 134 emendations of the *Sopherim* (Ap. 32) by which “Jehovah” of the primitive text was changed to “Adonai”.
20 soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.
darling = only one. Heb. *yāhīd*. See note on Deut. 6. 4. = my one own priceless possession ; put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for “my life”, answering to “my soul” in the preceding line. Cp. *psychē* (John 12. 27).
power. Heb. hand, or paw. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the power exercised by it. 21 lion's. See note on “They pierced” (v. 16).
For = Yea. heard me = answered me. Cp. v. 2. Supply Ellipsis, “[and delivered me]”.
from the horns, &c. This clause may be joined on to the end of the preceding line. “Thou hast heard me” may be read on to v. 22 : “I will declare”.
unicorns = the bulls of v. 12.

22. 1-6 (S¹, p. 739). MESSIAH'S PRAYER. DE- SECTION. (*Introversion*.)

- S¹ T | 1, 2. His desertion. Mourned.
U | 3. Jehovah's holiness. Declared.
U | 4, 5. Jehovah's goodness. Experienced.
T | 6. His desertion. Experienced.
- 2 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.
hearest not = answerest not.
- 3 But Thou. And yet Thou. Cp. vv. 9 and 19. Note the emphasis.
holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5. Here = the Divine attribute.
inhabitest the praises. “Praises” put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the Sanctuary, where the praises were offered. The various readings and renderings arise from trying to make sense, not seeing this Figure of speech. Cp. 80. 1 ; 99. 1.
- 4 trusted = confided. Heb. *bāṭah*. See Ap. 69. i.
- 6 worm. Heb. *tōlā'*, not the ordinary word for “worm”, but the crimson *coccus* from which the scarlet dye was obtained. Hence rendered “scarlet” in Ex. 25. 4 ; 26. 1, &c. See note on Josh. 2. 18, and Ex. 12. 13. Jacob, so called Isa. 41. 14. Christ thus took the lowest place of His People. man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.
men. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.
despised. Cp. Isa. 53. 3.

22. 7-21 (S², p. 739). MESSIAH'S PLEA. ENEMIES. (*Introversion and Alternations*.)

- S² V | f | 7, 8. Enemies.
g | 9-11. “But Thou”.
W | h | 12, 13. “Bulls” (pl.). “Lion” (sing.).
i | 14, 15. “I”.
W | h | 16. “Dogs” (pl.). “Lion” (sing.).
i | 17-18. “I”.
V | f | -17, 18. Enemies.
g | 19-21. “But Thou”.
- 7 All. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Genus), Ap. 6, put for most or greater part. (Some believed.) shoot out = open.
- 8 He, &c. Fig. *Eironēia* (Irony). Ap. 6. Quoted in Matt. 27. 43. Mark 15. 29. Luke 23. 35.
trusted, &c. = devolved all on Jehovah. Heb. *gātal*. See Ap. 69. V.
the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
- 9 make = cause.
hope = trust, or confide. Heb. *bāṭah*. Ap. 69. I
- 11 none to help. Cp. 69. 20. He was alone in this wondrous work.
- 14 in the midst of my bowels = within me.
- 15 dried up. Cp. John 19. 28.
- 16 dogs. Fig. *Hypocatastasis*. Ap. 6. “Enemies” being implied (not expressed).
assembly = congregation : in civic aspect.
wicked = breakers up. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.
- They pierced, &c. = “As a lion [they break up] my hands and my feet”. The Heb. text reads *kā'ārī* = as a lion (the “k” = as). The A.V. and R.V., with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., take the “k” as part of the verb *kā'aru*, and alter the vowel points, making it read “they pierced”. It is better to translate the Heb. text literally, and supply the *Ellipsis* of the verb from Isa. 38. 13, “they break up”. The meaning is exactly the same, and agrees with John 19. 37.
- 17 tell = count. The whole description applies to death by crucifixion only.
- look and stare = look for and see. In this idiom the former verb includes the *feeling* implied by the context. Cp. 1 Sam. 17. 42.
- 18 part, &c. Quoted in Matt. 27. 35. Mark 15. 24.

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(p. 741)

22 ° I will declare ° Thy Name unto my ° brethren:
In the midst of the ° congregation will I
praise Thee.

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23 ° Ye ° that fear ° the LORD, praise Him;

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All ye the seed of ° Jacob, glorify Him;
And ° fear Him, all ye the seed of ° Israel.

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24 For He hath not ° despised nor abhorred
° the affliction of ° the afflicted;
Neither hath He hid His face from him;
But when he cried unto Him, He ° heard.

X

25 My praise shall be of Thee in the great
° congregation:
I will pay my vows before them ° that fear
Him.

Y

26 The ° meek shall eat and be satisfied:
They shall praise ° the LORD that seek
Him:
Your heart shall live for ever.

Z j²

27 All ° the ends of the ° world shall remem-
ber and turn unto ° the LORD:
And all the kindreds of the nations shall
worship before Thee.

k²

28 ° For the kingdom is ° the LORD'S:
And He is the Governor among the nations.

j³

29 ° All they that be fat upon earth shall
eat and worship:
All they that go down to the dust ° shall
bow before Him:

° And none can keep alive his own ° soul.
30 ° A seed shall serve Him;
It shall be ° accounted to ° the LORD* ° for
a generation.

31 They shall come, and ° shall declare His
righteousness unto a People ° that shall
be born,

k³

° That ° He hath done this.

23

° A Psalm ° of David.

W A
(p. 741)

1 ° The LORD is ° my shepherd; I shall ° not
want.

2 He ° maketh me to ° lie down in ° green
pastures:

He ° leadeth me beside the ° still waters.
3 He ° restoreth my ° soul:

He ° leadeth me in the ° paths of righteous-
ness for His ° name's sake.

B

4 ° Yea, though I walk ° through the ° valley
of the shadow of death,
I will fear no ° evil: for ° Thou art with me;
Thy ° rod and Thy ° staff they ° comfort me.

Title. A Psalm. See Ap. 65. XVII. of. See note on title of Ps. 22. **1 The LORD.** Heb. Jehovah. The LORD... my shepherd. One of the Jehovah Titles. See Ap. 4. II, "JEHOVAH-Ro'i". Figs. *Metaphor* and *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. **not want.** Because "Jehovah will provide", JEHOVAH-JIREH. See Ap. 4. II. **2 maketh me**=causeth me (implying continuance). **lie down.** We need *making* so as to feed, and not trample the pastures down. **green pastures**=choice pastures. Heb. "pastures of tender grass". **leadeth me**=causeth me to rest. Heb. *nāhal*, to lead flocks. **still waters.** Heb. "waters of rests", JEHOVAH-SHĀLŌM. Ap. 4. II. **3 restoreth**=bringeth back, as in Ps. 19. 8. JEHOVAH-ROPHEKA. Ap. 4. II. **leadeth.** Heb. *nāḥal*, to guide, conduct. **paths of righteousness**=righteous paths. JEHOVAH-ZIDKĒNŪ. Ap. 4. II. **name's**=own. See note on 20. 1. **4 Yea**=Moreover. **through.** Not into; but "through", and out of it, into resurrection life. **valley, &c.**=a valley of deep shade: may include (but not necessarily) death's dark valley. **evil.** Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii. **Thou art with me.** JEHOVAH-SHAMMAH. Ap. 4. II. **rod and... staff**=club and... crook. The only two things carried by the shepherd; the former for defence, the latter for help. The club for the sheep's enemies, the crook for the sheep's defence. A lesson for pastors to-day. **comfort**=gently lead. Same word as "leadeth" in v. 2.

22. 22-31 (R², p. 739). MESSIAH'S GLORY (Ap. 71).
(Extended Alternations.)

R² X | 22. "I". Messiah's praise. Promised.

Y | 23-. Praise to Jehovah.

Z | j¹ | -23. Israel to praise.

k¹ | 24. The reason. "For".

X | 25. "I". Messiah's praise. Awarded.

Y | 26. Praise to Jehovah.

Z | j² | 27. The nations to praise.

k² | 28. The reason. "For".

j³ | 29-31-. All to praise.

k³ | -31. The reason. "For".

Note here the Parenthesis of the present Dispensation: for which see Ap. 72. [rection. See Heb. 2. 12.

22 I will declare. These words are Christ's in resur-
Thy Name=Thee (emphatic). Put by Fig. *Metonymy*
 (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the Person and all His attributes.
 See note on Ps. 20. 1. **brethren.** Cp. John 20. 17.
congregation=assembly: in its military aspect.

23 Ye: i. e. the Gentiles of 18. 49; 117. 1. Deut. 32. 43.

Isa. 11. 1, 10. [word as in third line.

that fear=that stand in awe. Heb. *gūr*. Not the same
Jacob... Israel. See notes on Gen. 32. 28; 43. 6; 45. 26, 28.

fear=revere. Referring to Israel. Heb. *yārē'*. Not
 the same word as in first line and v. 25.

24 the affliction=the humiliation.

the afflicted=the patient One.

26 meek=the patient or wronged ones.

27 the ends, &c. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject)
 Ap. 6, for the people dwelling in the farthest regions.

world=earth. Heb. *'ērez*.

28 For, &c. Cp. Matt. 6. 13.

29 All they that be fat=All the great ones.

shall bow. Cp. Phil. 2. 9-11, and refs. there.

And none can=Even He cannot: ref. to Matt. 27. 42.

Cp. Acts 1. 8. **soul.** Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

30 A seed. Sept. and Vulg. read "My seed". Cp.
 Isa. 53. 10. **accounted to**=recounted of.

for a generation=unto a generation that shall come
 (reading the first part of v. 31 with the end of v. 30).

31 shall declare His righteousness=His righteous-
 ness shall be declared.

that shall be born. Referring to the new birth as
 declared by Christ to Nicodemus (John 3. 3-7). Cp.
 Ezek. 36. 25-27. [not v. 21.

That = For. Corresponding with "for", vv. 24 and 28.

He hath done this=It is finished. Cp. John 19. 30.

Thus concluding the Psalm. Cp. the beginning. Heb.

āsāh, to accomplish or finish, as in 2 Chron. 4. 11.

Not given to the chief Musician; the Psalm being for

private study, and not public worship.

23 (W, p. 721). MESSIAH. THE GREAT SHEP-
 HERD, IN RESURRECTION. (*Introversion.*)

W A | 1-3. Jehovah. Supply. "Pastures and waters".
 Spoken of. "He".

B | 4. Danger. "Death". "Rod and staff".

Spoken to. "Thou".

B | 5. Danger. "Enemies". "Table and Cup".

Spoken to. "Thou".

A | 6. Jehovah. Supply. "Goodness and Mercy".

Spoken of. "His".

B
(p. 741)

5 Thou ° preparest a ° table before me in the presence of mine ° enemies:
Thou ° anointest my head with oil; my ° cup ° runneth over.

A

6 Surely goodness and ° mercy shall ° follow me all the days of my life:
And I will dwell in the house of ° the LORD ° for ever.

24

° A Psalm ° of David.

X C¹
(p. 742)
958

1 ° The earth is ° the LORD'S, and ° the fulness thereof;
The ° world, and they that dwell therein.

2 For ° he hath ° founded it upon the seas,
And established it upon the floods.

D¹

3 Who shall ascend into ° the hill of ° the LORD?
° Or who shall ° stand in His ° holy place?

E¹

4 He that hath ° clean hands, and a pure heart;
Who hath not lifted up his ° soul unto vanity,
Nor sworn deceitfully.

5 He shall receive the blessing from ° the LORD,
° And ° righteousness from the ° God of his salvation.

6 ° This is the ° generation of them that seek Him,
That seek Thy face, ° O ° Jacob. ° Selah.

C²

7 Lift up your heads, O ye gates;
And be ye lift up, ye ° everlasting doors;
And the ° King of glory shall come in.

D²

8 Who is ° this King of glory?

E²

1 The LORD strong and mighty,
1 The LORD mighty in battle.

C³

9 ° Lift up your heads, O ye gates;
Even ° lift them up, ye ° everlasting doors;
And ° the King of glory shall come in.

D³

10 ° Who is ° this King of glory?

E³

° The LORD of hosts,
° he is ° the King of glory. ° Selah.

25

A Psalm ° of David.

M P F¹
(p. 743)
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(N) 1 Unto Thee, (J) O ° LORD, do 1 ° lift up my ° soul.

Cp. 22. 30. O Jacob. Sept. and Syr. read "O God of Jacob". Jacob. See notes on Gen. 32. 28; 43. 6; 45. 26, 28. Selah. Connecting the first triad with the Ark of Jehovah: transferring our thoughts from the general claim to the particular making of the claim by this event. See note on v. 10, and Ap. 66. II. 7 everlasting doors = age-abiding entrances. The tabernacle (or tent) of David, on Mount Zion, was not ancient. This looks forward to the fulfilment of prophecy in times yet to come. King of glory = Glorious king. The repeated question points us both to 22. 6 ("a worm, and no man") and to 23. 1 (The Shepherd). 10 Who = Who then, is He, this glorious King? The LORD of hosts. See note on first occurrence (1 Sam. 1. 3), and Structure above. Selah. Connecting Ps. 25 with Ps. 24. Ps. 24 referring to Zion, the new place of worship, and Ps. 25 referring to the worship itself, which was to be and could henceforward be offered there. Ps. 24 corresponds with 1 Chron. 15, and Ps. 25 with 1 Chron. 16, which together give a full description of the worship. Ps. 25 is further emphasised by being an Acrostic Psalm, in which the worthiness of Jehovah and the unworthiness of His worshippers stand out in vivid contrast.

25 (P, p. 721). [For Structure see next page.]

The second Acrostic Psalm (see Ap. 63. vii). The omission of פ (Kōph) makes twenty-one letters (7 × 3) instead of twenty-two, and marks off one verse (v. 11) as central, which is the first confession of sin in the Psalms; thus linking on Repentance to Suffering and Resurrection (Pss. 16, 22), as in Luke 24. 44-47. The double א (A = Aleph) in vv. 1, 2 connects the looking up of the worshipper with the double ר (R = Resh) of vv. 18, 19, which speaks of the looking down of Jehovah. These two are linked on to Ps. 25 by the Selah of 24. 10 and 24. 4. See note on Selah (24. 10). Title. Of David = by David, or pertaining to the true lift up. Verses 1 and 2 are connected with vv. 18, 19: the double Aleph (N), with the double Resh (r), connecting David's looking up with Jehovah's looking down. soul. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13.

5 preparest = settest in order.

table. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Subject), Ap. 6, for what is on it. So that I may feast while He fights. JEHOVAH-NISSI. Ap. 4. II. The figure of the sheep is continued: for the "table" of v. 5 answers to the "pastures" of v. 2. enemies = adversaries.

anointest. JEHOVAH-M²KADDISHKEM. Ap. 4. II. Still referring to the sheep and the Shepherd's care: for the figure of the "sheep" is carried right through the Psalm.

cup: i. e. the Shepherd's cup of water for the sheep. runneth over. See note on 73. 10.

6 mercy = lovingkindness, or grace. [for future. follow = follow after, or closely. In Heb. present put for ever = evermore. Heb. "to length of days".

24 (X, p. 721). MESSIAH. THE CHIEF SHEPHERD IN GLORY. (Repeated Alternation.)

X C¹ | 1, 2. Right to the earth.D¹ | 3. Question. Who...?E¹ | 4-6. Answer. Selah.C² | 7. His Own right.D² | 8-. Question. Who...?E² | -8. Answer.C³ | 9. His right with His People.D³ | 10-. Question. Who...?E³ | -10. Answer.} Right to
millennial
kingdom.

Title. A Psalm. See Ap. 65. XVII.

of David = concerning David and the true David. Relates to the entrance of the Ark into Zion (see Ap. 68), typifying the coming glory of Heb. 1. 6. Cp. 2 Sam. 6. 2. 1 Chron. 15. 25. Ps. 68 relates to the setting out of the procession. Ps. 24 to the entrance up to Zion. Ps. 87 to the joy of the entrance with dancings and shoutings. Ps. 105, for subsequent celebrations of the event.

1 The earth. Heb. 'erez, the earth (as created). the LORD'S. Heb. Jehovah's. Ap. 4. II. The emphasis is on Jehovah = "JEHOVAH'S is the earth", the fulness - all that fills it. Quoted in 1 Cor. 10. 26. world. Heb. tebel, the world (as inhabited).

2 founded, &c. Cp. 2 Pet. 3. 5. Ps. 136. 6. Gen. 1. 1.

3 the hill = the mountain (of Zion, south of Moriah). Seven times so called: here, and Gen. 22. 14. Num. 10. 33. Isa. 2. 3; 30. 29. Mic. 4. 2. Zech. 8. 3. See Ap. 68.

Or. The A. V., 1611, read "And". Changed in 1769 to "Or", stand = rise up. Cp. 1. 5. holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

4 clean. Cp. Ps. 15 and Ex. 20. 13-16.

soul. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13. 5 And = Even.

righteousness. The gift received from Jehovah.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

6 This = Such: i. e. not a "new cart" (2 Sam. 6. 3), but the Kohathites. See Num. 7. 9; 4. 2, 15. Deut. 10. 8; 31. 9, &c; and cp. 2 Sam. 6. 13. 1 Chron. 15. 2.

generation = class or circle. Here, the Kohathites.

- 2 (N) O my ° God,
 (2) ° I trust in Thee :
 Let me ° not be ° ashamed,
 Let ° not mine ° enemies triumph over me.
- 3 (J) Yea, ° let none that wait on Thee be
 ° ashamed :
 Let them be ° ashamed which ° trans-
 gress without cause.
- 4 (7) Shew me Thy ways, O ° LORD ;
 Teach me Thy paths.
- 5 (7) Lead me in Thy truth, and teach me :
 For Thou art the ° God of my salvation ;
 (1) ° On Thee do I wait all the day.
- 6 (1) ° Remember, O ° LORD, Thy tender ° mer-
 cies and Thy lovingkindnesses ;
 For they have been ever of old.
- 7 (7) ° Remember not the ° sins of my youth,
 nor my ° transgressions :
 According to Thy ° mercy ° remember
 Thou me
 For Thy goodness' sake, O ° LORD.
- 8 (2) Good and upright is ° the LORD :
 Therefore will He ° teach ° sinners in the
 way.
- 9 (1) The ° meek will He guide ° in judgment :
 And the ° meek will He teach His way
- 10 (2) All the paths of ° the LORD are ° mercy
 and truth
 Unto ° such as keep His ° covenant and
 His testimonies.
- 11 (5) For Thy ° name's sake, O ° LORD,
 ° Pardon mine ° iniquity ; for it is great.
- 12 (2) ° What ° man is he that ° feareth ° the
 LORD ?
 Him shall He ° teach in the way that He
 shall choose.
- 13 (3) ° His soul shall dwell at ease ;
 And his seed shall inherit the ° earth.
- 14 (5) The ° secret of ° the LORD is with them
 that ° fear Him ;
 And He will ° shew them His covenant.
- 15 (5) Mine eyes are ° ever toward ° the LORD ;
 For He shall pluck my feet out of the net.
- 16 (5) Turn thee unto me, and ° have mercy
 upon me ;
 For I am ° desolate and afflicted.
- 17 (5) The troubles of my heart are ° enlarged :
 ° O bring thou me out of my distresses.
- 18 (7) ° Look upon mine ° affliction and my pain ;
 And ° forgive all my ° sins.
- 19 (7) ° Consider mine ° enemies ; for they are
 many ;
 And they hate me with ° cruel hatred.
- 20 (2) O keep my ° soul, and ° deliver me :
 Let me not be ° ashamed ; for I ° put my
 trust in Thee.
- 21 (7) Let integrity and uprightness preserve me ;
 For I wait on Thee.
- 22 Redeem Israel, O ° God,
 Out of all his troubles.

26

A Psalm ° of David.

- Q H¹ 1 ° Judge me, O ° LORD ;
 (p. 743) For I have walked in mine integrity :
 J¹ I have ° trusted also in the ° LORD ; there-
 fore I shall not slide.
- H² 2 Examine me, O ° LORD, and prove me ;
 (p. 744) Try my ° reins and my ° heart.

25 (P, p. 721). PRAYER IN VIEW OF P (Ps. 16).
 (Repeated Alternation.)

- P | F¹ | 1-7. Prayer and worship.
 G¹ | 8-10. Teaching. Worshippers.
 F² | 11. Prayer and worship.
 G² | 12-14. Teaching. Worshippers.
 F³ | 15-22. Prayer and worship.
- 2 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.
 I trust = have confided. Heb. *batāḥ*. See Ap. 69. I.
 Not the same word as in v. 20.
 not. Heb. *'al* (= Gr. *mē*), subjective. Cp. "none", v. 3.
 ashamed - put to shame. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause)
 as a verb. So v. 20 ; 31. 1 ; 119. 116, &c.
 enemies = foes.
- 3 let none. Heb. "none with (*l'o* ; Gr. *ou*, objective,
 them". Cp. "not", v. 2.
 transgress = act treacherously. Heb. *bāḡad*.
- 5 On = For. Heb. *kī*. Some codices, with Sept., Syr.,
 and Vulg., read *v'kī*, "and for", thus restoring the Vav
 (1), which otherwise is wanting.
- 6 Remember. Note the threefold object of this re-
 membrance in vv. 6, 7.
 mercies = compassions. Heb. *rāham*. Not the same
 word as in vv. 7, 16. 7 sins. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.
 transgressions. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix.
 mercy = grace. Heb. *ḥasād*. Not the same word as in
 vv. 6, 16.
- 8 teach = direct. The subject of this member (G¹).
 9 meek = patient, or good.
 in judgment = to be vindicated.
- 10 such. The redeemed (v. 22) and righteous wor-
 shippers are the subject of this Psalm. See note above.
 covenant. The first occurrence in the Psalms.
- 11 name's. See note on 20. i.
 Pardon. This is the first such plea in the Psalms.
 See note on "Selah" (24. 10). The central verse of this
 Psalm. Cp. v. 18.
 iniquity. Heb. *'āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv.
- 12 What...? Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6), to emphasise the
 worshippers. man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.
 feareth = revereth.
- 13 His soul - He. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.
 earth = land. Cp. Matt. 5. 5.
- 14 secret = secret counsel.
 shew them - cause them to know.
- 15 ever toward. Supply Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), "ever
 [looking] toward". It is *salutary suspense* which keeps
 us thus looking.
- 16 have mercy upon = show kindness to. Heb.
ḥānan. Not the same word as in vv. 6, 7.
 desolate = [Thine] only One. Heb. *yāchīd*. See note
 on Deut. 6. 4. Sept. = *monogenēs*, only begotten.
- 17 enlarged, &c. : or, troubles have enlarged my
 heart : i. e. made it more sympathetic.
 O bring : or Thou hast brought.
- 18 Look upon. See note on "lift up", v. 1.
 affliction = humiliation.
 forgive = bear away. First occurrence in the Psalms.
 sins. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.
- 19 Consider. Same Heb. as "look upon", v. 18.
 enemies = foes.
 cruel hatred. Heb. "hatred of violence" = "violent
 hatred". Ginsburg thinks "hatred without a cause".
- 20 deliver - rescue.
 put my trust = flee for refuge. Heb. *ḥasah*. See Ap. 69. II.
 Not the same word as in v. 1.
- 22 Redeem = Deliver : i. e. redeem by putting forth
 power. Heb. *pādāh*. See notes on Ex. 13. 13.

26 [For Structure see next page].

Title. of David = by David, or concerning the true David.

- 1 Judge me = Vindicate me, or Do me justice.
 LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
 trusted = confided. Heb. *batāḥ*. Ap. 69. I.
 2 reins = kidneys.
 reins... heart. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject).
 Ap. 6, for thoughts and feelings.

J²
(P. 744)

3 For Thy loving kindness is before mine eyes:
And I have °walked in Thy truth.

4 I have not sat with vain persons,
Neither will I go in with dissemblers.

5 I have hated the °congregation of °evil doers;
And will not sit with the °wicked.

6 I will wash mine hands in innocency:
So will I compass Thine °altar, O °LORD:

7 That I may publish with the voice of
thanksgiving,

And °tell of all Thy wondrous works.

8 °LORD, I have loved the °habitation of
Thy °house,

And °the place where Thine honour
°dwelleth.

H² 9 °Gather not °my soul with °sinners,
Nor my life with bloody °men:

10 In whose hands is °mischief,
And their right hand is full of bribes.

J³ 11 But as for me, I will walk in mine integrity:

H¹ °Redeem me, and °be merciful unto me.

J¹ 12 My foot standeth in an even place:
In the °congregations will I bless °the LORD.

27

°A Psalm °of David.

R¹ K¹
(P. 744)

1 °The LORD is my °light and my salvation;
whom shall I fear?

°The LORD is the °strength of my life; °of
whom shall I be afraid?

2 When the °wicked, even mine °enemies
and my foes, came upon me to eat up
my flesh,

They stumbled and fell.

3 Though an host should encamp against me,
My heart shall not fear:

Though war should rise against me,

°In this will I be confident.

K² L¹

4 One thing have I desired of °the LORD,
that will I seek after;

That I may °dwell in the house of °the
LORD all the days of my life,

To behold the °beauty of °the LORD, and
to °enquire in His °temple.

m

5 For in the °time of trouble He shall °hide
me in His °pavilion:

In the °secret of His °tabernacle shall He
hide me;

He shall set me up upon a °rock.

n

6 And now shall mine head be lifted up
above mine enemies round about me:

o

Therefore will I °offer in His °tabernacle
°sacrifices of joy;

I will sing, yea, I will sing praises unto
°the LORD.

t, l

7 Hear, O °LORD, when I cry with my voice:
°Have mercy also upon me, and answer me.

8 °When Thou saidst, "Seek ye My face;"
my heart said unto Thee,

"Thy face, °LORD, will I seek."

m

9 °Hide not Thy °face far from me;
Put not Thy servant away in anger:

Thou hast been my help;

Leave me not, neither forsake me, O °God
°of my salvation.

character. See Ap. 17. i: i. e. with shoutings of joy.

8 When, &c.: or, "To thee, my heart, He hath said, 'Seek thou My face'; Thy face, O Jehovah, will I seek". 9 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. of. Genitive of Origin. Ap. 17 (2).

26 (Q, p. 721). PRAYER WITH REFERENCE TO
PSALM 17. (Repeated Alternation.)

Q H¹ | 1-. Prayer.
J¹ | -1. Plea. "For".
H² | 2. Prayer.
J² | 3-8. Plea. "For".
H³ | 9, 10. Prayer.
J³ | 11-. Plea. Profession.
H⁴ | -11. Prayer.
J⁴ | 12. Plea. Profession.

3 walked = walked habitually.

5 congregation = assembly: in its military aspect.

evil. Heb. *rā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii.

wicked = lawless. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

6 altar. No need to suppose this to refer to the Temple or later period than David. The altars of burnt offering and incense were in use from the time of the Exodus.

7 tell of = recount.

8 habitation = dwelling: implying safety.

house. Referring not to the Temple, but to David's Tabernacle on Zion. Cp. 5. 7, and see below.

the place, &c. = the place of Thy glorious Tabernacle. dwellleth. Heb. *shākan*. See note on "placed" (Gen. 3. 24).

9 Gather not = Destroy not. Heb. *'āṣaph*. A Homonym. See note on "receive" (Num. 12. 14, 15).

my soul = me (emphatic). Heb. *nepheš*. Ap. 13.

sinners. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

men. Heb. pl. of *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

10 mischief = lewdness. [note on 25. 22.

11 Redeem = deliver (by power). Heb. *pādāh*. See be merciful = show me favour, or be gracious.

12 congregations = assemblies; or pl. of majesty = the great assembly. Occurs only here, and 68. 26.

27 (R¹, p. 721). PRAYER IN VIEW OF PSALM 18.
(Division.)

R¹ | K¹ | 1-3. Confidence. The basis of the prayer.
K² | 4-14. Prayer. Resulting from the confidence.

Title. A Psalm. See Ap. 65. XVII.

of David = by David, or relating to the true David.

1 The LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

light. Fig. Metonymy (of Effect), Ap. 6, not Fig. Metaphor; "light" put for Jehovah as the Author of joy.

strength = strength (for protection). Heb. *'āzaz*.

of whom, &c. Cp. Rom. 8. 31.

2 wicked. Heb. *rā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii.

enemies = adversaries. 3 In this = in spite of this.

In v. 1 we have the foundation of his confidence; in v. 2, the need of it; and in v. 3, the exercise of it.

4-14 (K², above). PRAYER. RESULTING FROM
THE CONFIDENCE. (Extended Alternation.)

K² | L | 1 | 4. Seeking.
m | 5. Hiding.
n | 6-. Enemies.
o | -6. Joy. } Prayer meditated.
L | l | 7, 8. Seeking.
m | 9, 10. Hiding.
n | 11, 12. Enemies. } Prayer offered.
o | 13, 14. Hope.

4 dwell, &c. Cp. Ps. 23. 6.

beauty = pleasantness, delightfulness.

enquire = contemplate with admiration.

temple = palace. Used generally of heaven, but also of the holy place (Gr. *naos*).

hide. Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct), Ap. 6; hiding put for protection afforded by it.

pavilion = dwelling.

secret = secret place, where no stranger was admitted.

tabernacle = tent, or habitation. Heb. *'ohel*. Ap. 40(8).

rock. Heb. *zūr*. See note on 18. 1, 2.

6 offer = sacrifice. Heb. *zābach*. Ap. 43. I. iv.

sacrifices of joy = joyful sacrifices. Genitive of

7 Have mercy = Show favour, or Be gracious.

10 When my father and my mother forsake me,
Then ¹ the LORD will ^o take me up.

ⁿ (P. 744) 11 ^o Teach me Thy way, O ¹ LORD,
And lead me in a plain path,
Because of mine ^o enemies.

12 Deliver me not over unto the ^o will of mine
^o enemies:

For false witnesses are risen up against
me, and such as breathe out cruelty.

^o 13 ^o I had fainted, unless I had believed to see
the goodness of ¹ the LORD
^o In the land of the living.

14 ^o Wait on ¹ the LORD:
Be of good courage, and He shall strengthen
thine heart:

^o Wait, I say, on ¹ the LORD.

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^o A Psalm ^o of David.

^R ^M ^p
(P. 745)

1 Unto thee will I cry, O ^o LORD my ^o rock;
be ^o not silent to me:

Lest, if Thou ^o be silent to me,
I become like them that go down into ^o the
pit.

2 Hear the voice of my supplications, when
I cry unto Thee,

When I ^o lift up my hands toward Thy
^o holy ^o oracle.

^q 3 Draw me not away with the ^o wicked,
And with the workers of ^o iniquity,
Which speak peace to their neighbours,
But ^o mischief is in their hearts.

^N 4 Give ^o them according to their ^o deeds, and
according to the ^o wickedness of their
^o endeavours:

Give ^o them after the ^o work of their hands;
Render to ^o them their desert.

5 Because they regard not the ^o works of
¹ the LORD,

Nor the ^o operation of His hands,
He shall destroy them, and not build them
up.

^M ^p 6 Blessed be ¹ the LORD,
Because He hath heard the voice of my
supplications.

^q 7 ¹ The LORD is my strength and my ^o shield;
My heart ^o trusted in Him, and I am
^o helped:

Therefore my heart greatly rejoiceth;
And with my song will I ^o praise Him.

8 ¹ The LORD is ^o their strength,
And ^o He is the ^o saving strength ^o of ^o His
anointed.

^N 9 Save Thy People, and bless Thine inheri-
tance:

^o Feed them also, and lift them up for ever.

29

^o A Psalm ^o of David.

^S ^O¹
(P. 745)

1 ^o Give unto ^o the LORD, O ye ^o mighty,

^o Give unto ^o the LORD glory and strength.

2 ¹ Give unto ¹ the LORD ¹ the glory due

unto ^o His name;
^o Worship ¹ the LORD in ^o the beauty of
holiness.

times in O¹ and fourteen times in O². See note on 28. 1.

2 His name = Himself. See note on 20. 1.

His glorious Sanctuary. Cp. 2 Chron. 20. 21. Ps. 96. 9. Ex. 28. 2.

10 take me up = receive and protect me with His
saints.

11 Teach = Point out, or Direct.

enemies = those that observe me.

12 will = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

enemies = adversaries.

13 I had fainted, unless. The Hebrew word has the
extraordinary points (see Ap. 31) in the MSS. to show
that the Massorites regarded it as not having been in
the primitive text. Its presence accounts for the in-
sertion (in italics) in the A.V. and R.V. They are not
found in some codices, the Sept., Syr., or Vulg. The
verse should read: "I have believed that I shall see
the goodness", &c.

In the land of the living. See note on Isa. 38. 11.

14 Wait. Fig. *Apostrophe*. Ap. 6.

28 (^R, p. 721). PRAYER IN VIEW OF PSALM 18.

(*Alternations.*)

^R² | M | p | 1, 2. For audience. } Prayer.
 q | 3. For discrimination. }
 N | 4, 5. Enemies. Imprecation.
 M | p | 6. For audience. } Praise.
 q | 7, 8. For help. }
 N | 9. Enemies. Imprecation.

Title. A Psalm. Ap. 65. XVII.

of David = by David, or relating to the true David.
The Psalm is a continuation of Ps. 27, and stands in
relation to Ps. 18.

1 LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II. In Pss. 28 and 29
there are twenty verses, and *Jehovah* occurs twenty times.
rock. Heb. *zûr*. See note on 18. 1, 2; and cp. 27. 6.
The reference is to Ps. 18.

not silent = not deaf, and so dumb. Heb. *hārash*.

be silent = be quiet, or silent. Heb. *hashah*.

the pit. Heb. *bôr*, a sepulchre, as hewn (Gen. 21. 19).

2 lift up my hands. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Ad-
junct), Ap. 6, for praying. holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.
oracle = speaking place. Occurs only here in Psalms.
See note on 2 Sam. 16. 23.

3 wicked = lawless. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

iniquity. Heb. *āven*. Ap. 44. iii.

mischief. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

4 them. Note the Fig. *Repetitio* (Ap. 6), for emphasis
deeds = deed, or work. endeavours = practices.
work. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., and Vulg.,
read "works" (pl.). 5 works = deeds.

operation = actual execution. Some codices pl., as in
note above.

7 shield. Here is the link with Ps. 18. Cp. "strength",
v. 8, below.

trusted = confided. Heb. *batāh*. Ap. 69. I.

trusted . . . helped . . . praise. Note the reference
to past, present, and future.

8 their = [strength] to His People. The letter Aleph
(א = 'a') being interchangeable with Ayin (א = 'a'). This
orthography is attested by some codices, and by Sept.
and Syr. Thus agreeing with 29. 11.

saving strength = great saving strength. Heb.
"strength of salvations". Pl. of majesty.

of = to. His anointed = His Messiah, as in 2. 2.

9 Feed = tend as a shepherd. Cp. Ps. 23.

29 (^S, p. 721). HIS PEOPLE'S PRAISE OF GOD'S
GLORY IN CREATION. IN VIEW OF PSALM 19.

(*Division.*)

^S | O¹ | 1, 2. Praise promised.
 O² | 3-11. Praise rendered.

Title. A Psalm. See Ap. 65. XVII.

of David = by David, or relating to the true David.
The sequel to Ps. 28, and the fulfilment of the promise
in 28. 7. It is "the voice of *Jehovah*" in response to
David's voice in 28. 6. It ends in the same manner.

1 Give = Ascribe, or Bring as due.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II. Occurs four
times. mighty. The Targum reads "angels".

Worship = Bow down.

the beauty of holiness =

O² P R
(p. 746)

3 The °voice of °the LORD is upon the waters:

The °GOD of glory thundereth:

°The LORD is upon °many waters.

4 The °voice of °the LORD is °powerful;
The °voice of °the LORD is °full of majesty.

S r

5 The °voice of °the LORD breaketh the cedars;

Yea, °the LORD breaketh the cedars of Lebanon.

s

6 He maketh them also to skip like a calf;
Lebanon and °Sirion like a young °unicorn.

R

7 The °voice of °the LORD °divideth the flames of fire.

S s

8 The °voice of °the LORD shaketh the wilderness;

°The LORD shaketh the wilderness of °Kadesh.

r

9 The °voice of °the LORD maketh the hinds °to calve,
And °discovereth the forests:

Q

And in His °temple °doth every one speak of His glory.

P

10 °The LORD °sitteth upon the flood;
Yea, °the LORD sitteth King for ever.

Q

11 °The LORD will give °strength unto His People;
°The LORD will bless His People with °peace.

951 B.C.

30 °A Psalm and °Song at the °dedication °of the house of David.

T¹ T
(p. 746)1 I will extol Thee, O °LORD; for Thou hast °lifted me up,
And hast not made my foes to rejoice over me.

U t

2 O °LORD my °God,
I cried unto Thee,

u

And Thou hast healed me.

3 O °LORD, Thou hast brought up my °soul from °the grave:

Thou hast kept me alive, °that I should not go down to °the pit.

v

4 °Sing unto °the LORD, O ye °saints of His,
And give thanks at the remembrance of His holiness.

V

5 For His anger °endureth but a moment;
In His favour is life:
Weeping may °endure for a night,
But joy cometh in the morning.

Y

6 And in my prosperity I said,
°“I shall never be moved.”7 °LORD, by Thy favour Thou hast made °my mountain to stand strong:
Thou didst °hide Thy °face, and I was troubled.29. 3-11 (O², p. 745). PRAISE RENDERED.
(Alternation.)O² | P | 3-9-. Nature.
Q | -9. Grace.
P | 10. Nature.
Q | 11. Grace.3-9- (P, above). NATURE.
(Alternation and Introversion.)P | R | 3, 4. Waters.
S | r | 5. Cedars.
s | 6. Mountains.
R | 7. Waters.
S | s | 8. Wilderness.
r | 9-. Forests.3 voice = thunder. Fig. *Epibolē* or *Anaphora*. Ap. 6.
Seven times: vv. 3, 4, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9.

GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV = the mighty Creator, the glorious God. many = mighty.

4 powerful = with power. full of = with.

6 Sirion = Hermon. Cp. Deut. 3. 9.
unicorn = the bull-calf of wild oxen. Cp. 22. 21. Job 39. 9.

7 divideth the flames: or, “cleaveth [with] flames of fire”: i. e. lightning.

8 Kadesh: i. e. Kadesh-Naphtali, near Lebanon (v. 6); not Kadesh-barnea.

9 to calve. Through fright.
discovereth = strippeth bare; or, layeth open to view.
temple = palace: i. e. heaven itself.

doth every one speak of = doth every being there ascribe. See v. 1. Cp. Rev. 4. 8.

10 sitteth upon the flood. Corresponding with v. 3 = “sat enthroned at the flood”, referring to Genesis. Heb. *mabbūl*, from *yābal*, to flow. Occurs only here and Gen. 6. 17; 7. 6, 7, 10, 17; 9. 11, 15, 28; 10. 1, 32; 11. 10.

11 strength. See note on 28. 8. He who has it (v. 1) will give it (v. 11).

peace = the (i. e. His) peace. Cp. Phil. 4. 7.

30 (T¹, p. 721). HIS PEOPLE'S PRAISE IN VIEW OF PSALM 20. (Introversion and Extended Alternation.)T¹ | T | 1. Thanksgiving promised.
U | t | 2-. David's cry to Jehovah.
u | -2, 3. The relief obtained.
v | 4. Songs of praise.
V | 5. Joy succeeds weeping.
V | 6, 7. Prosperity precedes trouble.
U | t | 8-10. David's cry to Jehovah.
u | 11. The relief obtained.
v | 12-. Songs of praise.
T | -12. Thanksgiving promised.Title. A Psalm. Heb. *mizmōr*. See Ap. 65. XVII.
Song. Heb. *Shīr*. The only *Shīr* in the first book. See Ap. 65. XXIII.dedication. Heb. *hanak*. Used of houses in Deut. 20. 5.
of the house of David. Cp. 2 Sam. 7. 1, 2. Not the temple.1 LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
lifted me up = as out of a pit.

2 God. Heb. Elohīm. Ap. 4. I.

3 soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.
the grave. Heb. *Sheōl*. See Ap. 35.

that I should not go down. So in some codices and one early printed edition; but other codices read “from among” [those who were going down], with Sept., Syr., and Vulg.

the pit = a sepulchre. Heb. *bōr*. See note on “well” (Gen. 21. 19).

4 Sing = Sing praises.

saints = favoured ones: lit. men endued with grace. The natural man cannot do this (1 Cor. 2. 14).

5 endureth, &c. Render “For a moment [is] His anger; for a lifetime [is] His favour”. endure = lodge

6 I shall, &c. Cp. 62. 6. 7 my mountain: i. e. Zion, which David had but recently taken (2 Sam. 5. 7-10).

hide Thy face. Probably refers to a sickness which followed. face. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

U t
(p. 746)

8 I cried to Thee, O ¹ LORD;
And unto ^o the LORD* I made supplication.
9 ^o What profit ^o is there in my ^o blood, when
I go down to ^o the pit?
^o Shall the dust praise Thee? ^o shall it de-
clare Thy truth?
10 Hear, O ¹ LORD, and have mercy upon me:
¹ LORD, be Thou my helper.

u

11 Thou hast ^o turned for me my mourning
into dancing:
Thou hast ^o put off my ^o sackcloth, and
^o girded me with gladness;

v

12 To the end that ^o my glory may sing
praise to Thee, and not be silent.

T

O ¹ LORD my ² God, I will give thanks
unto Thee for ever.

^o To the chief Musician.

31

^o A Psalm ^o of David.

T² W Y
(p. 747)

1 In Thee, O ^o LORD, ^o do I put my trust;
let me never be ashamed:
Deliver me in Thy righteousness.

2 Bow down Thine ^o ear to me; ^o deliver me
speedily:
Be Thou my strong ^o rock, for an house of
defence to save me.

Z A

3 For Thou art my ^o rock and my fortress;
Therefore for ^o Thy name's sake ^o lead me,
and ^o guide me.

4 Pull me out of the net that they have laid
privily for me:
For Thou art my strength.

B w

5 ^o Into Thine ^o hand I ^o commit my ^o spirit:
Thou hast ^o redeemed me, O ¹ LORD ^o GOD
of truth.

x

6 ^o I have hated them that regard ^o lying
vanities:
But ³ ^o trust in ¹ the LORD.

X

7 I will be glad and rejoice in Thy ^o mercy:
For Thou hast ^o considered my trouble;
Thou hast known ^o my soul in adversities;
8 And hast not shut me up into the hand of
the enemy:
Thou hast set my feet in a large room.

W Z A

9 ^o Have mercy upon me, O ¹ LORD, for I am
in trouble:
Mine eye is consumed with grief, yea, ⁷ my
soul and my ^o belly.

10 For my life is spent with grief, and my
years with sighing:

My strength faileth
Because of mine ^o iniquity, and my bones
are consumed.

11 I was a ^o reproach among all mine
enemies,

But especially among ^o my neighbours, and
a fear to mine acquaintance:

They that did see me without fled from me.
12 I am forgotten as a dead man out of mind:
I ^o am like a ^o broken vessel.

13 For I have heard the slander of many:
Fear was on every side:

While they took counsel together against
me,

They devised to take away my ^o life.

B x

14 But ³ ^o trusted in Thee, O ¹ LORD:
I said, "Thou art my ^o God."

8 the LORD*. One of the 134 places where "Jehovah" (in the primitive text) was altered to "Adonai". See Ap. 32. Some codices, with one early printed edition, read "Jehovah". Ap. 4. II.

9 What profit...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. is there. Supply "[will there be]". blood = soul. Cp. Lev. 17. 11.

the pit. Heb. *Shāchath* = destruction (55. 23; 103. 4), or corruption (16. 10; 49. 9. Jer. 2. 6).

Shall...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Cp. 6. 5; 88. 11; 115. 17; 118. 17. Isa. 38. 18.

11 turned: denoting the act. See "girded", below. put off = torn open, or off.

sackcloth. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the sadness of which it was the sign.

girded: denoting the fact. See "turned", above.

12 my glory. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6, for "myself", referring either to the tongue (108. 1), or powers of mind which give the praise.

To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64. Though written for a special occasion, Ps. 30 was handed over to the chief Musician for public use, and in connection with any other dedication.

31 (T², p. 721). HIS PEOPLE'S PRAYER AND PRAISE IN VIEW OF PSALM 20. (*Alternations and Introversions*.)

T ²	W	Y	1, 2. Let me not be ashamed. "Thine ear".	} Prayer.
	Z	A	3, 4. Reason. "For". [Thrice.]	
	B	w	5. "Into Thine hand".	
	x		6. "I trust".	
		X	7, 8. Praise for benefits received.	} Prayer.
	W	Z	9-13. Reason. "For". [Thrice.]	
		B	x 14. "I trusted".	
	Y	w	15. "In Thy hand".	
		Y	16-18. Let me not be ashamed. "Thy face".	} Prayer.
		X	19-24. Praise for benefits received.	

Title. A Psalm. See Ap. 65. XVII. of David = by David, or relating to the true David. 1 LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II. do I put my trust - have I fled for refuge to. See Ap. 69. II.

2 ear. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. deliver = rescue.

rock. Heb. *zur*. } See note on 18. 1, 2.

3 rock. Heb. *gela*. } See note on 20. 1.

Thy name's sake. See note on 20. 1.

lead = Thou wilt gently lead.

guide = gently guide. Pull - Thou wilt pull.

5 Into, &c. Quoted in Luke 23. 46.

hand. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

commit = I will commit.

spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

redeemed = delivered by power. Heb. *pādah*. See note on Ex. 13. 13. Cp. Ex. 6. 6.

GOD. Heb. *El*. Ap. 4. IV.

6 I have hated. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "Thou hatest".

lying vanities = idols. See Jer. 8. 19; 10. 8. Cp. 2 Sam. 5. 21. Jonah 2. 8.

trust in = have fixed my hope on, or confidence in.

Heb. *batāh*. Ap. 69. I.

7 mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.

considered = looked upon.

my soul = me myself. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

9 Have mercy upon = Show favour or grace to.

belly. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6, for "body".

10 iniquity. Heb. *āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv. But Sept. and Syr. read "humiliation".

11 reproach = derision.

my neighbours. Cp. 2 Sam. 6. 16, 20.

12 am = became. broken: or missing.

13 life = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

14 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

- 15 My ° times are in Thy hand :
 2 Deliver me from the hand of mine enemies,
 and from them that persecute me.
- 16 Make Thy ° face to shine upon Thy servant :
 Save me ° for Thy mercies' sake.
- 17 Let me not be ashamed, O ° LORD ; for I
 have called upon Thee :
 Let the ° wicked be ashamed, and let them
 be silent in ° the grave.
- 18 Let the lying lips be put to silence ;
 Which speak ° grievous things proudly
 and contemptuously against ° the right-
 eous.
- 19 Oh how great is Thy goodness, which
 Thou hast laid up for them that fear
 Thee ;
 Which Thou hast wrought for them that
 ° trust in Thee before the sons of
 ° men !
- 20 Thou shalt hide them in the secret of Thy
 presence from the ° pride of ° man :
 Thou shalt keep them secretly in a ° pavil-
 ion from the strife of tongues.
- 21 Blessed be the ° LORD :
 For He hath shewed me His marvellous
 ° kindness in a ° strong city.
- 22 For I said in my haste, "I am cut off
 from before Thine ° eyes :"
 Nevertheless Thou heardest the voice of
 my supplications when I cried unto
 Thee.
- 23 O love ° the LORD, all ye His ° saints :
 For ° the LORD preserveth the faithful,
 And plentifully rewardeth the proud doer.
- 24 Be of good courage, and He shall strength-
 en your heart,
 All ye that ° hope in ° the LORD.

32

A Psalm ° of David, ° Maschil.

- T^s C y
 (p. 748)
 941 B.C.
- 1 ° Blessed is ° he whose ° transgression is
 ° forgiven, whose ° sin is ° covered.
- 2 ° Blessed is the ° man unto whom ° the LORD
 ° imputeth not ° iniquity,
 And in whose ° spirit there is no guile.
- 3 When I ° kept silence, my bones waxed old
 Through my ° roaring all the day long.
- 4 For day and night Thy ° hand was heavy
 upon me :
 My moisture ° is turned ° into the drought
 of summer. ° Selah.
- 5 ° I acknowledged my ° sin unto thee, and
 mine ° iniquity ° have I not hid.
 I said, "I will confess my ° transgressions
 unto ° the LORD ;"
 And ° Thou forgavest the ° iniquity of my
 ° sin. ° Selah.
- 6 For this ° shall every one that is ° godly
 pray unto Thee ° in a time when Thou
 mayest be found :

transgressions. Refers to 2 Sam. 12. 13 (941 B.C.). Some codices, with Sept. and Vulg., read it in sing., Thou forgavest. Divine forgiveness follows immediately on true confession to Him. Cp. 2 Sam. 12. 13. Gen. 44. 16, 17. Job 42. 5, 6. Isa. 6. 5-7. Dan. 10. 10-12. Luke 5. 8-10. Selah. Connecting this Divine forgiveness with prayer and worship, which can be accepted only from those who have this experience. Cp. vv. 4 and 7 ; and see Ap. 66. II. 6 shall = let. godly = man of lovingkindness, who has experienced this Divine grace or favour. in a time, &c. = in a time of finding [his need].

15 times. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for what is done in them = all my affairs.

16 face. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

for Thy mercies' sake = in Thy lovingkindness.

17 wicked = lawless. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

the grave. Heb. *Sheol*. Ap. 35.

18 grievous = hard, or arrogant.

the righteous = a righteous one.

19 trust = put their trust. Same word as v. 1.

men. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

20 pride = conspiracy.

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

pavilion = booth, or tent.

21 kindness = lovingkindness, or grace.

strong = fortified : which Zion was.

22 eyes. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

23 the LORD. Heb. *'eth Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II. (Ob-
 jective.)

saints = favoured, or graced ones.

24 hope in = wait for.

32 (T^s, p. 721). HIS PEOPLE'S PRAYER AND
 PRAISE IN VIEW OF PSALM 20. (*Introversions
 and Alternations.*)

T ^s	C	y	1, 2-. The justified.	}	David speaks.
			z -2. The sanctified.		
	D	a	3, 4. Trouble.	}	God speaks.
			b 5-7. Deliverance.		
	E	a	8. Promise.	}	God speaks.
			9. Injunction.		
	D	a	10-. Trouble.	}	David speaks.
			b -10. Deliverance.		
C	y	z	11-. The justified.	}	David speaks.
			-11. The sanctified.		

Title. of David - by David, or relating to the true David.

Maschil = giving instruction. This is the first of thirteen "Maschil" Psalms. These are 32, 42, 44, 45, 52, 53, 54, 55, 74, 78, 88, 89, 142 ; some in each Book, except Book IV. See Ap. 65. XI.

1 Blessed = How happy. See Ap. 63. VI. Quoted in Rom. 4. 7, 8.

he. Left to be supplied by any one who has this ex-
 perience.

transgression = breaking away, rebellion. Heb. *pāshā'*,
 referring to thought. Ap. 44. ix.

forgiven = taken up and carried away.

sin = erring, transgression. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

covered = atoned (by the death and merit of a sub-
 stituted sacrifice).

2 man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

imputeth not. Forensic or legal righteousness. The
 N.T. righteousness is not negative, but positive, for the
 righteousness of One (Christ) is imputed or accounted to
 another, as it was to Abraham (Gen. 15. 6. Rom. 4. 13).

iniquity = sin in the nature, rather than breaches of
 the law in act = perverseness (never eradicated). Heb.
'āvōn. Ap. 44. iii. spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

3 kept silence : from confession. Probably during
 the year referred to in 2 Sam. 12. 1-5.

roaring = irrepressible anguish. Not yet articulate
 confession.

4 hand. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

is = was.

into. Some codices, with Aram., read "like".

Selah. Connecting the trouble of conviction with the
 confession to which it led. See Ap. 66. II.

5 I acknowledged = I [made up my mind that I
 would] acknowledge.

have I not hid = did I not hide.

Surely in the °floods of great waters they shall not come nigh unto him.

7 Thou art my °hiding place; Thou shalt preserve me from trouble;
Thou shalt compass me about with °songs of deliverance. °Selah.

8 °I will °instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou °shalt go:
°I will guide thee with Mine eye.

9 Be ye not as the °horse, or as the °mule, which have no understanding:
Whose mouth must be held in with °bit and °bridle,
°Lest they °come near unto thee.

10 Many sorrows shall be to °the wicked:

But he that °trusteth in °the LORD,
°mercy shall compass him about.

11 Be glad in °the LORD, and rejoice, ye righteous:

And shout for joy, all ye that are upright in heart.

33 °Rejoice in °the LORD, O ye righteous:
For praise is comely for the upright.

2 Praise °the LORD with harp:
Sing unto Him with the psaltery and an instrument of ten strings.

3 Sing unto Him °a new song;
Play skilfully with a loud noise.

4 For the Word of °the LORD is right;
And all His works are done in truth.

5 He loveth righteousness and judgment:
The earth is full of the °goodness of °the LORD.

6 °By the word of °the LORD were the heavens made;
And all the host of them by the °breath of His mouth.

7 He gathereth the waters of the sea together °as an heap:
He layeth up the °depth in storehouses.

8 Let all the earth fear °the LORD:
Let all the inhabitants of the °world stand in awe of Him.

9 For °he °spake, and it °was done;
°he °commanded, and it °stood fast.

10 °The LORD bringeth the counsel of the °heathen to nought:

He maketh the devices of the people of none effect.

11 The counsel of °the LORD standeth for ever,
The thoughts of His heart to all generations.

12 °Blessed is the nation whose °God is °the LORD;

And the People whom He hath chosen for His own inheritance.

13 °The LORD looketh from heaven;
He beholdeth all °the sons of men.

14 From the place of His habitation He looketh

Upon all the inhabitants of the earth.

15 He fashioneth their hearts alike;
He considereth all their works.

floods, &c. Fig. *Hypocatastasis*. Ap. 6. Put for the time of need in preceding line.

7 hiding place. Note Jehovah my righteousness (v. 6), my hiding place (v. 7), and my guide (v. 8). Cp. 9. 9; 27. 5; 31. 20; 119. 114. songs = shoutings.

Selah. Connecting this worship and praise with the further instruction and guidance which such receive.

8 I will instruct. Jehovah now speaks. See the Structure on p. 748.

instruct. Hence the title "Maschil". See Ap. 65. XI. Note the Fig. *Anabasis* (Ap. 6): instruct, teach, guide. shalt go = goest.

I will guide, &c. = Let me cause mine eye to take counsel concerning thee. Used of Jethro (Ex. 18. 19, &c.), Nathan (1 Kings 1. 12, &c.), Jeremiah (Jer. 38. 15).

9 horse . . . mule. Cp. Prov. 26. 3. bit . . . bridle. See note on "eye", v. 8.

Lest = Otherwise they will not.

come near = draw near: i. e. for help and instruction, so as to understand what they are to do: (1) to help, Heb. *kārab*, Ap. 43. I. i (Deut. 4. 7. Pss. 34. 18; 119. 151; 145. 18. Neh. 13. 4); or (2) in worship (Lev. 16. 1. 1 Sam. 14. 36. Ezek. 40. 46; 44. 15).

10 the wicked = the lawless one. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x. trusteth = confideth. Heb. *batāh*. Ap. 69. I. mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.

33 (T⁴, p. 721). HIS PEOPLE'S NEW SONG IN VIEW OF PSALM 20. (Division.)

T⁴ | F¹ | 1-9. Exhortation to praise Jehovah.
| F² | 10-22. Declarations concerning Jehovah.

1-9 (F¹, above). EXHORTATION TO PRAISE JEHOVAH. (Alternation.)

F¹ | G | 1-3. Exhortation for righteous to praise Jehovah.
| H | 4-7. Reason. "For". (The word and works of Jehovah.)

G | 8. Exhortation to all to fear Jehovah.
| H | 9. Reason. "For". (The word and works of Jehovah.)

1 Rejoice = Shout for joy. Ps. 33 (without a title) is thus linked on to Ps. 32. 11. Other links may be noted: cp. 32. 8 with 33. 17; and 32. 8 with 33. 18, &c. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

3 a new song. First occurrence of seven new songs in the O.T. (six in the Psalms: 33. 3; 40. 3; 96. 1; 98. 1; 144. 9; 149. 1; and one in Isa. 42. 10). Heb. *hādāsh* . . . new, unheard of before.

5 goodness = lovingkindness.

6 By the word, &c. Quoted in 2 Pet. 3. 5. breath = spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

7 as an heap. Aram., Sept., and Syr. read "as a skin-bottle", taking the pointing as in Ps. 119. 83. The Massoretic pointing refers it to Ex. 15. 8. depth = depths, or abysses.

8 world = world (as inhabited). Heb. *tēbēl*.

9 spake. Referring to the one act.

was done = it became. Refers to the permanent fact. commanded. Refers to the one act.

stood fast. Refers to the abiding fact.

10 22 (F², above). DECLARATIONS CONCERNING JEHOVAH. (Alternation.)

F² | J | 10, 11. Mankind's relation to Jehovah.
| K | 12. Relation of Jehovah to His People.

J | 13-17. Results of J.
| K | 18-22. Results of K.

10 heathen = nations, or peoples.

12 Blessed = How happy. See Ap. 63. VI. Cp. 144. 15. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

13 the sons of men = humanity. Heb. *'ādām* (with Art.). Ap. 14. I.

16 There is no king saved by the multitude of an host:

A mighty man is not delivered by much strength.

17 An horse *is* a vain thing for safety :
Neither shall he deliver *any* by his great
strength.

18 ° Behold, the ° eye of ¹ the LORD *is* upon
them that fear Him,

Upon them that ° hope in His ° mercy ;

19 To ° deliver ° their soul from death,
And to keep them alive in famine.

20 ° Our soul waiteth for ¹ the LORD :
He *is* our help and our ° shield.

21 For our heart shall rejoice in Him,
Because we have ° trusted in His ° holy
name.

22 Let thy ¹⁸ mercy, O ¹ LORD, be upon us,
According as we ¹⁸ hope in Thee.

34 ° A Psalm ° of David, ° when he changed his
behaviour before ° Abimelech ; who drove him
away, and he departed.

1 (N) I will bless ° the LORD at all times :
His praise *shall* continually be in my
mouth.

2 (2) ° My soul shall make her boast in ° the
LORD :
The ° humble shall hear *thereof*, and be
glad.

3 (3) O magnify ² the LORD with me,
And let us exalt His name together.

4 (7) I sought ² the LORD, and He ° heard me,
And ° delivered me from all my fears.

5 (7) ° They ° looked ° unto Him,
(1) And were lightened :
And their faces were not ashamed.

6 (1) This poor man cried, and ² the LORD
° heard him,
And saved him out of all his ° troubles.

7 (7) ° The angel of ² the LORD ° encampeth
round about them that ° fear Him,
And delivereth them.

8 (2) ° Taste and see that ² the LORD *is* good :
° Blessed is the ° man that ° trusteth in
Him.

9 (1) O ⁷ fear ² the LORD, ye his ° saints :
For *there is* no want to them that ⁷ fear Him.

10 (2) The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger :
But they that seek ² the LORD shall not
want any good *thing*.

11 (5) Come, ye ° children, hearken unto me :
I will teach you the fear of ² the LORD.

12 (2) ° What ° man *is* he that desireth ° life,
And loveth *many* days, that he may see
good ?

13 (3) ° Keep thy tongue from ° evil,
And thy lips from speaking guile.

14 (2) Depart from ¹³ evil, and do good ;
Seek peace, and pursue it.

15 (7) The eyes of ² the LORD *are* upon the
righteous,
And His ° ears *are* open unto their cry.

16 (2) The ° face of ² the LORD *is* against them
that do ¹³ evil,
To cut off the remembrance of them from
the earth.

17 (5) The righteous ° cry, and ² the LORD ° hear-
eth,
And ° delivereth them out of all their
° troubles.

18 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.
eye. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. Some codices,
with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "eyes" (pl.).
hope in - wait for.

mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.

19 deliver = rescue.

their soul = them themselves. } Heb. *nephesh* (Ap. 13),
20 Our soul = we ourselves. } for emphasis.

shield. Heb. *māgēn*. See note on 5. 12.

21 trusted = confided. Heb. *batāh*. Ap. 69. I.
holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5. name. See note on 20. 1.

34 (U, p. 721). HIS PEOPLE'S EXULTATION IN
HIS EXALTATION : IN VIEW OF PSALM 21.
(Division.)

U | L¹ | 1-10. Praise. (N-5.)

| L² | 11-22. Instruction. (2-7.)

Title. A Psalm. Ap. 65. XVII.
of David = by, or relating to David.

when. Cp. 1 Sam. 21. 10-22. 1.

Abimelech. An appellative for the kings of Gath.
This Abimelech was named Achish.

This is an Acrostic Psalm (see Ap. 63. VII). It is
divided into two parts, eleven letters to the first and
eleven to the second.

1-10 (L¹, above). PRAISE. (N-5.)

(Introversion and Alternation.)

L¹ | M | c | 1, 2. The oppressed. "I" and "they".
d | 3. Invitation. "O magnify". "Ye".

N | 4. Acknowledgment. "I".

M | c | 5. 7. The oppressed. "I" and "they".

d | 8-10. Invitation. ("O taste . . . see . . .
fear"). "Ye".

1 the LORD. Heb. 'eth Jehovah. Ap. 4. II (Objective).

2 My soul = I myself. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

humble = patient, oppressed.

4 heard = answered. delivered = rescued.

5 They looked. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and
Vulg., read Imperative, "Look . . . !"

looked = looked expectantly. To this end Jehovah
keeps us in salutary suspense.

unto Him. That is why they were radiant. To look
within is to be miserable (see notes on 77). To look
around is to be distracted (see notes on 73).

6 troubles = distresses.

7 The angel of the LORD. Occurs in Psalms only
here and 35. 5. Here, in mercy ; there, in judgment.
Cp. Acts 12 : delivering Peter (vv. 7-11), and smiting
Herod (v. 23).

encampeth. Heb. *hānāh*. Hence the name "Maha-
naim" = two camps in Jacob's vision, afterward to be
noted in David's history (2 Sam. 17. 24, 27 ; 19. 32).

fear = revere.

8 taste, &c. Referred to in 1 Pet. 2. 3.

Blessed = How happy. See Ap. 63. VI.

man = strong man. Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. IV. Trust-

ing not in his own strength, but in Jehovah.

trusteth in - fleeth for refuge to. Heb. *ḥaṣāh*. Ap. 69. II.

9 saints = separated ones. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

11-22 (L², above). INSTRUCTION. (2-7.)

(Repeated Alternation.)

L² | e¹ | 11-15. The righteous.

f¹ | 16. The evil-doers.

e² | 17-20. The righteous.

f² | 21. The evil-doers.

e³ | 22. The righteous.

11 children = sons.

12 What . . . ? Referred to in 1 Pet. 3. 10-12.

man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II.

life. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, put for all
that makes life worth living.

13 Keep, &c. Fig. *Apostrophe*. Ap. 6.

evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

15 ears. } Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

16 face. }

17 cry = have cried. heareth = hath heard.

delivereth = hath rescued.

18 (P) ² The LORD is nigh unto them that are
of a broken heart ;

And saveth such as be of a contrite °spirit.

19 (N) Many are the afflictions of °therighteous:
But °the LORD delivereth him out of
them all.

20 (W) He keepeth all his ° bones :
Not one of them is broken.

f² 21 (N) ¹³ Evil shall slay ° the wicked :

(p. 750)

And they that hate ¹⁸ the righteous shall
be ° desolate.

e³

22 (S) ² The LORD ° redeemeth the ° soul of His
servants :

And none of them that ° trust in Him
shall be ²¹ desolate.

35

A Psalm ° of David.

V¹ O g k¹

1 ° Plead my cause, O ° LORD, with ° them
that strive with me:

l¹

° Fight against them that ° fight against me.

k²

2 Take hold of ° shield and buckler,
And stand up for mine help.

l²

3 Draw out also the spear, and ° stop the
way against them that ° persecute me:

k³

Say unto ° my soul, "I am thy salvation."

h

4 Let them be confounded and put to shame
that seek after ° my soul:

Let them be turned back and brought to
confusion that devise my hurt.

5 Let them be as chaff before the ° wind:

And let ° the angel of ° the LORD chase them.

6 Let their way be dark and slippery:
And let ° the angel of ° the LORD ° persecute
them.

7 For ° without cause have they hid for me
their ° net in a pit,

Which ° without cause they have digged
for ° my soul.

8 Let destruction come upon him at un-
awares;

And let his net that he hath hid catch
himself:

Into that very destruction let him fall.

i

9 And ° my soul shall be joyful in ° the LORD:

It shall rejoice in His salvation.

10 ° All my bones shall ° say, "LORD, ° who is
like unto Thee,

Which ° deliverest the ° poor from him that
is ° too strong for him,

Yea, the ° poor and the needy from him
that spoileth him?"

P

11 ° False witnesses did rise up;
They laid to my charge things that I knew
not.

Q

12 They rewarded me ° evil for good
To the ° spoiling of ° my soul.

R

13 But as for me, when they were sick, my
° clothing was sackcloth:
I humbled ° my soul ° with fasting;
And my prayer returned into mine own
bosom.

14 I behaved myself as though he had been
my friend or brother:

18 spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

19 the righteous = a righteous one. Cp. "him", next
clause.

20 bones. True (by application) of the members of
Christ's body. See note on 35. 10. Eph. 5. 30. Hence
John 19. 31-33. Ex. 12. 46. Heartbroken (69. 20), but
not "bones".

21 the wicked = a lawless one. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44 x.
desolate = held guilty.

22 redeemeth = delivereth (by power). Heb. *pidāh*.
See note on Ex. 13. 13; and cp. Ex. 6. 6.
soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

35 (V¹, p. 721). MESSIAH'S PRAYER AND PRAISE
IN VIEW OF PSALM 22.

(Introversion and Extended Alternation.)

V¹ O | g | 1-3. Appeal for help.

h | 4-8. Imprecation.

i | 9, 10. Praise.

P | 11. Evildoers. Words.

Q | 12. Their evil for good.

R | 13. His good for evil.

R | 14. His good for evil.

Q | 15. Their evil for good.

P | 16. Evildoers. Words.

O | g | 17, 18. Appeal for help.

h | 19-26. Deprecation.

i | 27, 28. Praise.

Title. of David = by David, or relating to the true
David.

1-3 (g, above). APPEAL FOR HELP.

(Repeated Alternation.)

g | k¹ | 1-. Defensive.

l¹ | -1. Offensive.

k² | 2. Defensive.

l² | 3-. Offensive.

k³ | -3. Defensive.

1 Plead = Contend, or strive. Note the Fig. *Exergasia*
(Ap. 6) in the words "plead", "fight", "take hold",
"stand up", "draw out", "stop", "say", &c.; con-
tinued in vv. 4, 5. Psalm probably written during and
concerning the times of 1 Sam. 21-24, 26, and 27, but
it relates also to David's Son and David's Lord, the
Messiah, in view of Ps. 22. See the Structure on p. 721.
Cp. especially vv. 15-21 with Matt. 26. 67. Mark 14. 65.
Luke 22. 63. LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
them that strive = my contenders.

Fight = make war.

2 shield, &c. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

3 stop = close up. Some render "battle axe" or
"barricade". persecute = pursue.

my soul = me (emph.). Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

5 wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

the angel of the LORD. See note on 34. 7.

7 without cause. See note on v. 19.

net in a pit: i.e. a pit covered with a net.

10 All my bones = all the members of my body. In-
terpretation belongs to the speaker. The Application
belongs (1) to the O.T. saints (139. 13-16), and (2) to
the later members referred to in Eph. 1. 22, 23;
2. 21; 4. 4-16. Note their experiences: 6. 2 (vexed);
22. 14 (out of joint); but "not broken" (34. 20 John
19. 36. Ex. 12. 46); His heart broken (69. 20); so our
hearts (34. 18); but not ourselves (John 10. 27-29).

say. They speak: and always of HIM. Fig. *Proso-
popeia* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. They all and always
confess Christ as LORD (1 Cor. 12. 3. 1 Pet. 3. 15).

who is like...? Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6), for greater
emphasis. Cp. their words (71. 19; 73. 25; 89. 6. 1 Sam.
2. 2. Deut. 33. 26, 27).

deliverest = rescuest. Cp. 2 Tim. 4. 18. 2 Pet. 2. 9.

1 Cor. 15. 54-57. 2 Cor. 1. 10. Hos. 13. 14.

poor = oppressed. Cp. 34. 6.

too strong. Law too strong (Gal. 3. 10, 13); sin too

strong (Rom. 7. 24); self too strong (Rom. 7. 24); death too strong (2 Tim. 1. 10).

11 False witnesses. "Many of them". Cp. Matt. 26. 60, 61; 27. 40. Mark 14. 55-59. 12 evil. Heb. *rā'a'*.
Ap. 44. viii. spoiling = bereaving. 13 clothing, &c. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, put, by Symbol,
for feelings of sorrow. with fasting = in the Fast: i.e. on the great Day of Atonement (Lev. 16).

I bowed down heavily, as one that mourneth for his mother.

15 But in mine °adversity they rejoiced, and gathered themselves together:

Yea, the °objects gathered themselves together against me, and I knew °if not; They did °tear me, and ceased not:

16 With °hypocritical mockers in feasts, They gnashed upon me with their teeth.

17 °LORD*, how long wilt Thou look on? Rescue °my soul from their destructions, °My darling °from the lions.

18 I will give Thee thanks in the great °congregation: I will praise Thee among °much People.

19 Let not them that are mine enemies wrongfully rejoice over me:

Neither let them wink with the eye °that hate me °without a cause.

20 For they speak not peace:

But they devise °deceitful matters against them that are quiet in the land.

21 Yea, they °opened their mouth wide against me,

And said, °“Aha, aha, our eye °hath seen it.”

22 This °Thou hast seen, O °LORD: keep not silence:

O °LORD*, be not far from me.

23 Stir up Thyself, and awake to my °judgment,

Even unto my cause, °my °God and my °Lord.

24 °Judge me, O °LORD my °God, according to Thy righteousness;

And let them not rejoice over me.

25 Let them not say in their hearts, “Ah, so would °we have it:”

Let them not say, “We have swallowed him up.”

26 Let them be ashamed and brought to confusion together that rejoice at mine hurt:

Let them be °clothed with shame and dishonour that magnify themselves against me.

27 Let them shout for joy, and be glad, that favour °my righteous cause:

Yea, let them say continually, “Let °the LORD be magnified,

Which hath pleasure in the prosperity of His servant.”

28 And my tongue shall speak of Thy righteousness

And of Thy praise all the day long.

°To the chief Musician.

36

A Psalm °of David °the servant of °the LORD.

1 The °transgression of °the wicked °saith °within my heart,

That °there is no fear of °God before °his eyes.

2 For he flattereth himself in his own eyes, Until his °iniquity be found to be hateful.

3 The words of his mouth are °iniquity and deceit:

He hath left off to be wise, and to do good.

4 He deviseth °mischief upon his bed;

He °setteth himself in a way that is not good; He abhorreth not °evil.

15 adversity = halting or falling. Cp. 38. 17. Jer. 20. 10. abjects = outcasts.

it. Supply *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), by reading “[them]”. tear me. Heb. *kār’ū* (with Ayin = ‘). Spelt with Aleph (*kar’ū*); it means “cry out”. See note on Isa. 11. 4.

16 hypocritical mockers in feasts. Fig. *Ellipsis* (of Repetition) = “hypocrites [at feasts] mocking at the feast”. Ap. 6. III. 1.

17 LORD*. The primitive text was Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. Altered to “Adonai” by the *Sopherim*. See Ap. 32.

My darling = My only one. See note on 22. 20.

from the lions. Cp. Ps. 22. 13, 16.

18 congregation = assembly, or convocation. much = mighty.

19 that hate me. Quoted in John 15. 25.

without a cause. Note the same Greek word there (*dōrean*) as in Rom. 8. 24, rendered “freely”, but meaning “without a cause”. Cp. v. 7, and 69. 4; 109. 3.

20 deceitful matters. Heb. “words of frauds”.

21 opened their mouth. Implying contempt.

Aha, aha. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. See 40. 15; 70. 3. Cp. Mark 15. 29.

hath seen. Implying delight in so doing.

22 Thou hast seen. Another eye has seen.

23 judgment = vindication.

my God and my Lord. Cp. John 20. 28.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

Lord. Heb. Adonai. Ap. 4. VIII (2).

24 Judge = Vindicate.

25 we = our soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13: i. e. we have our great desire at last.

26 clothed with shame. Cp. 109. 29; 132. 18.

27 my righteous cause = my justification.

28 To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.

36 (V², p. 721). MESSIAH'S PRAYER AND PRAISE IN VIEW OF PSALM 22. (*Introversion*.)

V² S | 1-4. The wicked. Their misdeeds.

T | 5-9. The lovingkindness of Jehovah. Declaration.

T | 10. The lovingkindness of Jehovah. Prayer.

S | 11, 12. The wicked. Their end.

Title. of David = by David.

the servant of the LORD. In the Heb. text these two words are reversed, and the title stands thus: “Relating to Jehovah's servant, by David”. This is exactly what it is. His prayer and praise in view of Ps. 22 (see p. 721, and Isa. 42. 1, &c.), in death and resurrection. Ps. 18 is the only other Psalm so entitled.

1 transgression = rebellion. Heb. *pāsha’*. Ap. 44. ix. the wicked = a lawless one. Heb. *rāshā’*. Ap. 44. x.

saith: declareth, as an oracle. Heb. *nā’am*. Cp. Jer. 23. 31 = declareth. Fig. *Prosopopœia*. Ap. 6.

within my heart = within me; “my heart” being put by Fig. *Synecdochē* (of the Part), Ap. 6, for the whole person: i. e. assureth or convinceth me that, &c.

Not seeing the Fig., or the force of the Heb. *nā’am*, many follow the hypothesis of the Sept., Syr., and Vulg., and read “his heart”.

there is, &c. Quoted in Rom. 8. 18.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. His relation, as Creator, to His creatures. This lawless one knows not Jehovah; and fears not Elohim.

his eyes. Answering to “his heart” in preceding clause.

2 iniquity. Heb. *āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

3 iniquity. Heb. *āven*. Ap. 44. iii.

4 mischief. Heb. *āven*, as in v. 3, “iniquity”.

setteth himself = taketh his stand.

evil. Heb. *rā’a’*. Ap. 44. viii.

5-9 [For Structure see next page].

5 mercy = lovingkindness, or grace (as in v. 7).

LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

5 Thy °mercy, O °LORD, is in the heavens; And Thy faithfulness reacheth unto the clouds.

T m¹

6 Thy righteousness *is* like °the great mountains;

°Thy judgments *are* a great deep:

O °LORD, Thou preservest °man and beast.

(p. 753)
n¹
m²

7 How excellent *is* Thy °lovingkindness, O °God!

n²

Therefore the °children of °men °put their trust under the shadow of Thy °wings.

8 They shall be abundantly satisfied with the fatness of Thy house;

And Thou shalt make them drink of the °river of Thy pleasures.

m³

9 For with Thee *is* the fountain of life:

n³

In Thy light shall we see light.

T

10 O °continue Thy lovingkindness unto them that know Thee;

And Thy righteousness to the upright in heart.

S

(p. 752)

11 Let not the foot of pride come against me, And let not the hand of the °wicked remove me.

12 There are the workers of °iniquity fallen: They are cast down, and shall not be able to rise.

37

A Psalm °of David.

W U¹ o
(p. 753)

1 (N) °Fret not thyself because of °evildoers, Neither be thou envious against the workers of °iniquity.

p

2 For they shall soon be cut down like the grass, And wither as the green herb.

o

3 (2) °Trust in °the LORD, and do good; So shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed.

4 Delight thyself also in °the LORD; And He shall give thee the desires of thine heart.

5 (3) °Commit thy way unto °the LORD; °Trust also in Him; and °he shall bring it to pass.

6 And He shall bring forth thy righteousness as the light, And thy °judgment as the noonday.

7 (7) °Rest in °the LORD, and wait patiently for Him:

°Fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his way, Because of the °man who bringeth °wicked devices to pass.

8 (7) Cease from anger, and forsake wrath: °Fret not thyself in any wise to do °evil.

p

9 For °evildoers shall °be cut off: But those that wait upon °the LORD, they shall inherit °the earth.

10 (7) For yet a little while, and the °wicked shall not be:

Yea, thou shalt diligently consider his place, and it shall not be.

11 °But the °meek shall inherit °the earth; And shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace.

V¹ q

12 (7) The °wicked plotteth against the just, And gnasheth upon him with his teeth.

36. 5-9 (T, p. 752). THE LOVINGKINDNESS OF JEHOVAH DECLARED. (Repeated Alternation.)

T m¹ | 5, 6-. His attributes.

n¹ | -6. Their effects.

m² | 7-. His attributes.

n² | -7, 8. Their effects.

m³ | 9-. His attributes.

n³ | -9. Their effects.

6 the great mountains. Heb. mountains of El (Ap. 4. IV)=GOD'S mountains: i. e. great and mighty. Thy judgments = And Thy just decrees. The "And" was cancelled by the Massorites (see the Bab. Talmud *Nedarim*, 37b-38a). Ginsburg *Int.* (pp. 307-8).

LORD = Jehovah, because of *preservation*, which is more than creation. See Ap. 4. II.

man. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

7 lovingkindness. Cp. "mercy", v. 5 (m¹).

God. Heb. Elohim (Ap. 4. I), because of His creatures, the sons of men. children = sons.

put their trust under = flee for refuge to. Heb. *hāṣah*. Ap. 69. II. wings. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

8 river = full stream. Heb. *naḥal*. Refers to Paradise. 10 continue = prolong.

37 (W, p. 721). INSTRUCTION AS TO PRESENT BLESSING IN VIEW OF PSALM 23.

(Repeated Alternations.)

W U¹ | 1-11. Admonitions and reasons.

V¹ | 12-26. Contrasts. Lawless and righteous.

U² | 27-29. Admonition and reason.

V² | 30-33. Contrasts. Righteous and lawless.

U³ | 34. Admonition and reason.

V³ | 35-40. Contrasts. Lawless and righteous.

Ps. 37 is an Acrostic Psalm (see Ap. 63. VII), having four lines (a quatrain) assigned to each successive letter of the alphabet, except the fourth (7, v. 7), the eleventh (3, v. 20), the nineteenth (7, v. 34), which each have three lines (a triplet) assigned to them. These three triplet verses occur in perfect order. The seventh verse is the seventh letter from the beginning; the thirty-fourth verse is the seventh letter from the end; while the middle verse (v. 20) marks the end of the first half with the first of the two middle letters (3).

Title. of David = by David, and relating to the true David.

The Psalm is Messiah's admonition as to present blessing, arising from the fact that Jehovah is His Shepherd.

1-11 (U¹, above). ADMONITIONS AND REASONS. (Alternation.)

U¹ | o | 1. Trust. Fret not.

p | 2. Reason. "For".

o | 3-8. Trust. Delight. Commit.

p | 9-11. Reason. "For".

1 Fret not = Heat not thyself with vexation. evildoers. Cp. Ps. 36. 11, 12. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii. iniquity. Heb. *āval*. Ap. 44. vi.

3 Trust = Confide in. Heb. *batah*. Ap. 69. I. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

5 Commit = Roll upon, or Repose on. Cp. 55. 22. Heb. *gālal*. Ap. 69. V.

6 judgment = vindication. Some codices, with six early printed editions and Syr., read pl., "vindication" = pl. of majesty = thy complete vindication.

7 Rest. Heb. be silent for: i. e. wait for, or stand still. Cp. 62. 5. Ex. 14. 13. man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II.

wicked. Heb. *āshah*. Ap. 44. i.

8 evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

9 be cut off: i. e. die. Used of Messiah (Dan. 9. 26), whose resurrection was sure. (Ps. 16, &c.)

the earth = the land, as in vv. 3, 29, 34.

10 wicked = lawless (pl.). Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

11 But the meek = patient oppressed ones. Quoted in Matt. 5. 5.

12-26 (V¹, above). CONTRASTS. LAWLESS AND RIGHTEOUS. (Alternation.)

V¹ | q | 12-15. The lawless.

r | 16-19. The righteous.

q | 20-22. The lawless.

r | 23-26. The righteous.

- 13 °The LORD* shall °laugh at him:
For He seeth that his °day °is coming.
- 14 (7) The ¹⁰wicked have drawn out the sword, and have bent their bow,
To cast down °the poor and needy,
And to slay such as be °of upright conversation.
- 15 Their sword shall enter into their own heart,
And their bows shall be broken.
- 16 (b) A little that a righteous man hath is better
Than the riches of many ¹⁰wicked.
- 17 For the arms of the ¹⁰wicked shall be broken:
But ³the LORD upholdeth °the righteous.
- 18 () The LORD °knoweth the days of the upright:
And their inheritance shall be for ever.
- 19 They shall not be ashamed in the °evil time:
And in the days of famine they shall be satisfied.
- 20 (c) But the ¹⁰wicked shall perish,
And the enemies of ³the LORD shall be as the fat of lambs:
They shall consume; °into smoke shall they consume away.
- 21 (b) The ¹⁰wicked borroweth, and payeth not again:
But the righteous °sheweth mercy, and giveth.
- 22 For such as be blessed °of Him shall inherit °the earth;
And they that be cursed °of Him shall be °cut off.
- 23 (c) The steps of a °good man are °ordered by ³the LORD:
And He delighteth in his way.
- 24 Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down:
For ³the LORD upholdeth him with His °hand.
- 25 (c) I have been young, and now am old;
Yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken,
Nor his seed begging bread.
- 26 He is °ever °merciful, and lendeth;
And his seed is blessed.
- 27 (d) Depart from °evil, and do good;
And °dwell for evermore.
- 28 For ³the LORD loveth judgment,
And forsaketh not His °saints;
(v) °They are preserved for ever:
But the seed of the ¹⁰wicked shall be cut off.
- 29 The righteous shall inherit °the land,
And dwell therein for ever.
- 30 (d) The mouth of °the righteous speaketh wisdom,
And his tongue talketh of °judgment.
- 31 The law of his °God is in his heart;
None of his steps shall slide.
- 32 (c) The ¹⁰wicked watcheth ³⁰the righteous,
And seeketh to slay him.
- 33 ³The LORD will not leave him in his hand,
Nor condemn him when he is judged.
- 34 (p) Wait on ³the LORD, and keep His way,
And He shall exalt thee to inherit °the land;

- 13 The LORD*. Heb. Jehovah. Altered by the *Sopherim* to Adonai. Ap. 82.
laugh. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.
day = judgment. "Day" put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the judgment then to be executed.
is coming. So some codices, with Aram. and Syr. Heb. text = will come.
14 the poor and needy = a poor and needy one.
of upright conversation = upright in the (or their) way: i. e. in life. Some codices, with Sept. and Vulg., read "upright in heart".
17 the righteous. (Plural.)
18 knoweth. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for regarding with affection or favour. Cp. 1. 6; 31. 7.
20 into. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "like".
21 sheweth mercy = is gracious.
22 of. Genitive of Cause = by: i. e. His blessed ones.
23 good man. Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. IV ordered = prepared, or made firm.
24 hand. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.
26 ever = all the day, or all day long.
merciful = gracious.
27 dwell. Fig. *Heterōsis* (of Mood), Ap. 6, imp. for ind. = thou shalt dwell.
28 saints = favoured, or gracious ones.
They, &c. The letter *Ayin* (y) is hidden behind the Prep. *Lamed* (l), in the first word "for ever" (Heb. *l'olām*, y). Dr. John Lightfoot says it is cut off like the "seed" of the "wicked" in same clause, both these words ending with *Ayin* (y). He sees in this the seed of Joram being cut off (i. e. Ahaziah, Joash, and Amaziah. Matt. 1. 8). Cp. with 1 Chron. 3. 11, 12.
29 the land. See note on "the earth", v. 9.
30 the righteous = a righteous one.
judgment = justice.
31 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

37. 35-40 (V³, p. 753). CONTRASTS. THE LAWLESS AND THE RIGHTEOUS. (*Alternation*.)

- V³ s | 35, 36. The lawless.
t | 37. The righteous.
s | 38. The lawless.
t | 39, 40. The righteous.
- 35 the wicked = a lawless man.
in great power = ruthless.
a green bay tree = a green tree in its native soil. Sept. and Syr. read "cedars in Lebanon". Cp. Hos. 14. 6.
36 he. Aram., Sept., and Vulg. read "I".
37 the end = the hereafter, or future.
peace: or wellbeing.
38 transgressors. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix.
39 But. Some codices, with Syr. and Vulg., omit "But", thus making the *Tau* (τ) the first letter instead of the second (7).

When the ¹⁰wicked are °cut off, thou shalt see it.

- 35 (7) I have seen °the ¹⁰wicked °in great power,
And spreading himself like °a green bay tree.
- 36 Yet °he passed away, and, lo, he was not:
Yea, I sought him, but he could not be found.
- 37 (c) Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright:
For °the end of that °man is °peace.
- 38 But the °transgressors shall be destroyed together:
The end of the ¹⁰wicked shall be °cut off.
- 39 (7) °But the salvation of the righteous is of °the LORD:
He is their strength in the time of trouble.

40 And ³the LORD shall help them, and deliver them :
He shall ^odeliver them from the ¹⁰wicked,
and save them,
Because they ^otrust in Him.

38 ^oA Psalm ^oof David, ^oto bring to remembrance.

1 O ^oLORD, rebuke me not in Thy wrath :
Neither chasten me in Thy hot displeasure.

2 For Thine ^oarrows stick fast in me,
And Thy ^ohand presseth me sore.

3 There is no soundness in my flesh because
of Thine anger ;
Neither is there any rest in my bones be-
cause of my ^osin.

4 For mine ^oiniquities are gone ^oover mine
head :
As an heavy burden they are too heavy
for me.

5 My wounds stink and are corrupt
Because of my foolishness.

6 I am troubled ; I am bowed down greatly ;
I go mourning all the day long.

7 For my loins are filled with a ^oloathsome
disease :

And there is no soundness in my flesh.

8 I am feeble and sore broken :
I have roared ^oby reason of the disquiet-
ness of my heart.

9 ^oLORD*, all my desire is before Thee ;
And my groaning is not hid from Thee.

10 My heart panteth, my ^ostrength faileth me :
As for the light of mine eyes, it also is gone
from me.

v 11 My lovers and my friends stand aloof from
my ^osore ;

And my ^okinsmen stand afar off.

12 They also that seek after my ^olife ^olay
snares for me :

And they that seek my hurt speak mis-
chievous things,
And imagine deceits all the day long.

13 But ³, as a deaf man, heard not ;
And I was as a dumb man that openeth
not his mouth.

14 Thus I was as a ^oman that heareth not,
And in whose mouth are no reproofs.

15 For in Thee, O ¹LORD, do I hope :
Thou wilt ^ohear, O ^oLORD* my ^oGod.

16 For I said, "Hear me, lest otherwise they
should rejoice over me :"
When my foot slippeth, they magnify
themselves against me.

x u 17 For ³ am ready to ^ohalt,
And my sorrow is continually before me.

18 For I will declare mine ⁴iniquity ;
I will be sorry for my ^osin.

v 19 But mine enemies are lively, and they are
strong :

And they that hate me wrongfully are
multiplied.

20 They also that render ^oevil for good
Are mine adversaries ; because I follow
the thing that good is.

w 21 Forsake me not, O ¹LORD :
O my ¹⁵God, be not far from me.

40 deliver = have made them escape.

trust in = fled for refuge to. Heb. *ḥaṣah*. Ap. 69. II.

38 (*X*¹, p. 721). PRAYER AND PRAISE IN VIEW
OF FUTURE BLESSING (Ps. 24). (*Introversion*
and *Alternation*.)

*X*¹ W | 1. Prayer. "Not rebuke".

X | u | 2-10. Sin and suffering. "For".

v | 11-16. Treatment from friends.

X | u | 17, 18. Sin and suffering. "For".

v | 19, 20. Treatment from enemies.

W | 21, 22. Prayer. "Not forsake".

Title. A Psalm = Mizmôr. See Ap. 65. XVII.
of David = by David.

to bring to remembrance. Used on the Day of
Atonement.

This group of four Psalms closes the first book, and is
similar in character to the four that end the second book.

Cp. 38 Title with 70 Title.

" 38. 4, 11, 22, with 69. 1, 2, 8, 13.

" 40. 2, 3, 6, 13-17, with 69. 14, 30, 31.

" 41. 1 with 72. 13.

" 41. 2, 3, 7, 8, with 71. 10, 13, 18.

" 41. 7, 8, with 71. 10, 11.

" 41. 13, with 72. 18, 19.

1 LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 arrows . . . hand. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

3 sin. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

4 iniquities. Heb. *'āven*. Ap. 44. iii.

over mine head. The reference is to the burdens of
porters and carriers, which often mount up and pro-
ject over the head.

7 loathsome = burning.
8 by reason of the disquietness of my heart.
Ginsburg suggests *lāvi* instead of *lāvi* = "beyond the
roaring of a lion".

9 LORD*. Primitive text was Jehovah. One of the
134 emendations of the *Sopherim*. Ap. 32.

10 strength. Strength to endure = vital strength.
Heb. *koḥ*.

11 sore = stroke. Used of a leprous stroke.

kinsmen = neighbours.

12 life = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 9.

lay snares. Some commentators make two lines in
this verse ; but the Heb. accents make three : the first
= the act, the second = the speech, the third = the motive.

14 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

15 hear = answer.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

17 halt. Cp. 35. 15 and Gen. 32. 31.

18 sin. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

20 evil. Heb. *rā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii.

To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.
even to Jeduthun. See Ap. 65. VI.

39 (*X*², p. 721). [For Structure see next page.]

Title. A Psalm = Mizmôr. See Ap. 65. XVII.

of David = by David, and relating to the true David.

The Psalm is a continuation of the subject of this last
group of four Psalms. Verses 2 and 9 link it on to
38. 13 ; and v. 1 to 38. 17. See note on Title of 38, above.

1 I said = I formed this resolution (38. 7).

take heed = observe, keep, or guard.

sin. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

keep : same as "take heed to", above. Sept. and Vulg.
read "I did put". a bridle = a muzzle.

the wicked : a lawless one. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

22 Make haste to help me,
O ^oLORD* my salvation.

^oTo the chief Musician, ^oeven to Jeduthun.

39

^oA Psalm ^oof David.

1 ^oI said, "I will ^otake heed to my ways,
That I ^osin not with my tongue :
I will ^okeep my mouth with ^oa bridle,
While ^othe wicked is before me."

*X*² Y
(p. 755)

2 I was °dumb with silence, I held my peace,
even from °good ;
And my sorrow was stirred.

3 My heart was hot within me,
While I was musing the fire burned :
Then spake I with my tongue,

Z (p. 756) 4 °LORD, make me to know mine end,
And the measure of my days, what it is ;
That I may know how °frail I am.

A 5 °Behold, Thou hast made my days as an
handbreadth ;
And mine °age is as nothing before Thee :

B Verily every °man °at his best state is
°altogether vanity. °Selah.

6 Surely °every man °walketh °in a vain
shew :
Surely they are disquieted in vain :
He heapeth up riches, and knoweth not
who shall gather them.

C D w 7 And now, °LORD*, what wait I for ?
My hope °is in Thee.

x 8 Deliver me from all my °transgressions :
Make me not the reproach of °the foolish.

E y 9 I was dumb, I opened not my mouth ;
Because I thou didst it.

z 10 Remove Thy stroke away from me

Y 11 When Thou with rebukes dost correct
°man for °iniquity,
Thou makest his beauty to consume away
like a °moth :

Z 12 Hear my prayer, O °LORD, and give ear
unto my cry ;
Hold not Thy peace at my tears :

A 13 O spare me, that I may °recover strength,
Before I go hence, and be no more.
°To the chief Musician.

B 14 O spare me, that I may °recover strength,
Before I go hence, and be no more.

C E y 15 O spare me, that I may °recover strength,
Before I go hence, and be no more.

z 16 O spare me, that I may °recover strength,
Before I go hence, and be no more.

D x 17 O spare me, that I may °recover strength,
Before I go hence, and be no more.

w 18 O spare me, that I may °recover strength,
Before I go hence, and be no more.

40

°A Psalm °of David.

X³ F¹ G (p. 756) 1 °I waited patiently for °the LORD ;
And He °inclined unto me, and °heard my
cry.

2 He °brought me up also out of an horrible
pit, out of the miry clay,
And set my feet upon a °rock, and estab-
lished my goings.

3 And He hath put °a new song in my mouth,
even praise unto our °God :
Many shall °see it, °and fear,

H And shall °trust in °the LORD.

1 I waited patiently. Heb. in waiting I waited. Fig. *Polypitōton*. Ap. 6. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. inclined - hath inclined. heard - hath heard. 2 brought = hath brought. rock. Heb. *sela'*. See notes on 18. 1, 2. 3 a new song. See note on 33. 3. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I see ... and fear. Fig. *Paronomasia*. Ap. 6. Heb. *yir'ā ... v'yir'ā* = peer and fear. trust = confide Heb. *bāṭaḥ*. Ap. 69. i.

39 (X², p. 721). PRAYER AND PRAISE IN VIEW
OF FUTURE BLESSING (Ps. 24).
(Extended Alternation and Introversion.)

X² Y | 1-3. Silent meditation.
Z | 4. Speech. Prayer.
A | 5-. The fading of life. "I".
B | -5, 6. Vanity of man. Selah.
C | D | w | 7-. Departure.
x | -7. Hope in Thee.
E | y | 8-. Supplica-
tion.
z | -8. Depreca-
tion. } Prayer.
Y | 9. Silent meditation.
Z | 10-. Speech. Prayer.
A | -10. The fading of beauty. "I".
B | 11. Vanity of man. Selah.
C | E | y | 12-. Supplica-
tion.
z | -12-. Depreca-
tion. } Prayer.
D | x | -12. Hope in Thee.
w | 13. Departure.

2 dumb : as if tongue-tied.
good. Perhaps the *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) may be supplied
"from good [words]". See P.B.V.

4 LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
frail = shortlived.

5 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.
age = lifetime. Heb. *heled*. See note on "world"
(49. 1). man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.
at his best state = though standing fast, or firmly
established.

altogether vanity = only all vanity. Some codices,
with Syr., omit "all".

Selah. Connecting the vanity of v. 5 with the ex-
pansion and explanation of it in v. 6. See Ap. 66. II.

6 every man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.
walketh : i. e. walketh to and fro, or habitually.

in a vain shew = only in a mere form. Heb. *zelem*.
Occurs thirty-three times. Always rendered image,
except here and Dan. 3. 19 ("form").

7 LORD*. The primitive text read "Jehovah".
This is one of the 134 places where the *Sopherim* altered
Jehovah to "Adonai". See Ap. 32. is - "it [is]"

8 transgressions. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix.
the foolish = a foolish one. 10 blow = pressure.
hand. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

11 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II. See note on "moth",
below. iniquity. Heb. *'avōn*. Ap. 44. iii.

moth. Heb. *'āsh*. Forming the Fig. *Paronomasia*
(Ap. 6), connecting man (*'ish*) with a moth (*'āsh*).

Selah. Connecting human vanity with an abiding
reality and a divinely provided resource—prayer, and
hope in Jehovah. See Ap. 66. II.

13 recover strength = be comforted. Heb. "brighten
up". To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.

40 (X³, p. 721). MESSIAH'S PRAYER AND PRAISE
IN VIEW OF FUTURE BLESSING. (Ps. 24).

X³ F¹ | 1-5. Deliverance by Jehovah.
F² | 6-10. Address to Jehovah.
F³ | 11-17. Prayer to Jehovah.

Title. A Psalm. Heb. *Mizmōr*. Ap. 65. XVII.
of David - by David, and relating to the true David.

1-5 (F¹, above). DELIVERANCE BY JEHOVAH.
(Introversion.)

F¹ G | 1-3-. Deliverance.
H | -3. Trust.
H | 4. Trust.
G | 5. Deliverance.

H
(p. 756)

4 °Blessed is that °man that maketh °the
LORD his °trust,
And respecteth not the proud, nor such as
turn aside to lies.

G

5 Many, O LORD my °God, are Thy wonder-
ful works which Thou °hast done,
And Thy °thoughts which are to us-ward:
They cannot be reckoned up in order unto
Thee:

°If I would declare and speak of them,
They are more than can be °numbered.

F² J
(p. 757)

6 °Sacrifice and °offering Thou didst not
desire;
Mine ears hast Thou °opened:
Burnt offering and sin offering °hast Thou
not required

K W

7 °Then said I, "Lo, I come:

x

In the °volume of the book °it is written
°of me,

K W

8 I °delight to do Thy °will, O my °God:

x

Yea, Thy law is °within my °heart.

J

9 I have °preached righteousness in the great
°congregation:

J

Lo, I have not refrained my lips,
O °LORD, Thou knowest.

10 I °have not hid Thy righteousness °within
my heart;

I have declared Thy faithfulness and Thy
°salvation:

I °have not concealed Thy lovingkindness
and Thy truth °from the great °con-
gregation.

F³ L N a

11 °Withhold not Thou Thy tender mercies
from me, O °LORD:

Let Thy lovingkindness and Thy truth
continually preserve me.

b

12 For innumerable °evils have compassed me
about:

Mine °iniquities have taken hold upon me,
so that I °am not able to look up;

They °are more than the hairs of mine
head: therefore my °heart °faileth me.

O

13 Be pleased, O °LORD, to deliver me:
O °LORD, make haste to help me.

P

14 Let them be ashamed and confounded to-
gether

That seek after my °soul to destroy it;
Let them be driven backward and put to shame
That wish me °evil.

4 Blessed = Happy. See Ap. 63. VI.
man = strong man. Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. IV.

5 hast done = didst.
thoughts. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.
If I would = Fain would I.
numbered: or rehearsed.

40. 6-10 (F², p. 756). ADDRESS TO JEHOVAH.
(Introversion and Alternation.)

F² J | 6. What Jehovah had done, and not done.
K | w | 7-. Messiah's delighted obedience.
x | 7. Reason. Written in the Book.
K | w | 8-. Messiah's delighted obedience.
x | 8. Reason. Written in His heart.
J | 9, 10. What Messiah had done, and not done.

6 Sacrifice. Heb. *zābāch*. Ap. 43. I. iv. Quoted in
Heb. 10. 5-9.

offering. Heb. *minchah*. Ap. 43. II. iii. Cp. Heb.
10. 5-7. Note the four great offerings here, and separ-
ately: Ps. 40. 6- = any sacrifice; -6-, the meal offering;
-6-, burnt offering; -6, sin offering (cp. Ps. 22); and in
Ps. 69 = the trespass offering.

opened = digged. Kal Pret. of *kārāh* = opening by
digging, or boring. Note the occurrences: Gen. 50. 5.
Num. 24. 18. 2 Chron. 16. 14 (marg.). Pss. 7. 15 (marg.);
40. 6; 57. 6; 119. 85. Jer. 18. 22, 22, referring to the open-
ing of the ear to hear; for which, in Isa. 50. 5 (cp. Isa.
48. 8), another word (*pāthāh*) is used with the meaning
of opening (as of a door).

Note the *obedience*, which is the point emphasised by
the alternation in v. 6.

J | y | Sacrifice and offering. Not desired.
z | Mine ears hast Thou digged. (Pos.).
y | Burnt-offering and sin-offering. Not required.
z | Lo, I come to do. (Pos.).

Obedience is the great truth here conveyed; and, on
the same grounds as in 1 Sam. 15. 22. Jer. 7. 22, 23. Heb.
10. 5, is not a quotation of this verse: it is what Messiah
"said" when He came into the world to *perform* what
Ps. 40. 6 *promised*, when He had become Incarnate, and
could say "I am come". He must change the word
"ears" for the "body", in which that *obedience* was to be
accomplished, and He had a right to change the words,
and thus *adapt* them. It is not a question of *quotation*,
or of the Sept. versus the Heb. text. Note the heaping
up of these expressions to emphasise the obedience, and
observe the alternation of pos. and neg. in vv. 9, 10.
hast = didst.

7 Then said I: i. e. at Incarnation, when He "came
into the world" (Heb. 10. 5).

volume of the book = scroll, that is to say, the book.
Genitive of Apposition, and Fig. *Pleonasm* (Ap. 6) = the
book of the law (Ap. 47).

it is written = it is prescribed. Cp. 2 Kings 22. 13.
of me = for me. Joseph and Mary should have re-
membered what was "written" (Luke 2. 49).

8 delight. Note the double delight (Isa. 42. 1. Matt.
3. 17). will = good pleasure.

within = in the midst.

9 preached = declared as glad tidings = *euaggelizō* in N.T.

10 have not hid = did not hide.

salvation = or

heart = bowels: i. e. my inward parts.

congregation = assembly, or convocation.

deliverance.

have not concealed = did not conceal.

from = in.

11-17 (F³, p. 756). PRAYER TO JEHOVAH. (Introversions and Alternation.)

F³ | L | N | a | 11. Jehovah's care for Messiah.
b | 12. Messiah's distress.
O | 13. His prayer. "Make haste".
P | 14, 15. Against enemies.
P | 16. For friends.
L | N | b | 17- Messiah's distress.
a | -17-. Jehovah's care for Messiah.
O | -17. His prayer. "Make no tarrying".

11 Withhold not Thou = Thou wilt not withhold.

12 evils = calamities. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

iniquities. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for their punishment. Heb. *'āven*. Ap. 44. iii. Laid on
Him as the substituted sacrifice. am not able = was not able. are more = were more. heart.

Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for courage. faileth me = failed me. 14 soul. Heb.
nephesh. Ap. 13.

15 Let them be desolate for a reward of their shame
That say unto me, ° 'Aha, aha.'

P (p. 757) 16 Let all those that seek Thee rejoice and be glad in Thee:

° Let such as love Thy ¹⁰salvation say continually,

¹ 'The LORD be magnified.'

L N b 17 But I am ° poor and needy;
Yet ° the LORD* ° thinketh upon me:

a Thou art my help and my deliverer;

O Make no tarrying, O my ° God."

° To the chief Musician.

41

° A Psalm ° of David.

X⁴ Q (p. 758)

1 ° Blessed is he that considereth ° the poor:
° The LORD ° will deliver him ° in time of trouble.

2 ¹ The LORD will preserve him, and ° keep him alive; and he shall be ¹ blessed upon the earth:

And Thou wilt not deliver him unto the ° will of his enemies.

3 ¹ The LORD will strengthen him upon ° the bed of languishing:

Thou wilt make all his bed in his sickness.

R 4 I said, ¹ "LORD, ° be merciful unto me:
Heal ° my soul; for ° I have ° sinned against Thee."

S c 5 Mine enemies speak ° evil of me,

d "When shall he die, and his name perish?"

e 6 And if ° he come to see me, he ° speaketh vanity:

His heart gathereth iniquity to itself;
When he goeth abroad, he telleth it.

S c 7 All that hate me whisper together against me:

Against me do they devise my hurt.

d 8 ° "An evil disease," say they, "cleaveth fast unto him:

And now that he lieth he shall rise up no more."

e 9 Yea, ° mine own familiar friend, in ° whom I ° trusted, ° which did eat of my ° bread, hath lifted up his heel against me.

R 10 But Thou, O ¹ LORD, ° be merciful unto me, and raise me up,
That I may ° requite them.

Q 11 By this I know that Thou ° favourest me, Because mine enemy doth not ° triumph over me.

12 And as for me, Thou upholdest me in mine integrity,
And settest me before ° Thy face for ever.

13 ° Blessed be ¹ the LORD ° God of Israel From everlasting, and ° to everlasting.
° Amen, and Amen.

° To the chief Musician.

Doxology to the Genesis book.

this group (37—41) was written; also in 1 Chron. 29. 10. They are taken up again in Luke 1. 68-70. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. to everlasting: i. e. to the age to come. Amen = Truth. Fig. Epizeuxis (Ap. 6), for solemn emphasis. To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.

15 Aha, aha. Fig. Epizeuxis. Ap. 6. Cp. 35. 21; 70. 3.

16 Let. Some codices, with seven early printed editions, Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "And let". Cp. 35. 27; 70. 4.

17 poor = afflicted. Heb. 'anah. the LORD*. The primitive text read "Jehovah", but altered by the Sopherim to "Adonai". See Ap. 32. Some codices, with seven early printed editions, read "may Jehovah".

thinketh = will think. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6, for all that the thoughts can devise, plan, or order.

To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.

41 (X⁴, p. 721). MESSIAH'S PRAYER AND PRAISE IN VIEW OF FUTURE BLESSING (Ps. 24).

(Introversion and Extended Alternation.)

X⁴ | Q | 1-3. Jehovah's favour to Messiah.

R | 4. Prayer.

S | c | 5-. Enemies. What they do.

d | -5. Enemies. What they say.

e | 6. The Traitor.

S | c | 7. Enemies. What they do.

d | 8. Enemies. What they say.

e | 9. The Traitor.

R | 10. Prayer.

Q | 11, 12. Jehovah's favour to Messiah.

v. 13. The concluding Doxology to the First Book.

Title. A Psalm = Mizmôr. See Ap. 65. XVII.

of David — by David, and relating to the true David.

1 Blessed. See Ap. 63. VI.

the poor = weak, or feeble. Heb. dal. Not the same as 40. 17.

The LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. will deliver = may the LORD deliver . . . preserve.

in time of trouble = in the evil day.

2 keep him alive = revive, so as to live again; hence, to give life to: here, in resurrection. Heb. Piel conjugation, to give life, quicken. Cp. Ps. 119. 25, 37, &c.

Deut. 32. 39. Job 33. 4. Ecc. 7. 12. 1 Sam. 2. 6. Hence, to preserve seed (Gen. 19. 32, 34); to repair, in the sense of restoring what was lost (1 Chron. 11. 8. Neh. 4. 2.

Hos. 6. 2; 14. 7. Ps. 85. 6).

will = soul. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13.

3 the bed = the couch.

4 be merciful = be gracious, or show favour.

my soul = me. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13.

I have sinned. Christ could say this of those whose sins He was bearing, which were laid upon Him.

sinned. Heb. chātā'. Ap. 44. i.

5 evil. Heb. rā'ā'. Ap. 44. viii.

6 he come: i. e. the traitor; then Ahithophel, afterward Judas (see v. 9).

speaketh. Note the lying lips, the evil heart, the wicked slander.

8 An evil disease = a thing of Belial. Cp. 101. 3. Deut. 13. 13; 15. 9. Judg. 19. 22. 1 Sam. 2. 12. See 2 Sam. 16. 7.

9 mine own familiar friend: i. e. the one whom I was in the habit of saluting as my friend.

whom I trusted. These words not quoted by Christ (John 13. 18), for He knew what was in man (John 2. 24, 25).

trusted = confided. Heb. bātāh. Ap. 69. I.

which did eat, &c. Quoted in John 13. 18.

bread. Put by Fig. Synecdoche (of Species), Ap. 6. for all kinds of food. [63. IX.

10 requite. Suited for that Dispensation. See Ap. 11 favourest = delightest, or hast pleasure in. Cp.

Matt. 3. 17; 12. 18; 17. 5. Isa. 42. 1.

triumph = shout with triumph.

12 Thy face. See note on Ex. 34. 20.

13 Blessed, &c. Heb. bārak, not 'ashrei, as in v. 1 and the Beatitudes (Ap. 63. VI). This Doxology concludes

the first book of Psalms, also the second book (72. 18-20). They were the words of David when he brought up

the Ark (1 Chron. 16. 36), also in 1 Kings 1. 47, 48, when

42—72 (**B**¹, p. 720). THE SECOND, OR EXODUS BOOK *.
ISRAEL.

(*Division.*)

- B**¹ | **A**¹ | 42—49. CONCERNING ISRAEL'S RUIN.
| **A**² | 50—60. CONCERNING ISRAEL'S REDEEMER.
| **A**³ | 61—72. CONCERNING ISRAEL'S REDEMPTION.

42—49 (**A**¹, above). ISRAEL'S RUIN.

(*Introversion and Alternation.*)

- A**¹ | **B** | 42 (**B**¹), 43 (**B**²) †. THE RUIN AND OPPRESSION REALISED (42. 9; 43. 2). NO HELP FROM
| MAN. IT OPENS WITH CRYING AND TEARS AS EXODUS DOES. (Cp. Ex. 2. 23; 3. 7-9; 6. 9.)
C | **D** | 44. THE CRY FOR HELP TO THE DELIVERER AND REDEEMER (vv. 23-26).
| **E** | 45. THE DELIVERER PRAISED. ANSWER TO THE CRY.
C | **D** | 46. THE HELP OF THE DELIVERER. (Cp. 48. 8.)
| **E** | 47 (**E**¹), 48 (**E**²). THE DELIVERER PRAISED. (Cp. 48. 8 with 44. 1.)
B | 49. THE RUIN, AND NEED OF REDEMPTION REALISED. NO HELP FROM MAN (v. 7),
| ONLY FROM GOD (v. 15).

50—60 (**A**², above). ISRAEL'S REDEEMER.

(*Introversion.*)

- A**² | **F** | 50. GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE. HE BREAKS THE SILENCE AS IN EXODUS 3. 4
| Cp. Heb. 12. 25, 26.
G | 51. TRANSGRESSION. CONFESSED AND FORGIVEN.
G | 52 (**G**¹), 53 (**G**²), 54 (**G**³), 55 (**G**⁴). TRANSGRESSORS. UNCONFESSED AND DESTROYED.
F | 56 (**F**¹), 57 (**F**²), 58 (**F**³), 59 (**F**⁴), 60 (**F**⁵). GOD'S PEOPLE SPEAK TO HIM OF ISRAEL'S
| REDEEMER AND HIS WORK: TELLING OF DEATH AND RESURRECTION (Michtam,
| Ap. 65. XII).

61—72 (**A**³, above). ISRAEL'S REDEMPTION.

(*Alternations.*)

- A**³ | **H** | **K** | 61 (**K**¹), 62 (**K**²), 63 (**K**³), 64 (**K**⁴). ISRAEL WAITS FOR DELIVERANCE "FROM
| THE ENDS OF THE EARTH", WHICH IS THE WORK OF GOD ALONE (64. 9).
L | 65. ZION WAITS FOR HER BLESSING.
M | 66 (**M**¹), 67 (**M**²). PRAISE PROMISED. THE TROUBLE REMEMBERED (66. 10-12).
J | 68 THE ANSWER TO 61-67. GOD ARISES. "BLESSED BE GOD" (v. 35).
H | **K** | 69. THE KING WAITS FOR DELIVERANCE (v. 14) FROM SUFFERINGS, SHAME,
| AND SORROW. (THE TRESPASS OFFERING) †.
L | 70. THE KING WAITS FOR HIS DELIVERANCE. "MAKE HASTE".
M | 71. PRAISE PROMISED (vv. 22-24). THE TROUBLE REMEMBERED (v. 20).
J | 72. THE ANSWER. THE KING REIGNS. "BLESSED BE THE LORD GOD"
| (v. 18). THIS WAS ALL HIS DESIRE (2 Sam. 23. 5). THE REDEEMED NATION
| BLESSED, AND A BLESSING TO ALL NATIONS.

* For notes, see p. 760.

NOTES ON THE STRUCTURE, PAGE 759.

* Exodus is the Greek *ἐξόδος*, and is the name given to the book by the Septuagint Translators as descriptive of its chief event—the *going out* of Israel from Egypt. But the Hebrew title for it is *וְאֵלֶּה שְׁמוֹתַי* (*v'ēleh shēmōth*), “AND THESE ARE THE NAMES.” The Book is thus called because it begins with the *names* of those who came into the place whence they were *redeemed* and delivered from their ruin and oppression.

It is indeed the book of “the NAMES”; for not only does the Lord speak so pointedly of knowing Moses “by name” (33. 12, 17), but Moses asks by what Name he is to speak of the God of their fathers to the Israelites (3. 13), and the Lord reveals His Name (3. 14, 15); while in 6. 3; 33. 19; and 34. 5-7, He further proclaims it. So, again, of the “Angel” that was sent before the People (23. 20), Jehovah said, “My Name is in Him” (23. 21). Moses speaks to Pharaoh in the Name of Jehovah (5. 23); and Pharaoh is raised up “that My Name may be declared throughout all the earth” (9. 16). It is in this book that we first have the third Commandment concerning the Name of the Lord (20. 7). Bezaleel is said to have been “called” by name (31. 2), whereas a different phrase is used of Aholiab (31. 6) both here and in 35. 30 and 34. It is in Exodus also that we have the particular instructions as to the engraving of the names on the shoulder-stones of the ephod (28. 9-12), and on the breastplate stones (15-21), which were strictly carried out (39. 6, 7 and 8-14). Thus “the names of the sons of Israel” were borne before the Lord with the Redeeming Blood in the Holy of Holies. Moreover, these *names* appear at the *beginning* of Exodus, in connection with the Ruin; and at the *end* in connection with the REDEMPTION “before God in the Sanctuary”; while we have the Name of the REDEEMER proclaimed and celebrated throughout, “The Lord *is* His name” (Ex. 15. 3).

Exodus is therefore the Book of REDEMPTION: and Redemption is individual and by name. It is the book in which the REDEMPTION of the People is first mentioned: “Thou in Thy mercy hast led forth the People *which* Thou hast REDEEMED: Thou hast guided them in Thy strength unto Thy holy habitation.” (Exod. 15. 13).

The Title “Exodus” also occurs in Luke 9. 31 (rendered “decease” in A.V. and R.V.), where it is the subject of which Messiah spake with Moses and Elijah on “the holy mount”. This subject was His REDEMPTION work, viz. the “*exodus* which He should accomplish at Jerusalem”, which was the great Antitype of that accomplished by Moses.

The types of Exodus are also types of Redemption. The Divine title *YAH* (יה), see Ap. 4. III), the concentrated form of Jehovah, occurs for the first time in the Book of Exodus (15. 3); and it occurs also for the first time in the Psalms in this second or Exodus Book (Ps. 68. 4).

In this *second* Book of the Psalms we find the subject-matter corresponding with that of Exodus. Like the other books, its teaching is dispensational. In the Genesis Book, *Man* is the central thought; in this Exodus Book, it is the *Nation of Israel* around which the counsels and purposes of God are centred. It opens with the “cry” from the depth of the Ruin and Oppression, as Exodus does; and it ends with the King reigning over the redeemed Nation (Ps. 72), brought “again the second time” from the four corners of the earth (Isa. 11. 11); as it was brought the first time from Egypt; and, at length, made a blessing to all the families of the earth.

Of the Divine names and titles: Elohim occurs 262 times (two of them with Jehovah), El 14 times, and Jehovah only 37 times. Note the references to Sinai, Miriam, and other events in Exodus, in this second Book.

† Psalms 42 and 43 are linked together by a recurring question and answer. See the Structure (p. 759).

‡ As Ps. 32 is the Sin Offering and Ps. 40 the Burnt Offering, so Ps. 69 is the Trespass Offering.

BOOK II.

42

° Maschil, ° for ° the ° sons of Korah.

B A¹
(p. 76r)

1 As the hart ° panteth ° after the water ° brooks,

So panteth ° my soul ° after Thee, O ° God.

2 ¹ My soul thirsteth for ¹ God, for the living ° GOD:° When shall I come and ° appear before ¹ God?

3 My tears have been my meat day and night,

While they ° continually say unto me, "Where is thy ¹ God?"B¹4 When I remember these things, I pour out ¹ my soul in me:For I ° had gone with the multitude, I ° went with them to the house of ¹ God,

With the voice of joy and praise, with a multitude that kept ° holyday.

C¹5 ° Why art thou cast down, O ¹ my soul?

° And why art thou disquieted in me?

Hope thou in ¹ God: for I shall yet praise Him

For the ° help of ° His ° countenance.

A²6 ° O my ¹ God, ¹ my soul is cast down within me:

Therefore will I remember Thee from the land of ° Jordan,

And of ° the Hermonites, from the ° hill Mizar.

7 Deep callest thou deep at the noise of Thy waterspouts:

All Thy waves and Thy billows are gone over me.

B²

8 ° Yet ° the LORD will command ° His loving-kindness in the daytime,

And in the night ° His song shall be with me,

And my prayer unto the ° GOD of my life.

9 I will say unto ° GOD my ° rock, "Why hast Thou ° forgotten me?"

Why go I mourning because of the oppression of the enemy?"

10 ° As with a sword in my bones, mine ° enemies reproach me;

While they say daily unto me, "Where is thy ¹ God?"C²

11 ° Why art thou cast down, O my soul?

° And why art thou disquieted within me? Hope thou in ¹ God: for I shall yet praise Him,Who is the ° health of my ° countenance, and my ¹ God.42-72 (B¹). THE EXODUS BOOK.

For the Structure, see p. 759. It has to do with ISRAEL; as the first book (1-41) had to do with MAN.

42-49 (A¹, p. 759). ISRAEL'S RUIN.42, 43 (B¹, B², p. 759). THE RUIN REALISED.
(Repeated Alternation.)

B A¹ | 42. 1-3. Cry from afar.
 B¹ | 42. 4. Hope. "I remember".
 C¹ | 42. 5. Appeal. "Why cast down?"
 | Praise.
 A² | 42. 6, 7. Cry from afar.
 B² | 42. 8-10. Hope. "Jehovah will command",
 | &c.
 C² | 42. 11. Appeal. "Why cast down?"
 | Praise.
 A³ | 43. 1, 2. Cry from afar.
 B³ | 43. 3, 4. Hope. "I will go".
 C³ | 43. 5. Appeal. "Why cast down?"
 | Praise.

Pss. 42 and 43 are linked together, because (1) Ps. 43 has no title; (2) the Structure shows the correspondence of the repeated appeal.

Title. Maschil = Instruction. The second of thirteen so named. See note on Ps. 32, Title, and Ap. 65. XI. for = by.

the sons of Korah. The first of the eleven Psalms so distinguished (42, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 84, 85, 87, 88). Korah died by Divine judgment (Num. 16. 31-35), but his sons were spared in grace (Num. 26. 11). The men of Num. 16. 32 did not include the "sons". See notes, and Ap. 63. VIII. sons = descendants.

1 panteth = crieth, or longeth. Cp. Joel 1. 20. The cry of Israel in Egypt. after = for.

brooks = channels: water in gorges or pipes, difficult of approach. Heb. *'aphikim*. See note on 2 Sam. 22. 16. my soul = I myself. Heb. *nephes*. Ap. 13.

after = upon.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. The Creator, not yet revealed as Jehovah to Israel in the Egyptian oppression.

2 GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV. Because "the living", in contrast with idols.

When shall I come, &c. Figs. *Interjectio*, *Erotēsis*, and *Apostrophe*. Ap. 6.

appear before God = see the face of God. So it is in some codices, with one early printed edition, Aram., and Syr. See notes on Ex. 23. 15; 34. 20.

3 continually = all the day.

4 had gone = shall go. went = shall go.

holyday = feast day.

5 Why...? Fig. *Cycloides*. Ap. 6. The question repeated in v. 11 and 43. 5. See the Structure, above.

And why...? This second "why" is in the text of some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., as in v. 11 and 43. 5. help. Heb. pl. salvations. Pl. of majesty = great help, or great salvation.

His. Heb. text reads "my", so that, where I go I am delivered.

countenance. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6, put for the whole person.

6 O my God. In some codices this is joined on to the end of v. 5 = "the great deliverance of me, and [praise]

my God". Cp. v. 11 and 43. 5.

Hermons. Refers to the two peaks.

Jordan. The reference is to 2 Sam. 17. 22.

the Hermonites = the

hill = mountain.

8 Yet. Omit this. the LORD. Heb.

Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. His lovingkindness... His song. Fig. *Ellipsis* (Complex), Ap. 6, by which each

is to be repeated in the other = "His lovingkindness [and His song] in the daytime; and in the night His

song [and His lovingkindness] shall be with me".

GOD of my life. Some codices, with Syr., read

"the living GOD" (Ap. 4. IV).

9 GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV. In edition of 1611 this was printed "My

God". rock = mountain crag, or fortress. Heb. *sela'*. See note on Deut. 32. 13. Ps. 18. 1, 2. forgotten.Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. 10 As with. Some codices read "Like". enemies = adversaries.

The second Psalm of each book has for its subject the enemy. See Ap. 10. 11 health = salvation.

A³
(p. 761)

43 ° Judge me, O ° God, and plead my cause
against an ° ungodly nation:
O deliver me from the deceitful and un-
just ° man.

2 For Thou art the ° God of ° my strength:
why ° dost Thou ° cast me off?
Why go I mourning because of the op-
pression of ° the enemy?

B³

3 O send out Thy ° light and Thy truth: let
them ° lead me;
Let them ° bring me unto ° Thy ° holy hill,
And to Thy ° tabernacles.

4 Then will I go unto the altar of ° God,
Unto ° GOD my exceeding joy:
Yea, upon the harp will I praise Thee, O
° God my ° God.

C³

5 ° Why art thou cast down, O my soul?
And why art thou disquieted within me?
Hope in ° God: for I shall yet praise Him,
Who is the ° health of my countenance,
and my ° God.

° To the chief Musician.

603
D D a
(p. 762)

44 ° For the sons of Korah, ° Maschil.

1 ° We have heard with our ears, O ° God,
our fathers have ° told us,
What work Thou didst in their days, in
the times of old.

2 How Thou didst drive out the ° heathen
with Thy hand, and plantedst ° them;
How Thou didst afflict the ° people, and
° cast them out.

b

3 For they got not the land in possession by
their own sword,
Neither did their own arm save them:

c

° But Thy right hand, and Thine arm,
and the light of Thy countenance,
Because Thou hadst ° a favour unto them.

d

4 ° Thou ° art my King, O ° God:
Command ° deliverances for Jacob.

a

5 Through Thee will we push down our
° enemies:
Through ° Thy name will we tread them
under that rise up against us.

b

6 For I will not ° trust in my ° bow,
Neither shall my ° sword save me.

c

7 ° But Thou ° hast saved us from our ene-
mies,
And ° hast put them to shame that hated
us.

d

8 In ° God we ° boast all the day long,
And praise Thy name for ever. ° Selah.

E F e
(p. 763)

9 ° But Thou hast ° cast off, and put us to
shame;
And goest not forth with our armies.

Ap. 6, for military science. Cp. 2 Kings 19. 32.

Referring to vv. 1-4. hast put = didst put. Referring to vv. 1-4. **8** boast = have boasted. Selah. Connecting the wondrous past with the distressing present, introducing the reason which called forth the Psalm itself, and marking the important break determining the Structure. See Ap. 66. II.

9-14 (F, above). [For Structure see next page.]

9 But = But now. Heb. 'aph (not kī, as in vv. 3 and 7). Very emphatic, marking great contrast, as in 68. 16 ("Yea"). Some codices, with Aram., read "Howbeit". cast off (as with contempt). Cp. 43. 2. Some codices, with Syr., read "cast us off".

43. 1 Judge = Vindicate.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.
ungodly = graceless. Fig. Tapeinōsis. Ap. 6.
man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

2 my strength = my refuge, or my defending God.
dost = didst. cast ... off. See 44. 8.
the enemy = an enemy.

3 light ... truth. Probably an allusion to the Urim and Thummim (see notes on Ex. 28. 30), from which the Psalmist was now absent, in flight from Absalom.
lead = gently lead, or comfort.

bring: i. e. by their guiding counsel.

Thy holy hill: i. e. Zion. Therefore refers to times of David.
holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.
tabernacles = habitations. Pl. of majesty = thy great habitation. Heb. pl. of mishkān. Ap. 40.

4 GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

5 Why ... ? See notes on 42. 5 for the whole of this verse.
health = salvation. See note on 42. 5.
To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.

44 (D, p. 759). THE CRY FOR A DELIVERER.
(Introversions.)

D	D	1-8. God our help.	E	F	9-14. Us.	G	15. Me. Thy reproach.	H	16. Me. The reason.	Trouble.					
											E	F	17-22. Us.		
														D	23-26. Jehovah our help.

Title. For the sons of Korah. The second of eleven so ascribed. See note on Title, Ps. 42, Ap. 68, VIII, and note on sub-scription below.

Maschil = Instruction. The third of thirteen Psalms so named. See note on Ps. 32, Title, and Ap. 65. XI. See note on Ps. 42, Title.

1-8 (D, above). GOD OUR HELP
(Extended Alternation.)

D	a	1, 2. By Thee our fathers cast out.	b	3-. Not their own sword.	Reason.				
						c	-3. But Thy right hand.		
								d	4. Thou our confidence.
a	5. By Thee will we put down.	b	6. Not my own sword.	Reason.					
					c	7. But Thou.			
							d	8. Thou our confidence.	

1 We have heard. Refers to the exodus. See note on sub-scription. No time in reigns of David or Solomon to suit this Psalm. Temple-worship carried on. People in the land. Israel gone astray. Judah had turned away, but had returned (vv. 17, 18). The Psalm suits Hezekiah only. Sennacherib and Rab-shakeh referred to in v. 16. See the cylinder of Sennacherib (Ap. 67. xi, p. 98).

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

told us = rehearsed. Cp. Ex. 12. 26; 13. 14. Josh. 4. 6, 7.

2 heathen = nations: i. e. the Canaanites.

them: thy People Israel.

people = peoples: i. e. the Canaanites.

cast them out = spread them about (as a vine, Isa. 5); "them" referring to Israel in both clauses.

3 But = For; giving the reason. See Structure above. Heb. kī, "for". a favour. Cp. Deut. 4. 37; 7. 7, 8.

4 Thou = Thou Thyself.

art my King = art &c my King.

deliverances. Pl. of majesty = a great deliverance.

5 enemies = adversaries.

Thy name. See note on 20. 1.

6 trust = confide. Heb. batah. Ap. 69. i.

bow ... sword. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct).

7 But = For, as in v. 3. hast saved = didst save.

8 boast = have boasted. Selah.

- f (p. 763) 10 Thou makest us to turn back from the
⁵enemy:
 And they which hate us °spoil for themselves.
- e 11 Thou hast given us like °sheep appointed
 for meat;
 And hast °scattered us among the ²heathen.
- f 12 Thou sellest Thy people for nought,
 And dost not increase Thy wealth by
 their price.
- 13 Thou makest us °a reproach to our neighbours,
 A scorn and a derision to them that are
 round about us.
- 14 Thou makest us a byword among the
 heathen,
 A shaking of the head among the people.
- G 15 My confusion *is* continually before me,
 And the shame of my face hath covered me,
- E G (p. 762) 16 For the voice of him that reproacheth and
 blasphemeth;
 By reason of the enemy and °avenger.
- F g (p. 763) 17 All this is come upon us; yet have we not
 forgotten Thee,
 Neither have we dealt falsely in Thy
 covenant.
- 18 Our heart is not turned back,
 Neither have our °steps declined from
 Thy way;
- h 19 Though Thou hast sore broken us in the
 °place of dragons,
 And covered us with the shadow of death.
- g 20 If we have forgotten the °name of our ¹God,
 Or stretched out our hands to a strange
 °GOD;
- h 21 Shall not ¹God search this out?
 For ⁵He knoweth the secrets of the heart.
- h 22 °Yea, for Thy sake are we killed all the
 day long;
 We are counted as ¹¹sheep for the slaughter.
- D i 23 °Awake, why °sleepest Thou, O °LORD*?
 Arise, cast us not off for ever.
- 24 Wherefore hidest Thou Thy face,
 And forgettest our affliction and our oppression?
- k 25 For °our soul is bowed down to the dust:
 Our belly cleaveth unto the earth.
- k 26 °Arise for our help,
 And °redeem us for Thy °mercies' sake.
 °To the chief Musician °upon °Shoshannim.

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°For the sons of Korah, °Maschil,
 °A Song of °loves.

- E H (p. 763) 1 My heart is °inditing a good °matter:
 I speak of the things which I have made
 touching the king:
 My tongue °is the pen of a °ready writer.

loves. Probably pl. of majesty – significant love. If in connection with the marriage of Hezekiah (2 Kings 21. 1 and Isa. 62. 4), its place here is accounted for between Pss. 44–48. Significant, because of its fulfillment in Messiah (Rev. 19. 7. Cp. Isa. 54. 5–8). Hephzi-bah (Isa. 62. 4) was the wife of Hezekiah. 1 inditing = bubbling up: i. e. running over, or overflowing with. matter = theme. is. Supply Ellipsis: “tongue [is like] the pen”. ready: i. e. with readiness of mind in respect of the subject treated of.

44. 9–14 (F, p. 762). US. TROUBLE.
 (Alternation.)

- F e | 9. Thou hast cast us off. (Pos. and Neg.)
 f | 10, 11. Enemies' acts.
 e | 12. Thou hast cast us off. (Pos. and Neg.)
 f | 13, 14. Enemies' words.

10 spoil for themselves = have plundered at their will; first occurrence Judg. 2. 14. See Sennacherib's boast on his cylinder. Ap. 67. xi, p. 98. Some codices, with Aram. and Syr., read “plundered us”, &c.

11 sheep appointed for meat. Heb. sheep of devouring. Genitive of Relation (Ap. 17). Cp. Rom. 8. 36. scattered us. Israel had already been removed. Sennacherib says he had taken away 200,150 (Ap. 67, p. 98).

13 a reproach. Cp. Rab-shakeh's harangue (2 Kings 18. 27–35) with vv. 13, 14. See Ap. 67. i.

16 avenger = him that taketh vengeance. Cp. 8. 2. Here = Sennacherib.

17–22 (F, p. 762). US. TROUBLE.
 (Alternation.)

- F g | 17, 18. Righteousness.
 h | 19. Calamities.
 g | 20, 21. Righteousness.
 h | 22. Calamities.

18 steps = goings. Pl. in many codices, with one early printed edition, Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg.; but some codices, with nine early printed editions, read singular.

19 place of dragons = place of jackals. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for a desert place.

20 name. See note on 20. 1.

GOD. Heb. El. Quoted in Ap. 4. IV.

22 Yea = Surely. Quoted in Rom. 8. 36.

23–26 (D, p. 762). JEHOVAH OUR HELP.
 (Introversion.)

- D i | 23, 24. Prayer. “Awake”.
 k | 25. Affliction.
 k | 25. Affliction.
 i | 26. Prayer. “Arise”.

23 Awake... sleepest. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. LORD*. Primitive text read “Jehovah”. Altered by the *Sopherim* to “Adonai”. See Ap. 32. Some codices, with two early printed editions, read “Jehovah”.

25 our soul is = we ourselves are. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

26 Arise. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. redeem = deliver. Heb. *pādāh*. See notes on Ex. 6. 6; 13. 13.

mercies' = mercy's, or lovingkindness'. To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64. Written by Hezekiah for his special circumstances; but on account of vv. 1–8 was handed over for general use at the Feast of the Passover. See note below.

upon = relating to, or concerning. Shoshannim = Lilies. Put by Fig. *Metalepsis* for “Spring”, and “Spring” put for the great spring festival, the Passover. See Ap. 65. XXI.

45 (E, p. 759). THE DELIVERER. PRAISED.
 (Introversion.)

- E H | 1. The Psalmist.
 J | 2–8. The king.
 J | 9–16. The queen.
 H | 17. The Psalmist.

Title. For the sons of Korah = By, &c. The third of nine so ascribed. See Title, Ps. 42, and Ap. 63. VIII. Maschil = giving instruction. The fourth of thirteen so named. See Title, Ps. 32, and Ap. 65. XI.

A Song. Heb. *shir*, as in Ps. 18. See Ap. 65. XXIII.

J K l
(p. 764)

2 Thou art °fairer than the °children of °men:
Grace is poured into thy lips:

m

Therefore °God hath blessed thee for ever.

L

3 Gird thy sword upon thy thigh, O °most
mighty,

°With thy glory and thy majesty.

4 And in thy majesty ride prosperously
°Because of truth and meekness and
righteousness;

And thy right hand shall teach thee terrible
things.

L

5 Thine arrows are sharp in the °heart of
the king's enemies;

Whereby the °people fall under thee.

K l

6 °Thy throne, O °God, is for ever and ever:
The sceptre of Thy °kingdom is a right
sceptre.

7 Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest
°wickedness:

m

Therefore °God, Thy °God, hath °anointed
Thee

With the oil of gladness above Thy °fellows.

8 °All thy garments smell of °myrrh, and
aloes, and cassia,

Out of the ivory palaces, whereby they
have made thee glad.

J M O n

9 Kings' daughters were among thy °hon-
ourable women:

o

Upon thy right hand °did stand °the
queen in gold of Ophir.

P

10 Hearken, O daughter, and °consider, and
incline thine ear;

°Forget also thine own people, and thy
father's house;

11 So shall the king greatly desire thy beauty:
For he is thy °LORD; and worship thou
him.

N

12 And the °daughter of Tyre °shall be there
with a gift;

N

Even the rich among the people shall in-
treat thy favour.

M O o

13 The king's daughter °is °all glorious °within:
Her clothing is of wrought gold.

14 She shall be brought unto the king in
°raiment of needlework:

n

The virgins her companions that follow her
shall be brought unto thee.

15 With °gladness and rejoicing shall they
be brought:

They shall enter into the king's palace.

P

16 Instead of °thy fathers shall be °thy children,
Whom thou mayest make princes in all
the earth.

H

17 I will make thy name to be remembered
in all generations:

(p. 763)

Therefore shall the °people praise thee for
ever and ever.

°To the chief Musician °for the sons of Korah, °upon
Alamoth.

45. 2-8 (J, p. 763). THE KING. (Introversion and Alternation.)

J | K | l | 1 | 2-. The king's merits.
m | -2. His reward. "Therefore" ('al kēn).
L | 3, 4. His weapon, and its effects.
L | 5. His weapons, and their effects.
K | l | 6, 7-. The king's merits.
m | -7, 8. His reward. "Therefore" ('al kēn).

2 fairer: i. e. in His glory which follows the suffer-
ing described in Isa. 52. 14; 53. 2.

children - sons.

men. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

3 most mighty = mighty One. Heb. gibbōr. Ap. 14. IV.

With thy glory. Supply *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), by repeating
"[Gird thee] with Thy glory".

4 Because = On behalf.

5 heart. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6,
for "in the midst".

people = peoples.

6 Thy throne, O God. Quoted in Heb. 1. 8, 9.
Several attempts are made by certain commentators to
get rid of this reference to Christ's Godhead; but not
only would Heb. 1. 8, 9 have to go, but Isa. 9. 6, and
Jer. 23. 6; 33. 16 as well.

kingdom. Cp. Pss. 20, 21, 24. Luke 1. 31-33, &c.

7 wickedness = lawlessness. Heb. rāshā'. Ap. 44. x.
anointed. Hence His name Messiah (Gr. Christ) = the
anointed one.

fellows = companions.

8 All. Supply *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6): "[So that] all".

myrrh, and aloes. Cp. Ex. 30. 23, 24. John 12. 3;
19. 39.

45. 9-16 (J, p. 763). THE QUEEN. (Introversions and Alternation.)

J | M | O | n | 9-. Maids of honour.
o | -9. The queen's apparel.
P | 10, 11. The queen addressed.
N | 12-. Suppliant.
N | -12. Suppliants.
M | O | o | 13, 14-. The queen's apparel.
n | -14, 15. Maids of honour.
P | 16. The queen addressed.

9 honourable women. Courtladies. English = maids
of honour.

did = doth.

the queen. Type, Past, Hephzi-bah (2 Kings 21. 1.
Isa. 62. 4); antitype, future, Israel, the bride of Messiah
(Isa. 54. 5-8; 62. 45). Cp. Rev. 19. 7.

10 consider = see plainly, or observe.

Forget also thine own people. As did Rebekah
(Gen. 24. 58), and Rachel (Gen. 31. 14), and Asenath (Gen.
41. 45), and Ruth (1. 16).

11 LORD. Heb. Adonim. Ap. 4. VIII. 3.

12 daughter of Tyre. Either the queen of Tyre, or
the people of Tyre personified.

shall be there. Fig. *Ellipsis* (Complex), Ap. 6. III. 2,
p. 10. Supply both clauses, repeating the verbs thus:
"the daughter of Tyre [shall entreat thy favour] with a
gift; even the rich among the people shall [come] and
entreat thy favour". See note on 2 Chron. 32. 23.

13 is. The *Ellipsis* better supplied thus: "all glorious
[sitteth enthroned] within". These *Ellipses* are caused
by the bubbling over of the inditing heart, which is too
quick for the pen.

all glorious = nothing but glory. Cp. Isa. 4. 5.

within: i. e. in the inner palace; not internally.

14 raiment of needlework = embroidered robes.

16 thy . . . thy. Heb. text, these pronouns

are masc.; but the Syr. reads them fem. In this case they agree with and perfect the Structure above.

17 people = peoples, or nations. To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64. Having been written for the
marriage of Hezekiah, the Psalm was handed over for public use, as the glorious antitype of the marriage
of Messiah in a yet future day (Rev. 19. 7-9).

for the sons, &c. See note on Title, above. This and
Ps. 87 are the only two Psalms where the Title is given at the beginning as well as the end. These
two Psalms are for a good reason thus discriminated.

upon: i. e. relating to. Alamoth. See Ap. 65. II.

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° A Song.

D Q¹
(p. 765)

R p

1 ° God is ° our ° refuge and strength,
A ° very present help in trouble.2 Therefore will not we fear, though the
earth ° be removed,
And though the mountains be ° carried
into the ° midst of the sea;

q

3 Though the ° waters thereof ° roar and be
troubled,
Though the mountains shake with the
swelling thereof. ° Selah.

S

4 There is a ° river, the ° streams whereof
shall make glad the city of ° God,
° The holy place of the ° tabernacles of
the ° MOST HIGH.

S

5 ° God is ° in the midst of her; she shall not
be ° moved:
° God shall help her, ° and that right early.

R q

6 The ° heathen ° raged, the kingdoms ° were
moved:

p

He uttered His voice, the earth melted.

Q²7 ° The LORD of hosts is with us;
The ° God of Jacob is our ° refuge. ° Selah.

T r

8 Come, ° behold the works of ° the LORD,
What desolations He hath made in the
earth.

U

9 He maketh wars to cease unto the end of
the earth;

U

He breaketh the ° bow, and cutteth the
° spear in sunder;
He burneth the ° chariot in the fire.

T r

10 ° Be still, and know that ° am ° God:
I will be ° exalted among the ° heathen,
I will be ° exalted in the earth.

s

11 ° The LORD of hosts is with us;
° The ° God of Jacob is ° our refuge. ° Se-
lah.Q³

° To the chief Musician.

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47

° A Psalm ° for the sons of Korah.

E¹ V t
(p. 766)1 O clap your hands, all ye ° people;
Shout unto ° God with the voice of triumph.

u

2 For ° the LORD ° MOST HIGH is ° terrible;
He is ° a great King over all the earth.

moved. Same word as "carried", in v. 2.

morning: i. e. when the morning dawns. See 2 Kings 19. 31-35. Isa. 37. 35, 36. Cp. Ex. 14. 27. 6 heathen = nations. raged. Same word as "roar", v. 3. were moved = moved. Same word as in v. 5. 7 The LORD of hosts. See note on 1 Sam. 1. 3. refuge = an impregnable place. Heb. *miggāb*. Not the same word as in v. 1. Selah. Connecting this assured confidence in God's promise with its fulfilment in the deliverance of Zion from Sennacherib (Ap. 66. II).Ap. 4. II. But some codices, with first printed edition and Syr., read "Elohim", God. Cp. 66. 5. 9 bow . . . spear . . . chariot. The weapons of war, corresponding with the preceding line—war. See the Structure above. 10 Be still = Desist; cease your efforts. Heb. *rāpha*. exalted. Heb. *rām*, so most frequently rendered. 11 The God of Jacob. See notes on 146. 5; and cp. Gen. 32. 28; 43. 6; 45. 26. Selah. Connecting Ps. 46 with Pss. 47 and 48, all three referring to the same events. See Ap. 66. II. To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.3 behold = gaze on. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Heb. *Elohim*, God. Cp. 66. 5. 4 river. Heb. *nahar*, a constantly flowing river (not *nahal*, a summer wady). It flows beneath Zion, filling En Rogel and supplying Siloam. See Ap. 68. streams = channels. Heb. *pālag*. See note on Gen. 10. 25. Ps. 1. 3: i. e. the rock-cut channels beneath Zion. See Ap. 68. All other water-supplies cut off. Cp. 2 Chron. 32. 30. 2 Kings 20. 20. See Ap. 68, and Ecclesiasticus 48. 17.The holy place of the tabernacles of the MOST HIGH. Sept. and Vulg. render this "The Most High hath hallowed His habitation". See note on Ex. 3. 6. tabernacles = the great habitation. Pl. of majesty, implying greatness of glory, not of size. Heb. *mishkān*. Ap. 40. ii. MOST HIGH. Heb. *Elyōn*. Ap. 4. VI.5 in the midst = in the middle, not the same as v. 2. and that right early. Heb. at the turning of the morning. 6 heathen = nations. 7 The LORD of hosts. See note on 1 Sam. 1. 3. refuge = an impregnable place. Heb. *miggāb*. Not the same word as in v. 1. Selah. Connecting this assured confidence in God's promise with its fulfilment in the deliverance of Zion from Sennacherib (Ap. 66. II).Ap. 4. I. 2 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. MOST HIGH. Heb. *Elyōn*. Ap. 4. VI. terrible = to be revered. a great King. This in special contrast with Sennacherib (Isa. 36. 4).46 (D, p. 759). THE HELP OF THE DELIVERER.
(Introversions and Alternations.)

D

Q¹ | 1. God our refuge.
R | p | 2. The earth moved. } Danger defied.
q | 3. The waters roar. } Zion defended.S | 4. The holy city.
S | 5. The holy city. }R | q | 6-. The heathen rage. } Danger
p | -6. The earth melted. } defied.Q² | 7. God our refuge. Selah.T | r | 8-. Behold God, in His works. } Works
s | -8. The earth. His desola- } seen.U | 9-. The world. War. } Wars
U | -9. The world. Weapons. } ended.T | r | 10-. Know God in Himself. } Himself
s | -10. The earth. God's } known.

exaltation.

Q³ | 11. God our refuge. Selah.Title. A Song. Heb. *shir*. One of the "Songs" referred to in Isa. 38. 20 (though not the same word). See Ap. 65. XXIII. Doubtless Hezekiah's during Sennacherib's siege. No other period of Israel's history suits it. Not celebrating a victorious campaign, but a successful defence. See notes below. Pss. 46, 47, 48 a Trilogy referring to the same event. See note on "Selah", v. 11.1 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I. our refuge. Fig. *Cycloides* (Ap. 6), because repeated in vv. 7 and 11. See Structure above.refuge: to which one flees. Heb. *hāṣāh*. Ap. 69. V. Not the same word as vv. 7, 11.

very present = found (near); masc. refers to God (help is fem.).

2 be removed = quake. Same as "moved", v. 6. carried = moved.

midst = Heb. heart. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct). Ap. 6. 3 waters thereof roar. Fig. *Hypocatastasis* (Ap. 6), implying the raging of the Assyrian host without.

roar. Same word as "raged" (v. 6).

Selah. Connecting the roaring of the waters without with the silent flowing river in the rock-cut channel beneath Zion, and contrasting the boastings of the enemy with the secret purposes of God. No refrain "dropped out" here, as some suggest. See the Structure above, and Ap. 68.

4 river. Heb. *nahar*, a constantly flowing river (not *nahal*, a summer wady). It flows beneath Zion, filling En Rogel and supplying Siloam. See Ap. 68.streams = channels. Heb. *pālag*. See note on Gen. 10. 25. Ps. 1. 3: i. e. the rock-cut channels beneath Zion. See Ap. 68. All other water-supplies cut off. Cp. 2 Chron. 32. 30. 2 Kings 20. 20. See Ap. 68, and Ecclesiasticus 48. 17.The holy place of the tabernacles of the MOST HIGH. Sept. and Vulg. render this "The Most High hath hallowed His habitation". See note on Ex. 3. 6. tabernacles = the great habitation. Pl. of majesty, implying greatness of glory, not of size. Heb. *mishkān*. Ap. 40. ii. MOST HIGH. Heb. *Elyōn*. Ap. 4. VI.5 in the midst = in the middle, not the same as v. 2. and that right early. Heb. at the turning of the morning. 6 heathen = nations. 7 The LORD of hosts. See note on 1 Sam. 1. 3. refuge = an impregnable place. Heb. *miggāb*. Not the same word as in v. 1. Selah. 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(p. 766)

3 ° He shall subdue the ¹ people under us,
And the ° nations under our feet.
4 He ° shall choose our inheritance for us,
The excellency of Jacob whom He loved.
° Selah.

X

5 ¹ God is ° gone up with a shout,
° The LORD with the sound of a trumpet.

V t

6 ° Sing ° praises ° to ¹ God, sing ° praises:
Sing ° praises unto our King, ° sing ° praises.

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7 For ¹ God is the King ° of all the earth:
Sing ye praises ° with understanding.

8 ¹ God ° reigneth over the ° heathen:

¹ God sitteth upon the ° throne of His holiness.

W

9 The princes of the ¹ people are gathered together,
° Even the People of the ¹ God of Abraham:

X

For the ° shields of the earth belong unto
¹ God:

He is greatly ° exalted.

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48 ° A Song and ° Psalm ° for the sons of Korah.

E² Y
(p. 766)

1 Great is ° the LORD, and greatly to be
praised

In ° the city of our ° God, in ° the mountain
of His holiness.

Z

2 Beautiful for ° situation, the joy of the
whole ° earth,

Is ° mount Zion, on ° the sides of the north,
° The city of the great King.

A

3 ¹ God ° is known in her palaces for a refuge.
They passed by together.

5 They saw it, and so they marvelled;

They were troubled, and hastened away.

6 Fear took hold upon them there,

And pain, as of a woman in travail.

7 Thou breakest the ships of Tarshish
With an east ° wind.

8 ° As we have heard, so have we seen

In ¹ the city of ° the LORD of hosts, in ¹ the
city of our ¹ God:

¹ God will establish it for ever. ° Selah.

Y

9 We have ° thought of Thy lovingkindness,
O ¹ God,

In the ° midst of Thy temple.

10 According to Thy ° name, O ¹ God,

So is Thy praise unto the ends of the
earth:

Thy right hand is full of righteousness.

Z

11 Let ² mount Zion rejoice,

Let the ° daughters of Judah be glad,

Because of Thy ° judgments.

the mountain of His holiness, or of His Sanctuary. Genitive of Character. 2 situation = elevation. earth: or land. mount Zion. Immediately south of Moriah. See Ap. 68. the sides of the north: i. e. with Moriah and the Temple immediately on the north side. The city of the great King = [is] Jerusalem as a whole. Note the three points of view: (1) the elevated mount; (2) the south side of Moriah; (3) Jerusalem proper. Cp. Matt. 5. 35. 3 is known = hath made Himself known. 4 lo. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6. the kings: i. e. the vassal kings of Sennacherib. 7 wind. Heb. *rûach*. Ap. 9. 8 As we have heard. Thus linking on Ps. 44. 1. the LORD of hosts. Cp. 46. 7, 11. Selah. Connecting the demand of Ps. 46. 10, to "be still" and exalt Jehovah, with the "rest" in the thought of His lovingkindness. Connecting also the end of members A and A' (v. 14). See Ap. 66. II. 9 thought = been silent (Heb. *dāmāh*), or stood still (46. 10) and rested in thought. midst. Same word as in 46. 5. 10 name. See note on 20. 1. 11 daughters = cities. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Subject) Ap. 6, for cities (cp. Num. 21. 25. Josh. 17. 11, 16). These cities of Judah had cause for rejoicing, for they were now free from Sennacherib, who had captured them (Isa. 36. 1). See Sennacherib's cylinder. Ap. 67. xi, p. 98. judgments: on the Assyrian host.

47 (E¹, p. 759). PRAISE TO THE DELIVERER.
(Extended Alternations.)

E¹

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1.

A call to praise.

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2.

The reasons.

W

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3, 4.

The nations, and Israel.

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5.

God exalted.

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6.

A call to praise.

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7, 8.

The reason.

W

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9-.

The nations, and Israel.

X

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-9.

God exalted.

3 He shall subdue may He subdue.

nations = tribes of men.

4 shall choose = chooseth: referring to Israel's inheritance. Repeat this verb at the beginning of the next line.

Selah. Connecting the consideration of what God had done for Hezekiah and Zion and the exaltation claimed in 46. 10 with the exaltation given in 47. 5, 9 (Ap. 66. II).

5 gone up = exalted, as in v. 9 (same word).

6 Sing praises. Fig. Epanadiplosis (Ap. 6), the verse beginning and ending with the same word.

praises. Pl. of majesty - great praise. Note the Fig. Repetitis (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

to God. Some codices, with Sept. and Vulg., read "to our God".

7 of. Some codices, with two early printed editions, read "over", as in v. 8.

with understanding. Cp. 49. 3 and 1 Cor. 14. 15, 16.

8 reigneth = hath become king.

heathen = nations.

throne of His holiness = His holy Throne. Genitive of Character.

9 Even. Perhaps better to supply Ellipsis (Ap. 6): "[unto] the People", or "[to be] a People". See the Structure, and cp. v. 4.

shields. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Effect), Ap. 6, for princes (in preceding line), or, for defences in general Cp. 89. 18 (marg.) and Hos. 4. 18 (marg.).

exalted. Cp. v. 5. This is the object of the Psalm connected with 46 by the Selah in 46. 13.

48 (E², p. 759). PRAISE TO THE DELIVERER.
(Repeated Alternation.)

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1.

Praise.

Z

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-1-3.

Zion a joy. In her palaces, God known.

A

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4-8.

The reason. "For".

A

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shown in her establishment

"for ever".

Selah.

Y

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9, 10.

Praise.

Z

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11-13.

Zion to rejoice. In her towers, strength surveyed.

A

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14.

The reason. "For".

A

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shown in guidance

"for evermore".

Title. A Song. Heb. *Shîr*. See Ap. 65. XXIII.

Psalm. Heb. *mizmôr*. See Ap. 65. XVII.

for the sons of Korah. See Ap. 63. VIII. The fifth of nine so ascribed; and the last of the four Psalms celebrating the deliverance of Zion and Hezekiah (44, 46-48).

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

the city: i. e. Zion, recently delivered from Sennacherib.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

2 situation = elevation. Genitive of Character.

the sides of the north: i. e. with Moriah and the Temple immediately on the north side.

The city of the great King = [is] Jerusalem as a whole. Note the three points of view: (1) the elevated mount; (2) the south side of Moriah; (3) Jerusalem proper. Cp. Matt. 5. 35.

3 is known = hath made Himself known. 4 lo. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

the kings: i. e. the vassal kings of Sennacherib. 7 wind. Heb. *rûach*.

Ap. 9. 8 As we have heard. Thus linking on Ps. 44. 1. the LORD of hosts. Cp. 46. 7, 11.

Selah. Connecting the demand of Ps. 46. 10, to "be still" and exalt Jehovah, with the "rest" in the thought of His lovingkindness.

Connecting also the end of members A and A' (v. 14). See Ap. 66. II.

9 thought = been silent (Heb. *dāmāh*), or stood still (46. 10) and rested in thought. midst. Same word as in 46. 5.

10 name. See note on 20. 1. 11 daughters = cities. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Subject) Ap. 6, for cities (cp. Num. 21. 25. Josh. 17. 11, 16).

These cities of Judah had cause for rejoicing, for they were now free from Sennacherib, who had captured them (Isa. 36. 1). See Sennacherib's cylinder. Ap. 67.

xi, p. 98. judgments: on the Assyrian host.

12 °Walk about °Zion, and go round about her:

Tell the °towers thereof.

13 Mark ye well her °bulwarks,

°Consider her palaces;

That ye may tell it to the generation following.

14 For °this °God is our °God for ever and ever:

He will be our guide °even unto death.

°To the chief Musician.

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°A Psalm for the sons of °Korah.

1 Hear this, all ye °people;

Give ear, all ye inhabitants of the °world:

2 Both °low and °high,

Rich and °poor, °together.

3 My mouth shall speak of wisdom;

And the meditation of my heart shall be of understanding.

4 I will incline mine ear to a parable:

I will open my °dark saying upon the harp.

5 Wherefore should I fear in the °days of °evil,

When the °iniquity °of my heels shall compass me about?

6 They that °trust in their wealth,

And boast themselves in the multitude of their riches;

7 °None of them can °by any means °redeem °his brother,

Nor give to °God °a ransom for °him:

8 (For the °redemption of °their soul is °precious,

And °it ceaseth for ever:)

9 °That he should °still live for ever,

And not see °corruption.

10 For °he seeth that wise men die,

Likewise the fool and the brutish person perish,

°And leave their wealth to others.

11 Their inward thought is, that their houses shall continue for ever,

And their dwelling places to all generations;

They call their lands after their own names.

12 Nevertheless °man being in honour abideth not:

He is like the beasts that perish.

attention to, and thus emphasise, the reference to Gen. 3. 15. When our iniquities were laid upon Christ, then He was vulnerable and was wounded for our transgressions. 6 trust. Heb. *batāḥ*. See Ap. 69. I.

7 None = no man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II. by any means redeem. Heb. Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6) = "redeeming will redeem". redeem = deliver by power. Heb. *padāḥ*. See notes on Ex. 6. 6 and 13. 13.

his brother. Some codices read "surely" instead of "a brother". In this case the two lines read, "Surely no man (Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II) can redeem, nor give to God atonement for himself". God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I. a ransom = atonement. Heb. *kāpher*. See Gen. 6. 14 ("pitch"). Ex. 29. 33. him = himself.

8 redemption = Heb. *padāḥ*, as "redeem", in v. 7. their soul = them. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. precious = costly, or, so costly is it that, &c. it = the redemption of themselves. 9 That, &c. Connect this with the end of v. 7. still live for ever = live on continually. corruption. Heb. *shāḥath* =

destruction (with Art.): i. e. in the grave. 10 he seeth = it must be seen. And leave = They leave. Homonym: *āzab*. See note on Ex. 23. 5; or, fortify, or strengthen by increasing or laying them up. 12 man. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I. This corresponds with v. 20. See the Structure, above.

12 Walk about. They were now free to do this. towers. Many discovered on the east side of Ophel in recent excavations.

13 bulwarks = outer walls or ramparts.

Consider = single out. Occurs only here.

14 this God: or, such a God.

even unto death = for evermore, according to some codices, five early printed editions, Aram., Sept., and Vulg. The Massorites divided the one word (*almūth*) into two (*al mōth*), making it = "over death". But the correspondence is with the preceding line, and with v. 8, as shown in the Structure, A and A.

To the chief Musician. Though written (probably by Hezekiah, Isa. 38. 20) for this special occasion, it was handed over for public use in the Temple worship.

49 (B, p. 759). NEED OF REDEMPTION REALIZED. (*Alternations and Introversion.*)

INTRODUCTION.

Theme { I. 1, 2. All to hear.
II. 3, 4. I will speak.

The Theme announces an Enigma, and the solution is the Incarnation and work of the Redeemer.

I. vv. 1, 2.

II. vv. 3, 4.

Hear.	Low.	Mouth.	Ear.
Peoples.	High.	Wisdom.	Parable.
Give ear.	Rich.	Heart.	Dark saying.
Inhabitants	Poor.	Understanding.	Harp.

B B | v | 5. Why fear? (two lines).

w | 6-9. No redemption from man (four lines. Alt.).

x | 10-11. Death (two lines).

y | 12. Worldly wisdom (four lines. Int.).

C | 13. Man like the beasts (two lines).

B y | 14. Worldly wisdom (two lines. Selah).

x | 15. Death (two lines. Int.).

w | 16. Redemption for me (two lines. Selah).

v | 17-19. Fear not! (four lines. Alt.).

C | 20. Man like the beasts (two lines).

NOTE.—In the first and third members the Introversion is alternated, the couplets in one being answered by quatrains in the other. If written by Hezekiah after his recovery the date would be about 602 B.C.

Title. A Psalm. The sixth of nine so ascribed. Heb. *mizmōr*. See Ap. 65. XVII.

Korah. See Ap. 63. VIII.

1 people = peoples.

world = age = transitoriness. Heb. *heled* = the world as transitory, as in 17. 14. Cp. 39. 5, "age"; 89. 47, "time". Job 11. 17. These are all the occurrences.

2 low = sons of *ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

high = sons of *ish*. Ap. 14. II.

poor = helpless. Heb. *'ebyōn*. See note on Prov. 6. 11. together = alike. 4 dark = deep.

5 days of evil. His were in Matt. 26. 38. Luke 22. 44, 53. John 12. 27. Heb. 5. 7.

evil. Heb. *rā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii.

iniquity = perverseness. Heb. *'āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

of my heels: or, my footsteps. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6, for the whole person, in order to call

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13 This their way *is* their folly :
Yet their posterity approve their sayings.
° Selah.

x

14 Like sheep they are laid in ° the grave ;
Death shall ° feed on them ;
And the upright shall have dominion over
them in ° the morning ;
And their beauty shall consume in ° the
grave ° from their dwelling.

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15 But ° God will ° redeem ° my soul from ° the
power of ° the grave :
For He shall ° receive me. ° Selah.

v

16 ° Be not thou afraid when ° one is made
rich,
When the glory of his house is increased ;
17 For when he dieth he shall ° carry nothing
away :

His glory shall not descend after him.
18 ° Though while he lived he blessed ° his
soul :

° And *men* will praise thee, when thou
doest well to thyself.

19 ° He shall go to the generation of ° his fa-
thers ;

° They shall never see light.

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20 ¹² Man *that is* in honour, and understand-
eth not,
Is like the beasts *that* perish.

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A Psalm ° of Asaph.

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(p. 768)

1 ° The mighty God, *even* the LORD, hath
spoken,
And called the earth from the rising of the
sun unto the going down thereof.

2 Out of ° Zion, the perfection of beauty,
° God hath shined.

3 Our ° God ° shall come, and shall ° not keep
silence :

A fire shall devour before Him,
And it shall be very tempestuous round
about Him.

4 He shall call to the heavens from above,
And to the earth, that He may judge His
People.

5 ° Gather My ° saints together unto Me ;
Those that have made a covenant with Me
° by sacrifice.

6 And the heavens shall declare his right-
eousness :

For ° God *is* judge *himself*. ° Selah.

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7 Hear, O My People, and I will speak ;
O Israel, and I will testify against thee :
I am ° God, *even* thy ° God.

8 I will not reprove thee for thy sacrifices
Or thy burnt offerings, *to have been* con-
tinually before Me.

9 I will take no bullock out of thy house,
Nor he goats out of thy folds.

10 For every beast of the forest *is* Mine,
And the cattle upon a thousand hills.

11 I know all the fowls of the mountains :
And the wild beasts of the field *are* Mine.

12 If I were hungry, I would not tell thee :
For the ° world *is* Mine, and the fulness
thereof.

13 Will I eat the flesh of bulls,
Or drink the blood of goats ?

13 Selah. Connecting the *fact* of v. 14 with their *thought*
of vv. 11, 12, and explaining the *folly* of v. 13. See Ap. 66, II.

14 the grave. Heb. *Sh'öl*. Ap. 35. Occurs three
times in this Psalm, vv. 14, 15.
feed on them = shepherd them. Fig. *Prosopopœia*.
Ap. 6.

the morning : i.e. the resurrection morning = the
"first" resurrection of Rev. 20. 6 ; resurrection of "life"
(John 5. 29) ; "the just" (Acts 24. 15). Luke 14. 14. Dan.
12. 2, &c.

from their dwelling : i.e. [far] from their [former]
lofty house. Heb. *zābal*, from similar Assyrian root =
lofty [house], in contrast with "the grave". See note
on 1 Kings 8. 13.

15 my soul = me, myself. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.
the power of the grave = the hand of *Sh'öl* ; "hand"
being put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6.

receive me = take me out of [Sheol] ; same word as
"carry away" in v. 17. Cp. 50. 9 ; 73. 24 ; 78. 70.

Selah. Connecting the *fear* and the *folly* of the
hopeless man with the true *hope* and *wisdom* which
takes away fear. See Ap. 66, II.

16 Be not thou afraid. This, with v. 5, gives the
scope of the Psalm. See the Structure (p. 767).

one = a man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14, II.

17 carry . . . away. See note on "receive", v. 15.

18 Though = For.

his soul = himself. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.
And men will praise = And [though] men praise thee
when, &c.

19 He shall = [Yet] he shall, &c., continuing from v. 18.
his : i.e. the man's. They : i.e. those fathers.

50-60 (A², p. 759). ISRAEL'S REDEEMER.

50 (F, p. 759). HE BREAKS SILENCE.

(Alternations.)

F	D	1-6. The Psalmist.			His people addressed.
		E	F	7-13. Reproof. Neg. Owns	
				them.	
				G 14, 15-. Duty. Praise	
				H and prayer.	
				I -15. Promise. I will	
				deliver.	
D	F	16-. The Psalmist.			The wicked addressed.
		E	F	-16-22. Reproof. Pos. Dis-	
				owns them.	
				G 23-. Duty. Praise.	
				H -23. Promise. I will	
				show.	

Title. of Asaph = of, or for Asaph. The only Psalm
of Asaph in Book II, the others being in Book III.

1 The mighty God, *even* the LORD. Heb. "El,
Elohim, Jehovah" = The God of Gods, even Jehovah.
Occurs only here and Josh. 22. 22 (twice). See Ap. 4, I,
II, IV.

2 Zion. See Ap. 68.
God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4, I.

3 shall come. The promise of Ex. 3. 7, s turned into
a prayer. Cp. Isa. 11. 11.

not keep silence. Now He is keeping silence. But
He will speak again, and here we are told what He will
say.

5 Gather = Gather in.
saints = those who have found favour with God. Cp.
Matt. 24. 29-31.

6 Selah. Connecting the "call" to "hear" what
true worship is (vv. 7-15), and to "consider" what true
service is (vv. 16-22) when these things come into judg-
ment (v. 6). Both are summed up in v. 23. (Ap. 66, II.)

12 world. Heb. *tēbel* = the habitable world (Gr.
oikoumenē).

14 Offer. Heb. *zabach*. Ap. 43, I, iv. Here is true
worship. See v. 23 ; 40. 6 ; 51. 17. Heb. 13. 15. Cp.
Isa. 1. 11-14. Jer. 7. 22, 23. Hos. 6. 6. Amos 5. 21. This
is the opposite of "unthankful" (2 Tim. 3. 2).

MOST HIGH. Heb. *Elyōn*. Ap. 4, VI.

14 ° Offer unto ° God thanksgiving ;
And pay thy vows unto the ° MOST HIGH :

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15 And call upon Me in the day of trouble :

I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify Me.

16 But unto the ° wicked ² God ° saith,

° "What hast thou to do to declare My statutes,

Or that thou shouldest take My covenant in thy mouth ?

17 Seeing thou hatest instruction, And castest My words behind thee.

18 When thou sawest a thief, then thou ° consentedst with him,

And hast been partaker with adulterers.

19 Thou givest thy mouth to ° evil, And thy tongue ° frameth deceit.

20 Thou sittest and speakest against thy brother ;

Thou slanderest ° thine own mother's son.

21 These things hast thou done, and ° I kept silence ;

Thou thoughtest that I was altogether such an one as thyself :

But I will reprove thee, and set them in order before thine eyes.

22 Now consider this, ye that forget ° G D D, Lest I tear you in pieces, and there be none to ° deliver."

23 Whoso ¹⁴ offereth praise glorifieth Me :

And to him that ordereth his ° conversation aright

Will I shew the salvation of ² God.

° To the chief Musician.

941 51 ° A Psalm of David, ° when Nathan the prophet came unto him, after he had gone in to Bathsheba.

G J 1 ° Have mercy upon me, O ° God, according to Thy ° lovingkindness :

According unto the multitude of Thy tender mercies ° blot out my ° transgressions.

2 ° Wash me thoroughly from mine ° iniquity, And ° cleanse me from my ° sin.

K 3 For ³ ° acknowledge my ¹ transgressions : And my ² sin is ever before me.

4 Against Thee, Thee ° only, have I ² sinned, And done this ° evil in Thy sight :

° That Thou mightest be justified ° when Thou speakest,

And be ° clear when Thou judgest.

5 ° Behold, I was shapen in ² iniquity ;

And in ² sin did my mother conceive me.

L a 6 ° Behold, Thou desirest truth ° in the inward parts :

And in the hidden part Thou shalt ° make me to know wisdom.

b 7 ° Purge me with ° hyssop, and I shall be clean :

² Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

8 ° Make me to hear joy and gladness ;

That the bones which Thou hast broken may rejoice.

J 9 Hide Thy face from my ² sins, And ¹ blot out all mine ² iniquities.

16 wicked. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x. saith = hath said.

What . . . ? Figs. *Erotēsis* and *Apodioxia*. Ap. 6. See Rom. 2. 21, 22.

18 consentedst with = foundest pleasure with. Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg. read "rannest".

19 evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

frameth = weaveth.

20 thine own mother's son. Fig. *Periphrasis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

21 I kept silence ; Thou thoughtest. Cp. Ecc. 8. 11-13. Isa. 3. 11 ; 26. 10.

22 G D D. Heb. Eloah. Ap. 4. V.

deliver = rescue.

23 conversation = way. Some codices, with five early printed editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "And there [will be] a way by which I will show to him", &c.

To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.

51 (G, p. 759). THE RESPONSE OF HIS PEOPLE. (*Division.*)

G J | 1, 2. Prayer.

K | 3-5. Transgression. Confession.

L | a | 6. What God desires.

b | 7, 8. Prayer and resulting praise.

J | 9-12. Prayer.

K | 13. Transgressors. Instruction.

L | b | 14, 15. What God desires.

a | 16-19. Prayer and resulting praise.

Title. A Psalm. Heb. *mizmôr*. See Ap. 65. XVII. when Nathan, &c. See 2 Sam. 11. 2 ; 12. 1. David's utterance when he lay all night upon the earth as a penitent (2 Sam. 12. 16). Cp. his utterance when he "sat before the LORD" as a worshipper (2 Sam. 7. 18-29), and when he "stood upon his feet" as a servant (1 Chron. 28. 2-10).

1 Have mercy upon me = Be gracious or favourable unto me. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. lovingkindness : or, grace.

blot out = erase, as a debt from a book (Ex. 32. 32, 33. Num. 5. 23. Ps. 69. 28), or wipe out so as to remove (2 Kings 21. 13. Isa. 44. 22).

transgressions. Heb. *pāshā'*. Ap. 44. ix.

2 Wash : as a garment. Heb. *kabāṣ*. Heb form = multiply to wash = wash thoroughly.

iniquity. Heb. *āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

cleanse : i. e. pronounce ceremonially clean.

sin. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

3 acknowledge. Confession is ever the condition of forgiveness. See notes on 32. 5.

4 only = alone. This is primary, and contains the secondary. evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

That, &c. Quoted in Rom. 3. 4.

when Thou speakest : i. e. in Thy word. Some codices, with three early printed editions, Sept., and Vulg., read "in Thy words" (pl.). Cp. Rom. 3. 4.

clear = pure ; such moral purity as belongs not to man, only to God (Job 15. 14 ; 25. 4. Prov. 20. 9). Heb. *zakah*.

5 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

6 in the inward parts. More than the external acts. Heb. *ṭūchoth*. Only here and Job 38. 36.

make me, &c. See note on Job 28. 28. We need this making, for this wisdom is from above. Cp. 2 Tim. 3. 15.

7 Purge me = Thou wilt sin-cleanse me, or un-sin me : i. e. expiate by the blood of a sin offering.

hyssop. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the atoning blood sprinkled by it. Cp. Num. 14. 18 ; 19. 6, 18.

8 Make me = Thou wilt make me.

10 Create. Heb. *bārā'*, as in Gen. 1. 1. The new heart is not the old one changed, but newly created : i. e. "begotten" by God, as in John 3. 6-8.

right = steadfast. Cp. 78. 37 ; 112. 7.

spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6, for whole character.

10 ° Create in me a clean heart, O ¹ God ; And renew a ° right ° spirit within me.

11 Cast me not away from Thy presence;
And °take not Thy °Holy Spirit from me.
12 Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation;
And uphold me °with Thy free °spirit.

13 Then will I teach °transgressors Thy ways;
And °sinners shall be converted unto Thee.

14 °Deliver me from °bloodguiltiness, O °God,
Thou °God of my salvation:
And my tongue shall sing aloud of Thy righteousness.

15 O °LORD*, open Thou my lips;
And my mouth shall shew forth Thy praise.

16 For Thou °desirest not sacrifice; else would I give it:
Thou delightest not in burnt offering.

17 The °sacrifices of °God are a broken °spirit:
A broken and a contrite heart, O °God, Thou wilt °not despise.

18 Do good in Thy good pleasure unto °Zion:
Build Thou the walls of Jerusalem.

19 Then shalt Thou be pleased with the sacrifices of righteousness, with burnt offering and whole burnt offering:
Then shall they offer bullocks upon Thine altar.

°To the chief Musician.

968 52 °Maschil, A Psalm of David, °when Doeg the Edomite came and told Saul, and said unto him, David is come to the house of Ahimelech.

1 °Why boastest thou thyself in mischief, O °mighty man?
The °goodness of °GOD endureth °continually.

2 Thy tongue deviseth °mischiefs;
Like a sharp razor, working deceitfully.

3 Thou lovest °evil more than good;
And lying rather than to speak righteousness. °Selah.

4 Thou lovest all °devouring words,
O thou deceitful tongue.

5 °GOD shall likewise °destroy thee for ever,
He shall °take thee away, and °pluck thee out of thy dwelling place,
And °root thee out of the land of the living. °Selah.

6 The °righteous also shall see, and fear,
And shall laugh at him:

7 Lo, this is °the man that made not °God his strength;
But °trusted in the abundance of his riches,
And strengthened himself in his °wickedness.

8 But I am like a green olive tree in the house of °God:
I °trust in the °mercy of °God for ever and ever.

9 I will praise Thee for ever, because °Thou hast done it:
And I will wait on °Thy name; for it is good before °Thy saints.

°To the chief Musician °upon °Mahalath.

11 take not. Not a proper prayer for those now "in Christ": for, see John 14. 16.

Holy Spirit. See the only other O.T. occurrences of the expression (Isa. 63. 10, 11). Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

12 with Thy free spirit: i. e. with a spirit of willing and unforced obedience. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9. Cp. Ex. 35. 5, 22.

14 Deliver = Rescue.

bloodguiltiness = bloods, pl. of majesty; put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), Ap. 6, for the great murder of Uriah (2 Sam. 11. 14-21). Cp. Gen. 4. 10.

15 LORD* = Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. One of the 134 alterations of the *Sopherim*. Ap. 32.

16 desirest not. Because death was the penalty. Was the child's life the substitute?

17 sacrifices. Pl. of majesty = the great sacrifice. Cp. Isa. 57. 15; 66. 2.

not despise. Fig. *Tapeinōsis* (Ap. 6), meaning that God will do infinitely more than words can express.

18 Zion. See Ap. 68.

If vv. 18, 19 are a later addition, then they were probably the work of Hezekiah in his editing the Psalms as well as the Proverbs, when the Psalm was handed over for public use. See Ap. 67. But David was "a prophet" (Acts 2. 30, 31).

To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64. The use in public worship makes it set forth the condition of national blessing. See its place in the Structure of Book II. Verses 18, 19 make the member "a" (above) agree with the member "a".

52 (G¹, p. 759). INSTRUCTION AS TO THE DEFEAT OF ENEMIES. (Alternation.)

G¹ M | 1-5. The enemies apostrophised. (Doeg.)

N | 6. The righteous ones. (Pl. = Israel.)

M | 7. The enemies apostrophised. (Doeg.)

N | 8, 9. The righteous one. (Sing. = David.)

Title. Maschil = Instruction. The fifth of thirteen so named. See note on Title, Ps. 32, and Ap. 65. XI. when Doeg, &c. See notes on 1 Sam. 21. 7; 22. 18. See note on *Mahālath*, in sub-scription at end of v. 9.

1 Why boastest . . . ? Relating to Doeg's treachery. mighty man. Heb. *gibbōr*. Ap. 14. IV. P.B.V. = tyrant; Sept. = mighty lawless one. It is prophetic, and a type of Antichrist.

goodness = lovingkindness, or grace.

GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

continually = all the day.

2 mischiefs = malignity. Pl. for sing. = a great malignity.

3 evil. Heb. *rā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii.

Selah. Connecting the deceitful tongue of Doeg (v. 4) with the imprecation on it. See Ap. 66. II.

4 devouring words. Heb. words of swallowing up. Cp. 1 Sam. 22. 18.

5 destroy . . . take away . . . pluck out . . . root out. Note the Fig. *Anabasis*. Ap. 6.

Selah. Connecting God's judgment with the righteous onlookers. See Ap. 66. II.

6 righteous = righteous ones (pl.).

7 the man = the strong man (Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. IV) that made not God his strength. The Gematria of this sentence = 2,197 (= 13³). See Ap. 10.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

trusted = confided. Heb. *bāṭah*. Ap. 69. I. wickedness. Aram. and Syr. read "wealth". Cp. 112. 3.

8 mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.

9 Thou hast done it. David ascribes all the glory to his God.

Thy name = Thyself. See note on 20. 1.

Thy saints. Some codices read sing. = Thy beloved (One).

To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.

upon = relating to.

Mahalath, for *Mahālōth* = the great dancings. See Ap. 65. IX.

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° Maschil, *A Psalm* of David.

Q O 1 The ° fool hath said in his heart, "There is no ° God."

P a Corrupt are they, and have done abominable ° iniquity:
° There is none that doeth good.

b 2 ° God looked down from heaven upon the ° children of men.
To see if there were any ° that did understand,
That did seek ° God.

P a 3 Every one of them is gone back: they are altogether become filthy;
There is none that doeth good, no, not one.

b 4 Have ° the workers of ° iniquity no knowledge?
Who eat up my People as they eat bread:
They have not called upon ° God.

O 5 There were they in great fear, where no fear was:
° For ° God hath scattered the bones of him that encampeth against thee:
Thou hast put them to shame, because ° God hath ° despised them.

6 ° Oh that the ° salvation of Israel were come out of ° Zion!
When ° God bringeth back the captivity of His People,
° Jacob shall rejoice, and ° Israel shall be glad.

° To the chief Musician ° on ° Neginoth.

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° Maschil, *A Psalm* of David, ° when the Ziphims came and said to Saul, Doth not David hide himself with us?

1 Save me, O ° God, by ° Thy name,
And ° judge me by Thy strength.
2 Hear my prayer, O ° God;
Give ear to the words of my mouth.

d 3 For ° strangers are risen up against me,
And oppressors seek after ° my soul:
They have not set ° God before them.
° Selah.

R 4 Behold, ° God is mine helper:
The ° LORD* is with them that uphold ° my soul.

R 5 He shall reward ° evil unto mine enemies:
Cut them off in Thy truth.

Q c 6 I will ° freely sacrifice unto Thee:
I will praise ° Thy name, O ° LORD; for it is good.

d 7 For He hath ° delivered me out of all trouble:
And mine eye hath ° seen his desire upon mine enemies.

° To the chief Musician ° on ° Neginoth.

printed editions and Aram., read "insolent men". Ap. 13. **Selah.** Connecting David's danger with David's true and only source of help (Ap. 66. II). 4 **LORD*** One of the 134 alterations of Jehovah to Adonai by the *Sopherim*. Ap. 32. 5 **evil** = the evil. Heb. *nephes*. *rt'a'* (with Art.). Ap. 44. viii. 6 **freely sacrifice**: Heb. with a freewill offering will I sacrifice. Cp. Num. 15. 3. **LORD.** Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. 7 **delivered** = rescued. **seen his desire**: or, looked upon, and thus seen Jehovah's deliverance. **To the chief Musician.** See Ap. 64. **on** = relating to. **Neginoth** = smittings: i. e. the great smittings of my enemies by Jehovah. See Ap. 65. XV.

53 (*G*², p. 759). INSTRUCTION AS TO DEFEAT OF ENEMIES. (*Introversion and Alternation.*)

Q O | 1-. The fool. God no-where.
P | a | -1. Man. Depravity.
b | 2. God. Inspection.
P | a | 3. Man. Depravity.
b | 4. God. Expostulation.
O | 5, 6. The righteous. God now-here.

Title. **Maschil** = Instruction (the sixth of thirteen Psalms so named. See note on Title, Ps. 32, and Ap. 65. XI), as to the faction of the Tyrant of Ps. 52. This Psalm for public use. See note at end. Hence **Elohim** (Ap. 4. I), the Creator in relation to His creatures. A partial repetition of Ps. 14, which was not for public use (as Ps. 53 was); therefore **Jehovah** (David's God) there, and **Elohim** (the creature's Creator) here.

1 **fool.** May not this refer to Nabal? **God.** Heb. **Elohim.** Ap. 4. I. Seven times in this Psalm. In Ps. 14 three times **Elohim**, and four times **Jehovah.** **Elohim** more characteristic of the second (or Exodus) book.

iniquity. In Ps. 14, Heb. *'ālilāh* = doing; here, *'āval* = deceit. See Ap. 44. vi.

There is none, &c. Quoted in Rom. 3. 1-12.

2 **God.** Heb. *'eth 'Elohim* (Objective). Ap. 4. I. Note the Fig. *Epanadiplosis* (Ap. 6), by which this verse is marked off as containing universal instruction, beginning and ending with the same word "God".

children of men = sons of Adam. Ap. 14. I. that did understand. Heb. *Maschil*. See note on Title.

4 **the workers.** Some codices, with two early printed editions, Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "all the workers".

iniquity. Heb. *'āvāh*. Ap. 44. iii.

5 **For God hath scattered.** This is an addition to Ps. 14.

despised them. Here, the wicked are in question. In Ps. 14. 5, the righteous.

6 **Oh.** Fig. *Ecpōnēsis*. Ap. 6.

salvation = great salvation, pl. of majesty. But some codices, with Sept. and Syr., read sing.

Zion. See Ap. 68.

God. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., and Syr., read "Jehovah".

Jacob . . . Israel: i. e. both natural and spiritual seed. See notes on Gen. 32. 28; 43. 6; 45. 26, 28.

To the chief Musician. This Psalm was edited for public use; hence the title **Elohim**. See notes above. **on** = relating to.

Neginoth = smittings: referring to God's smittings with words and acts. See v. 5, which differs from 14. 5, 6. See Ap. 65. XV.

54 (*G*³, p. 759). INSTRUCTION AS TO THE DEFEAT OF ENEMIES. (*Introversion and Alternation.*)

Q | c | 1, 2. Prayer.
d | 3. Reason. Enemies assemble.
R | 4. Jehovah my helper.
R | 5. Jehovah my helper.
Q | c | 6. Praise.
d | 7. Reason. Enemies scattered.

Title. **Maschil** = Instruction. The seventh of thirteen Psalms so named. See note on Title, Ps. 32, and Ap. 65. XI. when, &c. Cp. 1 Sam. 23. 19; 26. 1.

1 **God.** Heb. **Elohim.** Ap. 4. I.

Thy name = Thine own self. See note on Ps. 20. 1. **judge** = vindicate.

3 **strangers** = aliens: the Ziphites, or the men of Keilah (1 Sam. 23. 12). Some codices, with two early

Cp. 86. 14. **my soul** = me, or my life. Heb. *nephes*.

4 **LORD*** One of the 134 alterations of Jehovah to Adonai by the *Sopherim*. Ap. 32.

5 **evil** = the evil. Heb. *nephes*. **freely sacrifice**: Heb. with a freewill offering will I sacrifice. Cp. Num. 15. 3.

LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. **delivered** = rescued. **seen his desire**: or, looked upon, and thus seen Jehovah's deliverance. **To the chief Musician.** See Ap. 64. **on** = relating to. **Neginoth** = smittings: i. e. the great smittings of my enemies by Jehovah. See Ap. 65. XV.

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° Maschil, A Psalm of David.

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- 1 Give ear to my prayer, O ° God;
And hide not Thyself from my supplica-
tion.
- 2 Attend unto me, and ° hear me:
I mourn in my complaint, and ° make a
noise;
- 3 Because of the voice of the enemy,
Because of the ° oppression of the wicked:
For they cast ° iniquity upon me,
And in wrath they hate me.
- 4 My heart is ° sore pained within me:
And the terrors of death are fallen upon
me.
- 5 Fearfulness and trembling are come upon
me,
And horror hath overwhelmed me.
- 6 And I said, "Oh that I had wings like a
dove!
For then would I fly away, and be at
rest.
- 7 Lo, then would I wander far off,
And ° remain in the ° wilderness. ° Selah.
- 8 I would ° hasten my escape
From the ° windy storm and tempest."
- 9 Destroy, O ° LORD, and ° divide their
° tongues:
- For I have seen violence and strife in the
city.
- 10 Day and night they go about it upon the
walls thereof:
° Mischief also and sorrow are in the midst
of it.
- 11 ° Wickedness is in the midst thereof:
° Deceit and guile depart not from her
streets.
- 12 For it was not an enemy that reproached
me;
Then I could have borne it:
Neither was it he that hated me that did
magnify himself against me;
Then I would have hid myself from him:
- 13 But it was thou, ° a man ° mine equal,
° My guide, and mine acquaintance.
- 14 We took sweet counsel together,
And walked unto the house of ° God ° in
company.
- 15 Let death seize upon them,
And let them go down ° quick into ° hell:
- For ° wickedness is in their dwellings,
and among them.
- 16 As for me, I will call upon ° God;
And ° the LORD shall save me.
- 17 Evening, and morning, and at noon, will
I ° pray, and ° cry aloud:
And He shall hear my voice.
- 18 He hath ° delivered ° my soul ° in peace
from the battle that was against me:
- For there were ° many with me.
- 19 ° GOD shall ° hear, and afflict them,
(° Even He That abideth of old). ° Selah.
° Because they have ° no changes,
Therefore they fear not ° God.

sised by the double accent *Pasek*, or "note line" each side of it. (Ap. 66. II.) Because . . . no changes = With whom are no changes (for the better): i. e. no improvement. See note on "alter" (Lev. 27. 10). Heb. *halaph*. Cp. Gen. 35. 2.

55 (G⁴, p. 759). INSTRUCTION AS TO DEFEAT
OF ENEMIES. (Repeated Alternation.)

- G¹ S¹ e | 1-2. Prayer. Despondency.
f | 3-5. Reason. "For".
e | 6-9-. Prayer. Encouragement.
f | 9-11. Reason. "For".
T¹ | 12-14. Treachery of Ahithophel.
- S² g | 15-. Prayer. Imprecatory.
h | -15. Reason. "For".
g | 16-18-. Prayer. Encouragement.
h | -18, 19. Reason. "For".
T² | 20, 21. Treachery of Ahithophel.
- S³ i | 22-. Prayer. Encouragement.
k | -22. Reason. Assurance.
i | 23-. Prayer. Imprecatory.
k | -23. Reason. Assurance.

Title. Maschil = Instruction. The eighth of thirteen so named. See note on Title, Ps. 32, and Ap. 65. XI. The occasion of this Psalm is seen in 2 Sam. 15. Hence 934 B. C.

- 1 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.
2 hear = answer. make a noise = moan.
3 oppression: or outcry. The Heb. word 'ākah occurs only here.
iniquity = iniquitous words or devices. Heb. 'āven. Ap. 44. iii. Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct), Ap. 6.
4 sore pained . . . unto death. Cp. the words of the true David (John 13. 21) in reference to the Anti-type (v. 18. Matt. 26. 38).
7 remain = lodge. The Sept. renders it by *aulizomai*, the word used in Matt. 21. 17. Cp. Luke 21. 37. See also Jer. 9. 2. wilderness. Cp. 2 Sam. 15. 28; 17. 16.
Selah. Connecting his despondency with his escape from the cause of it. It was not merely comfort he desired, but deliverance. See Ap. 66. II.
8 hasten my escape. Cp. 2 Sam. 15. 14.
windy storm - wind (Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9) of storm.
9 LORD*. One of the 134 alterations of Jehovah to Adonai by the *Sopherim*. Ap. 32.
divide their tongues = cleave (as in Gen. 10. 25; 11. 1-9) their counsels; "tongues" being put by Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6, for counsels given by them. This prayer was literally answered (2 Sam. 17. 1-14).
tongues. Heb. sing.
10 Mischief. Heb. 'āven. Ap. 44. iii.
11 Wickedness = pravities (pl.). Heb. *havāh* = cupidity. Deceit = Oppression, or violence.
13 a man = a mortal. Heb. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.
mine equal = as mine equal: i. e. esteemed by David as such; refers to Ahithophel.
My guide: or counsellor. Cp. 2 Sam. 16. 23 and Acts 1. 17.
14 in company = with the multitude. Heb. *regesh*. Occurs only here.
15 quick = alive. Cp. Num. 16. 30-33.
hell. Heb. *Shēōl*. Ap. 35.
wickedness. Heb. *rā'ā'* (pl.). Ap. 44. viii.
16 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
17 pray = meditate.
cry aloud. Heb. *hāmāh* = to make a noise. Onomatopoeic, like bees, or the cooing of a dove in Ezek. 7. 16. See note on sub-scription.
18 delivered = plucked (with power). Heb. *pādah*. See notes on Ex. 6. 6; 13. 13.
my soul = me (emphatic). Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.
in peace. Note Ellipsis: "[and set it] in peace".
many with me = many [in conflict] with me. Fig. Ellipsis. Ap. 6.
19 GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV. The mighty Creator, because in conflict with His creatures.
hear = hear me. afflict them = answer them.
Even, &c. Fig. Parenthesis. Ap. 6.
Selah. Connecting the true confidence of David with the false confidence of the ungodly. David's true confidence was based on the fact that His GOD was the mighty One enduring for ever. "El" here is emphatic.

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(p. 772)

20 °He hath put forth his hands against such
as be at peace with him:

He hath °broken his covenant.

21 The words of his mouth were smother
than butter,

But °war was in his heart:

His words were softer than oil,
Yet were they drawn swords.

S¹ i

22 °Cast thy °burden upon °the LORD, and he
shall °sustain thee:

k

He shall never suffer °the righteous to be
moved.

i

23 But Thou, O °God, shalt bring them down
into the pit of destruction:

°Bloody and deceitful men shall not live
out °half their days;

k

But I will °trust in Thee.

°To the chief Musician °upon °Jonath-elem-rechokim.

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56 °Michtam of David, °when the Philistines took
him in Gath.

F¹ U
(p. 773)

1 °Be merciful unto me, O °God: for °man
°would swallow me up;

He fighting °daily oppresseth me.

2 Mine °enemies would daily °swallow me
up:

For they be many that fight against me,
°O Thou Most High.

V

3 What time I am afraid,
I will °trust in Thee.

W

4 °In °God I will praise His word,

In °God I have put my °trust;

I will not fear what °flesh can do unto
me.

U

5 °Every day they wrest my words:

All their thoughts are against me for °evil.

6 They gather themselves together, they
hide themselves,

They mark my steps,

When they wait for °my soul.

7 Shall they escape by °iniquity?

In Thine anger cast down the °people, O
°God.

8 Thou °tellest my °wanderings:

Put Thou my tears into °Thy bottle:

Are they not in °Thy book?

V

9 °When I cry unto Thee, then shall mine
enemies turn back:

This I know; °for °God is °for me.

W

10 °In °God will I praise His word:

In °the LORD will I praise His word.

11 In °God have I °put my trust: I will not
be afraid

What °man can do unto me.

12 Thy vows are upon me, O °God:

I will render praises unto Thee.

13 For Thou hast °delivered °my soul from
death:

°Wilt not Thou deliver my feet from fall-
ing,

That I may walk before °God

°In the light of the living?

°To the chief Musician, °Al-taschith.

20 He: i. e. Ahithophel.

broken his covenant: by his disloyalty.

21 war was in his heart. Cp. 2 Sam. 14. 33 with
15. 5, 6. Referring to v. 19.

22 Cast, &c. = Commit unto. Quoted in 1 Pet. 5. 7.
burden = gift, or lot. Here = those very words of v. 21.
sustain thee = hold thee up.

the righteous = the righteous one (sing.).

23 Bloody and deceitful men = men of bloods and
deceit. Genitive of Character. Heb. bloods = great
bloodshed.

half their days. Referring to Absalom's untimely
death.

trust = confide. Heb. *bāṭaḥ*. Ap. 69. I.

To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.

upon = relating to.

Jonath-elem-rechokim = The dove of the distant
Terebinths. Ap. 65. VII. A pictorial description of
David in the wilderness, fleeing from Absalom. Cp.
vv. 6-8; and the word *hāmāh* = to coo (as a dove). See
note on "cry aloud" in v. 17.

56 (F¹, p. 759). ISRAEL'S REDEEMER, AND HIS
WORK. (Extended Alternation.)

F¹ U | 1, 2. Complaint.

V | 3. Trust.

W | 4. Praise.

U | 5-8. Complaint.

V | 9. Trust.

W | 10-13. Praise.

Title. Michtam: i. e. Resurgam. See v. 13. One of
six Psalms so called. The first is Ps. 16. See Ap. 65. XII.
and sub-scription, v. 13.

when, &c. See 1 Sam. 21. 10; 27. 4; 29. 2-11.

1 Be merciful = Be gracious, or favourable.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

man. Heb. *ʿnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

would swallow me up = thirst for my blood. Heb.
shā'aph, used of wild beasts.

daily = all the day. See v. 5.

2 enemies = watchers, or observers.

O Thou Most High. Heb. *mārōm*, lofty, or exalted
(not *Elyōn*).

3 trust = confide. Heb. *bāṭaḥ*. Ap. 69. I.

4 In God. Fig. *Cycloides*. Ap. 6. Cp. v. 10.

flesh. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6, for
man.

5 Every day = all the day. See v. 5.

evil. Ap. 44. viii.

6 my soul = me. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

7 iniquity. Heb. *ʿāven*. Ap. 44. iii.

people = peoples. (No Art.)

8 tellest = recordest.

wanderings . . . bottle Fig. *Paronomasia*. Ap. 8.
Heb. *nodī . . . b'n'odeka*.

Thy bottle. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. Tears of
mourners were thus collected and buried with the dead.
Hence often found in ancient tombs.

Thy book. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

9 When I cry unto Thee = In the day of my cry,
for = that.

for me = mine.

10 In God, &c. Fig. *Cycloides*. Ap. 6. See v. 4.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

11 put my trust = confided. Cp. v. 3.

man = a man. (No Art.). Heb. *ʾādām*. Ap. 14. I.

13 delivered = plucked.

Wilt not thou . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

In the light of the living = in resurrection life.
Hence the title "Michtam". Cp. Ps. 16, and other
Michtam Psalms. See also Job 33. 30; and Ps. 116. 8, 9;
where it is "land of the living".

To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.

Al-taschith = Destroy not. See Ap. 65. III. The
words of David in 1 Sam. 26. 9. 2 Sam. 24. 16, 17. Same
word as in 2 Sam. 1. 14. Isa. 65. 8. Cp. 1 Chron. 21. 12, 15.

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F² X Z I
(p. 774)

57 ° Michtam of David, ° when he fled from Saul
in ° the cave.

1 ° Be merciful unto me, O ° God, ° be merciful unto me:
For my ° soul ° trusteth in Thee:
Yea, in the shadow of ° Thy wings will
I make my refuge,
° Until *these* calamities be overpast.

m 2 I will cry unto ° God ° MOST HIGH;
Unto ° GOD That ° performeth ° *all things*
° for me.

3 He shall send from heaven, and save me
From the reproach of him that would
° swallow me up. ° Selah.

n 1 God shall send forth His ° mercy and His
truth.

A 4 My ° soul is among lions:
And I lie even among them that are set
on fire,
Even the sons of ° men, whose teeth are
spears and arrows,
And their tongue a sharp sword.

Y 5 ° Be Thou exalted, O ° God, above the heavens;
Let Thy glory be above all the earth.

X A 6 They have prepared a net for my steps;
My ° soul is bowed down:
° They have digged a pit before me,
Into the midst whereof they are fallen
themselves. ° Selah.

Z I 7 ° My heart is ° fixed, O ° God, ° my heart is
fixed:

m I will sing and give praise.
8 ° Awake up, my ° glory; awake, psaltery
and harp:
I myself ° will awake early.

9 I will praise Thee, O ° LORD *, among the
° people:
I will ° sing unto Thee among the nations.

n 10 For Thy ° mercy is great unto the heavens,
And Thy ° truth unto the ° clouds.

Y 11 ° Be Thou exalted, O ° God, above the heavens:
Let Thy glory be above all the earth.

° To the chief Musician, ° Al-taschith.

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° Michtam of David.

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(p. 774)

1 ° Do ye indeed speak righteousness, ° O congregation?
Do ye judge uprightly, O ye sons of ° men?

57 (F², p. 759). ISRAEL'S REDEEMER, AND HIS
WORK. (*Alternations and Introversions.*)

F² X Z I | 1 | 1. Repetition. Prayer.
m | 2, 3-. Resolve. "I will cry".
n | -3. Mercy and truth. Sent.
A | 4. Enemies.
Y | 5. "Be Thou exalted".
A | 6. Enemies.
X Z | 7-. Repetition. Praise.
m | -7-9. Resolve. "I will sing".
n | 10. "Mercy and truth". Great.
Y | 11. "Be Thou exalted".

Title. Michtam = Resurgam. One of the six Psalms
so called. See Ap. 65. XII, and sub-scription.

when, &c. Cp. 1 Sam. 22. 1.
the cave. Probably at En-gedi (1 Sam. 24. 7, 8), where
David probably used the words "Al-taschith". See
the sub-scription.

1 Be merciful = Be gracious, or favourable. Cp. 56. 1.
God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

be merciful. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.
soul. Heb. *nepesh*. Ap. 13.

trusteth in = hath fled for refuge to. Heb. *hasah*. Ap.
69. II. Same word as "make my refuge" in next line.
Thy wings. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

Until, &c.: or, Until one shall have overpast these
calamities. 2 MOST HIGH. See note on 56. 2.

GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

performeth = bringeth to pass, and perfecteth, or
completeth.

all things. Fig. *Ellipsis* (Absolute). Nothing particularised,
that we may supply everything. To name one thing might seem to
exclude all others. Cp. 138. 8.
for me = on my behalf.

3 swallow me up. See note on 56. 1.

Selah. Connecting and emphasising by repetition David's
confidence (that God would assuredly send deliverance), with and
because of His lovingkindness and truth. See Ap. 66. II.

mercy = lovingkindness, or grace. Note the Structure "n" and "n", above.

4 men. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

5 Be Thou exalted. See the Structure. Fig. *Cycloides*.
Ap. 6. See v. 11. Cp. similar *Cycloides* in 56. 4, 11.

6 They have digged, &c. Cp. 7. 15.

Selah. Connecting the bitterness of his enemies with his
assured confidence in God. (Ap. 66. II.)

7 My heart . . . my heart. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6), as in v. 1.
(See the Structure, above; also the Fig. *Ecphrasis*. Ap. 6.)
fixed = steadfast. Contrast 78. 37.

8 Awake. Fig. *Peanismos*. Ap. 6.

glory. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6, put for the tongue
or the heart which gives the glory.

will awake early = will awake the dawn.

9 LORD *. One of the 134 places where the *Sopherim* altered
Jehovah, of the primitive text, to Adonai. See Ap. 32.

people = peoples.

sing = sing praise.

10 mercy . . . truth. See note on v. 3.

clouds = skies.

11 To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.

Al-taschith = Destroy not. See notes on Title, and 56. 13; also Ap. 65. III.

58 (F³, p. 759). ISRAEL'S REDEEMER, AND HIS WORK. (*Introversion.*)

F³ B | 1, 2. Man's judgment. Unrighteous.
C | 3-5. The wicked. Their character.
D | 6-9. Imprecation.
C | 10. The righteous. Their rejoicing.
B | 11. God's judgment. Righteous.

Title. Michtam. See Ap. 65. XII. 1 Do ye indeed . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Render:

"Are ye indeed silent [when] ye should speak righteousness?
When ye should judge with equity, O ye sons of men?"

O congregation: or, O faction. Heb. *'ēlem*. Occurs only here and in the sub-scription of Ps. 55 = silent.
So human judges are dumb when they ought to speak, and deaf when they ought to hear (v. 4). men.
Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

2 Yea, in heart ye work °wickedness;
°Ye weigh the violence of your hands in
the earth.

3 The °wicked are estranged from the womb:
They go astray as soon as they be born,
speaking lies.

4 Their poison is like the poison of a ser-
pent:

*They are like the deaf adder that stoppeth
her ear;*

5 Which will not hearken to the voice of
charmners,
Charming never so wisely.

6 Break their teeth, O °God, in their mouth:
Break out the great teeth of the young
lions, O °LORD.

7 Let them melt away as waters which run
continually:
*When he bendeth his bow to shoot his
arrows, let them be as °cut in pieces.*

8 As a snail which melteth, let every one of
them pass away:

*Like the untimely birth of a woman, that
they may not see the sun.*

9 Before your pots can feel °the thorns,
He shall take them away as with a whirl-
wind, both living, and in his wrath.

10 The righteous shall rejoice when he seeth
the vengeance:
He shall wash his feet in the blood of the
°wicked.

11 So that a °man shall say, "Verily there is
a reward for °the righteous:
Verily °He is a God That judgeth in the
earth."

°To the chief Musician, °Al-taschith.

970 59 °Michtam of David; °when Saul sent, and they
watched the house to kill him.

1 Deliver me from mine enemies, O my
°God:

°Defend me from them that rise up against
me.

2 Deliver me from the workers of °iniquity,
And save me from bloody °men.

3 For, lo, they lie in wait for my °soul:
The mighty are gathered against me;
Not for my °transgression, nor for my °sin,
O °LORD.

4 They run and prepare themselves without
my fault:

Awake to help me, and behold.

5 Thou therefore, O °LORD God of hosts, the
°God of Israel,

Awake to visit all the °heathen:

Be not merciful to any °wicked °trans-
gressors. °Selah.

6 They return at evening: they make a noise
like a dog,
And go round about the city.

7 Behold, they belch out with their mouth:
Swords are in their lips:
For "who", say they, "doth hear"?

8 But Thou, O °LORD, shalt °laugh at them;
Thou shalt have all the °heathen in de-
rision.

2 wickedness. Heb. 'avvāl. Cp. Ap. 44. vi.
Ye weigh = Ye weigh out, or, dispense.

3 wicked = lawless. Heb. rāshā'. Ap. 44. x.

6 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

7 cut in pieces = cut down [like grass].

9 the thorns. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6,
for the fire caused by them (Ecc. 7. 6).

11 the righteous = the righteous one.

He is a God: or, There is a God, judges in the earth
[will say]. Note the Introversion in this verse.

To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.

Al-taschith = Destroy not. See Ap. 65. III.

59 (F⁴, p. 759). ISRAEL'S REDEEMER, AND HIS
WORK. (Extended Alternation.)

F⁴ E | 1-5. Prayer. Enemies in the land. Selah.

F | 6. Comparison to a dog.

G | 7. Doggish characteristic. Barking.

H | 8, 9-. Psalmist's trust in God.

J | -9, 10. Reason. "God my defence".

E | 11-13. Prayer. Enemies with them in the
land. Selah.

F | 14. Comparison to a dog.

G | 15. Doggish characteristic. Greediness.

H | 16-. Psalmist's trust in God.

J | -16, 17. Reason. "God my defence".

Title. Michtam. See Ap. 65. XII.

when, &c. Cp. 1 Sam. 19. 11.

1 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

Defend me = set me on high.

2 iniquity. Heb. 'āven. Ap. 44. iii.

men. Heb. pl. of 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

3 soul. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13.

transgression = rebellion. Heb. pāsha'. Ap. 44. ix.

sin. Heb. chātā'. Ap. 44. i.

LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

5 LORD God of hosts = Jehovah Elohim Sabaoth.
See note on 1 Sam. 1. 3.

heathen = nations.

wicked. Heb. 'āven. Ap. 44. iii.

transgressors = hypocrites. Heb. bāgad.

Selah. Connecting the wicked transgressors with
their true character as dogs of the Gentiles; and
marking off and connecting the two prayers in vv. 1-5
(E), and vv. 11-13 (E). See Ap. 66. II.

8 laugh. Cp. Ps. 2. 4.

9 Because of his strength: or, O my strength, as
in v. 17.

10 mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.

prevent = anticipate.

11 LORD*. One of the 134 places where the *Sēpherim*
altered "Jehovah" to "Adonai". Ap. 32.

12 sin. Heb. chātā'. Ap. 44. i.

9 °Because of his strength will I wait upon
Thee:

For °God is my defence.

10 The °God of my °mercy shall °prevent me:
°God shall let me see my desire upon mine
enemies.

11 Slay them not, lest my People forget:
Scatter them by Thy power; and bring
them down,
O °LORD* our shield.

12 For the °sin of their mouth and the words
of their lips
Let them even be taken in their pride:
And for cursing and lying which they
speak.

13 Consume *them* in wrath, consume *them*,
that they *may* not be :
And let them know that ¹ God ruleth in
Jacob
Unto the ends of the earth. ° Selah.

F (p. 775) 14 And at evening let them return ; and let
them make a noise like a dog,
And go round about the city.

G 15 Let them ° wander up and down for meat,
And ° grudge if they be not satisfied.

H 16 But I will sing of Thy ° power ;
Yea, I will sing aloud of Thy ¹⁰ mercy in
the morning :

J For Thou hast ° been my ° defence
And refuge in the day of my trouble.

17 Unto Thee, O my strength, will I ° sing :
For ¹ God is my ¹⁶ defence, and the ¹ God of
my ¹⁰ mercy.

° To the chief Musician ° upon ° Shushan-eduth.

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60 ° Michtam of David, to teach ; ° when he strove
with ° Aram-naharaim and with Aram-zobah,
when Joab returned, and smote of Edom in
the valley of salt ° twelve thousand.

F⁵ K (p. 776) 1 O ° God, Thou hast cast us off, Thou hast
scattered us,
Thou hast been displeased ; O turn Thy-
self to us again.

2 Thou hast made the earth to tremble ;
Thou hast ° broken it :

Heal the breaches thereof ; for it shaketh.

3 Thou hast ° shewed Thy people hard
things :

Thou hast made us to drink the wine of
° astonishment.

4 Thou hast given a banner to them that fear
Thee,

That it may be displayed because of ° the
truth. ° Selah.

5 That Thy beloved may be delivered ;
Save *with* Thy right hand, and ° hear ° me.

L o 6 ¹ God ° hath spoken in His holiness ; I will
rejoice,

I will divide ° Shechem, and mete out the
valley of ° Succoth.

7 ° Gilead *is* mine, and ° Manasseh *is* mine ;
° Ephraim also *is* the strength of mine

head ;

° Judah *is* my ° lawgiver ;

p 8 ° Moab *is* my ° washpot ;
Over ° Edom will I ° cast out my shoe :

° Philistia, triumph thou because of me.

9 Who will bring me *into* ° the strong city ?
Who will lead me into ° Edom ?

K 10 *Will* not Thou, O ¹ God, *Which* hadst cast
us off ?

And Thou, ° O ¹ God, *Which* didst not go
out with our armies ?

11 Give us ° help from trouble :

For vain *is* the ° help of ° man.

L o 12 Through ¹ God we shall do valiantly :

For *He* *it is* That shall tread down our
enemies.

p

° To the chief Musician ° upon ° Neginah.

13 Selah. See note on v. 5.

15 wander = prowl about.

grudge : or, stay all night.

16 power = strength, as in v. 9. been = proved.

defence = high tower. 17 sing = sing praise.

To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.

upon = relating to.

Shushan-eduth. It is "testimony" relating to the
second Passover provided for in Num. 9. 5-14, and acted
on in 2 Chron. ch. 30. See Ap. 65. XXII. The other of
the two Psalms thus used is Ps. 79.

60 (F⁵, p. 759). ISRAEL'S REDEEMER, AND HIS
WORK. (Alternations.)

F⁵ K | 1-5. Prayer. (God, the object.)

L | 6, 7. Israel.

p | 8, 9. Heathen. } (God, the subject.)

K | 10, 11. Prayer. (God, the object.)

L | 12-1. Israel.

p | 12. Heathen. } (God, the subject.)

Title. Michtam. See Ap. 65. XII.

when, &c. See 2 Sam. 8. 13, 14.

Aram-naharaim, &c. = Mesopotamia or Syria. See
1 Chron. 18. 5, and note below on "twelve thousand".
twelve thousand. In 2 Sam. 8. 13, and 1 Chron. 18. 12,
it is David's and Abishai's exploit, which was 18,000.
Here, it is Joab's exploit, and his share was 12,000, but
he took six months longer in finishing up his task
(1 Kings 11. 15, 16). David's 22,000 in 1 Chron. 18. 5 were
in a Syrian campaign. See notes on 2 Sam. 8. 12, 13.

1 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

2 broken = made fissures. Occurs only here.

3 shewed = suffered . . . to see.

astonishment : or confusion, or trembling.

4 the truth : or [Thy] faithfulness. Heb. *koshet*.
Occurs only here in Psalms. Cp. Prov. 22. 21 = certainty,
or exact, precise truth. (No Art.)

Selah. Connecting the gift, with the great and im-
portant object of it. (Ap. 66. II.) 5 hear = answer.
me. Heb. text reads "us" ; but some codices, with
four early printed editions, Aram., Sept., Syr., and
Vulg., read "me".

6 hath spoken. Verses 6-9 refer to the promise of
the possession of the *whole* of Canaan, confirmed in
2 Sam. 7. 10. David here encourages himself by it.

Shechem . . . Succoth. West and east of Jordan.

7 Gilead . . . Manasseh. Eastern side.

Ephraim . . . Judah. Western side.

lawgiver. Cp. Gen. 49. 10. Num. 21. 18. Deut. 33. 21.

8 Moab . . . Edom. Spoken of as the chattels of a
conqueror (2 Sam. 8. 12-14).

washpot = footbath : i. e. an ignominious vessel.

cast out my shoe. Idiom for taking possession.

Philistia. Syr. reads "over Philistia".

9 the strong city. Probably Sela or Petra, corre-
sponding with Edom (cp. 2 Kings 14. 7). David claims
the promise of Num. 24. 18.

10 O God. Some codices omit "O God".

11 help from trouble = succour out of trouble.

help of man = salvation or deliverance of man. Cp.
"save", v. 5. man. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

12 To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.

upon = relating to.

Neginah = smitings. Ap. 65. XIV.

61 [For Structure see next page].

Title. of David : i. e. relating to David and to the
true David. 1 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

2 the earth : or, the land.

that is higher than I = which will prove higher.

61

A Psalm ° of David.

1 Hear my cry, O ° God ;

Attend unto my prayer.

2 From the end of ° the earth will I cry unto
Thee, when my heart is overwhelmed :

Lead me to the rock ° that is higher than I.

K¹ M
(p. 776)

(p. 777)

N

3 For Thou hast been a °shelter for me,
And a strong tower from the enemy.
4 I will abide in Thy °tabernacle for ever:
I will °trust in the °covert of Thy °wings.
°Selah.

O

5 For Thou, O °God, hast heard my vows:
Thou hast given me the heritage of those
that °fear °Thy name.

N

6 Thou wilt prolong the king's life:
And his years as °many generations.
7 He shall °abide before °God for ever:
O °prepare °mercy and truth, which may
preserve him.

M

8 So will I sing praise unto °Thy name for
ever,
That I may daily perform my vows.
°To the chief Musician, °to °Jeduthun.

62

° A Psalm of David.

(p. 777)

K¹ P¹

1 °Truly °my soul °waiteth upon °God:
°From Him cometh my salvation.
2 He °only is my rock and my °salvation;
He is my °defence; I shall not be greatly
moved.

Q¹

3 How long will ye °imagine mischief
against a °man?
Ye shall be slain all of you:
As a bowing wall shall ye be, and as a
tottering fence.

4 They °only consult to cast him down
°from his excellency:
They delight in lies:
They bless with their mouth, but they
curse inwardly. °Selah.

P²

5 °My soul, °wait thou °only upon °God;
For my expectation is from Him.
6 He °only is my rock and my °salvation:
He is my °defence; I shall not be moved.
7 °In °God is my °salvation and my glory:
The rock of my strength, and my refuge,
is in °God.

Q²

8 °Trust in Him °at all times; ye People,
Pour out your heart before Him:
°God is a refuge for us. °Selah.
9 °Surely °men of low degree are °vanity,
and °men of high degree are a lie:
To be laid in the balance,
They are °altogether lighter than °vanity.
10 °Trust not in oppression,
°And become not vain in robbery:
If riches increase, set not your °heart
upon them.

P³

11 °God hath spoken °once;
Twice have I heard this;
That °power belongeth unto °God.
12 Also unto Thee, O °LORD*, belongeth
°mercy:
For °Thou renderest to °every man accord-
ing to his work.

9 Surely. Same word as "truly", v. 1. men of low degree sons of 'ādām. Ap. 14. I. vanity = a breath. men of high degree sons of 'ish. Ap. 14. II. altogether = together. 10 And. Ed. 1611 omits "And"; added in 1629. heart. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Subject). Ap. 6, for the affections connected with it. 11 once; Twice. Cp. Job 33. 14; 40. 5. Put for many times. power = strength. 12 LORD*. One of the 134 alterations of Jehovah to Adonai by the Sopherim. Ap. 32. mercy grace. Thou renderest, &c. Quoted in Matt. 16. 27. Rom. 2. 6. 1 Cor. 3. 8. 2 Tim. 4. 14. Rev. 2. 23; 20. 12, 13; 22. 12. every man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

61-72 (A³, p. 759). ISRAEL'S REDEMPTION.61 (K¹, p. 759). WAITED FOR BY ISRAEL.
(Introversion.)

K¹ M | 1, 2. Prayer.
N | 3, 4. Confidence.
O | 5. Reason.
N | 6, 7. Confidence.
M | 8. Praise.

3 shelter = refuge.

4 tabernacle. Heb. 'ohel, tent (Ap. 40. 3), i. e. David's tent on Mount Zion. The Psalm probably refers to Absalom's rebellion.

trust = flee for refuge. Heb. ḥaṣah. Ap. 69. II.

covert = secret place.

wings. Fig. Anthropopatheia. Ap. 6.

Selah. Connecting the confidence with the only true ground of it. This is the central member of the Psalm. See the Structure above. (Ap. 66. II.)

5 fear = revere.

Thy name = Thee. See note on 20. 1.

6 many generations = from generation to generation.

7 abide = remain [enthroned].

prepare = number, or appoint, as in Jonah 1. 17.

mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.

8 To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.

to = for.

Jeduthun. A precentor appointed by David, by name Ethan (see Ap. 65), afterward called Jeduthun = confession (1 Chron. 15. 17-19; 16. 41; 25. 1-6). Other Jeduthun Psalms are 38 and 76; in all three "vows" find a place.

62 (K², p. 759). ISRAEL'S REDEMPTION WAITED FOR. (Repeated Alternation.)

K² P¹ | 1, 2. Trust in God.
Q¹ | 3, 4. Enmity of foes.
P² | 5-7. Trust in God.
Q² | 8-10. Enmity of foes.
P³ | 11, 12. Trust in God.

Title. A Psalm. Heb. mizmōr. See Ap. 65. XVII. A sequel to Ps. 61.

1 Truly = Only, or surely. Occurs six times in this Psalm; "truly" in v. 1; "only" in vv. 2, 4, 5, 6; "surely" in v. 9. Occurs four times in Ps. 38, another Jeduthun Psalm.

my soul = I myself (emph.). Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13.

waiteth = [waiteth in] silence; or, is become silent. See 37. 7.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

From. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "For from".

2 only - same word as "truly", v. 1.

salvation. Repeated for emphasis.

defence = high tower.

3 imagine mischief. Occurs only here. Probably = assault, or rise against.

man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

4 from his excellency = from his dignity or high rank. Royal rank is implied.

Selah. Connecting the enmity of his foes with his trust in God. See Ap. 66. II.

7 In God is = Upon God [depends] my salvation.

8 Trust = Confide. Heb. bāṭah. Ap. 69. I.

at all times. Sept. and Vulg. read "all ye assembly of the People".

Selah. Connecting his trust in God with the nothingness of man. See Ap. 66. II.

about
964**K³ R¹**
(p. 778)**63** ° A Psalm of David, ° when he was in the wilderness of Judah.

- 1** O ° God, *Thou art* my ° GOD; early will I seek Thee:
° My soul thirsteth for Thee, my flesh ° longeth for Thee
° In a dry and ° thirsty land, where no water is;
2 To see Thy power and Thy glory,
So as I have seen Thee in the sanctuary.
3 Because Thy ° lovingkindness *is* better than life,
My lips shall ° praise Thee.
4 Thus will I bless Thee while I live:
I will lift up my hands in Thy name.
5 ° My soul shall be satisfied as *with* marrow and fatness;
And my mouth shall praise *Thee* with joyful lips:
6 When I remember Thee upon my bed,
° And meditate on Thee in the *night* watches.
7 Because Thou hast been my help,
Therefore in the shadow of Thy ° wings will I ° rejoice.
8 ° My soul ° followeth ° hard after Thee:
Thy right ° hand upholdeth me.
9 But *those that* seek ° my soul, ° to destroy it,
Shall go into ° the lower parts of the earth.
10 They shall fall by the sword:
They shall be a portion for ° foxes.
11 But the king shall rejoice in ° God;
Every one that sweareth by Him shall glory:
But the mouth of them that speak lies shall be stopped.
° To the chief Musician.

64

° A Psalm ° of David.

- 1** Hear my voice, O ° God, in my ° prayer:
Preserve my life from fear of the enemy.
2 ° Hide me from the ° secret counsel of the ° wicked;
From the ° insurrection of the workers of ° iniquity:
3 Who whet their tongue like a sword,
And bend *their bows to shoot* their arrows, even bitter words:
4 That they may shoot in secret at the perfect:
Suddenly do they ° shoot at him, and ° fear not.
5 They encourage themselves in an ° evil matter:
They commune of laying snares privily;
They say, "Who shall see them?"
6 They search out ° iniquities; they accomplish a diligent search:
Both the inward *thought* of every one of *them*, and the heart, *is* deep.
7 But ° God shall ° shoot at them
With an arrow; suddenly shall they be wounded.

63 (**K³**, p. 759). ISRAEL'S REDEMPTION WAITED FOR. (*Repeated Alternation.*)

- K³** | **R¹** | 1, 2. Assurance.
| **S¹** | 3. Reason for praise.
R² | 4-6. Assurance.
| **S²** | 7. Reason for praise.
R³ | 8-10. Assurance. (Enemies.)
| **S³** | 11-. Reason for praise.
R⁴ | -11. Assurance. (Enemies.)
Title. A Psalm. Heb. *mizmôr*. Ap. 65. XVII. when, &c. See 1 Sam. 22. 5; 23. 14-16.
1 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.
GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.
My soul=I myself. Heb. *nepheš*. Ap. 13.
longeth=fainteth. Occurs nowhere else.
In. Some codices, with Syr., read "like".
thirsty=weary. **3 lovingkindness**=grace.
praise=commend, or extol. Heb. *shabāh*; used only by David and Solomon.
6 And. Supply Ellipsis (Ap. 6) by reading "[I will] meditate".
7 wings. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.
rejoice: or, rest.
8 followeth. Supply Ellipsis by reading "[cleaveth to and] followeth". **hard**=close.
hand. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.
9 to destroy it. As Ahithophel did (2 Sam. 17. 1-3).
the lower parts: i. e. to Sheol.
10 foxes=jackals.
11 To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.
64 (**K⁴**, p. 759). ISRAEL'S REDEMPTION WAITED FOR. (*Division.*)

- K⁴** | **T¹** | 1-8. Enemies.
| **T²** | 9. Mankind in general.
| **T³** | 10. The righteous in particular.
Title. A Psalm. Heb. *mizmôr*. Ap. 65. XVII. of David = relating to David and the true David.
1-8 (**T¹**, above). ENEMIES. (*Alternation and Introversion.*)
T¹ | **U** | **q** | 1. The enemies. (Sing.)
| **r** | 2. Enemies. (Pl.)
| **V** | 3, 4. Their attempt to wound.
U | **r** | 5, 6-. Enemies. (Pl.)
| **q** | -6. The enemy. (Sing.)
| **V** | 7, 8. Their wounding.
1 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. **prayer**=musing.
2 Hide. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for protect.
secret counsel=conspiracy (2 Sam. 16. 20-22; 17. 1-4).
wicked. Heb. *rā'ā*. Ap. 44. viii.
insurrection. The former, secret; this, open.
iniquity. Heb. *āwāh*. Ap. 44. iv.
4 shoot... fear. Fig. *Paronomasia*. Ap. 6. Heb. *yoruhū... yirā'ū*. **5 evil**. Heb. *rā'ā*. Ap. 44. viii.
6 iniquities. Heb. *āval*. Ap. 44. vi.
7 shoot. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.
9 men. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I.
shall fear. Some codices, with six early printed editions, read "will see".
10 The righteous=A righteous one.
the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
trust=make his refuge. Heb. *ḥaṣah*. Ap. 69. II.
To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.

- 8** So they shall make their own tongue to fall upon themselves:
All that see them shall flee away.
9 And all ° men ° shall fear,
And shall declare the work of ° God;
For they shall wisely consider of His doing.
10 ° The righteous shall be glad in ° the LORD,
and shall ° trust in Him;
And all the upright in heart shall glory.
° To the chief Musician.

T²T³

65

° A Psalm and ° Song ° of David.

L W
(p. 779)

1 Praise ° waiteth for Thee, O ° God, in ° Sion:
And unto Thee shall the vow be per-
formed.

X

2 O Thou That hearest prayer,
Unto Thee shall all ° flesh come.

W s

3 ° Iniquities prevail against me :

t

As for our ° transgressions, Thou shalt
purge them away.

s

4 ° Blessed is the man whom ° Thou choos-
est, and causeth to approach unto Thee,
That he may dwell in Thy ° courts :
We shall be satisfied with the goodness of
Thy house,
Even of Thy ° holy ° temple.

t

5 By terrible things in righteousness wilt
Thou answer us,
O ° God of our salvation ;

X Y

Who art the ° confidence of all the ends of
the earth,
And of them that are afar off upon the
sea :

Z

6 ° Which by His strength setteth fast the
mountains ;

Being girded with power :

7 Which stilleth the noise of the seas, the
noise of their waves,
And the tumult of ° the people.

Y

8 They also that dwell in the uttermost
parts are afraid at Thy tokens :

Z u

Thou makest the outgoings of the morn-
ing ° and evening ° to rejoice.

v

9 Thou visitest the earth, and waterest it :
Thou greatly enrichest it
With the ° river of ° God, which is full of
water :

Thou preparest them corn, when Thou
hast so provided for it.

10 Thou waterest the ridges thereof abun-
dantly :

Thou settlest the furrows thereof :
Thou ° makest it soft with showers :
Thou blessest the springing thereof.

u

11 Thou crownest the year with Thy good-
ness ;

And Thy paths drop fatness.

v

12 They drop upon the pastures of the wilder-
ness :

And the little hills rejoice on every side.

13 The pastures are clothed with flocks ;
The valleys also are covered over with
corn ;

They shout for joy, they also sing.

° To the chief Musician.

66

A ° Song or ° Psalm.

M¹ A
(p. 779)

1 Make a joyful noise unto ° God, all ° ye
lands :

2 Sing forth the honour of His name :
° Make His praise glorious.

Title. Song. Heb. *shir*. See Ap. 65. XXIII.

Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. ye lands = the earth ; earth being put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for its inhabitants. 2 Make His praise glorious. Aram. and Syr. read "Celebrate the glory of His praise".

65 (L, p. 759). ISRAEL'S REDEMPTION. ZION
WAITS. (Alternation.)

L

W | 1. Israel. Zion.

X | 2. Mankind.

W | 3-5-. Israel. Zion.

X | -5-13. Mankind.

Title. A Psalm. Heb. *mizmôr*. Ap. 65. XVII.

Song. Heb. *shir*. Ap. 65. XXIII.

of David = by, or relating to David and the true David.

1 waiteth. As in 62. 1. Israel's silent waiting is now passed on to Zion. All is silent there as yet.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

Sion. See Ap. 68. David's tabernacle was there. This spelling with "S" comes through the Sept. and Vulg. Heb. is always "Z".

2 flesh. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6, for all mankind : i. e. the people.

3-5- (W, above). ISRAEL. ZION.

(Alternation.)

W

s | 3-. Singular. "Me".

t | -3. Plural. "Our".

s | 4. Singular. "He".

t | 5-. Plural. "We".

3 Iniquities = iniquitous words. Heb. *'avāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

transgressions. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix.

purge them away = cover them by atonement.

4 Blessed = Happy. Fig. *Beatitudo*. Ap. 63. VI.

Thou choosest. Only those whom He calls can truly worship. See Lev. 1. 1, 2.

courts. Not the temple courts, but David's tabernacle on Zion. holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

temple. Heb. *heykal* = palace.

-5-13 (X, above). MANKIND. (Alternation.)

X

Y | -5. God the confidence of all afar

off.

Z | 6, 7. The power of God.

Y | 8-. God the fear of all afar off.

Z | -8-13. The goodness of God.

God

spoken of.

God

spoken to.

5 confidence. Heb. *batāh*. See Ap. 69. I.

6 Which = Who. 7 the people = peoples.

-8-13 (Z, above). THE GOODNESS OF GOD.

(Alternation.)

Z

u | -8. Times. Morning and evening.

v | 9, 10. Places. Earth and water.

u | 11. Time. The year.

v | 12, 13. Places. Hills and valleys.

8 and evening. Supply Ellipsis (Ap. 6) from preceding clause : "and [the incomings of the] evening".

to rejoice = to shout for joy.

9 river. Heb. *peleg*. Always pl., except here ; and always connected with a garden. See notes on 1. 3 and Prov. 21. 1. Cp. Rev. 22. 1, 2.

10 makest it soft = dissolvest it. Until the early rains fall, the ground is as hard as a rock.

13 To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.

66 (M¹, p. 759). PRAISE PROMISED. TROUBLE
REMEMBERED. (Repeated Alternation.)M¹

A | 1, 2. Exhortation to praise.

B | 3. Address. God's works in the world.

C | 4. Address. Promise for the world.

Selah.

D | 5-7. Invitation. "Come and see," &c.

Selah.

A | 8, 9. Exhortation to praise.

B | 10-12. Address. God's dealings with His People.

C | 13-15. Address. Promise for Psalmist.

Selah.

D | 16-20. Invitation. "Come and hear,"

&c.

Psalm. Heb. *mizmôr*. See Ap. 65. XVII.

1 God.

Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. ye lands = the earth ; earth being put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for its inhabitants. 2 Make His praise glorious. Aram. and Syr. read "Celebrate the glory of His praise".

B
(p. 779)

3 Say unto ¹ God, "How terrible *art Thou*
in Thy works!
Through the greatness of Thy power
shall Thine enemies submit them-
selves unto Thee.

C

4 All ° the earth shall worship Thee,
And shall sing unto Thee;
They shall ° sing to Thy name." ° Selah.

D

5 ° Come and see the works of ¹ God:
He is terrible in His doing toward the
° children of ° men.

6 He turned ° the sea into dry land:
They went through ° the flood on foot:
There did we rejoice in Him.

7 He ruleth by His power for ever;
His eyes behold the nations:
Let not the rebellious exalt themselves.
° Selah.

A

8 O bless ° our ¹ God, ye ° people,
And make the voice of His praise to be
heard:

9 Which holdeth ° our soul in life,
And suffereth not our ° feet to be moved.

B

10 For Thou, O ¹ God, hast proved us:
Thou hast tried us, as silver is tried.
11 Thou broughtest us into the net;
Thou laidst ° affliction upon our loins.
12 Thou ° hast caused ° men to ride over ° our
° heads;

We went through fire and through water:
But Thou broughtest us out into a ° wealthy
place.

C w
(p. 780)

13 I will go into Thy house with burnt offer-
ings:

I will pay Thee my vows,

x

14 ° Which my lips have ° uttered,
And my mouth hath spoken, when I was
in trouble.

x

w

15 I will ° offer unto Thee burnt sacrifices of
fatlings,
With the incense of rams;
I will ° offer bullocks with goats. ° Selah.

D y

16 ° Come and hear, all ye that fear ¹ God,
And I will declare what He hath done for
° my soul.

z

17 I cried unto Him with my mouth,
And He was extolled with my tongue.

z

18 If I regard ° iniquity in my heart,
° The LORD* will not ° hear me:

y

19 But verily ¹ God hath heard me;
He hath attended to the voice of my
prayer.

20 Blessed be ¹ God,
Which hath not ° turned away my prayer,
nor His ° mercy from me.

° To the chief Musician ° on ° Neginoth.

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A ° Psalm or ° Song.

M² E a
(p. 781)

1 ° God be ° merciful unto us, and bless us;
And cause His face to shine upon us;
° Selah.

b

2 That Thy ° way may be known upon
earth,
Thy ° saving health among all nations.

4 the earth. See note on "ye lands", v. 1.
sing=sing psalms.

Selah. Marking the Structure by showing that the
member D (v. 5-7) corresponds with the member D
(v. 16); and connecting the exhortation of vv. 1-4 with
the reason for it in v. 5. See Ap. 66. II.

5 Come and see. Note the correspondence of v. 16,
"Come and hear",

children=sons.
men. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.

6 the sea: i. e. the Red Sea.
the flood: i. e. the river Jordan.

7 Selah. Repeating the exhortation to praise, and
connecting the two halves of the Psalm. (Ap. 66. II.)

8 our God. Some codices, with one early printed
edition, Aram., and Syr., omit "our".
people=peoples.

9 our soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. Some codices, with
seven early printed editions, read pl.

feet. So some codices, with three early printed edi-
tions; others read "foot".

11 affliction = a heavy burden: i. e. in Egypt. Heb.
mū'ākāh. Occurs only here.

12 hast caused=didst cause.

men. Heb. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

our heads = us. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6.
heads. So some codices, with three early printed
editions, Sept., and Vulg.; other codices read "head".

wealthy place. Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg. read
"freedom". Cp. Ps. 18. 19.

66. 13-15 (C, p. 779). ADDRESS. PROMISE OF
PSALMIST. (Introversion.)

C | w | 13-. Offerings.

x | -13. Vows.

x | 14. Vows.

w | 15. Offerings.

14 Which. Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) = "which [vows]".
uttered = opened. Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) = "opened [and
vowed]".

15 offer = prepare. Heb. 'āsāh. Ap. 43. I. iii.
Selah. Connecting the members D and D. See note
on v. 4, and Ap. 66. II.

16-20 (D, p. 779). INVITATION: "COME AND
HEAR." (Introversion.)

D | y | 16. God.

z | 17. I.

z | 18. I.

y | 19, 20. God.

16 my soul = me (emph.). Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

18 iniquity. Heb. 'āven. Ap. 44. iii.

The LORD*. One of the 134 places where the
Sopherim say they altered Jehovah to Adonai. Ap. 32.
hear = answer.

20 turned away = turned away [from Himself]. Fig.
Ellipsis. Ap. 6.

mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.

To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.

on = relating to.

Neginoth = smittings: i. e. the smittings of Israel's
enemies by God. See Ap. 65. XV.

67 [For Structure see next page].

Title. Psalm. Heb. *mizmōr*. Ap. 65. XVII.

Song. Heb. *shīr*. Ap. 65. XXIII. Some codices, with
Sept. and Vulg., add "of David".

1 God. Heb. Elohīm. Ap. 4. I.

merciful = favourable, or gracious.

Selah. Connecting the prayer (v. 1) with the object
of it (v. 2). See Ap. 66. II.

2 way = dealings. See note on 103. 7.

saving health = salvation, or saving help.

- F c** 3 Let ° the people praise Thee, O ¹ God ;
(p. 781) Let all ° the people praise Thee.
- d** 4 O let ° the nations be glad and sing for
joy :
- G** For Thou shalt judge ³ the people right-
eously,
- G** And ° govern ° the nations upon earth.
° Selah.
- F c** 5 Let ³ the people praise Thee, O ¹ God ;
Let all ³ the people praise Thee.
- d** 6 Then shall the earth yield her increase ;
- E a** And ° God, even our own ° God, shall bless
us.
- b** 7 ° God shall bless us ;
And all the ends of ° the earth shall fear
Him.
° To the chief Musician.

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A ° Psalm or ° Song of David.

- J H¹ J¹** 1 ° Let ° God arise, ° let His enemies be scat-
(p. 781) tered :
° Let them also that hate Him flee before
Him.
- 2 As smoke is ° driven away, so drive them
° away :
As wax melteth before the fire,
So let the ° wicked perish at the presence
of ¹ God.
- J²** 3 But let the righteous be glad ; ° let them
rejoice before ¹ God :
Yea, let them exceedingly rejoice.
- H² K** 4 Sing unto ¹ God,
Sing praises to His name :
Extol Him That rideth upon the heavens
By His name ° JAH, and rejoice before Him.
- L N** 5 A father of the fatherless, and a judge of
the widows,
Is ¹ God in His ° holy habitation.
- 6 ¹ God ° setteth the solitary in families :
He bringeth out those which are bound
with chains :
- O** But ° the rebellious ° dwell in a dry land.

forth of the Ark. In the prayer (Num. 10. 35), "Rise up Jehovah" (Ap. 4. II); but here, God (Elohim. Ap. 4. I), because in connection with enemies. **Let**. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "And let". **2 driven away**=driven about. **wicked**=lawless. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x. **3 let**. Some codices, with five early printed editions, Aram., Syr., and Vulg., read "and let".

4-35 (H², above). THE PSALM ITSELF. (*Introversion and Extended Alternation.*)

- H² K | 4. Exhortation to praise (four lines).
L | N | 5, 6-. Mercies to His People.
O | -6. Enemies judged.
P | 7-10. Goings in the wilderness (nine lines).
Q | 11-14. Jehovah's word. History (four verses).
M | 15, 16. Zion. Jehovah's chosen dwelling-place.
M | 17, 18. Zion. Jehovah's chosen dwelling-place.
L | N | 19, 20. Mercies to His People.
O | 21-23. Enemies judged.
P | 24-27. Goings in the sanctuary (nine lines).
Q | 28-31. God's command. Prophecy (four verses).
K | 32-35. Exhortation to praise (four verses).

4 JAH. See Ap. 4. III. Cp. Ex. 15. 2. The Divine Titles enrich this Psalm: Elohim occurs twenty-six times, because the Psalm has to do with the scattering of His enemies. The first occurrence of JAH is in Ex. 15. 2, and in the Psalms this first occurrence is in the second, or Exodus book. **5 holy habitation**: i. e. which David had prepared for the Ark on Zion. **6 setteth the solitary in families**=bringeth absent ones home. **the rebellious**=rebellious ones. **dwell**=have [ever] dwelt.

67 (M², p. 759). PRAISE PROMISED. TROUBLE REMEMBERED. (*Introversion and Alternations.*)

- M² E | a | 1. Prayer. "God be merciful".
b | 2. Object. Way known on earth.
F | c | 3. Injunction. "Let the people
praise".
d | 4-. Effect. Peoples glad.
G | -4-. Address. People judged.
G | -4. Address. Nations governed.
F | c | 5. Injunction. "Let the people
praise".
d | 6-. Effect. Earth fruitful.
E | a | -6. Prayer. "God be merciful".
b | 7. Object. God feared on earth.

3 the people=peoples. (No Art.)

4 the nations. (No Art.)

govern=gently lead.

Selah. Connecting the righteous rule of God of v. 4 (d) with renewed praise for it in v. 5 (d). See Ap. 66. II.

6, 7 (d, E, above). PRAYER. EFFECT AND OBJECT. According to the Hebrew. (*Introversion.*)

- d | x | The earth shall yield.
E | y | God will bless us.
z | Our own God (Jehovah).
y | God will bless us.
x | All the ends of the earth shall fear.

6 God . . . God. } Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6. Heb.
7 God shall bless us. } Elohim. Ap. 4. I.
the earth. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6,
for its inhabitants. (No Art.)
To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.

68 (J, p. 759). ISRAEL'S REDEMPTION. THE ANSWER TO PSALMS 61-67. (*Division.*)

- J | H¹ | 1-3. Introduction to psalm.
H² | 4-35. The psalm itself.

1-3 (H¹, above). THE INTRODUCTION. (*Division.*)

- H¹ | J¹ | 1, 2. The wicked scattered.
J² | 3. The righteous made glad.

Title. Psalm. Heb. *mizmôr*. Ap. 65. XVII.
Song. Heb. *shir*. Ap. 65. XXIII. It was written originally for use at the going up of the Ark to Zion 951, B.C., a Sabbatical year (2 Sam. 6 and 1 Chron. 15; see note on Title of Ps. 24); but, as it celebrates, among other things, the deliverance from Egypt, it was afterward appointed for public use at the Feast of the Passover. See notes on the sub-script, and cp. vv. 1 and 4.

1 Let God arise. The Divine formula at the setting

P e
(p. 782)

7 O ¹ God, ° when Thou wentest forth before Thy People,
When Thou didst march through the wilderness; ° Selah:

f

8 The earth shook,
The heavens also ° dropped at the presence of ¹ God:
Even Sinai itself was moved at the presence of ¹ God, the ¹ God of Israel.

g

9 Thou, O ¹ God, didst send a plentiful rain, whereby
Thou didst confirm Thine inheritance, when it was weary.

h

10 ° Thy congregation hath dwelt therein:
Thou, O ¹ God, hast prepared of Thy goodness for ° the poor.

Q
(p. 781)

11 ° The LORD* gave the word:
Great was the ° company of ° those that ° published it.

12 ° Kings of armies ° did flee apace:
And she that ° tarried at home divided the spoil.

13 Though ye have lien among the ° pots,
° yet shall ye be
As the wings of a dove covered with silver,
And her feathers with yellow gold.

14 When ° the ALMIGHTY scattered kings ° in it,
It ° was white as snow in ° Salmon.

M

15 The ° hill of ¹ God is as the ° hill of Bashan;
An high ° hill as the ° hill of Bashan.

16 ° Why ° leap ye, ye high hills?
° This is the ¹⁵ hill which ¹ God ° desireth to dwell in;
Yea, ° the LORD will dwell in it for ever.

M

17 The ° chariots of ¹ God are ° twenty thousand, ° even thousands of angels:
° The LORD* ° is among them, as in Sinai, in the ° holy place.

18 ° Thou hast ° ascended on high, Thou hast ° led ° captivity captive:
Thou hast ° received gifts for ° men;
° Yea, ° for the rebellious also, that ° THE LORD ¹ God might ° dwell among them.

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19 Blessed be the ¹¹ LORD*, Who daily loadeth us with benefits,
Even ° THE GOD ° of our ° salvation. ° Selah.

68. 7-10 (P, p. 781); 24-27 (P, p. 781). GOINGS.
(Extended Alternation.)

P	e	7. Goings in the wilderness.	} In the wilderness.
f	8. Accompaniments.		
g	9. Address.		
	h	10. Thy congregation.	
P	e	24. Goings in the sanctuary.	} Into the sanctuary.
f	25. Accompaniments.		
g	26. Address.		
	h	27. The congregation.	

7 when Thou wentest forth: i. e. from Egypt. The whole deliverance of Israel is here rehearsed. See the sub-*scrip*-tion. For use at the Passover.

Selah. Connecting the first going up of the Ark in the wilderness with its accompaniments. See Ap. 66. II. 8 dropped: i. e. dropped [moisture].

10 Thy congregation = Thy living ones, or living host.

the poor = the humbled or oppressed one.

11 The LORD*. One of the 134 places where Jehovah was changed by the *Sopherim* to Adonai. See Ap. 32; also vv. 17, 19, 22, 26, 32.

company = host, or army.

those = the women. See note on v. 25. This is the women's part. Cp. 1 Sam. 18. 6, 7. Cp. Deborah.

published it. Always used of good news.

12 Kings, &c. Verses 12, 13, are the words of the women.

did flee apace. The rendering of the Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6. Heb. "did flee, did flee". Cp. Judg. 5. 19; 7. 25. tarried at home. Cp. 1 Sam. 30. 21-25.

13 pots. Heb. Dual, the two [or between the] brickkilns: i. e. in Egypt. Not dirty vessels according to the Rabbinical commentators, but dirty places.

yet shall ye be. Referring to the deliverance and subsequent glory.

14 the ALMIGHTY. Heb. Shaddai. Ap. 4. VII. in it: i. e. in His inheritance.

was white, &c. Supply Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) thus, "was as [when He scatters] snow in Salmon": i. e. scatters by dispersing, as snow is melted away.

Salmon. Occurs only here and Judg. 9. 48.

15 hill = mountain. See note on Ezek. 28. 16.

16 Why...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

leap = look askance at, or envy. Heb. *rāzād*. Occurs only here. By the Fig. *Prosopopœia* (Ap. 6), the other mountains are spoken of as envying Zion.

This is. Omit these italics, and punctuate thus: "Why will ye envy, O ye high hills, the hill Jehovah desired for His abode".

desireth. Cp. 78. 67, 68; 132. 13; and 1 Kings 11. 32. Neh. 1. 9.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

17 chariots. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

twenty thousand. Heb. twice ten thousand thousands.

even thousands. Heb. thousands repeated: i. e. upon thousands.

is among them, &c. This line, according to the whole, reads; "Jehovah hath come from Sinai into the Sanctuary". See Ginsburg, *Int.*, pp. 161, 162. Or the printed text may stand with the *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) supplied thus: "Jehovah among them (i. e. the angels and chariots) [hath come from] Sinai into the Sanctuary".

17 holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

on high = gone up to the high [mountain: i. e. Zion]; referring to the Ark; but a type of Christ's ascension, as is clear from Eph. 4. 8.

led = led in procession.

captivity. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for captives.

received gifts for men. The Heb. *lakah* has a twofold meaning, i. e. *receiving* and *giving*. Here the *Ellipsis* must be supplied by the second, "received [and given] gifts among (or for) men".

In Eph. 4. 8 the *Ellipsis* must be supplied by the former, "Thou hast [received] and given gifts among (or for) men".

"Among" is one of the recognised renderings of *Beth* (ב = B) with a plural noun. (See 99. 6. 2 Sam. 15. 31. Lam. 1. 3. Cp. R.V.)

men. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I. Yea.

Fig. *Epitrichon*. Ap. 6. for the rebellious also. This is a foreshadowing of true grace.

THE LORD. Heb. Jah, as in v. 4. dwell. Heb. *shākan*. See note on "placed" (Gen. 3. 24) = dwell as in a tabernacle, the Ark being the symbol of His presence.

Cp. Ex. 25. 8; 29. 45, 46. Josh. 18. 1; 22. 19. 1 Kings 6. 13; 8. 12, 13. 2 Chron. 6. 1, 2. It is from this verb that we have *Shekinah*.

19 THE GOD. Heb. El (with Art.). Ap. 4. IV. of our = "[Who is] our".

salvation. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Sept., and Vulg., read "salvations" (pl.) = our great salvation.

Selah. Connecting the exhortation to bless Jehovah (v. 19) with the reason for it (v. 20). See Ap. 66. II.

20 *He That is our* ¹⁹GOD *is the* ¹⁹GOD of salvation;
And unto ^oGOD the Lord *belong* ^othe issues from ^odeath.

21 But ¹God shall wound the head of His enemies,
And the hairy scalp of such an one as goeth on still in his ^otrespasses.

22 ¹¹The LORD* said, ^o"I will bring again from Bashan,
^oI will bring ^oMy people again from the depths of the sea:

23 That thy foot may be ^odipped in the blood of thine enemies,
And the tongue of thy ^odogs in the same."

24 They have seen Thy ^ogoings, O ¹God;
Even the ^ogoings of my ¹⁹GOD, my King,
^oin the sanctuary.

25 The singers ^owent before, the players on instruments ^ofollowed after;
^oAmong *them were* the ^odamsels playing with ^otimbrels.

26 Bless ye ¹God in the ^ocongregations,
Even ¹¹the LORD, ^ofrom the ^ofountain of Israel.

27 There *is* little ^oBenjamin *with* their ruler,
The princes of Judah ^oand their council,
The princes of ^oZebulun, *and* the princes of Naphtali.

28 ^oThy ¹God hath commanded thy ^ostrength:
^oStrengthen, O ¹God, that which Thou hast wrought for us.

29 ^oBecause of Thy temple ^oat Jerusalem
Shall kings bring presents unto Thee.

30 Rebuke ^othe company of spearmen,
^oThe multitude of the bulls, with the calves of the ^opeople,
Till every one submit himself with ^opieces of silver:
^oScatter Thou the ^opeople *that* delight in war.

31 Princes shall come out of Egypt;
^oEthiopia shall soon ^ostretch out her hands unto ¹God.

32 Sing unto ¹God, ye kingdoms of the earth;

O sing praises unto ¹¹the LORD*; ^oSelah:

33 To Him That ^orideth upon the heavens of heavens, *which were* ^oof old;

Lo, He doth send out ^oHis voice, *and that* a mighty voice.

34 Ascribe ye strength unto ¹God:
His excellency *is* over Israel,
And His strength *is* in the clouds.

35 O ¹God, ^oThou art terrible out of ^oThy holy places:
The ^oGOD of Israel *is* ^{He} That giveth strength and ^opower unto *His* people.
Blessed be ¹God.

^oTo the chief Musician ^oupon ^oShoshannim.

20 He That is. These italics may be omitted, or otherwise supplied. "The El [we have] is the El", &c.

GOD the Lord. Heb. Jehovah Adonai. Ap. 4. II. viii. 2.

the issues from = means of escape from. (No Art.) death. With the Art., as in 116. 15. The ref. is to Ex. 12. 12, 13, 29.

21 trespasses. Heb. 'āshām. Ap. 44. ii.

22 I will bring. Fig. Epizeuxis (Ap. 6), for emphasis = I will surely bring.

My people. Supply the Ellipsis (Ap. 6) from the context: "I will surely bring [mine enemies] from" wherever they may have fled, bring them again for judgment; the object being stated in the next verse. See the Structure, and cp. "O" and "O".

23 dipped. Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg. read "bathed". Cp. Isa. 63. 3, 4. Rev. 19. 13.

dogs in the same. Supply the Ellipsis (Ap. 6) from the context: "dogs [may lick] the same".

24 goings = progression, or procession. Cp. 2 Sam. 6. 1 Chron. 15. 16-21, where the order is given as in vv. 24, 25 here.

goings. Fig. Epizeuxis. Ap. 6. in = into.

25 went before. Cp. 1 Chron. 15. 16-21.

followed after = behind. Among = between.

damsels. Heb. 'ālamōth: i. e. the females of v. 11. See Ap. 65. II.

timbrels = drums. Heb. toph. See note on Ex. 15. 20. 26 congregations = assemblies.

from. Supply the Ellipsis (Ap. 6), "[Ye that are] from, or of, the fountain of Israel".

fountain: i. e. the patriarch Abraham, or, Israel. Ginsburg suggests "the called of Israel".

27 Benjamin. The least of the tribes, and last on the jasper stone of Aaron's breastplate. Cp. Ex. 28. 20. Jasper is the first stone in the foundations of Rev. 21. 19. and their council = their company.

Zebulun. Four tribes named: two in the extreme south, and two in the extreme north.

28 Thy God hath commanded. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "Command, O God".

strength = strength (for defence). Heb. 'azaz. Strengthen, &c. "Strengthen, O God, the strength which Thou hast wrought for us from Thy temple". Connecting with this line the first words of v. 29.

29 Because of Thy temple. See note above. at Jerusalem = unto Jerusalem (commencing a new line) shall kings bring presents, &c.

30 the company of spearmen = the wild beasts of the reeds.

The multitude of the bulls = the herd of mighty oxen. Cp. Jer. 46. 20, 21. people = peoples.

pieces of silver: i. e. tribute money.

Scatter Thou. So it should read with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., but Heb. text reads "He hath scattered".

31 Ethiopia. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Subject), Ap. 6, for Ethiopians.

stretch out her hands. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, either for bringing presents, as in v. 29, or for prayer, or for pledging loyalty with an oath.

32 Selah. Connecting the exhortation to praise with Him Who is to be praised, vv. 33-35. See Ap. 66. II.

33 rideth. Fig. Anthropopatheia. Ap. 6. of old. Cp. 2 Pet. 3. 5, 6: referring to "the world that then was".

His voice. Omit the italics, and then we have the Fig. Epizeuxis (Ap. 6), "His voice a voice of strength".

35 Thou art terrible. Supply Ellipsis (Ap. 6) thus: "[To be feared] is God from His Sanctuary".

Thy holy places. Sept. and Vulg. read the sing. It is the pl. of majesty. holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

power. Heb. pl. = mighty, or abundant power.

To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64. Originally written for the going up of the Ark to Zion; it was handed over to the chief Musician for public use. upon = relating to. Shoshannim = lilies. A poetic name for spring. Hence used at the Passover, the spring festival. See Ap. 65. XXI.

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°A Psalm °of David.

K R¹ S
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T i

- 1 Save me, O ° God;
For the ° waters are ° come in unto ° my
soul.
- 2 I ° sink in deep ° mire, where *there is* no
standing:
I am come into deep ¹ waters, where the
floods overflow me.
- 3 I am weary of my crying: my throat is
dried:
Mine eyes fail while I wait for my ¹ God.
- 4 They that ° hate me without a cause are
more than the hairs of mine head:
They that would destroy me, *being* mine
enemies wrongfully, are ° mighty:
° Then I restored *that* which I took not
away.
- 5 O ¹ God, Thou knowest my foolishness;
And my ° sins are not hid from Thee.
- 6 Let not them that wait on Thee, O ° Lord
GOD of hosts, be ashamed for my
sake:
Let not those that seek Thee be confounded
for my sake, O ° God of Israel.
- 7 Because for Thy sake I have borne re-
proach;
Shame hath covered my face.
- 8 I am become ° a stranger unto my brethren,
And an alien unto my mother's ° children.
- 9 For ° the zeal of Thine house hath eaten me
up;
And ° the reproaches of them that re-
proached Thee are fallen upon me.
- 10 When ° I wept, and chastened ¹ my soul
with fasting,
That was to my reproach.
- 11 I made ° sackcloth also my garment;
And I became a ° proverb to them.
- 12 They that sit in the gate speak against
me;
And I *was* ° the song of the drunkards.
- 13 But as for me, my prayer *is* unto Thee, O
° LORD, ° in an acceptable time:
O ¹ God, in the ° multitude of Thy ° mercy
° Hear me, in the truth of Thy salvation.
- 14 Deliver me out of the ² mire, and let me not
sink:
Let me be delivered from them that hate
me, and out of the deep ¹ waters.
- 15 Let not the waterflood overflow me,
Neither let the deep swallow me up,
And let not the pit shut her mouth upon
me.
- 16 ¹³ Hear me, O ¹³ LORD; for Thy ° lovingkind-
ness *is* good:
Turn unto me according to the ¹³ multitude
of Thy tender mercies.
- 17 And hide not Thy face from Thy servant;
For I am in trouble: ¹³ hear me speedily.
- 18 Draw nigh unto ¹ my soul, and ° redeem it:
Deliver me because of mine enemies.
- 19 Thou hast known my reproach, and my
shame, and my dishonour:
Mine adversaries *are* all before Thee.

69 (K, p. 759). ISRAEL'S REDEMPTION. THEIR
REDEEMER WAITS FOR HIS DELIVERANCE.
(Division.)K R¹ | 1-21. Prayer.
R² | 22-29. Imprecation.
R³ | 30-36. Praise.1-21 (R¹, above). PRAYER.
(Extended Alternation.)R¹ S | 1-. Salvation.
T | -1-4. Trouble.
U | 5, 6. Appeal.
V | 7-12. Reproach. Treatment received.
S | 13. Salvation.
T | 14-18. Trouble.
U | 19. Appeal.
V | 20, 21. Reproach. Treatment received.-1-4 (T, above); 14-18 (T, above). TROUBLE.
(Alternation.)T i | -1, 2. Mire and waters.
k | 3. Desire after God.
l | 4. Enemies.
T i | 14, 15. Mire and waters.
k | 16-18-. Desire after God.
l | -18. Enemies.Title. A Psalm. No Heb. for this.
of David. Relating to the true David, Israel's Re-
deemer. Ps. 22 is Christ as the sin offering; Ps. 40 as
the whole burnt offering; and this, Ps. 69 as the trespass
offering. Verse 4 refers to John 15. 25; vv. 14-20 refer to
Gethsemane (Matt. 26. 36-45); v. 21 to the Cross (Matt.
27. 34, 48. John 19. 29); vv. 22-28 to Rom. 11. 9, 10; v. 25
to Judas (Acts 1. 20).1 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.
waters. Put by Fig. *Hypocatastasis* (Ap. 6) for great
troubles.come in unto my soul: i.e. threaten my life.
my soul = me (emphatic). Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

2 sink = have sunk.

mire. See note on waters, v. 1.

4 hate me without a cause. Cp. 35. 19. Quoted in
John 15. 25.mighty. The Syr., by supplying the letter Ayin (p),
reads "stronger than my bones", thus completing the
alternation of this verse.Then. Ginsburg suggests "I" (emphatic) instead of
"Then". 5 sins. Heb. *'asham*. Ap. 44. ii.6 Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. Ap. 4. VIII. 2
and II.

God of Israel. See note on Isa. 29. 23.

7-12 (V, above); 20, 21 (V, above). REPROACHES.
(Extended Alternation.)V m | 7. I. Reproached.
n | 8-10. Desolation.
o | 11, 12-. "I gave", &c.
p | -12. Drunkards.V m | 20-. I. Reproached.
n | -20. Desolation.
o | 21- "They gave", &c.
p | -21. Drink.8 a stranger. Cp. John 1. 11. children = sons.
9 the zeal, &c. Quoted as fulfilled in John 2. 17.
the reproaches. Quoted in Rom. 15. 3.10 I wept, and chastened my soul. The Sept.
reads "I humbled my soul".11 sackcloth. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct),
Ap. 6, for mourning attire.

proverb. Cp. John 8. 48. Matt. 27. 63.

12 the song = the mocking song.

13 LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
in an acceptable time: i.e. at the time Thou pleasest.
multitude = abundance, or plenitude.mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.
Hear = answer. lovingkindness = grace.18 redeem. Heb. *gā'al*. See Ex. note on 6. 6.

V m 20 Reproach hath broken my heart; and I am
(p. 784) full of heaviness:
n And I looked for °some to take pity, but
there was none;
And for comforters, but I found none.
o 21 °They °gave me also °gall ° for my ° meat;
p And in my thirst they gave me vinegar to
drink.
R² q 22 °Let their table become a snare before
(p. 785) them:
And that which should have been for their
welfare, let it become a trap.
23 Let their eyes be darkened, that they see
not;
And make their loins continually to shake.
24 Pour out Thine indignation upon them,
And let Thy wrathful anger take hold of
them.
25 °Let their °habitation be desolate;
And let none dwell in their tents.
r 26 For they persecute him whom Thou hast
smitten;
And they talk to the grief of °those whom
Thou hast wounded.
q 27 °Add °iniquity unto their °iniquity:
And let them not come into Thy right-
eousness.
28 Let them be blotted out of the book of °the
living,
And not be written with the righteous.
r 29 But I am °poor and sorrowful:
°Let Thy salvation, O °God, set me up
on high.
R³ W 30 I will °praise the °name °of °God °with a
song,
And will magnify Him with thanksgiving.
31 This also shall please °the LORD °better
than °an ox
Or bullock that hath °horns °and °hoofs.
X s 32 The humble shall see this, °and be glad:
And your °heart °shall live that seek °God.
t 33 For °the LORD heareth the °poor,
And despiseth not His prisoners.
w 34 Let the °heaven and earth praise Him,
The seas, and every thing that moveth
therein.
X t 35 For °God will save °Zion, and °will build
the cities of Judah:
That they may °dwell there, and °have it in
possession.
s 36 The seed also of His servants shall inherit
it:
And they that love His °name shall dwell
therein.
°To the chief Musician.

70

A Psalm ° of David, ° to bring to remembrance.

L Y 1 °Make haste, O °God, to deliver me;
(p. 786) Make haste to help me, O °LORD.

20 some. Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg. read "one".
21 They gave. Fulfilled in Matt. 27. 34, 48. Mark
15. 23, 36. Luke 23. 36. John 19. 28-30.
gave=put. See note on Matt. 27. 34.
gall.=something bitter, probably the poppy. Heb.
r'osh. In Deut. 29. 18; 32. 33, it is rendered "venom";
in Job 20. 16, "poison"; in Hos. 10. 4, "hemlock".
for=into.
meat=choice food. Occurs only here. A kindred
form in 2 Sam. 13. 5, 7, 10.

69. 22-29 (R², p. 784). IMPRECATION. (Alternation.)

R² | *q* | 22-25. Imprecation. "They".
| *r* | 26. Reason. They hurt Thine afflicted.
| *q* | 27, 28. Imprecation.
| *r* | 29. Contrast. Thou savest Thine oppressed.
22 Let, &c. Imprecation. Suitable for a dispensation
of Law and Judgment; not for this Day of Grace. See
Rom. 11. 9, 10.
25 Let, &c. Quoted in Acts 1. 20.
habitation=palace; a place surrounded by a wall.
Occurs only here in Psalms.
26 those whom Thou hast wounded=Thy wounded
ones.
27 Add. Referring to the reading in v. 26.
iniquity. Heb. 'āvāh. Ap. 44. iv. Put here by Fig.
Metonymy (of Effect), Ap. 6, for the punishment deserved
by it.
28 the living=life. See note on Lev. 18. 5.
29 poor=afflicted. Heb. 'ānī. See note on Prov. 6. 11.
Not the same word as in v. 33. Constantly used of Christ
in the Psalms. Cp. 22. 24 (afflicted); 34. 6; 35. 10; 40.
17; 70. 5; 109. 16, 22. Let. Omit.

30-36 (R³, above). PRAISE. (Alternation and Introversion.)

R³ | *W* | 30, 31. "I will praise".
| *X* | *s* | 32. Promise to God's servants.
| *t* | 33. Reason. Jehovah's dealings.
W | 34. Let creation praise.
| *X* | *t* | 35. Reason. God's dealings.
| *s* | 36. Promise to God's servants.
30 praise. The sufferings never mentioned without
praise. Cp. Ps. 22. Isa. 53, &c.
name: i. e. God Himself. Cp. Ps. 20. 1.
of. Genitive of Apposition. Ap. 17. 4.
with a song. Heb. beshīr. Fig. Paronomasia (Ap. 6)
with mishshōr, an ox, in v. 31.
31 better. Praise is the truest sacrifice.
an ox. See note on "song" (v. 30).
horns. Showing full age; not under three years
(Gen. 15. 9).
and. So some codices, with two early printed edi-
tions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg.; but not in current printed
Heb. text.
hoofs=divided hoof, showing it to be ceremonially
clean (Lev. 11. 3). 32 and be glad=they rejoice.
heart. Put by Fig. Synecdoche (of the Part), Ap. 6,
for the whole being.
shall live: i. e. live again in resurrection. See note
on Lev. 18. 5.
God. In A. V., 1611, this was printed "good". First
printed "God" in ed. 1617.
33 poor=helpless. Heb. 'ēdyōn. See note on Prov. 6. 11.
34 heaven and earth. See note on Gen. 14. 19.
35 Zion. See Ap. 68.
will build. This is prophecy; for David was "a pro-
phet" (Acts 2. 30).
dwell, &c. Not merely dwell and possess, but in-
herit and hand down.
have it in possession=inherit it. Note the Introversion.
36 To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.

70 [For Structure see next page].

Title. of David=relating to David. to bring to remembrance: what is written in Ps. 40. 13-17.
Repeated here to complete the Structure of this second book (see p. 759). 1 Make haste. Supply
Ellipsis (Ap. 6) from Ps. 40. 13; "Be pleased". God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. LORD. Heb. Jehovah.
Ap. 4. II.

Z
(p. 786)

2 ° Let them be ashamed and confounded
That seek after ° my soul :
Let them be turned backward, and put to
confusion,
That desire my hurt.
3 Let them be turned back for a reward of
their shame
° That say, ° "Aha, aha."

Z

4 Let all those that seek Thee ° rejoice and
be glad in Thee :
And let such as love Thy salvation say
continually,
"Let ° God be magnified."

Y

5 But I am ° poor and needy :
Make haste unto me, O ° God :
Thou art my help and my deliverer ;
° O ° LORD, make no tarrying.

M A C
(p. 786)

71 In Thee, O ° LORD, ° do I put my trust :
Let me never be put to ° confusion.

2 Deliver me in Thy righteousness, and cause
me to escape :

Incline Thine ° ear unto me, and save me.

3 Be Thou my ° strong habitation, ° where-
unto I may continually resort :
Thou hast given commandment to save
me ;

For Thou art my ° rock and my fortress.

4 ° Deliver me, O my ° God, out of the hand
of the wicked,
Out of the hand of the unrighteous and
cruel man.

5 For Thou art my ° hope, O ° Lord GOD :

Thou art my ° trust from my youth.

D u

6 By Thee have I been holden up ° from the
womb :

Thou art He That took me out of my mo-
ther's bowels :

v

My praise shall be continually of Thee.

7 ° I am as a wonder unto many ;
But Thou ° art my strong refuge.

8 Let my mouth be filled with Thy praise
And with Thy honour all the day.

w

9 Cast me not off in the time of old age ;
Forsake me not when my strength faileth.

10 For mine enemies speak against me ;
And they that lay wait for ° my soul take
counsel together,

11 Saying, " ° God hath forsaken him :
Persecute and take him ; for there is none
to deliver him."

12 O ° God, be not far from me :

O my ° God, make haste for my help.

B x

13 Let them be confounded and consumed
that are adversaries to ° my soul ;
Let them be covered with reproach and
dishonour that seek my hurt.

y

14 But I will hope continually,
And will yet praise Thee more and more.
15 My mouth shall shew forth Thy right-
eousness

And Thy salvation all the day ;

For I know not ° the numbers thereof.

16 I will go in the ° strength of the ° Lord
GOD :

I will make mention of Thy righteous-
ness, even of Thine only.

70 (L, p. 759). ISRAEL'S REDEMPTION. THEIR
REDEEMER WAITS FOR HIS DELIVERANCE.
(Introversion.)

L | Y | 1. David.
Z | 2, 3. Imprecation.
Z | 4. Intercession.
Y | 5. David.

2 Let them. Note the repeated alternation here.
my soul = me (emphatic). Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

3 That say. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., Syr.,
and Vulg., read "Who are saying to me". Cp. 40. 15.
Aha, aha. Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6.

4 rejoice. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of the Subject),
Ap. 6, for "have cause to rejoice", &c.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I. Some codices, with
Aram. and Vulg., read "Jehovah".

5 poor = wretched, or oppressed. Heb. *ʾanāh*. See
note on Prov. 6. 11.

O LORD. Some codices, with six early printed edi-
tions and Syr., read "O my God". Cp. 40. 17.

71 (M, p. 759). ISRAEL'S REDEEMER. PRAISE
PROMISED. (Alternations and Introversion.)

M | A | C | 1-5-. Declaration of trust.
D | u | -5, 6-. Youth. Care. (Past.)
v | -6-8. Promise of praise. (Present.)
w | 9-12. Prayer for old age. (Future.)
B | x | 13. Confusion of enemies.
y | 14-16. Return for mer-
cies.
A | D | u | 17-. Youth. Teaching. (Past.)
v | -17. Promise of praise. (Present.)
w | 18. Prayer for old age. (Future.)
C | 19-21. Declaration of trust.
B | y | 22-24-. Return for mer-
cies.
x | -24. Confusion of enemies.

1 LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.
do I put my trust = have I fled for refuge. Heb.
hāṣāh. Ap. 69. II.
confusion = shame.

2 ear. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

3 strong habitation = rock of habitation. Heb. *zār*,
a fortified place. Some codices, with six early printed
editions, Aram., Sept., and Vulg., read "a rock of
refuge".

whereunto I may continually resort, &c. Sept.
reads "a place of security to save me".

rock. Heb. *ṣela'*. See note on 18. 1, 2. Ex. 17. 6.
Deut. 32. 13.

4 Deliver = Cause me to escape.

the wicked = lawless one. Heb. *rāṣā'*. Ap. 44. x.
God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

5 hope. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6,
for the object of hope.

Lord GOD. Heb. *Adonai Jehovah*. Ap. 4. VIII. 2,
and II.

trust = confidence. Heb. *batah*. Ap. 69. I.

6 from the womb. Cp. Jer. 1. 5. Some have sup-
posed that this Psalm was written by Jeremiah. See
note on v. 22. But even then it points to Christ.

7 I am = I have become.

art. Supply the *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), "have been".

10 my soul = me (emphatic). Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

15 the numbers. Cp. 40. 5.

16 strength = strengths. Pl. of majesty = great
strength.

17 O ° God, Thou hast taught me from my
youth :

And hitherto have I declared Thy won-
drous works.

A D u

v

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18 ° Now also ° when I am old and gray-headed, O ° God, forsake me not;
Until I have shewed ° Thy strength unto
this generation,
And Thy power to ° every one *that* is to
come.

19 Thy righteousness also, O ° God, *is* very
high,
Who hast done great things :
O ° God, ° who *is* like unto Thee !
20 Thou, Which hast shewed me great and
sore troubles,
Shalt ° quicken me again,
And shalt ° bring me up again from the
depths of the earth.

21 Thou shalt increase my greatness,
And comfort me on every side.

22 I will also praise Thee ° with the psaltery,
Even Thy truth, O my ° God :
Unto Thee will I ° sing with the harp,
O Thou ° Holy One of Israel.

23 My lips shall greatly rejoice when I ° sing
unto Thee ;
And ° my soul, which Thou hast ° re-
deemed.

24 My tongue also shall talk of Thy right-
eousness all the day long :

For they are confounded, for they are
brought unto shame, that seek my
hurt.

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A Psalm ° for Solomon.

(p. 787)

1 Give ° the king thy ° judgments, O ° God,
And Thy ° righteousness unto the ° king's
son.

2 He shall ° judge Thy People with ° right-
eousness,
And Thy ° poor with ° judgment.

3 The mountains shall bring ° peace to the
people,
And the little hills, by righteousness.

4 He shall ° judge the ° poor of the People,
He shall save the ° children of the needy,
And shall break in pieces the oppressor.

5 They shall fear Thee as long as the sun
and moon endure,
Throughout all generations.

6 He shall come down ° like rain upon the
mown grass :
As showers *that* water the earth.

7 In his days shall ° the righteous flourish ;
And abundance of peace so long as the
moon endureth.

8 He shall have dominion also ° from sea to
sea,
And from ° the river unto the ends of the
earth.

9 They that dwell in the wilderness shall
bow before him ;
And his enemies shall ° lick the dust.

10 The kings of ° Tarshish and of the ° isles
shall bring presents :
The kings of ° Sheba and Seba shall ° offer
gifts.

18 Now also = Yea also.

when I am old and grayheaded = to old age and
gray hairs.

Thy strength = Thine arm ; "arm" being put by
Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the wonders wrought
by it.

every one that is to come. A special reading called
Sevir (Ap. 34) reads "all who are to come".

19 who is like unto Thee. This is the cry of all
God's saints. See note on Ex. 15. 11.

20 quicken me again = make me alive again.
bring me up again : i. e. in resurrection.

22 with = with the aid of. sing = sing praise.
Holy One of Israel. Occurs only three times in the
Psalms (here, 78. 41 ; 89. 18). In Isaiah we find it thirty
times. In Jeremiah twice (50. 29 ; 51. 5). See note on
78. 41.

23 redeemed. Heb. *pādāh*. See note on Ex. 13. 13
and 6. 6.

72 (J, p. 759). ISRAEL'S REDEMPTION. THE ANSWER TO PSALMS 69-71.

(Introversion and Extended Alternation.)

J | E | 1. Prayer and theme of Psalm.
F | G | 2-4. Messiah's goodness to the poor.
H | 5-10. Other attributes.
I | 11. General adoration.
F | G | 12-14. Messiah's goodness to the poor.
H | 15-17. Other attributes.
I | 17. General adoration.
E | 18-20. Praise and doxology to Book II.

Title. for Solomon. Not of, but concerning. See
Epilogue by David for his son Solomon, and for his
"Greater Son", the Messiah. Written after Solomon's
second investiture, 1 Chron. 29. 23 (921 B.C.). The year
before David's death.

1 the king : i. e. David himself.

judgments = just decisions (of David regarding Solo-
mon).

God, Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

righteousness : i. e. in all his (Solomon's) judgments,
according to 1 Kings 3. 5-9. 1 Chron. 29. 19, and 28. 5, 7.
king's son = Solomon ; but to be yet fulfilled in Christ.

2 judge, &c. = rule in righteousness.

poor = oppressed (pl.). See note on 70. 5.

judgment = justice.

3 peace = prosperity.

4 judge = vindicate. children = sons.

5-10 (H, above) ; 15-17- (H, above). OTHER ATTRIBUTES. (Introversion.)

H | a | 5. Eternity.
b | 6, 7. Agricultural prosperity. (Moon.)
c | 8, 9. The world. Dominion.
d | 10. Gifts.
H | d | 15-. Gifts.
c | 15. His People. Worship.
b | 16. Agricultural prosperity. (Sun.)
a | 17-. Eternity.

6 like rain. Cp. 2 Sam. 23. 4.

7 the righteous. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and
Vulg., read "righteousness".

8 from sea to sea. From the Mediterranean to the
Persian Gulf.

the river : i. e. the Euphrates. Same Fig. as above.

9 lick the dust. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of the Ad-
junct), Ap. 6, for utter subjugation.

10 Tarshish. On the west. See note on 1 Kings
10. 22.

isles = coastlands, or maritime countries.

Sheba, &c. On the east and south.

offer gifts = bring near their presents. Ap. 43. II. iii.

11 Yea, all kings shall fall down before him : I
All nations shall serve him.

F G
(p. 787)

12 For he shall deliver ° the needy when he crieth;
The ° poor also, and him that hath no helper.

13 He shall spare the ° poor and ° needy,
And shall save the ° souls of ° the needy.

14 He shall ° redeem ° their soul from deceit and violence:
And precious shall their blood be in his sight.

H d 15 And ° he shall ° live,
And to him shall be ° given of the ° gold of Sheba:

c Prayer also shall be made ° for him continually;
And ° daily shall he be praised.

b 16 There shall be an ° handful of corn in the earth upon the top of the mountains;
The fruit thereof shall shake like Lebanon:
And they of the city shall flourish like grass of the earth.

a 17 His name shall endure for ever:
His name shall be continued as long as the sun:

I ° And men shall be ° blessed ° in him:
All nations shall call him ° blessed.

E 18 ° Blessed be ° the LORD ° God, the ° God of Israel,
Who only doeth wondrous things.

19 And ° blessed be His glorious ° name for ever:
And let the whole earth be ° filled with His glory;
Amen, and Amen.

12 the needy = a helpless one. Heb. 'ebyōn. See note on Prov. 6. 11.

13 poor = impoverished. Heb. dal. See note on Prov. 6. 11.

souls. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13.

14 redeem. Heb. gā'al. See notes on Ex. 6. 6; 13. 13. their soul = them, or their life. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13.

15 he shall live. The accent (rebia) on "he" marks it as emphatic, and as to be distinguished from the plurals of the preceding verses, and rendered "they", as it is in R.V. See the Structure, and note the members "G" and "G", which treat of Messiah's goodness to the poor. It is in v. 10 ("H d") and in v. 15 ("H d") that we have them, and their gifts to Him. He, the Head, delivers and saves them; and they, in v. 15, bring to Him a liberal hand, a praying heart, and a praising tongue.

live = live for ever. See note on Lev. 18. 5.

given, &c. Solomon the type (1 Kings. 10. 2, 10; 2 Chron. 9. 1). Fulfilment in Christ the Antitype.

gold. Fig. Synecdoche (of Species), Ap. 6, "gold" being put for precious gifts. Cp. Isa. 60. 6. for - to.

daily = all the day.

16 handful = abundance.

corn = fine corn.

17 And men shall be blessed in him: All nations shall call him blessed = Yea, all nations shall be blessed in him—shall call him happy. "Blessed" is not the same word as in the preceding line. Heb. 'āshar, cognate with 'ashrey. See Ap. 63. VI. in him. Thus confirming the promise to Abraham.

See Gen. 12. 3; 18. 18; 22. 18; 26. 4; 28. 14.

18 Blessed, &c. This doxology closes the second book of the Psalms. Heb. bārak, not 'āsher.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

God. Some codices omit "Elohim" here, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg.

19 name = self. See note on 20. 1.

filled, &c. Cp. Num. 14. 21.

20 are ended = are accomplished. When this Psalm is realised, all prophecy concerning Israel will be fulfilled: according to Dan. 9. 24, and see 2 Sam. 23. 1, where cp. the title, "son of Jesse".

EPILOGUE.

20 The prayers of David the son of Jesse °are ended.

73—89 (C, p. 720). THE THIRD OR LEVITICUS BOOK * THE SANCTUARY.

(Division.)

- C** | **A¹** | 73—83. THE SANCTUARY IN RELATION TO MAN.
| **A²** | 84—89. THE SANCTUARY IN RELATION TO JEHOVAH.

73—83 † (**A¹**, above). THE SANCTUARY IN RELATION TO MAN.
(Extended Alternation.)

- A¹** | **B** | 73. THE EFFECT OF BEING OUTSIDE THE SANCTUARY. OCCUPATION OF HEART
| WITH OTHERS, AND CONSEQUENT DISTRACTION.
C | 74. THE ENEMY IN THE SANCTUARY.
D | 75. GOD'S ANOINTED IN THE SANCTUARY.
E | 76. DESTRUCTION OF THE ENEMIES OF THE SANCTUARY.
B | 77 (**B¹**), 78 (**B²**). THE EFFECT OF BEING OUTSIDE THE SANCTUARY. OCCUPATION
| OF HEART WITH SELF, AND CONSEQUENT MISERY. 78 IS INSTRUCTION
(MASCHIL ‡) AS TO 73 AND 77, SHOWING HOW JEHOVAH FORSOOK "SHILOH" (v. 60),
| AND CHOSE NOT JOSEPH (v. 67): BUT CHOSE ZION (vv 68, 69), AND CHOSE DAVID (vv. 70-72).
C | 79. THE ENEMY IN THE SANCTUARY.
D | 80 (**D¹**), 81 (**D²**), 82 (**D³**). GOD IN THE SANCTUARY.
E | 83. DESTRUCTION OF THE ENEMIES OF THE SANCTUARY.

84—89 § (**A²**, above). THE SANCTUARY IN RELATION TO JEHOVAH.
(Repeated Alternation.)

- A²** | **F¹** | 84 (**F¹**), 85 (**F¹**). THE BLESSEDNESS OF APPROACHERS TO THE SANCTUARY.
| **G¹** | 86. PRAYER BEFORE GOD (IN THE SANCTUARY). MESSIAH'S HUMILIATION
| THE SECRET AND SOURCE OF THE BLESSING.
F² | 87. THE BLESSEDNESS OF DWELLERS IN ZION.
| **G²** | 88. PRAYER BEFORE GOD. INSTRUCTION (MASCHIL ‡) AS TO MESSIAH'S HUMILIA-
| TION, AS THE SECRET AND SOURCE OF THE BLESSING.
F³ | 89. THE BLESSEDNESS OF THOSE WHO "KNOW THE JOYFUL SOUND" (v. 15).
| GOD IN THE ASSEMBLY OF HIS SAINTS (v. 7). INSTRUCTION ‡ AS TO GOD'S DEAL-
| INGS IN HIS SANCTUARY, AND AS TO THE WHOLE BOOK.

* LEVITICUS is the title which man has given to the third book of the Pentateuch, because of its subject-matter: viz. the ordinances, &c., pertaining to the Levites. The title in the Hebrew Canon is נִסְיָאֵי (vayyikra'), "AND HE CALLED." It is emphatically the Book of the SANCTUARY. It tells how God is to be approached; and teaches us that none can worship except such as are "called" (65. 4), and whom "the Father seeks to worship Him" (John 4. 23, 24). In Lev. 1. 1, 2, we see the exemplification of the words: "Blessed is the man whom Thou choosest, and causest to approach unto Thee, that he may dwell in Thy courts: we shall be satisfied with the goodness of Thy house, even of Thy holy temple" (65. 4). The types in Leviticus are types of the Sanctuary: i. e. of Access and Worship.

In this Leviticus-Book of the Psalms we find the corresponding thought. Its teaching is Dispensational, as in the other books; but, in this, the counsels of God are seen, not in relation to Man (as in Genesis), not in relation to the Nation (as in Exodus), but in relation to the SANCTUARY, which is mentioned or referred to in nearly every Psalm of this third book. The Sanctuary is seen from its ruin, to its establishment in the fullness of blessing.

In the first Division (73-83, **A¹**) Elohim (Ap. 4. I) occurs sixty-five times (twice with Jehovah); and Jehovah only fifteen times. In the second Division (84-89, **A²**) Jehovah occurs fifty times, and Elohim only twenty-eight times (four of which are with Jehovah). El (Ap. 4. IV) occurs five times.

† All the Psalms in the first Division (**A¹**) are Psalms of Asaph.

‡ Maschil. See Ap. 65. XI.

§ All the Psalms (except 86 and 89) in the second Division (**A²**) are Psalms of the sons of Korah.

BOOK III.

73

° A Psalm ° of Asaph.

B A
(p. 790)1 ° Truly ° God is ° good to ° Israel,
Even to such as are of a clean heart.

B

2 But as for ° me, my feet were ° almost
gone;
My steps had well nigh slipped.

C

3 For I was envious at the ° foolish,
When I saw the prosperity of the ° wicked.

D F

4 For there are no ° bands ° in their death:
But their strength ° is firm.5 They are not ° in trouble as other ° men;
Neither are they plagued ° like other ° men.

G a

6 Therefore pride compasseth them about as
a ° chain;

Violence covereth them as a garment.

7 Their eyes ° stand out with fatness:

° They have more than heart ° could wish.

b

8 They are corrupt, and speak ° wickedly
concerning oppression:
They speak loftily.9 They set their mouth against ° the hea-
vens,
And their ° tongue walketh through the
° earth.

G a

10 Therefore ° His People ° return ° hither:
And waters of a full cup ° are ° wrung out
to them.

b

11 And they say, ° "How doth ° GOD know?
And ° is there knowledge in the ° MOST
HIGH?"

F

12 ° Behold, these are the ° ungodly,
Who prosper in ° the world; they increase
in riches.

E

13 ° Verily ° I have cleansed my heart in vain,
And washed my hands in innocency.14 For all the day long have I been plagued,
And chastened ° every morning.15 If I say, "I will speak thus;"
° Behold, I should ° offend against the gene-
ration of thy ° children.16 When I ° thought to ° know this,
It was ° too painful for me;

E

17 Until I went into ° the sanctuary of ° GOD;
° Then understood I their ° end.

like: or with. men. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.

They have, &c.: or The imaginations of their heart overflow.

Heb. *maskith*. See note on Prov. 25. 11.Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for God, Who dwells there.

Popoia. Ap. 6.

earth. Supply the Ellipsis (Ap. 6), by adding "[they say]". Let "His People return

hither" as in v. 10. 10 His People = God's people. return = turn: i. e. follow. hither = to us.

(Spoken by the wicked.)

are = shall be.

there . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.12 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

world = this age. 13 Verily. See note on "Truly", v. 1.

Heb. *dāgad*. children = sons.

too painful for me = vexation in mine eyes.

17 the sanctuary. This

is the book of the Sanctuary, and nearly every Psalm in it contains some reference to it, or to the congre-

gation who worship in it. Then. Supply "Until" by the Fig. *Anaphora*. Ap. 6.

or hereafter.

73—89 (C, p. 789). THE LEVITICUS BOOK.

73—83 (A¹ p. 789). THE SANCTUARY IN
RELATION TO MAN.This Third Book has to do with the SANCTUARY; as
the First Book (1—41) had to do with MAN; and the
Second Book (42—72) had to do with ISRAEL.73 (B, p. 789). OUTSIDE THE SANCTUARY.
EFFECT. DISTRACTION. (*Introversion*.)B | A | 1. Occupation with God. Peace.
B | 2. Occupation with others. My error.
C | 3. Result. My discontent.
D | 4—12. The wicked. Their prosperity.
E | 13—16. Result. Distraction.
E | 17. Remedy. The Sanctuary.
D | 18—20. The wicked. Their end.
C | 21. Result. My discontent.
B | 22. Occupation with others. My error.
A | 23—28. Occupation with God. Peace.Title. A Psalm. Heb. *mizmōr*. See Ap. 65. XVII.
of Asaph. The second of Asaph's twelve Psalms,
Ps. 50 being the first. See Ap. 63. VIII.1 Truly, &c. = Nothing but good is God to Israel.
Occurs three times in this Psalm: here, rendered
"Truly"; v. 13, "Verily"; v. 18, "Surely". The uni-
form rendering would be "Only" or, "After all".God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.
good. The conclusion is stated before the distraction
of mind caused by occupation of heart with others is
described.

Israel. This links on Book III with Book II.

2 me. Note the emphasis on this (by repetition of
the first Person), which is the key to the Psalm.
almost = quickly. See note on Prov. 5. 14.

gone = stumbled.

3 foolish = arrogant, or boasters.

wicked = lawless. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.4—12 (D, above). THE WICKED. THEIR PROS-
PERITY. (*Introversion*.)D | F | 4, 5. Their prosperity. (Negative.)
G | a | 6, 7. Their pride and fulness.
b | 8, 9. Their speech.
G | a | 10. Their pride and fulness.
b | 11. Their speech.
F | 12. Their prosperity. (Positive.)4 bands: or pangs. The *Masōrah* calls attention to
this Homonym (*harzuboth*) as occurring not only twice,
but in two different senses. The other case is Isa. 58. 6.
in = at.

is. Supply Ellipsis by "continues".

5 in trouble as other = in the trouble of. Used first
of Joseph (Gen. 41. 51).men. Heb. *'ēnsh*. Ap. 14. III.

6 chain = necklace.

7 stand out = protrude.

could wish = could picture, or imagine.

8 wickedly. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

9 the heavens.

tongue walketh. Fig. *Prosopopeia*. Ap. 6.

earth. Supply the Ellipsis (Ap. 6), by adding "[they say]". Let "His People return

hither" as in v. 10. 10 His People = God's people. return = turn: i. e. follow. hither = to us.

(Spoken by the wicked.) are = shall be. wrung out to = drained by. 11 How . . . ? is

there . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. GOD. Heb. *El*. Ap. 4. IV. MOST HIGH. Heb. *Elyōn*. Ap. 4. VI.12 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6. ungodly = lawless. Heb. *rāshā'*. (No Art.) Ap. 44. x. the

world = this age. 13 Verily. See note on "Truly", v. 1. I have cleansed. This is the result of

occupation with others. Distraction. Cp. Structure, above. 14 every morning. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche*(of Part), Ap. 6, for "continually". 15 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6. offend = deal treacherously.Heb. *dāgad*. children = sons. 16 thought = pondered [it]. Cp. the same word in 77. 5. know =

reconcile, or understand. too painful for me = vexation in mine eyes. 17 the sanctuary. This

is the book of the Sanctuary, and nearly every Psalm in it contains some reference to it, or to the congre-

gation who worship in it. Then. Supply "Until" by the Fig. *Anaphora*. Ap. 6. end = latter end,

or hereafter.

D
(p. 790)

18 ° Surely Thou ° didst set them in slippery places:

Thou castedst them down into destruction.

19 ° How are they brought into desolation, as in a moment!

° They are utterly consumed with terrors.

20 As a dream when one awaketh;

So, O ° LORD*, when Thou ° awakest, Thou shalt despise their ° image.

C

21 ° Thus my heart was grieved, And I was pricked in my reins.

B

22 So ° foolish was I, and ignorant: I was as a beast before Thee.

A c
(p. 791)

23 ° Nevertheless I am continually with Thee: Thou hast holden me by my right hand.

24 Thou shalt guide me with Thy counsel, And afterward receive me to glory.

25 ° Whom have I in heaven but Thee?

And there is none upon earth that I desire beside Thee.

26 My flesh and my heart faileth:

But ° God is the ° strength of my heart, and my portion for ever.

d

27 For, lo, they that are far from Thee shall perish:

d

Thou hast destroyed all them that go a ° whoring from Thee.

c

28 But ° it is good for me to draw near to ° God:

I have ° put my trust in ° the Lord GOD, That I may declare all Thy works.

74

° Maschil ° of Asaph.

C H K
(p. 791)

1 O ° God, ° why hast Thou ° cast us off for ever?

° Why doth Thine anger ° smoke against the ° sheep of Thy pasture?

L

2 Remember Thy ° congregation, which Thou hast ° purchased ° of old;

The ° rod of Thine inheritance, which Thou hast ° redeemed;

° This ° mount Zion, wherein Thou hast dwelt.

M

3 ° Lift up Thy ° feet unto the ° perpetual desolations;

Even all that the enemy hath done wickedly in the sanctuary.

M

4 Thine ° enemies roar in the midst of ° Thy congregations;

They set up ° their ° ensigns for ° signs.

5 A man ° was famous according as he had lifted up

° Axes upon the thick trees.

6 But now they break down the carved work thereof at once with axes and hammers.

18 Surely. See note on "Truly", v. 1. didst set = wilt set.

19 How are they = How [is it that] they are. They are = [How is it that] they are.

20 LORD*. One of the 134 emendations of the *Sopherim* by which they changed Jehovah, of the primitive text, to Adonai. Ap. 32.

awakest = ariseth. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

image = image of which they dreamt.

21 Thus. Cp. the Structure "C" (v. 3) and "C" (v. 21).

22 foolish = brutish.

73. 23-28 (A, p. 790). OCCUPATION WITH GOD. (*Introversion*.)

A | c | 23-26. I (emphatic).

d | 27-. They. Far from Thee.

d | -27. They. Departing from Thee.

c | 28. I (emphatic).

23 Nevertheless I. Note the emphasis on Pronoun, according to the Structure, "c" (v. 23) and "c" (v. 28), "As for me, I".

25 Whom have I...? This is ever the cry of God's saints. Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. See note on Ex. 15. 11.

26 strength. Heb. *zur* = rock, or refuge.

27 whoring from. Supply Ellipsis (Ap. 6) thus: whoring [in departing] from. Refers (spiritually) to idolatry, or anything that takes us from God.

28 it is good for me. The Heb. accent (*pasek*) emphasises the Pronoun "me". Others may go "far from Thee" (v. 27), but "as for me, I will draw near to Thee" (cp. v. 23). The "good" is seen in the twofold result:

(1) I find a refuge in Him; (2) I tell forth His praises. put my trust = flee for refuge. Heb. *hāṣah*. Ap. 69. II. the Lord GOD - Adonai Jehovah. Ap. 4. VIII. 2, and II.

74 (C, p. 789). THE ENEMY IN THE SANCTUARY. (*Introversion*.)

C | H | 1-11. Prayer. The enemy in the Sanctuary.

J | 12. Plea. Former merciful deliverances.

J | 13-17. Plea. Former merciful deliverances.

II | 18-23. Prayer. The enemy in the Sanctuary.

The second Psalm of each book has to do specially with the enemy. See Ap. 10.

1-11 (H, above). PRAYER.

(*Introversion*.)

H | K | 1. Expostulation.

L | 2. Prayer. Memory. "Of old".

M | 3. Enemies.

M | 4-8. Enemies.

L | 9. Prayer. Inquiry. "How long?"

K | 10, 11. Expostulation.

Title. Maschil = Instruction. The ninth of thirteen so named. See note on Title, Ps. 32, and Ap. 65. XI. of Asaph. The third of the twelve Asaph Psalms. See Ap. 63. VIII. Not David's Asaph, but a successor bearing the same name.

1 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

why...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

cast us off. Cp. 43. 2; 44. 9.

smoke. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. Cp. 18. 8.

sheep of Thy pasture. Occurs frequently in the Asaph Psalms (79. 13); also in Jer. 23. 1. Ezek. 34. 31.

2 congregation = assembly. The subject of Book II. purchased = acquired as a possession. Heb. *ḵanah*. Cp. 78. 54. Ex. 15. 16. Ruth 4. 10.

of old = aforesaid. Refers to Ex. 15. 16.

rod = sceptre.

redeemed. Heb. *gā'al*. See note on Ex. 6. 6. Cp. 13. 1'.

This. Shows that the writer wrote while the scenes described were enacted. Cp. 79 and Lam. 2. 1-9.

mount Zion. See Ap. 68.

3 Lift up Thy feet unto = Hasten to [and see]. Cp. Idiom (Gen. 29. 1). feet. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*.

Ap. 6. perpetual. Same word as "for ever", v. 1.

4 enemies = adversaries.

Thy congrega-

tions = Thine assembly.

their. Cp. "our", v. 9.

ensigns for signs = signs as signs [for us].

signs. Same word as "ensigns" and "standard" in Num. 2.

5 was = used to be [considered]. The

contrast is with "now" in the next line. Axes. Cp. Jer. 46. 22, 23.

7 They have ° cast fire into Thy ° sanctuary.
They have defiled by casting down the
° dwelling place of Thy name to the
ground.

8 They said in their hearts, "Let us destroy
them ° together :"
They have burned up all the ° synagogues
of ° GOD in the land.

9 We see not our ° signs :
There is no more any ° prophet :
Neither is there among us any that know-
eth how long.

10 O ° God, ° how long shall the adversary re-
proach ?
Shall the enemy blaspheme Thy name for
ever ?

11 Why withdrawest Thou Thy hand, even
Thy right hand ?
Pluck it out of Thy ° bosom.

12 For ° God is my King ° of old,
Working ° salvation ° in the midst of the
earth.

13 Thou didst ° divide the sea by Thy strength :
Thou brakest the heads of the ° dragons in
the waters.

14 Thou brakest the heads of leviathan in
pieces,
And gavest him to be meat to the ° people
inhabiting the wilderness.

15 Thou didst ° cleave the ° fountain and the
° flood :
Thou driedst up mighty rivers.

16 The day is Thine, the night also is Thine :
Thou hast prepared the ° light and the sun.

17 Thou hast set all the borders of the earth :
Thou hast made summer and winter.

18 Remember this, that the enemy hath re-
proached, O ° LORD,
And that the foolish people have blas-
phemed ° Thy name.

19 O deliver not ° the soul of Thy turtledove
unto the ° multitude of the wicked :
Forget not the congregation of Thy
° poor for ever.

20 Have respect unto ° the ° covenant :
For the dark places of ° the earth are full
of the habitations of cruelty.

21 O let not ° the oppressed ° return ashamed :
Let ° the poor and needy praise ° Thy
name.

22 Arise, O ° God, plead Thine own cause :

Remember how the foolish man reproach-
eth Thee daily.

23 Forget not the voice of Thine ° enemies :
The tumult of those that rise up against
Thee increaseth continually.

° To the chief Musician, ° Al-taschith.

7 cast fire into, &c. = cast Thy holy place into the fire.
sanctuary. Some codices, with three early printed
editions, read "holy places" (pl.).

dwelling place. Heb. *mishkān*. Ap. 40 (2).

8 together : or, at once.

synagogues = meeting-places. See note on "congre-
gations", v. 4. This rendering comes from the Sept.
GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

9 signs : i. e. the signs of God's presence and power,
or miraculous signs. Cp. "their" of v. 4 with "our",
v. 9.

prophet. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for
prophetic utterances.

10 how long . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Cp. v. 1.
Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), "how long [this shall last]".

11 bosom. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. Sept. adds
here "Selah". If this was in the primitive text, it
marks the division of the Structure ; and connects the
conclusion of the prayer with the wonderful ground of
the plea based upon it ; which, with "J" (v. 12) and "J"
(vv. 13-17) constitute the central members and subjects
of the Psalm.

12 salvation = deliverances. Pl. of majesty = great
deliverance.

in the midst, &c. Cp. Ex. 8. 22. (Heb. v. 15).

74. 13-17 (J, p. 791). PLEA. FORMER MERCIFUL
DELIVERANCES. (*Introversions*.)

J	N	c	13-. Dividing the sea.
		d	-13. The breaking of Egypt.
		d	14. The breaking of Egypt.
		c	15. Dividing the Jordan.
N	e	f	16-. Day and night.
		f	-16. Heavens.
		f	17-. Earth.
		e	-17. Summer and winter.

13 divide = cleave. Cp. Ex. 14. 21, describing a sud-
den vehement act. Heb. *pārar*.

dragons = crocodiles. (No Art.). Symbolical of Egypt.

14 people inhabiting = inhabitants : i. e. the wild
beasts.

15 cleave = sunder, open a passage. Heb. *baqa'*.
fountain. Cp. Ex. 17. 6. Num. 20. 11. Put by Fig.
Metonymy (of Effect), Ap. 6, for the rock from which the
water flowed.

flood. Cp. Josh. 3. 13, &c.

16 light. Sept., Syr., and Vulg. read "moon".

18-23 (H, above). PRAYER. THE ENEMY IN THE
SANCTUARY. (*Introversions and Alternation*.)

H	O	18. Remember the enemies' reproach.
P	g	19. Deprecation. The oppressed.
	h	20. Prayer. "Thy covenant".
P	g	21. Deprecation. The oppressed.
	h	22, 23. Prayer. "Thy cause".
O		-22. Remember the enemies' reproach.

18 LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

Thy name = Thee. See note on Ps. 20. 1.

19 the soul = the life. Heb. *nepesh*. Ap. 13.

multitude = company, or host ; same word as "con-
gregation" in next line.

poor = oppressed. Heb. *'ānāh*. See note on Pr. 6. 11.

20 the. Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "Thy".

covenant. Cp. Gen. 15. 18 ; 17. 7, 8.

the earth : or the land.

21 the oppressed = an oppressed one. Same as v. 19.
return. Cp. 6. 10.

the poor and needy praise = a poor one, and a
needy one will praise.

23 To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.

Al-taschith = Destroy not. See Ap. 65. III

75

A ° Psalm or ° Song ° of Asaph.

D Q
(P. 793)

1 Unto Thee, O ° God, do we give thanks,
Unto Thee do we give thanks: for that
° Thy name is near
° Thy wondrous works declare.

R S

2 When ° I shall receive the congregation
° I will judge uprightly.

T

3 The earth
And all the inhabitants thereof are dis-
solved:

S

° bear up the pillars of it. ° Selah.

T

4 I said unto the ° fools, "Deal not foolishly:"
And to the ° wicked, "Lift not up the
° horn:

5 Lift not up your ° horn on high:
° Speak ° not with a stiff neck.

6 For promotion cometh neither from the
east, nor from the west,
Nor from the ° south.

7 ° But ° God is the judge:

He putteth down one, and setteth up an-
other.

8 For in the ° hand of ° the LORD there is
° a cup, and the wine is ° red;
It is full of ° mixture; and He poureth out
of the same:

But the dregs thereof, all the ° wicked of
the earth shall wring them out, and
drink them."

Q

9 But ° I will ° declare for ever;
I will sing praises to the ° God of Jacob.

R

10 All the ° horns of the ° wicked also will I
cut off;
But the ° horns of ° the righteous shall be
exalted.

° To the chief Musician on ° Neginoth.

76

° A Psalm or ° Song ° of Asaph.

E U¹
(P. 794)

1 In ° Judah is ° God ° known:
His name is great in ° Israel.

2 In ° Salem also ° is His ° tabernacle,
And His dwelling place in ° Zion.

3 ° There ° brake He the arrows of the bow,
The shield, and the sword, and the ° bat-
tle. ° Selah.

V¹

4 Thou art more glorious and excellent than
the ° mountains of prey.

U²

5 The stouthearted are spoiled, they have
slept their sleep:
And ° none of the ° men of might have
° found their hands.

75 (D, p. 789). GOD'S ANOINTED IN THE
SANCTUARY. (Alternation.)

D

Q | 1. Praise. Offered.
R | 2-8. Judgment. Upright.
Q | 9. Praise. Promised.
R | 10. Judgment. Upright.

Title. Psalm. Heb. *mizmôr*. See Ap. 65. XVII.
Song. Heb. *shîr*. See Ap. 65. XXIII.
of Asaph. The fourth of the twelve Asaph Psalms.
See Ap. 63. VIII.

In this Psalm the enemies of the Sanctuary are
warned, and God's People are encouraged.

1 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

Thy name. See note on 20. 1. It denotes God's
saving presence. Sept., Syr., and Vulg. read "and we
shall call on Thy name".

Thy wondrous works declare=Men tell of Thy
wondrous works.

2-8 (R, above). JUDGMENT. UPRIGHT.
(Alternation.)

R

S | 2; 3-. The earth.
T | -3-. Its inhabitants.
S | -3. The earth.
T | 4-8. Its inhabitants.

2 I shall receive the congregation=The set time
has come, &c.

I=I, even I. Very emphatic.

3 bear up=have established.

Selah. Connecting the set time of judgment with the
judgment itself as it will affect the wicked and the
righteous.

4 fools=arrogant.

wicked. Heb. *râsha'*. Ap. 44. x.

horn. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for
pride connected with the wearing of it.

5 Speak not with a stiff neck. According to the
primitive orthography=not speak arrogantly of the
Rock. not. See note on "no" (Gen. 2. 6).

6 south. Therefore it comes from the north. The
immediate place of God's throne, to which Satan aspires.
Cp. Isa. 14. 12-14. See Job 26. 7. This is where promotion
comes from.

7 But=No.

8 hand. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

a cup. The symbol of God's judgment. Isa. 51. 17-23
(cp. 19. 14). Hab. 2. 15, 16. Ezek. 23. 31, 34, &c. Jer. 25. 27;
48. 26; 49. 12. red=foaming.

mixture=spice. Cp. Rev. 14. 10.

9 declare. Sept. reads "exult".

God of Jacob: i. e. the God of Grace, who met Jacob
when he had nothing, and deserved nothing but wrath.

10 the righteous=a righteous one.

To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64. II.

Neginoth=smitings; refers to the smitings of the
wicked in judgment. See Ap. 65. XV.

76 [For Structure see next page].

Title. A Psalm. Heb. *mizmôr*. Ap. 65. XVII.

Song. Heb. *shîr*. Ap. 65. XXIII.

of Asaph=by Asaph. The fifth of the twelve Asaph
Psalms. Ap. 63. VIII.

The members U¹, U², U³, U⁴ are in the third person. The members V¹, V², V³ are in the second person. The Structure is determined by the two Selahs; and points to the historic event, the taking of Jebus by David (2 Sam. 5. 4-9) 960 B.C. 1 Judah. Great emphasis on the locality. Note the three terms, Judah, Salem, Zion, and "there" (v. 3). God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I. known=made known, or making Himself known. Israel. Named because the taking of Jebus was in connection with David's taking of the throne of Israel. 2 Salem. The ancient Jebusite name for Jerusalem. Cp. Gen. 14. 18. Heb. 7. 1, 2. is=is come, or is set up. tabernacle: i. e. David's tabernacle on Zion. In 18. 11=pavilion, or dwelling. Heb. *sukkâh*, not *ôhel*. Zion. This is where David's tabernacle was set up after the taking of Jebus. Cp. 2 Sam. 5. 6-10; 6; 7. 1, 2, &c. See Ap. 68. Zion had no place in history till this event. 3 There. Emphatic. Heb. *shâm*. Cp. Gen. 2. 8. Ex. 40. 3 (therein). Deut. 1. 39 (thither). 2 Chron. 6. 11 (in it). brake He=hath He broken in pieces. battle. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for other weapons used in battle. Selah. Connecting the Jebusite defeat with God Who gave it; and passing on from the third person to the second. See Ap. 66. II. Note the emphasis on "Thou". 4 mountains of prey. The great mountain (Zion) which had become a prey: i. e. a prey seized, as in next verse; the mighty men had become a spoil, or been plundered. 5 none... found their hands. Idiom for helplessness. Like losing heart or finding heart (2 Sam. 7. 27). men. Heb. *ênôsh*. Ap. 14. III.

6 At Thy rebuke, O ° God of Jacob,
° Both the chariot and horse are ° cast into
a dead sleep.

V² 7 Thou, even Thou, art to be feared :
(p. 794) And who may stand in Thy sight when
once Thou art angry?

U³ 8 Thou didst cause judgment to be heard
from heaven ;
The earth feared, and was still,
9 When ° God arose to judgment,
To save all the ° meek of the earth. ° Se-
lah.

V³ 10 Surely the wrath of ° man shall praise
Thee :
The remainder of wrath shalt Thou re-
strain.

U¹ 11 Vow, and ° pay unto ° the LORD your ° God :
Let all that be round about Him bring
° presents unto Him That ought to be
feared.

12 He shall cut off the ° spirit of princes :
He is terrible to the kings of the earth.
° To the chief Musician, ° to Jeduthun.

77

° A Psalm ° of Asaph.

B¹ W 1 I cried unto ° God with my voice,
(p. 794) Even unto ° God with my voice ; and ° He
gave ear unto me.

2 In the day of my trouble I sought ° the
LORD* :

° My sore ran in the night, and ° ceased
not :

° My soul refused to be comforted.

3 I remembered ° God, and was troubled :
I ° complained, and ° my spirit was over-
whelmed. ° Selah.

4 Thou holdest mine ° eyes waking :
I am so troubled that I cannot speak.

5 I have considered the days of old,
The years of ancient times.

6 I call to remembrance ° my song in the
night :

I commune with mine own heart :
And ° my spirit made diligent search.

X 7 ° Will ° the LORD* cast off for ever ?
And will He be favourable no more ?

8 Is His ° mercy clean gone for ever ?

Doth His ° promise fail for evermore ?

9 Hath ° GOD forgotten to be gracious ?
Hath He in anger shut up His tender mer-
cies ? ° Selah.

W 10 And I said, " This is my infirmity :
But I will remember the years of the
° right hand of ° the MOST HIGH.

11 I will remember ° the works of ° THE
LORD :
Surely I will remember Thy ° wonders of
old.

12 I will meditate also of all Thy ° work,
And talk of Thy doings."

X Y i 13 Thy way, O ° God, is in ° the sanctuary :
(p. 795) ° Who is so great a ° GOD as our ° God ?

76 (E, p. 789). DESTRUCTION OF THE ENEMIES
OF THE SANCTUARY. (Repeated Alternation.)

E U¹ | 1-3. The Jebusites' defeat. Selah.

V¹ | 4. God. Thou art glorious.

U² | 5, 6. The Jebusites' defeat.

V² | 7. God. Thou art to be feared.

U³ | 8, 9. The Jebusites' defeat. Selah.

V³ | 10. God. Thou art to be praised.

U⁴ | 11, 12. The Jebusites' defeat,

° God of Jacob. See note on 75. 9.

Both the chariot and horse are cast into a dead
sleep. Sept., Syr., and Vulg. read "the horsemen are
stunned".

cast into a dead sleep. One word in Heb. = stunned.

9 meek = the patient oppressed ones.

Selah. Connecting God's judgment on Jebusites,
and making it a ground of praise. See Ap. 66. II.

10 man. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.

11 pay unto. Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) = "pay [thy vows]
unto".

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

presents. Pl. of majesty : i. e. a great or ceremonial
present.

12 spirit. Heb. rūach. Ap. 9.

To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.

to Jeduthun. See Ap. 65. VI.

77 (B¹, p. 789). OUTSIDE THE SANCTUARY.
EFFECT. MISERY. (Alternation.)

B¹ W | 1-6. Occupation with self.

X | 7-9. Its sure result. Misery.

W | 10-12. Occupation with God.

X | 13-20. Its sure result. Happiness.

Title. A Psalm. Heb. mizmōr. Ap. 65. XVII.
of Asaph = for Asaph. The sixth of the twelve Asaph
Psalms. Ap. 63. VIII.

1 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

He gave ear. Inf. = "to give ear". Therefore supply
Ellipsis (Ap. 6) : "He [condescended] to give ear".

2 the LORD*. One of the 134 places where the
Sopherim altered Jehovah to Adonai. See Ap. 32.

My sore ran. Heb. hand was outstretched : i. e. in
prayer.

ceased not : i. e. to be outstretched.

My soul = I (emphatic). Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13.

3 complained = communed [with myself].

my spirit = I (emphatic). Heb. rūach. Ap. 9.

Selah. Connecting this self-introspection with its
sure result—misery. See Ap. 66. II.

4 eyes = eyelids ; or, Thou keepest mine eyelids from
closing.

6 my song. Note that the whole of this member
"W" (vv. 1-6) is occupation with self.

7 Will . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6), emphasising the
consequence of this introspection. It is continued
through the whole of this member "X" (vv. 7-9).

8 mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.

promise = word. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause),
Ap. 6, for the promise given by it.

9 GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

Selah. Connecting all this misery with the only sure
remedy—occupation with God : and passing from "I"
and "my" to "Thou" and "Thy". (Ap. 66. II.)

10 right hand. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

the MOST HIGH. Heb. Elyōn. Ap. 4. VI.

11 the works = doings.

THE LORD. Heb. Jah. Ap. 4. III.

wonders. Heb. work. Some codices, with Aram.,
Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "wonders" : i. e. wonder-
ful ways or works.

12 work. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., Syr., and
Vulg., read "works" (pl.).

13-20 [For Structure see next page].

13 the sanctuary. Only here, in God's presence, is found peace and happiness. Who . . . ? Fig. *Ero-
tēsis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. This is the cry resulting from occupation with God. Ever the cry of His
saints. See note on Ex. 15. 11.

- k** 14 *Thou art* the °GOD That doest wonders:
(p. 795) Thou hast °declared Thy strength among
the °people.
- Z l** 15 Thou hast with *Thine* arm redeemed Thy
people,
The sons of Jacob and °Joseph. °Selah.
- m** 16 The waters saw Thee, O God,
°The waters saw Thee; they were afraid:
°The depths also were troubled.
- Z m** 17 The °clouds poured out water:
The skies sent out a sound:
Thine °arrows also went abroad.
- l** 18 The voice of Thy thunder °was in the
heaven:
°The lightnings °lightened the world:
The earth trembled and shook.
- Y i** 19 Thy way °is in °the sea,
And Thy °path in the great waters,
And Thy °footsteps are not known.
- k** 20 Thou ledest Thy People like a flock
By the hand of °Moses and Aaron.

78

°Maschil °of Asaph.

- B² A N r** 1 Give ear, O my People, to my law:
(p. 796) Incline your °ears to the words of my
mouth.
- s** 2 °I will open my mouth in a °parable:
I will utter °dark sayings of old:
- t** 3 Which we have heard and °known,
And our fathers have told us.
- N r** 4 We will not hide *them* from their °child-
ren,
°Shewing to the generation to come the
praises of °the LORD,
And His strength, and His °wonderful
works that He hath done.
- s** 5 For He established a testimony in Jacob,
And appointed a law in Israel,
Which He °commanded our fathers,
That they should make them known to
their °children:
- t** 6 That the generation to come might know
them, even the °children *which* should
be born;
Who should arise and declare *them* to
their °children:
- B D** 7 That they might set their hope in °God,
And not forget the works of °GOD,
But keep His commandments:
- E** 8 And might not be as their fathers,
A stubborn and °rebellious generation;
A generation *that* set not their heart
aright,
And whose °spirit was not stedfast °with
°GOD.
- F** 9 The °children of °Ephraim, *being* armed,
and °carrying bows,
Turned back in the day of battle.
- 10 They °kept not the covenant of °God,
And refused to walk in His law;
11 And forgot His works,
And His °wonders that He had shewed
them.

77. 13-20 (X, p. 794). THE SURE RESULT. HAP-
PINESS. (*Introversions and Alternation.*)

- X** **Y** **i** | 13. God's way in the Sanctuary.
k | 14, 15. His people. Redeemed. Jacob
and Joseph.
Z **l** | 16. The waters beneath. (Fear and
trouble.)
m | 17. The heavens. (Clouds and
skies.)
Z **m** | 18-. The heavens. (Thunder and
lightning.)
l | -18. The earth beneath. (Trembling
and shaking.)
Y **i** | 19. God's way in the sea.
k | 20. His People. Led by Moses and Aaron.

14 declared = made known. people = peoples.
15 Joseph. Because his sons were not the direct
sons of Jacob.

Selah. Connecting the redemption from Egypt with
the accomplishment of it as recorded in "the scriptures
of truth". See Ap. 66. II.

16 The waters. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis:
i.e. the waters of the Nile, and the Red Sea (Ex. 14. 21-31).
The depths. Not referring to the "abyss" of Baby-
lonian mythology, which was a corruption of primitive
truth (Gen. 1. 2), but the Red Sea emphasised in the
preceding clause.

17 clouds = the thick or dark clouds.
arrows. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6,
for lightnings, mentioned below.

18 was in the heaven. Heb. *galgal* - rolled along.
The. Sept., Syr., and Vulg. read "Thy".
lightened = illumined.

19 is = was.
the sea. Not the sea-monster, the *Ti'amat* of Baby-
lonian mythology, but the Red Sea mentioned above.
See note on "The depths", v. 16.

path. Heb. text = "paths"; but some codices, with
five early printed editions, as in A.V.
footsteps = footprints: i.e. when the waters return to
their place.

20 Moses and Aaron. Only here in this third book.

78 [For Structure see next page].

Title. Maschil = Instruction. The tenth of thirteen
so named. See note on Title, Ps. 32, and Ap. 65. XI.
of Asaph = by, or for Asaph. Asaph was a "seer" or
prophet (2 Chron. 29. 30). This Psalm is concerning
the choosing a site for the Sanctuary. The seventh of
the twelve Asaph Psalms. Ap. 63. VIII.

1 ears. Heb. text = ear. Some codices, with Aram.
and Syr., read "ears".

2 I will open, &c. Quoted in Matt. 13. 35.
parable... dark sayings. Cp. 49. 5. Same words.
The Psalm has a moral: showing that Divine history
contains more than appears on the surface.

3 known = come to know.

4 children = sons.

Shewing = Recounting.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

wonderful works = wonders. Cp. 77. 11, 14.

5 commanded our fathers. Cp. Ex. 10. 2; 12. 26, 27;
13. 8-10, 14, 15. Deut. 4. 9; 6. 7, 20, &c.

7 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

GOD. Heb. *El*. Ap. 4. IV.

8 rebellious. Cp. Deut. 9. 24; 31. 27.

spirit. Heb. *rûach*. Ap. 9.

with. Some codices, with six early printed editions,
read "toward".

9 Ephraim. The mention of Ephraim is not "per-
plexing". See explanation in next verse, and in the
events of Judges 12. 1-6; 17, and 18: viz. the intro-
duction of idolatry. It is sin which is spoken of. See
v. 57, "deceitful bow". Cp. Hos. 7. 16; 10. 6-8.

carrying bows: i.e. though equipped as bowmen,
yet were faithless. This is transferred to the moral
application.

10 kept not. See note on v. 9.

(p. 796)

- G 12 Marvellous things did He in the sight of
their fathers,
In the land of Egypt, in the field of ° Zoan.
- H 13 He ° divided the sea, and caused them to
pass through;
And He made the waters to stand ° as an
heap.
- 14 In the daytime also He ° led them with a
cloud,
And all the night with a light of fire.
- 15 He ° clave the ° rocks in the wilderness,
And gave them ° drink as out of the great
depths.
- 16 He brought streams also out of the rock,
And caused waters to run down like
rivers.
- J 17 And they ° sinned yet more against Him
By provoking ° the MOST HIGH in the
wilderness.
- 18 And they tempted ° GOD in their heart
By asking meat for their ° lust.
- 19 Yea, they ° spake against ° God;
They said, "Can ° GOD furnish a table in
the wilderness?"
- 20 Behold, He smote the rock, that the waters
gushed out,
And the streams overflowed;
Can He give bread also?
Can He provide flesh for His people?"
- K 21 Therefore ° the LORD heard this, and was
wroth:
So a fire was kindled against Jacob,
And anger also came up against Israel;
- C P 22 Because they believed not in ° God,
And ° trusted not in His salvation:
- m¹ 23 Though He had commanded the ° clouds
from above,
And ° opened the doors of heaven,
24 And had rained down ° manna upon them
to eat,
And had given them of the corn ° of heaven.
- 25 ° Man did eat ° angels' food:
He sent them meat to the full.
- 26 He caused an east wind to blow in the
heaven:
And by His power He brought in the south
wind.
- 27 He ° rained flesh also upon them as dust,
And feathered fowls like ° as the sand of
the sea:
- 28 And He let it fall in the midst of their
camp,
Round about their habitations.
- l² 29 So they did eat, and were well filled:
For He gave them their own desire;
30 They were ° not estranged from ° their lust.
- m² But while their meat was yet in their
mouths,
- 31 ° The wrath of ° God came upon them,
And slew the fattest of them,
And smote down the chosen men of Is-
rael.
- l³ 32 ° For all this they ° sinned still,
And believed not for His ° wondrous
works.

78 (B², p. 789). OUTSIDE THE SANCTUARY. (Introversion and Extended Alternation.)

- B² A | 1-7. MOSAIC Institution. Giving of the Law.
B | D | 8. Provocation. General.
E | 9. Turning back.
F | 10, 11. Forgetfulness.
G | 12. Wonders in Egypt and Zoan.
H | 13-16. "Led" with mercies in
wilderness.
J | 17-20. Provocation in wil-
derness.
K | 21. Wrath in wilderness.
C | 22-33. Unbelief in spite
of wrath.
C | 34-39. Insincerity in
spite of mercies.
B D | 40. Provocation. General.
E | 41. Turning back.
F | 42. Forgetfulness.
G | 43-51. Wonders in Egypt and Zoan.
H | 52-55. "Led forth" from Egypt
to wilderness.
J | 56-58. Provocation in the
land.
K | 59-64. Wrath in the land.
A | 65-72. DAVIDIC Institution. Giving of Temple
and monarchy.

1-7 (A, above). MOSAIC INSTITUTION. (Extended Alternation.)

- A | N | r | 1, 2. The Law.
s | 3. Taught us by our fathers.
t | 4. To be taught by us.
N | r | 5-. The Law.
s | -5. Taught us by our fathers.
t | 6, 7. To be taught by us.

12 Zoan. See note on Ex. 1. 10.

13 divided. Cp. Ex. 14. 21.

as an heap. Cp. Ex. 14. 22; 15. 8.

14 led them. Cp. Ex. 13. 21; 14. 24; and note the
correspondence of H with II, in the Structure above.

15 clave. Heb. *bāḥa'* (in Piel), implying repeated
cleaving.

rocks. Heb. *zūr*. Same word as in Ex. 17. The two
events brought together here.

drink as out of. Some codices, with seven early
printed editions, read "drink in the".

17 sinned. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

the MOST HIGH. Heb. *Elyōn*. Ap. 4. VI. Cp. v. 35,
and 77. 10.

18 lust = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

19 spake against. Cp. Num. 11. 4-6.

22-33 (C, above). UNBELIEF IN SPITE OF WRATH. (Repeated Alternation.)

- C | l¹ | 22. Israel. Sin. Unbelief.
m¹ | 23-28. Jehovah. Mercies.
l² | 29, 30-. Israel. Sin. Lust.
m² | -30, 31. Jehovah. Wrath.
l³ | 32. Israel. Sin. Unbelief.
m³ | 33. Jehovah. Wrath.

22 trusted not = confided not. Heb. *baṭaḥ*. Ap. 69. I.

23 clouds = skies.

opened the doors. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. Cp.
Gen. 7. 11.

24 manna. Bread; not "the drops of the tarfu or
tamarisk tree", as alleged. See John 6. 31, 49-51.

of heaven: i.e. from heaven; not from trees.

25 Man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

angels' food = bread of the mighty ones. Sept., Syr.,
Arab., Ethiopic, with Targums, render it "bread of
angels". The "of" may be Genitive of Agent. See

Ap. 17. 27 rained. As in v. 24.

as the sand. Fig. *Paræmia*. Ap. 6.

30 not estranged = not turned away from.

their lust. What they had longed for.

31 The wrath, &c. Cp. John 3. 36. Eph. 5. 6. Col. 3. 6.

32 For all this - In, or amid all this.

- ^m 33 Therefore their days did He consume ° in
(p. 796) vanity,
And their years in trouble.
- ^{C L n} 34 When He slew them, then they sought
(p. 797) Him:
And they returned and enquired early
after ° GOD.
- ^o 35 And they remembered that God was their
rock,
And ° THE HIGH ° GOD their ° redeemer.
- ^{M p} 36 Nevertheless they did flatter Him with
their mouth,
^q And they lied unto Him with their ° tongues.
- ^{M p} 37 For their heart was not right with Him,
^q Neither were they stedfast in His ° cove-
nant.
- ^{L n} 38 But ~~He~~, being full of compassion, forgave
their ° iniquity, and ° destroyed them
not:
Yea, many a time turned He His anger
away,
And did not stir up all His wrath.
- ^o 39 For ° He remembered that they were but
° flesh;
° A wind that passeth away, and cometh
not again.
- ^{B D} 40 ° How oft did they provoke Him in the
(p. 796) wilderness,
And grieve Him in the desert!
- ^E 41 Yea, they ° turned back and tempted ° GOD,
And ° limited ° the Holy One of Israel.
- ^F 42 ° They remembered not His hand,
Nor the day when He ° delivered them from
the enemy.
- ^G 43 How He had wrought His ° signs in Egypt,
And His wonders in the field of ° Zoan:
44 And had ° turned their rivers into blood;
And their floods, that they could not drink.
45 He sent divers sorts of ° flies among them,
which devoured them;
And ° frogs, which ° destroyed them.
46 He gave also their increase unto the ° cater-
pillar,
And their ° labour unto the locust.
47 He ° destroyed their vines with ° hail,
And their sycomore trees with ° frost.
48 He gave up their cattle also to the ° hail,
And their flocks to ° hot thunderbolts.
49 He cast upon them the fierceness of His
anger,
Wrath, and indignation, and trouble,
By ° sending ° evil angels among them.
- 50 He ° made a way to His anger;
He spared not their ° soul from death,
But gave their life over to the pestilence;
51 And smote all the firstborn in Egypt;
The chief of their ° strength in the ° taber-
nacles of ° Ham:
- ^H 52 But made His own People to go forth like
sheep,
And guided them in the ° wilderness like a
flock.
53 And He ° led them on safely so that they
feared not:

33 in vanity = in a breath i. e. the whole generation
of men quickly died out. Cp. Num. 14. 29, 35; 26. 64, 65.

78. 34-39 (C, p. 796). INSINCERITY IN SPITE OF
MERCIES. (*Introversion and Alternations.*)

C | L | n | 34. Repentance of Israel.
o | 35. Remembrance of Israel.
M | p | 36-. Mouth. } Positive.
q | -36. Lied. }
M | p | 37-. Heart. } Negative.
q | -37. Unsteadfast. }

L | n | 38. Repentance of Jehovah.
o | 39. Remembrance of Jehovah.

35 THE HIGH GOD. Heb. 'El 'Elyōn = EL MOST HIGH.
redeemer. Heb. ga'al. See note on Ex. 6. 6; 13. 13.
36 tongues. Heb. = tongue (sing.).

37 covenant. If that of Ex. 34. 5-10, then note the
reference to it in v. 38, below.

38 iniquity. Heb. 'āvāh. Ap. 44. iv.
destroyed = laid waste.

39 He remembered. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.
Cp. "They forgot", v. 11.

flesh. Cp. Gen. 6. 3; 8. 21. Ps. 103. 14-16.

A wind. Heb. rūāḥ. Ap. 9.

40 How oft. Ten times at least in the first two
years (Num. 14. 22).

41 turned back: i. e. again and again.
limited. Heb. tāvāh, to set a mark (Ezek. 9. 4), the only
other occurrence of the *Hiphil*; hence, to set a limit.
the Holy One of Israel. This title occurs only
three times in the Psalms: here (78. 41); in the last
Davidic Psalm of the second book (71. 22); and in the
last Psalm of this third book (89. 18).

42 They remembered not. Contrast v. 39, "He
remembered".
delivered. Heb. pādāh, as in Ex. 13. 13.

43 signs in Egypt. The Psalm, vv. 44-51, does not
profess to give a list of the "ten plagues"; so that there
is no ground for the assumption as to only a "Jehovist"
document being known to the writer. He selects ac-
cording to his special purpose. He names the first and
the last, and omits the third (lice), fifth (murrain), sixth
(boils), and the ninth (darkness).

44 turned their rivers. The first plague (Ex. 7. 17,
&c.).

45 flies. The fourth plague (Ex. 8. 21).

frogs. The second plague (Ex. 8. 5, 6).

46 caterpillar = corn locust. A more specific word
than Ex. 10. 1-20. It occurs in Joel 1. 4; 2. 25.

labour. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for
the fruit of labour.

47 destroyed = killed.

hail. The seventh plague (Ex. 9. 18).

frost. Word occurs nowhere else. Prob. = hailstones.

48 hot thunderbolts: or lightnings (Ex. 9. 23).

49 sending = letting loose.

evil angels. In distinction from "demons". Cp.

1 Tim. 4. 1, where both are mentioned. Cp. Ex. 12. 23.

2 Sam. 24. 16.

50 made = pondered, or weighed. Cp. Prov. 4. 26; 5.

6, 21. Contrast Isa. 26. 7. soul, Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

51 strength = strengths (pl.). Manly vigour. Put by
Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the firstborn.

Cp. Gen. 49. 3. Deut. 21. 17. Ps. 105. 36.

tabernacles = tents. Heb. 'ohel. Ap. 40 (8).

Ham = Egypt. Cp. 105. 23, 27; 106. 22.

52 wilderness. Cp. Isa. 63. 11-14.

53 led = gently led. See the Structure (H and H), and
cp. vv. 13-16. overwhelmed. Cp. Ex. 14. 27; 15. 10.

54 His sanctuary: i. e. Zion. See Ap. 68.
this mountain: viz. the one in the writer's view;
not in "the memory of an exile in Babylon".

But the sea ° overwhelmed their enemies.
54 And He brought them to the border of
° His sanctuary,
Even to ° this mountain, which His right
hand had purchased.

55 He cast out the °heathen also before them,
And divided them an inheritance °by line,
And made the tribes of Israel to dwell in
their tents.

56 Yet they tempted and provoked °the MOST
HIGH °God,

And kept not His testimonies:

57 But °turned back, and dealt unfaithfully
like their fathers:

They were turned aside like °a deceitful
bow.

58 For they provoked Him to anger with their
high places,

And moved Him to jealousy with their
°graven images.

59 °When °God °heard *this*, He was wroth,
And greatly abhorred Israel:

60 So that He forsook the °tabernacle of
°Shiloh,

The tent *which* He placed among °men;

61 And delivered His °strength into captivity,
And His °glory into the enemy's hand.

62 He gave His People over also °unto the
sword;

And was wroth with His inheritance.

63 The fire consumed their young men;
And their maidens °were not given to
marriage.

64 Their °priests fell by the sword;
And their widows made no lamentation.

65 Then °the LORD* awaked °as one out of
sleep,

And like a mighty man that shouteth by
reason of wine.

66 And He smote His enemies in °the hinder
parts:

He put them to a perpetual reproach.

67 Moreover He refused the °tabernacle of
Joseph,

And °chose not the tribe of Ephraim:

68 But chose the tribe of Judah,
The mount Zion °which He loved.

69 And He built His °sanctuary like high
palaces,

°Like the earth which He hath established
for ever.

70 He °chose David also His servant,
And took him from the sheepfolds:

71 From following the ewes great with young
He brought him

°To feed Jacob °His people, and °Israel
His inheritance.

72 So he fed them according to the integrity
of his heart;

And guided them by the °skilfulness of his
hands.

79

° A Psalm ° of Asaph.

1 O °God, the °heathen are come into Thine
inheritance;

Thy °holy °temple have they defiled;
They have laid Jerusalem °on heaps.

2 The dead bodies of Thy servants have
they given to be meat unto the fowls
of the heaven,

The flesh of Thy °saints unto the beasts
of the earth.

55 heathen = nations.

by line. Sometimes this is put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of
Cause), Ap. 6, for the inheritance itself which was
measured off by it. Cp. Ps. 19. 4.

56 the MOST HIGH. Heb. 'eth 'Ēlōhīm 'Elyōn.
Ap. 4.

57 turned back. See the Structure (J and J).
a deceitful bow: disappointing the bowman. Cp.
Hos. 7. 16.

graven images. Same word as Deut. 7. 5. Includes
all images, whether carved, graven, or molten.

59 When God heard this, He. There is no
"When" in the Heb. Render: "God heard this, and
He was wroth"

heard. Fig. *Anthrōpopatheia*. Ap. 6.

60 tabernacle = habitation. Heb. *mishkān*. Ap.
40 (2).

Shiloh. Cp. Judg. 18. 1, 31. 1 Sam. 4. 3.

men. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. 1.

61 strength. One of the names for the Ark of the
Covenant (cp. 63. 2; 132. 8). See notes on Ex. 25. 22.
1 Chron. 13. 3.

glory. Another name for the Ark (1 Sam. 4. 22).

62 unto the sword. Cp. 1 Sam. 4. 10.

63 were not given to marriage = were not praised:
i. e. had no marriage song.

64 priests. Cp. 1 Sam. 4. 11.

65 the LORD*. One of the 134 places where the
Sopherim changed "Jehovah" to "Adonai". See Ap. 32.
as one out of sleep. Supply *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) = "as
one [awaketh] out of sleep".

66 the hinder parts = rear, or backward.

67 chose not. Ephraim did not lose inheritance,
but lost precedence, which was transferred to Judah.

68 which He loved. The proof of which was the
removal of the Ark to Zion.

69 Like the earth. Some codices, with two early
printed editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read 1 (*Beth* = in)
instead of 2 (*Kaph* = like) = "In the land".

70 chose David. Cp. 1 Sam. 16. 11, 12. This is the
climax of the Psalm.

71 To feed = To shepherd.

To feed Jacob. Cp. 2 Sam. 7. 7, 8.

His people. Some codices, with Sept. and Vulg.,
read "His servant".

Israel. Note the two names: Jacob, the natural
seed; Israel, the spiritual seed. See notes on Gen. 32.
28; 43. 6; 45. 26, 28.

72 skilfulness = discernment, or understanding.

79 (C, p. 789). THE ENEMY IN THE SANCTUARY
(cp. Ps. 74). (*Introversion and Extended Alternation*.)

C | N | 1-3. Complaint.

O | 4. Our neighbours. Reproach.

P | r | 5. Question.

s | 6, 7. Prayer against nations.

t | 8, 9. Prayer for selves.

P | r | 10-. Question.

s | -10. Prayer against nations.

t | 11. Prayer for selves.

O | 12. Our neighbours. Reproach.

N | 13. Praise.

Title. A Psalm. Heb. *mizmōr*. See Ap. 65. XVII.
of Asaph. The eighth of the twelve Asaph Psalms.
Cp. Ps. 74, the second of the third book. See Ap. 10.
The Psalm is said to have "hardly any regular stro-
phical divisions". But see the Structure above.

1 God. Heb. Elohīm. Ap. 4. 1.

heathen = nations.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

temple. See 1 Kings 14. 25, 26. 2 Chron. 12. 2-10.
Pillaged, but not destroyed.

on heaps = in ruins. Cp. the prophecy in Mic. 3. 12.

2 saints = men of Thy lovingkindness, or gracious
ones, or beloved.

3 Their blood have they °shed like water
round about Jerusalem;
And there was none to bury them.

O
(p. 798)

4 We are become a reproach to our neigh-
bours,
A scorn and derision to them that are
round about us.

P r

5 °How long, °LORD? wilt Thou be angry
for ever?
Shall Thy jealousy burn like fire?

s

6 °Pour out Thy wrath upon the °heathen
that have °not known Thee,
And upon the kingdoms that have not
called upon Thy name.

7 For °they have devoured °Jacob,
And laid waste his °dwelling place.

t

8 O remember not against us former °ini-
quities:
Let Thy tender mercies speedily °pre-
vent us:

For we are brought very low.

9 Help us, O °God of our salvation, for the
glory of Thy name:

And deliver us, and °purge away our °sins,
for °Thy name's sake.

P r

10 °Wherefore should the °heathen say,
"Where is their °God?"

s

Let Him be known among the °heathen in
our sight

°By the revenging of the blood of Thy
servants which is shed.

t

11 Let the sighing of the prisoner come before
Thee;

According to the greatness of °Thy power
°preserve Thou °those that are ap-
pointed to die;

O

12 And render unto our neighbours sevenfold
into their bosom

Their reproach, wherewith they have re-
proached Thee, O °LORD*.

N

13 So we Thy people and sheep of Thy pas-
ture

Will give Thee thanks for ever:

We will shew forth Thy praise to all
generations.

°To the chief Musician °upon Shoshannim-Eduth.

80

°A Psalm °of Asaph.

D¹ Q¹
(p. 799)

1 Give ear, O °Shepherd of Israel,
Thou That ledest °Joseph like a flock;
Thou That dwellest °between the cheru-
bims, shine forth.

2 °Before °Ephraim and Benjamin and Ma-
nasseh stir up Thy strength,
And come and save us.

3 °Turn us again, O °God,
And cause Thy face to shine; and we
shall be saved.

R¹

4 °O LORD God of hosts,
°How long wilt Thou be angry against
the prayer of Thy people?

4 O LORD God of hosts. Heb. Jehovah Elohim Zebaioth. See note on 1 Sam. 1. 3. Not common in the Psalms, but occurring in 59. 5 and 84. 8. How long . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

3 shed=poured out. Cp. same word in v. 6.

5 How long . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Cp. P. r. (v. 5) with P. r. (v. 10). LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

6 Pour out. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. See note on "shed", v. 3. not known Thee. Cp. Jer. 10. 25.

7 they have. So some codices, with Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg. Cp. Jer. 10. 25. But other codices read "he hath": i. e. the enemy.

Jacob. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for the riches of his descendants.

dwelling place=pasture.

8 iniquities. Heb. 'āvāh. Ap. 44. iv.

prevent us=come to meet us. Eng. usage changed. Original sense obsolete.

9 purge away=cover, or atone for. Heb. *kāphar*. See note on Ex. 29. 33. sins. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

Thy name's sake=Thine own sake. See 20. 1.

10 Wherefore . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Cp. v. 5. By. Supply Ellipsis from the preceding line: "[Let] the avenging . . . [be known]", &c.

11 Thy power. Heb. Thine arm. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6, for the power contained in and put forth by it. By Fig. *Anthropopatheia* (Ap. 6), an "arm" attributed to God. preserve=reserve.

those that are appointed to die=sons of death. Genitive of Relation. Cp. Rom. 8. 36.

12 LORD*. One of the 134 places where "Jehovah" was changed to "Adonai" by the *Sopherim*. See Ap. 32.

13 To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64. upon Shoshannim-Eduth. The testimony relating to the Feast of the second Passover (Num. 9. 5-14. Cp. 2 Chron. 29. 25-35; 80. 23). The other of the two Psalms thus called is Ps. 59. See Ap. 65. XXII.

80 (D¹, p. 789). GOD IN THE SANCTUARY (cp. Ps. 75). (Repeated Alternation.)

D¹ | Q¹ | 1-3. Prayer. Turn us. Shine.
R¹ | 4-6. Representation. The People.
Q² | 7. Prayer. Turn us. Shine.
R² | 8-13. Representation. The Vine.
Q³ | 14, 16. Prayer. Turn Thou.
R³ | 16. Representation. Vine and People.
Q⁴ | 17-19. Prayer. Turn us. Shine.

Title. A Psalm. Heb. *mizmōr*. See Ap. 65. XVII. of Asaph. The ninth of the twelve Asaph Psalms. See Ap. 63. VIII.

1 Shepherd of Israel. It is in the blessing of Joseph (Gen. 48. 15 and 49. 24) that God is spoken of as the Shepherd. And this is why Joseph is here mentioned. Joseph is put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6, for all Israel. The kingdom was not yet divided. The Psalms are not arranged chronologically according to date, but logically according to subject, as required by the Structures of the various books (see p. 720, &c.). The subject of Ps. 80 corresponds with Ps. 79, and does not follow Ps. 79 chronologically.

between. Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), "dwellest [enthroned above] the cherubim".

2 Before. A special various reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 34) reads "For the sons of".

Ephraim and Benjamin and Manasseh. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), calling our attention to these three. They were descended from Rachel, and marched together in the rear (Num. 2. 18-22). As Judah, Issachar, and Zebulun marched in the van, the Ark (the symbol of God's presence) led them as a Shepherd (78. 13-16, 52-55. John 10. 4, 5).

3 Turn us again. Fig. *Cycloides* (Ap. 6) governing the Structure. Cp. vv. 7, 19. Not from captivity, but from idolatry to the true worship.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. Note the significant order: v. 3, "O God"; v. 7, "O God of hosts"; v. 19, "O Jehovah, God of hosts". This Divine order rebukes our own loose use of the Divine titles; and shows us the importance of noting their Divine use, not heeding modern hypotheses.

5 Thou feedest them with the bread of tears;
And givest them tears to drink in great measure.

6 Thou makest us a strife unto our neighbours:
And our enemies °laugh among themselves.

7 ³ Turn us again, O ⁴ God of hosts,
And cause Thy face °to shine; and we shall be saved.

8 Thou hast brought °a vine out of Egypt:
Thou hast cast out the °heathen, and planted it.

9 Thou preparedst room before it,
And didst cause it to take deep root, and it filled the land.

10 The hills were covered with the shadow of it,
And the boughs thereof were like °the goodly cedars.

11 She sent out her boughs unto °the sea,
And her °branches unto °the river.

12 °Why hast Thou then broken down her hedges,
So that all they which pass by the way do pluck her?

13 The boar out of °the wood doth waste it,
And the wild beast of the field doth devour it.

14 °Return, we beseech Thee, O ⁴ God of hosts:
Look down from heaven, °and behold, and visit this vine;

15 °And the vineyard which Thy right hand hath planted,
And the °branch that Thou madest strong for Thyself.

16 It is burned with fire, it is cut down:
They perish at the rebuke of Thy countenance.

17 Let Thy hand be °upon the °man of Thy ¹⁵ right hand,
°Upon the °son of man whom Thou madest strong for Thyself.

18 So will not we go back from Thee:
°Quicken us, and we will call upon Thy name.

19 ³ Turn us again, °O ⁴ LORD God of hosts,
Cause Thy face to shine; and we shall be saved.

°To the chief Musician °upon Gittith.

81

A Psalm °of Asaph.

1 Sing aloud unto °God our strength:
Make a joyful noise unto the °God of Jacob.

2 °Take a psalm, and bring hither the °timbrel,

The pleasant harp with the °psaltery.

3 Blow up the °trumpet in the new moon,
In the time appointed, on our solemn feast °day.

4 For this was a statute for Israel,
And a law of the ¹ God of Jacob.

5 °This He ordained in Joseph for a testimony,
When °He went °out °through the land of Egypt:

6 laugh among themselves. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "have mocked at us".
7 to shine. Cp. Num. 6. 25.

8 a vine. Cp. Isa. 5. 1-7; 27. 2-6. Jer. 2. 21; 12. 10. Verse 11 connects Joseph and Gen. 49. 22.

heathen = nations.

10 the goodly cedars = mighty cedars. Heb. "cedars of El". Ap. 4. IV.

11 the sea: i.e. the Mediterranean.

branches = roots, or suckers.

the river: i.e. the Euphrates.

12 Why . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

13 the wood = forest. The Heb. word for forest here (*mīyyā'ar*), has the letter *Ayin* (y) suspended (see note on Judg. 18. 30). This is the second of four such suspended letters (the other two being Job 38. 13, 15). Read with this letter, the word means "forest"; without it, and with an *Aleph* (n) instead, it is *mīyy'ar*, "river". The ancient Jewish interpreters took this suspended letter as denoting that, when innocent, Israel would be assailed only by a power weak as a river animal; but, when guilty, it would be destroyed by a power as strong as a land animal. Until the Roman power arose (whose military ensign was the "boar"), it was understood as "river" (meaning Egypt); but afterward the Sept., Chald., and Vulg. read "forest".

14 Return. Cp. vv. 3, 7, 19, and see the Structure above. and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) for emphasis. Almost an Ellipsis = "[once more] look down, [once more] behold, [once more] visit".

15 And the. Supply the *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), "And [protect] the".

branch = son. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "son of man", as in v. 17.

17 upon: or over. man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II. son of man = son of Adam. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I. See note on Ezek. 2. 1.

18 Quicken = make alive, restore, revive.

19 O LORD, &c. See note on vv. 3 and 7.

To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.

upon Gittith = relating to the (Art.) wine-press, or the autumn Festival of Tabernacles; or to the vine and the vineyard, which are the subjects of the Psalm. See Ap. 65. IV.

81 (D², p. 789). GOD IN THE SANCTUARY.
(Division.)

D² | S¹ | 1-10. Israel. God's call to praise and hearken.
S² | 11-16. Israel. Refusal and consequence.

Title. of Asaph. The tenth of the twelve Asaph Psalms. Ap. 63. VIII. Relating to the worship of the Sanctuary.

1-10 (S¹, above). ISRAEL. GOD'S CALL TO PRAISE AND HEARKEN. (Extended Alternation.)

S¹ | T | 1-3. Call to praise. (Positive.)
U | 4-6. Deliverance from Egypt. Reason.
V | u | 7-. Israel. Prayer.
v | -7. God's answer.
T | 8, 9. Call to hear. (Negative.)
U | 10-. Deliverance from Egypt. Reason.
V | u | -10-. Israel. Command.
v | -10. God's promise.

1 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. Jacob. See 75. 9.

2 Take a psalm = Raise a song.

timbrel. Heb. *toph*. See note on Ex. 15. 20.

psaltery = lute.

3 trumpet. Heb. *shophar*. See note on Num. 10. 2. day. Some codices, with two early printed editions, Aram., and Syr., read "days" (pl.): i.e. festivals.

5 This. No Heb. for "This".

He: i.e. God. out = forth.

through = before: i.e. in the sight of. Cp. Num. 38. 3. I = I [Israel].

Where °I heard a language that I understood not.

V u
(p. 800)
v

6 °I removed his shoulder from the burden :
His hands were delivered from the ° pots.

7 Thou calledst in trouble,
And I delivered thee ;
I answered thee °in the secret place of
thunder :
I °proved thee at the waters of Meribah.
°Selah.

T

8 Hear, O My People, and I will testify unto
thee :
O Israel, if thou wilt hearken unto Me ;
9 There shall no ° strange ° god be in thee ;
Neither shalt thou worship any ° strange
° god.

U

V u

10 ¶ am ° the LORD thy God,
Which brought thee out of the land of
Egypt :

v

Open thy mouth wide, and I will fill it.

S² W
(p. 801)

11 But My People would not hearken to My
voice ;
And Israel ° would none of Me.

X

12 So I ° gave them up unto their own hearts' °
lust :
And they walked in their own counsels.

W

13 ° Oh that My People had hearkened unto
Me,
And Israel had ° walked in My ways !

X

14 I should ° soon have subdued their enemies,
And turned My hand against their adver-
saries.

15 The ° haters of ° the LORD should have
submitted themselves unto Him :
But their time should have endured for
ever.

16 He should have fed ¹² them also with the
finest of the wheat :
And with honey out of the rock ° should I
have satisfied thee.

82

° A Psalm ° of Asaph.

D² Y
(p. 801)

1 ° God ° standeth in ° the congregation of
the mighty ;
He judgeth among the ° gods.

Z

2 How long will ye judge unjustly,
And ° accept the persons of the ° wicked ?
° Selah.

3 ° Defend ° the poor and fatherless :
Do justice to the afflicted and needy.

4 Deliver ³ the poor and needy :
Rid *them* out of the hand of the ² wicked.

A

5 ° They know not, neither ° will they under-
stand ;

A

They walk ° on in darkness :
All the foundations of the earth are out of
course.

Z

6 ° ¶ have said, " *We are* ¹ gods ;
And all of you *are* ° children of ° the MOST
HIGH.

7 But ye shall die like ° men,
And fall like one of the ° princes."

Y

8 Arise, O ¹ God, ° judge the earth :
For *Thou* shalt inherit all ° nations.

6 I = I [God].

pots = baskets. Depicted in Egyptian paintings as
being used in brickmaking. Not same word as 68. 13,
though the same things referred to. Cp. 2 Kings 10. 7.
7 in, or from.

proved. Cp. Ex. 17. 6. Num. 20. 1-13.

Selah. Connecting the merciful deliverance with the
reason why Israel should hearken. See Ap. 66. II.

9 strange = foreign, or foreigner's.

strange god = god of the foreigner. Not the same
as above. For the former, see 44. 20. Isa. 43. 12 ; for
the latter, Deut. 32. 12.

god. Heb. 'el. Ap. 4. IV.

10 the LORD thy God. Heb. Jehovah thy Elohim.
Ap. 4. II. 1. The title of the Lawgiver.

81. 11-16 (S², p. 800). ISRAEL. REFUSAL, AND
CONSEQUENCES. (*Alternation.*)

S² | W | 11. Refusal to hear.
X | 12. Consequence. The worst possible.
W | 13. If they had heard.
X | 14-16. Consequence. The most blessed.

11 would none of Me = had no mind for Me.

12 gave them up = let him (Israel) go on. The
greatest judgment God could have given them ; or
give us. lust = stubbornness.

13 Oh . . . ! Fig. *Æonismos*. Ap. 6.
walked. Plural.

14 soon. See note on "almost", Prov. 5. 14.

15 haters of the LORD : i. e. Israel's enemies.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

16 should I have satisfied thee. Some codices
read "would I satisfy him". Sept., Syr., and Vulg.,
read "would He satisfy him".

82 (D³, p. 789). GOD IN THE SANCTUARY.
(*Introversion.*)

D³ | Y | 1. God, the righteous Judge.
Z | 2-4. Earthly judges indicted.
A | 5-. Their wrong judgment. (Negative.)
A | -5. Their wrong judgment. (Positive.)
Z | 6, 7. Earthly judges condemned.
Y | 8. God, the righteous Judge.

Title. A Psalm. Heb. *mizmôr*. Ap. 65. XVII.
of Asaph. The eleventh of the twelve Asaph Psalms.

1 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

standeth : i. e. officially.

the congregation of the mighty = GOD'S (Heb. El.
Ap. 4. IV) assembly (in its civil aspect).

gods. Elohim : used of earthly judges as repre-
senting Him. Cp. Ex. 21. 6 ; 22. 8, 9, 28 (quoted in Acts
23. 5). Hence, Moses is so spoken of (Ex. 7. 1). (It is
used also of idols as representing even a false god.) See
John 10. 34, 35.

2 accept the persons. Cp. Lev. 19. 15. Prov. 18. 5.
2 Chron. 19. 7.

wicked = lawless. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

Selah. Connecting the indictment with the command
to judge righteously. See Ap. 66. II.

3 Defend = Vindicate. Cp. vv. 1, 2.

the poor = oppressed. Heb. *'ebyôn* = a helpless or
expectant one. See note on Prov. 6. 11.

5 They = The oppressed.

will = can.

on = to and fro.

6 ¶ have said. Cp. Ex. 22. 9, 28. John 10. 34, 35.

children = sons. Cp. Luke 6. 35.

the MOST HIGH. Heb. *Elyôn*. Ap. 4. VI.

7 men. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

princes. Cp. Num. 16. 2, 35.

8 judge = judge Thou.

nations = the nations.

83

° A Song or ° Psalm ° of Asaph.

E B
(p. 802)

1 ° Keep not Thou silence, O ° God:
° Hold not Thy peace, and be not still, O
° GOD.

C y¹

2 For, lo, Thine enemies ° make a tumult:
And they that hate Thee have ° lifted up
the head.

3 They have taken crafty counsel against
Thy People,
And consulted against Thy hidden ones.

z¹

4 They have said, "Come, and let us cut
them off ° from being a nation;
That the name of Israel may be no more
in remembrance."

y²

5 For they have consulted together with
one consent:

They ° are confederate ° against Thee:

6 The ° tabernacles of ° Edom, and the Ish-
maelites;

Of Moab, and the Hagarenes;

7 Gebal, and Ammon, and Amalek;

The Philistines with the inhabitants of
Tyre;

8 Assur also is joined with them:

They have holpen the ° children of Lot.
° Selah.

C y³

9 Do unto them as unto the ° Midianites;
As to ° Sisera, as to ° Jabin, at the brook
of Kison:

10 Which perished at En-dor:

They became as dung for the ° earth.

11 Make their nobles like ° Oreb, and like
° Zeeb:

Yea, all their princes as ° Zebah, and as
° Zalmunna:

z²

12 Who said, "Let us take to ourselves
The ° houses of ° God in ° possession."

y⁴

13 O my ° God, make them like a ° wheel;
As the ° stubble before the ° wind.

14 As the fire burneth a wood,
And as the flame setteth the mountains
on fire;

15 So ° persecute them with Thy tempest,
And make them afraid with Thy storm.

B

16 Fill ° their faces with shame;
That ° they may seek Thy name, O ° LORD.

17 Let ° them be confounded and troubled for
ever;

Yea, let ° them be put to shame, and perish:

18 That ° men may know that Thou, Whose
name alone is ° JEHOVAH,
Art the ° MOST HIGH over all the earth.

° To the chief Musician ° upon Gittith.

84

° A Psalm ° for the sons of Korah.

F¹ F^a
(p. 803)

1 ° How ° amiable are Thy ° tabernacles,
O ° LORD of hosts!

To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.

upon Gittith=relating to Gittith, a winepress—referring
to the autumn Feast of Tabernacles. One of three winepress Psalms. See Ap. 65. IV. Cp. Pss. 7 and 80.

84 [For Structures see next page].

Title. A Psalm. Heb. *mizmōr*. See Ap. 65. XVII. for the sons of Korah=of, &c. The seventh of
nine so ascribed. See note on Ps. 42, and Ap. 63. VIII. 1 How...! Fig. *Ecphōnēsis*. Ap. 6.

amiable=beloved. tabernacles=habitations. Heb. *mishkan* (Ap. 40. 2). Perhaps referring to the
Mosaic (at Gibeon), and the Davidic (on Zion). LORD of hosts. Heb. *Jehovah Sabaoth*. Ap. 4. II.

See note on 1 Sam. 1. 3.

83 (E, p. 789). DESTRUCTION OF THE ENEMIES
OF THE SANCTUARY. (*Introversions*.)

E

B | 1. Appeal against enemies.

C | y¹ | 2, 3. Their combination. "For".

z¹ | 4. Their words.

y² | 5-8. Their combination. "For".

C | y³ | 9-11. Enemies. Their punishment.

z² | 12. Their words.

y⁴ | 13-15. Enemies. Their punishment.

B | 16-18. Appeal against enemies.

Title. A Song. Heb. *shīr*. Ap. 65. XXIII.

Psalm. Heb. *mizmōr*. Ap. 65. XVII.

of Asaph. The last of the twelve Asaph Psalms.
Probably Jahaziel's: cp. 2 Chron. 20. 14, 19-21, the
Psalm being written on that occasion (about 804 B. C.),
and 2 Chron. 20. 22-36 being the answer to this prayer. Cp.
v. 12 with 2 Chron. 20. 11; and vv. 17, 18 with 2 Chron. 20. 29.

1 Keep not... Hold not. Fig. *Tapeinōsis*. Ap. 6.
God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

GOD. Heb. *El*. Ap. 4. IV.

2 make a tumult—roar like the waves of the sea, as
in 46. 3.

lifted up the head. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Ad-
junct), Ap. 6, for acting presumptuously. Cp. 3. 3; 27. 6.
Judg. 8. 28.

4 from being a nation—that they be no more a
nation. Cp. Jer. 48. 2. Isa. 7. 8.

5 are confederate=have solemnised a covenant.
against Thee. Not only against Thy People (v. 3).

6 tabernacles=tents. Heb. *'ohel*. See Ap. 40 (3).

Edom. Note the tenfold confederation of enemies in
vv. 6-9, followed by the sevenfold destruction in vv. 10-12;
the two making the number 17, the sum of the two
numbers (10 ordinal perfection or completeness, and 7
spiritual perfection): 17 being the seventh prime
number. Thus the three numbers correspond with the
conspiracy of man, and judgment of God. See Ap. 10.
8 children=sons.

Selah. Connecting these two things together, the
former being that which calls forth the prayer: and
connecting the *past* confederacy with the future one of
the "ten kingdoms" and the same Divine destruction.

9 Midianites. Cp. Judg. 7. 22. [Ap. 66. II.

Sisera. Cp. Judg. 4. 15. Jabin. Cp. Judg. 4. 23.

10 earth=ground, or soil. Heb. *'ādāmāh*. See note
on Isa. 25. 10. 11 Oreb. Cp. Judg. 7. 25.

Zeeb. Cp. Judg. 7. 25. Zebah. Cp. Judg. 8. 5, 21.

Zalmunna. Cp. Judg. 8. 5, 21.

12 houses=pleasant pastures. Heb. *n'ōth* (pl.). Same
word as in 23. 2; 65. 12.

possession=inheritance. Cp. 2 Chron. 20. 11.

13 wheel. Heb. *galgāl*, a rolling thing. Probably
the wild artichoke, which throws out branches of
equal length, and, when ripe and dry, breaks off at the
root, and is carried by the wind, rolling like a wheel
over the plains. Cp. Isa. 17. 13; where it is again used
with "chaff", and rendered "a rolling thing" (marg.
thistledown).

stubble=straw. Heb. *kash*=the dry haulm of grain,
which is carried about by the wind like the *galgāl*.

wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

15 persecute=pursue.

16 their: i. e. the enemies.

they: i. e. Israel, or Thy People.

LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

17 them: i. e. the enemies. 18 men: Israel.

JEHOVAH. One of three places where, in A. V.,
this name is transliterated and printed in large capital
letters (small in R. V.). See Ap. 48. Cp. Ex. 6. 3 and Isa. 26. 4.
MOST HIGH. Heb. *Elyōn*. Ap. 4. VI.

(p. 803)

2 ° My soul longeth, yea, even fainteth for the ° courts of ° the LORD:
My heart and my flesh crieth out for the living ° GOD.

3 ° (Yea, the ° sparrow hath found an house,
And the swallow a ° nest for herself, where she may lay her young,)

° *Even* Thine ° altars, O ° LORD of Hosts,
My King, and my ° God.

4 ° Blessed are they that dwell in Thy house:
They will be ° still praising Thee. ° Selah.

5 ° Blessed is the ° man whose strength is in Thee;

In whose heart ° are the ways of them.

6 Who passing through the valley ° of Baca
° make it ° a well;

The ° rain also filleth the pools.

7 They go from strength to strength,

° Every one of them ° in Zion appeareth before ° God.

8 O ° LORD ° God of Hosts, hear my prayer:
Give ear, O ° God of Jacob. ° Selah.

9 Behold, O ° God our ° shield,
And look upon the face of ° Thine Anointed.

10 For a day in Thy courts is better ° than a thousand.

I had rather ° be a doorkeeper in the house of my ° God,
Than to dwell in the ° tents of ° wickedness.

11 For the ° LORD ° God ° is a sun and ° shield:
The ° LORD will give ° grace and glory:
° No good thing will He withhold from them that walk uprightly.

12 O ° LORD of hosts,
° Blessed is the ° man that ° trusteth in Thee.

° To the chief Musician.

84-89 (A², p. 789). THE SANCTUARY IN ITS RELATION TO JEHOVAH.

84 (F¹, p. 789). THE BLESSEDNESS OF ITS WORSHIPPERS. (*Introversion and Alternation*.)

F¹ | D | F | 1-4. Blessedness of dwellers.
G | 5-7. Blessedness of approachers.
E | 8. Prayer.
E | 9. Prayer.
D | F | 10. Blessedness of dwellers. "For".
(Reason of F.)
G | 11, 12. Blessedness of approachers.
"For". (Reason of G.)

1-4 (F, above). BLESSEDNESS OF ITS DWELLERS. (*Introversion*.)

F | a | 1. "Thy tabernacles".
b | 2. Desire for the courts of Jehovah.
c | 3-. As the sparrow.
c | 3-. As the swallow.
b | 3-. Desire for the altars of Jehovah.
a | 4. "Thy house".

2 My soul longeth = I, even I myself, long. Heb. *nephesh* (Ap. 13), for emphasis.

courts. Corresponding with "altars" (v. 3). See the Structure.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

3 Yea, the sparrow, &c. These two lines are placed within a parenthesis. sparrow: or bird.

nest. Not in the altars. See note below.

Even Thine altars. Fig. *Ellipsis*. Ap. 6. Supply it by repeating the verb "found" from preceding clause = "[Even so have I found] Thine altars", &c. Nothing has "dropped out" from the text.

altars: i. e. the two altars; the brazen altar of burnt offering, and the golden altar of incense. Birds could not build their nests in these! These have no reference to the times of the Maccabees, but to Ex. 27. 1, and 30. 1. Cp. Num. 3. 31.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

4 Blessed. Cp. vv. 5, 12. See Ap. 63. VI. Fig. *Benedictio*. Ap. 6.

still praising. Cp. 1 Chron. 9. 33.

Selah. Connecting the dwellers in, and the approachers to, the House of Jehovah, with the common blessedness of all true worshippers. See Ap. 66. II.

5-7 (G, above). BLESSEDNESS OF APPROACHERS. (*Introversion*.)

G | d | 5-. Blessed is the man whose strength is in Thee. (Singular.)
e | 5-. [They] in whose heart are [Thy] ways. (Plural.)
f | 6-. Those passing through the valley of the weeping, make it a place of springs. { The Valley.
f | 6-. The early rain filleth its pools.
e | 7-. They go from strength to strength. (Plural.)
d | 7-. He (the "man" of v. 5, d) appeareth before God in Zion. (Singular.)

5 man: i. e. any one; not priest or Levite merely. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I. are the ways of them. Supply Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), "in whose heart are [Thy] highways" [leading thereunto]. **6** of Baca = of weeping. All the ancient versions so render it. Cp. Judg. 2. 1, 5. make it. Sept. reads "He maketh it".

a well = a place of springs. rain = the early rain. **7** Every one of them in Zion appeareth before God = he appeareth before God in Zion. Note the sing., "he appeareth": i. e. "the man" of v. 5. See the Structure of vv. 5-7 (G), above. in Zion. See Ap. 68. The valley of *Baca* thus becomes the valley of *Berachah* (or blessing), 2 Chron. 20. 26.

8 God of Jacob. Not Israel, but the God (Elohim, Ap. 4. I) Who met Jacob when he had nothing and deserved nothing (but wrath), and promised him everything: thus becoming "the God of all grace". Selah. Connecting the request for audience with the words of the prayer, and dividing the Psalm, structurally, into its two parts. **9** shield: i. e. God's provision in Messiah. He is our Shield (Gen. 15. 1). Faith's shield (Eph. 6. 16). This shield includes: (1) Favour (5. 12); (2) Salvation (18. 35); (3) Truth (91. 4). And "Favour" includes Life (30. 5); Mercy (Isa. 60. 10); Preservation (86. 2); Security (41. 11); Remembrance and Salvation (106. 4). Cp. 115. 9-11. Thine Anointed = Thy Messiah. Not on us.

10 than a thousand. Supply *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) by adding "[elsewhere]". be a doorkeeper = to stand at the threshold. tents = habitations. wickedness = lawlessness. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x. **11** is a sun. Fig. *Metaphor*. Ap. 6. The only occurrence, in the Psalms, of this metaphor. It is used of Messiah, Mal. 4. 2 (Heb. text, 3. 20). grace and glory. Not the former without the latter (Rom. 8. 29, 30). The former is the flower, the latter the fruit. No good thing, &c. Fig. *Tapeinōsis* (Ap. 6) = every good thing, beyond all mention, will He give. **12** trusteth = places his confidence. Heb. *bāṭah*. Ap. 69. I. To the chief Musician. Ap. 64.

85

° A Psalm ° for the sons of Korah.

F² H
(p. 804)

J g

h

J g

h

H

- 1 ° LORD, Thou hast been favourable unto
° Thy land:
Thou hast ° brought back the captivity of
° Jacob.
- 2 Thou hast forgiven the ° iniquity of Thy
People,
Thou hast ° covered all their ° sin. ° Selah.
- 3 Thou hast taken away all Thy wrath:
Thou hast turned *thyself* from the fierce-
ness of Thine anger.
- 4 ° Turn us, O ° God of our salvation,
And cause Thine anger toward us to cease.
- 5 Wilt Thou be angry with us for ever?
Wilt Thou draw out Thine anger to all
generations?
- 6 Wilt Thou not revive us again:
That Thy people may rejoice in Thee?
- 7 Shew us Thy ° mercy, O ° LORD,
And grant us Thy salvation.
- 8 I will hear what ° GOD ° the LORD will
speak:
For He will speak ° peace unto His Peo-
ple, and to His ° saints:
But let them ° not turn again to folly.
- 9 Surely His salvation *is* nigh them that
fear Him;
That ° glory may dwell in our ° land.
- 10 Mercy and truth are ° met together;
Righteousness and peace have ° kissed
each other.
- 11 Truth shall spring out of the ° earth;
And righteousness shall look down from
heaven.
- 12 Yea, ° the LORD shall give *that which is*
good;
And ° our land shall yield her increase.
- 13 Righteousness shall go before Him;
And shall set *us* in the way of His steps.

86

° A Prayer ° of David.

G¹ K
(p. 804)

L i

k

M

- 1 Bow down Thine ear, O ° LORD, ° hear me:
For *3 am* ° poor and needy.
- 2 Preserve my ° soul; for *3 am* ° holy:
O Thou my ° God, save Thy servant that
° trusteth in Thee.
- 3 ° Be merciful unto me, O ° LORD*:
For I cry unto Thee ° daily.
- 4 Rejoice the ° soul of Thy servant:
For unto Thee, O ° LORD*, do I lift up ° my
soul.
- 5 For Thou, ° LORD*, *art* good, and ready to
forgive;
And ° plenteous in ° mercy unto all them
that call upon Thee.
- 6 Give ear, O ° LORD, unto my prayer;
And attend to the voice of my supplica-
tions.
- 7 In the day of my trouble I will call upon
Thee:
- For Thou wilt answer me.
- 8 Among the ° gods *there is* none like unto
Thee, O ° LORD*;

85 (F², p. 789). PRAYER FOR THE LAND OF
THE SANCTUARY. (*Introversion and Alternation*.)F²

- H | 1-3. Mercies to the Land.
J | g | 4. Prayer.
h | 5, 6. Questions.
J | g | 7. Prayer.
h | 8. Answer.
H | 9-13. Mercies to the Land.

Title. A Psalm. Heb. *mizmôr*. Ap. 65. XVII.
for the sons of Korah. The eighth of eleven so
ascribed. See note on Ps. 42, Title, and Ap. 63. VIII.

1 LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
Thy land. Cp. connection with "People" (v. 2), as in
Deut. 32. 43. Note "our" in v. 12.

brought back the captivity = restored the fortunes,
as in 126. 1. Job 42. 10. No reference to the Babylonian
captivity, but to the restoration of David's fortunes
after Absalom's revolt.

Jacob. Refers to the natural seed, and to the earthly
and material standpoint. See notes on Gen. 32. 28; 43. 6;
45. 26, 28.

2 iniquity = perverseness. Heb. *'āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv.
covered = concealed. Heb. *kāṣāh*; not *kāphar*, to
atone. sin. Heb. *chātā*. Ap. 44. i.

Selah. Connecting forgiveness with (as being the
basis of) millennial blessing. See Ap. 66. II.

4 Turn us. Cp. "Thou hast turned" (vv. 2, 3).

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

7 mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.

8 GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

peace. Referring to the war with Absalom.

saints = graced ones.

not turn again: i. e. rebel, as in Absalom's case.

9 glory may dwell: i. e. the glory of Jehovah's pre-
sence in the Shekinah, in the Tabernacle.

10 met . . . kissed. Fig. *Prosopopeia*. Ap. 6.

11 earth = land. Same word as vv. 1, 9, 12.

12 our land, &c. Note "Thy land" in v. 1. Cp. 67. 6.

86 (G¹, p. 789). PRAYER IN THE SANCTUARY.
MESSIAH'S HUMILIATION. THE SECRET OF
THE BLESSING. (*Introversion and Alternation*.)G¹

- K | 1-6. Prayer.
L | i | 7-. "I will call".
k | 7-. Reason. "For".
M | 8-. Jehovah incomparable.
M | 8-. His works incomparable.
L | i | 9. "All nations shall worship".
k | 10 Reason. "For"
K | 11-17. Prayer.

Title. A Prayer = An Intercession, or Hymn. Cp.
72. 20, referring to the whole of Book II. Heb. *T²phil-
lāh*. See Ap. 63. I.

of David. The only Psalm in this third book
ascribed to David. Refers to David's Son and Lord.

1 LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

hear = answer.

poor = helpless. Heb. *'ebyōn*. See note on Prov. 6. 11.

2 soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

holy = one whom Thou favourest.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

trusteth = confideth. Heb. *bāṭaḥ*. Ap. 69. I.

3 Be merciful = Show me favour, or Be gracious.

LORD*. One of the 134 places where the *Sōpherim*
say they changed Jehovah to Adonai. See Ap. 32.

daily = all the day. 5 plenteous. Cp. Ex. 34. 6.

mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.

8 gods. Heb. *'ēlohim* = judges. See note on Ex. 21. 6;
22. 8, 9.

9 shall glorify. Cp. Isa. 66. 23.

Neither *are there any works* like unto
Thy works. M

9 All nations whom Thou hast made shall
come and worship before Thee, O
° LORD*;
And ° shall glorify Thy name. L i

- K** 10 ° For Thou art great, and °doest wondrous things:
(p. 804) Thou art ° God alone.
- K l** 11 Teach me Thy way, O ° LORD; I will walk
(p. 805) in Thy truth:
° Unite my heart to ° fear Thy ° name.
- 12 I will praise Thee, O ° LORD * my ° God,
with all my heart:
And I will glorify Thy ° name for evermore.
- m** 13 For great is Thy ° mercy toward me:
And Thou hast delivered ° my soul from
° the lowest ° hell.
- n** 14 O ° God, the proud are risen against me,
And the assemblies of violent men have
sought after ° my soul;
- n** And have not set Thee before them.
- m** 15 But Thou, O ° LORD *, art a ° GOD ° full of
compassion, and gracious,
Longsuffering, and plenteous in ° mercy
and truth.
- l** 16 O turn unto me, and ° have mercy upon
me;
Give Thy strength unto Thy servant,
And save the son of Thine handmaid.
- 17 Shew me a token for good;
That they which hate me may see it, and
be ashamed:
Because Thou, ° LORD, hast holpen me, and
comforted me.

87 ° A Psalm or ° Song ° for the sons of Korah.

- F² N¹** 1 ° His foundation is in the ° holy mountains.
(p. 805) 2 ° The LORD loveth the gates of ° Zion
More than all the dwellings of ° Jacob.
- O¹** 3 Glorious things are spoken of thee,
O city of ° God. ° Selah.
- N²** 4 I will make mention of ° Rahab and Baby-
lon to them that know me:
Behold Philistia, and Tyre, with ° Ethi-
opia;
This man was born there.
- O²** 5 And ° of ° Zion it shall be said, " This and
that ° man was born in her:
And ° the HIGHEST Himself shall establish
her."
- N³** 6 The ° LORD shall count, when He ° writeth
up the ° people,
° That this man was born there. ° Selah.
- O³** 7 As well ° the singers as ° the players on
instruments ° shall be there:
All my ° springs are in thee.

° A Song or Psalm for the sons of Korah, ° to the chief
Musician ° upon Mahalath Leannoth.

shall be there. Supply *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6): "[shall say of Zion]". **° springs** = fountains: i. e. fountains of
delight. A Song, &c. Repeated from the title. Cp. 45 for a similar repetition. **to the chief**
Musician. See Ap. 64. **upon Mahalath Leannoth** = relating to the shoutings with dancings in
bringing up the Ark to Zion (2 Sam. 6, 12-15; and 1 Chron. 15, 25-29). As in Judg. 21, 21, 23 (cp. R.V.), and
see Ap. 65. X.

10 For. Cp. v. 5 in the Structure. doest = a doer.

86. 11-17 (K, p. 804). PRAYER.

(Introversion.)

- K** 1 | 11, 12. Prayer, and consequence.
m | 13. Plea. Goodness of God.
n | 14-. Man's wickedness. Man-ward.
n | -14. Man's wickedness. God-ward.
m | 15. Pleas. Goodness of God.
l | 16, 17. Prayer, and object.
- 11 Unite my heart. Sept., Syr., and Vulg. read
"Let my heart rejoice".
fear = revere. name. See note on 20. 1.
- 13 the lowest hell = *Sheöl* beneath.
hell. Heb. *Sheöl*. Ap. 35. Not the language of
"Semitic heathenism", but the inspired revelation of
Divine eschatology.
- 15 GOD. Heb. *El*. Ap. 4. IV.
full of compassion, &c. Cp. Ex. 34. 6.
- 16 have mercy upon = show favour, or be gracious
to.

87 (F², p. 789). THE BLESSEDNESS OF THE DWELLERS IN ZION. (Repeated Alternations.)

- F² N¹** | 1, 2. Other dwellings spoken of.
O¹ | 3. Zion spoken to.
N² | 4. Other nations spoken of.
O² | 5. Zion spoken to.
N³ | 6. Other peoples spoken of.
O³ | 7. Zion spoken to.

Title. A Psalm. Heb. *mizmôr*. Ap. 65. XVII.

Song. Heb. *shîr*. Ap. 65. XXIII.

for the sons of Korah: i. e. of or by them. This
title is repeated in the sub-scription after v. 7, to em-
phasise the occasion of its use in bringing up the Ark
to Zion by David (951 B.C. a Sabbatic year). See note
there, and on Title of Ps. 24.

1 His: i. e. Jehovah's (which He has laid in Zion).
holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

2 The LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
Zion. See Ap. 68.

Jacob. Israel viewed in connection with the natural
seed, and with material blessings. See notes on Gen.
32, 28; 43, 6; 45, 26, 28.

3 God. Heb. *hā-'Elohim* = the [true] God. Ap. 4. I.
Selah. Connecting the first alternation with the
second, showing that it is to be a repeated alternation.

4 Rahab = pride, or haughtiness. Used as name for
Egypt (by Fig. *Polyonymia*, Ap. 6), as in 89. 10; Isa. 51. 9.
Cp. Job 9. 13 and 26, 12, not the same word as in
Joshua 2.

Ethiopia. Supply Ellipsis of the verb "say": "Tyre
with Ethiopia [say]" this, &c.

5 of = to. man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.
the HIGHEST = the Most HIGH. Heb. *'Elyôn*. Ap. 4. VI.

6 writeth up = enrolleth.

people = peoples.

That. Instead of "That", supply "[and say] this
one", &c.

Selah. Connecting the last repetition of the alter-
nation, and completing the Structure. Thus, both the
Selahs in this Psalm are structural. (Ap. 66. II).

7 the singers = they that shout.

the players on instruments = they that dance, as in
bringing up the Ark. See note on the sub-scription.

° springs = fountains: i. e. fountains of
delight. A Song, &c. Repeated from the title. Cp. 45 for a similar repetition. to the chief
Musician. See Ap. 64. upon Mahalath Leannoth = relating to the shoutings with dancings in
bringing up the Ark to Zion (2 Sam. 6, 12-15; and 1 Chron. 15, 25-29). As in Judg. 21, 21, 23 (cp. R.V.), and
see Ap. 65. X.

88

° Maschil of ° Heman the ° Ezrahite.

G² P
(p. 806)

1 O ° LORD ° God of my salvation,
I have cried day *and* night before Thee:
2 Let my prayer come before Thee:
Incline Thine ear unto my cry;

Q R

3 For my ° soul is full of troubles:
And my life draweth nigh unto ° the
grave.

4 I ° am counted with them that go down into
the pit:

° I am as a ° man *that hath* no strength:

5 ° Free among the dead,
Like the slain that lie in ° the grave,
Whom Thou rememberest no more:
And they are cut off from Thy hand.

6 Thou hast laid me in the lowest pit,
In darkness, in the deeps.

S

7 Thy wrath lieth hard ° upon me,
And Thou hast afflicted *me* with all Thy
waves. ° Selah.

T

8 Thou hast put away mine acquaintance
far from me;
Thou hast made me an abomination unto
them:

I am shut up, and I cannot come forth.

9 Mine eye mourneth by reason of affliction:

P o

1 LORD, I have called daily upon Thee,
I have stretched out my hands unto Thee.

p

10 Wilt Thou shew wonders to the dead?
Shall the ° dead arise *and* praise thee?
° Selah.

11 Shall Thy lovingkindness be declared in
° the grave?

Or Thy faithfulness in destruction?

12 Shall Thy wonders be known in the dark?
And Thy righteousness in the land of forgetfulness?

o

13 But unto Thee have I cried, O 1 LORD;
And in the morning shall my prayer ° prevent
Thee.

p

14 1 LORD, why castest Thou off ° my soul?
Why hidest Thou Thy ° face from me?

Q R

15 I *am* afflicted and ready to die from my
youth up:
While I suffer Thy terrors I am distracted.

S

16 Thy fierce wrath goeth ° over me;
Thy terrors have cut me off.

17 They came round about me ° daily like
water;
They compassed me about together.

T

18 Lover and friend hast Thou ° put far from
me,
And mine acquaintance into darkness.

89

° Maschil of ° Ethan the ° Ezrahite.

F³ U
(p. 806)

1 I will sing of the ° mercies of ° the LORD for
ever:

With my mouth will I make known Thy
° faithfulness to all generations.

Ezrahite. See note on 88, Title. Cp. the case of Elkanah (1 Sam. 1. 1). Pl. of majesty = the great lovingkindness. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. faithfulness = truth. Heb. 'emūnāh. Seven times reiterated in this Psalm: vv. 1, 2, 5, 8, 24, 33, 49 ("in thy truth").

88 (G², p. 789). INSTRUCTION. MESSIAH'S HUMILIATION, THE SECRET SOURCE OF THE BLESSING. (*Alternation.*)

G²

P | 1, 2. Prayer.

Q | R | 3-6. Dissolution near.

S | 7. Wrath. Waves.

T | 8, 9-. Desolation.

P | -9-14. Prayer.

Q | R | 15. Dissolution near.

S | 16, 17. Wrath. Waves.

T | 18. Desolation.

Title. Maschil = Instruction. The eleventh of thirteen so named. See note on Title, Ps. 32, and Ap. 65. XI. The title, rearranged as above, removes the difficulty of this Psalm being ascribed to two different writers.

Heman. Celebrated for wisdom (with Ethan, 89), 1 Kings 4. 31. 1 Chron. 6. 33, 44; 25. 4. He was a Kohathite, while Ethan was a Merarite. See Ap. 63. VIII, and 64.

Ezrahite. Put for Zerahite. Probably the name of a district. Cp. the case of Elkanah (1 Sam. 1. 1).

The Psalm is prophetic of Messiah's humiliation, corresponding with Ps. 86. See the Structure, p. 789.

1 LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

3 soul. Heb. *nephesh* (Ap. 13), for emphasis.

the grave. Heb. *Sheol*. Ap. 35

4 am = have been.

I am = I am become.

man. Heb. *geber*. Ap. 4. IV.

5 Free = Set free: i. e. by death, so as to be free from the Law (according to the Talmud, *Shabbath*, fol. 151. B).

the grave = sepulchre. Heb. *keber*. See Ap. 35.

7 upon me. Same word as "over me", v. 16, with which the member corresponds.

Selah. Connecting v. 6 with its amplification in vv. 8, 9.

-9-14 (P, above). PRAYER.

(Alternation.)

P | o | -9. Declaratory.

p | 10-12. Interrogatory.

o | 13. Declaratory.

p | 14. Interrogatory.

10 dead. Heb. *Rephaim*, who have no resurrection. See note on Isa. 26. 14, where it is rendered "deceased"; and 19, where it is rendered "the dead". Cp. Ap. 23 and 25.

Selah. Connecting v. 10 with its amplification in vv. 11-13. Cp. Selah, v. 7. See Ap. 66. II.

13 prevent = come before.

14 face. Fig. *Anthropotheia*. Ap. 6.

16 over me. Same word as "upon me", v. 7.

17 daily = all the day.

18 put far from me. Cp. v. 8, the corresponding member.

89 (F³, p. 789). INSTRUCTION AS TO BLESSING IN THE SANCTUARY. (*Introversion and Alternation.*)

F³

U | 1. Eternal praises.

V | W | 2-4. Ethan reminds Jehovah of His covenant with David.

X | 5-18. Ethan praises Jehovah's faithfulness.

V | W | 19-37. Ethan reminds Jehovah of His covenant with David.

X | 38-51. Ethan deplores Jehovah's visitation.

U | 52. Eternal praises.

Title. Maschil = Instruction. The twelfth of thirteen so named (the thirteenth being Ps. 142). See note on Ps. 32, and Ap. 65. XI.

Ethan. Mentioned with Heman (Ps. 88). A Merarite (1 Chron. 6. 44; 15. 17). He seems to have another name, "Jeduthun" (1 Chron. 25. 1, 3, 6; 16. 41, 42). The only Psalm ascribed to Ethan. See note on v. 30, and 88, Title.

V W

2 For °I have said, °“Mercy shall be built up for ever:

Thy ¹faithfulness shalt Thou establish in the very heavens.”

3 I have °made a °covenant with My chosen, I have °sworn unto David My servant,

4 Thy seed will I establish for ever, And build up thy throne to all generations. °Selah.

X q

5 And the heavens shall praise Thy wonders, O ¹LORD:

Thy ¹faithfulness also in the congregation of the °saints.

r

6 For °who in the °heaven can be compared unto ¹the LORD?

Who among the °sons of the mighty can be likened unto ¹the LORD?

7 °GOD is greatly to be feared in the °assembly of the °saints,

And to be had in reverence of all *them that are about Him.*

q

8 O ¹LORD °God of hosts,

°Who is a strong °LORD, like unto Thee? Or to Thy ¹faithfulness round about Thee?

9 Thou rulest the raging of the sea: When the waves thereof arise, Thou stillest them.

10 Thou hast broken °Rahab in pieces, as one that is slain;

Thou hast scattered Thine enemies with Thy strong °arm.

11 The heavens are Thine, the earth also is Thine:

As for °the world and the fulness thereof, Thou hast founded them.

12 The north and the south Thou hast created them:

°Tabor and Hermon shall rejoice in Thy name.

13 Thou hast a mighty ¹⁰arm: Strong is Thy °hand, and high is Thy right °hand.

14 °Justice and judgment are the °habitation of Thy throne:

°Mercy and truth shall go before Thy °face.

15 °Blessed is the People that know °the joyful sound:

They shall walk, O ¹LORD, in the light of Thy °countenance.

16 In °Thy name shall they rejoice all the day:

And in Thy righteousness shall they be exalted.

17 For Thou art the °glory of their strength: And in Thy favour our °horn shall be exalted.

r

18 For ¹the LORD is our °defence; And the Holy One of Israel is our king.

V W s

19 Then Thou spakest in vision to Thy Holy One,

And saidst, “I have laid help upon one *that is mighty*;

I have exalted one chosen out of the People.

20 °I have found David My servant;

With My holy oil have I anointed him:

2 I have said. Some codices, with Sept. and Vulg., read “Thou hast said”. Cp. v. 19 (W, below). The words of Ethan, reminding Jehovah of His covenant with David.

Mercy = Lovingkindness, or grace. Note “Mercy” (v. 2); “covenant” (v. 3); “seed” (v. 4); repeated in W, below (vv. 19-32 and vv. 33-37). 3 made = solemnised.

covenant. See 2 Sam. 7, where Jehovah, being the only party, the covenant is unconditional, and = a “promise” among “the sure mercies of David”, &c. But it looks beyond David.

sworn. See 2 Sam. 7. 11, &c.; the word is not used there, but the terms of the oath are given.

Selah. Connecting the recital of Jehovah's covenant with the praise offered for it. See Ap. 66. II.

89 5-18 (X, p. 806). PRAISE FOR JEHOVAH'S FAITHFULNESS. (Alternation.)

X | q | 5. Jehovah addressed.

r | 6, 7. Reason. “For”.

q | 8-17. Jehovah addressed.

r | 18. Reason. “For”.

5 saints = holy ones, or angels. See preceding line, &c. 6 who. Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. This is the cry of all His saints. See note on Ex. 15. 11.

heaven = sky. Same word as v. 37.

sons of the mighty = sons of *Elīm* = the angels.

7 GOD. Heb. *El*. Ap. 4. IV.

assembly = secret conclave.

8 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

LORD. Heb. *Jah*. Ap. 4. III.

10 Rahab = Egypt. See note on 87. 4.

arm. Fig. *Anthrōpopatheia*. Ap. 6.

11 the world. Heb. *tēbēl* = the world as inhabited.

12 Tabor and Hermon. West and east of the Holy Land; and, with north and south, completing the four points of the compass.

13 hand. Fig. *Anthrōpopatheia*. Ap. 6.

14 Justice = Righteousness.

habitation = foundation.

face. Fig. *Anthrōpopatheia*. Ap. 6.

15 Blessed = Happy. Fig. *Beatitudo*. Ap. 6. See Ap. 63. VI.

the joyful sound. Of the trumpet's assembling sound. Lev. 23.

countenance = face. See v. 14.

16 Thy name = Thyself. See note on 20. 1.

17 glory = beauty.

horn. Many codices, with four early printed editions, read “horns” (pl.); but seven early printed editions read sing.

18 defence = shield. Heb. *gānan*, to cover, or protect.

19-37 (W, p. 806). ETHAN REMINDS JEHOVAH OF HIS COVENANT WITH DAVID.

(Extended Alternation.)

W | s | 19-27. David. “Faithfulness” (v. 2).

t | 28. Covenant (v. 3).

u | 29-32. Seed (v. 4).

s | 33. David. “Faithfulness” (v. 2).

t | 34, 35. Covenant (v. 3).

u | 36, 37. Seed (v. 4).

20 I have found, &c. Quoted in Acts 13. 22.

22 wickedness. Heb. *‘avvāl*. Ap. 44. vi.

23 foes = adversaries.

21 With whom My hand shall be established: Mine arm also shall strengthen him.

22 The enemy shall not exact upon him;

Nor the son of °wickedness afflict him.

23 And I will beat down his °foes before his face,

And plague them that hate him.

24 But My ¹faithfulness and My ²mercy shall be with him:

And in ¹⁶My name shall his horn be exalted.

25 I will set his hand also in the sea,
And his right hand in the rivers.

26 ⁶He shall cry unto Me, 'Thou art my father,
My ⁷GOD, and the rock of my salvation.'

27 Also ³I will make him My firstborn,
°Higher than the kings of the earth.

t (p. 807) 28 My ²mercy will I keep for him for ever-
more,
And My covenant shall stand fast with him.

u 29 His seed also will I make to endure for
ever,
And his throne as the days of heaven.

30 °If his °children forsake My law,
°And walk not in My judgments;

31 If they °break My statutes,
°And keep not My commandments;

32 °Then will I visit their °transgression
with the rod,
And their °iniquity with stripes.

s 33 °Nevertheless My °lovingkindness will I
not utterly take from him,
Nor suffer My ¹faithfulness to fail.

t 34 My covenant will I not °break,
Nor °alter the thing that is gone out of My
lips.

35 Once have I sworn by My holiness
That I will not lie unto David.

u 36 °His seed shall endure for ever,
And his throne as the sun before Me.

37 It shall be established for ever as the
moon,
And as °a faithful witness in °heaven." °
Selah.

X Y¹ v (p. 808) 38 But Thou hast cast off and abhorred,
Thou hast been wroth with °Thine an-
ointed.

w 39 Thou hast °made void the covenant of Thy
servant:
Thou hast profaned his crown by casting
it to the ground.

x 40 Thou hast broken down all his hedges;
Thou hast brought his strong holds to
ruin.

y 41 All that pass by the way spoil him:
He is a reproach to his neighbours.

y 42 Thou hast set up the right hand of his ad-
versaries;
Thou hast made all his enemies to rejoice.

x 43 Thou hast also turned the edge of his
sword,
And hast not made him to stand in the
battle.

w 44 Thou hast made his glory to cease,
And cast his throne down to the ground.

v 45 The days of his youth hast Thou shortened:
Thou hast covered him with shame. °Se-
lah.

Y² z 46 How long, ¹LORD? wilt Thou hide thyself
for ever?
°Shall Thy wrath burn like fire?

a 47 Remember how short my °time is:
Wherefore hast Thou made all °men in
vain?

27 Higher = Most High. Heb. 'Elyōn. Ap. 4. VI. This
looks forward to Immanuel (Isa. 7. 13-15; 9. 6, 7. Mic.
5. 2).

30 If his children, &c. Ethan refers to the very
words of warning given to Solomon (1 Kings 9. 6, 7;
cp. 11. 11-13), which, with 2 Sam. 7, should be read with
this Psalm. Ethan (we may suppose) outlived Solomon,
and saw the break-up of the kingdom; and left this
Psalm for instruction (*Maschil*) for all future time.
children = sons.

And walk not. Fig. *Pleonasm* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

31 break = profane.

And keep not. Fig. *Pleonasm* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

32 Then will I. Cp. 2 Sam. 7. 14.
transgression = revolt. Heb. *pāsha*. Ap. 44. ix.
iniquity. Heb. *āvah*. Ap. 44. iv.

33 Nevertheless. Fig. *Palinodia*. Ap. 6. Cp. 2 Sam.
7. 15. lovingkindness = grace.

34 break = profane.

alter = violate.

36 His seed, &c. Cp. John 12. 34.

37 a faithful witness: i. e. the sun (cp. v. 36). See
note on "testimony" (Ps. 19. 7). Rev. 1. 5; 3. 14.

Selah. Connecting the above solemn warning with
the fulfilment in the visitation of judgment in the next
member. See Ap. 66. II.

89. 38-51 (X, p. 806). ETHAN DEPLORES THE
DIVINE VISITATION. (*Division*.)

X | Y¹ | 38-45. Visitation.
Y² | 46-51. Expostulation.

38-45 (Y¹, above). VISITATION.
(*Introversion*.)

Y¹ | v | 38. Rejection.

w | 39. Degradation.

x | 40. Desolation.

y | 41. Enemies. Spoil.

y | 42. Enemies. Rejoice.

z | 43. Desolation.

w | 44. Degradation.

v | 45. Rejection.

38 Thine = Thine own.

39 made void = disowned only here and in Lam. 2. 7.

45 Selah. Connecting the visitation with the prayer
for its removal. See Ap. 66. II.

46-51 (Y², above). EXPOSTULATION.
(*Alternation*.)

Y² | z | 46. Complaint.

a | 47, 48. "Remember". Frailty.

z | 49. Complaint.

a | 50, 51. "Remember". Reproach.

46 Shall. Supply Ellipsis from preceding line: "[How
long] shall", &c.

47 time = lifetime. men = sons of Adam. Ap. 14. I.

48 man = strong man. Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. IV.

soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

hand. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the

power exercised by it. the grave. Heb. *Sheōl*. Ap. 35.

Selah. Connecting the fact of man's frailty (even of
the strongest) with the renewed and increased fervour
of his complaint. See Ap. 66. II.

49 LORD*. One of the 134 places where the *Sopherim*
altered Jehovah to Adonai. See Ap. 32.

swarest. See 2 Sam. 7, and note on v. 3.

truth = faithfulness. Same word as rendered "faith-
fulness" in v. 1. Here, the last of the seven occurrences.

48 What °man is he that liveth, and shall
not see death?

Shall he deliver his °soul from the °hand
of °the grave? °Selah.

49 °LORD*, where are Thy former loving-
kindnesses,

Which Thou °swarest unto David in Thy
°truth?

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**50 Remember, ⁴⁹ LORD *, the reproach of Thy
°servants ;**

**How I do bear in my bosom the °reproach
of all the °mighty °people ;**

**51 Wherewith Thine enemies have reproach-
ed, O ¹ LORD ;**

**Wherewith they have reproached the
footsteps of °Thine Anointed.**

U
(p. 806)

**52 °Blessed be ¹ the LORD for evermore.
°Amen, and Amen.**

50 servants. Some codices, with Syr., read "serv-
ant" (sing.).

reproach. Aram. reads "insult". Cp. 69. 9. Ezek.
36. 15. Rom. 15. 3.

mighty people=many peoples: i. e. the enemies of
Israel. **people**=peoples. No Art.

51 Thine Anointed=Thy Messiah.

52 Blessed. Fig. *Benedictio*, not *Beatitudo*. Not the
same word as in v. 15. Cp. Rom. 1. 25 ; 9. 5. 2 Cor. 11. 31.

Amen, and Amen. This closes the third (or Leviti-
cus) book of the Psalms. Cp. the endings of the first
book (Ps. 41), and the second book (Ps. 72).

NOTES ON THE STRUCTURE OF THE FOURTH BOOK (p. 810).

NUMBERS is the name that man has given to the fourth book of the Pentateuch, on account of the *num-berings* recorded in chapters 1—3 and 26. The name is from the Latin Vulgate (*Numeri*), which is again a translation of the name given by the Septuagint Translators (*Arithmoi*). The title in the Hebrew Canon is *bemidbar*, "IN THE WILDERNESS" (the fifth word in v. 1, Hebrew). This title covers *all* the events recorded in this book. "Numbers", therefore, is the Book of the WILDERNESS; and its types are wilderness types, or types of our pilgrimage.

In the Numbers-Book of the Psalms we find the corresponding subject. It opens with Psalm 90, "A prayer of Moses"—the man of the wilderness! Its teaching, like that of the other books, is Dispensational, with the EARTH as its central thought. God's counsels and purposes are celebrated with regard to the earth, and the nations of the earth, from the ruin to the glory; as we have seen them set forth in the other books with regard to (1) Man, (2) Israel, and (3) the Sanctuary.

Sin has come into the world, and ruined, not merely man, but the earth itself: "Cursed is the ground for thy sake." Sin has made the paradise of God a wilderness, and death has filled it with sorrow and sadness. There is no hope for the earth, no hope for the nations of the earth, and no hope for creation, apart from Jehovah. The first and second Psalms (90 and 91) set this forth, and give, as it were, the key-note and epitome of the whole book. Its figures are from this wilderness-world; as mountains, hills, floods, grass, pestilence, trees, &c., which the reader will notice for himself. Happiness for the world will be found only when He, "Whose right it is", shall come again to reign and "judge the world in righteousness". In Christ, the coming King, not only Israel, but all the nations of the earth, will be blessed. This is the theme of the book. (See note on Psalm 96. 11.)

It consists, like Book III, of *seventeen* Psalms, all of which are anonymous (though not all without titles) except 90 (and 91), Moses's, and 101, 103, which are David's.

Of the Divine Titles in this Fourth Book, Jehovah (Ap. 4. II) occurs 126 times, and Elohim (Ap. 4. I), 31 (10 of which are with Jehovah). El occurs 6 times.

Psalms 90 and 91¹ are evidently one Psalm in two parts, written by Moses at the beginning of the thirty-eight years of penal wanderings in the wilderness (in 1490 B.C.), which are the subject of this Fourth Book.

Psalm 90 is suggested by, and occupied with, the sorrows of the vast multitude (associated with the 603,550 "men of war") in the wilderness, *numbered*, and sentenced to death; all from 20 years old and upward (Num. 14. 29).

It is of these that verses 9 and 10 speak.

If a man was 20 when he was numbered (for the war) he died at or before 60

" 30 " " " " " " 70

" 40 " " " " " " " 80

The average age would be 30, hence verse 10.

Psalm 91, on the other hand, presents the contrast of those under "the shadow of the Almighty". The deliverance of "the Church in the wilderness", from the causes and instrumentalities of death for the countless condemned thousands (in Psalm 90) whose carcasses were to fall in the wilderness, is set forth at length.

If a man was 19 when the penal wanderings began, he would be 57 (19 + 38) at the close.

If a lad of 10, he would be 48; and so on.

This Psalm was therefore written for the comfort of "the Church in the wilderness" during the 40 years. Towards the close, myriads must have been cut off by the various agencies named:

The terror by night.

The arrow that flieth by day.

The pestilence in darkness.

The destruction (contagion) at noonday.

The lion and adder.

With regard to the latter, in the night journeyings (Num. 9. 21) they would be exposed to danger and death from the adders which infest the district, and from the attacks of wild beasts. From all of these the *trustees* would be delivered.

They would see with their eyes "the reward of the wicked"—thousands dying around, yet nothing permitted to assail them.

If *tents* is right in verse 10, this is confirmation that Moses wrote this Psalm, and at, or about, the time suggested—viz. 1490 B.C.

¹ If 91 be a Psalm of Moses (following Psalm 90), then *all* the Scriptures quoted in our Lord's temptation (even that which the evil one tried to quote) were from the writings of Moses!

90—106 (**B**², p. 720). THE FOURTH, OR NUMBERS BOOK *.
THE EARTH AND THE NATIONS.

(Division, with Prologue and Epilogue.)

PROLOGUE | 90. THE REST. LOST, AND NEEDED.

B² | **A**¹ | 91—94. REST FOR THE EARTH DESIRED. NO HOPE FOR IT
TILL "THE WICKED CEASE FROM TROUBLING".

A² | 95—100. REST FOR THE EARTH ANTICIPATED. NOTE THE
CENTRAL VERSE OF THE PSALTER (96. 11) AND THE REASON (96. 13).

A³ | 101—105. REST FOR THE EARTH CELEBRATED. JEHOVAH'S
THRONE IN THE HEAVENS, AND HIS KINGDOM OVER ALL (103. 19).

EPILOGUE | 106. THE REST. HOW LOST, AND VALUED.

91—94 (**A**¹, above). REST FOR THE EARTH DESIRED.
(Alternation.)

A¹ | **B** | 91. REST, ONLY IN JEHOVAH IN A PERISHING WORLD; AND, THE SECRET PLACE
OF THE MOST HIGH THE ONLY PLACE OF SAFETY IN IT.

C | 92. PRAYER FOR THAT "SABBATH-KEEPING" (YET TO COME, Heb. 4. 9) WHEN ALL
"WORKERS OF INIQUITY" SHALL BE CUT OFF (vv. 7, 9), AND THE RIGHTEOUS SHALL
FLOURISH (v. 12) IN JEHOVAH THEIR "ROCK" AND "DEFENCE" (v. 15).

B | 93. REST, ONLY IN JEHOVAH. HIS THRONE WHEN ESTABLISHED WILL BE THE
PLACE OF SAFETY. (See note on 93. 5.)

C | 94. PRAYER FOR REST, TO JEHOVAH, "THE JUDGE OF THE EARTH", TO CUT OFF
ALL "WORKERS OF INIQUITY" (vv. 4, 16, 23), AND TO GIVE THE RIGHTEOUS REST
(vv. 13-15) IN JEHOVAH, THEIR "ROCK" AND "DEFENCE" (v. 22).

95—100 (**A**², above). REST FOR THE EARTH ANTICIPATED.
(Introversion and Alternation.)

A² | **D** | 95. WORSHIP, IN VIEW OF REST ANTICIPATED. HIS "PEOPLE" AND "SHEEP" (v. 7)
TO "COME BEFORE HIS PRESENCE WITH THANKSGIVING" (v. 2). REASON: "JEHOVAH
IS GREAT" (v. 3).

E | **F** | 96. A SUMMONS TO SING THE "NEW SONG". "FOR HE COMETH" (JUDGMENT).

G | 97. THE NEW SONG. "JEHOVAH REIGNETH"

E | **F** | 98. A SUMMONS TO SING THE "NEW SONG". "FOR HE COMETH" (JUDGMENT).

G | 99. THE NEW SONG. "JEHOVAH REIGNETH".

D | 100. WORSHIP, IN VIEW OF REST ANTICIPATED. HIS "PEOPLE" AND "SHEEP" (v. 3).
TO "COME BEFORE HIS PRESENCE WITH SINGING" (v. 2). REASON: "JEHOVAH IS
GOOD" (v. 5).

101—105 (**A**³, above). REST FOR THE EARTH CELEBRATED.
(Alternation.)

A³ | **H**¹ | 101. THE COMING KINGDOM. ITS PRINCIPLES: "MERCY AND JUDGMENT" (v. 1).
THE WICKED CUT OFF (vv. 5, 8).

J¹ | 102. THE KING IN HIS HUMILIATION AND COMING GLORY AS THE ETERNAL
CREATOR (vv. 12, 24-27). ALL ELSE PERISHING (v. 26).

H² | 103. THE COMING KINGDOM. ITS MERCIES AND JUDGMENTS (vv. 4, 6, 17, 19).

J² | 104. THE KING IN HIS COMING GLORY AS THE ETERNAL CREATOR (v. 31).
ALL ELSE PERISHING (vv. 27-29).

H³ | 105. THE COMING KINGDOM. BASED ON THE COVENANT (vv. 8-12; 42-45-) OF
"MERCY AND JUDGMENT" (vv. 5-7).

* For notes, see p. 809.

BOOK IV.

90 °A Prayer of °Moses °the man of °God.

- B** A¹ a 1 °LORD*, Thou hast been our °dwelling place
(p. 812) In all generations.
b 2 Before the mountains were brought forth,
c °Or ever Thou hadst formed the earth
c and °the world,
b Even from everlasting to everlasting,
a Thou °art °GOD.
- A² d¹ 3 Thou turnest °man to destruction;
And sayest, °“Return, ye °children of
men.”
- e¹ 4 For °a thousand years in Thy sight
Are but as yesterday when it is past,
And as a watch in the night.
- d² 5 Thou carriest them away as with a flood;
they are as a sleep:
In the morning they are like grass which
groweth up.
6 In the morning it flourisheth, and groweth
up;
In the evening it is cut down, and wither-
eth.
- e² 7 For we are consumed by Thine anger,
And by Thy wrath are we troubled.
- d³ 8 Thou hast set our °iniquities before Thee,
Our °secret sins in the light of Thy coun-
tenance.
- e³ 9 For all our days °are passed away in Thy
wrath:
We spend our years as °a tale that is told.
- d⁴ 10 The days of °our years are °threescore
years and ten;
And if by reason of °strength they be
fourscore years,
Yet is °their strength labour and sorrow;
For it is soon cut off, °and we fly away.
- e⁴ 11 °Who knoweth the °power of Thine
anger?
Even according to Thy fear, so is Thy
wrath.
- d⁵ 12 So teach us to °number ¹⁰our days,
°That we may apply our hearts unto wis-
dom.
- A³ f¹ 13 °Return, O °LORD, °how long?
(p. 813) And let it repent Thee concerning Thy
servants.
- g¹

but “[sin]”. But some codices, with two early printed editions, read “secrets” (pl.). **9 are passed away** = have declined, or ended. **a tale that is told** = a thought, or a sigh. **10 our** : i. e. Moses, and those of whom he writes. **threescore years and ten**. This refers to the length of life in the wilderness in the time of Moses, which must have been shortened specially, so that the adults died off within the forty years. The “days” were, and could thus be, actually “numbered”, as stated in v. 12; and in a way they could not have been since then. See notes on p. 809. **strength**. Heb. pl., meaning great strength (i. e. vigour, or strength for activity). Heb. *gābar*. Cp. Ap. 14. IV. **their strength** = their violence (i. e. strength for aggression). Heb. *rāhab*. See notes on p. 809. **and we fly away**. Fig. Euphemy, for dying. Ap. 6. **11 Who . . . ?** Fig. Erotēsis. Ap. 6. **power**. Heb. ‘ōz. Spelt with Ayin (‘) here, but ‘āz (with Aleph) in Ps. 76. 7. See note on Isa. 11. 4.

12-17 [For Structure see next page].

12 number our days. See note on “threescore”, v. 10, above. **That we may apply our hearts unto wisdom** = That we may bring home a heart of wisdom. **13 Return**. Same word as v. 3. **LORD**. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. **how long**. Supply Ellipsis: “how long [shall we wait for Thy return]?”

90-106 (B², p. 720). THE NUMBERS BOOK(A¹, p. 810). THE EARTH AND THE NATIONS.

For the Structure, see p. 810. The book has to do with the EARTH and the NATIONS, as the first book (1-41) had to do with MAN; the second book (42-72) with ISRAEL; and the third book (73-89) with the SANCTUARY.

90 (p. 810). PROLOGUE.

REST. LOST, AND NEEDED. (Division.)

- B** A¹ | 1, 2. The eternity of Jehovah-El.
A² | 3-11. The frailty of man.
A³ | 12-17. The application of both.

1, 2 (A¹, above). THE ETERNITY OF JEHOVAH-EL. (Introversion.)

- A¹ a | 1-. Jehovah our dwelling-place.
b | -1. In time.
c | 2-. Before the mountains.
c | -2-. Before the earth and the world.
b | -2-. In eternity.
a | -2. Thou art El.

Title. A Prayer. Heb. *Tēphillah*. See Ap. 63. I. Moses : the man of the wilderness. Hence the wilderness, and works of creation, referred to.

the man of God. See Ap. 49. There are seven specially so called : Moses (Deut. 33. 1); Samuel (1 Sam. 9. 6-10; cp. v. 14); David (Neh. 12. 24); Elijah (1 Kings 17. 18); Elisha (2 Kings 4. 7); Shemaiah (2 Chron. 11. 2); Igdaiah (Jer. 35. 4); and four unnamed (1 Sam. 2. 27. 1 Kings 13. 1; 20. 28. 2 Chron. 25. 7).

God. Heb. Elohim (with Art.): i. e. the true God. Ap. 4. I.

1 Lord*. Heb. Adonai. Ap. 4. VIII (2) = The Lord specially in relation to the earth. This is why this fourth book commences with this title, denoting the Sovereign Lord.

dwelling place = habitation, or refuge.

2 Or = Ere. Positive, not comparative. Anglo-Saxon *aer*, from which we have our modern “ere”; found formerly as “er”, “ear”, and “yer”. In A.V., 1611, Num. 11. 33 read “yer it was chewed”. the world = the habitable world. Heb. *tebēl*.

art : or wast. GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

3-11 (A², above). THE FRAILTY OF MAN. (Repeated Alternation.)

- A² d¹ | 3. Declaration.
e¹ | 4. Reason. “For”.
d² | 5, 6. Declaration.
e² | 7. Reason. “For”.
d³ | 8. Declaration.
e³ | 9. Reason. “For”.
d⁴ | 10-. Declaration.
e⁴ | -10. Reason. “For”.
d⁵ | 11. Declaration.

3 man = mortal man. Heb. ‘ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

Return. Either to dust; or, in resurrection. children of men = sons of Adam (sing.). See Ap. 14. I. 4 a thousand years. Cp. 2 Pet. 3. 8.

8 iniquities. Heb. ‘āvāh. Ap. 44. iv.

secret. Heb. is sing.; hence we cannot supply “sins”

(p. 813)

^{f2} 14 O satisfy us °early with Thy °mercy;
That we may rejoice and be glad all our
days.

15 Make us glad °according to the days
wherein Thou hast afflicted us,
And the °years wherein we have seen
°evil.

^{g2} 16 Let Thy work appear unto Thy servants,
And Thy glory unto their °children.

^{f3} 17 And let the beauty of the ¹LORD* our
°God be upon us:
And establish Thou the work of our hands
upon us;
Yea, the work of our hands establish
Thou it.

^{B1} 91 He that dwelleth in the secret place of
°the MOST HIGH
Shall abide under the shadow of °THE
ALMIGHTY.

^{C1} 2 °I will say of °the LORD, "He is my
refuge and my fortress:
My °God; in Him will I °trust."

^{B2} 3 Surely He shall deliver thee from the
snare of the fowler,
And from the noisome pestilence.

4 He shall cover thee with His °feathers,
And under His °wings shalt thou °trust:
°His truth shall be thy shield and °buck-
ler.

5 Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by
night;

Nor for the arrow that flieth by day;

6 Nor for the pestilence that walketh in
darkness;
Nor for the destruction that wasteth at
noonday.

7 A thousand shall fall at thy side,
And ten thousand at thy right hand;
But it shall not come nigh thee.

8 Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold
And see the reward of the °wicked.

^{C2} 9 °Because thou hast made ²the LORD,
°Which is my refuge,

^{B3} °Even ¹the MOST HIGH, thy habitation;

10 There shall no °evil befall thee,
Neither shall any plague come nigh thy
°dwelling.

11 For °He shall give His angels charge over
thee,

To keep thee °in all thy ways.

12 They shall °bear thee up °in their hands,
Lest thou dash thy foot against a stone.

13 Thou shalt tread upon the lion and °ad-
der:

The young lion and the dragon shalt thou
trample under feet.

^{C3} 14 Because he hath set his love upon Me,
therefore will I deliver him:

I will set him on high, because he hath
known °My name.

15 He shall call upon Me, and I will answer
him:

He will be with him in trouble;
I will deliver him, and °honour him.

12-17 (A³, p. 811). THE APPLICATION.
(Repeated Alternation.)

A³ | ^{f1} | 12. Us. Our days. Numeration.
| ^{g1} | 13. Thy servants. Favour.
| ^{f2} | 14, 15. Us. Our days. Exhilaration.
| ^{g2} | 16. Thy servants. Favour.
| ^{f3} | 17. Us. Our works. Establishment.

14 early = in the morning.

mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.

15 according to the days . . . years: i. e. the forty
years in the wilderness.

evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

17 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

91 (B, p. 810). REST PROVIDED IN, AND
FOR MESSIAH.
(Alternations.)

B² | B¹ | 1. Address *re* the dweller. "He" (the Spirit
| speaks).
| C¹ | 2. His response. "My" (Messiah speaks).
| B² | 3-8. Address to dweller. "Thee" (the Spirit
| speaks).
| C² | 9-. His response. "My" (Messiah speaks).
| B³ | 9-13. Address to dweller. "Thee" (the Spirit
| speaks).
| C³ | 14-16. Jehovah's response. "I".

Without a Title, as are all the Psalms in Book IV, ex-
cept 90, 101, 103. See notes on p. 809. If by Moses,
then the "I" of the members C¹ (v. 2), and C² (v. 9-),
may be Joshua, a type of Messiah. Cp. Deut. 1. 38;
3. 28; 31. 7, 23. If Moses were the author (this Psalm
following his), then all the Scriptures quoted in Matt. 4
were from his writings. Note the refs. to Deut. 32. 1-14.
It is not David's, for we have no more right to insert
the name of "David" where it is not written, than to
take it out where it is.

1 the MOST HIGH. Heb. *Elyōn*. Ap. 4. VI.

THE ALMIGHTY. Heb. Shaddai. Ap. 4. VII.

2 I will say. Messiah speaks. See C¹, above.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

trust = confide. Heb. *bāṭah*. Ap. 69. I.

4 feathers . . . wings. Note the Fig. *Anthrōpopatheia*
(Ap. 6) throughout the Psalm.

trust = flee for refuge. Heb. *hāṣāh*. Ap. 69. II. Not
the same word as in v. 2.

His truth. See note on "shield" (84. 9).

buckler = coat of mail. Occurs only here.

8 wicked = lawless. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

9 Because thou, &c. Heb. reads "For thou, O LORD,
[art] my refuge." The change of person marks the
Structure, and is not due to "textual corruption".

Which is. Omit these italics.

Even, &c. Heb. reads "The Most High [thou hast
made] thy habitation", supplying the Ellipsis from
the preceding line.

10 evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

dwelling = tent. Some codices, with one early printed
edition and Aram., read "tents" (pl.). See notes on p. 809.

11 He shall give. See Matt. 4. 6. Luke 4. 10.

in all thy ways. These words were omitted by
Satan, the Scripture being misquoted and misapplied.
The words "at any time" are added in Matt. 4. 6.
Verse 13 is also omitted, because it refers to Satan's
own head being crushed (Gen. 3. 15).

12 bear thee up. Cp. 94. 18.

in = on.

13 adder: or asp.

14 hath set His love. Heb. *hāshak*. Indicates the
deepest affection. Cp. Deut. 7. 7; 10. 15; Isa. 38. 17.
Only here in the Psalms.

My name. See note on 20. 1.

15 honour - glorify.

16 long life = length of days.

16 With °long life will I satisfy him,
And shew him My salvation.

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°A Psalm or °Song for °the sabbath day.

C D j
(p. 813)

1 *It is a good thing* to give thanks unto
°the LORD,
And to sing praises unto Thy °name, O
°MOST HIGH:

2 To shew forth Thy lovingkindness in the
morning,

And Thy faithfulness °every night,

3 Upon an instrument of ten strings, and
upon the psaltery;

Upon the harp with °a solemn sound.

k

4 For Thou, °LORD, hast made me glad
through Thy °work:

I will triumph in the °works of Thy hands.

l

5 O °LORD, how great are Thy works!

And Thy thoughts are °very deep.

E m

6 A brutish °man knoweth not;

Neither doth a fool understand this.

n

7 When the °wicked spring as the grass,
And when all the workers of °iniquity do
flourish;

It is that they shall be destroyed for ever:

8 But Thou, °LORD, °art most high for
evermore.

F o

9 For, lo, Thine enemies, O °LORD,

For, lo, Thine enemies shall perish;

p

All the workers of °iniquity shall be scat-
tered.

G

10 But my horn shalt Thou exalt like °the
horn of an °unicorn:

G

I shall be anointed with fresh oil.

F o

11 Mine eye also shall °see *my desire* on mine
enemies,

p

And mine ears shall °hear *my desire* of
the °wicked that rise up against me.

E m

12 °The righteous shall flourish like the °palm
tree:

He shall grow like a °cedar in Lebanon.

n

13 Those that be planted in the house of °the
LORD

Shall flourish in the courts of our °God.

14 They shall still bring forth °fruit in old
age;

They shall be fat and flourishing;

D j

15 To shew that °the LORD is upright:

He is my rock,

k

And *there is* no unrighteousness in Him.

l

B H
(p. 813)

93

°The LORD reigneth, He is °clothed with
majesty;

°The LORD is °clothed with strength, *where-*
with He hath °girded Himself:

°The world also is °established, that it can-
not be moved.

2 Thy throne is established of old:
Thou art from everlasting.

J

3 °The floods have lifted up, O °LORD,

°The floods have lifted up their voice;

°The floods lift up their waves.

J

4 °The LORD on high is mightier

Than the °noise of many waters,

Yea, than the mighty °waves of the sea.

92 (C, p. 810). PRAYER AND PRAISE FOR SAB-
BATH REST. (*Introversion and Alternations.*)

C

D | j | 1-3. The praise of Jehovah.

k | 4. What He is to me.

l | 5. His attributes. Greatness.

E | m | 6. A wicked individual. (Sing.)

n | 7, 8. The wicked. (Plural.)

F | o | 9-. Thine enemies.

p | -9. Workers of iniquity.

G | 10-. Favour to me.

(Future.)

G | -10. Favour to me.

(Past.)

F | o | 11-. Mine enemies.

p | -11. Doers of evil.

E | m | 12. A righteous individual. (Sing.)

n | 13, 14. The righteous. (Plural.)

D | j | 15-. The praise of Jehovah.

k | 15-. What He is to me.

l | -15. His attributes. Righteousness.

Title. A Psalm. Heb. *mizmōr*. Ap. 65. XVII.

Song. Heb. *shir*. Ap. 65. XXIII.

1 the sabbath day. Looking forward to the Day
and Rest of Messiah's reign. May it not also have
reference to the wilderness time, the cause being re-
corded in Num. 15. 32-41?

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

name. See note on 20. 1.

MOST HIGH. Heb. 'Elyōn. Ap. 4. IV. Showing that
it relates to His doings in the earth. See notes on p. 809.

2 every = in the.

3 a solemn sound. Heb. *higgiyōn* = soliloquy, or
meditation. Occurs in three Psalms: 9. 16; 19. 14
("meditation"); 92. 3 ("solemn sound"). See Ap. 66. I.

4 work = act. Heb. *pā'al*. Some codices, with two
early printed editions and Syr., read "acts" (pl.).

works = labours. Heb. 'āsāh.

5 very deep. Cp. 36. 6; 40. 5; 139. 17. Rom. 11. 33.

6 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

7 wicked = lawless. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

iniquity. Heb. 'āven. Ap. 44. iii. See note on v. 14.

8 art most high = [art enthroned] on high. Not as v. 1.

10 the horn of. Supply Ellipsis (Ap. 6), by "those of".
unicorn = buffalo, or wild ox.

11 see, &c. look on. Omit my desire.

hear = hear of [the destruction of] the wicked.

wicked. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

12 The righteous = A righteous one (sing.).

palm. In barren soil, watered deep at the roots.
An *Endogen*.

cedar. In mountain snows and storms, the roots em-
bedded in the rocks. An *Exogen*.

13 God. Heb. Elōhim. Ap. 4. I.

14 fruit. The righteous for fruit, the wicked for fuel.

93 (B, p. 810). THE REST DESIRED.

(*Introversion.*)

B

H | 1, 2. Attributes of Jehovah.

J | 3. The floods. High.

J | 4. Jehovah. Higher.

H | 5. Attributes of Jehovah.

1 The LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

The LORD reigneth. Three Psalms commence thus
(93, 97, 99); they each end with the thought of "holi-
ness" (the last has the word "holy" three times), indi-
cating that, when He reigns, "all will be holy" (Isa.
23. 18. Zech. 14. 20, 21). This explains the cry of the
Zōa (Rev. 4. 8), because His judgments will prepare the
way for His reign.

clothed . . . girded. Fig. *Anthrōpopatheia*. Ap. 6.

The world. Heb. *tēbēl* - The habitable world. Cp.
1 Sam. 2. 8.

established. Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg. render
"firmly fixed".

3 The floods. Note the Fig. *Anaphora* (Ap. 6), for
emphasis. Generally applied to rivers.

4 noise of many waters. Cp. Rev. 1. 15; 14. 2; 19. 6.
waves = breakers.

H
(p. 813)

5 Thy ° testimonies are very sure :
° Holiness becometh Thine house,
O ° LORD, for ever.

C K¹
(p. 814)

94 O ° LORD ° GOD, to Whom vengeance
belongeth ;
O ° GOD, to Whom vengeance belongeth,
° shew Thyself.

2 Lift up Thyself, Thou ° judge of the earth:
Render a reward to the proud.

3 ° LORD, ° how long shall the ° wicked,
How long shall the ° wicked triumph ?

4 How long shall they utter and speak hard
things ?

And all the workers of ° iniquity boast
themselves ?

5 They break in pieces Thy People, O ° LORD,
And afflict Thine heritage.

6 They slay the widow and the stranger,
And murder the fatherless.

7 Yet they say, ° "THE LORD shall not
see,

Neither shall the ° God of Jacob regard it."

L¹

8 Understand, ye brutish among the People:
And ye fools, when will ye be wise ?

9 He that ° planted the ear, shall He not
hear ?

He that formed the eye, shall He not see ?

10 He that chastiseth the ° heathen, shall not
He correct ?

He that teacheth ° man knowledge, shall
not He know ?

11 ° The LORD ° knoweth the thoughts of ° man,
That they are vanity.

K²

12 ° Blessed is the ° man whom Thou chasten-
est, O ° LORD,

And teachest him out of Thy law ;

13 That Thou mayest give him rest from the
days of adversity,

Until the pit be digged for ° the wicked.

L²

14 ° For ° the LORD will not cast off His People,
Neither will He forsake His inheritance.

15 But judgment shall return unto righteous-
ness :

And all the upright in heart shall follow it.

16 ° Who will rise up for me against the ° evil-
doers ?

Or who will stand up for me against the
workers of ° iniquity ?

17 Unless ° the LORD had been my help,
My ° soul had ° almost ° dwelt in silence.

K³

18 When I said, "my foot slippeth ;"
Thy ° mercy, O ° LORD, ° held me up.

19 In the multitude of my ° thoughts within me
Thy ° comforts delight my ° soul.

20 Shall ° the throne of ° iniquity have fellow-
ship with Thee,

Which frameth ° mischief by a law ?

21 They gather themselves together against
the ° soul of ° the righteous,

And condemn the innocent ° blood.

L³

22 But ° the LORD is my defence ;

And my ° God is the rock of my refuge.

23 And He shall bring upon them their own
° iniquity,

And shall cut them off in their own
° wickedness ;

Yea, ° the LORD our ° God shall cut them
off.

5 testimonies. Cp. Ps. 19. 7.

Holiness. Cp. 97. 12 ; 99. 9 ; and see note on v. 1, above.

94 (C, p. 810). PRAYER FOR REST FOR THE
EARTH. (Repeated Alternation.)

C K¹ | 1-7. Address to Jehovah.
L¹ | 8-11. Declaration concerning Him.
K² | 12, 13. Address to Jehovah.
L² | 14-17. Declaration concerning Him.
K³ | 18-21. Address to Jehovah.
L³ | 22, 23. Declaration concerning Him.

1 LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV. Note the Fig. *Anaphora*
(Ap. 6) in this verse. shew Thyself = shine forth.

2 judge of the earth. This is in keeping with the
subject of Book IV. See notes on p. 809.

3 how long. Note the Fig. *Anaphora*. Ap. 6.
wicked = lawless ones. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x. Not
the same word as in v. 23.

4 iniquity. Heb. *āven*. Ap. 44. iii. Same word as in
vv. 16, 23 ; not v. 20.

7 THE LORD. Heb. Jah. Ap. 4. III.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. See note on 20. 1.

9 planted the ear. Consult works on physiology for
the wonders of this expression.

10 heathen = nations.

man. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

11 knoweth, &c. See 1 Cor. 3. 20.

12 Blessed = Happy. See Ap. 63. VI.

man. Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. IV.

13 the wicked = a wicked one. Same word as v. 3.

14 For the LORD. See Rom. 11. 1, 2.

16 Who . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

evildoers. Heb. *rā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii.

17 soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

almost = quickly. See note on Prov. 5. 14.

dwelt in silence. Fig. *Euphemy* (Ap. 6), for dying.

18 mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.

held me up. Cp. 91. 12.

19 thoughts = perplexities.

comforts. Occurs only here, Isa. 66. 11, and Jer. 16. 7,
where it is rendered "consolations".

20 the throne of iniquity: i. e. the throne which
administers injustice.

iniquity. Heb. *havvāh* = cupidity. Put by Fig. *Metonymy*
(of Cause), Ap. 6, for the injustice produced by
desire for gain.

mischief. Heb. *āmāl*. Ap. 44. v.

21 the righteous = a righteous one (sing. no Art.).

blood. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6, for man.

95-100 (A², p. 810). REST FOR THE EARTH
ANTICIPATED.

95 (D, p. 810). WORSHIP IN VIEW OF REST
ANTICIPATED. (Introversion and Alternation.)

D M¹ | 1-7-. Rest to be found in true worship. People
speak.
M² | -7-11. Rest lost through unbelief. God speaks.

1-7- (M¹, above). REST TO BE FOUND IN TRUE
WORSHIP. (Introversion and Alternation.)

M¹ | N | q | 1, 2. Exhortation to praise.
r | 3. Reason. "For".
O | 4. The earth is His.
P | 5-. The sea is His.
P | -5-. He made the sea.
O | -5. He formed the earth.
N | q | 6. Exhortation to praise.
r | 7-. Reason. "For".

The Psalm has two distinct parts, see Structure, above ;
not two independent Psalms strung together. The
latter part is the complement of the former.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

95 O come, let us sing unto ° the LORD :
Let us make a joyful noise to the rock
of our salvation.

D M¹ N
(p. 814)

2 Let us come before His °presence with
thanksgiving,
And make a joyful noise unto Him with
psalms.

3 For ¹the LORD is a great °GOD,
And a great King above all °gods.

4 In His hand are the deep places of the
earth:
The strength of the hills is His also.

5 The sea is His,
And He made it:

And His °hands formed the dry land.

6 O come, let us worship and bow down:
Let us kneel before ¹the LORD our maker.

7 For He is our °God;
And we are the People of His pasture, and
the sheep of His hand.

°To day if ye will hear His voice,
8 Harden not your heart, as °in the provo-
cation,
And as in the day of °temptation in the
wilderness:

9 °When your fathers °tempted Me,
Proved Me, °and saw My work.

10 Forty years long was I grieved with °this
generation,
And said, "It is a People that do err in
their heart,
And they have not known My ways:"

11 °Unto whom I swear in My wrath
That they should not enter into My °rest.

96 O sing unto °the LORD °a new song:
Sing unto °the LORD, all °the earth.
2 Sing unto ¹the LORD, bless °His name;
Shew forth His salvation from day to
day.
3 Declare His glory among the °heathen,
His wonders among all °people.

4 For ¹the LORD is great, and greatly to be
praised:

He is to be feared above all °gods.
5 For °all the gods of the °nations are
°idols:

But ¹the LORD made the heavens.
6 Honour and majesty are before Him:
Strength and °beauty are in His °sanctuary.

7 Give unto ¹the LORD, O ye kindreds of the
°people,

Give unto ¹the LORD glory and strength.
8 Give unto ¹the LORD the glory due unto
°His name:

Bring an °offering, and °come into His
courts.

9 O worship ¹the LORD in °the beauty of
holiness:

°Fear before Him, all ¹the earth.
10 Say among the °heathen that ¹the LORD
reigneth:

The world also °shall be established that
it shall not be moved:
He shall judge the °people righteously.

2 presence. Heb. = face. See note on Ex. 23. 15;
34. 20. Hence the word "before" (v. 6; 96. 6, 9, 13; 92.
3, 5; 98. 6, 9; 100. 2; 102. 2, 10, 28, &c. This is the essence
of all true worship.

3 GOD. Heb. EL. Ap. 4. IV.
gods = rulers, or judges. Heb. *ēlohim*. Ap. 4. I. See
note on Ex. 22. 9.

5 hands. Fig. *Anthrōpōpatheia*. Ap. 6.

7 God. Heb. *ēlohim*. Ap. 4. I.

To day, &c. Cp. Heb. 3. 7-11; 4. 1.

-7-11 (M², p. 814). REST LOST THROUGH UN-
BELIEF. (Alternation.)

M² | Q | -7, 8. Time. "To-day".

R | 9. Sin. Committal. Place ('āsher = where).

Q | 10. Time. "Forty years".

R | 11. Sin. Punishment. Place ('āsher = where.)

8 in the provocation = at Meribah (Num. 20. 13).
temptation = Massah (Ex. 17. 7).

9 When. Heb. 'āsher = where.
tempted. Fig. *Anthrōpōpatheia*. Ap. 6.
and = yea.

10 this. Supply the Ellipsis by substituting "that".

11 Unto whom = Where: as in v. 9 (see note on
"When", v. 9). Heb. 'āsher.

rest. The rest, thus lost, is to be yet found in the
future (according to Heb. 3. 7-11, 15; 4. 3, 7).

96 (F, p. 810). SUMMONS TO SING THE NEW
SONG. (Alternation.)

F | S | 1-3. Exhortation to sing the New Song.

T | 4-6. Reasons. "For".

S | 7-13-. Exhortation to sing the New Song.

T | -13. Reasons. "For".

1 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.
a new song. Ps. 96 is the call; Ps. 97 is the answer.
Cp. 98 and 99. The subject is the coming rest for the
earth, to which creation looks forward (Rom. 8. 18-23).
the earth. This is the subject of Book IV. See notes
on p. 809.

2 His name. See note on 20. 1.

3 heathen = nations. people = peoples.

4 gods = rulers. Heb. 'ēlohim. Ap. 4. I. See note on
Ex. 22. 9.

5 all the gods . . . idols. Fig. *Paronomasia*. Ap. 6
Heb. *kāl-'ēlohey* . . . 'ēlilim. nations = peoples.
idols = nothings. Cp. 1 Cor. 8. 4.

6 beauty. Some codices read "joy". Cp. 1 Chron.
16. 27.

sanctuary. Some codices read "dwelling-place".
as in 1 Chron. 16. 27.

8 offering = presence offerings. Heb. *minchah*. Ap.
43. II. iii.

come into His courts. Some codices read "enter
before Him". Cp. 1 Chron. 16. 29.

9 the beauty of holiness. See note on 1 Chron.
16. 29. Fear = Tremble.

10 shall be established. Sept., Syr., and Vulg.
read "He hath fixed".

11 Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be
glad. The initials of the four Hebrew words making
this sentence form an acrostic (Ap. 6, 60, and 63, VII),
giving the four letters of the word *Jehovah* (Y, H, V, H)
thus:

Yism'hu Hashshāmayim V'thāgēl Hā'āreṣ.

The *Massōrah* (Ap. 30) has a special rubric calling atten-
tion to this acrostic.

12 Then shall. Ginsburg thinks this should be
"Yea, let".

11 °Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth
be glad;

Let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof.

12 Let the field be joyful, and all that is
therein:

°Then shall all the trees of the wood re-
joice

13 ° Before ¹ the LORD :T
(p. 815)

For ° He cometh, for ° He cometh to judge
¹ the earth :
 He shall ° judge ° the world with right-
 eousness,
 And the ³ people with His truth.

G U s
(p. 816)

97 ° The LORD ° reigneth ;

Let ° the earth rejoice ;
 Let the multitude of ° isles be glad *thereof*.

V u

2 Clouds and darkness *are* round about
 Him :

v

Righteousness

w

And judgment

Are the ° habitation of His throne.

V u

3 A fire goeth ° before Him,
 And burneth up His ° enemies round about.

4 His lightnings enlightened ° the world :
¹ The earth saw, and trembled.

5 The hills melted like wax at the ° presence
 of ¹ the LORD,
 At the ° presence of ° THE Lord of the
 whole ¹ earth.

v

6 ° The heavens declare His righteousness,
 And all the ° people see His glory.

7 Confounded be all they that serve ° graven
 images,
 That boast themselves of ° idols :
 Worship Him, all ye ° gods.

w

8 ° Zion heard, and was glad ;
 And the ° daughters of Judah rejoiced
 Because of Thy judgments, O ¹ LORD.

U s

9 For Thou, ¹ LORD, art ° HIGH above all
¹ the earth :

Thou art exalted far above all ° gods.

10 Ye that love ¹ the LORD, hate ° evil :
 He preserveth the ° souls of His ° saints ;
 He delivereth them out of the hand of the
 ° wicked.

t

11 Light is sown for the ° righteous,
 And gladness for the ° upright in heart.

12 Rejoice in ¹ the LORD, ye righteous ;
 And give thanks at the ° remembrance of
 His ° holiness.

98

° A Psalm.

F W
(p. 816)
X

1 ° O sing unto ° the LORD a new song ;

For He hath done marvellous things :
 His ° right hand, and His holy ° arm, hath
 gotten Him the victory.

2 ¹ The LORD hath made known His salva-
 tion :

His righteousness hath He openly shewed
 in the sight of the ° heathen.

3 He hath remembered His ° mercy and His
 truth toward the house of Israel :

All the ends of the earth have seen the
 salvation of our ° God.

W

4 Make a joyful noise unto ¹ the LORD, all
 the earth :
 Make a loud noise, and rejoice, and ° sing
 praise.

13 Before. See note on "presence" (95. 2).
 He cometh . . . He cometh. Fig *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6),
 for emphasis.
 the world = the habitable world. Heb. *tēbēl*. No rest
 or righteous rule for the world and its inhabitants
 until He comes. The next Psalm is "the New Song",
 celebrating this by anticipation.

97 (G, p. 810). THE NEW SONG.
(Introversion and Alternations.)

G U | s | 1-. Jehovah reigneth.
 t | -1. Joy and gladness.
 V | u | 2-. Clouds, &c.
 v | -2-. Righteousness.
 w | -2. Judgment.
 V | u | 3-5. Lightnings, &c.
 v | 6, 7. Righteousness.
 w | 8. Judgment.
 U | s | 9, 10. Jehovah reigneth.
 t | 11, 12. Joy and gladness.

Psalm 97 is the answer to the call of 96.

1 The LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

The LORD reigneth. See note on 93. 1.

reigneth = hath taken a kingdom.

the earth. Note that this Book (IV) and its Psalms
 have relation to the earth or land. See notes on p. 809.

isles = coasts or coastlands beyond Palestine. Put for

the Gentile world. 2 habitation = foundation.

3 before. See note on "presence" (95. 2).

enemies = adversaries.

4 the world = the habitable world. Heb. *tēbēl*.

5 presence. See note on 95. 2.

THE Lord. Heb. Adon. Ap. 4. viii (1). Specially
 connected with His rule in the earth. Occurs in Josh.

3, 11, 13 ; 5. 14, and Zech. 6. 5.

6 The heavens. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct),
 Ap. 6, for Him who dwells there. people = peoples.

7 graven images = an image, whether graven or
 molten (sing.).

idols = nothings. Cp. 96. 5 and 1 Cor. 8. 4.

gods = judges, or rulers. See note on Ex. 22. 9.

8 Zion. See Ap. 68.

daughters = daughter cities.

9 HIGH = Most HIGH. Heb. 'Elyōn. Ap. 4. VI.

10 evil. Heb. *rā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii.

souls. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

saints = gracious (i. e. graced) ones.

wicked = lawless (pl.). Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

11 righteous = a righteous one (sing.). upright (pl.).

12 remembrance = mention, or memorial.

holiness. See notes on 93. 1, 5.

98 (F, p. 810). SUMMONS TO SING THE NEW
SONG. (Alternation.)

F W | 1-. Exhortation to praise.
 X | -1-3. Reason. "For".
 W | 4-9-. Exhortation to praise.
 X | -9. Reasons. "For".

Title. A Psalm. Heb. *mizmōr*. Ap. 65. XVII.

1 O sing. Another summons to sing the New Song ;
 but this time it is for what Jehovah has done for Israel.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

right hand . . . arm. Fig. *Anthropopathia*. Ap. 6.

2 heathen = nations. holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

3 mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

4 sing praise. Fig. *Anadiplosis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.
 See note on "psalm", v. 5.

5 a psalm = sing praise (Heb. *zīmrah*), at end of
 vv. 4 and 5, by Fig. *Anadiplosis*. Ap. 6.

6 before. See note on "presence" (95. 2).

5 Sing unto ¹ the LORD with the harp ;
 With the harp, and the voice of ° a psalm.
 6 With trumpets and sound of cornet
 Make a joyful noise ° before ¹ the LORD, the
 King.

7 Let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof;
 ° The world, and they that dwell therein.
 8 Let the ° floods ° clap *their* hands:
 Let the hills be joyful together
 9 ° Before ° the LORD;

X
 (p. 816)

For He cometh to judge the earth:
 With righteousness shall He judge the
 world,
 And the ° people with equity.

G Y x
 (p. 817)

99 ° The LORD ° reigneth; let the ° people
 tremble:

He sitteth *between* the ° cherubims; let
 ° the earth be moved.

2 ° The LORD is great in ° Zion;
 And *He* is high above all ° the people.

3 Let them praise Thy great and terrible
 name;
 For it is ° holy.

4 The king's strength also loveth judgment;

y

Thou dost establish equity,
 Thou executest ° judgment and righteous-
 ness in Jacob.

Z

5 Exalt ye ° the LORD our ° God,
 And worship at His footstool;
 For ° *He* is ° holy.

Y x

6 ° Moses and Aaron among His priests,
 And ° Samuel among them that call upon
 His name;
 ° They called upon the LORD, and *He* an-
 swered them.

7 He spake ° unto them in the cloudy pillar:
 They kept His testimonies, and the ordi-
 nance *that* He gave them.

y

8 Thou answeredst ° them, O ° LORD our ° God:
 Thou wast a ° GOD That forgavest ° them,
 Though Thou ° tookest vengeance of ° their
 inventions.

Z

9 Exalt ° the LORD our ° God,
 And worship at His ° holy hill;
 For ° the LORD our ° God is ° holy.

100

° A Psalm of ° praise.

D A a
 (p. 817)

1 Make a joyful noise unto ° the LORD, all
 ° ye lands.

2 Serve ° the LORD with gladness:

b

Come before His ° presence with singing.

B

3 Know ye that ° the LORD *He* is ° God:
It is He That hath made us, ° and not we
 ourselves;
We are His ° People, and the ° sheep of
 His pasture.

A b

4 Enter into His gates with thanksgiving,
 And into His courts with praise:

a

Be thankful unto Him, and bless ° His
 name.

B

5 For ° the LORD is ° good; His ° mercy is
 everlasting;
 And His truth *endureth* to all generations.

7 The world: i.e. as inhabited. Heb. *tēbēl*.
 8 floods=rivers.
 clap. Fig. *Prosopopœia*. Ap. 6.
 9 people=peoples.

99 (G, p. 810). THE NEW SONG. (Alternations.)

G | Y | x | 1-4. Of Jehovah. } Motives.
 y | -4. To Jehovah. }
 Z | 5. Exalt ye, &c.
 Y | x | 6, 7. Of Jehovah. } Examples.
 y | 8. To Jehovah. }
 Z | 9. Exalt ye, &c.

1 The LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
 reigneth=hath taken a kingdom. See note on 93. 1.
 people=peoples.

cherubims. See Ap. 41. The Psalm was therefore
 written while the Ark was in existence.

the earth. The subject of Book IV. See notes on p. 809.

2 Zion. See Ap. 68.

the people=the peoples. A.V., 1611, omitted "the".

3 holy. See notes on 93. 1, 5 and Ex. 3. 5.

4 judgment and righteousness. See 2 Sam. 8. 15
 and 1 Chron. 18. 14. Cp. with 1 Kings 10. 9.

5 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

He. Cp. vv. 3 and 9, and see note on 93. 1, 5.

6 Moses. He was the grandson of Levi, and exercised
 priestly functions before Aaron (Ex. 24. 6-8); even con-
 secrating him (Ex. 28). He and Aaron are both included
 "among His priests".

Samuel. Cp. 1 Sam. 7. 9, 10; 12. 18.

They called. Omit "They", which obscures the
 sense, by leaving Moses and Aaron without a predicate.
 Cp. Ex. 15. 25; 32. 11-14; 33. 12-14. Num. 11. 2; 21. 7.
 Deut. 9. 20, 26. Ps. 106. 23.

7 unto them: i.e. to Moses and Aaron.

8 them=Moses and Aaron.

GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV

them... their=the People.

tookest vengeance. Cp. Num. 20. 12. Deut. 3. 26.
 Ps. 106. 32, 33.

100 (D, p. 810). WORSHIP, IN VIEW OF REST ANTICIPATED. (Alternation and Introversion.)

D | A | a | 1, 2-. Exhortation to worship.
 b | -2. Entrance into His presence.
 B | 3. What Jehovah is. (Three declarations.)
 A | b | 4-. Entrance into His presence.
 a | -4. Exhortation to worship.
 B | 5. What Jehovah is. (Three declarations.)

Title. A Psalm. Heb. *mizmōr*. Ap. 65. XVII.
 praise=thanksgiving.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

ye lands. Heb. the land; Israel in the land.

2 the LORD=Jehovah's self. Heb. Jehovah with 'eth.
 presence. See note on 95. 2.

3 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. The Heb. accent
 places the chief pause on "God"; the minor pauses on
 "know" and "made": i.e. the knowledge of Jehovah
 as our God reveals to His people that He made them
 such, and that they are His "sheep" and His care.

and not we ourselves. Some codices, with six early
 printed editions, read *lō* ("not"); but other codices,
 with one early printed edition, Aram., read *lō* (for
 Him or His), "and His we are", as in A.V. marg.
 The difference arises from spelling Heb. *lō* with an
 Aleph (ℓ=ʾo) or with a Vau (i=ō). The *Massōrah*
 notes several such passages where the same variation
 occurs (Ex. 21. 8. Lev. 11. 21; 25. 30. 1 Sam. 2. 3. 2 Sam.
 16. 18; 19. 7. Isa. 9. 2; 49. 5; 63. 9. Job 6. 21; 13. 15. Ps.
 100. 3. Prov. 19. 7; 26. 2).

People... sheep. Note the correspondence between
 Pss. 100 and 95 (p. 810).

4 His name. See note on Ps. 20. 1.

5 good. Cp. Ps. 95. 3, "great" (p. 810).
 mercy=lovingkindness, or grace.

101

°A Psalm °of David.

H¹ C
(p. 818)1 I will sing of °mercy and judgment:
Unto Thee, O °LORD, will I sing.

2 I will behave myself wisely in a °perfect way.

O °when wilt Thou come unto me?

I will walk within my house with a perfect heart.

D

3 I will set no °wicked thing before mine eyes:

I °hate °the work of them that turn aside;
It shall not cleave to me.4 A °froward heart shall depart from me:
I will not know a °wicked person.5 Whoso privily slandereth his neighbour,
him will I °cut off:

him that hath an high look and a °proud heart will not I suffer.

C

6 Mine eyes shall be upon the faithful of
°the land, that they may dwell with me:

He that walketh in a 2perfect way, he shall serve me.

D

7 He that worketh deceit shall not dwell within my house:

He that telleth lies shall not tarry in my sight.

8 I will °early destroy all the °wicked of °the land;

That I may °cut off all °wicked doers from °the city of 1the LORD.

102

°A Prayer of the afflicted, when he is overwhelmed, and poureth out his complaint °before the LORD.

J¹ E c
(p. 818)1 Hear my prayer, O °LORD,
And let my cry come unto Thee.2 Hide not Thy °face from me in the day
when I am in trouble;

Incline Thine ear unto me:

In the day when I call answer me speedily.

d

3 For my days are consumed °like smoke,
And my bones are burned as °an hearth.

4 My heart is smitten, and withered like grass;

So that I forget to eat my °bread.

5 By reason of the voice of my groaning
My bones cleave to my °skin.6 I am like °a pelican of the wilderness:
I am like an °owl of the desert.

7 I watch, and am

As a sparrow °alone upon the house top.

8 Mine enemies reproach me all the day;
And they that are mad against me °are sworn against me.9 For I have eaten ashes like °bread,
And mingled my drink with weeping,

10 °Because of Thine indignation and Thy wrath:

For Thou hast lifted me up, and cast me down.

11 My days are like a shadow that declineth;
And I am withered like grass.101-105 (A³, p. 810). REST FOR THE EARTH CELEBRATED.101 (H¹, p. 810). THE COMING KING AND HIS RULE. (*Alternation*.)

H¹ C		C 1, 2. I. My. "The perfect way". "Mercy".
		D 3-5. Them that "turn aside" "cut off". "Judgment".
C		6. I. Me, mine. "Perfect way". "Mercy".
		D 7, 8. He that "worketh deceit" "cut off". "Judgment".

Title. A Psalm. Heb. *mizmōr*. Ap. 65. XVII. of David. Relating to the true David, and His coming rule to give "rest" to the earth. The king's vow to rule in righteousness. Cp. 2 Sam. 23. 3-5.

1 mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.
mercy and judgment. Note these two as the alternate subjects of the Structure above.

LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

2 perfect = blameless.

when, &c.: i. e. as king shalt Thou come.

3 wicked thing = thing of Belial.

hate = have always hated.

the work: i. e. the doings, or business.

4 froward = perverse (from what is right).

wicked. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

5 cut off = destroy. See v. 8.

proud heart = broad of heart: i. e. large and blatant. Cp. Prov. 21. 4; 28. 25.

6 the land: i. e. Palestine, as in 100. 1.

8 early = morning by morning: i. e. the judgments of a day dealt with within the day. No prisons needed. Land kept clean.

wicked. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.wicked doers = workers of iniquity. Heb. *'āven*. Ap. 44. iii.

the city of the LORD: i. e. Zion. See Ap. 68.

102 (J¹, p. 810). THE KING, IN HIS HUMILIATION. (*Extended Alternation and Introversion*.)

J¹		E c 1, 2. Prayer.
		d 3-11. Humiliation. "Days cut short".
F		12. Jehovah everlasting.
		G 13-22. Favour to His People.
E		d 23. Humiliation. "Days cut short".
		c 24-. Prayer.
F		-24-27. Jehovah everlasting.
		G 28. Favour to His People.

Title. A Prayer, &c. This refers to Messiah's humiliation.

before. See note on "presence" (95. 2).

1 LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

face. See note on "presence" (95. 2).

3 like smoke. So some codices, with Aram., Sept., and Vulg.; other codices read "in smoke".

an hearth = charred wood.

4 bread. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6, for food in general.

5 skin = flesh.

6 a pelican... owl: both unclean birds.

alone. Some codices, with one early printed edition, read "fitting to and fro".

8 are sworn against me = are sworn [together] against me; as in Acts 23. 12-21.

10 Because of = from the face of. See note on 95. 2.

12 But Thou. Emphasising the great consolation.

shalt endure. Sittest, or wilt sit [enthroned].

Thy remembrance. Some codices read "Thy throne".

12 °But Thou, O 1LORD, °shalt endure for ever;

And °Thy remembrance unto all generations.

F

G H e
(p. 819)

13 Thou shalt arise, and have °mercy upon
°Zion:

For the time to favour her, yea, °the set
time, is come.

14 For Thy servants take pleasure in her
°stones,
And favour the dust thereof.

f 15 So the °heathen shall fear the °name of
°the LORD,
And all the kings of the earth Thy °glory.

J g 16 When °the LORD shall build up °Zion,
He shall °appear in His °glory.

h 17 He will regard the prayer of the destitute,
And not despise their prayer.

K 18 This shall be written for °the generation
to come:

K And °the people which shall be °created
shall praise °THE LORD.

J g 19 For He hath looked down from °the height
of His sanctuary;
From heaven did °the LORD behold the
earth;

h 20 To hear the groaning of the prisoner;
To loose °those that are °appointed to
death;

H e 21 To declare the °name of °the LORD in
°Zion,
And His praise in Jerusalem;

f 22 °When °the people are gathered together,
And the kingdoms, to serve °the LORD.

E d
(p. 818)

23 °He weakened my strength °in the way;
He shortened my days.

c 24 I said, "O °my GOD, take me not away in
the midst of my days:"

F Thy years are throughout all generations.

25 °Of old hast Thou laid the foundation of
the earth:

And the heavens are the work of Thy hands.

26 They shall perish, but Thou shalt endure:
Yea, all of them shall wax old like a gar-
ment;

As a vesture shalt Thou change them, and
they shall be changed:

27 But Thou art °the same,
And Thy years shall have no end.

G 28 The °children of Thy servants °shall con-
tinue,
And their seed shall be established °before
Thee.

H² L
(p. 819)

103

A Psalm °of David.

1 °Bless °the LORD, O °my soul:
And all that is within me, bless His °holy
°name.

2 Bless °the LORD, O °my soul,
And forget not °all His °benefits:

3 Who °forgiveth all thine °iniquities;
Who healeth all thy diseases;

4 Who °redeemeth thy life from destruction;
Who crowneth thee with lovingkindness
and °tender mercies;

5 Who satisfieth thy mouth with good
things;

So that thy youth is renewed like the eagle's.

102. 13-22 (G, p. 818). FAVOUR TO HIS
PEOPLE. (Introversion and Alternations.)

G H | e | 13, 14. Favour to Zion.
f | 15. Favour to the nations.
J | g | 16. Jehovah's glory in Zion.
h | 17. Jehovah's grace to the needy.
K | 18-. For a future People.
K | -18. For a future People.
J | g | 19. Jehovah's glory in Zion.
h | 20. Jehovah's grace to the needy.
H | e | 21. Favour to Zion.
f | 22. Favour to the peoples.

13 mercy = compassion. Zion. See Ap. 68.
the set time. First, the end of the seventy years
(Dan. 9. 2. Neh. 2. 17-20; 3. 1-32); and second, the still
future set time in God's counsels. All this is prophecy.
No need to think it was written after Jerusalem's
desolation. David was a prophet (Acts 2. 30, 31). Cp.
Isa. 40. 2; 61. 2.

14 stones. Put by Fig. Synecdoche (of Part), Ap. 6,
for the restored buildings.

15 heathen = nations. name. See note on 20. 1.
glory. Always mentioned in connection with Mes-
siah's sufferings. Cp. vv. 1-12. See Ap. 71.

16 appear in His glory. This shows that all is pro-
phetic. Cp. Isa. 60. 1-3.

18 the generation to come = a generation to come.
Showing that all here is future. the = a.
created: i. e. the new Israel (Ps. 22. 31. Isa. 43. 1-7,
18-21; 66. 8). This is the new nation referred to in
Matt. 21. 43.

THE LORD. Heb. Jah. Ap. 4. III.

19 the height of His sanctuary = His holy height.

20 those ... appointed to death = the sons of death.
Genitive of Relation. The Heb. word for "death"
occurs only here and 79. 11. It is fem., as though the
mother. Cp. Rom. 8. 36, and see Ap. 17 (5).

22 When, &c. Cp. Pss. 22. 27; 68. 32. Isa. 45. 14.
Fulfilling Gen. 49. 10.

23 He weakened. A return to the subject corre-
sponding with "d" (vv. 3-11), above.
in the way: i. e. of His humiliation.

24 my GOD. Heb. *Ēlī* = my El. Ap. 4. IV.

25 Of old, &c. Quoted in Heb. 1. 10-12, which shows
this Psalm is all prophetic of Messiah.

27 the same: or He. Cp. Isa. 41. 4; 43. 10.

28 children = sons.
shall continue = shall dwell [in the Land].

103 (H², p. 810). THE COMING KINGDOM.
(Introversion.)

H² | L | 1-5. Exhortation to bless.
M | 6, 7. Jehovah's kingdom. Israel.
N | 8. Merciful goodness.
O | 9. Sparing goodness. Time.
P | 10. Pardoning goodness.
P | 11-13. Pardoning goodness.
O | 14-16. Sparing goodness. Time.
N | 17, 18. Merciful goodness.
M | 19. Jehovah's kingdom. Universal.
L | 20-22. Exhortation to bless.

Title. of David: i. e. relating to the true David.

1 Bless. Fig. Apostrophe. Ap. 6.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah, with 'eth = Jehovah Him-
self. Ap. 4. II.

my soul = me myself. Heb. *nepesh*. Ap. 13.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5. name. See note on 20. 1.

2 all = any of. benefits = dealings.
3 forgiveth - passeth over. This verb, with its adj.
and subs., is never used but of God. Lit. That is the
Forgiver. Cp. v. 14 and note there.

iniquities. Heb. *āwāh*. Ap. 44. iv. So some codices,
with one early printed edition, Sept., and Vulg. (pl.);
other codices read singular.

4 redeemeth: i. e. as a kinsman. Heb. *gā'al*. See
note on Ex. 6. 6; 13. 13.

tender mercies = compassions.

- M (p. 819) 6 ° The LORD executeth righteousness
And judgment for all that are oppressed.
7 He made known His ° ways unto Moses,
His ° acts unto the ° children of Israel.
- N 8 ° The LORD is ° merciful and gracious,
° Slow to anger, and plenteous in ° mercy.
- O 9 He will not always chide;
Neither will He keep ° His anger for ever.
- P 10 He hath not dealt with us after our ° sins;
Nor rewarded us according to our ° iniquities.
- P 11 For as the heaven is high above the earth,
So ° great is His ° mercy ° toward them
that ° fear Him.
- 12 As far as the east is from the west,
So far hath He removed our ° transgressions
from us.
- 13 Like as a father pitieth his ° children,
So ° the LORD pitieth them that ° fear Him.
- O 14 For He knoweth our ° frame;
° He remembereth that we are ° dust.
15 As for ° man, his days are as grass:
As a flower of the field, so he flourisheth.
- 16 For the ° wind passeth over it, and ° it is
gone;
And ° the place thereof shall ° know it no
more.
- N 17 ° But the ° mercy of ° the LORD is from
everlasting to everlasting upon them
that ° fear Him,
And His righteousness unto ° children's
° children;
- 18 To such as keep His covenant,
And to those that remember His com-
mandments to do them.
- M 19 ° The LORD hath ° prepared His throne in
the heavens;
And His kingdom ruleth over all.
- L 20 Bless ° the LORD, ° ye His angels,
° That excel in strength, that do His ° com-
mandments,
Hearkening unto the voice of His word.
- 21 Bless ye ° the LORD, all ye His hosts;
Ye ° ministers of His, that do His pleasure.
- 22 Bless ° the LORD, all His works
In all places of His ° dominion:
Bless the LORD, O ° my soul.

- J² Q (p. 820) R S¹ 104 ° Bless ° the LORD, O ° my soul.
O ° LORD my ° God, Thou art ° very
great;
Thou art ° clothed with honour and majesty.
- 2 Who coverest Thyself with light as with
a garment:
Who stretchest out the heavens like a
° curtain:
- T¹ 3 Who layeth the beams of His chambers
in the waters:
Who maketh ° the clouds His ° chariot:
Who walketh upon the wings of the
° wind:
4 ° Who maketh His angels ° spirits;
His ° ministers a flaming fire:
5 Who laid the ° foundations of the ° earth,
That it should not ° be removed ° for ever.

- 6 The LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
7 ways: i. e. the reasons of His acts (esoteric) to Moses.
acts: i. e. the acts (exoteric) visible to the People.
children = sons.
8 merciful = compassionate, or pitiful. Cp. v. 13.
Slow to anger = long-suffering.
mercy = lovingkindness, or grace. Cp. Ex. 34. 6, 7.
9 His anger. The *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) is correctly supplied
from the preceding line.
10 sins. Heb. *chātā*. Ap. 44. i.
11 great = mighty, or hath prevailed.
toward = upon. fear = revere.
12 transgressions. Heb. *pāsha*. Ap. 44. ix.
14 frame = formation.
He remembereth. Cp. Isa. 29. 16; 45. 9, 10: i. e. God
remembers what man forgets (i. e. our infirmities); and
He forgets what man remembers (i. e. our sins). See
Isa. 43. 25; 44. 22. Jer. 31. 34. Cp. Isa. 55. 8.
dust. See Gen. 2. 7; 3. 19. Ecc. 12. 7.
15 man. Heb. *enōsh*. Ap. 14. III.
16 wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.
it is gone = there is no sign of it.
the place . . . know it. Fig. *Prosōpopœia*. Ap. 6.
know = recognise.
17 But. Blessed contrast. Note the Structure, "N",
p. 819. 19 prepared = established.
20 ye. Some codices, with Sept. and Vulg., read
"all ye". That excel = That are mighty.
commandments = commandment (sing.).
21 ministers: i. e. the angels. Cp. 104. 4. Heb. 1. 14.
22 dominion = sovereignty.

104 (J², p. 810). THE KING IN HIS COMING POWER AND GLORY.

(Introversion and Repeated Alternation.)

- J² Q | 1-. Jehovah to be praised.
R | S¹ | -1, 2. Thou.
T¹ | 3-5. He. Who. Day I. Earth.
S² | 6-9. Thou. Day II. Waters.
T² | 10-19. He. Who. } Day III, IV.
S³ | 20-. Thou. } Earth. Light.
T³ | -20-23. They.
S⁴ | 24-30. Thou. Day V, VI. Water. Sun.
T⁴ | 31, 32. He.
Q | 33-35. Jehovah to be praised.

- 1 Bless. Fig. *Apostrophe*. Ap. 6.
the LORD. Heb. Jehovah, with *'eth* = Jehovah Him-
self. Ap. 4. II.
my soul = I myself. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.
LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.
very great. The conception of Deity is grand; and
the cosmogony is neither Hebrew nor Babylonian, but
Divine.
clothed. Fig. *Anthrōpatheia*. Ap. 6. So through-
out the Psalm.
2 curtain. Of the fifty-three occurrences of this word,
only one (here) in the Psalms. No less than forty-seven
of them have to do with the Tabernacle; forty-three
of them being in Ex. 26 and 36.
3 the clouds = the thick clouds.
chariot. Fig. *Anthrōpatheia*. Ap. 6.
wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.
4 Who, &c. Quoted in Heb. 1. 7.
spirits. Angels are spirits (Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9), and are
called so in Heb. 1. 7, 14. 1 Pet. 3. 19 (cp. 1 Pet. 3. 22).
ministers = servants. Cp. 103. 21.
5 foundations. Cp. Job 38. 4-6. Prov. 8. 29.
earth. Heb. *ēreṣ*. As in vv. 9, 13, 14, 24; not the same
word as in v. 20. be removed = move.
for ever for ever and aye.
6 The waters stood. Cp. 2 Pet. 3. 5, 6 with Gen. 1. 2-.
- 6 Thou coveredst it with the deep as with S²
a garment:
° The waters stood above the mountains.

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- 7 At Thy rebuke they fled ;
At the voice of Thy thunder they hasted away.
- 8 They go up by the mountains ; they go down by the valleys
Unto the place which Thou ° hast founded for them.
- 9 Thou hast set a bound that they may not pass over ;
That they turn not again to cover ° the earth.
- 10 He sendeth the springs into the valleys,
Which run among the hills.
- 11 They give drink to every beast of the field :
° The wild asses quench their thirst.
- 12 By them shall the fowls of the heaven have their habitation,
Which sing among the branches.
- 13 He watereth the hills from His chambers :
° The earth is satisfied with the fruit of Thy works.
- 14 He causeth the grass to grow for the cattle,
And herb for the service of ° man :
That He may bring forth ° food out of ° the earth ;
- 15 And ° wine that maketh glad the heart of ° man,
And oil to make his face to shine,
And bread which strengtheneth ° man's heart.
- 16 The trees of ° the LORD are full of sap ;
The cedars of Lebanon, which He hath planted ;
- 17 Where the birds make their nests :
As for the stork, the fir trees are her house.
- 18 The high hills are a refuge for the wild goats ;
And the rocks for the ° conies.
- 19 He appointed the moon for seasons :
The sun ° knoweth his going down.

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- 20 Thou makest darkness, and it is night :
Wherein all the beasts of the forest do creep forth :
- 21 The young lions roar after their prey,
And seek their meat from ° GOD :
- 22 The sun ariseth, they gather themselves together,
And lay them down in their dens :
- 23 Man goeth forth unto his work
And to his labour until the evening.

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- 24 O ° LORD, ° how manifold are Thy works !
In wisdom hast Thou made them all :
° The earth is full of Thy riches.
- 25 So is this great and wide sea,
Wherein are things creeping innumerable,
Both small and great beasts.
- 26 There go the ° ships :
There is that ° leviathan, whom Thou hast made to ° play therein.
- 27 These wait all upon Thee ;
That Thou mayest give them their meat in due season.
- 28 That Thou givest them they gather :
Thou openest Thine ° hand, they are filled with good.
- 29 Thou hidest Thy face, they are ° troubled :
Thou takest away their ° breath, they die,
And ° return to their dust.

- 8 hast founded = didst prepare.
- 11 The wild asses : are provided with water. Cp. v. 15.
- 14 man. Heb. 'ādām, with Art. = humanity. Ap. 14. I. food. Heb. bread. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6, for all food. Note the three, "grass", "herb", "food".
- 15 wine : is provided for man. Cp. v. 11. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. I.
- man — weak, mortal man. Heb. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.
- 16 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
- 18 conies. Heb. *shaphan*. Not rabbits, which can burrow ; but about their size, having smooth feet ; therefore dwelling among the rocks, and not in the ground.
- 19 knoweth. Fig. *Prosopopœia*. Ap. 6.
- 21 GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.
- 24 how manifold. Fig. *Apostrophe*. Ap. 6.
- 26 ships : or nautilus, the "small" of v. 25. leviathan = sea monster, or the "great" of v. 25. made = formed. play = sport.
- 28 hand. Fig. *Anthrōpopatheia*. Ap. 6.
- 29 troubled = dismayed.
- breath = spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.
- return. Cp. Gen. 3. 19. Ecc. 12. 7.
- 30 spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.
- earth = ground. Heb. 'ādāmāh.
- 31 His works. His own works.
- 35 sinners. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i. the wicked — lawless ones. Heb. *rāsha'*. Ap. 44. x. be no more = be there no sign of them. Cp. 103. 16.
- Praise ye THE LORD (Heb. Jah. Ap. 4. III). Heb. *Halelu-jah*. This is the first "Hallelujah" in the O.T. The Talmud and the Midrash call attention to the fact that it is connected with the overthrow of the wicked. We may note that it is the same with the first Hallelujah in the N.T. (Rev. 19. 1, 2).

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For circumstances see note on 1 Chron. 16. 7.

- 1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. name. See note on 20. 1. people = peoples.
- 3 holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.
- 4 face. Fig. *Anthrōpopatheia*. Ap. 6.
- evermore — at all times, or continually.
- 30 Thou sendest forth Thy ° spirit, they are created :
And Thou renewest the face of the ° earth.
- 31 The glory of ° the LORD shall endure for ever :
° The LORD shall rejoice in ° His works.
- 32 He looketh on the ° earth, and it trembleth :
He toucheth the hills, and they smoke.
- 33 I will sing unto ° the LORD as long as I live :
I will sing praise to ° my God while I have my being.
- 34 My meditation of Him shall be sweet :
° I will be glad in ° the LORD.
- 35 Let the ° sinners be consumed out of the ° earth,
And let ° the wicked ° be no more.
Bless thou ° the LORD, O ° my soul.
° Praise ye ° THE LORD.

- 105 O give thanks unto ° the LORD ; call upon His ° name :
Make known His deeds among the ° people.
- 2 Sing unto Him, sing psalms unto Him :
Talk ye of all His wondrous works.
- 3 Glory ye in His ° holy ° name :
Let the heart of them rejoice that seek ° the LORD.
- 4 Seek ° the LORD, and His strength :
Seek His ° face ° evermore.

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- 5 Remember His marvellous works ° that He hath done;
His ° wonders, and the ° judgments of His mouth;
6 O ye seed of ° Abraham His ° servant,
Ye ° children of Jacob His chosen.
7 He is ° the LORD our ° God:
His judgments are in all the earth.
8 He hath remembered His covenant for ever,
The ° word which He commanded to a thousand generations.
9 (Which covenant He ° made with ° Abraham,
And His oath unto ° Isaac ;)
10 And ° confirmed the same unto ° Jacob for a law,
And to ° Israel for an ° everlasting covenant:
11 Saying, "Unto thee will I give the land of Canaan,
° The lot of your inheritance :"
12 When ° they were but a ° few men in number;
Yea, very few, and strangers in it.
13 ° When they went from one nation to another,
From one kingdom to another people ;
14 He suffered no ° man to do them wrong:
Yea, He reprov'd kings for their sakes;
15 Saying, "Touch not Mine anointed,
And do My ° prophets no harm."
16 Moreover He called for a famine upon the land:
He brake the whole staff of bread.
17 He ° sent a ° man before ° them,
° Even Joseph, who was sold for a servant :
18 ° Whose feet they hurt with fetters:
° He was laid in ° iron :
19 Until the time that ° his word ° came:
The ° word of ° the LORD ° tried him.
20 ° The king sent and loosed him;
Even the ruler of ° the people, and let him go free.
21 He made him lord of his house,
And ruler of all his substance:
22 To bind his princes ° at his pleasure;
And teach his ° senators wisdom.

This could not be said of the Patriarchs.

13 When they went. Cp. v. 23. 14 man. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I. 15 prophets: i. e. those who were men of God, and His spokesmen. Abraham so called (Gen. 20. 7). See Ap. 49.

17-22 (m, above). THE MISSION OF JOSEPH.

26-41 (m, above). THE MISSION OF MOSES AND AARON. (Extended Alternation.)

- m | q | 17. The sending of the Deliverer.
r | 18, 19. Trial by the Word (Joseph).
s | 20-22. The deliverance.
m | q | 26. The sending of the Deliverers.
r | 27-36. Trial by the Word (Egypt's).
s | 37-41. The deliverance.

17 sent=had sent. man. Heb. 'īsh. Ap. 14. II. them=their face. Even Joseph. Cp. Gen. 37. 28. 18 Whose feet. Fig. *Hysteresis*. Ap. 6. Further particulars Divinely revealed. He=His soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. iron. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for manacles made from it. 19 his word: i. e. Joseph's word: i. e. his interpretation of the dreams. came: came to pass. Cp. Judg. 7. 13, 21. 1 Sam. 9. 6. word=utterance, as in Ps. 119. 38=what is said; here, the prophetic promise. tried proved: i. e. proved his faith in the Divine promise (Gen. 37. 5-11). 20 The king sent. Cp. Gen. 41. 14, 39, 40, 44. the people=peoples. 22 at his pleasure=according to his soul (i. e. his will). Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. senators=elders.

105 (H³, p. 810). THE COMING KINGDOM. AS BASED ON THE PAST. (Introversion and Alternations.)

- H³ | U | 1-7. Exhortation to praise (2nd person pl.).
V | 18-2. Basis of praise. The Covenant in promise.
W | i | 13. Journeyings.
k | 14, 15. Favour.
l | 16. Affliction.
m | 17-22. Mission of deliverance. Joseph. } History of Patriarchs.
W | i | 23. Journeyings.
k | 24. Favour.
l | 25. Affliction.
m | 26-41. Mission of deliverance. Moses and Aaron. } History of Nation.
V | 42-45-. Basis of the praise. The Covenant in performance.
U | -45. Exhortation to praise (2nd person pl.).

5 that=which.

wonders: i. e. the miracles in Egypt.

judgments=just decisions (given at Sinai).

6 Abraham. Some codices read Israel. Cp. 1 Chron.

16. 13. servant. Sept. and Syr. read pl., "servants". children=sons.

7 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

8-12 (V, above). COVENANT IN PROMISE.

42-45- (V, above). COVENANT IN PERFORMANCE. (Extended Alternation.)

- V | n | 8-10. The Covenant remembered.
o | 11. The Land given.
p | 12. The People described.
V | n | 42, 43. The Covenant remembered.
o | 44. The Land possessed.
p | 45-. The People described.

8 word=promise, as in v. 42.

9 made=solemnised.

Abraham. Cp. Gen. 12. 7; 15. 18; 18. 14-17.

Isaac. Cp. Gen. 26. 3, 4.

10 confirmed=[He] established.

Jacob. Cp. Gen. 28. 13; 35. 12; 48. 1-4. See note on Gen. 50. 24; cp. Mic. 7. 20, and Heb. 11. 13.

Israel: i. e. the spiritual seed; in contrast with Jacob, the natural seed. See notes on Gen. 32. 28; 43. 6; 45. 26, 28. everlasting covenant. See notes on Gen. 9. 15, and Isa. 44. 7.

11 The lot=measuring line. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the inheritance measured off by it.

12 they. Some codices, with Aram. and Syr., read "ye": i. e. not the three Patriarchs, but the descendants of each one respectively.

few men in number=men (Heb. *m'ethim*. Ap. 14. V) of number: i. e. soon numbered (see note on "almost", Prov. 5. 14). Cp. Gen. 34. 30. Deut. 4. 27; 26. 5. Jer. 44. 28. (The opposite is "without number", Ps. 40. 12.)

W i 23 ° Israel also came into Egypt ;
(p. 822) And Jacob sojourned in the land of Ham.
k 24 And He increased His People greatly ;
And made them stronger than their ° ene-
mies.
l 25 ° He turned their heart to hate His People,
To deal subtilly with His servants.
m q 26 He sent ° Moses His servant ;
And Aaron whom He had chosen.
r 27 ° They shewed ° His signs among them,
And wonders in the ° land of Ham.
28 He sent ° darkness, and made it dark ;
And ° they rebelled not against His word.
29 He turned their waters into blood,
And slew their fish.
30 Their land ° brought forth frogs in abun-
dant,
° In the chambers of their kings.
31 He spake, and there came divers sorts of
flies,
° And lice in all their ° coasts.
32 He gave them hail for rain,
And flaming fire in their land.
33 He smote their vines also and their fig
trees ;
And brake the ° trees of their ³¹ coasts.
34 He spake, and the locusts came,
And caterpillars, and that without number,
35 And did eat up all the herbs in their land,
And devoured the fruit of their ground.
36 He smote also all the firstborn in their
land,
The ° chief of all their ° strength.
s 37 He brought them forth also with silver
and gold :
And there was not one feeble person a-
mong ° their tribes.
38 ° Egypt was glad when they departed :
For the fear of them fell upon them.
39 He spread a cloud for a covering ;
And fire to give light in the night.
40 The People asked, and He brought
quails,
And satisfied them with the bread of
heaven.
41 He opened the rock, and the waters gushed
out ;
They ran in the dry places like a river.
V n 42 For He remembered His ° holy ° promise,
And Abraham His servant.
43 And He brought forth His People with
joy,
° And His chosen with gladness :
o 44 And ° gave them the lands of ° the heathen :
And they inherited the ° labour of the ° peo-
ple ;
p 45 That they might observe His statutes,
And keep His laws.
U ° Praise ye ° THE LORD.

106° Praise ye ° THE LORD.

O give thanks unto ° the LORD ; for *He*
is good :
For His ° mercy endureth for ever.

23 Israel also came = So Israel came. Cp. v. 13 and Gen. 46. 1.

24 enemies = adversaries.

25 He turned. Cp. Ex. 1. 10 ; 4. 21.

26 Moses. Cp. v. 17 above, and the Structure. See Ex. 3. 10.

27 They. Sept., Syr., and Vulg. read "He". Cp. 78. 43. His signs = The words of His signs.

land of Ham : i.e. Egypt. Cp. 78. 51 ; 106. 22.

28 darkness. This was the ninth plague (Ex. 10. 21). All are not mentioned, not being needed. This is put first for the purpose implied in the next line.

they rebelled not : i.e. Israel did not rebel against the command for circumcision. According to Ex. 12. 48, no uncircumcised person could eat the Passover. This is implied in Josh. 5. 2 by the expression, the "second time".

30 brought forth = swarmed with.

In. Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) = "[and they entered] into".

31 And = [And there came].

coasts = borders, or boundaries.

33 trees of their coasts = boundary trees.

36 chief = firstlings.

strength. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6, for those produced by their strength or manly vigour.

37 their = his : i.e. Israel's (or Jehovah's).

38 Egypt. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for Egyptians ; the People (masc.), not "Land" (fem.).

42 promise. Same word as in v. 8, "word".

43 And His chosen. Pl. = Even His chosen [People].

44 gave. Cp. v. 11, "will I give", and see Structure. the heathen = nations.

labour. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for that which is produced by it.

people = peoples.

45 Praise ye THE LORD. Heb. Hallelujah = Praise ye Jah. Ap. 4. III.

106 (X, p. 810). EPILOGUE. REST. HOW LOST, AND VALUED.

(Introversion and Alternation.)

X A | 1-. Hallelujah.
B | -1-3. Exhortation to praise.
C | 4, 5. Prayer.
D | t¹ | 6, 7. Sin.
u¹ | 8-12. NEVERTHELESS.
E¹ | v¹ | 13-16. Sin.
w¹ | 17, 18. Punishment.
v² | 19-22. Sin.
w² | 23-. Punishment.
F¹ | -23. DELIVER-
ANCE. Moses.
E² | v³ | 24, 25. Sin.
w³ | 26, 27. Punishment.
v⁴ | 28, 29-. Sin.
w⁴ | -29. Punishment.
F² | 30, 31. DELIVER-
ANCE. Phinehas.
E³ | v⁵ | 32-. Sin.
w⁵ | -32, 33. Punishment.
v⁶ | 34-39. Sin.
w⁶ | 40-42. Punishment.
F³ | 43-. DELIVER-
ANCE. "He".
D | t | -43. Sin.
u | 44-46. NEVERTHELESS.
C | 47. Prayer.
B | 48-. Exhortation to praise.
A | -48. Hallelujah.

1 Praise ye THE LORD. Heb. = Hallelu-jah.
THE LORD. Heb. Jah. Ap. 4. III.
the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.

2 Who can utter the mighty acts of ¹the LORD?

Who can shew forth all His praise?

3 °Blessed are they that keep judgment,
And °he that doeth righteousness at all times.

4 Remember °me, O ¹LORD, with the favour
that Thou bearest unto Thy People:
O visit °me with Thy salvation;

5 That I may see the good of Thy °chosen,
That I may rejoice in the gladness of Thy
°nation,

That I may glory with Thine °inheritance.

6 We have °sinned with our fathers,
We have committed °iniquity, °we have
done °wickedly.

7 Our fathers understood not Thy wonders
in °Egypt;

They remembered not the multitude of
Thy ¹mercies;

But °provoked Him at the sea, even at
the Red sea.

8 °Nevertheless He saved them for His
name's sake,
That He might make His mighty power to
be known.

9 He rebuked the Red sea also, and it was
dried up:

So He led them through the depths, as
through the wilderness.

10 And He saved them from the hand of him
that hated them,

And °redeemed them from the hand of
the enemy.

11 And the waters covered their °enemies:
There was not one of them left.

12 Then believed they His words;
They sang His praise.

13 They °soon forgot His works;
They waited not for His counsel:

14 But lusted exceedingly in the wilderness,
And tempted °GOD in the desert.

15 And He gave them their request;
But sent leanness into their °soul.

16 They envied Moses also in the camp,
And Aaron the °saint of ¹the LORD.

17 The earth opened and swallowed up °Da-
than,

And °covered the company of °Abiram.

18 And a fire was kindled in their company;
The flame burned up the °wicked.

19 They made a calf in °Horeb,
And worshipped the molten image.

20 Thus they changed °their °glory
Into the similitude of an ox that eateth
grass.

21 They forgot °GOD their saviour,
Which had done great things in Egypt;

22 Wondrous works in the °land of Ham,
And terrible things by the Red sea.

23 Therefore He said that He would destroy
them,

Had not °Moses °His chosen stood before
Him in the breach,

To turn away His wrath, lest He should
destroy them.

3 Blessed = Oh how happy! Fig. *Beatitudo*. Ap. 63. VI. he that doeth. Some codices, with two early printed editions, Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "they that do".

4 me. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "us".

5 chosen . . . nation . . . inheritance. Note the three names of Jehovah's People.

6 sinned. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i. } Note the three iniquity. Heb. *āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv. } classes of ill-doing. we have. Some codices, with one early printed edition, read "and have".

wickedly = lawlessly. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

7 Egypt. It took forty hours to take Israel out of Egypt, but forty years to take Egypt out of Israel.

provoked Him = rebelled. Heb. *mārāh*. Same word as in vv. 33, 43; not the same as in v. 29.

8 Nevertheless. Cp. Structure, v. 44. Fig. *Palinodia*. Ap. 6.

10 redeemed, as a kinsman. Heb. *gā'al*. See notes on Ex. 6. 6; 13. 13.

11 enemies = adversaries.

13 soon forgot. Characteristic of human nature.

14 GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

15 soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

16 saint = separated one. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

17 Dathan . . . Abiram. Korah not mentioned: not because of being an "older tradition" (as alleged), but because the "sons of Korah" were spared. See Ps. 42, Title, and cp. Num. 16. 1-35 and 26. 11. covered = overwhelmed.

19 Horeb. So called here; not because the word of a later writer, but because "Horeb" was the higher name ("the mount of God", Ex. 3. 1. 1 Kings 19. 8), in order to show the heinousness of the sin.

20 their glory. The primitive text was "My glory", but this was changed by the *Sopherim* to "their" out of a mistaken reverence. See Ap. 33.

glory. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for God Himself, Who was and should have been He Whom they gloried in.

22 land of Ham. Cp. 78. 51; 105. 27.

23 Moses. Cp. Ex. 32. 10-14.

His chosen. Not theirs.

25 murmured. Occurs only here, Deut. 1. 27, and Isa. 29. 24.

And. Some codices, with two early printed editions, read this word in the text; others read "they".

27 overthrow. Sept. reads "disperse".

28 Baal-peor. Cp. Num. 25. 2, 3.

the dead. This pertains to necromancy. Cp. Deut. 18. 11. Isa. 8. 19.

29 provoked = grieved, or irritated. Heb. *kā'as*. Not the same word as in vv. 7, 33, 43.

Him. This word is read in text in some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg.

inventions = doings. See v. 39 also.

24 Yea, they despised the pleasant land,
They believed not His word:

25 But °murmured in their tents,
°And hearkened not unto the voice of
°the LORD.

26 Therefore He lifted up His hand against
them,

To overthrow them in the wilderness:

27 To °overthrow their seed also among the
nations,

And to scatter them in the lands.

28 They joined themselves also unto °Baal-
peor,

And ate the sacrifices of °the dead.

29 Thus they °provoked °Him to anger with
their °inventions:

And the plague brake in upon them.

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30 Then stood up °Phinehas, and executed judgment:

And so the plague was stayed.

31 And that was °counted unto him for righteousness

Unto all generations for evermore.

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32 They °angered Him also at the waters of °strife,

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So that it °went ill with Moses for their sakes:

33 Because they °provoked °his °spirit,
So that he °spake unadvisedly with his lips.

v⁶

34 They °did not destroy the °nations,
Concerning whom °the LORD °commanded them:

35 But were mingled among the °heathen,
And learned their works.

36 And they served their idols:
°Which were a snare unto them.

37 Yea, they sacrificed their sons and their daughters unto °devils,

38 And shed innocent blood, even the blood of their sons and of their daughters,
Whom they sacrificed unto the idols of Canaan:

And the land was °polluted with blood.

39 Thus were they defiled with their own works,

And went a whoring with their own °inventions.

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40 Therefore was the wrath of °the LORD kindled against His People,
Insomuch that He abhorred His own inheritance.

41 And He gave them into the hand of the °heathen;

And they that hated them ruled over them.

42 Their enemies also oppressed them,
And they were brought into subjection under their hand.

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43 °Many times did He °deliver them;

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But they °provoked Him with their counsel,

And were brought low for their °iniquity.

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44 °Nevertheless He regarded their affliction,
When He heard their cry:

45 And He °remembered for them His covenant,

30 Phinehas. Cp. Num. 25. 7, 8.

31 counted. Cp. Num. 25. 12, 13.

32 angered=caused indignation. Occurs only here in the Psalms.

strife. Heb. *Meribah*. Num. 20. 2-13.

went ill=fared ill.

33 his: i. e. Moses.

spirit. Heb. *rûach*. Ap. 9.

spake unadvisedly. A very rare Hebrew word. Occurs only here in the Psalms.

34 did not destroy. Cp. Judg. 1. 21-29, &c.

nations=peoples: i. e. the Canaanite nations. See Ap. 23 and 25.

commanded. Cp. Ex. 23. 32, 33: and often repeated. For the reason, see Ap. 23 and 25.

35 heathen=nations: i. e. the nations of Canaan. Cp. v. 38. See Ap. 23 and 25.

36 Which were=And they became. Some codices, with Sept. and Vulg., read "And it became".

37 devils=demons. Cp. Deut. 32. 17.

38 polluted. The strongest word that could be used. Cp. Num. 35. 33. Isa. 24. 5.

43 Many times. Cp. Judg. 2. 16. Neh. 9. 27, &c.

deliver=rescue.

iniquity. Heb. *âvôn*. Ap. 44. iii.

45 remembered...repented. Fig. *Anthrôpopatheia*. Ap. 6.

46 pitied. Cp. 2 Kings 25. 27-30. Daniel, Nehemiah, Esther, Ezra; showing that the prayer of Solomon was answered (1 Kings 8. 50).

Of=Before: i. e. By.

47 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

gather us. Not necessary to suppose a late date for the Psalm. The Spirit of God spake by the prophets. David was a prophet (Acts 2. 30, 31). Moreover, the Dispersion was well known, being foretold in Deut. 28. 64. We might as well reason away 1 Kings 8. 46-50, for Solomon himself prays this prayer.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

name. See note on Ps. 20. 1.

48 Blessed. Fig. *Benedictio*. This Doxology closes this fourth book. Cp. the closing Psalms of the other books.

THE LORD. Heb. *Jah*. See Ap. 4. III.

And °repented according to the multitude of His °mercies.

46 He made them also to be °pitied

°Of all those that carried them captives.

47 Save us, O °LORD our °God,

And °gather us from among the heathen,

To give thanks unto Thy °holy °name,

And to triumph in Thy praise.

48 °Blessed be °the LORD °God of Israel

From everlasting to everlasting:

And let all the People say, "Amen."

°Praise ye °THE LORD.

C

B

A

107—150 (\mathfrak{A}^2 , p. 720). THE FIFTH, OR DEUTERONOMY BOOK*.
GOD'S WORD THE ONLY GOOD.

"He sent His Word, and healed them,
And delivered them from all their destructions." †
(107. 20; 147. 15, 18.)

(Alternations and Introversion.)

\mathfrak{A}^2 | \mathfrak{A}^1 | 107. DELIVERANCE BY THE HEALING WORD.

\mathfrak{B}^1 | \mathfrak{C} | \mathfrak{E} | 108 (\mathfrak{E}^1), 109 (\mathfrak{E}^2), 110 (\mathfrak{E}^3). THE TRUE DAVID'S HUMILIATION, DELIVERANCE, AND EXALTATION (108. 6).

\mathfrak{F} | 111 (\mathfrak{F}^1), 112 (\mathfrak{F}^2), 113 (\mathfrak{F}^3). PRAISE. THREE HALLELUJAH PSALMS. THE FIRST TWO BEGINNING, AND THE THIRD, BOTH BEGINNING AND ENDING, WITH "HALLELUJAH". (Ps. 111 BEING PRAISE FOR JEHOVAH'S WORKS; 112, FOR HIS WAYS; AND 113, FOR HIMSELF.)

\mathfrak{D} | \mathfrak{G}^1 | 114 (\mathfrak{G}^1), 115 (\mathfrak{G}^1). DELIVERANCE FROM EGYPT, AND EGYPT'S IDOLS.

\mathfrak{H}^1 | 116 (\mathfrak{H}^1), 117 (\mathfrak{H}^1), 118 (\mathfrak{H}^1). PRAISE. THREE PSALMS. THE FIRST TWO ENDING WITH "HALLELUJAH", AND THE THIRD BEGINNING AND ENDING WITH "O GIVE THANKS".

\mathfrak{A}^2 | 119 †. QUICKENING AND SUSTAINING|| BY THE REVEALING WORD.

\mathfrak{B}^2 | \mathfrak{D} | \mathfrak{G}^2 | 120 (\mathfrak{G}^2)—134 (\mathfrak{G}^2)§. DELIVERANCE FROM SENNACHERIB TYPICAL OF ISRAEL'S FUTURE DELIVERANCE. FIFTEEN PSALMS ARRANGED IN FIVE TRIADS. (See Ap. 67.)

\mathfrak{H}^2 | 135 (\mathfrak{H}^2), 136 (\mathfrak{H}^2). PRAISE. TWO PSALMS LINKED TOGETHER BY ONE COMBINED STRUCTURE.

\mathfrak{G}^3 | 137. DELIVERANCE OF CAPTIVES. SENNACHERIB'S CAPTIVES (See notes)

\mathfrak{H}^3 | 138. PRAISE.

\mathfrak{G}^4 | 139. DELIVERANCE FROM AN EVIL HEART. (COMPARE Ezek 36. 26. Jer. 31. 33.)

\mathfrak{H}^4 | 140 (\mathfrak{H}^4)—144 (\mathfrak{H}^4). PRAYER AND PRAISE.

\mathfrak{C} | \mathfrak{E} | 145. THE TRUE DAVID LEADING THE PRAISES OF HIS PEOPLE (144. 9).

\mathfrak{F} | 146 (\mathfrak{F}^1)—150 (\mathfrak{F}^5). PRAISE. FIVE ¶ HALLELUJAH PSALMS, EACH BEGINNING AND ENDING WITH "HALLELUJAH".

* For notes, see p. 827.

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* **DEUTERONOMY** is man's name for this book. It comes from the Greek Septuagint, and means "the second Law". It was given because Deuteronomy was a repetition of the Law, with variations, to suit the needs of the new generation in the Land. The title in the Hebrew Canon is אֱלֹהֵי הַדְּבָרִים, 'ēlleh haddēbārīm, "THESE ARE THE WORDS". It is the book which contains the words of God; and consists almost wholly of the testimonies, statutes, judgments, &c., of Jehovah. It was from this book that the Saviour made His three quotations, when He met the tempter with the threefold "It is written". It follows the Book of the Wilderness; and gives the reason for all the trials of the pilgrimage: "The Lord thy God led thee these forty years . . . that He might make thee know that man doth not live by bread only, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of the Lord doth man live" (Deut. 8. 2, 3). The natural life, the giving of which is recorded in Genesis, is nothing worth if man be not begotten by the Word, and if the new nature thus given be not nourished by the Word. For only thus can man be truly said to "live".

Hence, in this Deuteronomy-Book of the Psalms we have the same leading subject. Its teaching, like that of the other books, is Dispensational; and it is grouped around the Word. All blessing for *Man* (Book I), all blessing for *Israel* (Book II), all blessing for *Zion* (Book III), all blessing for the *Earth and its Nations* (Book IV), is bound up in the Word and Law of God. The breaking of that Law had been the source of *Man's* sorrow, *Israel's* dispersion, the *Temple's* ruin, and the *Earth's* misery. It will yet be seen that all blessing for *Man*, the gathering of *Israel*, the building of *Zion*, and restoration for the *earth*, is bound up with the Word of God, and with His Law written by His Spirit on the fleshy tables of the heart (Jer. 31. 31-34. Ezek. 36. 24-38).

What a wonderful thing for one to be brought to say "O how I love Thy Law!" (Psalm 119. 97), when the breaking of that Law had brought in all the suffering! But it will be noted that this is said only after (in Psalm 118) the Resurrection of the Righteous Magnifier of that Law has been celebrated.

This is the theme of the Deuteronomy-Book of the Psalms. It consists of *forty-four* Psalms, in which the title Jehovah occurs 293 times; and Jah, 13; while Elohim occurs only 41 times (4 of which are with Jehovah); El, 10 times; Eloha, twice.

While the structure of the other books consists of two or three sections, this book is, like the Law of God itself, a perfect whole. It is the only book which has an even number of Psalms. Its first Psalm (107), as is the case with the first Psalms of the other books, is at once its key-note and epitome.

† Heb. *Shēhith* = graves, or pits (from *Shāhath* = to destroy), occurs only here and in Lam. 4. 20. The two passages, taken together, tell us that it is not merely the *written* Word which delivers from deep afflictions, but that the *Living* and Divine Word, Who was "taken in their pits", is the alone Deliverer of His People from their graves.

‡ It will be noted that Ps. 119 is characteristic of the **DEUTERONOMY** Book of the Psalms; while Ps. 84 is characteristic of the **LEVITICUS** Book, and Ps. 90 of the **NUMBERS** Book. We cannot imagine these as being appropriate to any other Books.

|| The Quickening and Sustaining Word. This is characteristic of Ps. 119. Cp. vv. 25, 37, 40, 50, 88, 93, 107, 149, 154, 156, 159 (eleven occurrences). Moreover, the verb *hāyāh* (= to breathe, to live, to continue to live) is used sixteen times in this Psalm, always in the sense of *keeping alive*, or *continuing in life*. See **KAL** (Future), vv. 17, 77, 116, 144, 175. **PIEL** (Pret.), vv. 50, 93. **PIEL** (Imperative), vv. 25, 37, 40, 88, 107, 149, 154, 156, 159.

In this connection, how suitable to Hezekiah. See Ap. 67, and note the *Distress*, which is the subject of the first Psalm of each of the five groups of "the songs of the Degrees"; and Hezekiah's earnest prayer. Ap. 67 (iv and xiv).

§ The Songs of the Degrees are 15 in number (120—134, G², above). They correspond in number with the 15 years added to Hezekiah's life. Ten are by Hezekiah (corresponding with the number of "the Degrees" by which the shadow of the sun went backward on the sun-dial of Ahaz, 2 Kings 20. 8-11). Five are by others (4 by David and 1 by Solomon). Solomon's Psalm occupies the centre (127); and, of the 7 on either side, 2 in each 7 are by David; and 10 (5 in each 7) by Hezekiah.

In each 7 the name of **JEHOVAH** occurs 24 times, and **JAH** once in the third Psalm of each 7. In the central Psalm Jehovah occurs 3 times.

The fifteen Psalms are arranged in five groups of 3 each. In each group, the subject of the first is *Distress*; the second is *Trust in Jehovah*; while the third speaks of *Blessing and Peace in Zion*.

They are here in fulfilment of Hezekiah's promise recorded in Isa. 38. 20. (For further information see Ap. 73, and Dr. J. W. Thirtle's *Old Testament Problems*. London, Henry Frowde.)

¶ The last five Hallelujah Psalms (146—150, **F**, p. 826) are an echo and reminiscence of the whole of the five books of the Psalter:—

- F** | **J** | 146. **GENESIS**. Compare v. 4 with Gen. 2. 7; v. 5 with Gen. 28; v. 6 with Gen. 1.
 | **K** | 147. **EXODUS**. Compare v. 4 ("names") with Ex. 1. 1; vv. 2, 20 with the building up of the
 | | nation (Ex. 1. 7-20); and vv. 15, 19 with Ex. 20.
 | **L** | 148. **LEVITICUS**. Compare v. 14 ("a People near unto Him") with Lev. 10. 3.
 | **K** | 149. **NUMBERS**. Compare vv. 5-9 with Num. 14. 21; 24. 17-24. The nations ruled and blessed
 | | by the Saints.
 | **J** | 150. **DEUTERONOMY**. Compare v. 2 with Deut. 3. 24.

BOOK V.

A- A
(p. 828)**107** O give thanks unto ° the LORD, for He
is good :

For His ° mercy endureth for ever.

2 Let the ° redeemed of ° the LORD say so,
Whom He hath ° redeemed from the ° hand
of the ° enemy ;**3** And ° gathered them out of ° the lands,
From the east, and from the west,
From the north, and from the ° south.B C¹ a¹**4** They wandered in the wilderness in ° a
solitary way ;

They found no ° city to dwell in.

5 Hungry and thirsty,
Their ° soul fainted in them.b¹**6** Then they cried unto ° the LORD in their
° trouble,c¹And He delivered them out of their dis-
tresses.**7** And ° He led them forth by ° the right way,
That they might go to a ° city of habita-
tion.d¹**8** Oh that men would praise ° the LORD for
His ° goodness,And for His wonderful works to the
° children of ° men !**9** For He satisfieth the longing ° soul,
And ° filleth the hungry ° soul with good-
ness.C² a²**10** Such as sit in darkness and in the shadow
of death,

Being bound in ° affliction and iron ;

11 Because they ° rebelled against the ° words
of ° GOD,And ° contemned the counsel of ° the
MOST HIGH :**12** Therefore He brought down their heart
with labour ;They fell down, and there was ° none to
help.b²**13** Then they cried unto ° the LORD in their
° trouble,c²

And He saved them out of their distresses.

14 He brought them out of darkness and the
shadow of death,

And brake their bands in sunder.

d²**15** Oh that men would praise ° the LORD for
His ° goodness,And for His wonderful works to the ° chil-
dren of ° men !**16** For He hath broken the gates of brass,
And cut the bars of iron in sunder.C³ a³**17** ° Fools because of their ° transgression,
And because of their ° iniquities, ° are
afflicted.**18** Their ° soul abhorreth all manner of meat ;
And they draw near unto the gates of
death.

contemned = despised. the MOST HIGH. Heb. 'Elyōn. Ap. 4. VI. **12** none to help = no sign of a helper. **17** Fools = the Perverse, depending on their own wisdom, which is foolishness with God (1 Cor. 1. 20-25). Cp. Prov. 1. 7; 12. 15; 14. 3, 9; 15. 5; 27. 22. transgression. Heb. pāsha'. Ap. 44. ix. iniquities. Heb. 'āvah. Ap. 44. iv. Not the same word as in v. 42. are afflicted = bring affliction on themselves.

107-150 (A², p. 720). THE DEUTERONOMY
BOOK.

GOD'S WORD: THE ONLY GOOD.

107 (A¹, p. 826). THE DELIVERING AND HEAL-
ING, OR LIVING WORD. (Introversion.)A¹ | A | 1-3. Praise for Jehovah's lovingkindness.

B | 4-32. Distress and Deliverance.

B | 33-41. Judgment and Blessing.

A | 42, 43. Praise for Jehovah's lovingkindness.

The first Psalm of Book V. This book contains fifteen by David, one by Solomon (127), and the rest anonymous (probably by Hezekiah, see Ap. 67), certainly not later than his day. See notes on passages supposed to prove a later date.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jēhovah. Ap. 4. II.

mercy = lovingkindness, or grace; as in v. 43.

2 redeemed. Heb. gā'al, to redeem by purchase. See notes on Ex. 6. 6, and cp. Ex. 13. 13.

hand. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the power exercised by it.

enemy = adversary, or straitnesses.

3 gathered. This is the subject of this last book. Gathered by His Word; and according to His Word. See the Structure, p. 826, and note, p. 827.

the lands, &c. Fig. Topographia (Ap. 6), for emphasis. The Psalm looks forward to the final ingathering of Israel.

south = sea : i. e. the Red Sea.

4-32 (B, above). DISTRESS AND DELIVERANCE.
(Repeated and Extended Alternation.)B | C¹ | a¹ | 4, 5. Trouble. Wanderers. (Wilderness.)b¹ | 6-. Cry.c¹ | -6, 7. Deliverance.d¹ | 8, 9. Praise, and Reason.C² | a² | 10-12. Trouble. Rebels.b² | 13-. Cry.c² | -13, 14. Deliverance.d² | 15, 16. Praise, and Reason.C³ | a³ | 17, 18. Trouble. Fools.b³ | 19-. Cry.c³ | -19, 20. Deliverance.d³ | 21, 22. Praise, and Injunction.C⁴ | a⁴ | 23-27. Trouble. Wanderers on Deep.b⁴ | 28-. Cry.c⁴ | -28-30. Deliverance.d⁴ | 31, 32. Praise, and Injunction.**4** a solitary way = a trackless waste.

city to dwell in = city of habitation, as in v. 7.

5 soul. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13.

trouble = strait.

7 He led them forth. When this is the case, the way is always "right".

the right way. Because it is His way: not the shortest, or most direct, or most pleasant; but it is the way of Grace and Favour. It is the way of Trial (Deut. 8. 2-4); the way of Safety; the way of Divine Provision and Miraculous Supplies; and it ends "right".

8 goodness = lovingkindness, or grace; same word as "mercy" in v. 1.

children = sons.

men. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.

9 filleth the hungry soul. Quoted in Luke 1. 53.**10** affliction = oppression.**11** rebelled. This marks the subject of C¹.

words = sayings, utterances.

GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

- b³ (p. 828) 19 Then they cry unto ¹the LORD in their trouble,
c³ And He saveth them out of their distresses.
20 °He °sent His Word, and °healed them, And °delivered them from their °destructions.
- d³ 21 Oh that *men* would praise ¹the LORD for His ³goodness, And for His wonderful works to the ³children of ³men!
22 And let them sacrifice the sacrifices of thanksgiving, And declare His works with rejoicing.
- C¹ a¹ 23 °They that go down to the sea in ships, That do business in great waters;
24 ~~They~~ see the °works of ¹the LORD, And His wonders in the deep.
25 For He commandeth, and raiseth the stormy °wind, Which lifteth up the waves thereof.
26 They mount up to the heaven, they go down again to the depths: Their ³soul is melted because of trouble.
27 They reel to and fro, and stagger like a drunken °man, And °are at their wit's end.
- b⁴ 28 Then they cry unto ¹the LORD in their trouble,
c⁴ And He bringeth them out of their distresses.
29 He maketh the storm a calm, So that the waves thereof are still.
30 Then are they glad because they be quiet; So He °bringeth them unto their desired haven.
- d⁴ 31 Oh that *men* would praise ¹the LORD for His ³goodness, And for His wonderful works to ³the children of ³men!
32 Let them exalt Him also in the °congregation of the people, And praise Him in the °assembly of the elders.
- B e (p. 829) 33 He turneth rivers into a wilderness, And the watersprings into dry ground;
34 A fruitful land into barrenness, For the °wickedness of them that dwell therein.
- f 35 He turneth the wilderness into a standing water, °And dry ground into watersprings.
36 And there He maketh the hungry to dwell, That they may prepare a city for habitation;
37 And sow the fields, and plant vineyards, Which may yield fruits of increase.
38 He blesseth them also, so that they are multiplied greatly; And °suffereth not their cattle to decrease.
- e 39 °Again, they are minished and brought low Through oppression, affliction, and sorrow.

20 He sent His Word = He sendeth. This is the key-note to the whole book. All blessing is bound up in this. Note the prophetic reference to Christ, the *Living Word* (John 1. 1, 2, 14), and contrast with the *written Word* (Ps. 119). See the Structure, p. 828.
sent = sendeth. healed = healeth.

delivered = delivereth.

destructions = graves. Heb. *shāhath*. Occurs only here and Lam. 4. 20. The Divine Deliverer was "taken in their pits", and He alone can deliver from the grave.

23 They that go down, &c. In the Heb. text, vv. 23-28 are marked by "inverted Nūns" (i.e. the letter *Nūn* (N), inverted 5). There are nine altogether (see Ginsburg's *Massorah*, Letter J, § 15, Vol. II, p. 259). There are two in Num. 10. 35, 36 (see note there), and seven in this Psalm. Verses 23-28 each have one; also v. 40. These inverted letters are used as our "brackets" are, to indicate that, in the opinion of the *Sopherim*, the verses so marked should be transposed. But this is only an opinion, arrived at from not seeing the Structure of the Psalm, which, when examined, leaves nothing "inexplicable", as the transition from v. 38 to v. 39 is said to be.

24 works. Some codices, with two early printed editions, read "work" (sing.).

25 wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

27 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.
are at their wit's end. Heb. all their wisdom swallows itself.

30 bringeth = guideth: or, will gently guide.

32 congregation = assembly, or convocation, assembly = session, or seated company

107. 33-41 (B, p. 828). JUDGMENT AND BLESSING. (Alternation.)

B | e | 33, 34. Judgment.

f | 35-38. Lovingkindness.

e | 39, 40. Judgment.

f | 41. Lovingkindness.

34 wickedness. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

35 And. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in vv. 35-38, emphasising each item which goes to make up the fulness of blessing.

38 suffereth not, &c. Fig. *Tapeinosis* (Ap. 6) = will abundantly multiply.

39 Again, &c. So far from the transition from v. 38 to 39 being "inexplicable", or v. 40 being an "interpolation", the perfection of the repetition of the subject ("judgment") is shown by the Structure above.

40 in the wilderness, where there is no way = a pathless waste.

wilderness. Heb. *tohū*. Rendered "without form" in Gen. 1. 2, describing what "the world that then was" had become by the disruption.

41 the poor = a needy one. Heb. *'ebyōn*. See note on Prov. 6. 11. from = after.

42 iniquity. Heb. *'āval*. Ap. 44. vi. Not the same word as in v. 17.

43 these. The edition of A.V., 1611, reads "those". lovingkindness = lovingkindnesses (pl.). Same word as "mercy", in v. 1. A, thus corresponding with A, in Heb., though not in A.V.

40 He poureth contempt upon princes, And causeth them to wander °in the °wilderness, where there is no way.

41 Yet setteth He °the poor on high °from affliction, And maketh *him* families like a flock.

42 The righteous shall see *it*, and rejoice: And all °iniquity shall stop her mouth.

43 Whoso *is* wise, and will observe °these things, Even they shall understand the °loving-kindness of ¹the LORD.

A (p. 828)

108

° A Song or ° Psalm ° of David.

E¹ D
(p. 830)

1 O ° God, my heart is ° fixed;
I will sing and give praise, even with ° my
glory.

2 Awake, psaltery and harp:
I myself will ° awake early.

3 I will praise Thee, O ° LORD, among the
° people:

And I will sing praises unto Thee among
the nations.

4 For Thy ° mercy is great above the hea-
vens:

And Thy truth *reacheth* unto the ° clouds.

5 Be Thou exalted, O ° God, above the
heavens:

And Thy glory above all the earth;

6 That Thy ° beloved may be delivered:

Save with Thy right hand, and answer me.

E g

7 ° God hath ° spoken in His holiness; I will
rejoice,

I will divide Shechem, and mete out the
valley of Succoth.

8 Gilead is mine; ° Manasseh is mine;
Ephraim also is the strength of mine
head;

Judah is my lawgiver;

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9 Moab is my washpot;
Over Edom will I cast out my ° shoe;
Over Philistia will I triumph.

10 Who will bring me into the strong city?
Who will lead me into Edom?

D

11 Wilt not ° Thou, O ° God, Who hast cast
us off?

And wilt not Thou, O ° God, go forth with
our hosts?

12 Give us help from trouble:
For vain is the help of ° man.

E g

13 Through ° God we shall do valiantly:

For *He* it is That shall tread down our
enemies.

h

° To the chief Musician.

109

° A Psalm ° of David.

E² F
(p. 830)

1 Hold not Thy peace, O ° God ° of my
praise;

2 For the mouth of ° the wicked and the
mouth of the deceitful are opened a-
gainst me:

° They have spoken against me with a
lying tongue.

3 They compassed me about also with
° words of hatred;

And fought against me ° without a cause.

4 For my love they are my adversaries:
But ° I give myself unto prayer.

5 And they have ° rewarded me ° evil for
good,
And hatred ° for my love.

G

6 “(° Set Thou a ° wicked man over him:

° And let ° Satan stand at his right hand.

7 When he shall be judged, let him be con-
demned:

° And let his prayer become ° sin.

8 Let his days be few;

And ° let another take his ° office.

108—110 (E¹, p. 827). THE TRUE DAVID'S HUMILIATION, DELIVERANCE, AND TRIUMPH.108 (E¹, p. 826). THE TRUE DAVID'S DELIVERANCE. (Alternations.)

E¹ D | 1-6. God spoken to. Prayer.
E | g | 7, 8. Israel. } God spoken of.
h | 9, 10. Enemies. }
D | 11, 12. God spoken to. Prayer.
E | g | 13-. Israel. } God spoken of.
h | -13. Enemies. }

Title. A Song. Heb. *shir*. Ap. 65. XXIII.Psalm. Heb. *mizmōr*. Ap. 65. XVII.

of David. Pss. 108—110 relate to the true David, and His humiliation, deliverance, and triumph. The first of fifteen Davidic Psalms in this fifth book. This subject appears in each book as the root and source of all blessing. Instead of a new Psalm being written for this subject here, a composite Psalm is formed by a combination of parts of Pss. 57. 7-11 and 60. 5-12. See the notes there.

1 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. fixed = steadfast. my glory. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Effect), Ap. 6, for the heart or tongue which gives the glory. Cp. 7. 5; 16. 9; 30. 12; 57. 8. Lit. "Aye, fain would I glory", &c.

2 awake early = awake the dawn.

3 LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. people = peoples.

4 mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.

clouds = skies. 6 beloved = beloved ones (pl.).

7 spoken in: or sworn by.

8 Manasseh. Some codices, with one early printed edition, read "And Manasseh".

9 shoe. See note on 60. 8.

11 Thou. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "Thou" (emphatic) in the text.

12 man. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

13 To the chief Musician. Ap. 64.

109 (E², p. 826). THE TRUE DAVID'S HUMILIATION AND DELIVERANCE. (Extended Alternation.)

E² F | 1-5. Prayer for himself.

G | 6-16. Enemies. Their cursing.

H | 16-20. Reward of those who curse his soul.

F | 21-27. Prayer for himself.

G | 28, 29. Enemies. Their cursing.

H | 30, 31. Deliverance from those who condemn his soul.

Title. A Psalm. Heb. *mizmōr*. Ap. 65. XVII.

of David. See note on Ps. 108 (Title).

1 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

of. Genitive of Relation: i.e. Whom I praise. Cp. Deut. 10. 21.

2 the wicked = a lawless one. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x. They have spoken against me. See vv. 6-19 for what they spoke. Cp. 38. 11, 12; 71. 10, 11.

3 words of hatred. Written down in vv. 6-15. Cp. 2 Sam. 16. 5-13 for the type. without a cause. Cp. John 15. 25.

4 I give myself unto prayer = I [am all] prayer. Cp. 120. 7 "I [am all] peace". As here in vv. 1-5 (F) and vv. 21-27 (F).

5 rewarded me = set or put against me. Syr. reads "returned me". Not the same word as in v. 20, though the same thing is referred to.

evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

for my love. Note here the Ellipsis of the verb "saying", emphasising what is said rather than the saying of it. This verb has often to be thus supplied. See Gen. 26. 7.

1 Kings 20. 34. Ps. 2. 2; 144. 12. Prov. 1. 21. Isa. 5. 9; 14. 8; 18. 2; 22. 13; 24. 14, 15; 28. 9. Jer. 9. 19; 11. 19; 50. 5. Lam. 3. 41. Hos. 14. 8. Acts 9. 6; 10. 15; 14. 22, &c. See note on Ps. 144. 12.

6 Set Thou = "[saying] Set Thou", &c. See note above. Note the Parenthesis (Ap. 6), vv. 6-15.

And let Satan = And then Satan will.

Satan = an adversary. 7 sin. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

8 let another, &c. Quoted, but not fulfilled in Acts 1. 20. office = overseership.

9 Let his ° children be fatherless,
And his wife a widow.
10 Let his ° children be continually ° vaga-
bonds, and beg:
Let them ° seek *their bread* also out of
their desolate places.
11 Let the extortioner ° catch all that he
hath;
And let the strangers spoil his labour.
12 Let there be none to extend ° mercy unto
him:
Neither let there be any to favour his
fatherless ° children.
13 Let his posterity be cut off;
And in the generation following let ° their
name be blotted out.
14 Let the ° iniquity of his fathers be remem-
bered with ° the LORD;
And let not the ° sin of his mother be blotted
out.
15 ° Let them be before ° the LORD continually,
That He may cut off the memory of them
from the earth)."
16 Because that he remembered not to shew
° mercy,
But persecuted ° the poor and needy ° man,
That he might even slay ° the broken in
heart.
17 As he loved cursing, so let it come unto
him:
As he delighted not in blessing, so let it be
far from him.
18 As he clothed himself with cursing like as
with his garment,
So let it come into his bowels like water,
And like oil into his bones.
19 Let it be unto him as the garment *which*
covereth him,
And for a girdle wherewith he is girded
continually.
20 ° Let this be the ° reward of mine adver-
saries ° from ° the LORD,
And of them that ° speak ° evil against my
° soul.
21 But do Thou for me, O ° GOD ° the Lord,
for Thy ° name's sake:
Because Thy ° mercy is good, deliver Thou
me.
22 For I am ° poor and needy,
And my ° heart is wounded within me.
23 I am gone like the shadow when it de-
clineth:
I am tossed up and down as the locust.
24 My knees are weak through fasting;
And my flesh faileth of fatness.
25 I became also a reproach unto them:
When they looked upon me they shook
their heads.
26 Help me, O ° LORD my ° God:
O save me according to Thy ° mercy:
27 That they may know that ° this is Thy
hand;
That ° Thou, ° LORD, hast done it.

9 children = sons.
10 vagabonds = wanderers.
seek their bread also out. Sept. and Vulg. read
"driven out".
11 catch = lay a snare for. Cp. 1 Sam. 28. 9.
12 mercy = kindness, or grace.
13 their name. Some codices, with Sept. and Vulg.,
read "His name".
14 iniquity. Heb. 'āvāh. Ap. 44. iv.
the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
15 Let them be, &c. This verse is the end of the
Parenthesis, which begins with v. 6.
16 the poor = an oppressed one (v. 22).
man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.
the broken in heart = one broken in heart. Cp. v. 22;
69. 20.
20 Let this be = This is. Verse 16 is a return to the
subject of vv. 1-5, and by the same speaker of vv. 1-5.
reward = work. Not the same word as in v. 5.
from the LORD = from Jehovah. It was He Who per-
mitted it. Cp. v. 27, "This is Thy hand; Thou, LORD,
hast done it". See 22. 15; 38. 2, 3; 39. 9, 10. Cp. 2 Sam.
16. 11, "the LORD hath bidden him".
speak evil. See vv. 6-19 for the evil spoken.
soul. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13.

109. 21-27 (F, p. 830). PRAYER FOR HIMSELF. (Introversion.)

F i | 21-. "Thou".
k | -21. "Thy mercy".
l | 22-. My humiliation.
m | -22. My heart wounded.
n | 23-. Comparison to a shadow.
n | -23. Comparison to a locust.
m | 24. My body weakened.
l | 25. My emaciation.
k | 26. "Thy mercy".
i | 27. "Thou".
21 GOD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
the Lord. Heb. Adonai. Ap. 4. VIII (2).
name's. See note on 20. 1.
22 poor = oppressed. Refers to Messiah. Cp. v. 16.
See 40. 17; 69. 29; 70. 5; 86. 1.
heart. Cp. v. 16.
27 this is Thy hand. See note on "from the LORD",
v. 20. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6, for what
is done by the hand.
Thou, LORD, hast done it. See note on v. 20. The
same is said of Messiah's exaltation. See 118. 23.
28 Let them curse. As in vv. 6-15.
let Thy servant rejoice = Thy servant shall
rejoice.
29 Let mine, &c. Contrast this with the malignity
of vv. 6-15 and characterised in vv. 16-19.
31 He shall stand, &c. Contrast this with v. 6.
poor = needy. Not the same word as in v. 16.
condemn his soul. Cp. the Structure, v. 20 (H), with
v. 31 (H).

28 ° Let them curse, but bless Thou:
When they arise, let them be ashamed;
but ° let Thy servant rejoice.
29 ° Let mine adversaries be clothed with
shame,
And let them cover themselves with their
own confusion, as with a mantle.
30 I will greatly praise ° the LORD with my
mouth;
Yea, I will praise Him among the multi-
tude.
31 For ° He shall stand at the right hand of
the ° poor,
To save him from those that ° condemn
his ° soul.

110

° A Psalm ° of David.

E³ J
(p. 832)

K

L

M

J

K

L

M

F¹ N
(p. 832)

O P

111

° Praise ye THE LORD.

- (N) I will praise ° the LORD with *my* whole heart,
 (2) In the ° assembly of the upright, and in the congregation.
 2 (3) The ° works of ° the LORD are great,
 (7) Sought out of all them that have pleasure therein.
 3 (7) His work is honourable and ° glorious:
 (1) And His righteousness endureth for ever.

begotten thee [a son]". Cp. 2. 7. There should be no stop after the word "morning". youth = a son.
 4 sworn. Corresponding with "said" (v. 1). Thou art, &c. Quoted in Heb. 5. 6; 7. 17. After the order. Cp. Gen. 14. 18. Heb. 5. 6, 10; 6. 20; 7. 1-28. Melchizedek. His priesthood was unique, and did not pass to another, as did Aaron's. Hence, Christ's priesthood, being in Resurrection life and Ascension glory, will continue for ever, and He will be a priest upon His throne (Zech. 6. 13), and a priest for ever.
 5 The LORD*. One of the 134 places where the *Sopherim* changed Jehovah to Adonai. See Ap. 82.
 6 heathen = nations. Cp. Joel 3. 9-17. Zech. 14. 1-4. He shall fill, &c. = "Let Him judge among the peoples [a region] full of corpses. heads = head (Rev. 19. 11-21): i. e. the Antichrist. many countries = a great land. 7 of = from. The verse begins with this word (Heb. 7 = M = from), and thus corresponds with the "from" of v. 3 (member M, above). the head = [his] head.

111 (F¹, p. 826). PRAISE FOR JEHOVAH'S WORKS. (*Introversion and Alternation.*)

- F¹ | N | 1. Praise to Jehovah.
 O | P | 2-4. For His works.
 Q | 5, 6. His bounty, and objects of it.
 O | P | 7, 8. For His works.
 Q | 9, 10-. His bounty, and objects of it.
 N | -10. Praise to Jehovah.

The first of three Hallelujah Psalms; the first two being a pair of Acrostic Psalms, linked together by a corresponding arrangement.

- 111 | 1-8. Eight couplets. N-Y.
 | 9, 10. Two triplets. E-7.
 112 | 1-8. Eight couplets. N-Y.
 | 9, 10. Two triplets. E-7.

1 Praise ye THE LORD. Heb. Hallelu-Jah. Ap. 4. III. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. assembly = conclave, or secret assembly. 2 works. The great subject of this Psalm, as His ways are of the next. Cp. Rev. 15. 3. 3 glorious = majestic.

110 (E³, p. 826). THE TRUE DAVID'S EXALTATION. (*Extended Alternation.*)

- E³ | J | 1. What Jehovah has uttered.
 K | 2-. What He will do.
 L | -2. Messiah's enemies.
 M | 3. Refreshment. Dew.
 J | 4. What Jehovah has uttered.
 K | 5. What He will do.
 L | 6. Messiah's enemies.
 M | 7. Refreshment. Brook.

Title. A Psalm. Heb. *mizmôr*. Ap. 65. XVII. of David. Relating to the true David, and interpreted of Him and by Him. See note below.

1 The LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. Quoted in Matt. 22. 41-46. Acts 2. 34, 35. Heb. 1. 13. said. Heb. *n'um* Jehovah = "the Oracle (or oracular utterance) of Jehovah". It is almost always used of the immediate direct utterance of Jehovah Himself; seldom of that of the prophet; (Num. 24. 3, 15); David (2 Sam. 23. 1).

my Lord = Adonai, Ap. 4. VIII (2): i. e. David's Lord: i. e. the Messiah. Cp. Matt. 22. 41-46.

Sit Thou, &c. Fig. *Anthrôpopatheia*. Ap. 6.

Until I make, &c. Quoted or referred to seven times in N.T. (Matt. 22. 44. Mark 12. 36. Luke 20. 42. Acts 2. 34. Heb. 1. 13; 10. 13. 1 Cor. 15. 25).

make Thine enemies Thy footstool = set Thine enemies [as] a footstool for Thy feet. In N.T. Gr. = *tithemi* (2 aor. subj.) = "shall have placed". 1 Cor. 15. 25 is the exception, where it is not "set as a footstool", but put "under", because Christ's session on His own throne (Matt. 25. 31. Rev. 3. 21) is there referred to, instead of His session on His Father's throne, as in all the other quotations.

2 the rod of Thy strength = Thy strong staff. Gen. of Character, Ap. 17. The reference is to the ancestral staff, marking the priest as well as the prince, and handed down here to Messiah, David's son.

Zion. See Ap. 68. Cp. Rom. 11. 25-27. enemies = foes.

3 shall be. Supply *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) thus: "[shall offer] themselves for voluntary offerings, in the day that Thou warrest".

willing = freewill offerings, as in Ex. 35. 29; 36. 3. 1 Chron. 29. 9, 14, 17. Ezra 3. 5; 8. 28.

the beauties of holiness. Some codices, with two early printed editions, read "in (or on) the holy mountains".

from the womb, &c. Supply *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6): "[as the dew] from the womb before the morning I have begotten thee".

Thou art, &c. Quoted in Heb. 5. 6; 7. 17. After the order. Cp. Gen. 14. 18. Heb. 5. 6, 10; 6. 20; 7. 1-28. Melchizedek. His priesthood was unique, and did not pass to another, as did Aaron's. Hence, Christ's priesthood, being in Resurrection life and Ascension glory, will continue for ever, and He will be a priest upon His throne (Zech. 6. 13), and a priest for ever.

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4 (7) He hath made His wonderful works to be remembered:

(7)² The LORD is °gracious and full of compassion.

Q (p. 832) 5 (2) He hath given °meat unto them that °fear Him:

(7) He will ever be mindful of His covenant.

6 (2) He hath shewed His People the power of His works,

(7) That He may give them the °heritage of the °heathen.

O P 7 (2) The °works of His hands are verity and judgment;

(7) All His commandments are sure.

8 (2) They stand fast for ever and ever,

(7) And are done in truth and uprightness.

Q 9 (2) °He sent °redemption unto His people:

(7) He hath commanded His covenant forever:

(7) °Holy and °reverend is His name.

10 (7) The °fear of °the LORD is the °beginning of wisdom:

(7) A good understanding have all they that do His commandments:

N (7) His praise endureth for ever.

F² R o (p. 833)

112 Praise ye °THE LORD.

(2) °Blessed is the °man that feareth °the LORD,

(7) That delighteth greatly in His commandments.

2 (2) His seed shall be mighty upon earth:

(7) The generation of the upright shall be blessed.

3 (7) Wealth and riches shall be in his house:

P (7) And his righteousness endureth for ever.

4 (7) Unto °the upright there ariseth light in the darkness:

Q (7) He is gracious, and full of compassion, and righteous.

5 (2) °A good °man sheweth favour, and °lendeth:

(7) He will guide his affairs with discretion.

S 6 (2) Surely he shall not be moved for ever:

(7) °The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance.

7 (2) He shall not be afraid of °evil tidings:

(7) His heart is fixed, °trusting in °the LORD.

8 (2) His heart is established, he shall not be afraid,

(7) Until he see his desire upon his enemies.

R Q 9 (2) °He hath dispersed, he hath given to the °poor;

P (7) His righteousness endureth for ever;

O (7) His horn shall be exalted with honour.

S 10 (7) °The wicked shall see it, and be grieved;

(7) He shall gnash with his teeth, and melt away:

(7) The °desire of °the wicked shall perish.

F³ T

113 °Praise ye °THE LORD.

U Praise, O ye servants of °the LORD,

V Praise the °name of °the LORD.

V 2 °Blessed be the °name of °the LORD

From this time forth and for evermore.

4 gracious, &c. See Ex. 34. 6, 7.

5 meat. Heb. "prey". Put by Fig. *Synecdochē* (of Species), Ap. 6, for food of all kinds.

fear = revere.

6 heritage = inheritance. heathen = nations.

7 works... are. Some codices read "work... is" (sing.).

9 He sent, &c. Quoted in Luke 1. 68.

redemption. Involves three things: (1) His People; (2) His covenant; (3) His name.

Holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

reverend = to be feared. Heb. *nōrā*, from *yārē*, to be afraid. The Niphal Part. (as here) rendered "dreadful" (5); "to be feared" (3); "fearful" (2); "fearfully" (1); "to be had in reverence" (1); "reverend" (1); "terrible" (24); "terrible acts" (1); "terrible things" (5); "terribleness" (1). Cp. 45. 4; 47. 2; 65. 5; 66. 3, 5; 68. 35; 76. 12; 99. 3; 106. 22, &c.

10 fear = reverence.

beginning. Not wisdom itself, or its end, but only the beginning of it. See notes on Job 28. 28. Prov. 1. 7.

112 (F², p. 826). PRAISE FOR JEHOVAH'S WAYS. (*Alternation and Introversion.*)

F² 1-. HALLELUJAH.
R | o | -1-3-. Happiness.
p | -3, 4-. Righteousness.
q | -4, 5. Goodness.
S | 6-8. Shall stand.
R | q | 9-. Goodness.
p | -9-. Righteousness.
o | -9. Happiness.
S | 10. Shall fall.

The second of three Hallelujah Psalms, and of the pair (111, 112). See note above. Also an Acrostic Psalm. See Ap. 63. VII.

1 THE LORD. Heb. Jah. Ap. 4. III.

Blessed = Happy. See Ap. 63. VI.

man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II.

the LORD. Heb. *eth Jehovah*: i. e. Jehovah Himself. Ap. 4. II.

4 the upright = upright ones (pl.).

5 A good man, &c. Or, Good [is] the man that, &c. lendeth. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), Ap. 6, for all kinds of merciful acts.

6 The righteous = A righteous one.

7 evil tidings. Heb. "evil hearing"; put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for whatever bad news may be heard.

trusting = confiding. Heb. *batāh*. See Ap. 69. I.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

9 He hath dispersed. Quoted in 2 Cor. 9. 9.

poor = helpless ones. Heb. *'ebyōn* (pl.). See note on Prov. 6. 11.

10 The wicked = A lawless one. Heb. *rāshā*. Ap. 44. x.

desire. Probably = hope, as in 9. 18; Prov. 10. 28.

the wicked = lawless ones (pl.). Ap. 44. x.

113 (F³, p. 826). PRAISE TO JEHOVAH HIMSELF. (*Introversion.*)

F³ T | 1-. HALLELUJAH.
U | -1-. Praise Jehovah. } Command given.
V | -1. Praise His Name. }
V | 2, 3. Bless His Name. } Command obeyed.
U | 4-9-. Praise Jehovah. }
T | -9. HALLELUJAH.

The third of these three Hallelujah Psalms (111—113). The Psalms of this group are called the Hallel Psalms (113—118). Psalms 113, 114 were sung before the Paschal meal (but after the second of the four cups of wine); 115—118 after it. The last probably sung by the Lord Jesus (Matt. 26. 30).

1 Praise ye THE LORD. Heb. *Hallelu-Jah*.

THE LORD. Heb. *Jah*. Ap. 4. III.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

name. See note on 20. 1.

2 Blessed. Fig. *Benedictio*, not *Beatitudo*. Ap. 6.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

3 From the rising of the sun unto the going
down of the same

² The LORD'S ¹ name *is* to be praised.

U
(p. 833)

4 ² The LORD *is* high above all nations,
And His glory above the heavens.

5 [°] Who *is* like unto ² the LORD our [°] God,
Who dwelleth on high,

6 Who humbleth *Himself* to behold
The things that are in [°] heaven, and in
the earth!

7 He raiseth up [°] the poor out of the dust,
And lifteth [°] the needy out of the dunghill;

8 That He may set *him* [°] with princes,
Even [°] with the princes of His People.

9 He maketh the barren woman to keep
house,

And to be a joyful mother of [°] children.

T

¹ Praise ye ¹ THE LORD.

G¹ W
(p. 834)

114 [°] When Israel went out of [°] Egypt,
The house of [°] Jacob from a people of
strange language;

2 Judah [°] was His sanctuary,
And Israel His dominion.

X r

3 [°] The sea saw *it*, and fled:
[°] Jordan was driven back.

s

4 The mountains skipped like rams,
And the little hills like lambs.

X r

5 [°] What *ailed* thee, O thou ³ sea, that thou
fleddest?

Thou ³ Jordan, *that* thou wast driven back?

s

6 Ye mountains, *that* ye skipped like rams;
And ye little hills, like lambs?

W

7 Tremble, thou earth, at the presence of
[°] the Lord,

At the presence of the [°] ⚡ of ¹ Jacob;

8 Which [°] turned the rock *into* a [°] standing
water,

The flint into a fountain of waters.

G¹ Y t
(p. 834)

115 [°] Not unto us, O [°] LORD, [°] not unto us,

But unto Thy [°] name give glory,
For Thy [°] mercy, *and* for Thy truth's sake.

Z v

2 Wherefore should the [°] heathen say,
"Where *is* now their [°] God?"

W

3 But our ² God *is* in the heavens:

He hath done whatsoever He hath pleased.

Z v x

4 Their idols *are* [°] silver and gold,

The [°] work of [°] men's hands.

y

5 They have [°] mouths, but they speak not:

Eyes have they, but they see not:

a

6 They have ears, but they hear not:

b

[°] Noses have they, but they smell not:

c

7 They have hands, but they handle not:

b

Feet have they, but they walk not:

a

Neither [°] speak they through their throat.

z

8 They that make them are like unto them;

y

[°] So *is* every one that [°] trusteth in them.

x

9 O [°] Israel, ³ trust thou in ¹ the LORD:

w

[°] *He* *is* their help and their [°] shield.

5 Who is like . . . ? This is ever the outburst of the
saints' praise. See note on Ex. 15. 11.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

6 heaven = the heavens.

7 the poor = an impoverished one.

the needy = a needy one. Cp. 1 Sam. 2. 8.

8 with princes . . . with the princes. Fig. *Anadiplosis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. 9 children = sons.

114 (G¹, p. 826). ISRAEL'S DELIVERANCE FROM
EGYPT. (*Introversion and Alternation*.)

G¹ | W | 1, 2. God's mercies to Jacob.
X | r | 3. By water. } Statements.
s | 4. On land. }
X | r | 5. Water. } Questions.
s | 6. Land. }
W | 7, 8. God's mercies to Jacob.

See note on Psalm 113, above.

1 When Israel. Cp. Ex. 13. 3.

Egypt. Not Babylon. The Psalm not post-exilic.

Jacob. See notes on Gen. 32. 28; 43. 6; 46. 27, 28.

2 was = became. See note on Gen. 1. 2.

3 The sea. Cp. Ex. 14. 21.

Jordan. Cp. Josh. 3. 13.

5 What . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

7 the Lord. Heb. Adōn. Ap. 4. VIII (1).

⚡. Heb. Eloah. Ap. 4. V.

8 turned = changed. standing = pool.

115 (G¹, p. 826). ISRAEL'S DELIVERANCE FROM
EGYPT'S IDOLATRY.

(*Introversion and Alternations*.)

G¹ | Y | t | 1-. Negative. } The praise given.
u | -1. Positive. }
Z | v | 2. Heathen theology.
w | 3. Israelitish.
Z | v | 4-8. Heathen theology.
w | 9-16. Israelitish.
Y | t | 17. Negative. } The praise-givers.
u | 18. Positive. }

1 Not. Heb. *l'o* (not 'al). Supply *Ellipsis* thus: "Not
to us Lord, not to us [belongeth glory] but to Thy name
give the glory". LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

name. See note on 20. 1.

mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.

and. Some codices, with one early printed edition,
Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read this "and" in the text.

2 heathen = nations.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

4-8 (v, above). HEATHEN THEOLOGY.

(*Introversion*.)

v | x | 4-. The idols.
y | -4. Their fabrication.
z | 5-. Mouth without speech. (Sing.)
a | -5. Eyes without sight. (Pl.)
b | 6-. Ears without hearing. (Pl.)
c | -6. Nose without smell. (Sing.)
b | 7-. Hands without handling. (Pl.)
a | -7. Feet without walking. (Pl.)
z | -7. Throat without voice. (Sing.)
y | 8-. The fabricators.
x | -8. The idolaters.

4 silver and gold. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause),
Ap. 6, for what is made from them. Cp. 135. 15-19.

work. Some codices, with Sept. and Vulg., read pl.,
"works". men's. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

5 mouths = a mouth (sing.).

6 Noses = a nose (sing.).

7 speak = make a sound.

8 So is. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg.,
read "And [so is]".

trusteth = confideth. Heb. *batāḥ*. Ap. 69. I.

9 Israel. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg.,
read "house of Israel". See notes on Gen. 32. 28; 43. 6;
46. 27, 28.

He *is* their help, &c. Fig. *Epistrophe* (Ap. 6), in vv. 9, 11.
shield. See note on Ps. 84. 9.

10 O house of Aaron, ⁸ trust in ¹ the LORD:

⁹ *He is their help and their shield.*

11 Ye that fear ¹ the LORD, ⁸ trust in ¹ the LORD:

⁹ *He is their help and their shield.*

12 ¹ The LORD hath been mindful of us: ⁹ He will bless *us*;

⁹ He will bless ⁹ the house of Israel;

He will bless the house of Aaron.

13 ⁹ He will bless them that ⁹ fear ¹ the LORD, Both ⁹ small ⁹ and great.

14 ¹ The LORD shall increase you more and more,

You and your ⁹ children.

15 *Ye are blessed of* ¹ the LORD

Which made heaven and earth.

16 The heaven, *even* the heavens, *are* ¹ the LORD'S:

But the earth hath He given to the ¹⁴ children of ⁴ men.

17 The dead praise not ⁹ THE LORD,
Neither any that go down into silence.

18 But *we* will bless ¹⁷ THE LORD
From this time forth and for evermore.
⁹ Praise ¹⁷ THE LORD.

116 I love ⁹ the LORD, because He hath heard

⁹ My voice *and* my supplications.

2 Because He hath inclined His ear unto me,
Therefore will I call upon *Him* as long as I live.

3 The ⁹ sorrows of death compassed me,
And the pains of ⁹ hell ⁹ gat hold upon me:
I found trouble and sorrow.

4 ⁹ Then called I upon the name of ¹ the LORD;

O ¹ LORD, I beseech Thee, deliver ⁹ my soul.

5 ⁹ Gracious *is* ¹ the LORD, and righteous;
Yea, our ⁹ God *is* ⁹ merciful.

6 ¹ The LORD preserveth the ⁹ simple:

I was brought low, and He helped me.

7 Return unto thy ⁹ rest, O ⁴ my soul;
⁹ For ¹ the LORD hath dealt bountifully with thee.

8 For Thou hast delivered ⁴ my soul from death,
Mine eyes from tears,
And my feet from falling.

9 I will walk before ¹ the LORD
In the land of the living.

10 ⁹ I believed, therefore have I spoken:
³ was greatly afflicted:

11 ³ said in my ⁹ haste,
⁹ "All men *are* ⁹ liars."

12 ⁹ What shall I render unto ¹ the LORD
For all His benefits toward me?

13 ⁹ I will take the cup of salvation,
⁹ And call upon the name of ¹ the LORD.

14 I will pay my vows unto ¹ the LORD
Now in the presence of all His people.

15 ⁹ Precious in the sight of ¹ the LORD
Is the death of His ⁹ saints.

12 He will bless us; He will bless. Fig. *Anadiplosis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

the house of Israel. Cp. 135. 19. See note on Ex. 16. 31.

13 He will bless. Fig. *Anaphora* (Ap. 6), taken with the last line of v. 12.

small and great. Both pl. Fig. *Syntheton*. Ap. 6. and -with.

14 children = sons.

17 THE LORD. Heb. Jah. Ap. 4. III.

18 Praise THE LORD. Heb. Hallelu-Jah.

116 (**H**¹, p. 826). PRAISE FOR DELIVERANCE.
(Extended Alternation.)

H¹ | A¹ | 1, 2. Resolve to praise.

B | 3. Afflictions.

C | E | 4-. Promise.

F | d | -4. Prayer.

e | 5, 6-. The Lord's goodness to others.

D | -6. His goodness to me.

A² | 7-9. Resolve to praise.

B | 10, 11. Afflictions.

C | E | 12-14. Promise.

F | e | 15. The Lord's goodness to others.

d | 16-. Prayer.

D | -16. His goodness to me.

A³ | 17-19. Resolve to praise.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

My voice and my supplications = My supplicating voice. Fig. *Hendiadys*. Ap. 6. So some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "the voice of my supplication".

3 sorrows = cords. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the pains produced by them.

hell = Sheol. See Ap. 35.

gat hold. Fig. *Prosopopœia*. Ap. 6.

4 Then called I = I will call, as in v. 13. See the Structure.

my soul = me (emphatic). Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

5 Gracious. Cp. Ex. 34. 6, 7.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

merciful = full of compassion.

6 simple = sincere or guileless ones; not "foolish" in the modern usage.

7 rest. Pl. for emphasis. For = Because.

10 I believed = I believed [Him]. Quoted in 2 Cor. 4. 13.

11 haste = hasting.

All men. Heb. *ādām* (with Art.) = all humanity. Ap. 14. I.

liars: or false.

12 What shall I render . . . ? Note the answer in next verse.

13 I will take. The way to render thanks is to receive yet more grace.

And call = And [I will] call. Cp. Structure, E and E.

15 Precious. See note on 1 Sam. 3. 1.

saints = separated ones.

17 offer = sacrifice. Heb. *zābāḥ*. Ap. 43. I. iv.

19 Praise ye THE LORD = Hallelu-Jah. See Ap. 4. III.

16 O ¹ LORD, truly ³ am Thy servant;
³ am Thy servant, *and* the son of Thine handmaid:

Thou hast loosed my bonds.

17 I will ⁹ offer to Thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving,

And will call upon the name of ¹ the LORD.

18 I will pay my vows unto ¹ the LORD
Now in the presence of all His people,

19 In the courts of ¹ the LORD'S house,
In the midst of thee, O Jerusalem.

⁹ Praise ye THE LORD.

H¹ G
(p. 836)

H

H

G

117 O° praise ° the LORD, all ye nations :
° Praise Him, all ye ° people.

2 For His °merciful kindness ° is great to-
ward us :

And the truth of ° the LORD endureth for
ever.

° Praise ye ° THE LORD.

H¹ J
(p. 836)K¹ L¹M¹ e

f

f

e

K² L²M² g

h

h

118 O give thanks unto ° the LORD ; for
He is good :

Because His °mercy endureth for ever.

2 Let Israel now say,
That His °mercy endureth for ever.

3 Let the house of Aaron now say,
That His °mercy endureth for ever.

4 Let them now that fear ° the LORD say,
That His °mercy endureth for ever.

5 I called upon ° THE LORD in distress :
° THE LORD answered me, ° and set me
in a large place.

6 ° THE LORD is on my side ; I will not fear :
What can ° man do unto me ?

7 ° THE LORD taketh my part with them that
help me :

Therefore shall I see my desire upon them
that hate me.

8 ° If it is ° better to ° trust in ° the LORD
° Than to ° put confidence in ° man.

9 ° If it is ° better to ° trust in ° the LORD
° Than to ° put confidence in princes.

10 ° All nations compassed me about :
° But in the name of ° the LORD will I de-
stroy them.

11 ° They compassed me about ; yea, ° they
compassed me about :

10 But in the name of ° the LORD I will
destroy them.

12 ° They compassed me about like bees ; they
° are quenched as the fire of thorns :

For in ° the name of ° the LORD I will
destroy them.

13 ° Thou hast thrust sore at me that I might
fall :

But ° the LORD helped me.

14 ° THE LORD is my strength and ° song,
And is become my ° salvation.

15 The voice of rejoicing and salvation is in
the ° tabernacles of the righteous :

° The right hand of ° the LORD ° doeth
valiantly.

16 ° The right hand of ° the LORD is exalted :

15 The right hand of ° the LORD ° doeth
valiantly.

17 I shall not die, but live,
And declare the ° works of ° THE LORD.

18 ° THE LORD hath ° chastened me sore :

But He hath not given me over unto death.

are quenched. Sept. reads "blazed up".

this refer to the "man" of v. 6?

of the song. salvation. Cp. v. 21.

for Him Who saves = my Saviour.

The right hand. Fig. *Anthrōpopatheia*. Ap. 6.

17 works. Some codices, with one early printed edition, read "work" (sing.).

sore. The Fig. *Polypōton* (Ap. 6), thus well rendered. Heb. = "chastening He chastened me".

117 (H¹, p. 826). PRAISE.
(Introversion.)

H¹ G

1. Praise.

H | 2-. His lovingkindness.

H | -2-. His truth.

G | -2. Praise.

} Motives.

1 praise, &c. Quoted in Rom. 15. 11.
the LORD. Heb. Jehovah with 'eth = Jehovah Him-
self. Ap. 4. II.

Praise = Laud. See note on 63. 3.
people = peoples.

2 merciful kindness = lovingkindness, or grace.
is great toward = overcame, or prevailed over. Cp.
103. 11.

Praise ye THE LORD. Heb. Hallelu-Jah. Ap. 4. III.

118 (H¹, p. 826). PRAISE).
(Introversions and Alternations.)

H¹ J

1-4. O give thanks.

K¹ L¹ | 5. Acknowledgment. My deliverer.M¹ | e | 6, 7. Help.

f | 8, 9. Trust.

f | 10-12. Trust. } Trust.

e | 13. Help.

K² L² | 14. Acknowledgment. My strength.M² | g | 15-. Tents of the righteous.

h | -15, 16. Cause. Hand.

h | 17, 18. Effect. Life.

g | 19, 20. Gates of righteous-

ness. } Help.

K³ L³ | 21. Acknowledgment. My salvation.M³ | i | 22-24. Messiah. Matt. 21. 42.

k | 25-. Prayer.

k | -25. Prayer.

i | 26-28. Messiah. Matt.

21. 9. } Triumph.

J | 20. "O give thanks".

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.

5 THE LORD. Heb. Jah. Ap. 4. III.

and set me in a large place. The current Heb. text
= with the deliverance of JAH, *bammerhab yāh* (two
words). The Massoretic text reads it as one word,
bammerhabyāh = with deliverance. The A.V. and R.V.
transfer the *yāh* to the beginning of the clause, and
are then compelled to make out the sense by supplying
"and set me". They do not even notice the Massoretic
reading. The printed text reads :

"I called upon Jah in distress,

He answered me with the deliverance of Yāh."

The Massoretic text reads :

"I called upon Yah in distress,

He answered me with deliverance."

6 The LORD, &c. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. Quoted in
Heb. 13. 6.

man = a man. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.

8 It is better . . . Than. Fig. *Cænotes* (Ap. 6), re-
peated in v. 9.

better = good. By Fig. *Heterōsis* (Ap. 6), the Positive
is put for the Comparative, and is so rendered.

trust = flee for refuge. Heb. *hāṣāh*. Ap. 69. II.

put confidence. Heb. *bāṭaḥ*. Ap. 69. I.

man. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.

10 All. Put by Fig. *Synecdochē* (of Genus), Ap. 6, for
a large number, or many.

But, &c. Fig. *Epistrophe* (Ap. 6), repeated in v. 11.

11 They compassed . . . they compassed. Fig.
Epizeuxis (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

12 They compassed. Fig. *Anaphora* (Ap. 6), re-
peated from v. 11.

the name. See note on 20. 1.

13 Thou. Does
Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the theme

15 tabernacles = tents, or dwellings. Heb. 'ohel. Ap. 40 (3).

doeth valiantly. Fig. *Cænotes* (Ap. 6), repeated in v. 16.

18 chastened me

- ^g (p. 836) 19 Open to me the gates of righteousness:
I will go into them, and I will praise
THE LORD:
- K^s L^s 20 This gate of ¹ the LORD,
Into which the righteous shall enter.
- M^s i 21 I will praise Thee: for Thou hast heard
me,
And art become my ¹⁴ salvation.
- 22 °The stone which the builders °refused
Is become the head stone of the corner.
- 23 °This is ¹ the LORD'S doing;
It is marvellous in our eyes.
- 24 This is the day which ¹ the LORD hath
made;
We will rejoice and be glad in it.
- k 25 °Save now, I beseech Thee, O ¹ LORD:
k O ¹ LORD, I beseech Thee, send now prosper-
ity.
- i 26 °Blessed be he that cometh in the name of
¹ the LORD:
We have blessed °you out of the house of
¹ the LORD.
- 27 °GOD is ¹ the LORD, Which hath shewed
us light:
°Bind the °sacrifice with °cords, °even
unto the horns of the altar.
- 28 Thou art my ²⁷ GOD, and I will °praise
Thee:
Thou art my °God, I will exalt Thee.
- J 29 O give thanks unto ¹ the LORD; for He is
good:
For His ¹ mercy endureth for ever.

119

N ALEPH.

- A² N (p. 837) 1 (N) °Blessed are the undefiled in the °way,
Who walk in the °law of °the LORD.
- O 2 (N) °Blessed are they that °keep His °testi-
monies,
And that seek Him with the whole heart.
- P 3 (N) They also do no °iniquity:
They walk in His ¹ ways.
- Q 4 (N) Thou hast commanded us
To keep Thy °precepts diligently.
- N 5 (N) O that my ¹ ways were directed
To keep Thy °statutes!
- O 6 (N) Then shall I not be °ashamed,
When I have respect unto all Thy
°commandments.
- P 7 (N) I will °praise Thee with uprightness of
heart,
When I shall have learned Thy °right-
eous °judgments.
- Q 8 (N) I will keep Thy °statutes:
O forsake me °not utterly.

ten words. See Ap. 73.

6 ashamed = put to shame; not shame of conscience.

The tenth in order of the ten words. See Ap. 73.

7 praise = give thanks, as in 92 1, &c. righteous =

righteousness: i.e. judgments of Thy righteousness. The eighth in order of the ten words. See Ap. 73.

Cp. v. 43

22 The stone: i.e. the Messiah. See Gen. 49. 24. A stone of stumbling, Isa. 8. 14 (cp. Rom. 9. 33. 1 Pet. 2. 8); a "tried stone", "precious", "sure", Isa. 28. 16; the rejected stone (cp. Matt. 21. 42. Mark 12. 10, 11. Luke 20. 17. Acts 4. 11. 1 Pet. 2. 4). The true foundation, Isa. 28. 16 (cp. Matt. 16. 18. 1 Cor. 3. 11. Eph. 2. 20). refused. See note above, and cp. Structure, "i" with "i", above. Here the present Dispensation comes in. See Ap. 72.

23 This is the LORD'S doing. Messiah's exaltation is thus like the humiliation (109. 27).

25 Save now, &c. Heb. "Hosanna" = Save, I pray. Not a Particle of time, but of entreaty (as in Ecc. 12. 1). Repeated four times for emphasis. Lit. "I pray Thee, Jehovah; Save; I pray Thee; I pray Thee, O Jehovah".

26 Blessed, &c. See Matt. 21. 9; 23. 39. Mark 11. 9. Luke 13. 35; 19. 38. John 12. 13.

27 GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

Bind. Heb. 'asar, to bind, or join. Here, in its idiomatic usage, to join, so as to make ready (Gen. 46. 29. Ex. 14. 6. 1 Kings 18. 44. 2 Kings 9. 21), or begin (1 Kings 20. 14. 2 Chron. 13. 3).

sacrifice. Heb. hāg = a feast, or festal [sacrifice]. See note on Ex. 23. 18, and cp. Ex. 5. 1; 12. 14; 23. 14. Lev. 23. 39, 41. Num. 29. 12. Deut. 16. 15. Zech. 14. 16, 18, 19. cords = wreaths, or garlands, as in Ex. 28. 14, 22, 24, 25; 39. 15, 17, 18.

even unto. Heb. 'ad = up to or during: i.e. even until [it is consummated at] the horns of the altar. 'Ad denotes progression in time. Translate: "Make ready the festal sacrifice with garlands until [it is consummated at] the horns of the altar." Cp. Acts 14. 13. There is nothing about "to the altar" here.

28 praise = give thanks.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

119. 1-8 (A², p. 826). QUICKENING BY THE WRITTEN WORD. (N. ALEPH, Extended Alternation.)

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|---|----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| N | 1. The way. | } Third Person. (General.) |
| O | 2. Condition. Happy. | |
| P | 3. They, upright. | |
| Q | 4. Command. | |
| N | 5. My ways. | } First Person. (Individual.) |
| O | 6. Condition. Not ashamed. | |
| P | 7. I, upright. | |
| Q | 8. Promise. | |

Probably by Hezekiah. See Ap. 67, Ps. 123. 3, and notes below.

An Acrostic Psalm (Ap. 63. VII), in which each verse in each of the twenty-two sections commences with the twenty-two successive letters of the Hebrew alphabet: i.e. the first eight begin with Aleph (= A), the second eight with Beth (= B), &c.: making 176 verses in all (i.e. 8 × 22).

For the ten words (corresponding with the Ten Commandments) which are characteristic of this Psalm, see Ap. 73.

1 Blessed = How happy (see Ap. 63. VI). Here pl. = O the great happiness.

way. The first of the ten words. See Ap. 73. The thirteen occurrences of this word in this Psalm are all noted below, as are those of the other nine.

law. The sixth in order of the ten words. See Ap. 73. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 Blessed. This Psalm begins with a double Beatitude. See Ap. 63. VI. keep = guard. testimonies. The second in order of the ten words. See Ap. 73.

3 iniquity = perversity. Heb. 'aval. Ap. 44. vi.

4 precepts. The third in order of the ten words. See Ap. 73.

5 statutes. The ninth in order of the ten words.

6 ashamed = put to shame; not shame of conscience. commandments. The tenth in order of the ten words. See Ap. 73.

7 praise = give thanks, as in 92 1, &c. righteous =

righteousness: i.e. judgments of Thy righteousness. The eighth in order of the ten words. See Ap. 73.

8 not utterly = not in any wise.

J BETH.

- R (p. 838) 9 (2) Wherewithal shall °a young man cleanse his °way?
°By taking heed *thereto* according to Thy °word.
- S 1' 10 (2) With my whole heart have I sought Thee:
O let me not wander from Thy °com-
mandments.
- 12 11 (2) Thy °word have I °hid in mine heart,
That I might not °sin against Thee.
- m^a 12 (2) Blessed art Thou, O °LORD:
Teach me Thy °statutes.
- 13 13 (2) With my °lips have I °declared
All the °judgments of Thy mouth.
- 14 (2) I have rejoiced in the °way of Thy
°testimonies,
As much as in all riches.
- R 15 (2) I will meditate in Thy °precepts,
And have respect unto Thy ways.
- 16 (2) I will delight myself in Thy statutes:
I will not forget Thy °word.

J GIMEL.

- T (p. 838) 17 (2) Deal bountifully with Thy servant,
That I may live, and keep Thy °word.
- 18 (2) °Open Thou mine eyes, that I may °be-
hold
Wondrous things out of Thy °law.
- 19 (2) I am a °stranger in the earth:
Hide not Thy °commandments from me.
- U 20 (2) My °soul °breaketh for the °longing
That it hath unto Thy °judgments at
all times.
- 21 (2) Thou hast rebuked the proud that are
cursed,
Which do °err from Thy °command-
ments.
- T 22 (2) Remove from me °reproach and °con-
tempt;
For I have kept Thy °testimonies.
- U 23 (2) Princes also did sit and speak against
me:
But Thy servant did meditate in Thy
°statutes.
- 24 (2) Thy °testimonies °also are my delight
And °my counsellors.

J DALETH.

- V n (p. 838) 25 (7) °My soul cleaveth unto the °dust:
°Quicken Thou me according to Thy
°word.
- W p 26 (7) I have declared my °ways, and Thou
heardest me:
Teach me Thy °statutes.
- q 27 (7) Make me to understand the °way of
Thy °precepts:
So shall I °talk of Thy wondrous
works.
- V n 28 (7) °My soul °melteth for heaviness:
Strengthen Thou me according unto
Thy °word.
- W r 29 (7) Remove from me the °way of lying:
And grant me Thy °law graciously.

9-16 (J BETH). CLEANSING OF THE WAY.

(Introversion and Repeated Alternation.)

- 2 R | 9. The way to be cleansed. (Future.)
- S | 11 | 10-. What I have done. My heart.
m¹ | -10. Prayer. (Negative.)
- 12 | 11. What I have done. My heart.
m² | 12. Prayer. (Positive.)
- 13 | 13, 14. What I have done. My lips.
- R | 15, 16. The way to be cleansed. (Future.)
- 9 a young man. The writer not necessarily a youth.
way=path. Not the same word as in v. 1.
By taking=So as to take. Put interrogation at end
of the second line instead of the first.
word=the articulate subject-matter of what is said.
The tenth in order of the ten words of this Psalm. See
note on 18. 30. Ap. 73. Not the same word as in v. 11.
Some codices, with Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read
"words" (pl.).
- 11 word=the mode, or purport of what is said. The
fifth in order of the ten words of this Psalm. See Ap. 73.
Some codices, with one early printed edition, Aram.,
Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "words" (pl.).
- hid=treasured up. sin. Heb. *chātā*. Ap. 44. i.
- 13 lips . . . declared. Fig. *Paronomasia*. Ap. 6:
bispāṭay sipparti.
- 16 word. Same word as in v. 9 (not v. 11): but some
codices, with two early printed editions, Aram., Sept.,
Syr., and Vulg., read "words" (pl.).

17-24 (J GIMEL). PRAYER FOR STRENGTHENING.
(Alternation.)

- 2 T | 17-19. Prayer and Reasons.
- U | 20, 21. Twofold statement. Himself and wicked.
- T | 22. Prayer and Reasons.
- U | 23, 24. Twofold statement. Himself and wicked.
- 18 Open=Unveil.
behold=discern, or see clearly.
- 19 stranger=foreigner sojourning.
- 20 soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.
breaketh for=hath broken owing to. Occurring
again only in Lam. 3. 16.
- longing=fervent desire; same word as vv. 40, 174, but
not v. 131.
- 21 err=go far astray (through wine or passion). Same
word as "wander" (v. 10), and "err" (v. 118). Heb. *shāgah*
Ap. 44. xii.
- 22 reproach and contempt. Cp. 123. 3, 4, confirm-
ing Hezekiah's suggested authorship.
- 24 also=nevertheless. See 129. 2.
my counsellors=men (Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II) of my
counsel.

25-32 (J DALETH). PRAYER. PRESERVATION.
(Alternations and Introversion.)

- 7 V | n | 25-. Depression.
- o | -25. "Quicken me".
- W | p | 26-. Profession. (Past.)
- q | -26. Prayer. "Teach me".
- q | 27-. Prayer. (Future.)
- p | -27. Profession. "I will talk".
- V | n | 28-. Depression.
- o | -28. "Strengthen me".
- W | r | 29. Prayer. "Remove".
- s | 30, 31-. Profession. (Past.)
- r | -31. Prayer. "Put not to shame".
- s | 32. Profession. (Future.)
- 25 dust. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6,
for the dead, as in Ps. 30. 9. Ecc. 12. 7.
- Quicken . . . me=Give me life, or keep me alive. The
first of nine prayers for quickening (Imperative), vv. 25,
37, 40, 88, 107, 149, 154, 156, 159. Twice as a statement of
fact, vv. 50, 93.
- word. As in v. 9; but some codices read "words" (pl.).
- 27 talk=meditate.
- 28 melteth=weepeth. Occurs only here. Job 16. 20.
Ecc. 10. 18.
- word. As in v. 9. Some codices read pl.; but other
codices, with Sept. and Vulg., read "by (or in) thy
words" (pl.).

- s 30 (7) I have chosen the ¹ way of truth :
Thy ⁷ judgments have I ^o laid *before me*.
- r 31 (7) I have ^o stuck unto Thy ² testimonies :
(p. 838) O ¹ LORD, put me not to shame.
- s 32 (7) I will run the ¹ way of Thy ⁶ command-
ments,
When Thou shalt ^o enlarge my heart.
- HE.
- X t 33 (7) ^o Teach me, O ¹ LORD, the way of Thy
(p. 839) ⁵ statutes ;
And I shall keep it *unto* the end.
- u 34 (7) Give me understanding, and I shall
keep Thy ¹ law ;
- Y Yea, I shall observe it with *my* whole
heart.
- Z 35 (7) Make me to go in the path of Thy
⁶ commandments ;
For therein do I delight.
- Y 36 (7) Incline my heart unto Thy ² testi-
monies,
And not to covetousness.
- X t 37 (7) Turn away mine eyes from beholding
vanity ;
And ²⁵ quicken Thou me in Thy ^o way.
- 38 (7) Stablish Thy ¹¹ word unto Thy servant,
^o Who *is* devoted to Thy fear.
- 39 (7) Turn away my reproach which I ^o fear :
For Thy ⁷ judgments *are* good.
- u 40 (7) Behold, I have ²⁰ longed after Thy ⁴ pre-
cepts :
²⁵ Quicken me ^o in Thy ^o righteousness.
- VAU.
- A 41 (1) Let Thy ^o mercies come also unto me, O
(p. 839) ¹ LORD,
Even Thy salvation, according to Thy
¹¹ word.
- 42 (1) So shall I have ^o wherewith to answer
him that ^o reproacheth me :
For I ^o trust in Thy ^o word.
- B 43 (1) And take not the ³ word of truth utterly
out of my mouth ;
A For I have hoped in Thy ⁷ judgments.
- B 44 (1) So shall I keep Thy ¹ law continually
^o For ever and ever.
- 45 (1) And I will walk ^o at liberty :
For I seek Thy ⁴ precepts.
- 46 (1) I will speak of Thy ² testimonies also
before ^o kings,
And will not be ashamed.
- 47 (1) And I will delight myself in Thy ⁶ com-
mandments,
Which I ^o have loved.
- 48 (1) ^o My hands also will I lift up unto Thy
⁶ commandments, which I have
loved ;
And I will meditate in Thy ⁵ statutes.
- ZAIN.
- C¹ 49 (1) Remember the ³ word unto Thy servant,
(p. 839) ^o Upon which Thou hast ^o caused me to
hope.
- D¹ 50 (1) This *is* my ^o comfort in my affliction :
For Thy ¹¹ word hath ^o quickened me.

30 laid = set.

31 stuck = cleaved, or adhered.

32 enlarge my heart = set my heart at liberty, as in
Isa. 60. 5. 2 Cor. 6. 11, 13.33-40 (7 HE). PRAYER. TEACHING.
(Introversion and Alternation.)

X | t | 33. Eyes. Make me to see.

u | 34-. Mind. Its comprehension.

Y | -34. Heart.

Z | 35. Feet. Practical walking.

Y | 36. Heart.

X | t | 37-39. Eyes. Turn them away.

u | 40. Mind. Its desires.

33 Teach me = Show, or make me to see.

37 way. Some codices, with three early printed
editions, Aram., and Syr., read "ways" (pl.).38 Who is devoted to Thy fear. Supply Ellipsis
thus : "Which [leadeth to] reverence of Thee" ; or,
"Which [pertaineth to]" , &c. 39 fear = dread.

40 in : or by.

righteousness. Heb. *z'edākah*. See Ap. 73. viii.41-48 (1 VAU). PRAYER. STRENGTHENING.
(Alternation.)

A | 41, 42-. Prayer. (Positive.)

B | -42. Reason and Plea.

A | 43-. Prayer. (Negative.)

B | -43-48. Reasons and Pleas.

41 mercies = lovingkindnesses.

42 wherewith = a word. Heb. *dābār* as in v. 9. See
Ap. 73. x.

reproacheth. See note on "contempt", 123. 3.

trust in = confide in. Heb. *batāh*. Ap. 69. I.
word. Some codices, with one early printed edition,
Aram., Sept., and Syr., read "words" (pl.).44 For ever and ever. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of
Whole), Ap. 6, for a part : i. e. the rest of his life.

45 at liberty = at large. Cp. 118. 5.

46 kings. So Hezekiah testified, doubtless, when kings
sent presents and embassies to him (2 Chron. 32. 22, 23).
No occasion to suggest a later date for this Psalm.

47 have loved = love. Sept. adds "much".

49-56 (1 ZAIN). PRAYER. COMFORT AND RE-
MEMBRANCE. (Repeated Alternation.)C¹ | 49. "Remember . . . Thou".D¹ | 50, 51. Statement as to consequences.C² | 52. "I remembered".D² | 53, 54. Statement as to consequences.C³ | 55. "I have remembered".D³ | 56. Statement as to consequences.48 My hands, &c. Heb. idiom = to swear by, as in
Gen. 14. 22. Ex. 6. 8 (marg.). Deut. 32. 40. Ezek.
20. 5, 6 ; 36. 7. See note on Ex. 17. 16.49 Upon which. This is supported by the Sept. and
Vulg. In Deut. 29. 25 it is rendered "Because".
caused me to hope. Our hope is based on believing
what we have "heard" from God. Cp. Heb. 11. 1 with
Rom. 10. 17.50 comfort. The word occurs (as a noun) elsewhere
only in Job 6. 10.

quickened me = kept me alive. See note on v. 25.

proud = insolent (like Rabshakeh).

53 Horror = Indignation.

wicked = lawless. Heb. *nāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.51 (1) The ^o proud have had me greatly in deri-
sion :Yet have I not declined from Thy ¹ law.52 (1) I remembered Thy ⁷ judgments of old, C²
O ¹ LORD ;

And have comforted myself.

53 (1) ^o Horror hath taken hold upon me D³
Because of the ^o wicked that forsake
Thy ¹ law.

54 (n) Thy ⁵ statutes have been my ⁰ songs
In the house of my pilgrimage.

C^s (p. 839) 55 (n) I have remembered Thy ⁰ name, O
¹ LORD, in the night,
And have kept Thy ¹ law.

D^s 56 (n) ⁰ This I had,
Because I kept Thy ⁴ precepts.

Π CHETH.

E (p. 840) 57 (n) Thou art my portion, O ¹ LORD:
I have said that I would keep Thy
⁹ words.

58 (n) I intreated Thy ⁰ favour with my whole
heart:
Be ⁰ merciful unto me according to Thy
¹¹ word.

59 (n) I thought on my ¹ ways,
And turned my feet unto Thy ² testi-
monies.

60 (n) I made haste, and delayed not
To keep Thy ⁶ commandments.

F 61 (n) The bands of the ⁵⁸ wicked have ⁰ rob-
bed me:
But I have not forgotten Thy ¹ law.

E 62 (n) At midnight I will rise to give thanks
unto Thee
Because of Thy ⁷ righteous ⁷ judgments.

63 (n) ³ I am a ⁰ companion of all them that
⁰ fear Thee,
And of them that keep Thy ⁴ precepts.

F 64 (n) The earth, O ¹ LORD, is full of Thy
⁰ mercy:
Teach me Thy ⁵ statutes.

⋈ TETH.

G (p. 840) 65 (n) Thou hast dealt well with Thy serv-
ant,
O ¹ LORD, according unto Thy ⁹ word.

H t 66 (n) Teach me good judgment and know-
ledge:
For I have believed Thy ⁶ command-
ments.

u 67 (n) ⁰ Before I was ⁰ afflicted ³ I went astray:
⁰ But now have I kept Thy ¹¹ word.

H t 68 (n) Thou art ⁰ good, and ⁰ doest good;
Teach me Thy ⁵ statutes.

u 69 (n) The proud have forged a lie against
me:
But ³ I will keep Thy ⁴ precepts with my
whole heart.

70 (n) Their heart is as fat as grease;
But ³ I delight in Thy ¹ law.

71 (n) ⁰ It is ⁰ good for me that I have been
⁶⁷ afflicted;
That I might learn Thy ⁵ statutes.

G 72 (n) The ¹ law of Thy mouth is better unto
me
Than thousands of ⁰ gold and silver.

⋈ JOD.

J (p. 840) 73 (n) Thy hands have made me and ⁰ fa-
shioned me:
Give me understanding, that I may learn
Thy ⁶ commandments.

54 songs. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6,
for the theme of my songs.

55 name. See note on 20. 1.

56 This. Supply Ellipsis (Ap. 6) thus: "This [com-
fort] I had".

57-64 (Π CHETH). PRAYER AND PROFESSION.
(*Alternation.*)

Π E | 57-60. Jehovah my portion.

F | 61. Statement *re* the work of the lawless.

E | 62, 63. Jehovah my praise.

F | 64. Statement *re* the favour of Jehovah.

57 The division is better made thus, dispensing with
the supposed Ellipsis:

I have said "Jehovah is my portion,
That I might keep Thy word."

58 favour. Heb. face; put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of
Adjunct), Ap. 6, for what is indicated by it.
merciful = gracious.

61 robbed = surrounded. Cp. Sennacherib's invest-
ment of Hezekiah. See Ap. 67.

63 companion = fellow of the same party.
fear = revere.

64 mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.

65-72 (⋈ TETH). PRAYER. JEHOVAH'S DEAL-
INGS. (*Introversion and Alternation.*)

⋈ G | 65. Thy dealings good.

H | t | 66. Thy judgments good. Teach me.

u | 67. Affliction good. Result.

H | t | 68. Thou art good. Teach me.

u | 69-71. Affliction good. Result.

G | 72. Thy law good.

67 Before. If we begin this verse with the word
"Till", and v. 71 with "Tis", then each verse in this
section will commence with "T", as it does in the
Hebrew.

afflicted = oppressed.

But now. Cp. Heb. 12. 6-11, and references there.

68 good = kind. doest good = actest kindly.

71 It is. See note on v. 67.

good = right, or fitting.

72 gold and silver. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause),
Ap. 6, for coins made from these metals.

73-80 (⋈ JOD). PRAYER. INSTRUCTION AND
DELIVERANCE. (*Introversion.*)

⋈ J | 73. Prayer. "I".

K | 74. "They that revere Thee".

L | 75. Affliction. "I".

M | 76. Lovingkindness.

M | 77. Tender mercies.

L | 78. Affliction. "I".

K | 79. "They that fear Thee".

J | 80. Prayer. "I"

Jod. This is the small letter referred to in Matt. 5. 18.

73 fashioned = formed. Cp. Job 31. 15; also Deut.
32. 18.

74 fear = revere.

75 right = righteousness, as in v. 7.

afflicted = humbled.

76 merciful kindness = lovingkindness, or grace.

74 (n) They that ⁰ fear Thee will be glad when K
they see me;

Because I have hoped in Thy ⁹ word.

75 (n) I know, O ¹ LORD, that Thy ⁷ judgments L
are ⁰ right,

And that Thou in faithfulness hast
⁰ afflicted me.

76 (n) Let, I pray Thee, Thy ⁰ merciful kindness M
be for my comfort,
According to Thy ¹¹ word unto Thy
servant.

- M* 77 (c) Let Thy ° tender mercies come unto me,
(p. 840) that I may live:
° For Thy ¹ law is my ° delight.
- L* 78 Let the ° proud be ashamed; for they
dealt ° perversely with me ° without
a cause:
But I will meditate in Thy ° precepts.
- K* 79 (c) Let those that ° fear Thee turn unto me,
And ° those that have known Thy ° 2 tes-
timonies.
- J* 80 (c) Let my heart be ° sound in Thy ° sta-
tutes;
That I be not ashamed.
- CAPH.
- N¹ O* 81 (c) ²⁰ My soul fainteth for Thy salvation:
(p. 841) But I hope in Thy ° word.
- P* 82 (c) Mine eyes ° fail for Thy ° 11 word,
Saying, "When wilt Thou comfort me?"
- O* 83 (c) For I am become like a ° bottle in the
smoke;
Yet do I not forget Thy ° statutes.
- 84 (c) How ° many are the days of Thy serv-
ant?
- P* When wilt Thou ° execute ° judgment on
them that persecute me?
- N² Q¹* 85 (c) The ° 78 proud have digged pits for me,
° Which are not ° after Thy ° 1 law.
- R¹* 86 (c) All Thy ° commandments are ° faithful:
Q² They persecute me ° wrongfully;
R² Help Thou me.
- Q³* 87 (c) They had ° almost ° consumed me upon
earth;
R³ But I forsook not Thy ° precepts.
- 88 (c) ²⁵ Quicken me after Thy lovingkind-
ness;
So shall I keep the ° 2 testimony of Thy
mouth.
- LAMED.
- S v* 89 (c) ° For ever, O ° LORD,
(p. 841) Thy ° word is ° settled in heaven.
- w* 90 (c) Thy faithfulness is unto all generations:
Thou hast established the earth, and it
° abideth.
- 91 (c) ° They ° continue ° this day according to
Thine ° ordinances:
For ° all are Thy servants.
- T* 92 (c) Unless Thy ° 1 law had been my ° 77 delights,
I should then have perished in mine
affliction.
- U* 93 (c) I will never forget Thy ° precepts:
For with them Thou hast ° 25 quickened
me.
- U* 94 (c) I am Thine, save me;
For I have ° sought Thy ° precepts.
- T* 95 (c) The ° 53 wicked have waited for me to de-
stroy me:
But I will consider Thy ° 2 testimonies.
- S* 96 (c) I have seen an end of ° all perfection:
But ° Thy ° commandment is exceeding
broad.

- 77 tender mercies = compassions.
For, &c. This is the ground of his prayer.
delight. Pl. as in v. 92 = great delight.
- 78 proud = insolent, or arrogant.
perversely = with falsehood.
without a cause. Cp. John 15. 25 with Rom. 8. 24
("freely").
- 79 those that have known. Some codices read
"and they shall know". 80 sound = thorough.
- 81-88 (CAPH). PRAYER. IN DISTRESS.
(Division.)
- N¹* | *N²* | 81-84. Distress. Complaints and Pleas.
85-88. Distress. Causes, Contrasts, and Prayers.
- 81-84 (N¹, above). COMPLAINTS AND PLEAS.
(Alternation.)
- N¹* | *O* | 81, 82-. Two complaints, with plea between.
P | -82. Question. When comfort?
O | 83, 84-. Two complaints, with plea between.
P | -84. Question. When vindicate?
- 82 fail. Same word as "fainteth", in v. 81.
83 bottle = wine-skin: i. e. black and shrivelled. Cp.
Job 30. 30.
- 84 many: i. e. few at the most. Cp. 89. 47. 2 Sam. 19. 34.
execute judgment = vindicate.
- 85-88 (N², above). CAUSES, CONTRASTS, AND
PRAYERS. (Repeated Alternation.)
- N²* | *Q¹* | 85. Enemies. "They . . . me".
R¹ | 86-. Statement. "Thy".
Q² | -86-. Enemies. "They . . . me".
R² | -86. Statement. "Thou".
Q³ | 87-. Enemies. "They . . . me".
R³ | -87, 88. Statement. "Thy".
- 85 Which, &c. = "[Men] who are not", &c.
after = according to.
- 86 faithful = faithfulness.
wrongfully. See note on "perversely", v. 78.
- 87 almost = soon. See note on "almost" (Prov. 5. 14).
consumed = made an end of.
- 89-96 (LAMED). JEHOVAH AND HIS WORD.
(Introversion.)
- S* | *S* | 89-91. Jehovah's Word settled and eternal.
T | 92. Affliction cannot destroy my delight in it.
U | 93. Statement and reason. "For".
U | 94. Statement and reason. "For".
T | 95. The wicked cannot destroy my meditation
in it.
S | 96. Jehovah's Word perfect and eternal.
- 89-91 (S, above). JEHOVAH'S WORD.
(Alternation.)
- S* | *v* | 89-. Jehovah eternal. } The heavens
w | -89. His Word established. } (89. 37).
v | 90-. Jehovah's faithfulness eternal. } The earth
w | -90, 91. The earth established. } (89. 4).
- 89 For ever, O LORD. Supply *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), "For
ever [art Thou], O Jehovah [For ever] Thy Word", &c.
settled = standeth fast, as the earth: i. e. endureth for
ever (102. 12, 26. Isa. 40. 8. Luke 16. 17. 1 Pet. 1. 25). So
Christ, the Living Word (John 12. 34).
- 90 abideth = standeth, as in v. 91.
- 91 They: i. e. heaven and earth.
continue = stand, as in v. 90.
this day = [to] this day, or to-day.
ordinances = regulations. Heb. *mishpāt*. The seventh
of the ten words. Ap. 73. Cp. v. 132.
- all. With Art. = the whole [universe].
- 94 sought = inquired into, or studied. Cp. 105. 4.
- 96 all perfection = an end, or limit to all things.
Cp. Job 26. 10; 28. 3.
- Thy commandment, &c. = spacious exceedingly [are]
Thy commandments: i. e. including all (as opposed to
"end").

D MEM.

- V X (p. 842) 97 (D) O how love I Thy ¹ law!
It is my meditation all the day.
- Y x¹ 98 (D) Thou °through Thy °commandments
hast made me wiser than mine enemies:
y¹ For °they are ever with me.
- x² 99 (D) I have more understanding °than all
my teachers:
y² For Thy² testimonies are my meditation.
- x³ 100 (D) I understand more than the °ancients,
y³ Because I keep Thy °precepts.
- W 101 (D) I have refrained my feet from every °evil
°way,
That I °might keep Thy °word.
- W 102 (D) I have not °departed from Thy °judgments:
For Thou hast °taught me.
- V X 103 (D) How °sweet are Thy °words unto my
taste!
Yea, sweeter than honey to my mouth!
- Y 104 (D) Through Thy °precepts I get understanding:
Therefore I hate every false ¹⁰¹ way.
- J NUN.
- A a (p. 842) 105 (D) Thy °word is a °lamp unto my feet,
And a light unto my path.
- b 106 (D) I have sworn, and °I will perform it,
That I will keep Thy °righteous °judgments.
- B 107 (D) I am afflicted very much:
²⁰ Quicken me, O °LORD, according unto
Thy °word.
- 108 (D) Accept, I beseech Thee, the freewill
offerings of my mouth, O °LORD,
And teach me Thy °judgments.
- B 109 (D) ²⁰ My soul is continually °in my hand:
Yet do I not forget Thy °law.
- 110 (D) The °wicked have laid a snare for me:
Yet I °erred not from Thy °precepts.
- A a 111 (D) Thy °testimonies have I taken as an
heritage for ever:
For they are the rejoicing of my heart.
- b 112 (D) I have inclined mine heart to perform
Thy °statutes always,
Even unto the end.
- D SAMECH.
- C (p. 842) 113 (D) I hate vain °thoughts:
But Thy °law do I love.
- 114 (D) Thou art my °hiding place and my °shield:
I hope in Thy °word.
- D 115 (D) Depart from me, ye ¹⁰¹ evildoers:
For I will keep the °commandments of
my °God.
- E 116 (D) Uphold me according unto Thy °word,
that I may °live:
And let me not be ashamed of my hope.
- E 117 (D) Hold Thou me up, °and I shall be safe:
And I will °have respect unto Thy
°statutes continually.
- D 118 (D) Thou hast °trodden down all them that
²¹ err from Thy °statutes:
For their deceit is falsehood.

97-104 (D MEM). JEHOVAH'S WORD THE SOURCE OF WISDOM. (*Introversion and Alternations.*)

- D V X | 97. The Word of Jehovah. Precious.
Y | 98-100. The source of Understanding and Reason.
W | 101. The Psalmist's practice (Pos.) and motive.
W | 102. The Psalmist's practice (Neg.) and Reason.
V X | 103. The Word of Jehovah. Precious.
Y | 104. The source of Understanding and Consequences.

98-100 (Y, above). THE SOURCE OF UNDERSTANDING (Pos.). (*Repeated Alternation.*)

- Y | x¹ | 98-. Wiser than mine enemies.
y¹ | -98. Reason.
x² | 99-. Wiser than my teachers.
y² | -99. Reason.
x³ | 100-. Wiser than the aged.
y³ | -100. Reason.

98 through : or, as to.

they are = it [is] : i. e. the Law containing the commandments.

99 than all my teachers. Because Divinely taught Divine wisdom.

100 ancients = elders, or the aged ones.

101 evil. Heb. *ra'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

way. Including religious way, in the sense of Acts 9. 2; 19. 9, 23; 24. 14. Cp. Acts 16. 17; 18. 26; especially in v. 104.

might. A.V., 1611, reads "may".
word. Same word as in v. 9. Some codices, with one early printed edition, with Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "words" (pl.).

102 departed = swerved. taught = directed.

103 sweet = smooth, or agreeable. Not the same word as in 19. 10.

105-112 (J NUN). JEHOVAH'S WORD THE SOURCE OF LIGHT AND JOY. (*Introversion and Alternation.*)

- J A | a | 105. The Word my Light.
b | 106. Purpose to keep it.
B | 107, 108. Affliction and Prayer.
B | 109, 110. Danger and Protestations.
A | a | 111. The Word my Heritage and Joy.
b | 112. Purpose to keep it.

105 lamp : or lantern, for light on the path for the feet ; not merely a light for the eyes (19. 8).

106 I will perform it. Some cod., with seven early printed editions, Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "I have performed it"; but some cod., with four early printed editions (1 in marg.), read "and will perform it".

109 in my hand. An idiom for great danger. Cp. Judg. 12. 3. 1 Sam. 19. 5; 28. 21. Job 13. 14.

110 erred = to err from the paths of virtue and piety. Heb. *ta'ah*; not the same word as in vv. 21, 118.113-120 (D SAMECH). JEHOVAH'S LAW. THE SECURITY GIVEN BY IT. (*Introversion.*)

- D C | 113, 114. Protestations. "I".
D | 115. Evildoers. Addressed concerning God.
E | 116. Uphold me. From above and without.
E | 117. Uphold me. From beneath and within.
D | 118, 119. Evildoers. God addressed concerning them.
C | 120. Protestations. "I".

113 thoughts = divided or doubting thoughts. Same root as 1 Kings 18. 21 (cp. Jas. 1. 8); or, them that are of double mind.

114 hiding place. Cp. 32. 7; 91. 1.

shield. Cp. 84. 9, and note. Fig. *Anthrōpopatheia*. Ap. 6.

115 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. But "my God" implies Jehovah.

116 live. See note || on p. 827.

117 and I shall be safe = so shall I be saved.

have respect unto. Aram. and Syr. read "find dear delight in". Sept. reads "shall meditate".

118 trodden down : or set at naught.

119 (D) ° Thou puttest away all the ⁵³ wicked of the earth *like* dross :
Therefore I love Thy ² testimonies.

C (p. 842) 120 (D) ° My flesh trembleth for fear of Thee ;
And I am afraid of Thy ⁷ judgments.

Y AIN.

F (p. 843) 121 (Y) I have done ⁷ judgment and ° justice :
Leave me not to mine oppressors.
122 (Y) Be surety for Thy servant for good :
Let not the ° proud oppress me.

G 123 (Y) Mine eyes fail for Thy salvation,
And for the ¹¹ word of Thy righteousness.

H 124 (Y) Deal with Thy servant according unto Thy ° mercy,
And teach me Thy ⁵ statutes.
125 (Y) ¶ *am* Thy servant; give me understanding,
That I may know Thy ² testimonies.

F 126 (Y) *It is* time for Thee, ¹ LORD, ° to work :
For they have made void Thy ¹ law.

G 127 (Y) Therefore I love Thy ⁶ commandments
Above gold ; yea, above fine gold.
128 (Y) Therefore I esteem all Thy ⁴ precepts
concerning all things to be right ;
H And I hate every false ¹⁰¹ way.

E PE.

J (p. 843) 129 (S) Thy ² testimonies are ° wonderful :
Therefore doth ²⁰ my soul ° keep them.
130 (S) The ° entrance of Thy ⁹ words giveth
light ;
It giveth understanding unto the
simple.

K 131 (S) I opened my mouth, and panted :
For ° I longed for Thy ⁶ commandments.
132 (S) Look Thou upon me, and be ° merciful
unto me,
° As Thou usest to do unto those that
love Thy ° name.

K 133 (S) ° Order my steps ° in Thy ¹¹ word :
And let not any ° iniquity have dominion
over me.

134 (S) ° Deliver me from the oppression of
° man ;

So will I keep Thy ⁴ precepts.
135 (S) Make Thy face to shine upon Thy
servant ;
And teach me Thy ⁵ statutes.

J 136 (S) ° Rivers of waters run down mine eyes,
Because they keep not Thy ¹ law.

S TZADDI.

L¹ (p. 843) 137 (Y) ° Righteous art Thou, O ¹ LORD,
And upright are Thy ⁷ judgments.

138 (Y) Thy ² testimonies that Thou hast com-
manded are ° righteous
And very faithful.

M¹ 139 (Y) My zeal hath consumed me,
Because mine enemies have forgotten
Thy ⁹ words.

L² 140 (Y) Thy ¹¹ word is ° very pure :
Therefore Thy servant loveth it.

119 Thou puttest away. Sept. and Vulg. read "I have accounted".

120 My flesh trembleth : or, My flesh creeps (as we say). Cp. Job 4. 15 : i.e. at the judgment executed on the wicked.

121-128 (Y AIN). JEHOVAH'S SERVANT'S CONFIDENCE. (*Extended Alternation.*)

Y F | 121, 122. What I have done, and Prayer (Neg.).
G | 123. The Word. Desire for it.
H | 124, 125. Thy servant's prayer.
F | 126. What Jehovah should do, and Plea (Pos.).
G | 127, 128-. The Word. Love for it.
H | -128. Thy servant's resolve.

121 justice = righteousness. Same word as in v. 7.

122 proud = arrogant. This is the only verse in this Psalm which has not one of the "ten words", unless we may include the Living Word Himself, Who is the "surety" for His people. See note on Prov. 11. 15, and cp. Heb. 7. 22. See Ap. 73.

124 mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.

126 to work : i.e. to intervene.

129-136 (E PE). GUIDANCE BY THE WORD. (*Introversion.*)

D J | 129-131. Statements concerning the Word.
K | 132. Prayer concerning the Righteous.
K | 133-135. Prayer concerning the Wicked.
J | 136. Statement concerning the Word.

129 wonderful. Same root as in vv. 18, 27.
keep = keep safely.

130 entrance = doorway ; which was always an open way for the light, in the absence of windows.

simple = sincere, as opposed to crafty.
131 I longed. An Aramaic word (*yā'ab*). Occurs only here. Weaker than in vv. 20, 40, 174.

132 merciful = gracious.
As Thou usest to do = According to Thy ordinance. Heb. *mishpāt*. The seventh in order of the "ten words" (Ap. 73). So rendered in v. 91.
name. See note on 20. 1.

133 Order = Direct, or guide.
in - by. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Sept., and Vulg., read "according to".
iniquity. Heb. *'āven*. Ap. 44. iii.

134 Deliver : i.e. by power. Heb. *pādāh*. See notes on Ex. 6. 6 and 13. 13. Not the same word as vv. 153, 154, 170.

man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

136 Rivers of waters. Heb. *palgēy-mayim*. See note on Prov. 21. 1. Eng. idiom = Floods of tears.

137-144 (S TZADDI). JEHOVAH'S WORD AND THE PSALMIST. (*Repeated Alternation.*)

S L¹ | 137, 138. Thy Word. Righteous.
M¹ | 139. I. Consumed.
L² | 140. Thy Word. Pure.
M² | 141. I. Despised.
L³ | 142. Thy Word. Truth.
M³ | 143. I. Consumed.
L⁴ | 144. Thy Word. Righteous.

137 Righteous, &c. See v. 7. See also Rev. 16. 5, 7.
138 righteous and very faithful = righteousness and faithfulness.

140 very pure = refined.

141 small = insignificant. Cp. Judg. 6. 15.

142 is the truth = is truth (no Art.). Cp. John 17. 17.

141 (Y) ¶ *am* ° small and despised :
Yet do not I forget Thy ⁴ precepts.

142 (Y) Thy ⁷ righteousness is an everlasting
⁷ righteousness,
And Thy ¹ law ° is the truth.

- M³ (p. 843) 143 (Y) Trouble and anguish have ° taken hold on me:
Yet Thy ° commandments are my °° delights.
- L⁴ 144 (Y) The righteousness of Thy ° testimonies is everlasting:
Give me understanding, and I shall live.
- N (p. 844) 145 (P) I ° cried with my whole heart; ° hear me, O ° LORD:
I will keep Thy ° statutes.
- 146 (P) I ° cried unto Thee; save me,
And I shall keep Thy ° testimonies.
- 147 (P) I ° prevented the ° dawning of the morning, and cried:
I hoped in Thy ° word.
- 148 (P) Mine eyes ° prevent the night ° watches,
That I might meditate in Thy ° word.
- 149 (P) ° Hear my voice according unto Thy lovingkindness:
O ° LORD, ° quicken me according to Thy ° judgment.
- O 150 (P) They draw nigh that follow ° after mischief:
They are far from Thy ° law.
- 151 (P) Thou art near, O ° LORD;
And all Thy ° commandments are truth.
- P 152 (P) Concerning Thy ° testimonies, I have known of old
That Thou hast founded them for ever.
- N (p. 844) 153 (Y) Consider mine affliction, and ° deliver me:
For I do not forget Thy ° law.
- 154 (Y) Plead my cause, and ° deliver me:
° Quicken me according to Thy ° word.
- O 155 (Y) Salvation is far from the ° wicked:
For they seek not Thy ° statutes.
- 156 (Y) Great are Thy ° tender mercies, O ° LORD:
° Quicken me according to Thy ° judgments.
- 157 (Y) Many are my persecutors and mine ° enemies;
Yet do I not decline from Thy ° testimonies.
- 158 (Y) I beheld the ° transgressors, and ° was grieved;
Because they kept not Thy ° word.
- 159 (Y) Consider how I love Thy ° precepts:
° Quicken me, O ° LORD, according to Thy lovingkindness.
- P 160 (Y) Thy ° word is true from the ° beginning:
And every one of Thy ° righteous ° judgments endureth for ever.
- Q¹ (p. 844) 161 (Y) ° Princes have persecuted me without a cause:
But my heart standeth in awe of Thy ° word.
- R¹ 162 (Y) I rejoice at Thy ° word,
As one that findeth great spoil.

143 taken hold. Fig. *Prosopopœia*. Ap. 6.

145-152 (P KOPH. } PRAYER FOR FAITHFULNESS
153-160 (Y RESH. } IN DISTRESS.
(Extended Alternation.)

P | 145-149. The Psalmist's cry.
O | 150, 151. Jehovah near Psalmist. Foes nigh.
P | 152. The Word established for ever.

Y | 153, 154. The Psalmist's cry.
O | 155-159. Jehovah far from wicked. Foes many.
P | 160. The Word established for ever.

145 cried = called [unto Thee], as in v. 146.
hear = answer.

146 cried = called. Fig. *Anaphora*. Ap. 6.

147 prevented = anticipated, or forestalled.

dawning. A *Homonym*. Heb. *nesheph*. See note on 1 Sam. 30. 17. A.V. and R.V. correctly render it here, and in Job 7. 4; though not in 1 Sam. 30. 17. Job 24. 15. word. Same as in v. 11; but some codices, with Sept. and Vulg., read "words" (pl.).

148 prevent = anticipate, or forestall.
watches. See Ap. 51. III. 4 (18), p. 74.

149 Hear. Emphatic = O do hear.

150 after mischief. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "after me maliciously".

153 deliver. Twenty-five Heb. words so rendered. Here, *hālāz* = rescue (with a gentle hand); not the same word as in vv. 134, 154, 170.

154 deliver. Heb. *gā'al* = redeem. See notes on Ex. 6. 6 and 13. 13. Not the same word as in vv. 134, 153, 170.

156 tender mercies = compassions.

157 enemies = adversaries: i.e. those who hem me in.

158 transgressors. Heb. *bāgad* - traitors, or treacherous men.

was grieved = loathed myself: i.e. seeing the same tendencies in myself. Cp. Job 42. 6.

160 beginning. Heb. *r'osh* = head. Put by Fig. *Synecdochē* (of Part), Ap. 6, for the whole (including the beginning, and "every one", as in next line) = sum and substance, word and words (Jer. 15. 16. John 17. 8, 14); rendered "sum" in 139. 17.

161-168 (Y SCHIN). JEHOVAH'S WORD GIVES PEACE AND COMFORT. (Repeated Alternation.)

Y | Q¹ | 161. Contrastive Statement.

R¹ | 162. Praise. "Thy".

Q² | 163. Contrastive Statement.

R² | 164. Praise. "Thy".

Q³ | 165. Contrastive Statement.

R³ | 166-168. Prayer. "Thy".

161 Princes = Rulers.

word. Same word as in v. 9. Some codices, with Sept. and Vulg., read "words" (pl.).

162 word. Same word as in v. 11. Some codices with Sept. and Vulg., read "words" (pl.).

163 lying = falsehood = what is false; especially false religion and idolatry.

164 Seven times. Not a "round" number, but the number of spiritual perfection. See Ap. 10.

165 peace. Put by Fig. *Synecdochē* (of Part), Ap. 6, for every blessing connected with peace.
offend them = make them stumble.

163 (Y) I hate and abhor ° lying:
But Thy ° law do I love.

Q²

164 (Y) ° Seven times a day do I praise Thee
Because of Thy ° righteous ° judgments.

R²

165 (Y) Great ° peace have they which love
Thy ° law:
And nothing shall ° offend them.

Q³

166 (Y) ° LORD, I have hoped for Thy salvation,
And done Thy ° commandments.

R³

167 (ש) ²⁰My soul hath kept Thy ²testimonies;
And I love them exceedingly.

168 (ש) I have kept Thy ⁴precepts and Thy
²testimonies:
For all my ¹ways are before Thee.

ן TAU.

S¹ 169 (ן) Let my cry come near before Thee, O
(p. 845) ¹LORD:

Give me understanding according to
Thy ⁹word.

170 (ן) Let my supplication come before Thee:
° Deliver me according to Thy ¹¹word.

T¹ 171 (ן) My lips shall ° utter praise,
When Thou hast taught me Thy
⁵statutes.

172 (ן) My tongue shall ° speak of Thy ¹¹word:
For all Thy ⁶commandments are ⁷right-
eousness.

S² 173 (ן) Let Thine ° hand help me;
For I have chosen Thy ⁴precepts.

T² 174 (ן) I have ²⁰longed for Thy salvation, O
¹LORD;
And Thy ¹law is my delight.

S³ 175 (ן) Let ²⁰my soul live, and it shall praise
Thee;
And let Thy ⁷judgments ° help me.

T³ 176 (ן) I have gone astray like a ° lost sheep;
seek Thy servant;

S⁴ For I do not forget Thy ⁶command-
ments.

120 ° A Song of ° degrees.

G¹ A 1 In my ° distress I ° cried unto ° the LORD,
(p. 845) And He ° heard me.

B 2 ° Deliver ° my soul, O ¹LORD, from lying
° lips,
And from a deceitful ° tongue.

B 3 What shall be given unto thee? or what
shall be ° done unto thee,
Thou false tongue?

4 Sharp arrows of the ° mighty,
With coals of juniper.

A 5 Woe is me, that I sojourn in ° Mesech,
That I dwell in the tents of ° Kedar!

6 ²My soul hath long dwelt
With ° him that hateth peace.

7 ° ³am for peace:
But when I ° speak, ° they are for war.

121 ° A Song of ° degrees.

G² C¹ a 1 I will lift up mine eyes unto the ° hills,
b ° From whence ° cometh my help.

121 (G², p. 826). GROUP I. PSALM (SECOND). TRUST. (Division.)

G² | C¹ | 1, 2. Jehovah's help proclaimed.
C² | 3-8. Jehovah's help promised.

Title. A Song. Heb. *shir*. See Ap. 65. XXIII. of degrees = for, or relating to the degrees. Only here thus. Heb. *lamma'älöth*. See note on Title of 120.

1, 2 (C¹, above). JEHOVAH'S HELP PROCLAIMED. (Introversion.)

C¹ | a | 1-. Contemplation of Creation.
b | -1. Whence can help come? Question.
b | 2-. Whence help cometh. Answer.
a | -2. Contemplation of the Creator.

1 hills = mountains. Add a full stop. From whence, &c.? Punctuate this line as a question. Cp. Jer. 3. 23. cometh - is to come.

169-176 (ן TAU). PETITIONS AND STATEMENTS.
(Repeated Alternation.)

ן S¹ | 169, 170. Prayer ("Let") and Plea.
T¹ | 171, 172. Statements. "I". Praise.
S² | 173. Prayer ("Let") and Plea ("For").
T² | 174. Statements. "I".
S³ | 175. Prayers ("Let").
T³ | 176-. Statement. "I". Confession.
S⁴ | -176. Prayer and Plea ("For").

170 Deliver = Rescue. Heb. *nāzal*, to pluck out of the hands of an enemy; recover. Not the same word as in vv. 134, 153, 154.

171 utter = pour forth or bubble over with. Cp. Prov. 15. 2; 18. 4.

172 speak of. Heb. respond with. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), Ap. 6, for all kinds of speaking or singing; hence = praise.

173 hand. Fig. *Anthropopatheia* (Ap. 6); "hand" put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for power exercised by it.

175 it shall praise Thee. Refers to Isa. 38. 20. help me. Refers to Isa. 37. 33-36.

176 lost = perishing. Cp. Matt. 18. 11; Luke 19. 10.

120 (G², p. 826). GROUP I. PSALM (FIRST).
DISTRESS. (Introversion.)

G¹ | A | 1. Hezekiah and Jehovah.
B | 2. His prayer to Jehovah.
B | 3, 4. His apostrophe to Rab-shakeh.
A | 5-7. Hezekiah and Jehovah.

Title. A Song. Heb. *shir*. See Ap. 65. XXIII: viz. one of the Songs promised by Hezekiah in Isa. 38. 20.

degrees - the degrees, or steps. Heb. *hamma'älöth* (with Art.): i. e. the "degrees" mentioned six times in 2 Kings 20. 8-11, and five times in Isa. 38. 8 (Heb.). No other "degrees" known to Scripture which are connected with the shadow of the sun.

For the origin, authorship, examination, and Structure, see Ap. 67, and note § on p. 827.

1 distress. The first Psalm of each of the five groups speaks of DISTRESS; the second of TRUST; the third of BLESSING AND PEACE IN ZION. The distress, here, refers to Sennacherib's siege of Jerusalem (2 Kings 19. 3. Isa. 37. 3) cried. See 2 Kings 19. 3, 4, 14-19. 2 Chron. 32. 20. Isa. 37. 15-20; 38. 2, 3. See Ap. 67. iv.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
heard = answered.

2 Deliver = Pluck me. Heb. *nāzal*. Same word as in 119. 170. The reference is to 2 Kings 18. 30, 32.

my soul = me. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

lips. Heb. = lip: i. e. Rab-shakeh's. The reference is to 2 Kings 18. 19-35; 19. 8-13. 2 Chron. 32. 10-19. Isa. 36. 4-20; 37. 8-13. See Ap. 67. i.

tongue. Fig. *Epistrophe* (Ap. 6), with "tongue", v. 3.
3 done heaped upon: i. e. added to. Cp. 1 Sam. 3. 17; 20. 13, &c. 4 mighty = Mighty [One].

5 Mesech . . . Kedar. Used typically of cruel and merciless peoples; as we use the terms Vandals, Goths, Philistines.

6 him. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "them".

7 I = I [even I]; or, I [am all] peace (emphatic).

speak = speak [of peace]. See note on 109. 4.

they are for war. The reference is to 2 Kings 18. 19. 2 Chron. 32. 2. Isa. 36. 5.

- (p. 845) ^b 2 ° My help *cometh* ¹ from ° the LORD,
 ° Which made heaven and earth.
 C² c 3 He will ° not suffer thy foot to be moved:
 (p. 846) He That ° keepeth thee will not slumber.
 4 Behold, He That ° keepeth Israel
 Shall ° neither slumber nor sleep.
 d 5 ² The LORD is thy ° keeper :
² The LORD is thy shade upon thy right
 hand.
 c 6 The sun shall not smite thee by day,
 Nor the moon by night.
 d 7 ² The LORD ° shall preserve thee from all
 ° evil:
 He ° shall preserve thy ° soul.
 8 ² The LORD ° shall preserve ° thy going
 out and thy coming in
 From this time forth, and even for ever-
 more.

122 ° A Song ° of degrees ° of David.

- G² D 1 I was glad when they said unto me,
 "Let us go into ° the house of ° the LORD."
 E 2 Our feet ° shall stand
 Within thy gates, O ° Jerusalem.
 F 3 ² Jerusalem is builded
 As a city that is ° compact together :
 G 4 Whither the tribes ° go up, the tribes of
 ° THE LORD,
 Unto the ° testimony of Israel,
 To give thanks unto the ° name of ¹ the
 LORD.
 G 5 For there are set ° thrones of judgment,
 The ° thrones of the house of David.
 F 6 ° Pray for the peace of Jerusalem :
 E They shall prosper that love thee.
 7 ° Peace be within thy walls,
 And prosperity within thy palaces.
 8 For my brethren and companions' sakes,
 I will now ° say, "Peace be within thee."
 D 9 Because of ¹ the house of ¹ the LORD our
 ° God
 I will seek thy good.

123 ° A Song of degrees.

- G² H 1 Unto Thee lift I up mine eyes,
 O Thou That ° dwellest in the heavens.

2 shall stand—have stood [and shall still stand.]
 repeated at the beginning of the next verse.
 See Ap. 68. "Zion". THE LORD. Heb. Jah. Ap. 4. III.
 name. See note on 20. 1. 5 thrones. Pl. of Majesty = the great Throne.
 peace of Jerusalem. Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6), *sha'alū shelōm y'rūshālām yishlāyū*. See Ap. 67. vi.
 7 Peace be within. Fig. *Epanadiplosis* (Ap. 6), uniting vv. 7 and 8 by beginning and ending with the
 same words. 8 say = speak [saying].

123 (G², p. 826). GROUP II. PSALM (FIRST). DISTRESS. (Introversion.)

- G² H | 1. Prayer to Jehovah.
 J | 2-. As the eyes . . . look. } Comparison.
 J | -2. So our eyes look.
 H | 3, 4. Prayer to Jehovah.

Title. A Song, &c. Same as Ps. 120. 1 dwellest in the heavens. The reference is to 2 Kings 19. 15
 and Isa. 37. 16.

2 My help. Fig. *Anadiplosis*, repeated from end of
 v. 1.

the LORD = Jehovah (Ap. 4. II), not the hills.
 Which made heaven and earth. The reference is
 to the burden of Hezekiah's prayer (2 Kings 19. 15. Isa.
 37. 16). Idols were only the work of men's hands
 (2 Kings 19. 18. 2 Chron. 32. 19. Isa. 37. 19). Rab-shakeh
 had reproached "the living God". See further refer-
 ences to this in 124. 8; 134. 3; and Ap. 67. v.

3-8 (C², p. 845). JEHOVAH'S HELP. PROMISED.
 (Alternation.)

- C² | c | 3, 4. What Jehovah will not suffer. (Neg.)
 d | 5. What He will do as the Keeper. (Pos.)
 c | 6. What Jehovah will not do. (Neg.)
 d | 7, 8. What He will do as the Keeper. (Pos.)

3 not = May He not. Heb. 'al (like Gr. *mē*). (Subjec-
 tive, and conditional).

3 keepeth . . . 4 keepeth . . . 5 keeper. Note the
 Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6). Heb. *shomreka . . . shomēr . . .*
shomreka. Repeated in vv. 7, 8.

4 neither. Heb. *lo* (like Gr. *ou*). He will not. Absolute.
 7 shall preserve thee. The repeated promise of Je-
 hovah by Isaiah (2 Kings 19. 20-34. Isa. 37. 6, 7, 22-35).

7 shall preserve . . . shall preserve . . . 8 shall pre-
 serve. Note the Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6). Heb. *yishmarka*
 . . . *yishmor . . . yishmar*.

evil—calamity. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.
 soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. See Isa. 38.

8 thy going out, &c. Idiom for life in general. The
 promise was fulfilled in 2 Chron. 32. 22.

122 (G², p. 826). GROUP I. PSALM (THIRD). DELIVERANCE, BLESSING, AND PEACE IN ZION. (Introversion.)

- G² D | 1. The house of Jehovah.
 E | 2. Jerusalem spoken to.
 F | 3. Jerusalem spoken of.
 G | 4. Description.
 G | 5. Description.
 F | 6-. Jerusalem spoken of.
 E | -6-8. Jerusalem spoken to.
 D | 9. The house of Jehovah.

Title. A Song. Heb. *shir*. See note on Title of Ps. 120,
 and Ap. 65. XXIII.

of degrees = of the degrees (with Art.), as in Title of
 120. See Ap. 67, and note on p. 827.

of David—by David. A Psalm which Hezekiah found
 ready to his hand. Some codices, with Aram. and Syr.,
 omit "of David".

1 the house of the LORD. Heb. the house of Je-
 hovah (Ap. 4. II). This was Hezekiah's constant care,
 desire, and thought. It filled his heart. He began his
 reign by "opening its doors" and cleansing it. See
 2 Chron. 29—31, where it is mentioned seventeen times.
 He spread Sennacherib's letter before Jehovah there
 (Isa. 37. 14). In his mortal sickness his prayer and its
 answer related to it (2 Kings 20. 5). The "sign" he asked
 related to it (2 Kings 20. 8. Isa. 38. 22). His songs were
 to be sung there (Isa. 38. 20). See Ap. 67. xiii.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

The reference is to the Passover, which had been kept
 for "all Israel". See Ap. 67. xv. Jerusalem. Note the Fig. *Anadiplosis* (Ap. 6), the word being
 compact = coupled together (as by a bridge), as Moriah
 was joined with Zion by the Millo. See note on 1 Kings 9. 15; 2 Kings 12. 20, and Ap. 68.

4 go up. testimony: the Ark of Jehovah.

6 Pray for the
 peace of Jerusalem. Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6), *sha'alū shelōm y'rūshālām yishlāyū*. See Ap. 67. vi.

7 and 8 by beginning and ending with the
 same words. 9 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

J
(p. 846)

2 ° Behold, ° as the eyes of servants look
unto the hand of their masters,
And as the eyes of a maiden unto the
hand of her mistress;

J

So our eyes wait upon ° the LORD our
° God,
Until that He ° have mercy upon us.

H

3 ² Have mercy upon us, O ² LORD, ² have
mercy upon us:

For we are exceedingly filled with ° con-
tempt.

4 ° Our soul is exceedingly filled
With the ° scorning of those that are ° at
ease,
And with the ³ contempt of the ° proud.

124

° A Song of degrees of David.

G $\frac{1}{2}$ K
(p. 847)

1 "If it had not been ° the LORD Who was
on our side,"

° Now may Israel say;

2 "If it had not been ¹ the LORD Who was
on our side,

When ° men rose up against us:

L e

3 Then ° they had swallowed us up ° quick,
When their wrath was kindled against us:

f

4 Then the waters had overwhelmed us,
The ° stream had gone over ° our soul:

5 Then the proud waters had gone over
⁴ our soul.

M

6 Blessed be ¹ the LORD,

L e

Who hath not given us as a prey to their
teeth.

f

7 ⁴ Our soul is escaped ° as a bird out of the
snare of the fowlers:

The snare is broken, and we are escaped.

K

8 Our help is in the ° name of ¹ the LORD,
° Who made heaven and earth."

125

° A Song of degrees.

G $\frac{1}{2}$ N
(p. 847)

1 They that ° trust in ° the LORD
° Shall be as mount Zion, which cannot
be removed, but abideth ° for ever.

2 As the mountains are round about Jeru-
salem,

So ¹ the LORD is round about His People
From henceforth even ¹ for ever.

3 ° For the ° rod of ° the wicked shall not
° rest upon the ° lot of the ° righteous;
Lest the ° righteous put forth their hands
unto ° iniquity.

O

4 Do good, O ¹ LORD, unto those that be
good,

P

And to them that are upright in their
hearts.

P

5 As for such as turn aside unto their
crooked ways,

O

¹ The LORD shall lead them forth with the
workers of ° iniquity:

N

But peace shall be upon Israel.

2 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

as. Fig. *Simile*. Ap. 6.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

2 have mercy = Be gracious. Fig. *Anaphora*. Ap. 6.

3 contempt = the mockery. Cp. 119. 22, referring to
Rab-shakeh.

4 Our soul = we. Heb. *nephesh* (Ap. 13).

scorning = the scoffing. The reference is to the scoffing
of Sennacherib and Rab-shakeh (2 Kings 18. 19-35; 19.
8-13. 2 Chron. 32. 10-19. Isa. 36. 4-21; 37. 8-13). Ap. 67. i.
at ease. Same Heb. as "tumult" in 2 Kings 19. 28,
and Isa. 37. 29.

proud = proud oppressors.

124 (G $\frac{1}{2}$, p. 826). GROUP II. PSALM (SECOND).
TRUST. (*Introversion and Alternation*.)

G $\frac{1}{2}$ K | 1, 2. Jehovah our help.
L | e | 3. Voracity of enemies.
f | 4, 5. Comparison. Waters.
M | 6-. Blessed be Jehovah.
L | e | -6. Voracity of enemies.
f | 7. Comparison. Fowlers.
K | 8. Jehovah our help.

Title. See note on Title of Ps. 120.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

Now. Refers to Hezekiah's deliverance. See Ap. 67. x.
2 men. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I. (Sing. refers to Sen-
nacherib).

they. The pl., referring to Sennacherib's hosts;
likened to a stream and waters in vv. 4, 5. See note
on Ps. 46. 3.

3 quick = alive.

4 stream = torrent, or flood. Heb. *naḥal*. See Ap. 67.
our soul = us. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. Note the Fig.
Epistrophe (Ap. 6) in the repetition at end of v. 5.

7 as a bird. The reference is to the words of Senna-
cherib on his cylinder, where he mentions Hezekiah
by name, whom he had got "as a bird in a cage". See
Ap. 67. xi.

8 name. See note on 20. 1.

Who made heaven and earth. See Ap. 67. v, and
note on 121. 2 and 134. 3.

125 (G $\frac{1}{2}$, p. 826). GROUP II. PSALM (THIRD).
BLESSING AND PEACE IN ZION.
(*Introversion*.)

G $\frac{1}{2}$ N | 1-3. Israel's security.
O | 4-. Jehovah's goodness.
P | -4. The upright.
P | 5-. The evildoers.
O | -5-. Jehovah's judgment.
N | -5. Israel's security.

Title. Same as Ps. 120. See Ap. 67.

1 trust = confide. Heb. *bāṭaḥ*. Ap. 69. I.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

Shall be as mount Zion. Some codices, with one
early printed edition and Syr., read "are in Mount
Zion". Ap. 68.

for ever. Note the Fig. *Epistrophe* (Ap. 6), the words
being repeated at the end of the next line.

3 For = Surely.

rod, or cudgel.

the wicked = the wicked (or lawless) one. Heb. *rāshā'*.
Ap. 44. x. Here the reference is to Sennacherib (Isa.
30. 31), but it looks forward to 2 Thess. 2. 3, 4.

rest upon = continue over.

lot = heritage (as allotted).

righteous. Pl.: i. e. Hezekiah and the godly in Israel.

iniquity. Heb. *'āval*. Ap. 44. vi.

5 iniquity. Heb. *'āven*. Ap. 44. iii.

126

°A Song of degrees.

G² Q
(p. 848)

R

S

1 When °the LORD °turned again the captivity of °Zion,

We were °like them that dream.

2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter,
And our tongue with °singing :
Then °said they among the °heathen,
"°The LORD hath done great things for them."

3 °The LORD hath done great things for us;
Whereof we are glad.

Q

R

S

4 °Turn again our captivity, O °LORD,
As the °streams °in the °south.

5 They that °sow in tears shall reap in joy.
6 He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed,
Shall doubtless come again with rejoicing,
bringing his sheaves with him.

127

A Song of degrees °for Solomon.

G² T g

h

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T g

h

1 Except °the LORD build °the house,
They labour in vain that build it :

Except °the LORD keep °the city,
°The watchman waketh but in vain.

2 It is vain for you to rise up early, to sit up late,
To eat the bread of sorrows :

°For so He giveth His °beloved °sleep.

3 °Lo, °children are an heritage °of °the LORD :
And the fruit of the womb is His reward.

4 As arrows are in the hand of a mighty man ;
So are °children of the youth.

5 °Happy is the °man that hath his quiver full of them :
°They shall °not be ashamed,
But they shall °speak with the enemies in the gate.

128

°A Song of degrees.

G² V

1 °Blessed is every one that °feareth °the LORD ;
That walketh in His ways.

of Jehovah. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read pl. sleep = in sleep : i.e. while they sleep : i.e. without their labour. So He gave to Solomon (1 Kings 3. 5-15); to Adam (Gen. 2. 21, 22); Abraham (Gen. 15. 12, 13); Jacob (Gen. 28. 10-15); Samuel (1 Sam. 3. 3, 4), &c. 3 Lo. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6. children = sons. The reference to the fact that Hezekiah was rejoicing in Isaiah's message that he should have a son, made it a suitable Psalm for Hezekiah to select (2 Kings 20. 12, 18. Isa. 39. 7). Cp. Ps. 128. See Ap. 67. xiv. When his trouble came, he was childless. Hence he remembered Jehovah's promise to David (132. 11). of = from. Hence he sings Jehovah's praise. 5 Happy is the man. Hezekiah was that man. See the Beatitudes. Ap. 63. VI. man. Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. IV. They : i.e. the sons. not be ashamed. Fig. *Tapeinosis* (Ap. 6) : quite the opposite. speak = meet, whether for negotiation or for fighting.

128 (G², p. 826). GROUP III. PSALM (THIRD). DELIVERANCE, BLESSING, AND PEACE. (Alternations.)G² V | 1. Blessedness of those who revere Jehovah. (Third Person.)

W | i | 2. Thou.
k | 3-. Thy house and thy wife. } Second Person.
l | -3. Thy sons. Peace.

V | 4. Blessedness of those who revere Jehovah. (Third Person.)

W | i | -5. Thou.
k | -5. Thy city and thy life. } Second Person.
l | 6. Thy sons. Peace.

Title. A Song of degrees. Same as 120. See Ap. 67. 1 Blessed is = O the happinesses of. See the Beatitudes. Ap. 63. VI. feareth = revereth. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

126 (G², p. 826). GROUP III. PSALM (FIRST). DISTRESS. (Extended Alternation.)G² Q

| 1-. Distress.

R | -1. Its ending. As dreams.

S | 2, 3. Joy.

Q | 4-. Distress.

R | -4. Its ending. As streams.

S | 5, 6. Joy.

Title. Same as Ps. 120.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

turned... the captivity = turned the fortunes. This does not refer to a captivity or captives, but to a restoration to blessing. See Job 42. 10 and Ezek. 16. 53 and 55, where it is three times explained as "return to your former estate". See Ap. 67. xii. Zion. See Ap. 68. like them that dream. The reference is to the waking in 2 Kings 19. 35. Isa. 37. 36. The illustration is in Luke 24. 41. Acts 12. 9 (603 B.C.).

2 singing : i.e. the songs of Isa. 38. 20.

said they = was it said.

heathen = nations. The reference is to 2 Chron. 32. 22, 23. The LORD hath done great things. Fig. *Anadiplosis* (Ap. 6), because the phrase is repeated at the beginning of the next verse.

4 streams = torrents. Heb. *'āphikim*. See 2 Sam. 22. 16. Supply the *Ellipsis*, "as the streams [are turned] in the Negeb".

in the south = in the Negeb, where, in the hill-country of Judæa the *'āphikim* are turned about in their beds between the rocks and in the gorges.

south. Heb. Negeb; the hill-country of Judæa. See note on Gen. 13. 1, and Deut. 1. 7.

5 sow in tears. The reference is to the "sign" given in Isa. 37. 30. See Ap. 67. ix.

127 (G², p. 826). GROUP III. PSALM (SECOND). TRUST. (Alternation.)G² T

g | 1-. Human builders. Vain.

h | -1. Human defenders of city. Vain.

U | 2-. Human labours. Vain.

U | -2. Divine gifts.

T | g | 3. Divine provision of builders. Sons.

h | 4, 5. Divine provision of defenders.

Title. A Song of degrees. Same as 120 ("the degrees"). Ap. 67. The Structure, and the references to Hezekiah being childless (Ap. 67. xiv), show that this is not a Psalm "made up of two smaller Psalms, having no connection with each other". for Solomon = of or by Solomon. The central Psalm of the fifteen. Selected by Hezekiah to complete and perfect the arrangement.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. the = a.

2 For so = Thus.

beloved = beloved one (sing.). Heb. *yēdid*. This was Solomon's name (Jedidiah) given by Jehovah (2 Sam. 12. 25). Solomon was given because David was beloved

W i
(p. 848)

2 For thou shalt eat the °labour of °thine hands:
Happy shalt thou be, and it shall be well with thee.

E

3 Thy °wife shall be as a °fruitful vine by the sides of thine house:

I

Thy °children like olive plants round about thy table.

V

4 °Behold, that thus shall the °man be °blessed
That °feareth °the LORD.

W i

5 °The LORD shall bless thee out of Zion:

k

°And thou shalt see the good of Jerusalem all the days of thy life.

I

6 Yea, °thou shalt see thy °children's °children,
And °peace upon Israel.

129

° A Song of degrees.

G₁²X
(p. 849)

1 "Many a time have they afflicted me from my youth,"

May Israel now say:

2 "°Many a time have they afflicted me from my youth:

Y

°Yet they have not prevailed against me.

X

3 °The plowers plowed upon my back:
They made long their furrows."

Y

4 °The LORD is °righteous:
He hath cut asunder the °cords of °the wicked.

5 Let them all be confounded and turned back

That hate °Zion.

6 Let them be °as the grass upon the housetops,

Which withereth afore it °groweth up:

7 Wherewith the mower filleth not his hand;
Nor he that bindeth sheaves his bosom.

8 Neither do they which go by say,
"The blessing of °the LORD be upon you:
We bless you in the °name of °the LORD."

130

° A Song of degrees.

G₁¹A
(p. 849)

1 Out of the °depths have I cried unto Thee,
O °LORD.

2 °LORD*, hear my voice:

Let Thine °ears be attentive
To the voice of my supplications.

3 If Thou, °LORD, shouldest mark iniquities,

O °LORD* who shall stand?

B

4 °But there is °forgiveness with Thee,
That Thou mayest be feared.

A

5 I wait for °the LORD, my °soul doth wait,
And in °His word do I hope.

6 My °soul waiteth for the °LORD*
More than they that °watch for the morning:

I say, more than they that watch for the morning.

7 Let Israel hope in °the LORD:

B

For with the °LORD there is °mercy,
And with Him is °plenteous °redemption.

2 labour. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for that which is produced by labour.

thine hands: i.e. thine own hands, in contrast with the opposite (Lev. 26. 16. Deut. 28. 30-33, 39, 40). See also Amos 5. 11. Mic. 6. 15.

3 wife . . . fruitful. The reference is, as in Ps. 127, to the fact that Hezekiah was childless at this time and longed for an heir. See Ap. 67. xiv. children=sons.

4 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6. man=a strong man (pl.). Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. IV. blessed. Not the same word as in v. 1. That is happy (*Beatitudo*); this is blessed (*Benedictio*).

5 And thou shalt see: or, That thou mayest see.

6 thou shalt see. Hezekiah *did* see. peace. Because this Psalm concludes a group.

129 (G₁², p. 826). GROUP IV. PSALM (FIRST). DISTRESS. (*Alternation*.)

G₁² X | 1, 2-. Distress. Caused by enemies.
Y | -2. Failure of enemies. Stated.
X | 3. Distress. Caused by enemies.
Y | 4-8. Failure of enemies. Prayed for.

Title. A Song of degrees. Same as 120. See Ap. 67. 2 Many a time. Fig. *Anaphora* (Ap. 6), being repeated from v. 1.

Yet=Nevertheless. Heb. *gam*, as in 119. 24 ("also"); Ezek. 16. 28. Ecc. 6. 7. Not "reduplicated by mistake, and then spelt differently to make sense", as is alleged by modern criticism.

3 The plowers. No Art.

4 The LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II. righteous=just: i.e. in His judgments.

cords: i.e. of bondage. Cp. 2. 3.

the wicked=lawless ones. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

5 Zion. See Ap. 68.

6 as the grass—as grass. The reference in vv. 6, 7 is not to "Egyptian monuments", but to the reply of Jehovah concerning Sennacherib, which Hezekiah quotes here. Cp. 2 Kings 19. 25, 26. Isa. 37. 27.

groweth up. Either unsheatheth itself into flower, or is plucked up (as Sept. and Vulg.).

8 name. See note on 20. 1.

130 (G₁², p. 826). GROUP IV. PSALM (SECOND). TRUST. (*Alternation*.)

G₁² A | 1-3. Waiting on Jehovah.
B | 4. Reason. "For".
A | 5-7-. Waiting for Jehovah.
B | -7, 8. Reason. "For".

Title. A Song of degrees. Same as 120. See Ap. 67. 1 depths. Symbolical of distress. Cp. 42. 7; 66. 12; 69. 2.

LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

2 LORD*. One of the 134 places where the *Sopherim* altered Jehovah to Adonai. See Ap. 32. So also vv. 3. and 6. ears. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

3 LORD. Heb. *Jah*. Ap. 4. III.

4 But=For; or Because; corresponding with v. 7.

forgiveness=the forgiveness: viz. that which Hezekiah gave thanks for in Isa. 38. 17.

5 soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

His word: as sent to Hezekiah by Jehovah through Isaiah.

6 watch. Heb. *shamar*=to keep=observe. An astronomical word, as in 19. 11. Cp. 105. 45; 107. 43; 119. 34. Omit the italics, note the Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6, and render: "More than watchers for the morning [while] watching for the morning."

7 mercy=lovingkindness, or grace. plenteous redemption. Not only from the king of Assyria (Isa. 37), but from "the king of terrors".

redemption. Heb. *pādāh*. See notes on Ex. 13. 13.

8 redeem. Same as v. 7.

iniquities. Heb. *āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv. (Isa. 38.)

8 And He shall °redeem Israel
From all his °iniquities.

131

° A Song of degrees ° of David.

G₁₂ C
(p. 850)

1 ° LORD, my heart is not haughty, nor mine eyes lofty:
Neither do I exercise myself in great matters,
Or in things too ° high for me.

D 2 ° Surely I have behaved and ° quieted ° myself,
As a child that is weaned of his mother:

D ° My soul is even as a weaned child.

C 3 Let ° Israel hope in ° the LORD
From henceforth and for ever.

132

° A Song of degrees.

G₁₃
(THEME)
(p. 850)

1 ° LORD, ° remember ° David,
And ° all his afflictions:

F 2 How he swore unto the ° LORD,
And vowed unto ° the mighty God of Jacob;

G 3 Surely ° I will not come into the ° tabernacle ° of my house,
Nor go up into my ° bed;

4 I will not give sleep to mine eyes,
Or slumber to mine eyelids,

5 Until I find out a place for ° the LORD,
° An habitation for ° the mighty God of Jacob.

H 6 Lo, we ° heard of ° it at Ephratah:
We found ° it ° in the fields of the wood.

7 We will go into His ° tabernacles:
We will worship at His ° footstool.

J 8 ° "Arise, O ° LORD, into Thy rest;
Thou, and ° the ark of Thy strength.

K 9 Let Thy priests be clothed with righteousness;

L And let Thy ° saints ° shout for joy.

M 10 For Thy servant David's sake
Turn not away the face of ° Thine anointed."

F 11 The ° LORD ° hath sworn ° in truth unto David;
He will not turn from it;

G ° "Of the fruit of thy body will I set upon thy throne.

12 If thy ° children will keep My covenant

131 (G₁₂, p. 826). GROUP IV. PSALM (THIRD).
DELIVERANCE, BLESSING, AND PEACE.
(Introversion.)

G₁₂ C | 1. Jehovah. My comfort and peace.
D | 2-. I have comforted myself in Thee.
D | -2. I have comforted myself in Thee.
C | 3. Jehovah. Israel's comfort and peace.

Title. A Song of degrees. Same as 120. Ap. 67. of David=by David. For its place here see Ap. 67. 1 LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. high=wonderful.

2 Surely=[See] whether I have not, &c. quieted=silenced. Some codices, with Sept. and Vulg., read "soothed and uplifted": i.e. comforted. myself=my soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. My soul=Myself. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

3 Israel. Not "a liturgical addition", but used to link the three Psalms of this group together (129. 1; 130. 7, 8; 131. 3). For Israel is to find rest and peace where their kings (David, and Hezekiah) found it.

132 (G₁₃, p. 826). GROUP V. PSALM (FIRST).
DISTRESS. BLESSING FOR THE HOUSE OF
JEHOVAH. (Extended Alternation.)

THE THEME. David's Distress.
G₁₃ F | 2. David swore unto Jehovah.
G | 3-5. What David swore.
H | 6, 7. Dwelling-place for the Ark. Search.
J | 8. Prayer for the Ark's rest.
K | 9-. Prayer for the Priests.
L | -9. Prayer for the Saints.
M | 10. Prayer for Messiah.
F | 11-. Jehovah swore unto David.
G | -11, 12. What Jehovah swore.
H | 13. Dwelling-place for the Ark. Designation.
J | 14, 15. Answer to Prayer (v. 8, J).
K | 16-. Answer to Prayer for Priests (v. 9, K).
L | -16. Answer to Prayer for Saints (v. 9, L).
M | 17, 18. Answer to Prayer for Messiah (v. 10, M).

Title. A Song of degrees. Same as 120. Ap. 67. 1 LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

remember David=remember for David: i.e. remember to fulfil the promises made to him.

David. Hezekiah remembers David, and puts Jehovah in remembrance of him.

all his afflictions=all his being afflicted: all his anxious cares as to his work. The Temple was Hezekiah's care, as it had been David's. Not "post-exilic". We see these anxieties from the beginning of his reign (2 Sam. 7. 1 Chron. 13. 3; 21. 18-22. 1). The subjects of these last three Psalms are merged in blessing.

2 the mighty [God] of Jacob. The mighty One to Whom Jacob vowed his vow. Title occurs outside the Pentateuch, only here, and Gen. 49. 24; Isa. 1. 24 (Israel); 49. 26; 60. 16. Note the Fig. *Epistrophe* (Ap. 6) for emphasis in v. 5.

3 I will not come. Note the Fig. *Periphrases* (Ap. 6) in vv. 4, 5. tabernacle=tent. Heb. *ohel*. Ap. 40. 3. Cp. Acts 7. 46. of. Gen. of Apposition="the Tent: i.e. my house". The emphasis=my own house. bed=couch. 5 An habitation. Pl. of Majesty. Heb. *mishkân* (Ap. 40. ii). 6 heard: i.e. while he was at Ephratah. David's father was an Ephrathite (of Bethlehem-Ephratah. Cp. Gen. 35. 19. David had "heard" of it as being in Shiloh. it: i.e. the Ark. in the fields of the wood=at Jaar's fields: i.e. Kirjath-jearim (1 Chron. 13. 5). 7 tabernacles-the plural of Majesty. His great habitation. Heb. *Mishkân*. Ap. 40. 2. footstool. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. 8 Arise. Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6)=[and will say] "Arise, O LORD", &c. This is what Solomon did say in 2 Chron. 6. 41: see Ps. 68. 1 (and note there), according to Num. 10. 35. Verses 8-10 record what David said. the ark of Thy strength. Occurs only here and 2 Chron. 6. 41. See notes on Ex. 25. 22 and 1 Chron. 13. 3. 9 saints=favoured ones. shout for joy. That is exactly what they did. See the sub-scription of Ps. 87 and note there on "Mahalath-Leannoth". 10 Thine anointed=i.e. David. Not "Zerubbabel", no such oath made to him. 11 hath sworn. See 2 Sam. 7. 8-17. in truth-a truth. Of the fruit of thy body. This was what Hezekiah was concerned about; for he as yet had no son, and was in danger of death. Hence this pleading of Jehovah's oath to David. Quoted in Acts 2. 30. 12 children=sons.

And ° My testimony that I shall teach
them,
Their ° children shall also sit upon thy
throne for evermore."

H
(p. 850)

13 For ¹ the LORD hath chosen ° Zion;
He hath desired *it* for ° His habitation.

J

14 This *is* My rest for ever:
Here will I dwell; for I have desired it.
15 I will abundantly bless ° her provision:
I will satisfy her ° poor with bread.

K

16 I will also clothe her priests with salva-
tion:

L

And her ° saints shall shout aloud for joy.

M

17 There will I make ° the horn of David ° to
bud:
I have ordained a ° lamp for Mine ¹⁰ an-
ointed.
18 His enemies will I clothe with shame:
But upon himself shall ° his crown flourish.

133 ° A Song of degrees ° of David.

G₁₄² N
(p. 851)

1 ° Behold, ° how good and how pleasant
it is
For brethren to dwell together in ° unity!

O m

2 *It is* like the precious ° ointment upon the
head,

n

That ° ran down upon the beard,
Even Aaron's beard:
That ° went down ° to the skirts of his gar-
ments;

O m

3 ° As the dew of Hermon,

n

° *And as the dew* that ° descended upon the
mountains of ° Zion:

N

For ° there ° the LORD commanded the
blessing,
Even life for evermore.

134 ° A Song of degrees.

G₁₆² P
(p. 851)

1 ° Behold, bless ye ° the LORD, all ye ° serv-
ants of ° the LORD,

Q

Which by night ° stand in ° the house of
° the LORD.

Q

2 Lift up your hands *in* the sanctuary,
And bless ¹ the LORD.

P

3 ¹ The LORD That made ° heaven and earth
° Bless thee ° out of Zion.

My testimony. Heb. = "this My testimony". Some
codices, with Aram., Sept., and Vulg., read "[these] my
testimonies" (pl.). children = sons.

13 Zion. See Ap. 68.

His habitation = His dwelling. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*
(Ap. 6).

15 her: i.e. Zion's. poor = needy ones.

17 the horn of David = a horn for David.

to bud: i.e. to bring forth: viz. a son and heir. See
Ap. 67. xiv.

lamp. According to Gen. 15. 17; and note there.

18 his crown: i.e. his royal crown.

133 (G₁₄², p. 826). GROUP V. PSALM (SECOND).
TRUST. BLESSING IN THE HOUSE OF JEHOVAH.
(Introversion and Alternation.)

G ₁₄ ²	N		1. The blessing enjoyed. Unity.
	O		m 2-. Comparison to the anointing oil.
			n -2. Descent of the oil.
	O		m 3-. Comparison to Hermon's dew.
			n -3-. Descent of the dew.
	N		-3. The blessing enjoyed. Life.

Title. A Song of degrees. Same as 120. The
three subjects of the three Psalms of this last group are
merged in blessing.

of David = by David. Hezekiah found this Psalm
exactly suited for his purpose. David wrote it on the
experience of a similar blessing of "unity," when "all
Israel" were united "as the heart of ONE MAN" (2 Sam.
19. 9, 14). It was the same with Hezekiah. Read
2 Chron. 30. 5, 6, 11, 18, and note the "ONE HEART"
(v. 12). See Ap. 67. xv.

1 Behold. The word of the Holy Spirit; as "yea"
is of the Father; and "verily" of the Son. Note the
Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

how good. This was manifested in 2 Chron. 30. 25, 26.
unity = one. The reference is to the "one man" of
2 Sam. 19. 14 (David), and the "one heart" of 2 Chron.
30. 12 (Hezekiah). Heb. *yāhad* (not 'ehad. See note on
Deut. 6. 4. Cp. Josephus (*Ant.* ix. 13. 2).

2 ointment = oil (Ex. 30. 23-25).

ran down = descended. Ex. 29. 7. Lev. 8. 12; 21. 10.
went down = descended, as in v. 3.

to the skirts, &c. = to the opening of his robes (see
Ex. 28. 32). Heb. = mouth (or opening).

3 As = [It is] like, as in v. 2.

And as the dew. Omit these italics.

descended. Cp. v. 2.

Zion. The dew (or copious summer night mist) was
one. The same dew descended on Zion in the south as
on Hermon in the north. Zion's dew represents the tribe
of Judah. Hermon's dew represents Asher, Ephraim,
Manasseh, Zebulun, Issachar (2 Chron. 30. 11, 18, 25, 26).
The idea is not in the *motion* of this dew, from Hermon to
Zion, but in its uniting both in its copious descent.

there. Cp. Deut. 12. 5, 11, 14, 18, 21. Pss. 128. 5;
134. 3. Ps. 133 is blessing IN Zion; Ps. 132 is blessing
FOR Zion; Ps. 134 is blessing FROM Zion.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

134 (G₁₆², p. 826). GROUP V. PSALM (THIRD). BLESSING FROM THE HOUSE OF JEHOVAH.
(Introversion.)

G ₁₆ ²	P		1-. Blessing given to Jehovah.
	Q		-1. The Servants. Their Watch.
	Q		2. The Servants. Their Service.
	P		3. Blessing given BY Jehovah.

Title. A Song of degrees. Same as 120. See Ap. 67. **1** Behold. See note on 133. 1. the LORD.
Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. servants. Limited and defined in next clause, as in 135. 2.

stand. The night-watchmen. The reference is to 2 Chron. 29. 11; 30. 18; 31. 2. There were no
seats in the Tabernacle or Temple. Cp. Heb. 10. 11. the house of the LORD. The reference is to
Hezekiah's interest in the Temple. See Ap. 67. xiii. 3 heaven and earth. The reference is to

2 Chron. 32. 19. 2 Kings 19. 15. Isa. 37. 16. See Ap. 67. v. Bless thee. The reference may be
to 2 Chron. 30. 27; 31. 10. This is the last of the fifteen Songs of the Degrees, which are referred to
in Isa. 38. 20. See Ap. 67. out of Zion. See note on "there", 133. 3.

H¹ R
(p. 852)**135** ° Praise ye ° THE LORD.

- S Praise ye the ° name of ° the LORD;
Praise *Him*, O ye servants of ° the LORD.
2 Ye that stand in the house of ° the LORD,
In ° the courts of the house of our ° God,
3 Praise ° THE LORD; for ° the LORD is
good;
Sing praises unto His ° name; for ° it is
pleasant.
- T V 4 For ° THE LORD hath chosen ° Jacob unto
Himself,
And ° Israel for His ° peculiar treasure.
- W 5 For ° I know that ° the LORD is great,
And that ° our LORD is above all ° gods.
6 Whatsoever ° the LORD pleased, that did
He
In ° heaven, and in earth, in the seas, and
all deep places.
- 7 He causeth the vapours to ascend from the
ends of the earth;
He maketh lightnings for the rain;
He bringeth the ° wind out of His ° trea-
suries.
- 8 Who ° smote the firstborn of Egypt,
Both of ° man and beast.
- 9 Who sent tokens and ° wonders into the
midst of thee, O Egypt,
Upon Pharaoh, and upon all his servants.
- 10 Who ° smote great nations,
And slew mighty kings;
11 ° Sihon king of the Amorites,
And ° Og king of Bashan,
And ° all the kingdoms of Canaan:
12 And ° gave their land for an heritage,
° An heritage unto Israel His People.
- U 13 ° Thy ° name, O ° LORD, endureth for ever;
U And Thy memorial, O ° LORD, throughout
all generations.
- T V 14 ° For ° the LORD will ° judge His People,
And He will ° repent Himself concerning
His servants.
- W o 15 ° The idols of the ° heathen are silver and
gold,
p The work of ° men's hands.
- q 16 They have mouths, but they speak not;
r Eyes have they, but they see not;
r 17 They have ears, but they hear not;
q Neither is there any ° breath in their
mouths.
- p 18 They that make them ° are like unto them:
o So is every one that ° trusteth in them.
- S 19 Bless ° the LORD, O ° house of Israel:
Bless ° the LORD, O house of Aaron:
20 Bless ° the LORD, O house of ° Levi:
Ye that fear ° the LORD, bless ° the LORD.
21 Blessed be ° the LORD ° out of Zion,
Which ° dwelleth at Jerusalem.
- R ° Praise ye ° THE LORD.

135 (H², p. 826). PRAISE.
(Introversion and Alternation.)

- H² R | 1-. Hallelujah.
S | -1-3. Exhortation to praise. Servants.
T | V | 4. Jehovah's choice of Israel.
W | 5-12. Superiority over idols.
U | 13-. Jehovah addressed. Name.
U | -13. Jehovah addressed. Me-
morial.
T | V | 14. Jehovah's vindication of Israel.
W | 15-18. Superiority over idols.
S | 19-21-. Exhortation to praise. Israel.
R | -21. Hallelujah.

This Psalm is probably by Hezekiah, continuing the Songs of the Degrees. Corresponds with 114 and 115 (H¹). See Structure (p. 826).

1 Praise ye THE LORD - Hallelu-jah. Ap. 4. III. name. See note on 20. 1. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah (Ap. 4. II). Note the three Jehovahs between Jah in v. 1 and Elohim in v. 2. Corresponding with the threefold blessing of Num. 6. 22-27.

2 the courts. This includes the People as well as the priests and Levites. 3 it: i.e. His name. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

4 Jacob. Cp. Mal. 1. 2. Rom. 9. 13. Put also by Fig. Metonymy (of Cause) for his posterity (Ap. 6). Israel. See notes on Gen. 32. 28; 43. 6; 45. 26, 28.

peculiar treasure = own possession. Heb. *gullāh*. See note on Ex. 19. 5.

5 our LORD = Adonim. Ap. 4. VIII (3). gods. Heb. *'ēlōhīm*. Ap. 4. I. Used here of earthly rulers (82. 6), as representing God. See note on Ex. 22. 9, and cp. Rom. 13. 1-7.

6 heaven, and in earth. Hezekiah's expression. See Ap. 67. v.

7 wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9. Cp. v. 7 with Jer. 10. 13; 51. 16.

treasuries. Heb. = treasures, put by Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct) for treasures (Ap. 6), and rightly so rendered. Cp. Job 38. 22.

8 smote, &c. Cp. Ex. 12. 29. man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

9 wonders. Cp. Ex. 7-14, and Ps. 136. 15. 10 smote, &c. Cp. Num. 21-26, 34, and 35.

11 Sihon. Cp. Num. 21. 21-34. Deut. 1. 4. Og. Cp. Deut. 31. 4. Josh. 13. 31.

all. Cp. Josh. 12. 7. 12 gave their land. Cp. Josh. 12. 7.

An heritage. Repeated by Fig. Anadiplosis. Ap. 6.

13 Thy name. Cp. v. 13 with Ex. 3. 15.

14 For, &c. Cp. Deut. 32. 36. judge = vindicate.

repent Himself = have compassion.

15-18 (W, above). SUPERIORITY OVER IDOLS. (Introversion.)

- W o | 15-. The idols.
p | -15. Their fabrication.
q | 16-. Mouth without speech. (Sing.)
r | -16. Eyes without sight. (Pl.)
r | 17-. Ears without hearing. (Pl.)
q | -17. Mouth without breath. (Sing.)
p | 18-. Their fabricators.
o | -18. The idolaters.

15 The idols, &c., vv. 15-18. Not "borrowed" from Ps. 115, but repeated, and varied, because the object here is quite different. Ps. 115 = heathen theology; 135 = Divine theology. heathen = nations.

17 breath. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

18 are = will become.

trusteth = confideth. Heb. *batāh*. Ap. 69. I.

19 house of Israel. Includes all Israel. Cp. 115. 12. See note on Ex. 16. 31.

20 Levi. Not included in 115.

21 out of Zion. Shows that this Psalm is an expansion of Ps. 134.

dwelleth. Fig. Anthropopatheia. Ap. 6.

H² A E
(p. 853)**136** O give thanks unto ° the LORD; for *He*
is good:° For His ¹mercy *endureth* for ever.2 ° O give thanks unto the ° God of ° gods:
For His ¹mercy *endureth* for ever.3 O give thanks to the ° LORD of lords:
For His ¹mercy *endureth* for ever.B F 4 To Him Who alone doeth great wonders:
For His ¹mercy *endureth* for ever.5 To Him That by wisdom ° made the hea-
vens:For His ¹mercy *endureth* for ever.6 To Him That stretched out the earth
° above the waters:For His ¹mercy *endureth* for ever.7 To Him That made ° great lights:
For His ¹mercy *endureth* for ever:

8 The sun ° to rule by day:

For His ¹mercy *endureth* for ever:

9 The moon and stars ° to rule by night:

For His ¹mercy *endureth* for ever.C s G 10 To Him That ° smote Egypt in their first-
born:For His ¹mercy *endureth* for ever:t 11 And ° brought out Israel from among them:
For His ¹mercy *endureth* for ever:J 12 With a strong ° hand, and with a stretched
out ° arm:For His ¹mercy *endureth* for ever.u 13 To Him Which divided the Red sea into
parts:For His ¹mercy *endureth* for ever:K 14 And made Israel to pass through the midst
of it:For His ¹mercy *endureth* for ever:D 15 But ° overthrew Pharaoh and his host in
the Red sea:For His ¹mercy *endureth* for ever.D 16 To Him Which led His People through the
wilderness:For His ¹mercy *endureth* for ever.C s 17 To Him Which smote great kings:
For His ¹mercy *endureth* for ever:

18 And slew famous kings:

For His ¹mercy *endureth* for ever:

19 ° Sihon king of the Amorites:

For His ¹mercy *endureth* for ever:

20 And Og the king of Bashan:

For His ¹mercy *endureth* for ever:

t J 21 And gave ° their land for an heritage:

For His ¹mercy *endureth* for ever:22 *Even* an heritage unto Israel His servant:For His ¹mercy *endureth* for ever.

u K 23 Who remembered us in our low estate:

For His ¹mercy *endureth* for ever:24 And hath ° redeemed us from our ° ene-
mies:For His ¹mercy *endureth* for ever.

B L 25 Who giveth ° food to all ° flesh:

For His ¹mercy *endureth* for ever.A M 26 ¹ O give thanks unto the ° GOD of heaven:
For His ¹mercy *endureth* for ever.

deem" only here (and Dan. 4. 27 in the Vulgate versions: A.V. "break off").
25 food. Heb. = bread. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species) for all kinds of food. Ap. 6. **flesh.**
 Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part) for all living beings. Ap. 6. **26** GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.
 GOD of heaven. See note on 2 Chron. 36. 23.

136 (H², p. 826). PRAISE.

(Introversion and Extended Alternation.)

H² A

| 1-3. Exhortation to praise.

B | 4-9. General dealings. Creation.

C | s | 10. Smote Egyptians.

t | 11, 12. Brought Israel out of Egypt.

u | 13, 14. Israel's rescue.

D | 15. Overthrow of Enemies.

Sea.

D | 16. Guidance of His People.

Desert.

C | s | 17-20. Smote kings.

t | 21, 22. Brought Israel into Canaan.

u | 23, 24. Israel's rescue.

B | 25. General dealings. Grace.

A | 26. Exhortation to praise.

Psalms 135 and 136 are a pair; and have a correspond-
 ing Structure when viewed together. This does not
 interfere with their own independent Structures.
 In Ps. 135, verses 19-22 are not "an addition" or "inter-
 polation" from 135. 10, in order to make twenty-two
 verses (the number of letters in the Hebrew alphabet).
 Without these verses (vv. 19-22) the Structure below
 would fail.

PSALMS 135 AND 136 COMPARED.

(Extended Alternation.)

135

E | 1-5. Exhortation to praise.

F | 6, 7. Creative wonders.

G | 8, 9. Deliverance from Egypt.

H | 10, 11. Deliverance on Journey.

J | 12, 13. Gift of the Land.

K | 14. Goodness to His People.

L | 15-18. False gods.

M | 19-21. Praise.

136

E | 1-3. Exhortation to praise.

F | 4-9. Creative wonders.

G | 10-15. Deliverance from Egypt.

H | 16-20. Deliverance on Journey.

J | 21, 22. Gift of the Land.

K | 23, 24. Goodness to His People.

L | 25. The True God.

M | 26. Praise.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

For, &c. Figs. *Amœbaeon* and *Epistrophe*. Ap. 6.
 mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.2 O give thanks. Note the Figs. *Cœnotes* and *Ana-*
phora (Ap. 6) in vv. 1, 2, 3.God of gods. Heb. Elohîm of the elohim. Ap. 4. I.
 gods. Heb. 'ēlohîm. See note on 135. 5 and Ex. 22. 9.3 LORD of lords. Heb. Adonîm of the adonim.
 Ap. 4. VIII. Cp. Deut. 10. 17.

5 made the heavens. Cp. Gen. 1. 1.

6 above. i.e. in Gen. 1. 1, and 2 Pet. 3. 5. By the
 overthrow of Gen. 1. 2 the earth became a ruin, being
 "overflowed" (2 Pet. 3. 6), and covered with "the
 deep" (Gen. 1. 2).

7 great lights. Gen. 1. 14, "lightholders".

8 to rule = to have dominion. Gen. 1. 16-18.

10 smote Egypt. Cp. Ex. 12. 29.

11 brought out Israel. Cp. Ex. 13. 17.

12 hand . . . arm. Fig. *Anthrōpopatheia* (Ap. 6).

15 overthrew = shook off.

19 Sihon, &c. These two verses (vv. 19, 20) not an
 "interpolation". See note above.

21 their: i.e. Sihon's and Og's. Not a verse "clearly
 dropped out", which contained the noun for this pro-
 noun. The kings named show "whose" land is re-
 ferred to. An "interpolation" from which a verse
 has "dropped out" is a new idea in the field of imagina-
 tive criticism; and, if true, would be quite unworthy
 of a "commentator's" time and trouble.

24 redeemed = rescued. Heb. *pārak* = to break.
 Thus to rescue, by breaking the bonds. Rendered "re-
 enemies = adversaries.

G² N¹
(p. 854)**137** By the rivers of ° Babylon,
There we sat down,

- O¹ Yea, we wept,
When we remembered Zion.
- N² **2** We hanged our harps
Upon the willows in the midst thereof.
- 3** For there ° they that carried us away cap-
tive required of us a song;
And they that wasted us *required of us*
mirth, *saying*,
"Sing us *one of the songs of Zion.*"
- O² **4** How shall we sing ° the LORD'S song
In a ° strange land ?
- 5** ° If I forget thee, O Jerusalem,
° Let my right hand forget *her cunning.*
- 6** If I do not remember thee,
Let my tongue cleave to the roof of my
mouth;
If I prefer not Jerusalem
Above my chief joy.
- N³ **7** Remember, O ° LORD, the ° children of
° Edom
- O³ In the ° day of Jerusalem;
° Who said, ° "Rase it, rase it,
Even to the foundation thereof."
- N⁴ **8** O daughter of Babylon, who art ° to be
destroyed;
° Happy *shall he be*, that ° rewardeth thee
As thou hast served us.
- 9** ° Happy *shall he be*, that taketh and
dasheth thy ° little ones
Against the stones.

138

A Psalm ° of David.

H³ P¹
(p. 854)

- 1** I will ° praise Thee with my whole ° heart:
Before the ° gods will I sing praise unto
Thee.
- 2** I will worship toward Thy ° holy ° temple,
And praise Thy ° name for Thy loving-
kindness and for Thy truth:
For Thou hast ° magnified Thy ° word
above all Thy ° name.
- 3** In the day when I cried Thou answeredst
me,
And ° strengthenedst me *with strength* in
° my soul.
- 4** All the kings of the earth shall praise
Thee, O ° LORD,
When ° they hear the ° words of Thy
mouth.

is not to be interpreted of the present Dispensation of Grace.

138 (H³, p. 826). PRAISE. (Repeated Alternation.)

- H³ P¹ | 1-4. To Jehovah. Praise. (Second Person.)
Q¹ | 5, 6. Of Jehovah. (Third Person.)
P² | 7. To Jehovah. (Second Person.)
Q² | 8-. Of Jehovah. (Third Person.)
P³ | -8. To Jehovah. (Second Person.)

Title. of David = by David. Placed here by Hezekiah, to correspond with H¹, H² and H⁴. See p. 826.

1 praise Thee. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., add "O Jehovah". heart. Sept. adds "for Thou hast heard the words of my mouth", probably from v. 4. gods. Heb. *ēlohim*. Ap. 4. I. See note on Ex. 22. 8. **2** holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5. temple = house or palace. Heb. *hēykāl*. name. See note on 20. 1. magnified: i. e. by fulfilling it beyond all expectation. word = sayings. Heb. *imrah*. See Ap. 73. v. name. See note on 20. 1. **3** strengthenedst = encouraged, or emboldened. my soul = myself (emphatic). Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. **4** LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. they hear = they have heard.

137 (G³, p. 826). ISRAEL. DELIVERANCE FROM
BABYLON. (Repeated Alternation.)

- G³ N¹ | 1-. Babylon. Weeping.
O¹ | -1. Zion. Remembrance.
N² | 2-4. Babylon. Weeping.
O² | 5, 6. Jerusalem. Remembrance. "I".
N³ | 7-. Edom. Remembrance.
O³ | -7. Jerusalem. Destruction.
N⁴ | 8. Babylon. Destruction.

1 Babylon. The Psalm is anonymous, and probably by Hezekiah. No need to refer it to post-exilic times. The Psalm reads as though it were a reminiscence of past experience in Babylon, and a contrast with previous joys in Zion; not, as during or after the seventy years, or an experience of a then present exile in Babylon. The writer is in Jerusalem after an absence not of long duration; and is full of joy. The post-exilic captives were full of sorrow on their return (Ezra 3. 12. Hag. 2. 3). These exiles had obeyed Isaiah's call (Isa. 48. 20. Cp. 43. 14-21).

3 they that carried us away: i. e. the captives of Judah, as those of Israel had been by Shalmaneser and Sargon. The latter took away only 27,280 from Samaria. See note on 1 Chron. 5. 6; and Ap. 67. xi.

4 the LORD'S. Heb. Jehovah's. Ap. 4. II. strange = foreigner's.

5 If I forget . . . do not remember. The writer's then present personal declaration.

Let my right hand forget. Supply "me" for the Ellipsis. Some codices, with Sept. and Vulg., read "let my right hand be forgotten".

7 children = sons.

Edom. Gen. 27. 39, 40 was not fulfilled until the reign of Joram (2 Kings 8. 20-23. 2 Chron. 21. 8-10 (cp. 1 Kings 22. 47). From that time they were implacable enemies.

day. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct) for what happened at the time (Ap. 6). Cp. Job 18. 20. Hos. 1. 11. Joel 1. 15. Luke 17. 22, 26; 19. 42. 1 Cor. 4. 3.

Who said. The reference is to what they *said*, not to what they *did*; to the encouragement given to Sennacherib, not to the help given to Nebuchadnezzar. That is what Obadiah, a later prophet, refers to. Isaiah (Hezekiah's contemporary) refers to the earlier words. See Isa. 34. 6. Here Edom does not go beyond words.

Rase it, rase it. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6) for emphasis. This was *said*, not *done*, at that time.

8 to be destroyed. Hezekiah must have been familiar with Isaiah's prophecies, who employs the very words of vv. 8, 9. (Isa. 13. 6, 16-18; 21. 9; 47. 14, 15. Cp. Nahum 8. 10.)

Happy. See Ap. 63. VI. for the Beatitudes of the Psalms.

rewardeth. See notes above, which show that the "post-exilic" assumption involves insuperable difficulties if this Psalm is sundered from the contemporary prophecies of Isaiah (especially 13. 1-14; and 27), and from a Babylon under Assyrian rule.

9 little ones. The reference is to Isa. 13. 16-18, which belongs to a Dispensation of Law and Judgment, and

Q¹
(p. 854)

5 Yea, they shall sing ° in the ways of ° the LORD:

For great is the glory of ° the LORD.

6 Though ° the LORD be high, yet hath He ° respect unto the lowly:

But the proud He knoweth afar off.

P²

7 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, Thou wilt ° revive me:

Thou shalt stretch forth Thine ° hand

° against the wrath of mine enemies,

And Thy right ° hand shall save me.

Q²

8 ° The LORD will perfect *that which* concerneth me:

P³

Thy ° mercy, O ° LORD, *endureth* for ever:
Forsake not the ° works of Thine own hands.

° To the chief Musician.

139

° A Psalm ° of David.

G⁴ R
(p. 855)

1 O ° LORD, Thou hast ° searched me, and ° known me.

S¹ T¹

2 Thou ° knowest my ° downsit¹ting and mine ° upris¹ing,

Thou understandest my ° thought afar off.

3 Thou ° compass¹est my path and my ° ly¹ing down,

And ° art acquainted *with* all my ways.

4 For *there is* not a word in my tongue,
But, lo, O ° LORD, Thou ° knowest it ° al¹together.

5 Thou hast beset me ° behind and before,
And laid Thine hand upon me.

U¹

6 *Such knowledge is* too wonderful for me;
It is high, I cannot *attain* unto it.

S² T²

7 Whither shall I go from Thy ° spirit?
Or whither shall I flee from Thy ° pres¹ence?

8 If I ascend up into heaven, Thou *art* there:
If I make my bed in ° hell, ° behold, Thou *art* there.

9 If I take the ° wings of the morning,
And dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea;

10 Even there shall Thy hand lead me,
And Thy ° right hand shall hold me.

11 If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me;"

Even the night shall be light about me.

12 Yea, the darkness ° hideth not from Thee;
But the night shineth as the day:

The darkness and the light *are* both alike *to Thee*.

13 For Thou hast possessed my reins:

Thou hast ° covered me in my mother's womb.

14 I will praise Thee; for I am ° fearfully and wonderfully made:

Marvellous *are* Thy works;

And *that* ° my soul ° knoweth right well.

15 My ° substance was not hid from Thee,
When I was made in secret,

And ° curiously wrought in the lowest parts of the earth.

16 Thine eyes did see my ° substance, yet being ° unperfect;

And in Thy book all *my members* were written,

° Which in continuance were fashioned,

When *as yet* there was none of them.

5 in: or, of.

6 respect = regard.

7 revive = make alive, or sustain in life. See note 11 on p. 827.

hand. Some codices, with two early printed editions and Sept., read "hands" (pl.). Fig. *Anthropopatheia* (Ap. 6).

against. Some codices, with two early printed editions, read "Yea, because of".

mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.

works. Some codices, with Syr., read "work" (sing.). To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.

139 (G⁴, p. 826). DELIVERANCE FROM SELF.
(Alternation.)

G⁴ R | 1. Divine searching
S¹ T¹ | 2-5. Omniscience.
U¹ | 6. Admiration.
S² T² | 7-16. Omnipresence.
U² | 17, 18. Admiration.
S³ T³ | 19-. Omnipotence.
U³ | -19-22. Detestation.
R | 23, 24. Divine searching.

Title. A Psalm. Heb. *mizmôr*. Ap. 65. XVII. of David = by David. The words alleged to be Chaldaisms in vv. 3, 4, 8, 20, are found in the earlier books such as Lev. 1 and 2 Sam. There is no internal evidence of non-Davidic authorship.

1 LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

searched = search out as for treasures or secrets.

known = seen, so as to understand.

2 downsit¹ting . . . upris¹ing. Fig. *Synecdochē* (of Species), Ap. 6, put for all movements.

thought = inward thought. Occurs only here and in v. 17.

3 compass¹est = scrutinisest.

lying down = bed.

artacquainted with = wellknowest, or hastinspected.

4 altogether = on every side, or, the whole of it.

5 behind and before. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), Ap. 6, put for every direction.

7 spirit. Heb. *rûach*. Ap. 9.

presence. Heb. = face. Fig. *Anthrôpopatheia*. Ap. 6.

8 hell = Sheol. See Ap. 85.

behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

9 wings of the morning. See note on sub¹scription of Ps. 21.

10 right hand. Fig. *Anthrôpopatheia*. Ap. 6.

12 hideth not from = cannot be too dark for.

13 covered = woven me together. Cp. Job 10. 8, 11.

14 fearfully and wonderfully. Heb. = fears and wonders. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the feelings produced by the works.

my soul = myself. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

15 substance = frame. Heb. = bone, as in Gen. 2. 21, 22.

curiously = skilfully. Heb. = embroidered. Cp. Ex. 26. 1; 35. 35.

16 substance . . . unperfect = unfinished substance. Not the same word as in v. 15. One word in Hebrew.

unperfect. Not imperfect.

Which in continuance = the days which were ordered, or in which they should be fashioned.

17 How precious. Fig. *Ecphonēsis*. Ap. 6. See note on 1 Sam. 3. 1.

thoughts = desires. See v. 2.

GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

sum. Heb. pl. of majesty, denoting the fullness or vastness of them.

18 more in number . . . sand. Fig. *Paræmia*. Ap. 6.

17 ° How precious also are Thy ° thoughts unto me, O ° GOD!

How great is the ° sum of them!

18 If I should count them, they are ° more in number than the sand:

When I awake, I am still with Thee.

U²

- T^s (p. 855) 19 ° Surely ° Thou wilt slay ° the wicked, O ° **GD** :
- U^s Depart from me therefore, ye ° bloody ° men.
- 20 For they speak against Thee ° wickedly, And Thine enemies take Thy name in vain.
- 21 Do not I hate them, O ° LORD, that hate Thee ?
- And ° am not I grieved with those that rise up against Thee ?
- 22 I hate them with perfect hatred : I count them mine enemies.
- R 23 Search me, O ° ¹⁷ GOD, and ° know my heart :
- Try me, and ° know my ° thoughts :
- 24 And see if there be any ° wicked ° way in me, And lead me in the ° way everlasting.
- ° To the chief Musician.

140

° A Psalm ° of David.

- H[†] V¹ (p. 856) 1 Deliver me, O ° LORD, from ° the evil ° man :
- W¹ Preserve me from the violent ° man ;
- 2 ° Which imagine ° mischiefs in their heart ; Continually are they gathered together for war.
- 3 They have sharpened their ° tongues like a serpent ; Adders' poison is under their lips. ° Selah.
- V² 4 Keep me, O ° LORD, from the hands of the ° wicked ; Preserve me from the violent ° man ;
- W² Who have purposed to overthrow my goings.
- 5 The proud have hid a snare for me, and cords ; They have spread a net ° by the wayside ; They have set gins for me. ° Selah.
- V³ 6 I said unto the ° LORD, " Thou art my ° GOD : " Hear the voice of my supplications, O ° LORD.
- 7 O ° GOD the Lord, the strength ° of my salvation, Thou hast ° covered my head in the day of battle.
- W³ 8 Grant not, O ° LORD, the desires of the ° wicked : Further not his ° wicked device ; lest they exalt themselves. ° Selah.
- V¹ 9 As for the head of ° those that compass me about, Let the ° mischief of their own lips ° cover them.
- 10 Let ° burning coals fall upon them : Let them be cast into the fire ; Into deep pits, ° that they rise not up again.
- 11 Let not an ° evil speaker be established in the earth : ° Evil shall hunt the violent ° man to overthrow him.

19 Surely, &c. These six verses (19-24) are not an "interpolation". They are required to complete the Structure. See above.

Thou wilt slay, &c. This is Omnipotent work. Cp. Job 40. 9-14.

the wicked = a lawless one. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x. **GD**. Heb. Eloah. Ap. 4. V.

bloody = bloodthirsty. men. Heb. *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

20 wickedly = rebelliously (pre-meditated).

21 am not I grieved with = do I not loathe.

23 thoughts = distractions or cares. Not the same word as in vv. 2, 17.

24 wicked = painful or grievous.

way. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the grief produced by it.

way everlasting. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6, for the happiness which is the effect and end of everlasting life.

To the chief Musician. See Ap. 64.

140 (H[†], p. 826). PRAYER AND PRAISE. (Repeated Alternation.)

- H[†] V¹ | 1. Prayer. Preservation from enemies. W¹ | 2, 3. The evil man. Purposes. (Selah.) V² | 4-. Prayer. Preservation from enemies. W² | -4, 6. The evil man. Purposes. (Selah.) V³ | 6, 7. Prayer. Preservation from enemies. W³ | 8. The evil man. Desires. (Selah.) V⁴ | 9-11. Prayer. Destruction of enemies.

EPILOGUE (12, 13). Trust and Praise.

Title. A Psalm. Heb. *mizmōr*. See Ap. 65. XVII. of David = by David.

1 LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

the evil = an evil man. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii. man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

2 Which = Who.

mischiefs. Not the same word as in v. 9, but the same word as "evil" in v. 1.

3 tongues. Sing. See note on v. 11. Quoted in Rom. 3. 13. Selah. Connecting the evil with the prayer to be delivered ; thus marking the Structure (Ap. 66. II.)

4 wicked = lawless. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

5 by the wayside. See Job 18. 10.

6 GOD. Heb. *El*. Ap. 4. IV.

7 GOD the Lord. Heb. Jehovah Adonai. Ap. 4. II and VIII (2).

of. Genitive of character = my saving strength.

covered = screened or protected. Not the same word as in v. 9.

8 wicked. Heb. *rāshā'*. Sing. Ap. 44. x. The same word as in v. 4.

wicked device = devices or plots. Occurs only here.

9 those that compass me about = one word in Hebrew.

mischief = labour, toil. Heb. *'amal*. Ap. 44. v.

cover = overwhelm. Not the same word as in v. 7.

10 burning coals. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for cruel words and hard speeches which wound the heart as fire wounds the body. Cp. Prov. 16. 27 ; 26. 23. that they, &c. = let them not, &c.

11 evil speaker. Heb. a man of tongue ; not "a man of lips" (= talkative. Job 11. 2), but with an evil motive = a slanderer. Cp. v. 3.

Evil shall hunt = Let evil hunt.

12 the afflicted = a poor one.

the poor = helpless ones.

13 name. See note on 20. 1.

dwell in Thy presence. Cp. 11. 7 ; 16. 11.

12 I know that ° the LORD will maintain the cause of ° the afflicted, And the right of ° the poor.

13 Surely the righteous shall give thanks unto Thy ° name : The upright shall ° dwell in Thy presence.

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141

° A Psalm of David.

H¹ X Z
(p. 857)

1 ° LORD, I cry unto Thee: make haste unto me;
Give ear unto my voice, when I cry unto Thee.

2 Let my prayer be set forth before Thee as °incense;
And the lifting up of my hands as the evening °sacrifice.

A 3 ° Set a watch, O ° LORD, before my mouth;
° Keep the door of my lips.

4 Incline not my heart to any °evil thing,
To practise °wicked works
With °men that work °iniquity:
And let me not °eat of their °dainties.

5 Let °the righteous smite me; *it shall be* a kindness:
And let him reprove me; *it shall be* °an excellent oil,
Which shall not break my head:

B s For °yet my prayer also *shall be* in their calamities.

t 6 ° When their °judges are overthrown °in stony places,
° They shall hear my °words; for they are °sweet.

Y 7 ° Our bones are scattered at °the grave's mouth,

Y As when one °cutteth and °cleaveth wood upon the earth.

X Z 8 But mine eyes *are* unto Thee, O °GOD the ° Lord:
In Thee °is my trust; leave not °my soul destitute.

A 9 ° Keep me from the °snares *which* they have laid for me,
And the °gins of the workers of °iniquity.

B t 10 Let °the wicked fall into their own nets,
s Whilst that I °withal °escape.

142

° Maschil ° of David; A Prayer ° when he was in the ° cave.

H¹ C
(p. 857)

1 I cried unto °the LORD with my voice;
With my voice unto °the LORD did I make my supplication.

2 I poured out my complaint before Him;
I shewed before Him my trouble.

D 3 When my °spirit °was overwhelmed with-in me, °then Thou knewest my path.

withal = Same as "yet", v. 5 (B).

escape = pass on [in safety].

142 (H¹, p. 826). PRAYER AND PRAISE. (Extended Alternation.)

H¹ C | 1, 2. I cried unto Jehovah.
D | 3-. Trouble. Comfort in. } Statements.
E | -3. Enemies.
F | 4. Friends. Desertion of.
C | 5. I cried unto Jehovah.
D | 6-. Trouble. Deliverance from. } Pleas.
E | -6. Enemies.
F | 7. Friends. Surrounded by.

Title. Maschil = Instruction. See Ap. 65. XI. of David = by David. when . . . cave. Adullam (1 Sam. 22. 1) or En-gedi (1 Sam. 24. 3). The last of eight Psalms referring to this subject. 1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. 3 spirit. Heb. *ruach*. Ap. 9. was overwhelmed = fainted. Heb. = was darkened. Cp. 77. 3; 107. 5; 143. 4. Elsewhere only Jonah 2. 8, and Lam. 2. 12. then = then [I remembered] Thou knewest, &c.

141 (H¹, p. 826). PRAYER AND PRAISE.

(Introversion and Extended Alternation.)

H¹ X Z | 1, 2. I cry to Thee. Help me.
A | 3-5-. Prayer for preventing grace (Shamar).
B | s | -5. Yet, I.
t | 6. Punishment of wicked.
Y | 7-. Bones scattered.
Y | -7. Wood cleaved.
X Z | 8. I look to Thee. Help me.
A | 9. Prayer for preventing grace (Shamar).
B | t | 10-. Punishment of wicked.
s | -10. Yet, I.

Title. A Psalm of David. See Title of 140.

1 LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 incense. Cp. Ex. 30. 7. Rev. 8. 3, 4.

sacrifice = gift offering. Ap. 43. II. iii.

3 Set a watch = Set a guard. Heb. *shāmrāh*. Same word as "keep", v. 9 (A). Occurs only here.

Keep = keep in safety. Not the same word as in v. 9.

4 evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.wicked. Heb. *rāsha'*. Ap. 44. x.men. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.iniquity. Heb. *'āven*. Ap. 44. iii.

eat: i.e. partake of, or have fellowship with.

dainties = pleasant things. Cp. v. 6.

5 the righteous = a righteous one.

an excellent oil = oil for the head. This verse is said to be "extremely obscure" and "corrupt to a degree". The Fig. *Metalepsis* (Ap. 6) makes all clear; "head", being first used for *hair*, and then for the *whole person* by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part). Heb. = "as oil on the hair, I will not refuse it". Note the alternation of lines in this verse.

5 yet. Same root as "withal" in v. 10 (B).

6 When. Not in Hebrew text.

judges = rulers. Cp. 2 Kings 9. 33.

in stony places = as by a rock; or, over a rock. Heb.

by the hands of a rock. They: i.e. the people.

words = sayings. Heb. *'imrah*. Ap. 73. v.

sweet. Cognate with "dainties", v. 4.

7 Our bones. Sept. (Vatican B, and Alex. A by second hand), Syr., Arab., and Ethiop. read "their bones"

the grave's. Heb. Sheol's. Ap. 35. Note the word

"bones" in this connection.

cutteth = sliceth, as in 1 Sam. 30. 12. Song 4. 3; 6. 7

(elsewhere rendered "piece" or "pieces"). Never

means "ploweth", as in R.V.

cleaveth. As in Ecc. 10. 9. Zech. 14. 4 (cp. Gen.

22. 3. 1 Sam. 6. 14).

8 GOD the Lord. Heb. Jehovah Adonai. Ap. 4. II.

VIII (2).

is my trust = have I sought refuge. Heb. *ḥaṣah*.

Ap. 69. II.

my soul = me (emphatic). Heb. *nephes*. Ap. 13.9 Keep. Same root as "watch" in v. 3. (Heb. *shāmrēni*.)

snares. A.V., 1611, read "snares" (sing.). Since 1769,

"snares" (pl.). Heb. text is sing.

gins = traps. Short for "engine" = an ingenious contrivance.

10 the wicked = lawless ones. Heb. *rāsha'*. Ap. 44. x.

- E In the way wherein I walked have they
(p. 857) privily laid a snare for me.
- F 4 I looked on *my* right hand, and ° beheld,
but *there was* no man that would
° know me:
Refuge failed me; no man cared for ° my
soul.
- C 5 I cried unto Thee, O ° LORD:
I said, "Thou *art* my refuge
And my portion in ° the land of the living."
- D 6 Attend unto my cry; for I am brought
very low:
- E Deliver me from my ° persecutors; for
they are stronger than I.
- F 7 Bring ° my soul out of prison, that I may
praise Thy name:
The righteous shall compass me about;
For Thou shalt deal bountifully with me.

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° A Psalm of David.

H¹ G J
(p. 858)

- 1 Hear my prayer, O ° LORD, give ear to my
supplications:
In Thy faithfulness answer me, and in
Thy righteousness.
- 2 And ° enter not into judgment with Thy
servant:
For ° in Thy sight shall ° no man living
° be justified.
- K 3 For the enemy hath ° persecuted ° my soul;
He hath smitten my life down to the
ground;
He hath made me to dwell in darkness, as
those that have been long dead.
- 4 Therefore is ° my spirit ° overwhelmed
within me;
My heart within me is desolate.
- H 5 I ° remember the days of old;
I meditate on all Thy works;
I ° muse on ° the work of Thy hands.
- H 6 I stretch forth my hands unto Thee:
° My soul *thirsteth* after Thee, ° as a thirsty
land. ° Selah.
- G J 7 Hear me speedily, O ° LORD: ° my spirit
faileth:
Hide not Thy face from me,
Lest I be like unto them that go down into
° the pit.
- 8 Cause me to hear Thy ° lovingkindness in
the morning;
For in Thee do I ° trust:
Cause me to know the way wherein I
should walk;
For I lift up ° my soul unto Thee.
- 9 ° Deliver me, O ° LORD, from mine enemies:
I ° flee ° unto Thee to hide me.
- 10 Teach me to do Thy ° will; for Thou *art*
my ° God:
Thy ° Spirit *is* good; ° lead me into the
° land of uprightness.
- 11 ° Quicken me, O ° LORD, for Thy ° name's
sake:

4 beheld. Supply Ellipsis: "beheld [on my left
hand], but", &c.

know = regard, or recognise.
my soul = me (emphatic). Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.
5 the land of the living. See note on Ezek. 26. 20.
6 persecutors = pursuers.

143 (H¹, p. 826). PRAYER.

(Introversion and Alternation.)

H¹ G J | 1, 2. Prayer.
K | 3, 4. Enemy. Action.
H | 5. Conduct. Past. Remembrance.
H | 6. Conduct. Present. Desire.
G J | 7-11. Prayer.
K | 12. Enemies. Excision.

Title. A Psalm of David. Same as 140.

1 LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
2 enter not. As in Job 9. 32; 22. 4.
in Thy sight. Cp. 1 Sam. 16. 7. Isa. 55. 8. Job 14. 3.
no man = no one. Cp. Job 15. 14, 15.
be justified = stand or appear [before Thee] just. The
verb is Active. Sept., A.V., and R.V. render it passive.
Cp. Rom. 3. 20. Gal. 2. 16.

3 persecuted = pursued.
my soul = me (emphatic). Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.
4 my spirit = me. Heb. *rûach*. Ap. 9. Fig. *Synec-
doche* (of Part), Ap. 6, put for the whole person, for
emphasis.

overwhelmed. Same word as 77. 3; 107. 6; 142. 3.

5 remember. Cp. 77. 5, 10, 11.
muse = talk with myself.
the work of Thy hands. Some codices, with three
early printed editions, Aram., Sept., and Vulg., read
"works" (pl.).

6 as. Some codices, with seven early printed editions,
read "in".

Selah. Connecting and returning to prayer (7-11) as
the consequence of the reflection (5, 6). This is the
last Selah (of seventy-one) in the Psalms. For three
others, see Hab. 3. 3, 9, 13. See Ap. 66. II.

7 the pit = a grave. Heb. *bôr*. A sepulchre, as hewn
out of the rock. Hence rendered cistern, or dry pit.
Cp. Gen. 37. 20. See note on Gen. 21. 19.

8 lovingkindness: or grace.

trust = confide. Heb. *bāṭaḥ*. Ap. 69. I.

9 Deliver me - pluck me [out of the hands of].
flee. A.V., 1611, reads "fly". Since 1629 the reading
is "flee".

unto. Some codices, with one early printed edition
and Sept., read "in". Cp. v. 8.

10 will = good pleasure.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

Spirit. Heb. *rûach*. Ap. 9.

lead, &c. = It will lead.

land. Some codices, with one early printed edition,
read "way"; others, with Syr., read "path". Cp.
27. 11.

11 Quicken me = Give, or preserve me in life. See
note || on p. 827.

name's. See note on Ps. 20. 1.

12 mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.

enemies. Cp. Structure, v. 3 (K).

For Thy righteousness' sake bring ° my
soul out of trouble.

12 And of Thy ° mercy cut off mine ° enemies,
And destroy all them that afflict ° my
soul:

For I *am* Thy servant.

K

144

A Psalm ° of David.

H[†] L¹
(p. 859)M¹L²M²L³

- 1 °Blessed be ° the LORD my ° strength,
Which teacheth my hands ° to war,
And my fingers ° to fight:
- 2 My ° goodness, and my fortress;
My high tower, and my ° deliverer;
My shield, and He in Whom I ° trust;
Who subdueth ° my People ° under me.
- 3 ° LORD, ° what is ° man, that Thou takest
knowledge of him!
° Or the son of ° man, that Thou makest
account of him!
- 4 ° Man is like to vanity:
His days are as a shadow that passeth
away.
- 5 Bow Thy heavens, O ° LORD, and come
down:
Touch the mountains, and they shall
smoke.
- 6 ° Cast forth lightning, and scatter them:
Shoot out Thine ° arrows, and destroy
them.
- 7 ° Send Thine ° hand from above;
° Rid me, and ° deliver me out of great
waters,
From the hand of ° strange children;
- 8 Whose mouth ° speaketh vanity,
And their right hand is a right hand of
falsehood.
- 9 I will sing a new song unto Thee, O ° God:
Upon a psaltery and an instrument of ten
strings will I sing praises unto Thee.
- 10 It is He That giveth salvation unto kings:
Who ° delivereth ° David His servant from
the hurtful ° sword.
- 11 ° Rid me, and ° deliver me from the hand
of ° strange children,
Whose mouth ° speaketh vanity,
And their right hand is a right hand of
falsehood:
- 12 ° That our sons ° may be as plants grown
up in their youth;
That our daughters ° may be as corner
stones, polished after the similitude of
a palace:
- 13 That our garners ° may be full, affording
all manner of store:
That our ° sheep may bring forth thou-
sands and ten thousands in our
° streets:
- 14 That our oxen ° may be ° strong to labour;
That there be ° no breaking in, ° nor going
out;
That there be no complaining in our
° streets.
- 15 ° Happy is that people, that is ° in such a
case:
° Yea, happy is that People, whose ° God
is ° the LORD.

house. 14 strong to labour = well laden.
no captivity. 15 Happy. See Ap. 63. VI.
consists in outward prosperity. Cp. 4. 6, 7, and 146. 3 and 5. Yea. Supply the Ellipsis
as in A. V. and R. V., but [Yea, rather], or [Nay]. The last member (L³) being David's own words; denying
the vain and false words of the aliens (vv. 8 and 12-15), and declaring the truth as to that in which real
happiness consists. See note on 4. 6, 7.

144 (H[†], p. 826). PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING.
(Repeated Alternation.)

- H[†] | L¹ | 1-7. David's words. Praise and Prayer.
M¹ | 8. Words of foreigners. Vain and false.
L² | 9-11. David's words. Praise and Prayer.
M² | 12-15. Words of foreigners. Vain and false.
L³ | 16. David's words. Right and true.

Title. of David = by David. The Sept. adds "con-
cerning Goliath." This may be because Ps. 8, which
relates to David and Goliath (see its sub-
scription), has the same words in v. 4 as in 144. 3. In any case,
Ps. 144 is peculiarly appropriate to David's victory
(1 Sam. 17). Not a "compilation" of "fragments" of
some "lost Psalms", but a perfect whole with a perfect
design, as shown by the Structure above.

1 Blessed. Fig. *Benedictio* (Ap. 6). Not *Beatitudo*
as in v. 16.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
strength = rock, or fortress. Cp. Dent. 32. 4. 1 Sam. 2.
2; 2 Sam. 22. 47. Pss. 18. 2, 31, 46; 19. 14; 28. 1; 62. 2, 6.
to war... to fight. Not merely generally, but
specially in the case of Goliath (1 Sam. 17). See Title.
2 goodness = lovingkindness. The Syr. reads
"refuge".

deliverer = liberator. Heb. *pālaṭ*. Not the same
word as in vv. 7, 10, 11. See notes below.

trust = flee for refuge. Heb. *ḥasah*. Ap. 69. II.

my People: A special reading called *Sevir* (see Ap.
34), and some other codices, with Aram. and Syr., read
"peoples". Cp. 18. 47.

under me. In some codices there is a marginal
note: "under Him"; and this is read the text, in some
codices.

3 what...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Cp. 8. 4.

man. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

Or. This word is read in some codices, with one early
printed edition. man. Heb. *enōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

4 Man. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

6 Cast forth = Flash. Heb. lighten lightnings. Fig.
Polyptōton (Ap. 6). See note on Gen. 26. 28.

arrows. Fig. *Anthrōpopatheia*. Ap. 6.

7 Send = Put forth.

hand. Heb. text reads "hands" (pl.); but some codices,
with one early printed edition, Aram., Sept., Syr., and
Vulg., read "hand" (sing.), which A. V. and R. V.
followed.

Rid = snatch. Heb. *pāzah*; same word as in v. 11, and
"delivereth", v. 10.

deliver = pluck, or rescue. Heb. *nāḡal*; same word
as in v. 11, not the same as in vv. 2, 10.

strange. Always means foreign, in Hebrew, as in
early English.

strange children = aliens. Heb. = "sons of the
foreigner."

8 speaketh. Cp. v. 11; and note the words they
speak in vv. 12-15.

9 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

10 delivereth = snatcheth; same word as "rid", vv.
7, 11.

David... sword; with special reference to Goliath's
sword in 1 Sam. 17. 50, 51.

12 That = Who. Heb. *āsher*. Supply the Ellipsis
thus: "Who [say] our sons are, &c." All the words in
italic type in vv. 12-15- may be omitted, or the Present
Tense may be supplied throughout. The verb "say"
or "saying" is very frequently to be thus understood.
See note on 109. 6.

may be. Supply "Are" and omit "That"

13 sheep = flocks.

streets = open fields. Heb. that which is outside the

no breaking in = no invasion. nor going out =

in such a case: i.e. holding the false view that happiness

consists in outward prosperity. Cp. 4. 6, 7, and 146. 3 and 5.

Yea. Supply the Ellipsis (Ap. 6), not

as in A. V. and R. V., but [Yea, rather], or [Nay]. The last member (L³) being David's own words; denying
the vain and false words of the aliens (vv. 8 and 12-15), and declaring the truth as to that in which real
happiness consists. See note on 4. 6, 7.

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°David's Psalm of praise.

- E** ^{N¹ u} (p. 86o) **1** (N) I will extol Thee, my °God, O king ;
And I will bless Thy °name for ever
and ever.
- u** **2** (N) Every day will I bless Thee ;
And I will praise Thy ¹name for ever
and ever.
- O¹** **3** (N) Great *is* °the LORD, and greatly to be
praised ;
And His greatness *is* unsearchable.
- N² w¹** **4** (N) One generation shall praise Thy works
to another,
And shall declare Thy mighty acts.
- x¹** **5** (N) I will speak of the °glorious honour of
Thy majesty,
And of Thy °wondrous works.
- w²** **6** (N) °And *men* shall speak of the might of
Thy °terrible acts :
And I will declare Thy greatness.
- x²** **7** (N) They shall °abundantly utter the memory
of Thy great goodness,
And shall sing of Thy righteousness.
- w³** **8** (N) ³The LORD *is* °gracious, and full of
compassion ;
Slow to anger, and °of great mercy.
- O²** **9** (N) ³The LORD *is* good °to all :
And His °tender mercies *are* over all
His works.
- N³ y** **10** (N) All Thy works shall praise Thee, O
³LORD ;
And Thy °saints shall bless Thee.
- z** **11** (N) They shall speak of the glory of Thy
kingdom,
And talk of Thy °power ;
- z** **12** (N) To make known to the sons of °men
His mighty acts,
And the glorious majesty of His kingdom.
- y** **13** (N) Thy kingdom *is* °an everlasting kingdom,
And Thy dominion *endureth* throughout
all °generations.
- O³ a** **14** (N) ³The LORD upholdeth all that °fall,
And °raiseth up all *those that be* bowed
down.
- b** **15** (N) The °eyes of all wait upon Thee ;
And *Thou* givest them their meat in due
season.
- a** **16** (N) °*Thou* openest Thine °hand,
And satisfiest the desire of every living
thing.

Rimmon. It was turned into the (Christian) Church of St. John the Baptist by Arcadius, later it was made into a Mosque by Caliph Walid I (705-717). It was destroyed by fire on Oct. 14, 1893, and subsequently rebuilt. (*Enc. Brit.* vol. 7, p. 785, Camb. (11th) edition.) generations. Following this verse (13) the Primitive Text read :

"Faithful is Jehovah in all His words
And holy in all His works",

the verse beginning with the missing letter נ (Nun) = *Ne'mān* (= faithful). It is found in some codices, with Sept., Syr., Vulg., Arabic, and Ethiopic Versions. The Structure (O³, above) thus confirms the Ancient Versions. **14** fall = are ready to fall. **raiseth up**. Occurs only here and 146. 8.

15 eyes of all wait. Fig. *Prosopopæia*. Ap. 6. **16** Thou. This is emphatic in Sept., Syr., and Vulg. Cp. 104. 26. hand. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

145 (E, p. 826). DAVID'S [PSALM] OF PRAISE.
(Repeated Introversion.)

- E** ^{N¹} | 1, 2. Praise promised. For Jehovah. (David.)
^{O¹} | 3. Praise offered.
^{N²} | 4-7. Praise promised. For His work. (David
and others.)
^{O²} | 8, 9. Praise offered.
^{N³} | 10-12. Praise promised. For His kingdom.
(The works.)
^{O³} | 13-20. Praise offered.
^{N⁴} | 21. Praise promised. David and all others.

Title. David's [Psalm] of praise. No other Psalm so entitled. An acrostic Psalm. See Ap. 63. VII.

1, 2 (N¹, above). DAVID ALONE. (Alternation.)

- ^{N¹} | u | 1-. Thee.
v | -1. Thy name.
u | 2-. Thee.
v | -2. Thy name.

1 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.
name. See note on 20. 1.

3 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

4, 7 (N², above). DAVID AND OTHERS. PRAISE.
(Alternation.)

- ^{N²} | w¹ | 4. They shall.
x¹ | 5. I will.
w² | 6-. They shall.
x² | -6. I will.
w³ | 7. They shall.

5 glorious, &c. Heb. = the majesty of the glory of Thine honour.

wondrous works - instances or examples of Thy wonders. Heb. - words of Thy wonders.

6 And men - And they. See Structure (N², above). terrible. See note on 111. 9.

7 abundantly utter - pour forth.

8 gracious, &c. Cp. Ex. 34. 6, 7.

of great mercy = great in lovingkindness, or grace.
9 to all. Sept. reads "to them that wait on Him".
tender mercies = compassions.

10-12 (N³, above). THE WORKS PRAISE.
(Introversion.)

- ^{N³} | y | 10, 11-. Glory. } "Thy".
z | -11. Might. }
z | 12-. Might. } "His".
y | -12. Glory. }

10 saints = favoured or beloved ones. Cp. 16. 10.

11 power. Sing. of the Heb. word "mighty acts" (v. 4).

12 men. Heb. 'ādām (with Art.) = mankind. Ap. 14. I.

13-20 (O³, above). PRAISE OFFERED.
(Alternation.)

- ^{O³} | a | 13. Thou.
[b | 14. He.]
a | 15, 16. Thou.
b | 17-20. He.

13 an everlasting kingdom = a kingdom for all ages. Looking backward (eternal, 77. 5) as well as forward (everlasting, 77. 7). These words, "Thy kingdom [O Christ] is an everlasting kingdom", were (up to 1893) to be seen on the wall of one of the largest Mosques in Damascus. Formerly it was a Temple of

(p. 86o)

17 (y) ³ The LORD is ⁷ righteous in all His ways,
And °holy in all His works.

18 (p) ³ The LORD is °nigh °unto all them
that call upon Him,

To all that call upon Him in truth.

19 (n) He will fulfil the desire of them that
fear Him:

He also will hear °their cry, and will
save them.

20 (w) ³ The LORD preserveth all them that
love Him:

But all the °wicked will He destroy.

N¹

21 (n) My mouth shall speak the praise of
°the LORD:

And °let °all flesh bless His °holy ² name
for °ever and ever.

F¹ J P
(p. 86r)

146 °Praise ye THE LORD.

°Praise °the LORD, °O my soul.

2 While I live will I praise ¹ the LORD:

I will sing praises unto my °God while I
have any being.

Q c

3 Put not your °trust in princes,
Nor in the son of °man,

d

In whom *there is* °no help.

e

4 °His °breath goeth forth, he °returneth to
his °earth;

In that very day his °thoughts perish.

Q c

5 °Happy is he that *hath* the °GOD °of
Jacob for his help,

°Whose °hope is in ¹ the LORD his ² God:

d

6 Which °made heaven, and earth,
The sea, and all that therein is:

Which keepeth truth for ever:

7 Which executeth judgment for the op-
pressed:

Which giveth °food to the hungry.

¹ The LORD looseth °the prisoners:

8 ¹ The LORD openeth *the eyes of* °the blind:
¹ The LORD raiseth them that are bowed
down:

¹ The LORD loveth °the righteous:

9 ¹ The LORD preserveth °the °strangers;

He °relieveth °the fatherless and widow:

But the way of the °wicked He turneth
upside down.

e

10 ¹ The LORD °shall reign °for ever,
Even thy ² God, O °Zion, unto all genera-
tions.

P

¹ Praise ye THE LORD.

F² K R
S¹ F¹
(p. 86a)

147 °Praise ye THE LORD:

°For *it is* good to sing praises unto
our °God;

For *it is* pleasant; and praise is comely.

17 holy = gracious.

18 nigh: i.e. nigh to help. Cp. 34. 18; 119. 151.
Deut. 4. 7.

unto all. Note the Fig. *Anadiplosis* (Ap. 6) in the
repetition, "to all that call" (for emphasis).

19 their cry: i.e. for help in distress.

20 wicked = lawless. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

21 let all flesh = all flesh shall, as in v. 10; thus
completing and perfecting the Structure above.

all flesh. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap. 6, put
for all men.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.
ever and ever. Many codices, with one early
printed edition, here add:—

"And we will bless Jah:

From henceforth even for ever,

Praise ye Jah." Cp. Ps. 115. 18.

146 (J, p. 827). FIRST HALLELUJAH PSALM.
(GENESIS.) (*Introversion and Extended Alternation.*)

J | P | 1, 2. Hallelujah.

Q | c | 3-. Wrong trust.

d | -3. Powerless. } Man.

e | 4. Mortal.

Q | c | 5. Right trust.

d | 6-8. Powerful. } Jehovah.

e | 10-. Eternal.

P | -10. Hallelujah.

The first of the five "Hallelujah" Psalms concluding the
whole book; each beginning and ending with this word.

The first has GENESIS for its subject; the second,
EXODUS; the third, LEVITICUS; the fourth, NUMBERS,
and the fifth, DEUTERONOMY. See the Structure, p. 827,
and notes below.

1 Praise ye THE LORD Hallelu-JAH. Ap. 4. III.

Praise. Fig. *Apostrophe*. Ap. 6.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

O my soul = O I myself (emphatic). Heb. *nephesh*.
Ap. 13.

2 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

3 trust = confidence. Heb. *bāṭaḥ*. Ap. 69. I.

man. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

no help = no salvation, or saving help. Cp. 33. 16; 60. 11.

4 His breath, &c. This verse occurs in the Apocry-
pha (1 Macc. 2. 63); but why is it *assumed* that this verse
is taken from the Book of Maccabees, instead of this
verse in Maccabees being taken from this Psalm?

breath = spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9. Not the same
word as in 150. 6.

returneth. See Gen. 2. 7; 3. 19, and cp. Ecc. 12. 7.
Ps. 104. 29.

earth = ground, or dust. Heb. *ādāmāh*. Not *'ereṣ* =
the Earth.

thoughts = purposes, or plans.

5 Happy. The last of the twenty-seven Beatitudes
in the Book of Psalms. See Ap. 63. VI.

GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

of Jacob: i.e. the God who met Jacob (Gen. 28. 13)
when he had nothing (Gen. 32. 10), and deserved no-
thing (but wrath, Gen. 27), and promised him every-
thing. This title answers to the N.T. title "the God
of all grace" (1 Pet. 5. 10). Happy indeed are all they
who have this God for their God.

Whose. Supply the Ellipsis by repeating [Happy he]
whose, &c.

hope = expectation.

6 made heaven, and earth. Another reference to
Genesis (ch. 1). Cp. v. 4 (above). See notes on Gen.
14. 19 and Deut. 4. 26.

7 food. Heb. bread. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of
Species), Ap. 6, for food in general.

the. No Art. in Heb.

9 strangers = aliens.

wicked =
lawless. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x. 10 for ever. Contrast v. 4. Cp. Rev. 11. 15. Zion. See Ap. 68.

147 [For Structure see next page].

The second of these five Hallelujah Psalms, the Exodus Psalm.

Hallelu-JAH. Ap. 4. III. Not "inserted by mistake in verse 1 instead of in the title", but required here by
the Structure. See the Structure. For. Not "come into the first line from the second by dittography",
but an essential part of the second line, which is repeated by the Fig. *Anadiplosis* (Ap. 6) in the third line.

The first verse thus *does* contain two lines (beside the "Hallelujah") like all the other verses. God.
Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

2 ° The LORD ° doth build up Jerusalem :
He ° gathereth together the ° outcasts of Israel.

3 He healeth the broken in heart,
And bindeth up their wounds.

^g₁ (p. 862) 4 He telleth the number of the ° stars ;
He calleth them all by *their* ° names.

5 Great *is* ° our LORD, and ° of great power :
His understanding *is* infinite.

^h₁ 6 ° The LORD lifteth up ° the meek :
He casteth the ° wicked down to the ground.

^S^f₂ 7 Sing unto ° the LORD with thanksgiving ;
Sing praise upon the harp unto our ° God :

^g₂ 8 Who covereth the heaven with clouds,
Who prepareth rain for the earth,
Who maketh grass to grow upon the ° mountains.

9 He giveth to the beast his food,
And to the young ravens which cry.

^h₂ 10 He delighteth not in the strength of the horse :
° He taketh not pleasure in the legs of a ° man.

11 ° The LORD taketh pleasure in them that fear Him,
In those that ° hope in His mercy.

^S^f₃ 12 ° Praise ° the LORD, O Jerusalem ;
Praise thy ° God, O ° Zion.

13 For He hath strengthened the bars of thy gates ;

He hath blessed thy ° children within thee.

14 He maketh ° peace *in* thy borders,
And filleth thee with the finest of the wheat.

^g₃ 15 He sendeth forth His ° commandment upon earth :

His word runneth very swiftly.

16 He giveth snow like wool :
He scattereth the hoarfrost like ashes.

17 He casteth forth his ice like morsels :
Who can stand before His cold ?

18 He sendeth out His ° word, and melteth them :

He causeth His ° wind to blow, *and* the waters flow.

^h₃ 19 He sheweth His ° word unto ° Jacob,
His statutes and His judgments unto ° Israel.

20 He hath ° not dealt so with any nation :
And *as for* His judgments, ° they have not known them.

^R 1 Praise ye THE LORD.

^F^L^T (p. 862) 148 ° Praise ye THE LORD.

^U_i Praise ye ° the LORD from the heavens :

Praise Him in the ° heights.

^k 2 Praise ye Him, all His angels :
Praise ye Him, all His hosts.

3 Praise ye Him, sun and moon :
Praise Him, all ye ° stars of light.

147 (K, p. 827). THE SECOND HALLELUJAH PSALM. (EXODUS.)

(Introversion and Extended Alternation.)

K R | 1-. Hallelujah.
S¹ | f¹ | -1-3. Praise. Kindness to Israel.
g¹ | 4, 5. General operations. Nature.
h¹ | 6. Contrast. What Jehovah does.
S² | f² | 7. Praise. Kindness to Israel.
g² | 8, 9. General operations. Nature.
h² | 10, 11. Contrast. What Jehovah delights in.
S³ | f³ | 12-14. Praise. Kindness to Israel.
g³ | 15-18. General operations. Nature.
h³ | 19, 20-. Contrast. What Jehovah has shown.
R | -20. Hallelujah.

2 The LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. doth build up Jerusalem = is Jerusalem's builder (participle). No reference to post-exilic building. Cp. 122. 3. gathereth = will gather.

outcasts - the driven away.

4 stars . . . names. See Ap. 12. Cp. Isa. 40. 26. names. The reference is to the knowledge of the "names" in building up the nation of Israel. Cp. vv. 2 and 20 with Ex. 1. 7-20; and vv. 15, 19 with Ex. 20.

5 our LORD. Heb. 'Adonim. Ap. 4. VIII (3). Cp. 135. 5.

of great power = abounding in power. Cp. Isa. 40. 26.

6 the meek = meek or humble ones. Num. 12. 3. wicked = lawless. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

8 mountains. The Sept. adds "and herb for the service of men". From thence it found its way into the Prayer Book Version. Cp. 104. 14. Here, the addition is out of place, as "man" is not introduced till v. 10.

10 He taketh not. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "Nor taketh delight".

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 4. II.

11 hope in His mercy = wait for His lovingkindness.

12 Praise the LORD. Not the same word as in v. 1. Used only by David and Solomon.

Zion. See Ap. 68. Zion then still standing.

13 children - sons.

14 peace in thy borders = thy borders peace.

15 commandment = sayings, or utterances. Heb. *'imrah*. See Ap. 73. v. Cp. 83. 9; 107. 20.

18 word. Heb. *dābār* - the subject-matter of the articulate utterance (v. 16). See Ap. 73. x.

wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

19 word. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "word". Others read plural.

Jacob . . . Israel. See notes on Gen. 32. 28; cp. 43. 6; 45. 26, 28.

20 not dealt so, &c. The reference is to Exod. 20. Cp. Deut. 4. 7, 8; and see Ap. 15.

they have not known them. Sept. and Vulg. read "He maketh not known to them".

148 (L, p. 827). THE THIRD HALLELUJAH PSALM. (LEVITICUS.)

(Introversion and Extended Alternation.)

L T | 1-. Hallelujah.
U | i | -1. Praise from the heavens. (2nd Person.)
k | 2-4. Things in the heavens.
l | 5-. Injunction. "Let them praise".
m | -5, 6. Reasons. "For".
U | i | 7-. Praise from the earth. (2nd Person.)
k | 7-12. Things in the earth.
l | 13-. Injunction. "Let them praise".
m | -13-14-. Reasons. "For".
T | -14. Hallelujah.

The third of the last five Hallelujah Psalms. The LEVITICUS Psalm. Cp. v. 14 with Lev. 10. 3.

1 Praise ye THE LORD. Hallelu-JAH. Ap. 4. III. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah with *'eth* = Jehovah Himself. Ap. 4. II. heights. As in Job 16. 19; 25. 2.

3 stars of light. Gen. of Origin (Ap. 17. 2) = stars that give light = light-bearers, as in Gen. 1. 14-16.

4 Praise Him, ye heavens of heavens,
And ye waters that be above the heavens.

5 Let them praise the name of ¹ the LORD :

For ^{he} commanded, and they were created.

6 He hath also stablished them for ever and
ever :

He hath made a decree ° which shall not
pass.

7 Praise ¹ the LORD from ° the earth,

Ye ° dragons, and all deeps :

8 Fire, and hail ; snow, and vapours ;

Stormy ° wind fulfilling his word :

9 Mountains, and all hills ;

Fruitful trees, and all cedars :

10 Beasts, and all cattle ;

Creeping things, and flying fowl :

11 Kings of ° the earth, and all ° people ;

Princes, and all judges of the earth :

12 Both young men, and maidens ;

Old men, and children :

13 Let them praise the ° name of ¹ the LORD :

For His ° name alone is excellent ;

His glory ^{is} above the ° earth and heaven.

14 He also exalteth the horn of His People,

The praise of all His ° saints ;

Even of the ° children of Israel, a People
° near unto Him.

¹ Praise ye THE LORD.

149 ° Praise ye THE LORD.

Sing unto ° the LORD a new song,
And His praise in the ° congregation of
° saints.

2 Let ° Israel rejoice in Him That made him:
Let the ° children of ° Zion be joyful in
their King.

3 Let them praise His ° name

In the dance :

Let them sing praises unto Him

With the ° timbrel and harp.

4 For ¹ the LORD ° taketh pleasure in His
People:

He will beautify the meek with salvation.

5 Let the ¹ saints be joyful ° in glory :

Let them sing aloud upon their ° beds.

6 Let the ° high praises of ° GOD be in their
mouth,

And a twoedged sword in their hand ;

7 To execute vengeance upon the ° heathen,
And punishments upon the ° people ;

8 To bind their kings with chains,

And their nobles with fetters of iron ;

9 To execute upon them ° the judgment
written :

This honour have all His ¹ saints.

¹ Praise ye the LORD.

150 ° Praise ye THE LORD.

Praise ° GOD in His ° sanctuary :

Praise Him in the ° firmament of His
power.

6 which shall not pass: or, which [they] shall not
pass.

7 the earth. Note the change and see Structure
above.

dragons=sea monsters.

8 wind. Heb. *ruach*. Ap. 9.

11 people=peoples.

13 name. See note on 20. 1.

earth and heaven: i.e. combining the two subjects
of vv. 1 and 7. This order of these two words occurs
only here and Gen. 2. 4. Cp. note on Deut. 4. 26.

14 saints=favoured ones, or beloved.

children=sons.

near unto Him. The reference is to Leviticus and
its leading thought. See Lev. 10. 3 ; 21. 21 ; and cp. 65. 4.

149 (K, p. 827). THE FOURTH HALLELUJAH PSALM. (NUMBERS.)

(Introversion and Alternation.)

K | V | 1-. Hallelujah.

W | -1. Saints to praise.

X | 2. Israel to rejoice in Jehovah.

Y | n | 3-. Praise. } In A.V.

o | -3-. How. } For Heb.

F | n | -3-. Praise. } see note

o | -3. How. } below.

X | 4. Jehovah taketh pleasure in Israel.

W | 5-9-. Saints to praise.

V | -9. Hallelujah.

The fourth of the concluding five Hallelujah Psalms,
answering to NUMBERS. Cp. vv. 5-9 with Num. 24. 17-24.

1 Praise ye THE LORD. Heb. Hallelu-JAH.
Ap. 4. III.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

congregation=assembly (in its military aspect).

saints=favoured ones, or beloved, v. 5 (W).

2 Israel. Cp. the Structure.

children=sons.

Zion. See Ap. 68.

3 In the Hebrew this verse is an Introversion:—

Y | 3-. Let them praise His name.

Z | -3-. With the dance.

Z | -3-. With the timbrel and harp.

F | -3-. Let them sing praises unto Him.

name. See note on 20. 1.

timbrel=drum. See note on Ex. 15. 20.

4 taketh pleasure. Cp. Isa. 54. 7, 8.

5 in glory=“with [ascriptions of] glory”.

beds=couches.

6 high praises=extollings.

GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

7 heathen=nations.

people=peoples.

9 the judgment written. See Deut. 32. 40-43. Cp.

Isa. 45. 14. Ezek. 25. 14 ; chs. 38 and 39. Zech. 14.

The special reference is to NUMBERS 24. 17-24.

150 (J, p. 827). THE FIFTH HALLELUJAH PSALM. (DEUTERONOMY.) (Introversion.)

J | A | 1-. Hallelujah.

B | -1-. The Sanctuary.

C | -1. Praise of Jehovah's power.

C | 2. Praise of Jehovah's might.

B | 3-6-. Instruments of the Sanctuary.

A | -6. Hallelujah.

The fifth of the last five Hallelujah Psalms, answering
to the great thought of DEUTERONOMY. Cp. v. 2 with
Deut. 3. 24, and 32. 43.

1 Praise ye THE LORD. Heb. Hallelu-JAH. Ap.
4. III.

GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

sanctuary. The earthly sanctuary and the heavenly:
the lower being formed on the pattern of the higher.

See Heb. 8. 5 ; 9. 23 ; and cp. 1 Chron. 28. 11-13, 19.

firmament: Heb.=expanse (Gen. 1. 6).

C
(p. 863)

2 Praise Him ° for His ° mighty acts :
Praise Him according to His ° excellent
greatness.

B

3 Praise Him with ° the sound of the trumpet :
Praise Him with ° the psaltery and harp.

4 Praise Him with ° the ° timbrel and dance :
Praise Him with stringed instruments and
° organs.

5 Praise Him upon ° the loud cymbals :
Praise Him upon the high sounding cymbals.

6 Let every thing that hath ° breath ° praise
THE LORD.

A

° Praise ye THE LORD.

2 for = in [the recital of] His mighty acts.

mighty acts. Some codices, with Aram. and Syr.,
read "His might".

excellent = the abundance of His greatness or
grandeur.

3 the. No Art. in Heb. text.

4 timbrel = drum. See note on Ex. 15. 20.

organs = pipe, or reed (sing., never pl.).

6 breath. Heb. *neshāmāh* (see Ap. 16) : i.e. in
contrast with material instruments.

praise THE LORD. Heb. *t'hallēl jah*.

Praise ye THE LORD. Heb. *Halēlūjah*, thus fitly
closing the Book of Psalms. Cp. the endings of the
other four books; and see notes on p. 720.

THE PROVERBS¹.

THE STRUCTURE OF THE BOOK AS A WHOLE.

(Introversion and Alternation.)

INTRODUCTION. 1. 1-6-.

A | 1. -6-9. 18. "THE WORDS OF THE WISE". FOR SOLOMON. FOR A PRINCE AND A KING.
SECOND PERSON ("MY SON", "THY", "THEE", "THOU", "THINE"). THE "MOTHER".

B | C | 10. 1-19. 19. PROVERBS BY SOLOMON. FOR ALL. THIRD PERSON ("HE", "HIS",
"HIM", "THEY", "THEM").

D | 19. 20-24. 34. PROVERBS FOR SOLOMON. FOR A PRINCE AND A KING. SECOND
PERSON ("MY SON", "THOU", "THY").

B | C | 25. 1-26. 28. PROVERBS BY SOLOMON. FOR ALL. "COPIED BY THE MEN OF
HEZEKIAH". THIRD PERSON ("HE", "HIM", "HIS").

D | 27. 1-29. 27. PROVERBS FOR SOLOMON. FOR A PRINCE AND A KING. SECOND
PERSON ("MY SON", "THEE", "THY").

A | 30. 1-31. 31. "THE WORDS OF AGUR" AND "THE WORDS OF LEMUEL". FOR SOLOMON.
FOR A PRINCE AND A KING ("MY SON", "THY"). THE "MOTHER".

¹ For Introduction and Analysis explanatory of the above Structure, see Appendix 74.

°THE PROVERBS.

INT.
(p. 864)

- 1 THE proverbs ° of Solomon the son of David, king of Israel;
- 2 ° To know ° wisdom and ° instruction;
° To perceive the ° words of ° understanding;
- 3 ° To receive the ° instruction of ° wisdom, Justice, and judgment, and equity;
- 4 ° To give ° subtilty to the ° simple,
To the young man knowledge and discretion.
- 5 A wise man ° will hear, and will increase learning;
And a man of ° understanding shall attain unto wise counsels:
- 6 ° To understand a proverb, and ° the interpretation:
- The ° words of the wise, and their dark sayings.
- 7 The ° fear of ° the LORD is ° the beginning of knowledge:
But ° fools ° despise ° wisdom and ° instruction.

A A¹
(p. 865)

TITLE. The Proverbs. Heb. *Mishlai*; Greek, *Paroimiai* = any dark sententious saying; Vulg. *Proverbia*. Whence the English name. Heb. *Mishlai* is from *Māshāl* = to rule (Gen. 1. 18; 3. 16. Ex. 21. 8, &c.). Hence applied to words which are to rule and govern the life. Not a collection of human wisdom, but of Divine rules from heaven for earth.

The book is quoted in the N.T. :—

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| 1. 16 | in Rom. 3. 15. |
| 3. 11, 12 | in Heb. 12. 5, 6. Rev. 3. 19. |
| 3. 34 | in Jas. 4. 6. 1 Pet. 5. 5. |
| 11. 31 | in 1 Pet. 4. 18. |
| 25. 21, 22 | in Rom. 12. 20. |
| 26. 11 | in 2 Pet. 2. 22. |

And also allusions, as in Rom. 12. 16, &c.

The Structure (p. 864) distinguishes the main divisions of the book, marked by such expressions as "My son"; "The words of the wise"; and the pronouns "thy", "thee", &c.; and the Proverbs "for"; and Proverbs "by" Solomon. Some proverbs are for a ruler, others are general, and for all men.

Māshāl is used of an Allegory (Ezek. 17. 2); a discourse (Num. 23. 7, 8); a taunt (Isa. 14. 4); an argument (Job 29. 1); a byword (Jer. 24. 9); a lament (Mic. 2. 4): all Proverbs are distinguished by parallelism (i. e. constructive), or antithetic (i. e. contrastive).

of lines, synonymous, or gradational, or synthetic. These again are arranged (as to order) either in alternate or introverted lines.

1 of. Genitive of Relation (Ap. 17), being the title or heading of the whole book, some being "for" him; others "by" him. If not, why the words of 10. 1? Chapters 10—19. 19 are not to "my son", but are in the third person, "he" and "him". See Ap. 74, and note also other sub-headings, 25. 1; 30. 1; 31. 1. All these are covered by the Genitive of Relation (Ap. 17). 2 To know = For discerning. So in vv. 3, 4, 6. wisdom. Heb. *chokmah*. There are six words rendered "wisdom" in this book. (1) *chokmah*, rendered "wisdom" except in the passages below. It occurs thirty-nine times in sing., and three times in pl. (1. 20; 9. 1; 24. 7 = true wisdom); forty-two times altogether (6×7. See Ap. 10). (2) *bināh* = discernment or discrimination. Once rendered "wisdom" (23. 4). Elsewhere, in twelve passages rendered "understanding"; once "knowledge" (2. 3). (3) *lēb* = heart; rendered "wisdom" four times (10. 21; 11. 12; 15. 21; 19. 8). (4) *ārmāh* = shrewdness; rendered "wisdom" only in 8. 5; elsewhere only in 1. 4 rendered "subtilty"; 1. 12 rendered "prudence". (5) *sīhal* = prudence, or good sense, rendered "wisdom" once (1. 3); and (6) *sekel* = insight, rendered "wisdom" (12. 8; 23. 9); elsewhere rendered "understanding" (3. 4; 13. 15; 16. 22), and "prudence" (19. 11). For "sound wisdom", see note on 2. 7. instruction = admonition or discipline. Sometimes rendered "chastening". words = sayings. Heb. *imrah*. See Ap. 73. No. V. understanding. Heb. *bināh*. See note on "wisdom", v. 2. 3 wisdom. Heb. *sīkal*. See note on v. 2 (No. 5), above. 4 subtilty = prudence. Same root as Gen. 3. 1. Cp. Matt. 10. 16. 1 Sam. 23. 22. Not the same word as Gen. 27. 35. simple = artless, guileless, unsuspecting. Cp. vv. 22, 32; 7. 7; 8. 5; 9. 4, 16; 14. 15, 18; 19. 25; 21. 11; 22. 3; 27. 12. 5 will hear. Illustrations: Eunuch (Acts 8. 27, 39); Sergius Paulus (Acts 13. 7); the Bereans (Acts 17. 11, 12); Apollos (Acts 18. 24-28). 6 the interpretation = satire, or the point of what is said. Occurs only here and Hab. 2. 6.

1. 6—9. 18 (A. p. 864). "THE WORDS OF THE WISE". FOR SOLOMON (FOR A PRINCE AND A KING). SECOND PERSON ("MY SON", "THY", "THEE", "THOU", "THINE"). THE "MOTHER".

(Repeated Alternation.)

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| A ¹ | 1. 6—2. 15. Wisdom's Call. |
| B ¹ | 2. 16—22. The Foreign Woman. |
| A ² | 3. 1—4. 27. Wisdom's Call. |
| B ² | 5. 1—23. The Foreign Woman. |
| A ³ | 6. 1—23. Wisdom's Call. |
| B ³ | 6. 24—35. The Foreign Woman. |
| A ⁴ | 7. 1—4. Wisdom's Call. |
| B ⁴ | 7. 5—27. The Foreign Woman. |
| A ⁵ | 8. 1—9. 12. Wisdom's Call. |
| B ⁵ | 9. 13—18. The Foolish Woman. |

words. Heb. *dabar*. Ap. 73. x. 7 fear = reverence. This expression occurs fourteen times in Proverbs (1. 7, 29; 2. 5; 8. 13; 9. 10; 10. 27; 14. 26, 27; 15. 16, 33; 16. 6; 19. 23; 22. 4; 23. 17). See Ap. 75. the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II. the beginning. And only the "beginning", not the end. It is not "wisdom" itself. True wisdom is to justify God and condemn oneself. See note on Job 28. 28, and cp. 9. 10. Ps. 111. 10. fools. Heb. *ēvil*. In this book three Heb. words are rendered "fools": (1) *ēvil* = lax or careless habit of mind and body. Occurs nineteen times in Proverbs, viz. here, 7. 22; 10. 8, 10, 14, 21; 11. 29; 12. 15, 16; 14. 3, 9; 15. 5; 16. 22; 17. 28; 20. 3; 24. 7; 27. 3, 22; 29. 9. (2) *kēḡil* = fat, and then dense, or stupid, which comes of it, showing itself in impiety. Occurs forty-nine times in Proverbs, viz. vv. 22, 32; 3. 35; 8. 5; 10. 1, 18, 23; 12. 23; 13. 16, 19, 20; 14. 7, 8, 16, 24, 33; 15. 2, 7, 14, 20; 17. 10, 12, 16, 21, 24, 25; 18. 2, 6, 7; 19. 1, 10, 13, 29; 21. 20; 23. 9; 26. 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12; 28. 26; 29. 11, 20; and eighteen times in Ecclesiastes. (3) *nābāl* = a vulgar churl. Occurs only three times in Proverbs: viz. 17. 7, 21; 30. 22; not in Ecclesiastes. despise = have always despised, &c. Illustrations: Cain (Gen. 4. 6-8); Hophni and Phinehas (1 Sam. 2. 12, 25); Nabal (1 Sam. 25. 25); Rehoboam (1 Kings 12. 13); Athenians (Acts 17. 18. 32); Jews and Greeks (1 Cor. 1. 18, 23, 24).

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(cont.)

- 8 ° My son, ° hear the ² instruction of ° thy father,
And forsake not the law of ° thy mother :
9 For ° they shall be an ° ornament of grace unto thy head,
And chains about thy ° neck.
10 ° My son, if ° sinners entice thee,
° Consent thou not.
11 If they say, " Come with us,
Let us lay wait for ° blood,
Let us lurk privily for ° the innocent ° without cause :
12 Let us swallow them up alive as ° the grave;
And whole, as those that go down into the ° pit :
13 We shall find all precious substance,
We shall fill our houses with spoil :
14 Cast in thy lot among us ;
Let us all have one purse : "
15 My son, walk not thou in the way with them ;
Refrain thy foot from their ° path :
16 For ° their feet run to ° evil,
And make haste to shed blood.
17 Surely ° in vain the net is spread
In the sight of any bird.
18 And they lay wait for their own blood ;
They lurk privily for their own ° lives.
19 So are the ways of every one that is greedy of gain ;
Which taketh away the ° life of the ° owners thereof.
- a (p. 866) 20 ° Wisdom crieth ° without ;
She uttereth her voice in the ° streets :
21 She crieth in the chief place of con-
course,
In the openings of the gates :
In the city she uttereth her ² words, ° saying,
- b 22 " How long, ye ' simple ones, will ye ° love simplicity ?
And the scorers delight in their scorning,
And ° fools hate knowledge ?
- c 23 ° Turn you at my reproof :
° Behold, I will pour out my ° spirit unto you,
I will make known my words unto you."
- a 24 Because I have called, and ye ° refused ;
I have stretched out my hand, and no man regarded ;
25 But ye have set at nought all my counsel,
And would none of my reproof :
- b 26 ° I also will laugh at your calamity ;
I will mock when your ° fear cometh ;
27 When your fear cometh as ° desolation,
And your ° destruction cometh as a whirl-
wind ;
When distress and anguish cometh upon you.
28 ° Then shall they call upon me, but I will not answer ;
They shall seek me early, but they shall not find me :
29 ° For that they hated knowledge,
And did not choose the fear of ° the LORD :

destruction = calamity.
Jer. 11. 11. Ezek. 8. 18. Hos. 5. 6.

28 Then, &c.

29 For that = Forasmuch as.

8 My son. See the Structure (p. 864) for the portions so addressed (1. 6—9. 18; 19. 20—34; 27. 1—29. 27; 30. 1—31. 31). Occurs fifteen times in this member (A), and only in the other corresponding members (D, D, A). hear, &c. Illustrations: Isaac (Gen. 48. 15); Moses (Heb. 11. 23); Samuel (1 Sam. 1. 28; 2. 18; 3. 19—21); Timothy (2 Tim. 1. 5; 3. 15. Acts 16. 1, 2).
thy father. The address is educational, this being the duty of the father, corresponding with A, 31. 1—9, as contrasted with "the words of the wise", also addressed to "my son" (19. 20—24. 34; 27. 1—29. 27).
thy mother. Cp. 31. 1—9.
9 they: i. e. instruction and law.
ornament = garland.
neck. Showing cheerful and willing obedience, in contrast with stiffneckedness (Ex. 32. 9) and pride (Isa. 8. 16). See also Gen. 41. 42.
10 sinners. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.
Consent thou not: Illustrations: Joseph (Gen. 39. 9, 10); prophet (1 Kings 13. 8, 9); Jehoshaphat (1 Kings 22. 49, contrast 2 Chron. 18. 2; 20. 35—37); Joash (2 Chron. 24. 17, 18).
11 blood. Fig. *Metalepsis* (Ap. 6), "blood" put for bloodshedding, and then bloodshedding put for the one whose blood was shed. See Isa. 33. 15.
the innocent = an innocent one (sing.).
without cause. Cp. John 15. 25.
12 the grave. Heb. *sh'öl*. Ap. 35.
pit. Heb. *bōr*, a hole bored or dug. Hence a dry pit or grave. Cp. Gen. 37. 20.
13 path. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "paths" (pl.).
14 their feet = they. Put by Fig. *Synecdochē* (of the Part), Ap. 6, for the persons who run. Quoted in Rom. 3. 15.
evil = mischief. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.
17 in vain, &c. = it avails not. Fig. *Paremia*. Ap. 6. The sight of the net does not deter the birds. They (emphatic) still go on to their capture and death. The next verse requires this sense. So men go on in their evil ways, though they know it is to their own ruin (v. 18).
18 lives = souls. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.
19 life = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.
owners. Heb. *ba'al*, as in v. 17. The "owners" of a soul are like the "owners" of wings, and are caught in their own trap with their eyes open.

20—33 (Note the *Extended Alternation* in these verses).

a | 20, 21. The Call made.

b | 22. Expostulation of Wisdom with the simple.

c | 23. Promise to hearers.

a | 24, 25. The Call made.

b | 26—32. Expostulation of Wisdom with refusers.

c | 33. Promise to hearers.

20 Wisdom. Heb. *chokmah*. See note on 1. 2.
without. The emphasis is on the publicity of her call.
streets = open or broad places, especially about the city gates (Deut. 13. 16), or open squares. Gen. 19. 2. Judg. 19. 15, 20. 2 Chron. 29. 4. Ezra 10. 9. Est. 6. 9, 11. Job 29. 7. Ps. 144. 14, &c. Isa. 59. 14, &c. Ezek. 16. 31.

21 saying. The Ellipsis of this verb has frequently to be supplied. See note on Ps. 109. 5.

22 love. The second feature. The first was ignorance in v. 7.

23 Turn, &c. = Turn [and listen to] my reproof.
Behold. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6), to emphasise the conditional promise.

spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject) for all spiritual blessings.

24 refused: i. e. refused [to hear], vv. 24—33.

26 I: i. e. I, Wisdom.

fear = what you fear. "Fear" put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause) Ap. 6, for the calamity which produced the fear. Note the Introversion in Heb. of "fear", "desolation", "destruction", "anguish", in vv. 26, 27.

27 desolation = tempest.

Illustration: Israel (Deut. 1. 45, 46). See also Isa. 1. 15.

30 They would none of my counsel :
They despised all my reproof.

31 °Therefore shall they eat of the fruit of
their own way,
And be filled with their own devices.

32 For the turning away of the °simple °shall
slay them,
And the prosperity of °fools shall destroy
them.

33 But whoso hearkeneth unto me °shall
dwell safely,

And shall be quiet from fear of °evil."

2 °My son, if thou wilt receive my °words,
And °hide my commandments with thee;
2 So that thou °incline thine ear unto °wis-

dom,
°And apply thine heart to °understanding;
3 °Yea, if thou criest after knowledge,
And liftest up thy voice for °understand-

ing;
4 If thou seekest her °as silver,
And searchest for her as for hid trea-

sures;
5 °Then shalt thou °understand °the fear of
°the LORD,

And °find the knowledge of °God.

6 For °the LORD °giveth wisdom :
°Out of His mouth °cometh knowledge
and °understanding.

7 °He layeth up °sound wisdom for the
righteous :
He is a °buckler to them that walk °up-

rightly.
8 °He keepeth °the paths of judgment,
And °preserveth the way of His °saints.

9 °Then shalt thou °understand righteous-
ness, and judgment,
And equity; yea, every good path.

10 °When °wisdom entereth into thine heart,
And knowledge is pleasant unto °thy soul;

11 Discretion shall preserve thee,
°Understanding shall keep thee :

12 To °deliver thee from the way of the °evil
man,
From the °man that speaketh °froward
things;

13 Who leave °the paths of uprightness,
To walk in the ways of °darkness;

14 Who rejoice to do °evil,
And delight in the °frowardness of the
°wicked;

15 Whose ways are crooked,
And they °froward in their paths :

16 To °deliver thee from the °strange woman,
Even from the °stranger which flattereth
with her °words;

17 Which forsaketh the guide of her youth,
And forgetteth the covenant of her °God.

saints=favoured ones. Heb. *chasidim*. The first occurrence in Proverbs of this word which marks a later Jewish sect called *chasidim* or holy ones.

10 When, &c.: or because. Commencing the particular instructions as to the practical power of wisdom, to keep from evil men (vv. 10-15) and the foreign woman (vv. 16-19); and in the way of good men (vv. 20-22). See Ap. 74. thy soul=thee. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. **12** deliver=pluck, or rescue. evil=evil

[man]. Heb. *nā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii. man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II. froward=perverse. Heb. occurs nine times in Proverbs (vv. 12, 14; 6. 14; 8. 13; 10. 31, 32; 16. 28, 30; 21. 8); elsewhere only in Deut. 32. 20. **13** darkness. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Effect), Ap. 6, for the evil which leads thither. Cp. Rom. 13. 12. Eph. 5. 11. **14** wicked. Same word as "evil", v. 12.

2. 16-22 (B², p. 865). THE FOREIGN WOMAN.

16 strange woman. Heb. *zūr*=apostate to a false religion, of which prostitution formed part. stranger=foreigner. Heb. *nākar*=foreign woman. Not of Abraham's seed (Gen. 17. 12): ever a snare to Israel.

31 Therefore, &c. Illustrations: Israel (Num. 11. 4-6. Ps. 106. 13, 14. Cp. Num. 11. 20-23 and Ps. 106. 15. See also Num. 14. 44, 45). Under Samuel (1 Sam. 8. 7, 19. Cp. 13. 6-23; 31. 1-10). Neglect of Sabbatical year (Ex. 21. 2. Lev. 25. 1-7. Deut. 15. 1, 2. Cp. 2 Chron. 36. 3-21. Jer. 34. 10-22). Saul (1 Sam. 28. 3. Cp. vv. 7, 15-20, and note 1 Chron. 10. 13).

32 shall slay them. Illustrations: Israel (Deut. 32. 15-25. Hos. 13. 6-8); Babylon (Isa. 47. 7-9); Moab (Jer. 48. 11-15); Sodom (Ezek. 16. 49); Tyre (Ezek. 28. 2, 7).

33 shall dwell safely. Illustrations: Noah (Gen. 6. 22; 7. 23. Heb. 11. 7); Shadrach, &c. (Dan. 3. 25. Ps. 138. 7); Daniel (Dan. 6. 10, 22. Ps. 119. 10); Christ's sheep (John 10. 28). evil. Heb. *nā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii.

2 My son. Note this guide to the Structure on p. 864. words=sayings. Heb. *'imrah*. Ap. 73. v.

hide=lay up. More than listening=hide as in a treasury. Illustrations: Deut. 6. 6. Ps. 119. 9, 11. Matt. 13. 44. Luke 2. 19, 51; 9. 44.

2 incline thine ear=hearken. Heb. prick up or point thine ear. Not the same word as in v. 18. wisdom. Heb. *chokma*. See note on 1. 2.

And apply=[then] thou shalt incline or bend thy heart, &c. This is the first step, as v. 5 is the result. understanding=discernment. Heb. *bināh*. Note on "wisdom" (1. 2), No. 2.

3 Yea=For if. (Heb. *ki'im*). If thou goest further and criest and seekest, &c. Then the result is shown in v. 5.

4 as silver: or money. Probably the reference is to Job 28.

5 Then. In that case. See notes above.

the fear, &c. That is only "the beginning of wisdom", not the end. See note on 1. 7.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

find. What He has hidden (v. 7).

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

6 giveth. The cry of v. 3 implies a Giver. Illustrations: Joseph (Gen. 41. 38, 39); Moses (Ex. 4. 12); Solomon (1 Kings 3. 12; 4. 29); Daniel (1. 17; 2. 23); Stephen (Acts 6. 5, 10); Lydia (Acts 16. 14); Paul's prayer (Eph. 1. 17. Col. 1. 9); John (1 John 5. 20).

Out of His mouth. A phrase common in the prophets, but only here in Proverbs.

cometh. Supply Ellipsis from preceding clause "He giveth".

7 He layeth up. Same word as "hide" in v. 1. The wicked cannot find. The righteous must dig. It is in safety from the enemy.

sound wisdom=something stable. Heb. *tushiyah*=that which is, or stability. May be so rendered in all its twelve occurrences. Cp. Job 5. 12 (enterprise=anything stable); 6. 13 (wisdom=stability); 11. 6; 12. 16 (wisdom=stability); 26. 3; 30. 22 (substance). Prov. 2. 7; 3. 21; 8. 14 (sound wisdom); 18. 1 (wisdom=all that is). Isa. 28. 29 (working=everything that is). Mic. 6. 9 (the man of wisdom=every one who is or exists). See Ap. 74.

buckler. Cp. Pss. 3. 3; 7. 10; 18. 2, 30, 35; 28. 7; 33. 20. Applied to God, as here. uprightly=blamelessly.

8 He keepeth=for preserving. See note on 4. 23.

the paths of judgment=righteous paths.

preserveth, &c. Illustrations: David (1 Sam. 25. 32-34; 27. 1. Cp. 2 Sam. 22. 1); Paul (2 Cor. 12. 7-9).

- 18 For her °house inclineth unto death,
And her paths unto °the dead.
19 None that go unto her °return again,
Neither °take they hold of the paths of
life.
20 That thou mayest walk in the way of
good men,
And keep the paths of the righteous.
21 For the upright shall °dwell in the
land,
And the °perfect shall remain in it.
22 But the °wicked shall be cut off from the
earth,
And the °transgressors shall be rooted out
of it.

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- 3 °My son, forget not my law;
But let thine heart °keep my command-
ments:
2 For length of days, and long life,
And peace, shall °they °add to thee.
3 Let not °mercy and truth forsake thee:
°Bind them about thy neck;
Write them upon the table of thine
heart:
4 So shalt thou find favour and good °under-
standing
In the sight of °God and °man.
5 °Trust in °the LORD °with all thine
heart;
And lean not unto thine own °understand-
ing.
6 In all thy ways °acknowledge Him,
And °he shall °direct thy paths.
7 °Be not wise in thine own eyes:
°Fear °the LORD, and °depart from
°evil.
8 It shall be °health to thy °navel,
And °marrow to thy bones.
9 °Honour °the LORD with thy °sub-
stance,
And with the firstfruits of all thine in-
crease:
10 So shall thy barns be filled with plenty,
And thy °presses shall °burst out with
°new wine.
11¹ My son, °despise not the chastening of
°the LORD;
Neither be weary of His correction:
12 For °whom °the LORD loveth He correct-
eth;
Even as a father the son in whom he de-
lighteth.
13 °Happy is the °man that findeth °wis-
dom,
°And the °man that getteth °understand-
ing.

marrow = moistening.

9 Honour . . . substance. This proverb has led to a universal custom. Cp. 1 Tim. 5. 3, 17. Acts 5. 2 ("price" = honour); 19. 19. Illustrations: Abraham (Gen. 14. 20. Heb. 7. 2); Jacob (Gen. 28. 22); David (1 Chron. 29. 1-5, 28); Widow (Mark 12. 41-44); Woman (Mark 14. 3-9); Cornelius (Acts 10. 2, 4); Philippians (4. 15-19). 10 presses = wine-vats. Heb. *yekeb*. Not *gath*; a wine-press. burst out = overflow. new wine. Heb. *tirōsh*. Ap. 27. ii. 11 despise not - shrink not from. Quoted from Job 1. 20-22, and in Heb. 12. 5, 6. Jas. 5. 17. Cp. Job. 34. 31, 32. One of the passages quoted in the N.T. from Proverbs, viz. 3. 11, 12 (in Heb. 12. 5, 6. Cp. Rev. 3. 19); 3. 34 (Jas. 4. 6); 11. 31 (in 1 Pet. 4. 18); 25. 21, 22 (in Rom. 12. 20); 26. 11 (in 2 Pet. 2. 22). Illustrations: David (2 Sam. 15. 25, 26; 16. 10-12; 23. 5); Hezekiah (Isa. 39. 5-8, contrast Ahaz, 2 Chron. 28. 22, and Jehoram, 2 Kings 6. 31-33); Jerusalem (Zeph. 3. 2. Cp. Isa. 1. 5). 12 whom, &c. Joseph (Gen. 37. 23-36; 39. 20; 40. 23. Cp. Ps. 105. 18); Israel (Deut. 8. 3-5, 15, 16); Jehoshaphat (2 Chron. 20. 35-37); Paul (2 Cor. 12. 7). 13 Happy = Oh, the blessedness, as in Ps. 1. 1. Note the eight occurrences of this Beatitude in Proverbs: 3. 13; 8. 32, 34 (blessed); 14. 21; 16. 20; 20. 7 (blessed); 28. 14; 29. 18. wisdom. Heb. *chokmāh*. See note on 1. 2. And = yea, or even.

18 house. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for household.

the dead. Heb. *R'phaim*, who have no resurrection. Cp. Isa. 26. 14 ("deceased"), 19 ("the dead"); and see Ap. 25. This shows that a Canaanite woman is referred to here.

19 return again. Cp. "rooted out", v. 22, with Isa. 26. 19.

take . . . hold = attain to.

21 dwell in the land. Not be "cast out", as in v. 22. perfect: or blameless.

22 wicked - lawless. Not the same word as in v. 14. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

transgressors = traitors, treacherous or faithless ones. Heb. *bāgad*.

3. 1-4. 27 (A², p. 865). WISDOM'S CALL.

1 My son. See note on 2. 1.

keep = watch, guard. See note on 4. 23.

2 they. Not the "law" and "commandments" of v. 1, for they are feminine, but the "days" of v. 2 (which are masculine, agreeing with the verb "add", which is masculine also). See Ap. 74.

add to thee. This, in the Hiphil = make increase for thee, or cause thee to increase or grow [in wisdom]: i.e. as the days and years lengthen and increase they will add to thy wisdom if thou forget not, &c. So in other passages where wisdom is supposed to promise long life, which it does not. See notes on v. 16; 4. 10; 9. 11; 10. 27.

3 mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.

Bind. Like the phylacteries. Cp. 6. 21; 7. 3; and see Ex. 13. 16.

4 understanding = insight. Heb. *sēkel*. See note on "wisdom" (1. 2), No. 6. Not the same word as in v. 5.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

man. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

5 Trust = Confide. Heb. *bāṭah*. Ap. 69. I.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

with all thine heart. Illustrations: Abraham (Gen. 24. 1-8; cp. Prov. 19. 14); Eleazar (Gen. 24. 12-27); Jephthah (Judg. 11. 11); David (1 Sam. 30. 6-8); Asa (2 Chron. 14. 9-15); Hezekiah (2 Kings 18. 4-7; 19. 14-37); Nehemiah (1. 4-11; 2. 4-8).

understanding = discernment. Heb. *bināh*. See note on "wisdom" (1. 2), No. 2.

6 acknowledge = recognise, or own.

direct = rightly divide: i.e. dividing and thus showing what is right or pleasing to God. Heb. *yāṣhar*. Num. 23. 27. Cp. Judges 14. 3, 7. 1 Sam. 18. 20, 26. Rendered by Sept. *orthotomeō*, the same word as in 2 Tim. 2. 15.

7 Be not wise, &c. Illustrations: Ahab (1 Kings 22. 30, 34, 35); Jeroboam (1 Kings 12. 26-33; 13. 33, 34; Asa (1 Kings 15. 19); Ben-hadad (1 Kings 20. 10, 11); quoted Rom. 11. 25; 12. 16.

Fear = revere. See note on 1. 7.

the LORD. *Jehovah* (with 'eth) - *Jehovah* Himself. Ap. 4. II.

depart from = shun, or avoid.

evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

8 health = healing. Occurs only here.

navel. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part) for the whole body (Ap. 6). But Sept. and Syr., following a different spelling, read "body".

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- 14 For °the merchandise of it *is* better than the merchandise of silver,
And the gain thereof than fine gold.
- 15 °She *is* more precious than °rubies:
And all the things thou canst desire are not to be compared unto her.
- 16 Length of days *is* °in her right hand;
And in her left hand °riches and honour.
- 17 °Her ways *are* ways of pleasantness,
And all her paths *are* °peace.
- 18 °She *is* °a tree of life to them that lay hold upon her:
And happy *is* every one that retaineth her.
- 19 °The LORD by °wisdom hath founded the earth;
By °understanding hath He established the heavens.
- 20 By His knowledge the depths are broken up,
And the °clouds drop down the °dew.
- 21 °My son, let not °them depart from thine eyes:
°Keep °sound wisdom and discretion:
- 22 So shall they be life unto thy °soul,
And grace to thy °neck.
- 23 Then shalt thou walk in thy way safely,
And thy foot shall not stumble.
- 24 When thou °liest down, thou shalt not be afraid:
Yea, thou shalt lie down, and thy sleep shall be sweet.
- 25 °Be not afraid of sudden fear,
Neither of the desolation of °the wicked, when it cometh.
- 26 For °the LORD shall be °thy confidence,
And shall °keep thy foot from being taken.
- 27 °Withhold not good from °them to whom it is due,
When it is in the power of thine °hand to do it.
- 28 Say not unto thy neighbour, "Go, and come again,
And to-morrow I will give;"
When thou hast it by thee.
- 29 Devise not °evil against thy neighbour,
Seeing he dwelleth °securely by thee.
- 30 Strive not with a °man without cause,
°If he have done thee no harm.
- 31 °Envy thou not °the oppressor,
And choose none of his ways.
- 32 For the °froward *is* °abomination to °the LORD:
But His °secret *is* with the righteous.
- 33 °The curse of °the LORD *is* in the house of °the °wicked:
But °He blesseth the habitation of °the just.
- 34 Surely °He scorneth the scornors:
But he giveth grace unto the lowly.
- 35 The wise °shall inherit glory:
But °shame shall be the promotion of °fools.
- 4 Hear, ye °children, the °instruction of a father,
And attend to °know understanding.
2 For I give you good doctrine,
Forsake ye not my law.

- 14 the merchandise of it: i. e. lit., her merchandise.
- 15 She. Emphatic=She, in herself.
rubies=corals, or pearls.
- 16 in her right hand=in her power; "hand" put by Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6, for use as a grand agency for good of all kinds. Not necessarily a long life conferred. See note on v. 2 and Ap. 75.
riches, &c.=to be used aright. See Ap. 75.
- 17 Her ways, &c. Illustration: Hezekiah (2 Chron. 29. 36; 30. 26. Contrast 2 Chron. 28). Cp. Acts 2. 46; 8. 6; 13. 52. 2 Cor. 8. 2.
peace=well-being, or prosperity.
- 18 a tree of life. See Gen. 2. 9; 3. 22, 24, and cp. Prov. 11. 30; 13. 12; 15. 4. Rev. 2. 7; 22. 2. 14.
- 20 clouds, &c.=skies.
dew=night mist. See note on Ps. 133. 3. "Dew" falls only when there are no clouds.
- 21 them. Is masculine, and so perhaps refers to the "mercy and truth" of 3. 3.
sound wisdom=what is stable. See note on 2. 7.
- 22 soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.
neck. Sept. adds, "Yea, it shall be healing to thy flesh; and refreshing to thy bones".
- 24 liest down. Sept. reads "sittest".
- 25 Be not afraid, &c. Illustrations: Moses (Ex. 14. 13, 14); Rahab (Josh. 6. 24, 25. Heb. 11. 31); Elisha (2 Kings 6. 16, 17); Ebed-melech (Jer. 39. 15-18).
the wicked=lawless ones. Heb. *rasha'*. Ap. 44. x.
- 26 thy confidence. Sept. reads "in all thy ways".
keep=keep safe. Not the same word as in v. 1, 21.
- 27 Withhold not. Illustrations: Ammonites, &c. (Deut. 23. 3, 4); Nabal (1 Sam. 25. 10, 11; cp. v. 15); Widow (1 Kings 17. 12. 2 Kings 4. 7); Parable (Luke 10. 30-35); Corinthians (2 Cor. 8. 1-11; 9. 1-7).
them to whom it is due=the owners thereof.
hand. Heb. text reads "hands", but some codices, with two early printed editions and Sept., read "hand" (sing.).
- 29 evil. Heb. *ra'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.
securely=confidently, or without suspicion.
- 30 If he, &c. (Heb. *'im lo*=verily). Render: "he hath already done thee enough harm".
- 31 Envy thou not, &c.=Do not become excited against, &c. Illustrations: Moses (Heb. 11. 25, 26); Jezebel (1 Kings 21. 7-13. Cp. 2 Kings 9. 30-37). Ps. 34. 21.
the oppressor=the man (Heb. *'ish*) of violence. Ap. 14. II.
- 32 froward=those who turn aside. The same word as in 2. 15; not as elsewhere in Proverbs.
abomination to the LORD. Note all the things thus declared: 3. 32 (11. 20); 6. 16; 8. 7; 11. 1; 12. 22; 15. 8 (21. 27), 9, 16, 26; 16. 5; 17. 15, 15; 20. 10 (23); 28. 9.
secret=secret counsel. What is sealed up from all save those to whom He reveals it.
- 33 The curse, &c. Illustrations: Baasha (1 Kings 16. 1-4, 12, 13); Jehoiakim (Jer. 22. 13-19); Coniah (Jer. 22. 24-28); Jehu (2 Kings 19. 8-12. Hos. 1. 4); Hazael (Amos 1. 4); Jeroboam II (Amos 7. 9); Esau (Obad. 18).
the wicked=a lawless one (sing.).
- He blesseth, &c. Illustrations: Abraham (Heb. 11. 12. Contrast Ahab, 2 Kings 10. 1-11); Jacob (Gen. 30. 27); Joseph (Gen. 39. 2, 21); Obed-edom (2 Sam. 6. 11); the widow (2 Kings 4. 2-7).
the just=just ones (pl.).
- 34 He scorneth, &c. Quoted in Jas. 4. 6. 1 Pet. 5. 5.
35 shall inherit, &c. Render: "the wise shall inherit glory, but a fool is piling up disgrace". Illustrations: Asaph (Ps. 73. 24); Paul (2 Tim. 4. 8); others (Jas. 1. 12. Dan. 12. 3. John 12. 26).
shame, &c. Illustrations: Jeroboam (1 Kings 21. 22. 2 Kings 13. 2, 11; 14. 24; 15. 9, 18, 24, 28). Cp. Prov. 24. 8.
fools. Heb. *k'gil*. See note on 1. 7.
4. 1 children=sons.
instruction=correction, or admonition.
know understanding=learn discernment.

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- 3 For I was my father's °son,
Tender and °only beloved °in the sight of
my mother.
- 4 He taught me also, and said unto me,
"Let thine heart retain my words:
°Keep my commandments, and °live.
- 5 °Get wisdom, get understanding:
Forget °it not; neither decline from the
°words of my mouth.
- 6 Forsake °her not, and she shall °preserve
thee:
Love her, and she shall °keep thee.
- 7 °Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore
get wisdom:
And with all thy getting get understand-
ing.
- 8 Exalt her, and she shall promote thee:
She shall bring thee to honour, °when
thou dost embrace her.
- 9 She shall give to thine head an ornament
of grace:
°A crown of °glory shall she °deliver to
thee.
- 10 Hear, O °my son, and receive my °say-
ings;
And °the years of thy life shall be many.
- 11 I have °taught thee in the way of wisdom;
I have led thee in right paths.
- 12 °When thou goest, thy steps shall not be
straitened;
And °when thou runnest, thou shalt not
stumble.
- 13 °Take fast hold of instruction; °let her
not go:
°Keep her; for °she is thy life.
- 14 °Enter not into the path of the °wicked,
And go not in the way of °evil men.
- 15 °Avoid it, pass not by it,
Turn from it, and pass °away.
- 16 °For they sleep not, except they have done
mischief;
And their sleep is taken away, unless they
cause some to fall.
- 17 For they eat the °bread °of °wickedness,
And drink the °wine °of violence.
- 18 °But the path of the just is as °the shining
light,
That shineth more and more unto the
°perfect day.
- 19 The °way of the °wicked is °as dark-
ness:
They know not at what they stumble.
- 20 °My son, attend to my °words;
Incline thine ear unto my °sayings.
- 21 Let them not °depart from thine eyes;
°Keep them in the midst of thine heart.
- 22 For they are life unto those that find
them,
And °health to all their flesh.
- 23 °Keep thy heart °with all diligence;
For out of it are the issues of life.

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3 son. The Heb. accent (*D^cchī*) emphasises this word to show (1) his own early training (v. 3); (2) those whom he would instruct (vv. 1, 2); (3) his instruction (vv. 5-9). only beloved = unique.

in the sight of my mother. A special various reading, called *Sevir* (Ap. 34), reads "of my mother's sons". So in some codices, with several early printed editions.

4 Keep = Take heed to.

live: i.e. live again, in resurrection life. See note on Lev. 18. 5. Earthly life could be enjoyed without keeping commandments.

5 Get wisdom: v. 6 tells how to do it.
it = her.

words = sayings. Heb. *'imrah*. See Ap. 73. v.

6 her: i.e. wisdom.

preserve = guard.

keep = protect, as one protects the apple of one's eye. See note on v. 23.

7 Wisdom . . . wisdom. Heb. in four words, "Beginning—wisdom—get—wisdom" = as the principal thing, get wisdom.

8 when = because. Heb. *kī*.

9 A crown = A diadem.

glory = beauty: i.e. a beautiful diadem.

deliver = deliver fully and freely. Heb. *māgan* (a rare word). Occurs only in Gen. 14. 20, here, and Hos. 11. 8.

10 my son. See note on 1. 8.

sayings. Heb. *'imrah*. See Ap. 73. v.

the years of thy life shall be many = [my sayings] shall grow greater [through] the years of thy life. The verb denotes increase of size, not merely numbers. See notes on 3. 2, 16; 10. 27. The verb here is masculine, but "years of life" is feminine. The verb therefore refers to "sayings".

11 taught = directed.

12 When thou goest: or, as thou walkest; i.e. however hedged in our path seems, it opens out as we go forward.

when thou runnest = if thou runnest. To walk is obligatory; to run is optional.

13 Take fast hold. The Hiphils of this clause are emphatic.

let her not go = do not let her go.

she = she herself. Emphatic.

14 Enter not. Note the Fig. *Synonymia* (Ap. 6) in the verbs of vv. 14, 15. Illustrations: Lot (Gen. 13. 10-13); Solomon (2 Kings 23. 13. Cp. with 1 Kings 11. 5); Jehoshaphat (2 Chron. 18. 1; 21. 6. Cp. with 2 Chron. 19. 2; 22. 2, 3, 10, and Prov. 6. 27, 28).

wicked = lawless. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

15 Avoid = let that go; referring to v. 14. Note the Fig. *Synonymia*. Ap. 6. away = on.

16 For. Heb. *'im l'o* = because; i.e. the reason why they sleep not is because they mean mischief, and because they intend an occasion of stumbling.

17 bread. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part) for food in general.

of = obtained. Gen. of Origin. Ap. 17 (2).

wickedness = lawlessness. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. i.

of violence = obtained by violence. Gen. of Origin. Ap. 17 (2).

18 But. Marking the contrast between the growth of wickedness (vv. 16, 17), and the growth of wisdom leading in right paths (vv. 11, 12).

the shining light = the dawning of day: advancing and brightening till noon.

perfect = stable part, when the sun seems stationary

on the meridian. Illustrations: Jacob (Gen. 49. 10, 18. Heb. 11. 21); Nathanael (John 1. 46-51); Eunuch (Acts 8. 27-39); Cornelius (Acts 10. Cp. Prov. 15. 9). 19 way of the wicked. Illustrations: Korah (Num. 16. 16-19); Ahab (1 Kings 16. 31); Babylon (Isa. 47. 11); Jews (Jer. 5. 19, 25; 44. 15-23. Ezek. 18. 29. Acts 28. 25, 26). as. Some codices, with one early printed edition, read "in". 20 words.

Heb. *dābar*. Ap. 73. x. 21 depart = get away from. 22 health = healing. 23 Keep . . . with all diligence. Above all that must be guarded. The prep. M (75) marks the place or person that keeps: the meaning being, guard the heart as the great citadel, for out of it are the source and outgoings of life. Same word as in vv. 6, 13. Not the same word as in vv. 4, 21.

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- 24 Put away from thee a °froward mouth,
And perverse lips put far from thee.
25 Let thine eyes look right on,
And let thine eyelids look straight before
thee.
26 °Ponder the path of thy feet,
And let all thy ways be established.
27 Turn not to the right hand nor to the
left:
Remove thy foot from ¹⁴ evil.

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- 5 °My son, attend unto my wisdom,
And bow thine ear to my °understand-
ing:
2 That thou mayest °regard discretion,
And *that* thy lips may keep knowledge.
3 For the lips of °a strange woman °drop
as an honeycomb,
And her mouth *is* smoother than oil:
4 But her end is bitter as wormwood,
Sharp as a twoedged sword.
5 Her feet go down to death;
Her steps take hold on °hell.
6 °Lest thou shouldest ponder the path of
life,
Her ways are moveable, *that* thou canst
not know *them*.
7 Hear me now therefore, O ye °children,
And depart not from the °words of my
mouth.
8 Remove thy way far from her,
And come not nigh the °door of her
house:
9 Lest thou give thine honour unto others,
And thy °years unto the cruel:
10 Lest °strangers be filled with thy °wealth;
And thy °labours be in the house of °a
stranger;
11 And thou mourn at the last,
When thy flesh and thy body are con-
sumed,
12 And say, 'How have I hated instruc-
tion,
And my heart despised reproof;
13 And have not °obeyed the voice of my
teachers,
Nor inclined mine ear to them that in-
structed me!
14 °I was °almost in all °evil
In the midst of the congregation and
assembly.'
15 Drink waters out of thine own cistern,
And running waters out of thine own
well.
16 °Let thy °fountains be dispersed abroad,
°And °rivers of waters in the °streets.
17 Let them be only thine own,
And not °strangers' with thee.
18 Let °thy fountain be blessed:
And °rejoice with the wife of thy youth.
19 *Let her be as* the loving hind and pleasant
roe;
Let her breasts satisfy thee at all
times;
And be thou ravished always with her
love.
20 And why wilt thou, my son, be ravished
with a °strange woman,
And embrace the bosom of a °stranger?

froward. See notes on 2. 12 and 6. 12, the only other
examples of frowardness of mouth.

4. 23-27. Note the *Alternation* in these verses.

d | 23. Positive. Heart.

e | 24. Negative. Mouth.

d | 25. Positive. Eyes.

e | 26, 27. Negative. Feet.

26 Ponder the path, &c. Illustrations: Abraham
(Gen. 24. 1-9. See note on 3. 5, 6); Eleazar (Gen.
24. 5); Joshua (24. 15); Ruth (1. 16-18); David (Ps. 39. 1);
Hezekiah (Ps. 119. 50); The good wife (Prov. 31. 27);
Daniel (1. 8; 6. 3, 4); contrast Asa (2 Chron. 16. 1-9).

5. 1-23 (B², p. 865). THE FOREIGN WOMAN.

1 My son. See note on 1. 8.

understanding = discernment.

2 regard discretion, &c. Heb. infinitive = to guard
deep counsels and knowledge. Let them mount guard
over thy lips. Cp. Jas. 3. 8: "the tongue can no man
tame".

3 a strange woman. Two words are used for
"strange" and "stranger": one, Heb. *zūr*, an apostate
Israelite woman gone over to the idolatrous impurities
of heathen religion; the other *nākar*, a purely foreign
woman of a similar character. The danger is religious
rather than moral. Hence here it is *zūr*. See note on 2. 16.
drop as an honeycomb = distil honey. The invita-
tions of religious idolatry suit the tastes of the natural
man.

5 hell = the grave. Heb. *sheōl*. Ap. 35.

6 Lest thou shouldest ponder. Render: So that
she findeth not the level path of life; her ways are un-
stable and she knoweth it not.

7 children = sons.

words = sayings. Heb. *'imrah*. Ap. 73. v.

8 door = entrance.

9 years. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6,
for what happens in them.

10 wealth. Heb. strength: put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of
Cause), Ap. 6, for what is produced by it.

labours. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6,
for what is produced by it.

a stranger = a foreigner. Heb. *nākar*. Not the same
word as in vv. 3, 17. See note above and on 2. 16.

13 obeyed = hearkened to.

14 I was almost in all evil. The *Beth Essentie*
denotes "in", in the sense of "as" = I soon became as
an evil man, &c. See Ap. 75.

almost = in a little while. Heb. *kim'aṭ*. Occurs
eighteen times (Gen. 26. 10. 2 Sam. 19. 36. 1 Chron. 16. 19.
2 Chron. 12. 7. Ezra 9. 8. Job 32. 22. Ps. 2. 12; 73. 2;
81. 14; 94. 17; 105. 12; 119. 87. Prov. 5. 14; 10. 20.
Song 3. 4. Isa. 1. 9; 26. 20. Ezek. 16. 47). It is ren-
dered "almost" only in Ps. 73. 2, 119. 87, and here,
where it may as well be rendered "soon" or "quickly"
as in Job 32. 22. Ps. 81. 14; 94. 17 (marg.). It denotes in
a little time, as in Ps. 2. 12; 105. 12 (= soon numbered).
2 Chron. 12. 7 (= a little while). Song 3. 4 (= a little
while; i.e. scarcely). Isa. 26. 20.
evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

16 Let thy fountains. Sept. reads "Let not thy
fountain", &c. This must be the sense from the con-
text. The R.V. obtains it by a question, "Should thy
fountain . . . ?"

fountains. Plural of emphasis: i.e. thine own wife.
Cp. Song 4. 12.

And = As or nor [thy].
rivers of waters = divisions of waters. Heb. *palgēy
māyim*: i.e. thy garden irrigation channels in the
streets. See note on 21. 1.

streets = open places.

18 thy fountain: i.e. thine own wife. Cp. v. 16.

rejoice with = get thy joy with. Some codices, with
Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "in" instead of "with".

20 strange = apostate. Heb. *zūr*. See note on v. 3.
stranger = alien or foreigner. Heb. *nākar*. See note
on vv. 3, 10.

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(cont.)

- 21 For the ways of °man are before the eyes of °the LORD,
And He pondereth all his goings.
22 His own °iniquities shall °take the °wicked himself,
And °he shall be holden with the cords of his °sins.
23 He shall °die without instruction;
And in the greatness of his folly he shall go astray.

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(p. 865)

- 6 °My son, °if thou be surety for thy °friend,
If thou hast °stricken thy hand with a °stranger,
2 Thou art snared with the °words of thy mouth,
Thou art taken with the °words of thy mouth.
3 Do this now, my son, and °deliver thyself,
When thou art come into the hand of thy friend;
Go, humble thyself, and make sure thy °friend.
4 Give not sleep to thine eyes,
Nor slumber to thine eyelids.
5 °Deliver thyself as a roe from the hand of the hunter,
And as a bird from the °hand of the fowler."
6 Go to the ant, thou sluggard;
Consider her ways, and be wise:
7 Which having no guide,
Overseer, or ruler,
8 Provideth her meat °in the summer,
And gathereth her food in the harvest.
9 How long wilt thou sleep, O sluggard?
When wilt thou arise out of thy sleep?
10 Yea a little sleep, a little slumber,
A little folding of the hands to sleep:
11 So shall thy °poverty come °as one that travelleth,
And thy want °as an armed °man.
12 A °naughty person, a °wicked °man,
Walketh with a °froward mouth.
13 He winketh with his eyes, he speaketh with his feet,
He teacheth with his fingers;
14 °Frowardness is in his heart, he deviseth mischief continually;
He °soweth discord.
15 Therefore shall his calamity come suddenly;
Suddenly shall he be broken without remedy.
16 These °six things doth °the LORD hate:
°Yea, seven are an °abomination °unto Him:
17 °A proud look, a lying tongue,
And hands that shed innocent blood,
18 An heart that deviseth °wicked imaginations,
Feet that be swift in running to mischief,
19 A false witness that speaketh lies,
And he that soweth discord among brethren.
20 °My son, keep thy father's commandment,
And forsake not the law of thy mother:
21 Bind °him continually upon thine heart,
And tie them about thy neck.

21 man = a man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II. Illustrations: Cain (Gen. 4. 5, 6); Babel's builders (Gen. 11. 4-7); Sodom (Gen. 18. 21, &c.); Uzzah (2 Sam. 6. 6, 7; 1 Chron. 15. 13. Num. 4. 15); David (2 Sam. 12. 9); Baasha (1 Kings 15. 29. Cp. 16. 7); Ahab (1 Kings 21. 19); Belshazzar (Dan. 5. 22-28); Nathanael (John 1. 48); The Seven Assemblies (Rev. 2. 2, 9, 13, 19; 3. 1, 8, 15). Cp. 1 Sam. 16. 7.
the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
22 iniquities. Heb. 'āvāh. Ap. 44. iv.
take = trap or entrap him.
wicked = a lawless man. Heb. rāsha'. Ap. 44. x.
he shall be holden. Illustrations: Saul (1 Sam. 18. 8, 9. Cp. 24. 16, 17; 26. 21; 28. 5-20); Jerusalem (Jer. 2. 16-19. Ezek. 22. 31); Ahithophel (2 Sam. 17. 23); Judas (John 12. 6. Matt. 26. 47-49). Cp. Prov. 23. 29, 35.
sins. Heb. chātā'. Ap. 44. i.
23 die without instruction. Illustration: Saul (1 Chron. 10. 13, 14).

6. 1-23 (A³, p. 865). WISDOM'S CALL.

1 My son. See note on 1. 8.
if. This word should be supplied at the beginning of each line in v. 2, as well as in v. 1.
friend = neighbour.
stricken thy hand. Idiom for making a contract. Cp. Job 17. 3.
stranger = an apostate. Heb. zūr. See note on 5. 3.
2 words = sayings. Heb. 'imrah. Ap. 73. v.
3 deliver = rescue.
5 hand. Aram., Sept., and Syr. read "snare".
8 in the summer. True of Eastern ants.
11 poverty = need. There are six words rendered poor or poverty in Proverbs: (1) rūsh = in want of necessities of life (6. 11; 10. 4, 15; 13. 7, 8, 18, 23; 14. 20; 17. 6; 18. 23; 19. 1, 7, 22; 22. 2, 7; 24. 34; 28. 3, 6, 19, 27; 29. 13; 30. 8; 31. 7). (2) dāl = impoverished, reduced (10. 15; 14. 31; 19. 4, 17; 22. 9, 16, 22, 22; 28. 3, 8, 11, 15; 29. 7, 14). (3) heger = in want (11. 24; 21. 17; 28. 22). (4) 'anāh = wretched (14. 21). (5) 'ebyōn = destitute, helpless; deficient in will and wealth (14. 31). (6) yārash = dispossessed (20. 13; 23. 21; 30. 9).
as one that travelleth = as a highwayman.
as an armed man = as a man with a shield. Cp. 24. 33, 34. man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.
12 naughty person. Heb. a man of Belial = a worthless person. Like Anglo-Saxon nā (= no, or not) and viht (= a thing) = a thing of naught: i.e. worthless.
wicked. Heb. 'āven. Ap. 44. iii.
froward = perverse. Same word as in 4. 24; 11. 20; 17. 20; 22. 5. Not the same as elsewhere in Proverbs.
14 Frowardness = Deceitfulness. See note on 2. 12. The same word as in 2. 12, 14; 8. 13; 10. 31, 32; 16. 28, 30. Not the same as elsewhere in Proverbs.
soweth = casteth forth [as seed].
16 six things. Epitomising vv. 12-14 (Ap. 10).
the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
Yea, seven. Fig. Epanorthōsis. Ap. 6. To imply that the list is not exhausted.
abomination. See note on 3. 32.
unto Him = unto His soul. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13.
17 A proud look = eyes lifted up. Fig. Symecdoche (of Part), Ap. 6, put for pride, which is indicated by this act. This is the first, and the others proceed downward; "eyes", "tongue", "hands", "heart", "feet", and then the whole man.
21 them. This is masc., and cannot refer to the two, above. Does it refer to the "words" and "sayings" of 4. 20?
22 it = she: referring to the "commandment" or "law" of v. 20, which are fem. sleepest = liest down.
talk = commune. Three, the number of Divine completeness (Ap. 10). Not four (as some suppose) and one "dropped out"!

- 22 When thou goest, °it shall lead thee;
When thou °sleepest, °it shall keep thee;
And when thou awakest, °it shall °talk with thee.

23 For the commandment *is* a lamp; and the
° law *is* light;
And ° reproofs of instruction *are* the ° way
of life:

24 To keep thee from the ° evil woman,
From the flattery of the tongue of a
° strange woman.

25 Lust not after her beauty in thine heart;
Neither let her take thee with her eye-
lids.

26 For by means of a whorish woman *a man*
is brought to a piece of bread:
And the adulteress will hunt for ° the
precious ° life.

27 ° Can a ° man ° take fire in his bosom,
And his clothes not be burned?

28 Can one go upon hot coals,
And his feet not be burned?

29 So he that goeth in to his neighbour's
wife;
Whosoever toucheth her shall not be in-
nocent.

30 Men do not ° despise a thief, if he steal
To satisfy his ° soul when he is hungry;

31 But *if* he be found, he shall restore seven-
fold;
He shall give all the substance of his
house.

32 ° But whoso committeth adultery with a
woman lacketh ° understanding:
He *that* doeth it destroyeth his own ° soul.

33 A wound and dishonour shall he get;
And his reproach shall not be wiped away.

34 For jealousy *is* the rage of ° a man:
Therefore he will not spare in the day of
vengeance.

35 He will not regard any ransom;
Neither will he rest content, though thou
givest many gifts.

7 ° My son, ° keep my ° words,
And lay up my commandments with thee.
2 Keep my commandments, and ° live;
And my law as the apple of thine eye.

3 ° Bind them upon thy fingers,
Write them upon the ° table of thine heart.
4 Say unto wisdom, "Thou *art* my ° sister;"
And call understanding *thy* ° kinswoman:

5 That they may ° keep thee from the
° strange woman,
From the ° stranger *which* ° flattereth with
her ° words.

6 For at the window of my house
I looked through my casement,
7 And beheld among the ° simple ones,
I discerned among the ° youths,
A young man void of ° understanding,
8 Passing through the ° street near her
corner;

And he ° went the way to her house,
9 In the ° twilight, in the ° evening,
In the black and dark night:

10 And, behold, there met him a woman
With the attire of an harlot, and ° subtil
of heart.

11 (She *is* loud and stubborn;
Her feet abide not in her house:

12 Now *is* she without, now in the streets,
And lieth in wait at every corner.)

23 law *is* light. Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6), *v tōrāh*
ōr. In Latin it would be similar: *Lex est lux*.
reproofs of instruction = what is directed. Cp. v. 20.
way of life = way to life: i.e. life eternal. See note
on Lev. 18. 5.

6. 24-35 (B³, p. 865). THE FOREIGN WOMAN.

24 evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

strange woman = alien, or foreign woman. Heb.
nākar. See note on 5. 3.

26 the . . . life = the soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 18.

27 Can a man . . . ? Fig. *Paræmia*. Ap. 6.
take = shovel up.

30 despise. Heb. *būz* (from *bāzah*), is here followed by
(=L) = for. Render it therefore: "Men will not think
it a trifle (or a light matter) for a thief that he should
steal: [even] to satisfy", &c. . . So if he be found, &c.
soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 18.

32 But whoso = How much more he who.
understanding. Heb. = heart: put by Fig. *Metonymy*
(of Subject), Ap. 6, for understanding.

34 a man = a strong man. Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. IV.
Here, it is used of the jealous husband.

7. 1-4 (A⁴, p. 865). WISDOM'S CALL.

1 My son. See note on 1. 8. keep = watch.
words = sayings. Heb. *'imrah*. Ap. 73. v.

2 live: i.e. live for ever, in resurrection and eternal
life. See note on Lev. 18. 5. Illustrations: Adam (Gen.
3. 22, 23); Lot's wife (Gen. 19. 26); Saul (1 Chron. 10. 13);
Prophet (1 Kings 18).

3 Bind them. Cp. 3. 3. Deut. 6. 8; 11. 18.
table - tablet. 4 sister. Cp. Matt. 12. 50.
kinswoman = close friend (masc.). Only other occ.
Ruth 2. 1, of Boaz.

7. 5-23 (B⁴, p. 865). THE FOREIGN WOMAN.
(*Alternation*.)

B⁴ f | 5. The woman.

g | 6-9. The young man.

f | 10-21. The woman.

g | 22-27. The young man.

5 strange = apostate. Heb. *zār*. See note on 5. 3.
stranger = alien, or foreigner. See note on 5. 3.

flattereth = maketh smooth.

7 simple. See note on 1. 4. youths = sons.
understanding. Heb. heart. Put by Fig. *Metonymy*
(of Subject), Ap. 6, for understanding. Cp. 6. 32.

8 street = back street. went = sauntered.

9 twilight = darkness. A *Homonym*. See note on
1 Sam. 30. 17.

evening = evening of the day.
10 subtil = hidden. Heb. *nāzar*. Not the same word
as in Gen. 3. 1. Same as in Isa. 48. 6.

13 impudent. Heb. hardened. Put by Fig. *Metonymy*
(of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for boldness.

16 decked, &c. These words in vv. 16, 17. are rare
words appropriately put into the lips of a foreigner.

18 take our fill = drink deep.
loves. Pl. = much love.

13 So she caught him, and kissed him,
And with an ° impudent face said unto him,

14 "I have peace offerings with me;
This day have I payed my vows.

15 Therefore came I forth to meet thee,
Diligently to seek thy face, and I have
found thee.

16 I have ° decked my bed with coverings of
tapestry,
With carved works, with fine linen of
Egypt.

17 I have perfumed my bed
With myrrh, aloes, and cinnamon.

18 Come, let us ° take our fill of love until the
morning:
Let us solace ourselves with ° loves.

- 19 For the °goodman *is* not at home,
He is gone a long journey ;
20 He hath taken a bag of money with him,
And will come home at °the day ap-
pointed.”
21 With °her much fair speech she caused
him to yield,
With the flattering of her lips she forced
him.
22 He goeth after her °straightway,
As an ox goeth to the slaughter,
Or as a °fool to the correction of the
stocks ;
23 Till a dart strike through his liver ;
As a bird hasteth to the snare,
And knoweth not that it *is* for his ° life.
24 Hearken unto me now therefore, O ye
° children,
And attend to the ° words of my mouth.
25 Let not thine heart decline to her ways,
Go not astray in her paths.
26 For °she hath cast down many wounded :
Yea, many strong *men* have been slain by
her.
27 Her house *is* the way to °hell,
Going down to the °chambers of death.

8 Doth not °wisdom cry ?
And understanding put forth her voice ?

- 2 She standeth in the top of °high places,
By the way °in the places of the paths.
3 She crieth at the gates, at the entry of
the city,
At the coming in at the °doors.

- 4 Unto you, O °men, I call ;
And my voice *is* to the sons of °man.
5 O ye °simple, understand °wisdom :
And, ye °fools, be ye of an understanding
heart.

- 6 Hear ; for I will speak of °excellent
°things ;
And the opening of my lips *shall be* right
things.

- 7 For my mouth shall speak truth ;
And °wickedness *is* an abomination to my
lips.

- 8 All the °words of my mouth *are* in right-
eousness ;
There *is* nothing °froward or perverse in
them.

- 9 They *are* all plain to him that under-
standeth,
And right to them that find knowledge.

- 10 Receive my instruction, and not silver ;
And knowledge rather than choice gold.
11 For wisdom *is* °better than rubies ;
And all the things that may be desired
are not to be compared to it.

- 12 °³ wisdom dwell with prudence,
And find out knowledge of °witty inven-
tions.

- 13 °The fear of °the LORD *is* to °hate
°evil :
Pride, and arrogancy, and the evil way,
And the °froward °mouth, do I hate.

19 **goodman** = master of the house. Cp. Matt. 24. 43.
Luke 12. 39.

20 **the day appointed** = the new moon.

21 **her**. The A.V. of 1611 omitted “her”.

22 **straightway** = suddenly.

fool. Heb. *’ēvil*. See note on 1. 7.

23 **life** = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

24 **children** = sons. See the Structure, p. 864.

26 **she hath cast down**. Illustrations: Samson
(Judg. 16. 4-21); David (2 Sam. 11); Solomon (1 Kings
11. Neh. 13. 26).

27 **hell** = the grave. Heb. *she’ol*. Ap. 35.

chambers = inner chambers. An explanation of Sheol.

8. 1-9. 12 (A⁵, p. 865). WISDOM'S CALL.
(Simple and Extended Alternation.)

A⁵ C | 8. 1. Wisdom's call.

D | E | 8. 2, 3. From high places.

F | 8. 4-6. To the simple.

G | 8. 7-9. Reasons.

H | 8. 10-31. Wisdom self-com-
mended.

C | 8. 32-36. Wisdom's call.

D | E | 9. 1-3. From high places.

F | 9. 4-6. To the simple.

G | 9. 7-9. Reasons.

H | 9. 10-12. Wisdom self-com-
mended.

1 wisdom. Heb. *chokmah* = wisdom personified. Cp.
v. 12. See note on 1. 2.

2 **high places** = places of vantage.

in the **places of the paths** = in the places where the
paths meet. 3 **doors** = entrances.

4 **men**. Heb. *’ishim*. Ap. 14. II. } All classes.
man. Heb. *’ādām*. Ap. 14. I. }

5 **simple**. See note on 1. 4.

wisdom. Heb. *’ārmāh*. Not the same word as in v. 1
shrewdness. See note on 1. 2.

fools. Heb. *k sil*. See note on 1. 7.

6 **excellent**. Heb. *nāgid* = a prince, or representative.
things. Heb. *dābār* = words (see Ap. 73. x.). Hence
= representative truths.

7 **wickedness** = lawlessness. Heb. *rāsha’*. Ap. 44. x.

8 **words** = sayings. Heb. *’imrah*. Ap. 73. v.

froward = twisted, or crafty.

10-31 (H, above). WISDOM SELF-COMMENDED.
(Introversion and Extended Alternation.)

H | J | 10, 11. Wisdom personified.

K | L | 12-14. Prudence.

M | 15, 16. Rule.

N | 17. Recompense.

K | L | 18, 19. Riches, &c.

M | 20. Righteousness.

N | 21. Recompense.

J | 22-31. Wisdom personified.

11 **better**. Note the seventeen occurrences of this
rendering of Heb. *tōb* in Proverbs: 3. 14; 8. 11, 19; 12. 9;
15. 16, 17; 16. 32; 17. 1; 19. 1, 22; 21. 9, 19; 25. 7, 24; 27.
5, 10; 28. 6.

12 **I wisdom dwell**. Wisdom personified. Fig.
Prosōpopœia. Ap. 6.

witty = sagacious. Anglo-Saxon *witan*, to know; like
Greek *oída* = to know intuitively: not by effort, which
ginōskō = to get to know.

13 **The fear, &c.** See note on 1. 7.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

hate. This is far beyond Zophar's mistaken definition
of it in Job 28. 28. A man may “depart” from evil
from *policy*, while he loves it in his heart. But to
“hate” it comes only from Divine wisdom. By nature
men love evil (Jer. 17. 9. Matt. 7. 17; 15. 19. John
3. 19. Rom. 3. 10-18; 8. 7, 8. 1 Cor. 2. 14. Gal. 5. 17. Eph.
2. 2, 3, 12; 4. 17-22. Col. 1. 21. Tit. 3. 3. 1 John 5. 19).

evil. Heb. *rā’a’*. Ap. 44. viii.

froward = perverse.

mouth. Put by Fig. *Synecdochē* (of Part), Ap. 6,
for the whole man.

14 Counsel is mine, and ° sound wisdom :
 I am ° understanding ; I have strength.

15 ° By me kings reign,
 And princes decree justice.

16 By me princes rule,
 And nobles, even all the ° judges of the
 earth.

17 I love them ° that love me ;
 And those that seek me early shall find
 me.

18 Riches and honour are with me ;
 Yea, durable riches and righteousness.

19 My fruit is ° better than gold, yea, than
 fine gold ;
 And my revenue than choice silver.

20 I lead in the way of righteousness,
 In the midst of the paths of judgment :

21 That I may cause those that love me to
 inherit substance ;
 And I will fill their ° treasures.

22 ° The LORD ° possessed me in the ° begin-
 ning of ° His way,
 ° Before His works of old.

23 I was ° set up ° from everlasting, from
 the beginning,
 Or ever the earth was.

24 When there were no depths, I was
 ° brought forth ;
 When there were no fountains abounding
 with water.

25 Before the mountains were ° settled,
 Before the hills was I ° brought forth :

26 While as yet He had not made the
 ° earth, nor the fields,
 Nor ° the highest part of the dust of the
 ° world.

27 When He prepared the heavens, I was
 there :
 When He set a ° compass upon the face of
 the depth :

28 When He established the ° clouds above :
 When He strengthened the fountains of
 the ° deep :

29 When He gave to the sea His decree,
 That the waters should not pass His
 commandment :

When He ° appointed the foundations of
 the earth :

30 Then ° I was ° by Him, ° as one brought up
 with Him :
 And I was daily His delight,
 ° Rejoicing always before Him ;

14 sound wisdom. See note on 2. 7.

understanding = discernment. See note on 1. 2.

15 By me kings reign. See Ps. 75. 6, 7. Dan.
 2. 21, 47. Rom. 13. 1-7.

16 judges of the earth. Some codices, with two
 early printed editions, Aram., Syr., read "righteous
 judges"; reading *zedek*, "righteousness", instead of
'erez, "earth". R.V. follows this.

17 that love me. Illustrations: Joseph (Gen.
 37. 2, 13, 16, 17; 39. 3, 9; 41. 38); Samuel (1 Sam.
 2. 26; 7. 3-17; cp. Jer. 15. 1); David (1 Sam. 17. 37,
 45, 46); Abijah (1 Kings 14. 13); Obadiah (1 Kings
 18. 4; cp. vv. 3, 12); Josiah (2 Chron. 34. 1-3, 27, 28);
 Daniel (1. 6, 8; cp. 9. 23; 10. 11-19).

21 treasures = treasuries.

8. 22-31 (J, p. 874). WISDOM PERSONIFIED.
 (Alternation.)

J | O | 22. In eternity past. With Jehovah.

P | 23-29. Before the creation of man.

O | 30. In eternity past. With Jehovah.

P | 31. After the creation of man.

22 possessed = acquired, implying a definite act, as
 "constituted". Sept. and Syr. render it "created"
 (*ektise*). Cp. the use of the verb in this book (1. 5;
 4. 5, 7; 16. 16; 17. 16; 18. 15; 19. 8; 20. 14; 22. 23).
 Heb. *kānāh*. Occurs eighty-six times in O.T.; rendered
 "possess" only four times. Cp. "wisdom" (Luke 11. 49).
 beginning . . . Before. See Col. 1. 15-17; 2. 9. Rev.
 3. 14. John 1. 1; 17. 5: "begotten before the world
 . . . born in the world". Elohim taking *creature* form
 in order to create; as He, later, took *human* form (*flesh*)
 to redeem. Hence "creation" and "redemption" com-
 bined in Christ (Rev. 4. 11; 5. 9). Man created in His
 likeness: that in which He appeared to the patriarchs
 and to Joshua (5. 13) was not temporary, or assumed
 for the moment, but was permanent.

His way. As distinct from His "works" (Ps. 103. 7).
 Before. To this must be referred Eph. 1. 4, and Col.
 1. 17. Three times we have "before the foundation (or
 disruption), Gen. 1. 2. See note on Matt. 13. 35) of
 the world" (John 17. 24. Eph. 1. 4, and 1 Pet. 1. 20).
 Cp. the expression "from (or, since) the foundation of
 the world", seven times (Matt. 13. 35; 25. 34. Luke 11. 50.
 Heb. 4. 3; 9. 26. Rev. 13. 8; 17. 8). See note on Matt.
 13. 35. The former has to do with the "Church", the
 latter with the "Kingdom"; the former with God's
 "purpose", the latter with His "counsels".

23-29 (P, above). BEFORE CREATION.
 (Repeated Alternation and Introversion.)

P | j¹ | k | 23. Before the earth.

l | 24. Before the seas.

j² | 25, 26. Before the earth.

j³ | 27. When the heavens.

k | 28, 29-. When the seas.

j⁴ | -29. When the earth.

23 set up = founded. Heb. *našak*, as in Ps. 2. 6, "set".
 from everlasting = from the outset of the ages. Cp.
 Heb. 11. 3.

24 brought forth. Same root as Job 15. 7; 39. 1.
 Ps. 29. 9; 51. 5. Isa. 45. 10; 51. 2; 66. 8. Heb. *hūl*.
 Not the same word as in v. 30.

25 settled. Cp. Ps. 104. 8. 26 earth. Heb. *'eret*. the highest part: or, the first atoms or particles.
 world = the habitable world. Heb. *tēbēl* (not *'eret* = earth). The Talmud (*Taanith* fol. 10a) distinguishes
'eret as meaning the land of Israel, from the world as meaning the outside lands. Cp. Matt. 2. 20.

27 compass = a circle, or vault. 28 clouds = skies, or finer clouds. deep = abyss. 29 appointed =
 fixed by statute, or marked out. 30 I was by = I became beside Him. John 1. 1. See note on "was",
 Gen. 1. 2. by = close by. as one brought up with Him = as one constantly with Him, or under His

constant care. Heb. *'āmon*, from root *'āman* = to be constant or steady, and denoting: (1) The making constant
 or steady (Ex. 17. 12). (2) The being constant, as a river (Isa. 33. 16. Jer. 15. 18); as a house (2 Sam. 7. 16.
 Isa. 7. 9); of words (Gen. 42. 20); of a prophet (1 Sam. 3. 20); an allowance (Neh. 11. 23). (3) The stability or
 faithfulness (Deut. 32. 20. Isa. 65. 16. Jer. 51. 15); hence "Amen", affirming and confirming assent.
 (4) Of the constant and steady care of a nurse, &c. (Est. 2. 7, 20. 2 Kings 10. 1, 5. Isa. 60. 4; 66. 12. Lam. 4. 5).
 (5) Of the constant and steady resting of the mind as trusting, relying, or depending upon (Gen. 15. 6;
 45. 26. Ex. 4. 5. Deut. 28. 66. Judg. 11. 20). (6) Of the constant, steady hand required in a cunning
 workman (Song 7. 1 = hands of steadiness, meaning work not hastily done. The R.V. rendering of 8. 30,
 "a master workman", is made on insufficient ground). Rejoicing. Cp. v. 31.

- P 31 ³⁰ Rejoicing in °the habitable part of His earth;
(p. 875) And my delights were with the sons of °men.
- C 32 Now therefore hearken unto me, O ye
(p. 874) °children:
For °blessed are they that keep my ways.
- 33 Hear instruction, and be wise,
And refuse it not.
- 34 ³² Blessed is the °man that heareth me,
Watching daily at my gates,
Waiting at the posts of my doors.
- 35 For whoso findeth me °findeth life,
And shall obtain °favour of °the LORD.
- 36 But he that °sinneth against me wrongeth
his own °soul:
All they that hate me °love death.
- D E 9 °Wisdom hath builded her house,
She hath hewn out her seven pillars:
2 She hath killed her beasts; she hath
°mingled her °wine;
She hath also furnished her table.
- F 3 She hath °sent forth her °maidens: °she
crieth
Upon the °highest places of the city,
- 4 Whoso is °simple, let him turn in hither:
As for him that wanteth °understanding,
she saith to him,
- 5 Come, eat of my °bread,
And drink of the °wine which I have
°mingled.
- G 6 °Forsake the °foolish, and °live;
And go in the way of understanding.
- 7 °He that reproveth a scorner getteth to
himself shame:
And he that rebuketh a °wicked man
getteth himself a blot.
- 8 °Reprove not a scorner, lest he °hate thee:
Rebuke a wise man, and °he will love thee.
- 9 Give °instruction to a wise man, and he
will be yet wiser:
Teach a just man, and he will increase in
learning.
- H 10 The fear of °the LORD is °the beginning
of °wisdom:
And °the knowledge of °the holy is
°understanding.
- 11 For by me thy days shall °be multiplied,
And the years of thy life °shall be in-
creased.
- 12 If thou be wise, thou shalt be wise for
thyself:
But if thou scornest, thou alone shalt bear it.
- B⁵ Q 13 °A foolish woman is clamorous:
(p. 876) She is °simple, and knoweth °nothing.
- R S 14 For she sitteth at the °door of her house,
On a seat in the °high places of the city,
- T 15 To call passengers
°Who go right on their ways:
- Q 16 Whoso is °simple, let him turn in hither:
And as for him that wanteth °under-
standing, she saith to him,
- R T 17 "Stolen waters are sweet,
And bread eaten in secret is pleasant."
- S 18 But he knoweth not that °the dead are
there;
And that her guests are in the depths of
°hell.

31 the habitable part of His earth. Heb. *tēbēl* 'areg. See note on "world", v. 26.
men. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I. Cp. Gen. 2. 19; 3. 8, 21.
Made in His image. Gen. 1. 26, 27.

32 children = sons.
blessed = happy. See note on 3. 13.

35 findeth life: i. e. resurrection life, and life eternal.
Cp. John 3. 36. 1 John 5. 12. See note on Lev. 18. 5.
favour = as shown in Rom. 6. 23.

36 sinneth. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.
soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.
love death = live and act so as to lose life. Fig.
Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6.

9. 1 Wisdom. Pl. as in 1. 20; 9. 1; and 14. 1.
2 mingled. Cp. Isa. 5. 22. Not with water but with
spices. wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. I.

3 sent forth her maidens. An Eastern custom. In
N.T. the invitation was carried by menservants (Matt.
22. 3. Luke 14. 17).

maidens = or young persons (masc. or fem.) Heb.
na'ar. she crieth: or, each to cry.

highest places. Cp. 1 Sam. 10. 5, 10, &c.

4 simple. See note on 1. 4.
understanding. Heb. "heart". Put by Fig.
Metonymy (of Subject), Ap. 6, for understanding.

5 bread. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6,
for all kinds of food.

6 Forsake, &c. Illustrations: Moses (Heb. 11. 24-27);
Caleb and Joshua (Num. 13. 30-33; 14. 6-9, 38); Rahab
(Josh. 2. 9-13; 6. 25. Heb. 11. 31); Ruth (1. 16; 2. 11, 12);
Dionysius and Damaris (Acts 17. 34); Ephesians (Acts
19. 19. Eph. 2. 13); members of Nero's household
(Phil. 1. 13; 4. 22).

foolish = heartless. Heb. *pēthi* (masc. pl.). Note either of
the three words in v. 13 or 1. 7, but the same word as in v. 4.
live: i. e. live for ever. See note on Lev. 18. 5.

7 He that reproveth, &c.: vv. 7-12 not "out of
their proper context". See the Structure on p. 874.
wicked = lawless. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

8 Reprove not a scorner, &c. Illustrations: Joseph
(Gen. 37. 2); the Prophet (2 Chron. 25. 16); Jews (Isa.
36. 21); the Baptist (Matt. 14. 1-10).

bate thee. We condemn one who has wronged us,
and he condemns us. God's plan is to convict and
make the sinner condemn himself.

he will love thee. Illustrations: Nathan (2 Sam. 12.
Cp. 1 Chron. 3. 5 and 1 Kings 1. 32-34); the two disciples
(Luke 24. 25, 29); Peter (John 21. 17); Peter (Gal. 2. 11-14.
Cp. 2 Pet. 3. 15).

9 instruction, or supply "a hint".

10 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.
the beginning: not the end. See note on 1. 7.
wisdom. See note on 1. 2.

the knowledge, &c. Not departing from evil from
policy, but hating it (8. 13).

the holy = the Holy One. (Pl. of majesty.)
understanding = discernment. See note on 1. 2.

11 be multiplied = become great [in importance or
usefulness]. Not necessarily "many" in number.
shall be increased: i. e. in importance. Not neces-
sarily in number. See note on 3. 16.

9. 13-18 (B⁵, p. 865). THE FOOLISH WOMAN. (Alternation and Introversion.)

- B⁵ Q | 13. Her call.
R | S | 14. From high places.
T | 15. From the right way.
Q | 16. Her call.
R | T | 17. To the wrong way.
S | 18. To the lowest place.

13 A foolish woman. The contrast is with v. 1. Heb.
kēsil. See note on 1. 7. nothing = nothing whatever.

14 door = entrance.

15 Who go right, &c. = passing on their way, or [To
call them] that go straightforward, &c.

18 the dead = Rephaim. (No Art.) See Ap. 25.
hell = Sheol. Ap. 35.

C U¹ W¹
(p. 877)

- 10** °The proverbs of Solomon.
 °A wise son maketh a glad father :
 But °a foolish son *is* the heaviness of his mother.
2 Treasures of °wickedness °profit nothing :
 But °righteousness delivereth from °death.
3 °The LORD °will not suffer the °soul of
 °the righteous to famish :
 But He °casteth away the substance of
 °the wicked.
4 He becometh °poor that dealeth *with* a
 °slack hand :
 But the hand of the diligent maketh rich.
5 He that °gathereth in summer *is* a wise son :
 But he that °sleepeth in harvest *is* a son
 that causeth shame.
6 °Blessings *are* upon the °head of °the just :
 But °violence covereth the mouth of °the
 wicked.
7 °The memory of °the just *is* blessed :
 But °the name of °the wicked shall rot.
8 The wise in heart °will receive command-
 ments :
 But °a prating fool shall fall.
9 He that walketh °uprightly walketh surely :
 But he that perverteth his ways shall be
 known.
10 He that winketh with the eye causeth sor-
 row :
 But a °prating fool shall fall.
11 The °mouth of a righteous *man is* a well
 of life :
 But °violence covereth the mouth of the
 °wicked.
12 °Hatred stirreth up strifes :
 But °love covereth all °sins.
13 In the °lips of him that hath understand-
 ing wisdom is found :
 But a rod *is* for the back of him that is
 void of °understanding.
14 Wise *men* lay up knowledge :
 But the °mouth of the °foolish *is* near
 destruction.
15 The rich man's wealth *is* °his strong city :
 The °destruction of the °poor *is* their
 °poverty.
16 The labour of °the righteous *tendeth* to life :
 The °fruit of °the °wicked to °sin.

7. 16. Mic. 6. 12. **5** gathereth in summer, &c. Illustrations: Isaac (Gen. 18. 19); Joseph (Gen. 47. 12); Timothy (2 Tim. 3. 15. Acts 16. 1, 2). **sleepeth in harvest.** Cp. 24. 30-34. **6** Blessings: not simply good things, but good things bestowed by another. **head.** Put by Fig. *Synecdochē* (of Part), Ap. 6, for the whole person. **the just** = a just one. **violence, &c.** : or, the mouth of lawless ones conceal violence. **7** The memory = What is remembered of him; not what he remembers; see Ps. 146. 4. Illustrations: Elisha (2 Kings 13. 21); Jehoiada (2 Chron. 24. 15, 16); the woman (Mark 14. 9); Mary (Luke 1. 28, 48); Dorcas (Acts 9. 36, 39. Cp. Prov. 22. 1); Antipas (Rev. 2. 13). **the name, &c.** Illustrations: Balaam (2 Pet. 2. 15. Jude 11. Rev. 2. 14); Ahaz (2 Chron. 28. 22); Athaliah (2 Chron. 24. 7); Herod (Acts 12. 22, 23. Cp. Ps. 9. 16). **8** will receive, &c. Illustrations: Abraham (Gen. 22. Heb. 11. 8, 17); David (2 Sam. 7); widow (1 Kings 17. 10-16); Rechabites (Jer. 35. 6-10. Cp. Prov. 23. 22). **a prating fool** = a fool (Heb. *'ēvil*. See note on 1. 7) of lips: lips put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for what is spoken by them. Illustrations: Korah, &c. (Num. 16); Diotrefes (3 John 9, 10). Cp. 2 Pet. 2. 10. Jude 10, 13. **9** uprightly = in integrity. **11** mouth. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for what is spoken by it. **12** Hatred stirreth up strifes. Illustrations: Ishmael (Gen. 21. 9-14. Gal. 4. 29); Jews (Acts 13. 50; 14. 2-4; 17. 5, 13). **love covereth.** The opposite action. Cp. 1 Cor. 13. 4. Illustrations: Joseph (Gen. 40. 15. Cp. 45. 5-8. Prov. 17. 9; 19. 11); David (2 Sam. 1); Paul (Philemon); Christ (Matt. 26. 41. Mark 16. 7. John 20. 25-27; 21. 15-19, &c). **sins.** Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix. **13** lips. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for what is spoken by them. **understanding.** Heb. "heart", put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for understanding. **foolish.** Same word as in v. 8. **15** his strong city. Heb. city of his strength. Fig. *Antimereia*. Ap. 6. **destruction** = that which destroys them. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6. **poor** = weak. Heb. *dal*. See note on 6. 11. **poverty** = *rāsh*. See note on 6. 11. **16** fruit = produce. **the wicked** = a lawless one. **sin.** Heb. *chāṭā'*. Ap. 44. i.

10. 1-19. 19 (C, p. 864). PROVERBS BY SOLOMON. FOR ALL. Third Person ("HE", "HIM", "THEY"). (*Division*.)

C U¹ | 10. 1-15. 33. The Pious and the Ungodly. With reference to others. Their lots in life. (Chiefly Antithetic.)
 U² | 16. 1-19. 19. The Pious and the Ungodly. With reference to God. Their life and character. (Chiefly Synthetic.)

10. 1-15. 32 (U¹, above). THE PIOUS AND THE UNGODLY. WITH REFERENCE TO OTHERS. (*Division*.)

U¹ | W¹ | 10. 1-32. Their Life and Conduct. (General.)
 W² | 11. 1-15. 33. Their advantages and disadvantages. (Particular.)

For all men; not for any special person, such as "MY SON". See the Structure, p. 864.

1 The proverbs of Solomon. This is the heading of a distinct class of Proverbs marked off by different authorship. All are in two lines, except 19. 7, which has three lines. They are miscellaneous, having self-developing connections, finding their reasons in what follows.

A wise son. Illustration: Joseph (Gen. 47. 12. Cp. 48. 2).

a foolish son. Heb. *kēṣil*. See note on 1. 7. Illustration: Esau (Gen. 26. 34, 35; 27. 45, 46).

2 wickedness = lawlessness. Heb. *rāsha'*. Ap. 44. x.

profit nothing. Illustrations: Rehoboam (2 Chron. 12. 1-4, 9); Gehazi (2 Kings 5. 20-27. Prov. 21. 6); Nebuchadnezzar (Dan. 4. 31, 33); Belshazzar (Dan. 5); the Rich Fool (Luke 12. 20, 21. Cp. 16. 23, 24). Cp. Prov. 11. 28.

righteousness delivereth, &c. Illustrations: Daniel (6. 22-30; 6. 22. Cp. Prov. 13. 6); Noah (Gen. 7. 1. Heb. 11. 7).

death. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6, for the things which lead to death.

3 The LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. **will not suffer, &c.** Illustrations: Elijah (1 Kings 17); David (2 Sam. 17. 27-29).

soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

the righteous = a righteous one.

casteth away = repel, &c. Illustrations: Israel (Judg. 6. 1-4); Samaria (1 Kings 18. 2. 2 Kings 6. 5); Jerusalem (Lam. 5. 10. Zeph. 1. 18); the Chaldeans (Hab. 2. 8).

the wicked = lawless ones. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

4 poor = needy. Heb. *rūsh*. See note on 6. 11.

slack = deceitful. As in 12. 24. Ps. 52. 2; 120. 2. Hos.

W¹
(cont.)

17 He *is in the way of life that keepeth instruction*:

But he that [°]refuseth reproof [°]erreth.

18 He that hideth hatred *with lying lips*,
And he that uttereth a slander, *is a ¹ fool*.

19 In the multitude of words there [°]wanteth not ¹²sin:

But he that [°]refraineth his lips *is wise*.

20 The [°]tongue of ⁶the just *is as choice silver*:
The heart of ³the wicked *is little worth*.

21 The ¹³lips of ³the righteous [°]feed many:
But ⁸fools die [°]for want of [°]wisdom.

22 The blessing of ³the LORD, [°]it maketh rich,
And He addeth no sorrow with it.

23 It *is* [°]as sport to a ¹ fool to do mischief:
[°]But a [°]man of [°]understanding hath [°]wisdom.

24 The fear of ³the wicked, it shall come upon him:

But the desire of [°]the righteous [°]shall be granted.

25 As the whirlwind passeth, so *is* ³the wicked *no more*:

But ³the righteous *is* [°]an everlasting foundation.

26 As vinegar to the teeth, and as [°]smoke to the eyes,

So *is* the sluggard to them that send him.

27 The fear of ³the LORD [°]prolongeth days:
But the years of ³the wicked shall be [°]shortened.

28 The [°]hope of ²⁴the righteous *shall be gladness*:

But the [°]expectation of ³the wicked shall perish.

29 The way of ³the LORD *is* strength to [°]the upright:

But [°]destruction *shall be* to the workers of [°]iniquity.

30 ³The righteous shall never be [°]removed:
But ³the wicked shall not inhabit the [°]earth.

31 The mouth of ⁶the [°]just [°]bringeth forth ²³wisdom:

But the [°]froward tongue shall be [°]cut out.

32 The ¹³lips of ³the righteous know what is acceptable:

But the mouth of ³the wicked *speaketh* [°]frowardness.

11 [°]A false balance *is* [°]abomination to [°]the LORD:

But a just [°]weight *is* His delight.

2 [°]When pride cometh, then cometh shame:
[°]But with the lowly *is* [°]wisdom.

3 The [°]integrity of [°]the upright shall guide them:

But the [°]perverseness of [°]transgressors shall destroy them.

17 refuseth. Some codices read "hateth".
ereth = leadeth astray.

19 wanteth not sin = lacketh not sin. Illustrations: Job (32. 2; 34. 5, 12; 35. 16; 42. 3); Job's friends (32. 3; 42. 7, 8); the widows (1 Tim. 5. 13). Of the "Twelve", the one who spake most (Peter) erred most (Matt. 16. 22; 26. 74).

refraineth = restraineth. Illustrations: Eleazar (Gen. 24. 21. Cp. Prov. 4. 26; 15. 28); Aaron (Lev. 10. 3); Saul (1 Sam. 10. 27. Cp. Prov. 11. 12).

20 tongue. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for what is spoken by it.

21 feed = shepherd: i.e. instruct. Illustrations: Job (4. 3, 4; 29. 21, 22); David (Ps. 78. 70-72); Peter (Acts 4. 1-4); Philip (Acts 8. 5-8); Paul and Barnabas (Acts 11. 26; 14. 22-28); Judas and Silas (Acts 15. 32, 33). for = through.

wisdom: Heb. "heart", put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for understanding.

22 it = itself: i.e. the uttered blessing, like the "words of the wise".

23 as sport. A.V. of 1611 read "as a sport".

But. Supply Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), "But [to exercise] wisdom [is as sport] to a man of understanding".

man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

understanding . . . wisdom. See note on 1. 2.

24 the righteous = righteous ones.

shall be granted. Illustrations: Hannah (1 Sam. 1. 20); Esther (4. 16; 8. 15-17); Daniel (2. 16-23); Simeon (Luke 2. 25-30).

25 As the whirlwind passeth, &c. Illustrations: Gen. 7. 21-23 (cp. Matt. 24. 37-39. Luke 17. 26, 27); Elah (1 Kings 16. 7-10); Sennacherib (2 Kings 19. 35-37).

an everlasting foundation. Cp. Matt. 7. 24-27.

26 smoke. In Eastern tents and houses, wood or charcoal fires, and no chimneys.

27 The fear of the LORD. See note on 1. 7.

prolongeth days = increaseth days; not necessarily in number, but in greater value and importance.

shortened = cut down, or made little, as in Isa. 50. 2; 59. 1. Mic. 2. 7. Num. 11. 23; 21. 4 (discouraged).

Judg. 10. 16 (grieved); 16. 16 (vexed). Job 21. 4 (troubled). Zech. 11. 8 (loathed). Ps. 102. 23, where it refers to affliction, not to continued living.

28 The hope of the righteous, &c. Illustrations: Abraham (Rom. 4. 18-20); Joseph (Ps. 105. 17-21); Hezekiah (Ps. 126); Daniel (6. 10).

hope. Heb. *yāhal* = an unlikely hope.

expectation = confidence. Heb. *tikvah* = a likely hope. Illustrations: Goliath (1 Sam. 17. 44, 51); Athaliah (2 Kings 11. 1-16); Sennacherib (2 Kings 19. 23, 37. 2 Chron. 32. 21); Herod (Matt. 2. 16).

29 the upright = an upright one.

destruction = ruin. Illustrations: Saul (1 Chron. 10. 13, 14. Prov. 11. 3); Jeroboam (1 Kings 14. 7-11. Isa. 50. 11).

iniquity. Heb. 'āven. Ap. 44. iii.

30 removed = moved, or shaken.

earth: or land [of promise].

31 just = righteous, as in vv. 30, 32.

bringeth forth: i.e. as a plant.

froward. See note on 2. 12.

cut out = cut off as unproductive. [perverseness.

32 frowardness. See note on 2. 12. Here pl. = great

11. 1-15. 33 [For Structure see next page].

11. 1-31 (X¹, p. 879). WITH REFERENCE TO ONE'S NEIGHBOURS.

1 A false balance = False balances. abomination. See note on 8. 32. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. weight = stone. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the weight it represents. This proverb is repeated three times (16. 11; 20. 10, 23). Cp. Lev. 19. 36. Deut. 25. 13-15, and Mic. 6. 11. There was a royal standard (2 Sam. 14. 26). 2 When pride cometh, then, &c. Illustrations: Miriam (Num. 12. 10); Uzziah (2 Chron. 26. 16-21); Nebuchadnezzar (Dan. 4. 30); Moab (Zeph. 2. 8, 10); Nineveh (Zeph. 2. 15).

But with the lowly, &c. Illustrations: Joseph (Gen. 41. 16, 38, 39); Daniel (Dan. 2. 20, 21. Cp. Prov. 2. 6). wisdom. See note on 1. 2. 3 integrity, &c. Illustrations: Joseph (Gen. 39. 4, 22, 23; 50. 25. Heb. 11. 22).

the upright = upright ones. perverseness, &c. = slipperiness. Illustrations: Israel (Deut. 1. 43, 44); Balaam (Num. 22. 32; 31. 8); Hophni and Phinehas (1 Sam. 2. 25; 4. 11); Saul (1 Sam. 15. 23); Absalom (2 Sam. 15. 3-6; 18); Ahithophel (2 Sam. 17. 1-3, 23); Ahab (1 Kings 21. 25, 26; 22. 34, 37); Jews (Jer. 34. 8-22); Jerusalem (Ezek. 9. 9, 10).

transgressors = traitors. Heb. *bāḡad* = faithless to covenant. Not the same word as in 16. 10; 26. 10; 28. 21; but the same as in all other passages in this book.

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(cont.)

- 4** Riches profit not in ° the day of wrath:
But righteousness ° delivereth from death.
- 5** The righteousness of the ° perfect shall direct his way:
But ° the ° wicked shall fall by his own ° wickedness.
- 6** The righteousness of ° the upright shall ° deliver them:
But ° transgressors shall be taken in *their own* ° naughtiness.
- 7** When a ° wicked ° man dieth, *his* ° expectation shall perish:
And the hope of unjust *men* perisheth.
- 8** ° The righteous is ° delivered out of trouble,
And ° the wicked cometh in his stead.
- 9** An hypocrite with *his* ° mouth destroyeth his neighbour:
But through knowledge shall ° the just be ° delivered.
- 10** ° When it goeth well with the righteous, the city rejoiceth:
And ° when ° the wicked perish, *there is* shouting.
- 11** By the blessing of the upright the city is exalted:
But it is ° overthrown by the ° mouth of ° the ° wicked.
- 12** He that is void of ° wisdom ° despiseth his neighbour:
But a ° man of understanding holdeth his peace.
- 13** ° A talebearer revealeth ° secrets:
But he that is of a faithful ° spirit conceal-eth the matter.
- 14** Where no ° counsel *is*, the people fall:
But in the ° multitude of counsellors *there is* ° safety.
- 15** He that is surety ° for a stranger shall ° smart *for it*:
And he that hateth suretiship ° is sure.
- 16** A ° gracious woman retaineth honour:
° And strong *men* retain riches.
- 17** The ° merciful ° man doeth good to ° his own soul:
But *he that is* cruel ° troubleth his own flesh.
- 18** ° The wicked ° worketh a ° deceitful work:
But ° to him that soweth righteousness *shall be* a sure reward.
- 19** ° As righteousness *tendeth* to life:
So he that pursueth ° evil *pursueth it* to his own death.
- 20** They that are of a froward heart are ° abomination to ° the LORD:
But *such as are* upright in *their way* are His delight.

11. 1—15. 33 (W², p. 877). THE PIOUS AND UNGODLY. THEIR ADVANTAGES AND DIS-ADVANTAGES. (*Division.*)

- W² X¹ | 11. 1-31. With reference to one's Neighbours.
X² | 12. 1-28. With reference to Domestic and Public vocations.
X³ | 13. 1-25. With reference to Temporal and Eternal good.
X⁴ | 14. 1-35. With reference to Wise and Foolish; Rich and Poor; Masters and Servants.
X⁵ | 15. 1-33. With reference to other relations in the religious sphere.

4 the day, &c. The day of [God's] wrath. delivereth = rescueth. Heb. *nāḡal* here and in v. 9, but not in vv. 8, 9, or 21.

5 perfect = without blemish or blame. Heb. *tāmim*: used of sacrifices.

the wicked . . . wickedness = a lawless one . . . lawlessness. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x. Not the same word as in v. 21.

6 naughtiness. See note on 6. 12.

7 man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

expectation shall perish. Illustrations: Balaam's (Num. 23. 10; 31. 8); Absalom's (2 Sam. 18. Cp. Prov. 20. 20). Cp. also Job 21. 7-13 and Ps. 73. 19. Luke 12. 16-20.

expectation. Heb. *kāvah*. See note on 10. 28.

8 The righteous = A righteous one.

delivered = drawn out, liberated with gentle effort. Heb. *chālaḡ*. The same word as in v. 9, but not the same as in vv. 4, 6, and 21. Illustrations: Mordecai and Haman (Est. 7. 9, 10); Daniel and his accusers (Dan. 6. 23, 24); Israel and Egyptians (Ex. 14, and Isa. 43. 3, 4).

9 mouth. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for what is said by it.

the just = righteous ones.

10 When it goeth well, &c. Illustrations: Hezekiah (2 Chron. 29. 3-36; 30. 26); Nehemiah (Neh. 2; 6. 15; 8. 17); Mordecai (Est. 8. 15, 16).

when the wicked perish, &c. Illustrations: Pharaoh (Ex. 15); Sisera (Judg. 5); Athaliah (2 Kings 11. 20).

the wicked = wicked ones.

11 overthrown; or ruined.

12 wisdom. Heb. "heart", put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for sense.

despise = reproacheth: in contrast with the next line.

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

13 A talebearer = He that goes about talebearing: or, a pedlar in scandal. Cp. Lev. 19. 16. Jas. 1. 26. Illustrations: Doeg (1 Sam. 21. 7; 22. 9, 10. Ps. 52. 2. Cp. Prov. 24. 28); the nobles of Judah (Neh. 6. 17-19).

secrets = a secret.

spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

14 counsel: or helmsman.

multitude of counsellors. Provided they are really "counsellors". *safety* = salvation.

15 for a stranger, &c. Christ became surety for His People, and they were "strangers" (Eph. 2. 12); and He smarted for it, blessed be His Name! Heb. *ḡūr*, an apostate. See note on 5. 3.

is sure = is secure. Heb. *baṭaḡ*. Ap. 69. i.

smart for it = be sore broken. See Ps. 38. 8; 69. 20.

16 gracious woman. Cp. the woman of Folly (9. 13).

And strong men, &c. Sept. and Syr. read, "but the diligent". **17** merciful man = man of lovingkindness, or grace. his own soul = his own self. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. Illustrations: the Kenites (1 Sam. 15. 6. Ecc. 11. 1); David (1 Sam. 30. 11-20); Jonathan (2 Sam. 9. 7; 21. 7); Job (Job 42. 10. Cp. Prov. 13. 2); the Centurion (Luke 7. 2-10); Cornelius (Acts 10. 4. Cp. Prov. 12. 14); the Maltese (Acts 28. 1-10). troubleth, &c. Illustrations: Cain (Gen. 4. 10-12); Joseph's brethren (Gen. 37; 42. 21); Adoni-bezek (Judg. 1. 6, 7); Agag (1 Sam. 15. 33); Haman (Est. 9. 25); Jonah (Jonah 4. 1-3); the miser (Ecc. 4. 8).

18 worketh, &c. Pharaoh (Ex. 1. 20. Acts 7. 19). Caiaphas (John 11. 49, 50). Cp. Acts 8. 1, 4. deceitful = lie. Heb. *sheker*. The verb, adjective, and noun are the renderings of eight words in Proverbs: (1) *sheker* = a lie (11. 18; 20. 17; 31. 30); (2) *rāmāh* = cheating (12. 5, 17, 20; 14. 8, 25; 26. 19, 24); (3) *shāḡāh* = wander, go astray (20. 1); (4) *kāzab* = fraud (23. 3); (5) *pāthāh* = delude (24. 28); (6) *nāshāh* (26. 26); (7) *'āthar*. See note on 27. 6; (8) *tok*. See note on 29. 13. to him . . . a sure reward. Illustrations: Noah (Gen. 6. 22; 7. Heb. 11. 7); Abraham (Heb. 6. 15); Joseph (Gen. 37-41. Cp. Ps. 37. 4-6); Simeon (Luke 2. 25-32. Lam. 3. 25, 26); Paul (2 Cor. 1. 12. 2 Tim. 4. 7, 8).

Thus righteousness. Heb. *kēn*. Sept. and Syr. read Heb. *ben*, A righteous son.

evil. Heb. *rā'a'*.

Ap. 44. viii.

20 abomination. See note on 3. 32.

X¹
(cont.)

- 21 *Though* °hand join in hand, °the °wicked shall not be unpunished:
But the seed of °the righteous shall °be delivered.
- 22 *As* a °jewel of gold in a swine's snout,
So is a °fair woman which is without discretion.
- 23 The desire of °the righteous is only good:
But the °expectation of °the °wicked is wrath.
- 24 There is that scattereth, and yet increaseth;
And *there* is that withholdeth more than is meet, but *it tendeth* to °poverty.
- 25 The liberal °soul shall be °made fat:
And *he* that watereth shall be watered also himself.
- 26 He that °withholdeth corn, the people shall curse him:
But blessing *shall* be upon the head of him that selleth *it*.
- 27 He that diligently seeketh good procureth favour:
But he that seeketh °mischief, it shall come unto him.
- 28 *He* that °trusteth in his riches shall fall
But °the righteous shall flourish as a branch.
- 29 He that troubleth his own house shall inherit °the wind:
And the °fool *shall* be servant to the wise of heart.
- 30 The fruit of °the righteous is a tree of life;
And he that °winneth °souls is wise.
- 31 Behold, °the righteous °shall be recompensed in the earth:
Much more °the wicked and °the sinner.

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(p. 878)

- 12 Whoso loveth °instruction loveth knowledge:
But he that hateth reproof is brutish.
- 2 A good man obtaineth favour of °the LORD:
But a °man of °wicked devices °will He condemn.
- 3 A °man shall not be established by °wickedness:
But the root of °the righteous shall not be moved.
- 4 A °virtuous woman is a °crown to her husband:
But she that maketh ashamed is as rottenness in his bones.
- 5 The °thoughts of the righteous are °right:
But the °counsels of °the °wicked are °deceit.
- 6 The °words of °the °wicked are to lie in wait for blood:
But the mouth of °the upright shall deliver them.
- 7 °The °wicked are °overthrown, °and are not:
But the house of °the righteous shall stand.
- 8 A °man °shall be commended according to his °wisdom:
But he that is of a perverse heart °shall be despised.
- 9 °He that is despised, and hath a servant, is °better
Than he that honoureth himself, and lacketh bread.

- 21 hand join in hand. Illustrations: the Babel builders (Gen. 11. 1-9); Korah (Num. 16); the Canaanite kings (Josh. 9. 1, 2); Adoni-zedek (Josh. 10); the Confederacy (Isa. 7. 1-16); the Ten Kingdoms (Rev. 19).
wicked. Not the same word as in vv. 5, 23, 31. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.
the righteous = righteous ones.
be delivered = escape. Not the same word as in vv. 4, 6, 8, 9. Heb. *mālat* = to slip away.
- 22 jewel = a nose-jewel, worn by women. See Gen. 24. 47. Isa. 3. 21. fair = beautiful.
- 23 Illustrated in vv. 24-31.
- 24 poverty = want. Heb. *heger*. See note on 6. 11.
- 25 soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.
made fat = enriched. Illustrations: widow (1 Kings 17. 10, &c.); Shunammite (2 Kings 4. 8, 37); Publius (Acts 28. 7, 8). Cp. Phil. 4. 15.
- 26 withholdeth. Different from hoarding it in store as in Egypt (Gen. 41. 34-36; 53-57).
- 27 mischief. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.
- 28 trusteth = confideth. Heb. *bātah*. Ap. 69. i.
- 29 the wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.
fool. Heb. *'evil*. See note on 1. 7.
- 30 winneth = taketh, or catcheth.
- 31 shall be recompensed in the earth. This was the promise for that Dispensation (Ps. 37), not for this. See 1 Pet. 4. 18 and Ap. 63. ix. Rightly divide the Dispensations, and all difficulties are removed.
the sinner = a sinner. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

12. 1-28 (X², p. 878). WITH REFERENCE TO DOMESTIC AND OTHER VOCATIONS.

- 1 instruction = discipline, or correction.
- 2 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.
wicked = lawless. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.
will He condemn: or will pronounce him guilty, as Job 40. 8. 3 man. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I.
wickedness = lawlessness. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.
the righteous = righteous ones.
- 4 virtuous = worthy. See 31. 10 and Ruth 31. 11.
crown. Always used of a bridal or royal crown.
- 5 thoughts = plans.
right = just (as to their character). Illustrations: David (1 Sam. 23. 9; 26. 8-11); Daniel (Dan. 1. 8; 6. 4); Nathanael (John 1. 47).
- counsels = steerings, or directions. Illustrations: Korah (Num. 16); Jeroboam (1 Kings 12. 28. Cp. v. 26); the prophet of Beth-el (1 Kings 13. 18. Cp. Prov. 11. 9); Sanballat (Neh. 6. 2); Haman (Est. 3. 5, 6, 8); Ishmael (Jer. 40. 14); Herod (Matt. 2. 8, 16); Pharisees (Matt. 22. 15, 16); Judas (John 12. 4-6).
the wicked = lawless ones.
deceit = deception. Heb. *rāmah*. See note on 11. 18.
- 6 words. Heb. *dābar*. Ap. 73. x.
the upright = upright ones.
- 7 overthrown. Cp. Gen. 19. 21, 25, 29. 2 Sam. 10. 3. 1 Chron. 19. 3, &c.
and are not = there is nothing of them left.
- 8 shall be commended. Illustration: Joseph (Gen. 41. 39).
wisdom. Heb. *sūkāl*. See note on 1. 2.
shall be despised. Illustrations: Hophni and Phinehas (1 Sam. 1. 3; 2. 17, 30); Nabal (1 Sam. 25. 2, 17. Cp. Prov. 28. 6); Judah (Jer. 4. 22, 30. Lam. 1. 8); lost son (Luke 15. 15, 16).
- 9 He that is despised, and hath = Better to be little noticed and have, &c. better. See note on 8. 11.
- 10 regardeth, &c. = knoweth. Illustrations: Jacob (Gen. 33. 13, 14); David (1 Sam. 17. 34, 35).
life = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.
cruel. Illustrations: Nahash (1 Sam. 11. 1, 2); Pilate (Luke 23. 16).
- 10 A righteous man °regardeth the °life of his beast:
But the tender mercies of °the wicked are °cruel.

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(cont.)

- 11 He that tilleth his land ° shall be satisfied with bread:
But ° he that followeth vain persons is void of ° understanding.
- 12 ° The ² wicked desireth ° the net ° of ° evil men:
But the root of ³ the righteous ° yieldeth fruit.
- 13 ° The wicked is snared by the ° transgression of his ° lips:
But ° the just ° shall come out of trouble.
- 14 A ² man shall be satisfied with good by the fruit of his mouth:
And the recompence of a ³ man's hands shall be rendered unto him.
- 15 The way of a ° fool is right in his own eyes:
But he that hearkeneth unto counsel is wise.
- 16 A ¹⁵ fool's wrath ° is ° presently known:
But a prudent man ° covereth ° shame.
- 17 He that speaketh truth sheweth forth righteousness:
But a false witness ° deceit.
- 18 There is that speaketh ° like the ° piercings of a sword:
But the ° tongue of the wise ° is health.
- 19 The ° lip of truth shall be established for ever:
But a lying tongue is ° but for a moment.
- 20 ° Deceit is in the heart of them that imagine ¹² evil:
But to the counsellors of peace is joy.
- 21 There shall ° no evil happen to ¹³ the just:
But ° the wicked shall be filled with ° mischief.
- 22 Lying ¹⁹ lips are ° abomination to ² the LORD:
But ° they that deal truly are His delight.
- 23 A prudent ³ man ° concealeth knowledge:
But the heart of ° fools proclaimeth ¹⁵ foolishness.
- 24 The hand of the diligent ° shall bear rule:
But the slothful shall be under tribute.
- 25 ° Heaviness in the heart of man maketh it ° stoop:
But a good word ° maketh it glad.
- 26 ° The righteous ° is more excellent than his neighbour:
But the way of ° the wicked ° seduceth them.
- 27 The slothful man ° roasteth not that which he took in hunting:
But the ° substance of a diligent ³ man is precious.
- 28 In the way of righteousness is ° life;
And in the pathway thereof there is ° no death.

11 shall be satisfied. Illustrations: Isaac (Gen. 26. 12); Jacob (Gen. 31. 40; 32. 10).
he that followeth, &c. Illustrations: Abimelech's followers (Judg. 9. Cp. Prov. 24. 21); Theudas (Acts 5. 36, 37).

understanding. Heb. "heart", put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for sense. Sept. adds: "He that delighteth himself in the drinking of wine shall leave his own stronghold a disgrace."

12 The wicked = a lawless one.
the net. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for what is caught in it.

of evil men: i. e. which evil men use.
evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii: not the same word as in vv. 13, 21.

yieldeth = giveth [to others]: i. e. instead of taking them as prey.

13 The wicked = an evil man. Heb. *rā'a'*. Same word as "evil" in v. 12.

transgression. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix.
lips. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for what is spoken by them. Illustrations: Korah (Num. 16. 1-3, 31-35. Ps. 64. 8); the Amalekite (2 Sam. 1. 2-16); Adonijah (1 Kings 2. 23); Daniel's accusers (Dan. 6. 24); Jews (Matt. 27. 25).

the just = a righteous one.
shall come out, &c. Illustrations: Joshua and Caleb (Num. 14. 10, 24, 30); Esther and her People (Est. 7. 3; 8. 3-17; 9. 25); Peter (Acts 11. 2-18; 12. 3-18).

15 fool. Heb. *'ēvil*. See note on 1. 7.

16 is = letteth itself be.
presently = immediately, at once, the same day. Illustrations: Jehoram (2 Kings 6. 31); Jezebel (1 Kings 19. 1, 2); Nebuchadnezzar (Dan. 3. 19); synagogue at Nazareth (Luke 4. 28).

covereth = concealeth.
shame = public ignominy. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6, put for the affront which causes it. Illustrations: Gideon (Judg. 8. 2, 3. Cp. 8. 1); Hezekiah (Isa. 36. 21. Cp. Prov. 26. 4); David (1 Sam. 17. 29, 30. Cp. v. 28); Saul (1 Sam. 10. 27. Cp. 20. 30-33).

18 like the piercings, &c. Illustrations: Saul (1 Sam. 20. 30; and 18. 21. Cp. Ps. 57. 4, and Prov. 16. 27); Doeg (1 Sam. 22. 9-19); Jews (John 8. 48); Jeremiah (Lam. 3. 14. Heb. 11. 36).

piercings = stabs. Occurs only here.
tongue. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for what is spoken by it.

is health. Illustrations: Jethro (Ex. 18. 17-26); Abigail (1 Sam. 25. 24-33); the woman (2 Sam. 20. 16); Stephen (Acts 7. 59. Cp. 22. 20).

19 lip. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for what is spoken. Illustration: Caleb and Joshua (Num. 14. 30, 38).

but for a moment. Illustrations: Ahab (1 Kings 22. 30, 37; Hananiah (Jer. 28. 2, 11. Cp. vv. 15-17); Gehazi (2 Kings 5. 22, 25, 27. Prov. 10. 9); Ananias (Acts 5. 5, 10. Prov. 21. 6).

21 no evil = nothing in vain. Heb. *'āven*. Ap. 44. iii. mischief. Heb. *rā'a'*. Same word as "evil" in vv. 12, 20.

22 abomination, &c. See note on 3. 32.
they that deal truly are, &c. Some codices, with Sept., read "is" (sing.) = he that dealeth, &c.

23 concealeth knowledge. Illustrations: Samuel (1 Sam. 9. 27. Cp. 10. 16); Nehemiah (Neh. 6. 2, 3).
fools. Heb. *kā'sil*. See note on 1. 7. Not the same

word as in vv. 15, 16. 24 shall bear rule. Illustrations: Eleazar (Gen. 24. 2, 10); Joseph (Gen. 39. 4, 22); Jeroboam (1 Kings 11. 28).

25 Heaviness = Anxiety (fem.). stoop = bowed down. Illustrations: Ezra (Ezra 9. 3-10. 6); Nehemiah (Neh. 1. 4); David (Ps. 40. 12); Jeremiah (Jer. 8. 18). maketh, &c. = maketh [the man] glad [by driving it (fem.), the anxiety (fem.), away].

26 the righteous = a righteous one. seduceth them = leadeth them astray. The clauses are not "unrelated", nor is the text "corrupt beyond restoration", when properly translated.

27 roasteth not, &c. = starteth not his game (see the Oxford Gesenius). substance: i. e. that which the diligent man "starts" and obtains is substantial. The proverb is not "humorous". 28 life: i. e. life eternal. See note on Lev. 18. 5. no death = immortality. Or take *nethēb.ih* (as in Judg. 5. 6. Isa. 59. 8) as denoting, with *derek*, no devious winding by-path. In this case we must read 'el, "to", instead of 'al, "no". This avoids the necessity of the italics.

X³
(p. 878)

- 13** A wise son *heareth* his father's ° instruction:
But a scorner *heareth* not rebuke.
2 A ° man shall ° eat good by the fruit of his mouth:
But the ° soul of the ° transgressors shall eat violence.
3 He that keepeth his mouth keepeth his ° life:
But he that openeth wide his lips shall have destruction.
4 The ° soul of the sluggard desireth, and hath nothing:
But the ° soul of ° the diligent shall be made fat.
5 A righteous man ° hateth lying:
But a ° wicked man is loathsome, and ° cometh to shame.
6 Righteousness keepeth him that is upright in the way:
But ° wickedness ° overthroweth ° the sinner.
7 There is that ° maketh himself rich, yet hath nothing:
There is that ° maketh himself ° poor, yet hath great riches.
8 The ° ransom of a ° man's ° life are his riches:
But ° the ° poor *heareth* not rebuke.
9 The light of ° the righteous ° rejoiceth:
But the ° lamp of ° the ° wicked shall be ° put out.
10 Only ° by pride cometh contention:
But with the ° well advised is wisdom.
11 Wealth gotten by vanity shall be diminished:
But he that gathereth ° by labour shall increase.
12 Hope ° deferred ° maketh the heart ° sick:
But when the desire cometh, it is ° a tree of life.
13 Whoso despiseth ° the word ° shall be destroyed:
But he that feareth the commandment ° shall be rewarded.
14 The law of ° the wise is a fountain of life,
To depart from the snares of death.
15 Good understanding ° giveth favour:
But the way of ° transgressors is ° hard.
16 Every prudent man dealeth with knowledge:
But a ° fool layeth open his ° folly.
17 A ° wicked messenger falleth into ° mischief:
But a faithful ambassador is ° health.
18 ° Poverty and shame shall be to him that refuseth instruction:
But he that regardeth reproof shall be honoured.
19 The desire accomplished is sweet to the ° soul:
But it is abomination to ° fools to depart from ° evil.
20 He that walketh with wise men ° shall be wise:
But ° a companion of ° fools ° shall be destroyed.

13. 1-25 (X³, p. 878). WITH REFERENCE TO TEMPORAL AND ETERNAL GOOD.

- 1** instruction = correction, or discipline.
2 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. ii.
eat - get his food: "eat" being put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6, for what is gained by effort.
soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.
transgressors = traitors, faithless ones. Heb. *bāgad*, as in v. 15; 2. 22; 11. 3, 6; 16. 10; 21. 18, &c.
3 life = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.
4 the diligent = diligent ones.
5 hateth lying. Illustrations: Joseph (Gen. 46. 31-34); Samuel (1 Sam. 3. 18); Micah (1 Kings 22. 13, 14; Prov. 14. 5); Elihu (Job 32. 22); Hezekiah (Ps. 119. 29, 163); David (Ps. 101. 7); Agur (Prov. 30. 8); Jeremiah (Jer. 26. 1-15); John Baptist (Matt. 14. 4).
wicked = lawless one. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.
cometh to shame. Illustrations: Jehoram (2 Chron. 21. 18, 19); Gehazi (2 Kings 5. 27. Prov. 20. 17); Jezebel (2 Kings 9. 35); Manasseh (2 Kings 21. 7-13. Prov. 17. 15); Herod (Acts 12. 21-23).
6 wickedness = lawlessness. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.
overthroweth = subverteth.
the sinner = the sin offering. Heb. *chātā'* = sin. Always so rendered in Leviticus. Ap. 43. II. v.
7 maketh himself rich: i.e. or pretendeth to be rich. Heb. 'āshar. The Hithpael occurs only here.
poor = needy. Heb. *rūsh*. See note on 6. 11.
8 ransom = covering. Heb. *kopher*.
the poor, &c.: i.e. poor [becometh he that] heeded not rebuke.
9 the righteous = righteous ones.
lamp . . . put out. May mean that his family or line will become extinct. the wicked = lawless ones.
10 by pride cometh contention = by pride only cometh, &c. Illustrations: Korah (Num. 16); men of Ephraim (Judg. 12. 1-6); Rehoboam (1 Kings 12); the Apostles (Luke 22. 24). well advised: or modest.
11 by labour = by the hand: "hand" being put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the labour effected by it.
12 deferred = protracted.
maketh . . . sick = enfeebleth. Illustrations: Abraham (Gen. 15. 2, 3); David (Ps. 42. 1-3); the Jews (Lam. 4. 17); the two disciples (Luke 24. 17, 21).
a tree of life. See Gen. 2. 9.
13 the word. Heb. *dābar* (no Art.). Ap. 73. x.
shall be destroyed. Illustrations: the world (Gen. 6. 1 Pet. 3. 20. 2 Pet. 2. 6); Israel (Deut. 28. 15-68); the lord (2 Kings 7. 2, 17-20); Joash (2 Chron. 24. 17-25); Amaziah (2 Chron. 25. 16-27. Prov. 15. 32); the priests and others (2 Chron. 36. 16); Jehoiakim (Jer. 26. 20-24); the Jews (Jer. 44. 17, 27).
shall be rewarded. Illustrations: Pharaoh's servants (Ex. 9. 20, 25); Amaziah (2 Chron. 25. 6-11); Ebed-melech (Jer. 39. 15-18). Contrast Josiah (2 Chron. 34. 27, 30) with Jehoiakim his son (Jer. 36. 23-30; 22. 18, 19).
14 the wise = a wise one.
15 giveth favour. Illustrations: Abraham (Gen. 23. 10, 11); Joseph (Gen. 39. 2); Joshua (Josh. 6. 27); David (1 Sam. 18. 14); Abigail (1 Sam. 25. 3, 18-34); Daniel (Dan. 1. 8, 9; 6. 3); Samuel (1 Sam. 2. 26. Prov. 22. 1).
hard = rough. This meaning may be substituted for its usual rendering "strong". See Gen. 49. 24. Ex. 14. 27. Num. 24. 21. Jer. 5. 15. Amos 5. 24. Mic. 6. 2, &c. Heb. 'ēythān.
16 fool. Heb. *kēṣil*. See note on 1. 7.
folly. Heb. 'ēvil. See note on 1. 7. Illustrations: Balaam (Num. 22. 29, 30); Ahasuerus (Est. 3. 10-15); Herod (Matt. 14. 7. Mark 6. 23).
17 mischief. Heb. *rā'a'*. Same word as "evil" in v. 19. Ap. 44. viii.
18 poverty. See note on "poor", v. 7.
19 fools. Heb. *kēṣil*. See note on 1. 7. But some codices, with Sept. and Syr., read "lawless".
20 shall be wise. Illustrations: Uzziah (2 Chron. 26. 5); Joash (2 Chron. 24. 2); Ruth (1. 16); Elisha (2 Kings 2. 9); Andrew (John 1. 40, 41); Nathanael (John 1. 45-51).
a companion, &c.: or he that feedeth (or entertaineth) fools shall be bankrupt.
shall be destroyed = shall be broken.

health = healing. Cp. 12. 18.

18 Poverty. See note on "poor", v. 7.

20 shall be wise. Illustrations: Uzziah (2 Chron. 26. 5); Joash (2 Chron. 24. 2); Ruth (1. 16); Elisha (2 Kings 2. 9); Andrew (John 1. 40, 41); Nathanael (John 1. 45-51).

feedeth (or entertaineth) fools shall be bankrupt.

19 fools. Heb. *kēṣil*. See

evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

a companion, &c.: or he that shall be destroyed = shall be broken.

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- 21 ¹⁹ Evil pursueth ⁶ sinners :
But to ⁹ the righteous good shall be repayed.
- 22 A ^o good man leaveth ^o an inheritance to
his ^o children's children :
And the wealth of the ⁶ sinner is laid up
for the just.
- 23 Much food is ^o in the tillage of the ⁷ poor :
But there is *that* is destroyed for want of
judgment.
- 24 He that ^o spareth his rod hateth his son :
But he that loveth him ^o chasteneth him
betimes.
- 25 ^o The righteous eateth to the satisfying of
his ² soul :
But the belly of ⁹ the ⁵ wicked shall want.

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- 14 Every ^o wise woman ^o buildeth her house :
But ^o the foolish ^o plucketh it down with
her hands.
- 2 He that walketh in his uprightness fear-
eth ^o the LORD :
But *he that* is perverse in ^o his ways de-
spiseth Him.
- 3 In the ^o mouth of ¹ the foolish is a rod ^o of
pride :
But the ^o lips of the wise shall ^o preserve
them.
- 4 Where no ^o oxen *are*, the crib is clean :
But much increase is by the strength of
the ox.
- 5 ^o A faithful witness will not lie :
But a false witness will utter lies.
- 6 A scorner ^o seeketh wisdom, ^o and *findeth*
it not :
But knowledge is easy unto him that
^o understandeth.
- 7 Go from the presence of a ^o foolish ^o man,
^o When thou perceivest not *in him* the
lips of knowledge.
- 8 The ^o wisdom of ^o the prudent ^o is to under-
stand his way :
But the ¹ folly of ⁷ fools is ^o deceit.
- 9 ¹ Fools ^o make a mock at ^o sin :
But among ^o the righteous *there is* ^o favour.
- 10 The heart knoweth ^o his own bitterness ;
And ^o a stranger doth not intermeddle
with his joy.
- 11 The house of ^o the wicked shall be over-
thrown :
But the ^o tabernacle of ^o the upright shall
flourish.
- 12 There is a way which ^o seemeth right unto
a ⁷ man,
But the end thereof ^o are the ways of death.
- 13 Even in laughter the heart ^o is sorrowful ;
And the end of that mirth is heaviness.

22 good. Fig. *Anadiplosis* (Ap. 6). Heb. text v. 21 ends with "good", which is repeated at the beginning of v. 22.
an inheritance. Not necessarily wealth ; but a good name, &c.
children's=sons'. Illustrations : Jacob (Gen. 48. 15, 16, 20); Caleb (Num. 14. 24. Josh. 14. 14).
23 in the tillage of, &c. : i. e. with Jehovah's blessing.
24 spareth = withholdeth. Illustrations : Eli (1 Sam. 3. 13; 4. 11); David (2 Sam. 13. 39; 14. 25. 1 Kings 1. 6).
chasteneth him betimes = carefully seeketh correction (or discipline) for him : or, seeketh early, &c.

14. 1-35 (X⁴, p. 878). WITH REFERENCE TO WISE AND FOOLISH, RICH AND POOR, &c.

1 wise. Heb. *chokmoth* (see note on 1. 2), wisdoms, pl. (with verb in sing.) for emphasis. Fig. *Hypallage* (Ap. 6) = the true wisdom of women, which is put for the wise woman. The word is pointed as an Adjective by mistake. See notes on 1. 20; 9. 1; 14. 1.
buildeth = has built. Preterite tense, implying the outcome of past wisdom.
the foolish = a foolish woman. Heb. 'evil. Same word as in vv. 3, 8, 9, 17, 18, 24, 29. Not the same word as in vv. 7, 8, 16, 24.
plucketh it down = will tear it down : future, because folly's present course is continuous to the end.
2 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
his ways. It may mean Jehovah's ways : i. e. he who turns out of His ways becomes an apostate, like the "strange" woman.
3 mouth. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for what is spoken by it.
of pride. Gen. of Possession, "pride's sceptre". See Ap. 17 (3). On the one side, we have "pride", prating, and punishment; on the other side, prudence, piety, and preservation.
lips. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for what is spoken by them.
preserve = guard.
4 oxen. While these were multiplied, horses were prohibited.
5 A faithful witness, &c. See Matt. 26. 60, 61; Rev. 1. 5.
6 seeketh = every scorner hath sought repeatedly. Note the past tense.
and findeth it not. Illustrations : the Pharisees (John 9. 29. Cp. 7. 52, and 1 Cor. 2. 14); Jews (Acts 13. 41, 45); Athenians (1 Cor. 1. 23; 2. 8).
understandeth = is discerning. Illustration : Ethiopian (Acts 8. 27-39).
7 foolish. Heb. *k'g'il*. See note on 1. 7. Same word as in vv. 16, 33; not the same word as in vv. 1, 3, 9, 17, 18, 29.
man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.
When thou perceivest not = "And acknowledge not". Heb. *yāda'*, to know, as in vv. 10, 33, &c.
8 wisdom. Heb. *chokma*. See note on 1. 2.
the prudent = a prudent one. See note on "subtil", Gen. 3. 1.

is to understand. Not to vainly speculate about it, or to pry into the ways of others. deceit = lying. Heb. *rāmah*. See note on 11. 18. 9 make a mock. The verb is singular, and probably the pl. "fools" means "A great fool makes a mock", &c. sin = guilt. The proper name for the trespass offering. Heb. 'āshām (Ap. 44. ii.). Illustrations : the antediluvians (Luke 17. 26, 27. 1 Pet. 3. 20); Abner (2 Sam. 2. 14-17); Haman (Est. 3. 13-15. Prov. 29. 2); the Jews (Isa. 22. 13). the righteous = upright ones. favour. Those who offer the trespass offering, experience the Divine favour. 10 his own bitterness = the bitterness of his soul (Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13). Illustrations : Hannah (1 Sam. 1. 8-13); Joab (2 Sam. 19. 5-7); the Shunammite (2 Kings 4. 27); Haman (Est. 5. 13); Job (Job 3); Herod (Mark 6. 16). a stranger = an apostate. Heb. *zūr*. See note on 2. 16; 5. 3. 11 the wicked = lawless ones. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x. See notes on v. 32. tabernacle = tent, or dwelling. Heb. 'ohel. Ap. 40. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the dwellers therein. the upright = upright ones (as in v. 9). 12 seemeth right = is pleasing. It only "seems" right. Illustrations : Jeroboam (1 Kings 12. 27-33; 14. 7-11. Cp. Prov. 3. 7); Josiah (2 Chron. 35. 20-24); Jews (Acts 13. 50; John 16. 2. Cp. Paul, Phil. 3. 4-7, and 1 Tim. 1. 13). are = is. 13 is : i. e. may be. Illustrations : Nabal (1 Sam. 25. 36, 37); Solomon (Ecc. 2. 2); Belshazzar (Dan. 5. 1-6, 30); Israelites (Amos 6. 3-7); Babylon (Rev. 18. 7, 8).

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- 14 The backslider in heart shall be °filled with his own ways:
And a good °man shall be satisfied °from himself.
- 15 The simple believeth every °word:
But °the prudent man looketh well to his going.
- 16 A wise man feareth, and departeth from °evil:
But the °fool °rageth, and is °confident.
- 17 He that is soon angry dealeth °foolishly:
And a °man of °wicked devices is hated.
- 18 The simple inherit °folly:
But °the °prudent are crowned with knowledge.
- 19 °The evil bow before the good;
And °the wicked at the gates of °the righteous.
- 20 °The poor is hated even of his own neighbour:
But °the rich hath many friends.
- 21 He that despiseth his neighbour °sinneth:
But he that °hath mercy on °the poor, °happy is he.
- 22 Do they not err that devise °evil?
But °mercy and truth shall be to them that devise good.
- 23 In all labour there is profit:
But the talk of the lips tendeth only to penury.
- 24 The crown of the wise is their riches:
But the °foolishness of °fools is °folly.
- 25 A true witness delivereth °souls:
But a °deceitful witness speaketh lies.
- 26 In °the fear of °the LORD is °strong confidence:
And His °children shall have a place of refuge.
- 27 °The fear of °the LORD is a fountain of life,
To °depart from the snares of death.
- 28 In the multitude of people is the king's honour:
But in the want of people is the destruction of the prince.
- 29 He that is slow to wrath is of great °understanding:
But he that is °hasty of °spirit exalteth °folly.
- 30 A sound heart is the life of the flesh:
But envy the rottenness of the bones.
- 31 He that oppresseth °the poor reproacheth °his Maker:
But he that honoureth Him °hath mercy on °the poor.
- 32 °The wicked is °driven away in his °wickedness:
But °the righteous °hath hope in his death.
- 33 °Wisdom resteth in the heart of him that hath understanding:
°But that which is in the midst of °fools is made known.
- 34 Righteousness °exalteth a nation:
°But °sin is a reproach to any °people.
- 35 The king's favour is toward a wise servant:
But his wrath is against him that causeth shame.

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- 15 A soft answer °turneth away wrath:
But °grievous words stir up anger.
- 2 The tongue of °the wise useth knowledge aright:

- 14 filled = satisfied.
from himself. Ginsburg thinks, "from his own doings." Cp. Jer. 17. 10.
- 15 word: or thing. 16 evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. See Ap. 44. viii. rageth - rusheth on. confident. Heb. *batah*. Ap. 69. i.
- 17 wicked devices = deep schemes or intrigues.
18 the prudent = prudent ones.
- 19 The evil = evil ones. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii. the righteous = a righteous one.
- 20 The poor = A needy one. Heb. *rūsh*. See note on 6. 11. the rich = a rich man.
- 21 sinneth. Heb. *chāta'*. hath mercy on = is gracious to. the poor = an afflicted one. Heb. *'ānāh*. See note on 6. 11. happy. See note on 3. 13.
- 22 mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.
23 souls. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.
- 26 the fear of the LORD. See note on 1. 7. strong confidence. Illustrations: Abraham (Gen. 22. 3-10. Heb. 11. 19); David (1 Sam. 30. 6); Hezekiah (2 Chron. 32. 7, 8, 22); Shadrach and others (Dan. 3. 17, 25, 27. Isa. 43. 2); Habakkuk (Hab. 3. 17-19); Peter (Acts 12. 6. Prov. 3. 24); Paul (2 Tim. 4. 6-8). children = sons. 27 depart from = avoid.
- 29 understanding = discernment. Heb. *l'bināh*. See note on 1. 2. hasty of spirit. Illustrations: Rehoboam (1 Kings 12. Cp. v. 16, above); Jehoram (2 Kings 5. 7); Jonah (Jonah 4. 8, 9); Martha (Luke 10. 40). spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.
- 31 the poor = a weak one. Heb. *dal*. See note on 6. 11. his Maker. An ancient title found in the book of Job (Job 35. 10), also in Prov. 17. 5; just as we speak of the "Creator". Used here because He is the Maker of the weak as well as the strong. We meet with it again in Isa. 17. 7; 51. 13; 54. 5. Not "confined to the later literature of Judaism". the poor = a humble one. Heb. *'ebyōn*. See note on 6. 11.
- 32 The wicked = A lawless one. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x. driven away in his wickedness = thrust down in his evil-doing. Illustrations: Dathan (Num. 16. 33); Israel (Ex. 32. 28. 1 Cor. 10. 7); Balaam (Num. 31. 8, 10. Rev. 2. 14). Canaanites (Josh. 2. 9; 5. 1; 10. Deut. 9. 5); Hophni and Phinehas (1 Sam. 4. 11); Baal's prophets (1 Kings 18. 40); Belshazzar (Dan. 5. 2-6, 30). wickedness = lawlessness, as above.
- hath hope in his death. Illustrations: Jacob (Gen. 49. 18); Joseph (Gen. 50. 24, 25. Heb. 11. 22); David (2 Sam. 23. 5. Ps. 17. 15); Stephen (Acts 7. 55, 60); Paul (2 Tim. 4. 6-8); Peter (2 Pet. 1. 14, 16; 3. 13).
33. But, &c. The verb being fem. may refer to "wisdom". If so we may render "and [even] in the midst of fools will make itself known".
- 34 exalteth ... But, &c. Illustrations: Deut. 4. 6; 28; 1 Kings 9. 7-9; 2 Chron. 15. 3, 5, 6; cp. Josh. 1. 8; 10. 42; 23. 14 with Judg. 1; 2, &c.; cp. 2 Chron. 17. 2-5, 10, 11, and 2 Kings 18. 7 with 2 Kings 16. Cp. the Canaanites (Lev. 18. 24-30); Egypt (Ex. 12. 12. Ezek. 29. 1-15); Amalekites (Ex. 17. 16. 1 Sam. 15); Babylon (Isa. 14. 4, 23. Isa. 47. 6, 15); Moab (Isa. 16. 6, 7); Tyre (Ezek. 28. 2-8. Isa. 23. 1, 9); Nineveh (Zeph. 2. 13-15). people = peoples.

15. 1-32 (X⁵, p. 878). WITH REFERENCE TO OTHER RELATIONS IN THE RELIGIOUS SPHERE.

- 1 turneth away wrath. Illustrations: Aaron (Lev. 10. 16-20); Reubenites (Josh. 22. 15-34); Gideon (Judg. 8. 1-3. Prov. 15. 18); Hannah (1 Sam. 1. 15, 17); Abigail (1 Sam. 25. 23, &c.).
- grievous = bitter, cutting, violent, &c. Illustrations: the Ephraimites (Judg. 12. 1-4); men of Israel and Judah (2 Sam. 19. 41-43. Prov. 30. 33); Saul and Jonathan (1 Sam. 20. 30-34); Rehoboam (2 Chron. 10. 13-16. Prov. 26. 21); Eliphaz (Job 22. 5, &c.); Paul and Barnabas (Acts 15. 39).
- 2 the wise, &c. = wise ones will use.

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- But the mouth of °fools poureth out °foolishness.
- 3 The eyes of °the LORD are °in every place, °Beholding °the evil and °the good.
- 4 °A wholesome tongue is a °tree of life: But perverseness therein is a breach in the °spirit.
- 5 °A fool despiseth his father's instruction: But he that regardeth reproof is °prudent.
- 6 In the house of °the righteous is much °treasure: But in the revenues of °the wicked is trouble.
- 7 The lips of the wise disperse knowledge: But the heart of the °foolish doeth not so.
- 8 The sacrifice of °the wicked °is an abomination to °the LORD: But the prayer of °the upright is His delight.
- 9 The way of °the wicked °is an abomination unto °the LORD: But He loveth him that followeth after righteousness.
- 10 Correction °is grievous unto him that forsaketh the way: And he that hateth reproof shall die.
- 11 °Hell and destruction are before °the LORD: How much more then the hearts of the °children of °men?
- 12 A scorner °loveth not one that reproveth him: Neither will he go unto the wise.
- 13 A °merry heart maketh a cheerful countenance: But by sorrow of the heart the °spirit is broken.
- 14 The heart of him that hath °understanding °seeketh knowledge: But the mouth of °fools feedeth on °foolishness.
- 15 All the days of the °afflicted are °evil: But he that is of a °merry heart hath a continual feast.
- 16 °Better is little with °the fear of °the LORD Than great treasure and trouble therewith.
- 17 °Better is a dinner of herbs where love is, Than a stalled ox and hatred therewith.
- 18 A wrathful °man stirreth up °strife: But he that is slow to anger appeaseth strife.
- 19 The way of the slothful man is as an hedge of thorns: But the way of °the righteous is °made plain.
- 20 A wise son maketh a glad father: But a foolish °man despiseth his mother.
- 21 °Folly is joy to him that is destitute of °wisdom: But a °man of °understanding walketh uprightly.
- 22 Without counsel purposes are disappointed: But in the multitude of °counsellors °they are established.
- 23 A °man hath joy by the answer of his mouth: And a word spoken °in due season, how good is it!
- 24 The way of life is °above to °the wise, That he may depart from °hell beneath.
- 25 °The LORD will destroy the house of the proud: But He will establish the °border of the widow.
- fools. Heb. *k'gîl*. See note on 1. 7.
- foolishness. Heb. *'ēvil*. See note on 1. 7.
- 3 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. in every place. Note the different places in the illustrations following:
- Beholding = taking note, or observing. Illustrations: Adam (Gen. 3. 8, 9); Hagar (Gen. 16. 7, 13); Ethiopian (Acts 8. 29); Abraham (Gen. 22. 11, 15-18); Jacob (Gen. 28. 11-16; 46. 1-4); Joseph (Gen. 39. 21); Achan (Josh. 7. 10-18); Solomon (2 Chron. 7. 1-3, 12-16); David (Ps. 139. 7-13); Asa (2 Chron. 14. 11, 12); Jehoshaphat (2 Chron. 18. 31); Ahab (1 Kings 22. 34, 35); Hezekiah (2 Kings 20. 5, 13-18); Manasseh (2 Chron. 33. 12, 13); Ezekiel (Ezek. 3. 22); Nebuchadnezzar (Dan. 4. 29, 32); Belshazzar (Dan. 5. 5); Jonah (Jonah 2. 10); Nathanael (John 1. 48); Stephen (Acts 7. 55); Peter (Acts 10. 9-16); Herod (Acts 12. 23); Lydia (Acts 16. 13, 14); Paul (Acts 27. 23, 24. 2 Tim. 4. 17); the wedding guests (Matt. 22. 11-13. 1 Cor. 11. 28).
- the evil = evil ones. Heb. *nā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.
- the good = good ones.
- 4 A wholesome tongue = Gentleness of tongue. tree of life. See Gen. 2. 9; 3. 22, 24. Cp. Prov. 3. 18. Ezek. 27. 12. Rev. 22. 2, and notes there.
- spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.
- 5 A fool. Heb. *'ēvil*. See note on 1. 7.
- prudent. Sept. adds: "In abounding righteousness is great strength, but the ungodly will perish root and branch."
- 6 the righteous = a righteous one. treasure. Heb. "strength", put by Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the treasures procured by it. the wicked = a lawless one. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x. In v. 8 it is plural. Not the same word as in v. 26.
- 7 foolish. Heb. *k'gîl*. See note on 1. 7.
- 8 the wicked = lawless ones. is an abomination, &c. See note on 3. 32. Illustrations: Cain (Gen. 4. 5. Heb. 11. 4); Saul (1 Sam. 15. 22, 23); Jews (Isa. 1. 11-15; 66. 3).
- the upright = upright ones.
- 10 is grievous, &c. Illustrations: Asa (2 Chron. 16. 10); Jews (John 7. 7; 8. 23, 40).
- 11 Hell = the grave. Heb. *Sh'ol*. Ap. 35.
- children = sons. men. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.
- 12 loveth not, &c. Illustrations: Ahab (2 Chron. 18. 7. Prov. 17. 4); the Jews (Amos 5. 10); Pharisees (Luke 7. 30); cp. Matt. 5. 7. Prov. 12. 1).
- 13 merry = joyful, or glad.
- 14 understanding. Heb. *bināh* (1. 2). Same word as in v. 21, but not in v. 32.
- seeketh knowledge. Illustrations: Solomon (1 Kings 3. 5-10. Prov. 19. 8); Queen of Sheba (1 Kings 10. Matt. 12. 42); Mary (Luke 10. 39); Nicodemus (John 3. 1, 2); the Ethiopian (Acts 8. 28); the Bereans (Acts 17. 11).
- 15 afflicted. Heb. *'ānāh*. See note on "poverty", 6. 11. evil = sad. Same word as in v. 3. merry = good.
- 16 Better. See note on 8. 11. Illustrations: the shepherds (Luke 2. 20. Cp. Matt. 2. 3); Paul in prison (Phil. 4. 11, 13, 18. 1 Tim. 6. 6). Contrast Ahab in palace (1 Kings 21. 4). Jehovah is a substitute for every good thing, but nothing is a substitute for Him.
- the fear of the LORD. See note on 1. 7.
- 18 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.
- strife = contention, or discord.
- 19 the righteous = upright ones. made plain = a raised road. Illustration: Eleazar (Gen. 24. 12, 26, 27, 52. Ps. 37. 23).
- 21 wisdom. Heb. *lēb* = "heart", put by Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the knowledge it should possess. See note on 1. 2.
- 22 counsellors. But they must be "counsellors", they are. Aram., Sept., and Syr. read "counsel is".
- 23 in due season = in its season.
- 24 above = upward.
- the wise = a skilful one. Heb. *sākal*. See note on 1. 2.
- 25 border = landmark. Note the contrast with "house".

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26 The thoughts of °the wicked are an
°abomination to °the LORD:

But the words of the pure are pleasant
words.

27 He that is greedy of gain troubleth his
own house;

But he that hateth °gifts shall live.

28 The heart of °the righteous studieth to
answer:

But the mouth of °the wicked poureth out
°evil things.

29 °The LORD is far from °the wicked:

But He heareth the prayer of °the righteous.

30 The light of the eyes rejoiceth the heart:
And a good report maketh the bones fat.

31 The ear that heareth the reproof °of life
Abideth among the wise.

32 He that refuseth °instruction despiseth his
own °soul:

But he that heareth reproof °getteth under-
standing.

33 ¹⁶The fear of °the LORD is the ³²instruction
of °wisdom;

And °before honour is humility.

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16 The °preparations of the heart in °man,
And the °answer of the °tongue, is from
°the LORD.

2 All the ways of a °man are °clean in his
°own eyes;

But °the LORD °weigheth °the spirits.

3 Commit thy works unto °the LORD,
And thy °thoughts °shall be established.

4 °The LORD hath made all things for
°Himself:

Yea, even °the wicked for the day of °evil.

5 Every one that is proud in heart is an
°abomination to °the LORD:

Though °hand join in °hand, he shall not
be °unpunished.

6 By °mercy and truth °iniquity is °purged:
And by °the fear of °the LORD men depart
from °evil.

7 When a °man's ways please °the LORD,
He maketh even his enemies to be at peace
with him.

8 °Better is a little with righteousness
Than great revenues without right.

9 A °man's heart °deviseth his way:

But °the LORD °directeth his steps.

10 °A divine sentence is in the °lips of the king:
His mouth °transgresseth not in judgment.

11 A just weight and balance are °the LORD'S:
All the weights of the bag are His °work.

12 It is an abomination to kings to commit
°wickedness:

For the throne is established by righteous-
ness.

17. 45; 30. 8-19. 2 Sam. 5. 19-25; Ezra (Ezra 8. 21-23, 31, 32). Esther (Est. 4. 14-17; 8. 15-17); Daniel (Dan. 6. 10. Ps. 37. 4-6). 4 Himself. Same word as "answer" (v. 1)=His decree, or His own end. See note on v. 1. the wicked=a lawless one. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x. evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii. 5 abomination, &c. See note on 3. 32. hand... hand. Easterns walk thus: Westerns walk arm in arm. unpunished=acquitted, or held innocent. 6 mercy=lovingkindness, or grace. iniquity. Heb. *āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv. purged=covered: i. e. by a propitiatory covering. the fear of the LORD. See note on 1. 7. 8 Better. See note on 8. 11. 9 deviseth his way. See notes on v. 1. directeth his steps. Illustrations: Joseph's brethren (Gen. 37. 18-28, and 45. 5); Pharaoh's daughter (Ex. 2. 5); Saul (1 Sam. 9. 3, 15, 16; 23. 26-28); Jesse (1 Sam. 16. 8-11; 17. 23, 53); Syrians (2 Kings 5. 2); Zacchæus (Luke 19. 4, 5, 9); woman (John 4. 7); Saul (Acts 9. 1, &c.); Philemon. 10 A divine sentence=an oracle. lips. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for what is uttered by them. transgresseth not: or, will not be unfaithful. 11 work=something made: i. e. His ordinance. Lev. 19. 36. Cp. Prov. 11. 1. The shekel was the shekel "of the sanctuary". 12 wickedness=lawlessness. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

26 the wicked=an evil-doer. Heb. *rā'a'*, same word as "evil" in v. 3. Ap. 44. viii.

27 gifts=bribes. Cp. 18. 1; 20. 21.

28 evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

29 the righteous=righteous ones.

31 of=tending or leading to. Gen. of Relation. See Ap. 17 (5).

32 instruction=correction, or discipline. See note on 1. 7.

soul. Heb. *nepesh*. Ap. 13. Illustrations: Dathan (Num. 16. 12-14, 31-33); Zedekiah (2 Chron. 36. 12; Jer. 39. 1-7); Nebuchadnezzar (Dan. 4. 27-33); Belshazzar (Dan. 5. 22-30); Jews (Matt. 23. 34-38); Gadarenes (Luke 8. 37).

getteth understanding=possesseth a heart. "Heart" put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for "sense". Illustrations: Job's friends (Job 42. 7-9); the woman (John 4. 17, &c.); two disciples (Luke 24. 25-32); Paul (Acts 9. 6-22).

33 wisdom. Heb. *chākmāh*. See note on 1. 2. before honour, &c. Illustrations: Joseph (Gen. 41. 16, 39, 40. Prov. 22. 4); Gideon (Judg. 6. 15); Hananiah (Neh. 7. 2); Daniel (Dan. 2. 30-48); Centurion (Matt. 8. 8, 10); Ephraim (Hos. 13. 1); John Baptist (John 1. 15, 30; 3. 30).

16. 1-19. 19 (U², p. 877). THE PIOUS AND UN-
GODLY WITH REFERENCE TO GOD. THEIR
LIFE AND ACTION. (Division.)

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1 preparations=arrangements or plans. The Ellipsis (Ap. 6) of the verb in the first clause must be supplied (as it is in the second clause): "To [5] man [pertain] the plans of his heart; but from [5] Jehovah [comes] the final decree." Cp. v. 9. May be well rendered "the last word" (cp. v. 4). See Ap. 74. Illustrations: Balaam (Num. 23. 11, 12; 24. 10-13. Josh. 24. 9, 10. Neh. 13. 2). Cp. Jer. 10. 23.

man=man. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I. answer. Heb. *ma'āneh*, from *ānāh*, which is a word of wide meaning. The noun occurs only eight times (Job 32. 3, 5. Prov. 15. 1, 23; 16. 1, 4; 20. 19. Mic. 3. 7). tongue. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for what is said by it. the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II. 2 man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II. clean=pure.

own eyes. Cp. 12. 15; 14. 12; 16. 25; 21. 2. Conscience is no safe guide, for it depends on what a man believes. Illustrations: Hazael (2 Kings 8. 13); Jehu (2 Kings 10. 16, 31); the Pharisee (Luke 18. 11-14); Paul (Acts 26. 9; cp. 9. 4. 1 Tim. 1. 13 and Rom. 7. 9).

weigheth. With moral and spiritual weights. the spirits=spirits (no Art.). Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

3 thoughts=plans. Cp. v. 1.

shall be established. Illustrations: Jacob (Gen. 32. 24-30; 46. 1-4); Ruth (Ruth 2. 12); David (1 Sam.

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- 13 Righteous lips *are* the delight of ° kings;
And ° they love him that speaketh right.
- 14 The wrath of a king *is as* ° messengers of death;
But a wise ° man will ° pacify it.
- 15 In the light of the king's countenance *is* life;
And his favour *is as a* ° cloud of the latter rain.
- 16 How much ° better *is it to get* ° wisdom than gold!
And to get ° understanding rather to be chosen than silver!
- 17 The highway of ° the upright *is to depart* from ° evil;
He that ° keepeth his way preserveth his ° soul.
- 18 ° Pride *goeth* before destruction,
And an haughty ° spirit before a fall.
- 19 ° Better *it is to be of* an humble ° spirit with the ° lowly,
Than to divide the spoil with the proud.
- 20 He that handleth a matter wisely shall find good;
And whoso ° trusteth in ° the LORD, ° happy *is* he.
- 21 The wise in ° heart shall be called prudent;
And the sweetness of the ° lips increaseth learning.
- 22 ° Understanding *is a wellspring of life* unto him that hath it;
But the instruction of ° fools *is* ° folly.
- 23 The ° heart of the wise ° teacheth his mouth,
And addeth learning to his ° lips.
- 24 Pleasant ° words *are as* an honeycomb,
Sweet to the ° soul, and ° health to the ° bones.
- 25 There *is a way that seemeth right* unto a ° man,
But the end thereof *are* the ways of death.
- 26 ° He that laboreth laboreth for himself;
For his ° mouth ° craveth it of him.
- 27 ° An ungodly ° man diggeth up ° evil;
And in his lips *there is* a burning fire.
- 28 A froward ° man ° soweth strife;
And a whisperer separateth chief friends.
- 29 A violent ° man enticeth his neighbour,
And leadeth him into the way *that is not* good.
- 30 He shutteth his eyes to devise froward things;
Moving his lips he bringeth ° evil to pass.
- 31 The ° hoary head *is a crown of glory*,
If it be found in the way of righteousness.
- 32 He *that is slow to anger is* ° better than ° the mighty;
And he that ruleth his ° spirit ° than he that taketh a city.
- 33 The ° lot is cast into the ° lap;
But ° the whole ° disposing thereof *is of* ° the LORD.

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- 17 ° Better *is a dry morsel, and quietness* therewith,
Than a house full of ° sacrifices with strife.
- 2 A wise servant shall have rule over a son that causeth shame,
And shall have part of the inheritance among the brethren.

- 13 kings. Some codices, with Sept., Aram., and Syr., read "a king".
they love, &c., or, kings love the words of uprightness.
- 14 messengers, &c. Illustrations: Benaiah (1 Kings 2. 25); Haman (Est. 7. 8-10). pacify it = get it covered.
- 15 cloud = heavy cloud, &c. Specially valuable, falling just before harvest.
- 16 wisdom. Heb. *chākmāh*. See note on 1. 2.
- understanding. Heb. *bināh*. See note on 1. 2.
- 17 the upright = upright ones.
keepeth = guardeth.
soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.
- 18 Pride goeth, &c. Illustrations: Asahel (2 Sam. 2. 18-23); Ben-hadad (1 Kings 20. 3, 11, 32); Babylon (Isa. 47. 10, 11); Azariah (Jer. 43. 2-11); Nebuchadnezzar (Dan. 4. 30, 31. Ps. 49. 11, 12); Edom (Obad. 3, 4); Herod Agrippa (Acts 12. 21-23).
- 19 lowly = wretched. Heb. *'anāh*. See note on 6. 11.
- 20 trusteth = confideth. Heb. *batāh*. Ap. 69. I. happy. See note on 3. 13.
- 21 heart. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for understanding or discernment.
- 22 Understanding. Heb. *sekel*. See note on 1. 2.
- fools . . . folly. Heb. *'ēvil*. See note on 1. 7.
- 23 teacheth = maketh wise. Illustrations: Eleazar (Gen. 24. 34-49); Jacob (47. 9); Peter (Acts 3. 12, &c.; 4. 19, &c.); Paul (Acts 13. 16-41; 14. 17; 17. 28; 17. 24, 25; 26. 2-27. Philem. 1 Tim. 1. 12-16).
- 24 words = sayings. Heb. *'imrah*. Ap. 73. v. health = healing. Cp. 6. 8.
- bones. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6, for whole body.
- 26 He that laboreth = the soul of him who labour-eth. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. mouth = appetite.
craveth it of him = urgeth him on.
- 27 An ungodly man = A man of Belial.
- 28 soweth = sendeth forth. Illustrations: Princes of Ammon (2 Sam. 10. 3); Ziba (2 Sam. 16. 3); Chaldeans (Dan. 3. 8-13); Herodias (Mark 6. 19, 20).
- 31 hoary head, &c. Illustrations: Jacob (Gen. 47. 9; 48. 1, &c.); Samuel (1 Sam. 12. 2-4; 25. 1); Barzillai (2 Sam. 19. 32, 37); Elisha (2 Kings 13. 14); Jehoiada (2 Chron. 24. 15, 16).
- 32 the mighty = a mighty one.
than he that taketh a city. Illustration: Jehoshaphat (1 Kings 22. 3, 4. Even if the city had been taken, which it was not).
- 33 lot = stone. See next note.
lap = bosom (17. 23; 21. 14). The reference is to the bag of the ephod, in which were the two stones by which Jehovah gave true judgment or decision. See notes on Ex. 28. 30. Num. 26. 55. Illustrations: Haman (Est. 3. 7); Jonah (Jonah 1. 7); apostles (Acts 1. 15-26).
the whole disposing = its every decision.
disposing = judgment. Heb. *mishpāt*, as in Num. 27. 21.

17. 1-28 (Y², p. 886). PERSONAL CONTENTMENT AND PEACE.

- 1 Better. See note on 8. 11.
sacrifices = slain beasts. Heb. *zebach*. Ap. 43. II. xii.
- 3 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
- trieth the hearts. Illustrations: Abraham (Gen. 22. 1); Israel (Deut. 8. 2); Hezekiah (2 Chron. 32. 31); Martha and Mary (John 11. 5, 6); young man (Matt. 19. 16-22); woman (Matt. 15. 23-28).
- 4 wicked = mischief maker. Heb. *rā'a*. Ap. 44. viii. liar. Heb. "lie". Text not "corrupt"; but "lie" is put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6, for the man who habitually lies: i. e. a liar is always ready to believe a lie. Illustrations: Ahab (1 Kings 22. 6); Jews (Isa. 30. 9-11. Jer. 5. 30, 31. Mic. 2. 11).

- 3 The fining pot *is for* silver, and the furnace for gold;
But ° the LORD ° trieth the hearts.
- 4 A ° wicked doer giveth heed to false lips;
And a ° liar giveth ear to a naughty tongue.

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- 5 Whoso ° mocketh ° the poor reproacheth his ° Maker:
And he that is glad at calamities shall not be ° unpunished.
- 6 ° Children's ° children are the crown of old men;
And the glory of ° children are their fathers.
- 7 Excellent ° speech becometh not a ° fool:
Much less do ° lying ° lips a prince.
- 8 A gift is as a precious stone in the eyes of ° him that hath it:
Whithersoever it turneth, it ° prospereth.
- 9 He that covereth a ° transgression seeketh love;
But he that repeateth a matter separateth ° very friends.
- 10 A reproof entereth more into a ° wise man,
Than an hundred stripes into a ° fool.
- 11 An ° evil man seeketh only rebellion:
Therefore a cruel messenger shall be sent against him.
- 12 Let ° a bear robbed of ° her whelps meet a ° man,
Rather than a ° fool in his ° folly.
- 13 Whoso rewardeth ° evil for good,
° Evil shall not depart from his house.
- 14 The ° beginning of strife is as ° when one letteth out water:
Therefore leave off contention, before it ° be meddled with.
- 15 He that ° justifieth ° the wicked, and he that condemneth ° the just,
Even they both are ° abomination to ° the LORD.
- 16 ° Wherefore is there a price in the hand of a ° fool to get ° wisdom,
Seeing he hath no ° heart to it?
- 17 A friend ° loveth at all times,
And a brother is born for adversity.
- 18 A man void of ° understanding striketh hands,
And becometh surety in the presence of his friend.
- 19 He loveth ° transgression that loveth strife:
And ° he that exalteth his gate seeketh destruction.
- 20 He that hath a froward heart findeth no good:
And he that hath a perverse tongue falleth into mischief.
- 21 He that begetteth a ° fool doeth it to his sorrow:
And the father of a ° fool hath no joy.
- 22 A merry heart doeth good like a medicine:
But a broken ° spirit drieth the bones.
- 23 A ° wicked man taketh a ° gift out of the ° bosom
To pervert the ways of judgment.
- 24 ° Wisdom is ° before him that hath understanding;
But the eyes of a ° fool are in the ends of the earth.
- 25 A ° foolish son is a grief to his father,
And bitterness to her that bare him.
- 26 Also to punish the just is not good,
Nor to strike princes for equity.
- 27 He that hath knowledge ° spareth his words:
And a ° man of ° understanding is of an ° excellent ° spirit.
- 28 Even a ° fool, when he holdeth his peace,
is counted ° wise:
And he that shutteth his lips is esteemed a ° man of ° understanding.
- 5 mocketh. Illustrations: princes of Judah (Isa. 3. 14, 15; 10. 1, 2. Jer. 84. 10, 11); rich (Jas. 5. 4). the poor = a needy one. Heb. *rūsh*. See note on 6. 11. Maker. See note on 14. 31. unpunished = held guiltless. Illustrations: Tyrians (Ezek. 26. 2-6); Edom (Obad. 10-15). 6 Children's = Sons'. 7 speech. Heb. "lip", put by Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6, for what is spoken by it. fool. Heb. *nabal*. See note on 1. 7. Not the same word as in vv. 10, 12, 16, 24, 25. lips. See above note. 8 him that hath it = its owner (the bribed, not the briber). prospereth = it sparkles. And he loves to look at it and keep it. Cp. "gift", v. 23. 9 transgression. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix. very friends = true friends. 10 wise man. Heb. *bināh*. See note on 1. 2. fool. Heb. *kēṣil*. See note on 1. 7. 11 evil = evil worker. Same word as "wicked", v. 4. 12 a bear = a he-bear (masc. because it is always construed with a masc. verb). her whelps = his mate. man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II. folly. Heb. *'ēvil*. See note on 1. 7. 14 beginning of strife. Illustrations: Ephraimites (Judg. 12. 1-6); Abner (2 Sam. 2. 14-17); Rehoboam (2 Chron. 10. 1-16); Jeroboam (2 Chron. 13. 17); the Twelve (Matt. 20. 24). when one letteth out = the letting loose (as by making a breach in a dam). be meddled with = gathereth volume. 15 justifieth the wicked, &c. Illustrations: the counsellors (Ezra 4. 1-16); Tertullus (Acts 24. 1-9); Ahab and Jezebel (1 Kings 21. 5-24). Note the Fig. Paronomasia (Ap. 6). *Mazdik rāshā' umarshā' zadik*, which may be Englished, "he who wrongs the right and rights the wrong". the wicked = a lawless one. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x. the just = a just one. abomination, &c. See note on 3. 32. 16 Wherefore is there a price, &c. = Why is this ready money in the hand of a fool to get wisdom when he has no sense? Illustrations: Israel (2 Chron. 30. 10); the Jews (Luke 4. 28); Herod Antipas (Luke 23. 11); Jews (John 5. 40; 8. 45); Athenians (Acts 17. 32, 33); Felix (Acts 24. 25-27); Agrippa (Acts 26. 28). wisdom. Heb. *chākmāh*. See note on 1. 2. heart. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Subject), Ap. 6, for the sense in it. 17 loveth at all times. Illustrations: Abraham (Gen. 14. 14. Cp. 13. 11); Joseph (Gen. 45. 5; 50. 21); Moses (Ex. 32. 11-13. Deut. 9. 18, 25-29. Cp. Acts 7. 40); Jonathan (1 Sam. 20. 33); Barzillai (2 Sam. 19. 32); Ahikam (Jer. 26. 24); Ebed-melech (Jer. 38. 7); Paul (Philem. 12, 20); Barnabas (Acts 9. 27); Aristarchus (Acts 19. 29; 20. 4; 27. 2. Philem. 24. Col. 4. 10); Luke (2 Tim. 4. 11); Epaphroditus (Phil. 2. 26). 18 man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I. understanding. Heb. "heart", put by Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the understanding in it. See note on 1. 2. 19 he that exalteth his gate, &c.: i.e. a rich man, who thus proclaimed his wealth (Eastern doors being generally low-pitched and uninviting), courted destruction. This explains 2 Kings 25. 9, where "every great man's house he (Nebuchadnezzar) burnt with fire". 21 fool. Heb. *nabal*, as in v. 7. 22 spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9. 23 gift = bribe. Cp. v. 8. This is the act of the briber, not the bribed. bosom = lap. See note on 16. 33. 24 before = is the goal of. 27 spareth his words. Illustrations: Aaron (Lev. 10. 3); Moses (Num. 16. 4; 20. 6); Samuel (1 Sam. 8. 6-8); Christ (1 Pet. 2. 23). understanding = discerning. Heb. *bināh*. See note on 1. 2. excellent = quiet. 28 fool. Heb. *'ēvil*, as in vv. 16, 22. See note on 1. 7. understanding = wisdom (i.e. a wise man).

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- 18** ° Through desire a man, having separated himself, seeketh
And ° intermeddleth with ° all wisdom.
2 A ° fool hath no delight in understanding,
But that his heart may ° discover itself.
3 When ° the wicked cometh, *then* cometh also contempt,
And with ° ignominy ° reproach.
4 The ° words of a ° man's mouth are as deep waters,
And the wellspring of ° wisdom as a ° flowing brook.
5 It is ° not good ° to accept the person of ° the wicked,
° To ° overthrow ° the righteous in judgment.
6 A ° fool's ° lips enter into contention,
And his ° mouth calleth for strokes.
7 A ° fool's mouth is his destruction,
And his ° lips are the snare of his ° soul.
8 The words of a ° talebearer ° are as wounds,
And they go down into the innermost parts of the belly.
9 He also that is slothful in his work
Is brother to him that is ° a great waster.
10 The ° name of ° the LORD is a strong tower:
° The righteous runneth into it, and is ° safe.
11 The rich man's wealth is his strong city,
And ° as an high wall in his own ° conceit.
12 Before destruction the heart of ° man ° is haughty,
And before honour is ° humility.
13 He that answereth a matter ° before he heareth it,
It is ° folly and shame unto him.
14 The ° spirit of a ° man will ° sustain his infirmity;
But a wounded ° spirit ° who can bear?
15 The heart of ° the prudent getteth knowledge;
And the ear of ° the wise seeketh knowledge.
16 A ° man's gift maketh room for him,
And bringeth him before great men.
17 *Hethat is* ° first in his own cause *seemeth* just;
But his neighbour cometh and searcheth him.
18 The lot causeth contentions to cease,
And parteth between the mighty.
19 A brother ° offended is *harder to be won* than a strong city:
And their contentions are like the bars of a castle.
20 A ° man's belly shall be satisfied with the fruit of his mouth;
And with the increase of his lips shall he be filled.
21 Death and life are in the ° power of ° the tongue:
And they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof.
22 *Whoso findeth* ° a wife findeth a good thing,
And obtaineth favour of ° the LORD.
23 ° The poor useth intreaties;
But the rich answereth roughly.
24 ° A ° man that hath ° friends ° must shew himself friendly:
And ° there is ° a friend that sticketh closer than a brother.

24 A man. A special various reading called *sevir* reads *yēsh*, instead of *ish*, which means "there is", or "there are" instead of "a man". It occurs three times: here, 2 Sam. 14. 19, and Mic. 6. 10. friends. Heb. *rē'im* = feeders, from *rā'ah* to feed (Ps. 23. 1, shepherd). must shew himself friendly = who break in pieces. Heb. *Hithpolel* of *rā'ā'* (Ap. 44. viii.) there is. Heb. *yēsh*, as in preceding line. a friend = a lover (who loves "without cause"). Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6) in these words, which may be thus represented in English:—
"There are friends who rend us,
But there is a lover who is closer than a brother."

18. 1-24 (Y³, p. 886). PERSONAL VIRTUES IN SOCIAL LIFE.

- 1** Through desire, &c. = Seeking his own pleasure, the recluse (or separatist) breaketh forth (or quarreleth) with everything that is stable.
intermeddleth = breaketh forth. Heb. *gāla'*. See note on "meddle", 17. 14.
all wisdom = everything that is stable. See note on 2. 7.
2 fool. Heb. *k'gīl*. See note on 1. 7. Same word as in vv. 6, 7; not the same as in v. 13. discover = vent.
3 the wicked = a lawless one. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x. ignominy = disgrace, or shame (i. e. outward). reproach = reproachfulness.
4 words. Heb. *dābar*. Ap. 73. x. man's. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II. wisdom. Heb. *chākmāh*. See note on 1. 2. flowing brook = a gushing torrent. Heb. *nahal*.
5 not good. Fig. *Tapeinōsis* (Ap. 6), meaning it is very bad. to accept the person = to show partiality. To. Repeat the Ellipsis: "[It is not good] to". overthrow = turn aside: i. e. pervert. the righteous = a righteous one.
6 lips. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for what is spoken by them. mouth. See above note. Illustrations: Judg. 8. 4-17; 2 Kings 2. 23, 24; Luke 19. 22.
7 soul = own self. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.
8 talebearer = whisperer, or tattler. are as wounds = are as dainty morsels: i. e. are greedily swallowed.
9 a great waster = a master of destruction: i. e. an absolute destroyer.
10 name = person. See note on Ps. 20. 1. the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II. safe = set on high. Illustrations: Job (Job 19. 25, 26); Habakkuk (Hab. 3. 17, 19); Asa (2 Chron. 14. 11); Hezekiah (2 Kings 19. 14-20, 32-35. Isa. 38. 1-8); Apostles (Acts 4. 24-33). **11** as = [it is] as. conceit = imagination. See note on 25. 11.
12 is haughty. Illustration: Jezebel (2 Kings 9. 30-33). humility. Cp. 15. 33. Illustration: contrast Goliath (1 Sam. 17. 8-10, 43, 44) with 1 Sam. 17. 45, 47.
13 before he heareth it. Illustrations: David (2 Sam. 16. 4; 19. 24-30); Ahasuerus (Est. 3. 10. Cp. 8. 5, &c.); Darius (Dan. 6. 9. Cp. 6. 14, 18); magistrates (Acts 16. 37-39).
14 spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9. sustain, &c. Illustrations: Job (Job 1. 20, 21; 2. 8, 9, 10); Paul (2 Cor. 12. 9. Acts 22. 24. Rom. 5. 3-5); Paul and Silas (Acts 16. 23-25, 37). who can bear? Illustrations: Cain (Gen. 4. 13, 14); Eli's daughter-in-law (1 Sam. 4. 19-22. Cp. Prov. 15. 13); Saul (1 Sam. 28. 20; 2 Sam. 1. 9); Ahithophel (2 Sam. 17. 23); Zimri (1 Kings 16. 18); Pashur (Jer. 20. 4); Judas (Matt. 27. 5). **15** the prudent = a prudent one. the wise = wise ones.
16 man's. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I. **17** first in his own cause. Illustrations: Saul (1 Sam. 15. 13. Cp. v. 26); Ziba (2 Sam. 16. 1-3. Cp. 19. 26); Tertullus (Acts 24. 5, 16. Cp. v. 13).
19 offended = dealt falsely with.
21 power. Heb. "hand", put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the power put forth by it. the tongue. Illustrations: the ten spies (Num. 14. 36, 37); Doeg (1 Sam. 22. 9, 10); Sennacherib (2 Kings 18. 28, 35; 19. 22-35. 2 Chron. 32. 21); Ammonites (Ezek. 25. 3-7); Sapphira (Acts 5. 5-10); Esther (Est. 7 and 8); Paul (Acts 16. 28-34); the Gospel (Rom. 1. 16. 2 Cor. 2. 16).
22 a wife. Some codices, Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read, "a good wife". Cp. 19. 14.
23 The poor = a needy one. Heb. *rūsh*. See note on 6. 11.

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- 19** °Better is °the poor that walketh in his integrity,
Than °he that is perverse in his °lips, and is a °fool.
- 2** Also, that the °soul be without knowledge, it is °not good;
And he that °hasteth with his feet, °sinneth.
- 3** The °foolishness of °man °perverteth his way:
And his heart °fretteth against °the LORD.
- 4** Wealth maketh many friends;
But °the poor is separated from his neighbour.
- 5** A false witness shall not be °unpunished,
And he that °speaketh lies shall not escape.
- 6** Many will intreat the favour of the prince:
And every man is a friend to °him that giveth gifts.
- 7** All the brethren of °the poor do hate him:
How much more do his friends °go far from him?
He °pursueth them with words, yet they are wanting to him.
- 8** He that getteth °wisdom loveth his own °soul:
He that keepeth °understanding shall find good.
- 9** °A false witness shall not be °unpunished,
And he that °speaketh lies shall perish.
- 10** °Delight is not seemly for a °fool;
Much less for a servant to have rule over princes.
- 11** The discretion of a °man °deferreth his anger;
And it is his glory to pass over a transgression.
- 12** The king's wrath is as the roaring of a lion;
But his favour is as °dew upon the grass.
- 13** A °foolish son °is the calamity of his father:
And the contentions of a wife are a continual dropping.
- 14** House and riches are the inheritance of fathers:
And °a prudent wife is from °the LORD.
- 15** Slothfulness casteth into a deep sleep;
And an idle °soul shall suffer hunger.
- 16** He that °keepeth the commandment °keepeth his own °soul;
But he that despiseth his ways shall °die.
- 17** He that hath pity upon °the poor lendeth unto °the LORD;
And that which he hath given will He pay him again.
- 18** °Chasten thy son while there is hope,
And °let not thy °soul spare for his crying.
- 19** °A man of great wrath °shall °suffer punishment:
For if °thou deliver him, yet thou must do it again.
- 20** Hear counsel, and receive °instruction,
That thou mayest be wise in thy latter end.
- 21** There are °many devices in a °man's heart;
°Nevertheless the counsel of °the LORD, that shall stand.
- 22** The desire of a °man °is his kindness:
And a °poor °man is °better than °a liar.

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vv. 5-19); the forty Jews (Acts 23. 12-15).

22 man. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I. This word stands in relation to 'ish in v. 21, and to a poor man in next clause = here, the commonest sort of man, or ordinary man. is, &c. = is [measured by] his kindness. better. See note on 8. 11. a liar. Heb. an 'ish [a man of the better sort who is] a liar. This proverb does not "remain a riddle".

19. 1-19 (Y⁴, p. 886). PERSONAL CHARACTER, HUMILITY, &c.

- 1** Better. See note on 8. 11.
the poor = a needy one. Heb. rūsh. See note on 6. 11.
Same as in vv. 7, 22; not the same as in vv. 4, 17.
he that is. Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), better supplied thus: "Than [the rich that is] perverse", &c.
lips. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for what is spoken by them.
fool. Heb. kēṣil. See note on 1. 7. Same word as in vv. 10, 13, 29; not the same as in v. 3.
- 2** soul. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13.
not good. Illustrations: Syrians (1 Kings 20. 28); Jews (Isa. 5. 12, 13); Saul (1 Tim. 1. 13. Acts 26. 11); People and Priests (Hos. 4. 6); Pharisees (Matt. 12. 7); Judah (Hos. 6. 6); Peter (Matt. 16. 22); the rulers (Acts 13. 27. 1 Cor. 2. 8); Job (Job 33. 8, 9; 34. 5, 9, 35; 35. 16; 42. 3, 5, 6); Hezekiah (2 Chron. 32. 31); Peter (Luke 22. 33, 34).
hasteth, &c. Illustrations: Joshua (Josh. 9. 15); Saul (1 Sam. 13. 9, 10, 13, 14; 14. 24-45); David (2 Sam. 16. 4); the Prophet (1 Kings 13. 18, 19); Peter (John 18. 10).
sinneth. Heb. chātā'. Ap. 44. i.
- 3** foolishness. Heb. 'ēvil. See note on 1. 7. Not the same word as in vv. 1, 10, 13, 29.
- man**. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.
perverteth: or subverteth.
fretteth against = is angry with. Illustrations: Adam (Gen. 3. 12); Cain (Gen. 4. 13, 14); Jehoram (2 Kings 3. 10, 13; 6. 33); Jonah (Jonah 4. 1, 4, 9); Israel (Num. 14. 2, 3; 20. 2-5; 21. 4-6. Deut. 9. 23, 24).
the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
- 4** the poor = a weak one. Heb. dal. See note on 6. 11.
Same word as in v. 17; not the same word as in vv. 1, 7, 22.
- 5** unpunished = acquitted, or held innocent.
speaketh = breatheth forth.
- 6** him that giveth gifts. Heb. a man ('ish, Ap. 14. II) of gifts = a generous man.
- 7** go far = withdraw.
pursueth, &c.: or, seeketh words [of friendship], but there are none.
- 8** wisdom. Heb. "heart", put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the understanding. See note on 1. 2.
understanding. Heb. binah. See note on 1. 2.
- 9** A false witness, &c. The repetition of v. 5 is needed, and punishment is defined.
- 10** Delight = Luxury.
- 11** deferreth his anger. Illustrations: Joseph (Gen. 40. 15); Moses (Num. 12); David (1 Sam. 24; 26. 5, &c.); the Prophet (1 Kings 13. 6, &c.).
- 12** dew = night mist.
- 13** is the calamity = is a great trouble to. Heb. "troubles" (pl.) for great trouble. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6, put for action of the foolish son which brings it on.
- 14** a prudent wife. See 18. 22.
- 16** keepeth = guardeth. die = die prematurely.
- 18** Chasten = Correct, or discipline.
let not, &c. This is not a caution against excess of severity, but against a cruel kindness which ends in death, by withholding seasonable correction.
- 19** A man of great wrath = one in a rage (cp. Dan. 11. 44. Cp. 2 Kings 22. 13). shall suffer = suffereth.
suffer punishment = incur a penalty. Heb. 'onesh = a fine, or indemnity. (Oxford Gesenius).
thou deliver = thou rescue him [by paying the penalty] thou must do it continually.

19. 20-24. 34 [For Structure see next page].**20-27** (A¹, p. 891). CALL TO HEAR.

- 20** instruction = correction, or discipline.
- 21** many devices = many schemes.
man's. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.
Nevertheless, &c. Illustrations: Joseph's brethren (Gen. 37. 19, &c. Cp. Ps. 76. 10); Pharaoh (Ex. 1. 10. Cp. Ex. 15); the rulers (Matt. 27. 63-66); Saul (Acts 9. 1, 2. Cp. vv. 3-9, &c.); Herod (Acts 12. 1-3. Cp. 1. 2).
man. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I. This word stands in relation to 'ish in v. 21, and to a poor man in next clause = here, the commonest sort of man, or ordinary man. is, &c. = is [measured by] his kindness. better. See note on 8. 11. a liar. Heb. an 'ish [a man of the better sort who is] a liar. This proverb does not "remain a riddle".

A¹
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- 23 ° The fear of ° the LORD *tendeth* to ° life;
And he that hath it shall abide satisfied;
He shall not be visited with ° evil.
- 24 A slothful man hideth his hand in his
° bosom,
And will not so much as bring it to his
mouth again.
- 25 Smite a ° scorner, and the simple ° will
beware:
And ° reprove one that hath understanding,
° and he will understand knowledge.
- 26 He that ° wasteth his father, and chaseth
away his mother,
Is a son that causeth shame, and bringeth
reproach.
- 27 Cease, ° my son, to hear the instruction
That causeth to err from the ° words of
knowledge.
- 28 ° An ungodly witness scorneth judgment:
And the ° mouth of ° the wicked devoureth
° iniquity.
- 29 Judgments are prepared for scorners,
And stripes for the back of ° fools.

B¹
(p. 891)

- 20 ° Wine ° is a ° mocker, ° strong drink is
° raging:
And whosoever ° is deceived thereby ° is not
wise.
- 2 The fear of a king is as the roaring of a lion:
Whoso provoketh him to anger ° sinneth
against his own ° soul.
- 3 It is an honour for a ° man ° to cease from
strife:
But every ° fool will be ° meddling.
- 4 The sluggard will not ° plow by reason of
the ° cold;
° Therefore shall he beg in harvest, and
have nothing.
- 5 Counsel in the heart of ° man is like deep
water;
But a ° man of understanding will draw it
out.
- 6 Most ° men will proclaim ° every one ° his
own goodness:
But a faithful ° man who can find?
- 7 The just man walketh in his integrity:
His ° children are ° blessed after him.
- 8 A king that sitteth in the throne of judgment
Scattereth away all ° evil with his eyes.
- 9 Who ° can say, "I have made my heart clean,
° I am pure from my ° sin?"
- 10 Divers ° weights, and divers ° measures,
Both of them are alike ° abomination to
° the LORD.

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19. 20-24. 34 (D, p. 864). PROVERBS FOR SOLOMON (22. 17; 24. 23); FOR A PRINCE AND A KING (20. 2, 8, 26; 21. 1). SECOND PERSON. (See below.) (Repeated and Extended Alternation.)

- D A¹ | 19. 20-27. Call to hear.
B¹ | 19. 28-21. 1. Personal conduct.
C¹ | 21. 2-22. 16. Personal character.
A² | 22. 17-21. Call to hear.
B² | 22. 22-29. Personal conduct.
C² | 23. 1-21. Personal character.
A³ | 23. 22-25. Call to hear.
B³ | 23. 26-35. Personal conduct.
C³ | 24. 1 20. Personal character.
A⁴ | 24. 21, 22. Call to hear.
B⁴ | 24. 23-29. Personal conduct.
C⁴ | 24. 30-34. Personal character.

D is addressed to "MY SON" (19. 27; 23. 15, 19, 26; 24. 13, 21); and is all in the Second Person: "THOU" (19. 20; 22. 24, 25, 26, 27; 23. 1, 5, 6, 13, 14, 19, 31, 34; 24. 1, 10, 11, 12); "THEE" (22. 19, 20, 21, 27; 23. 7); "THY" (22. 18; 23. 16, 22, 25; 24. 10, 27, 34); "THINE" (23. 12, 15, 17, 18, 19, 33); "THYSELF" (24. 27).

23 The fear of the LORD. See note on 1. 7. life. Heb. pl. implying resurrection and eternal life. evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

24 bosom = bowl or widenedish. 2 Kings 21. 13. 2 Chron. 35. 13. Cp. Matt. 26. 23.

25 scorner = scoffer. will beware = will be made wise (note the force of the *Hiphil*). Illustrations: Israel (Ex. 14. 31); the stubborn (Deut. 21. 21); Gibeonites (Josh. 9. 3); Sergius Paulus (Acts 13. 6-12). reprove = set right. and he will understand knowledge = will cause teaching to be discerned. Cp. 22. 17.

26 wasteth = preyeth upon.

27 my son. The presence of this word here and in 23. 15, 19, 26; 24. 13, 21, together with the employment of the second person, shows that these are proverbs for Solomon. See note under Structure above. words = sayings. Heb. *'imrah*. Ap. 73. v.

19. 28-21. 1 (B¹, above). PERSONAL CONDUCT.

28 An ungodly witness. Heb. "A witness of Belial": i.e. a false witness.

mouth. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the witness given by it.

the wicked = lawless ones. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x. iniquity. Heb. *'āven*. Ap. 44. iii.

20. 1 Wine. Heb. *yayin*. See Ap. 27. I.

is. Fig. *Metaphor*. Ap. 6. mocker = scoffer.

strong drink. Heb. *shēkār*. Ap. 27. IV

raging = a brawler.

is deceived = erreth. Heb. *shāgah* = to go astray. See note on 11. 18. Not the same word as in v. 17.

is not wise. Illustrations: Noah (Gen. 7. 1. Cp. 9. 20, 21); Nabal (1 Sam. 25. 36); Elah (1 Kings 16. 8-10); Ben-hadad (1 Kings 20. 16-21); Ephraim (Isa. 28. 7); Belshazzar, &c. (Dan. 5. Jer. 51. 39, 57); Nineveh (Nah. 1. 10); and probably Nadab and Abihu (Lev. 10. 8, 9).

2 sinneth = erreth. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

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- 11 Even a child is known by his doings,
Whether his work be °pure, and whether
it be °right.
- 12 The °hearing ear, and the seeing eye,
10 The LORD hath made even both of them.
- 13 Love not sleep, lest thou °come to poverty;
Open thine eyes, and thou shalt be satisfied
with bread.
- 14 "It is °naught, it is °naught," saith the
buyer:
But when he is gone his way, then he
boasteth.
- 15 There is gold, and a multitude of rubies:
But the lips of knowledge are a precious
jewel.
- 16 Take his garment that is surety for a
°stranger:
And take a °pledge of him for a °strange
woman.
- 17 °Bread of °deceit is sweet to a °man;
But afterwards his mouth shall be °filled
with gravel.
- 18 Every purpose is established by counsel:
And with good advice make war.
- 19 He that goeth about as a talebearer re-
vealeth secrets:
Therefore °meddle not with him that
flattereth with his °lips.
- 20 Whoso °curseth his father or his mother,
His °lamp shall be put out in obscure
darkness.
- 21 An inheritance may be gotten hastily at
the beginning;
But the end thereof shall not be °blessed.
- 22 Say not thou, "I will recompense °evil;"
But wait °on 10 the LORD, and He shall
save thee.
- 23 Divers 10 weights are an °abomination
unto 10 the LORD;
And a false balance is not good.
- 24 °Man's goings are of 10 the LORD;
How can a °man then understand his own
way?
- 25 It is a snare to the 24 man who °devoureth
that which is °holy,
And after vows to make enquiry.
- 26 A wise king °scattereth the °wicked,
And bringeth °the wheel over them.
- 27 The °spirit of 24 man is the °candle of 10 the
LORD,
Searching all the inward parts of °the belly.
- 28 °Mercy and truth preserve the king:
And his throne is upholden by °mercy.
- 29 The glory of young men is their strength:
And the beauty of old men is the gray head.
- 30 The blueness of a wound °cleanseth away
°evil:
So do stripes the inward parts of the °belly.

21 The king's heart is in the hand of °the
LORD, as °the rivers of water:
°He turneth it whithersoever He will.

- 2 Every way of a °man is right in his own
eyes:
But 1 the LORD °pondereth the hearts.

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(p. 891)

- 11 pure = accurate. right = correct.
- 12 hearing ear, &c. Illustrations: Moses (Ex. 4. 11); Hagar (Gen. 21. 19); Elisha's servant (2 Kings 6. 17); Lydia (Acts 16. 14).
- 13 come to poverty = become dispossessed. Heb. *yārash*. See note on 6. 11.
- 14 naught . . . naught = very bad. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.
- 16 stranger = apostate. Heb. *zūr*. See notes on 2. 16; 5. 3.
- pledge of him. Supply Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), "[Who has become security for] a foreign woman."
- strange woman = foreign woman. Heb. *nākar*. See notes on 2. 16; 5. 3.
- 17 Bread of deceit = Bread gained by deceit. Genitive of Origin. See Ap. 17 (2).
- Bread. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6, for all kinds of food.
- deceit = lying. Heb. *sheker*. See note on 11. 18.
- filled with gravel: or grit. See note on Gen. 3. 14, implying utmost disappointment. See Ap. 19.
- 19 meddle = mingle, mix thyself up. Not the same word as in v. 3.
- lips. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause) for the flattery spoken by them (Ap. 6).
- 20 curseth = revileth.
- lamp shall be put out. A Fig. *Hypocatastasis* (Ap. 6), denoting that he shall die childless.
- 21 blessed = happy. See note on 3. 13.
- 22 on - for.
- 23 abomination, &c. See note on 3. 32.
- 24 Man's = A strong man's. Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. IV.
- man = an ordinary man. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I.
- 25 devoureth = rashly promises.
- holy. See note on Ex. 3. 6.
- 26 scattereth = winnoweth out.
- wicked = lawless. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.
- the wheel: i.e. of the threshing instrument. Cp. Isa. 28. 27.
- 27 spirit = breath. Heb. *neshāmāh*. See Ap. 16.
- candle - lamp or light. Same word as in v. 20.
- the belly. Put by Fig. *Metalepsis* (Ap. 6) for the heart, and the heart for its thoughts.
- 28 Mercy = lovingkindness, grace, or favour.
- 30 cleanseth away = is cleansing. Supply the *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), "[though it be] an evil".
- evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.
- belly. Supply the *Ellipsis* from preceding clause, "[though they be an evil]"

21. 1 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

the rivers of water. Heb. *palgēy mayim* - the divisions of water [in a garden], from *palag*, to divide (Gen. 10. 25). The name given to the small channels which divide up an Eastern (walled) garden for purposes of irrigation. See note on "rivers", Ps. 1. 3. There is an *Ellipsis* in the second clause, and the verb must be supplied thus:

The king's heart [is] in the hand of Jehovah,
As the *palgēy mayim* [are] in the hand of the gardener].
See Ap. 74.

He turneth, &c. i.e. Jehovah directeth [the king's heart] whithersoever He will [as the gardener directeth the water with his foot] (Deut. 11. 10), not needing or deigning to use a tool; so easily is it done. Illustrations: Ahab (1 Kings 18. 10. Cp. v. 40); Ahasuerus (Est. 6. 1); Sennacherib (2 Kings 19. 27, 28, and Isa. 10. 5-7); Nebuchadnezzar (Ezek. 29. 16. Jer. 43. 10-12); the Jews (Jer. 32. 28. 2 Kings 24. 3); Cyrus (Ezra 1. 1. Isa. 45. 1); Darius (Ezra 6. 22); Augustus (Luke 2. 1-7. Cp. Mic. 5. 2).

21. 2-22. 16 (C¹, p. 891). PERSONAL CHARACTER.

2 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

pondereth = weigheth, and thus testeth. See all the occurrences of *tākan*, to poise. 1 Sam. 2. 3. 2 Kings 12. 11 ("told"). Job 28. 25. Ps. 75. 3 (bear up). Prov. 16. 2; 21. 2 (pondereth); 24. 12 (pondereth). Isa. 40. 12 (meted), 13 (directed). In Ezekiel the *Niphal* is rendered "equal": 18. 25, 29; 33. 17, 20.

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(cont.)

- 3 To do °justice and judgment
Is °more acceptable to °the LORD than sacrifice.
- 4 An high look, and a proud heart,
°And the °plowing of °the wicked, is °sin.
- 5 The °thoughts of °the diligent *tend* only to plenteousness;
But of every one *that is* hasty only to want.
- 6 The getting of treasures by a lying tongue
Is a vanity tossed to and fro of them that seek death.
- 7 The °robbery of °the wicked shall destroy them;
Because they refuse to do judgment.
- 8 °The way of °man is froward and strange:
But *as for* the °pure, his work is right.
- 9 It is °better to dwell in a corner of the housetop,
Than with a brawling woman in a wide house.
- 10 The °soul of °the °wicked desireth °evil:
His neighbour findeth no favour in his eyes.
- 11 When the °scorner is punished, the simple is made wise:
And when the wise is °instructed, he receiveth knowledge.
- 12 The righteous man wisely considereth the house of °the °wicked:
But God overthroweth °the wicked for their °wickedness.
- 13 Whoso stoppeth his ears at the cry of the °poor,
He also shall cry himself, but shall not be °heard.
- 14 A gift in secret pacifieth anger:
And a reward in the bosom strong wrath.
- 15 It is joy to °the just to do judgment:
But destruction *shall be* to the workers of °iniquity.
- 16 The °man that wandereth out of the way of understanding
Shall remain in the °congregation of the °dead.
- 17 He that loveth pleasure *shall be* a °poor °man:
He that loveth °wine and oil shall not be rich.
- 18 °The °wicked *shall be* a ransom for °the righteous,
And the °transgressor for the upright.
- 19 It is °better to dwell in the wilderness,
°Than with a contentious and an angry woman.
- 20 There is treasure to be desired and oil in the dwelling of the wise;
But a °foolish °man °spendeth it up.
- 21 He that followeth after righteousness and °mercy
Findeth life, righteousness, and honour.
- 22 A wise man scalet the city of the mighty,
And °casteth down the strength of the confidence thereof.
- 23 Whoso °keepeth his °mouth and his °tongue
Keepeth his °soul from °troubles.
- 24 Proud and haughty °scorner is his name,
Who dealeth in proud wrath.
- 25 The desire of the slothful killeth him;
For his hands refuse to labour.
- 26 He °coveteth greedily all the day long:
But the righteous giveth and spareth not.
- 27 The sacrifice of °the wicked is abomination:
How much more, *when* he bringeth it with a wicked °mind?
- 28 A false witness °shall perish:

3 justice = righteousness.

more acceptable, &c. Illustrations: Saul (1 Sam. 13, 10-13; 15, 22); Israel (Jer. 7, 22, 23, Amos 5, 21-24); Judah (Isa. 1, 11-17); Pharisees (Matt. 9, 13). Note the contrast, v. 4.

4 And. Omit this "And".
plowing: or tillage. See Ap. 74.
the wicked = lawless ones. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x. sin. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i. The special word for the sin offering. Render the verse "A lofty look and a proud heart, [which is] the tillage of the lawless, [is more acceptable to them than] the sin offering." This supply of the Ellipsis (Ap. 6. III) from the preceding verse completes the sense, and shows that the two are strictly related.

5 thoughts = reckonings, or calculatings.
the diligent = a diligent one.

7 robbery = rapacity. Illustrations: the princes of Judah (Isa. 1, 23, 24); the Jews (Jer. 7, 9-11, 15; 34, 10-22, Mic. 3, 9-12).

8 The way, &c. Render, "The way of a man laden with guilt is unsteady". Some codices, with Aram. and Syr., read "of a man who is an alien".

pure = upright. 9 better. See note on 8, 11.

10 soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

the wicked = a lawless one.

evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

11 scorner = scoffer. instructed = corrected.

12 wickedness. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii, same as "evil" in v. 10.

13 poor = weak. Heb. *dal*. See note on 6, 11.
heard = answered. Illustrations: the Jews (Zech. 7, 9-14, Jer. 34, 10-22); Parable (Matt. 18, 30-34).

15 the just = a just one.

iniquity. Heb. *'āven*. Ap. 44. iii.

16 man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

congregation = assembly.

dead = the Rephaim, who have no resurrection. See note on "deceased" and "dead" in Isa. 26, 14, 19, and Ap. 25.

17 poor = destitute. Heb. *heger*. See note on 6, 11.

wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. I.

18 the righteous = a righteous one.

transgressor = traitor.

19 Than, &c. Supply the Ellipsis thus: Than [in a house, or palace].

20 foolish. Heb. *kā'sil*. See note on 1, 7.

spendeth it up = swalloweth it up.

21 mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.

22 casteth down. Illustrations: Joshua (Josh. 6, 3-21; 8, 4-8); wise woman (2 Sam. 20, 16-22. Cp. Ecc. 9, 13-15).

23 keepeth = guardeth.

mouth . . . tongue. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for what is uttered by them.

troubles. Some codices, with five early printed editions, Aram., Sept., and Syr., read "trouble" (sing.).

26 coveteth greedily = craving he craveth. Fig. *Polyptoton* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

27 mind = purpose.
28 shall perish. Illustrations: Pashur (Jer. 20, 4-6); Hananiah (Jer. 28, 1-4, 10-17); the false prophets (Jer. 29, 21); Shemaiah (Jer. 29, 31, 32); Amaziah (Amos 7, 10-17).
speaketh. Supply the Ellipsis (Ap. 6), "speaketh [the truth] evermore."

30 no wisdom . . . against the LORD. Illustrations: Pharaoh (Ex. 1, 10. See Ap. 23); Balak (Num. 24, 10); Ahaziah (2 Kings 1, 9-17); Sennacherib (2 Chron. 32, 21; Isa. 30, 31); Haman (Est. 5, 11-13; 7, 10).

31 safety, &c. = to Jehovah [belongeth] the salvation.

But the °man that heareth °speaketh constantly.

29 A °wicked °man hardeneth his face:

But *as for* the upright, he °directeth his way.

30 There is °no wisdom nor understanding
Nor counsel against °the LORD.

31 The horse is prepared against the day of battle:

But °safety is of °the LORD.

- 22** A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches,
And loving favour rather than silver and gold.
- 2 The rich and ° poor meet together :
° The LORD is the Maker of them all.
- 3 A prudent man foreseeth the ° evil, and hideth himself:
But the ° simple pass on, and ° are punished.
- 4 ° By humility and ° the fear of ° the LORD Are riches, and honour, and ° life.
- 5 Thorns ° and snares are in the way of the ° froward:
He that doth keep his ° soul shall be far from them.
- 6 ° Train up a child ° in the way he should go :
And when he is old, he will not depart from it.
- 7 ° The rich ruleth over ° the ° poor,
And the borrower ° is servant to the lender.
- 8 He that soweth ° iniquity shall reap vanity :
And the rod of his anger ° shall fail.
- 9 He that hath a bountiful eye shall be blessed ;
For he giveth of his bread to ° the poor.
- 10 Cast out the ° scorner, and contention ° shall go out ;
Yea, strife and reproach shall cease.
- 11 ° He that loveth ° pureness of heart,
For the grace of his lips the king shall be his friend.
- 12 The eyes of ° the LORD ° preserve knowledge,
And He overthroweth the ° words of the ° transgressor.
- 13 The slothful man saith, "There is a lion without,
I shall be slain in the ° streets."
- 14 The mouth of ° strange women is a deep pit :
He that is abhorred of ° the LORD shall fall therein.
- 15 ° Foolishness is bound in the heart of a child ;
But the rod of correction shall drive it far from him.
- 16 He that oppresseth ° the poor to increase his riches,
And he that giveth to ° the rich, shall surely come to want.
- 17 Bow down thine ear, and hear the ° words of the wise,
And apply ° thine ° heart unto ° my ° knowledge.
- 18 For it is a pleasant thing if thou keep them within thee ;
They shall withal be fitted in thy lips.
- 19 That thy ° trust may ° be in ° the LORD,
I have made known to ° thee this day, even to ° thee.
- 20 Have not I written ° to thee ° excellent things ° In counsels and knowledge,
- 21 That I might make thee know the certainty of the ° words of truth ;
That thou mightest answer the ° words of truth to them that ° send unto thee ?
- 22 Rob not ° the poor, because he is poor :
Neither oppress ° the afflicted in the gate :
- 23 For ° the LORD will plead their cause,
And spoil the ° soul of those that spoiled them.
- 24 Make no friendship with ° an angry man ;
And with a furious ° man thou shalt not go :

- 22. 1** name. Note the Ellipsis (Ap. 6), and supply "good" from Ecc. 7. 1.
- 2** poor = needy. Heb. *rûsh*. See note on 6. 11. Same word as in v. 7. Not the same word as in vv. 9, 16, 22. The LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
- 3** evil = mischief. Heb. *râ'â*. Ap. 44. viii. simple. See note on 1. 4.
- are punished** - suffer for it, or pay the penalty.
- 4** By humility, &c. = The reward of humility [that is] the fear of the Jehovah, will be, &c.
- the fear of the LORD.** See note on 1. 7.
- life:** i.e. resurrection and eternal life. See note on Lev. 18. 5; not necessarily long life on earth.
- 5** and. Sept., Syr., and Vulg. read this "and" in the text.
- froward** = perverse. See note on 2. 12, 15; 3. 32. Illustrations: Israel (Judg. 2. 2, 3. Josh. 23. 12, 13; contrast with Josh. 21. 43-46; 24. 31); Ahab (1 Kings 17. 1; 18. 5; 21. 4, 20; 22. 6, 37). soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.
- 6** Train up = Hedge in: i.e. straiten him in, as cattle are guided.
- in the way he should go** = concerning his way. Heb. at the mouth of his way: "mouth" being put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the opening or beginning of his way. C. H. Spurgeon applied it to "the way you wish you had gone yourself"!
- 7** The rich = a rich one. the poor = poor ones. is servant, &c. Illustrations: the widow (2 Kings 4. 1); the Jews (Neh. 5. 3, 5).
- 8** iniquity = trickery. Heb. *âval*. Ap. 44. vi. Illustration: Rebekah (Gen. 27. 6-17, 41-46).
- shall fail.** Illustrations: Balak (Num. 24. 10); Solomon (1 Kings 11. 14, 23, and 1 Kings 11. 31, 40); Ahaziah (2 Kings 1. 9-17); Sennacherib (2 Chron. 32. 21. Isa. 30. 31); Haman (Est. 5. 11-13; 7. 10). See note on 21. 30.
- 9** the poor = a weak one. Heb. *dal*. Same word as in vv. 16, 22. Not the same word as in vv. 2, 7. See note on 6. 11.
- 10** scorner = scoffer. shall go out. Illustration: Ishmael (Gen. 21. 9-12. Cp. Gal. 4. 29).
- 11** He that, &c. Aram., Sept., and Syr., read "Jehovah". pureness of heart = one pure of heart.
- 12** preserve = guard. words: or affairs. Heb. *dâbar*. Ap. 73. x.
- transgressor** = traitor. Heb. *bâgad*. Illustrations: Ahithophel (2 Sam. 17. 14); Noadiah (Neh. 6. 14-16); Ezra's opponents (Ezra 3. 3, 13. Cp. ch. 5 and 6); the Sanhedrin (Acts 5. 34). **13** streets = open places.
- 14** strange = apostate. Heb. *zûr*. See notes on 2. 16 and 5. 3.
- 15** Foolishness. Heb. *'êvil*. See note on 1. 7.
- 17-21** (A², p. 891). CALL TO HEAR.
- 17** words of the wise. See the Structure of the whole book (p. 864). Referring to the wise men by whom Solomon was surrounded, such as Ethan, Heman, Chalcol, and Darda, the sons of Mahol (1 Kings 4. 31).
- thine.** Note the continuation of the second person, "the words of the wise" being addressed to Solomon.
- heart.** Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for thoughts and powers.
- my.** Note the writer's personality as being other than Solomon.
- knowledge** = teaching.
- 19** trust = confidence. Heb. *batâh*. See Ap. 69. i. be - come to be.
- thee.** Note the emphasis on the second person.
- 20** to thee = for thee. See the Structure (p. 891).
- excellent things.** Heb. marg. reads "formerly", or "before". In = With.
- 21** words = sayings, or utterances. Heb. *'imrah*. See Ap. 73. v.
- send unto** - inquire of. Illustration: the queen of Sheba (1 Kings 10).
- 22-29** (B², p. 891). PERSONAL CONDUCT.
- 22** the afflicted = a wretched one. Heb. *'anî*. See note on 6. 11.
- 24** an angry man - a lord, or master, of anger. man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

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- 25 Lest thou learn his ways,
And get a snare to thy ⁵ soul.
26 Be not thou *one* of them that strike hands,
Or of them that are sureties for debts.
27 If thou hast nothing to pay,
Why should ^o he take away thy bed from
under thee?
28 Remove not the ^o ancient ^o landmark,
Which thy fathers have set.
29 ^o Seest thou a ^o man diligent in his business?
he shall stand before kings;
He shall not stand before ^o mean *men*.

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- 23 ^o When ^o thou sittest to eat with a ruler,
^o Consider diligently ^o what *is* before thee:
2 ^o And put a knife to thy throat,
If thou *be* ^o a man given to ^o appetite.
3 Be not desirous of his ^o dainties:
For they *are* ^o deceitful meat.
4 ^o Labour not to be rich:
Cease from thine own ^o wisdom.
5 Wilt thou set thine eyes upon that which
is not?
^o For *riches* certainly make themselves
wings;
They fly away as an eagle toward heaven.
6 Eat thou not the bread of *him that hath*
an ^o evil eye,
Neither desire thou his ³ dainty meats:
7 For as he ^o thinketh in his ^o heart, so *is* he:
"Eat and drink," saith he to thee;
But his heart *is* not with thee.
8 The morsel *which* thou hast eaten shalt
thou vomit up,
And lose thy sweet words.
9 Speak not in the ears of a ^o fool:
For ^o he will despise the ^o wisdom of thy
^o words.
10 Remove not the ^o old landmark;
And enter not into the ^o fields of the ^o father-
less:
11 For their ^o Redeemer *is* mighty;
⁵ he shall plead their cause with thee.
12 Apply thine heart unto instruction,
And thine ears to the words of knowledge.
13 Withhold not correction from the ^o child:
For *if* thou beatest him with the rod, he
shall not die.
14 Thou shalt beat him with the rod,
And shalt ^o deliver his ^o soul from ^o hell.
15 My son, if thine heart be wise,
My heart shall rejoice, even mine.
16 Yea, my ^o reins shall rejoice,
When thy lips speak right things.
17 Let not thine heart envy ^o sinners:
But *be thou* in ^o the fear of ^o the LORD all
the day long.
18 For surely there is ^o an end;
And thine ^o expectation shall not be cut off.
19 Hear thou, ^o my son, and be wise,
And guide thine heart in the way.
20 Be not among ^o winebibbers;
Among riotous ^o eaters of flesh:
21 For the drunkard and the glutton shall
come to ^o poverty:
And drowsiness shall clothe *a man* with
rags.
22 ^o Harken unto ^o thy father that begat thee,
And despise not thy mother when she is old.
23 Buy the truth, and sell *it* not;

- 27 he: i. e. the usurer. 28 ancient = age-long.
landmark = boundary stone.
29 Seest thou . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.
man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.
mean = mean ones: i. e. men who are obscure.

23. 1-21 (C², p. 891). PERSONAL CHARACTER.

- 1 When = Forasmuch as. Taking the act for granted.
thou. The second person is continued down to v. 24.
Consider = Discern. what: or, who.
2 And put = Then thou wilt put.
a man given, &c. Illustrations: Esau (Gen. 25. 30);
Isaac (Gen. 25. 28; 27. 4); those referred to in Phil. 3. 18, 19.
appetite = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.
3 dainties = dainty meals.
deceitful meat = meat that deceives. Heb. *kazah*.
See note on 11. 18.
4 Labour not, &c. Illustrations: Lot (Gen. 13. 10,
13); the rich fool (Luke 12. 16-20. Cp. Prov. 10. 16). See
Jeremiah's advice (Jer. 45. 5).
wisdom. Heb. *bināh*. See note on 1. 2. Not the
same word as in vv. 9, 23.
5 For. This is the reason why "it is gone".
6 evil. Heb. *rā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii.
7 thinketh, &c. = estimates himself.
heart = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.
9 fool. Heb. *kā'il*. See note on 1. 7.
he will despise. Illustration: Amaziah (2 Chron.
25. 16).
wisdom = intelligence. Heb. *sekel*. See note on 1. 2.
Not the same word as in vv. 4, 23.
words = sayings. Heb. *millāh* = discourse.
10 old landmark = ancient boundary. Cp. 22. 28.
fields. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., Syr., and
Vulg., read "field" (sing.).
fatherless. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), Ap. 6
for all bereaved ones.
11 Redeemer = kinsman-redeemer. Heb. *gā'al*. See
note on Ex. 6. 6; 13. 13. 13 child = youth.
14 deliver = rescue. soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.
hell = hades. See Ap. 35.
16 reins = kidneys. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Ad-
junct), Ap. 6, for affections and impulses.
17 sinners. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.
the fear of the LORD. See note on 1. 7.
the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.
18 an end = a hereafter, or latter end.
expectation. Heb. *tikvah*. See note on 10. 28.
19 my son. Note the characteristic of this member
D (p. 891).
20 winebibbers. Heb. *yayin* (Ap. 27. i) and *šābā'*
= drinkers to excess. eaters of flesh = selfish eaters.
21 poverty = dispossession. Heb. *yārash*. See note
on 6. 11.

22-25 (A³, p. 891). CALL TO HEAR.

- 22 Harken. This determines the Structure (p. 891).
thy father. Note this mark of "Proverbs for Solo-
mon". See the Structure of D (p. 891).
23 wisdom. Heb. *chākmāh*. See note on 1. 2. Not
the same word as in vv. 4, 8.
24 the righteous = a just one.

26-33 (B³, p. 891). PERSONAL CONDUCT.

- 26 heart. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6,
for attention. observe = delight in.

Also ^o wisdom, and instruction, and under-
standing.

- 24 The father of ^o the righteous shall greatly
rejoice:

And he that begetteth a wise *child* shall
have joy of him.

- 25 ²² Thy father and thy mother shall be glad,
And she that bare thee shall rejoice.

- 26 ¹⁹ My son, give me thine ^o heart,
And let thine eyes ^o observe my ways.

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- 27 For a whore *is* a deep ditch;
And a °strange woman *is* a narrow pit.
28 ^{he} also lieth in wait as *for* a prey,
And increaseth the °transgressors among
°men.
29 Who hath woe? who hath sorrow? who
hath contentions?
Who hath babbling? who hath wounds
without cause?
Who hath redness of eyes?
30 They that tarry long at the °wine;
They that go to seek °mixed wine.
31 Look not thou upon the °wine when it is red,
When it giveth °his colour in the cup,
When it moveth itself aright.
32 At the last it biteth like a serpent,
And stingeth like an adder.
33 Thine eyes shall behold °strange women,
And thine heart shall utter perverse things.
34 Yea, thou shalt be as he that lieth down
in the °midst of the sea,
Or as he that lieth upon the °top of a mast.
35 "They have stricken me," *shalt thou say,*
"and I was not sick;
They have beaten me, *and I °felt it not:*
"When shall I awake? I will seek it yet
again."

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- 24 °Be not thou envious against °evil °men,
Neither desire to be with them.
2 For their heart studieth destruction,
And their lips talk of °mischief.
3 Through °wisdom is an house builded;
And by understanding it is established:
4 And by knowledge shall the °chambers be
filled
With all precious and pleasant riches.
5 °A wise °man *is* strong;
Yea, °a man of knowledge °increaseth
strength.
6 For by wise counsel thou shalt makethy war:
And in °multitude of counsellors *there is*
safety.
7 °Wisdom °is too high for a °fool:
He °openeth not his mouth in the gate.
8 He that deviseth to do °evil
Shall be called a °mischievous person.
9 The °thought of °foolishness *is* °sin:
And the °scorner *is* an abomination to °men.
10 °If thou faint in the day of adversity,
Thy strength *is* small.
11 °If thou forbear to °deliver *them that are*
drawn unto death,
And *those that are* ready to be slain;
12 If thou sayest, "Behold, we °knew it not;"
Doth not ^{he} that pondereth the heart con-
sider *it*?
And He that keepeth thy °soul, doth not ^{he}
know *it*?
And shall not He render to every °man
according to his works?
13 °My son, eat thou honey, because *it is* good;
And the honeycomb, *which is* sweet to thy
taste:
14 So *shall* the knowledge of °wisdom be unto
thy °soul:
When thou hast found *it*, then there shall
be a reward,
And thy expectation shall not be °cut off.
15 Lay not wait, O °wicked man, against the
dwelling of °the righteous;

- 27 strange = foreign. Heb. *nākar*. See note on 2. 16;
5. 3. Not the same word as in v. 33.
28 transgressors = traitors.
men. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.
30 wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. I.
mixed wine. Heb. *mingsāk*. See Ap. 27. VII.
31 his colour = its sparkle.
33 strange = apostate. Heb. *zār*. See note on 2. 16;
5. 3. Not the same word as in v. 27.
34 midst. Heb. "heart".
top = basket: i. e. the look-out basket or cradle on the
35 felt = knew. [mast.]

24. 1-20 (C³, p. 891). PERSONAL CHARACTER.

- 1 Be not thou envious - Do not get excited. Cp.
23. 17. evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.
men. Heb. *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.
2 mischief. Heb. *'amal*. Ap. 44. v. Not the same
word as in vv. 8 and 16.
3 wisdom. Heb. *chākmāh*. See note on 1. 2.
4 chambers = inner chambers.
5 A wise man, &c. = A strong man [if wise] is strong
indeed. Aram., Syr., and Sept. read "[Better] a wise
man than a mighty". man. Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. IV.
a man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.
increaseth strength. Aram. and Syr. read "than
one who is strong".
6 multitude, &c. But they must all be "counsel-
lors". Cp. 11. 15 and 15. 22.
7 Wisdom. Heb. pl. = true wisdom. See notes on
1. 20; 9. 1; and cp. 14. 1.
is too high = seems to be, or is regarded as coral:
i. e. as an ornament costly, and, to him, unattainable.
Occurs three times (here, Job 28. 18, and Ezek. 27. 16).
fool. Heb. *'ēvil*. See note on 1. 7.
openeth not his mouth in the gate: i. e. where
the judges sit. A fool is not appointed as a judge.
8 mischievous person = a genius at plots. Heb. *sim-
māh* = plots. Not the same word as in vv. 2 and 16.
9 thought, &c. Cp. 4. 23. Job 1. 5. Jer. 4. 14.
Matt. 9. 3, 4; 15. 19, 20.
foolishness = the foolish. Heb. *'ēvil* (v. 7).
sin. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i. scorner = scoffer.
men. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I. Same word as in vv. 12, 30.
10 If thou faint, &c. Adversity is sent to try our
strength; and, if we fail, it is proved to be weakness.
Illustrations: Jacob (Gen. 42. 36); David (1 Sam. 27. 1);
Elijah (1 Kings 19. 3, 4); Jonah (Jonah 4. 8).
11 If thou forbear. This is counsel for a ruler or
judge, and is for Solomon. See the Structure (p. 891).
Illustrations: Doeg (1 Sam. 22. 18); Pilate (Luke 23. 22-24).
deliver = snatch, or rescue.
drawn, &c. = being taken to execution.
12 knew it not = we knew not of it.
soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.
13 My son. Confirming the Structure D (p. 891).
14 cut off. Cp. v. 20 and 23. 18.
15 wicked = lawless. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x. (sing.),
v. 16 (pl.). the righteous = a just one.
16 just = righteous. the wicked = lawless ones.
mischief = calamity. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii. Not the
same word as in vv. 2 and 8.
17 Rejoice not. Illustrations: Tyre (Ezek. 26. 2-6);
Ammon (Ezek. 25. 6); David (2 Sam. 1. 11, 12). Cp. Ps.
35. 13, 14; Jeremiah (Jer. 9. 1); Edom (Obad. 11-14).
18 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
from him. Supply Ellipsis, "from him [to thee]".

Spoil not his resting place:

- 16 For a °just man falleth seven times, and
riseth up again:
But °the °wicked shall fall into °mischief.
17 °Rejoice not when thine enemy falleth,
And let not thine heart be glad when he
stumbleth:
18 Lest °the LORD see *it*, and it displease Him,
And He turn away His wrath °from him.

19 °Fret not thyself because of °evil *men*,
Neither °be thou °envious at °the °wicked;
20 For there shall be no °reward to the °evil
man;
The °candle of °the wicked shall be put out.

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21 °My son, fear thou °the LORD and the
king:
And °meddle not with °them that are given
to change:

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22 For °their °calamity shall rise suddenly;
And who knoweth the °ruin of them °both?
23 These *things* also °belong to the wise.

*It is not good to have respect of persons in
judgment.*

24 He that saith unto °the °wicked, "Thou
art righteous;"

Him shall the °people curse, nations shall
abhor him:

25 But to them that °rebuke *him* shall be
delight,

And a good blessing shall come upon them.

26 *Every man* shall °kiss *his* lips

That giveth a °right answer.

27 Prepare thy work without,
And make it fit for thyself in the field;
And afterwards build thine house.

28 Be not a witness against thy neighbour
without cause;

And °deceive *not* with thy lips.

29 Say not, "I will do so to him °as he hath
done to me:

I will render to the °man according to his
work."

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30 I went by the field of the slothful,
And by the vineyard of the °man void of
°understanding;

31 And, °lo, it was all grown over with thorns,
And nettles had covered the face thereof,
And the stone wall thereof was broken
down.

32 Then I °saw, and °considered *it* well:
I looked upon *it*, and received instruction.

33 Yet a little sleep, a little slumber,
A little folding of the hands to sleep:

34 So shall thy °poverty come *as* one that
travelleth;
And thy want as °an armed °man.

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25 These *are* also proverbs °of Solomon,
which °the °men of Hezekiah king of
Judah copied out.

2 *It is* the glory of °God to conceal a thing:
But the °honour of kings *is* to search out
a matter.

3 The heaven for height, and the earth for
depth,

And the heart of kings *is* unsearchable.

4 Take away the dross from the silver,
And there shall come forth a vessel for the
°finer.

5 °Take away °the °wicked *from* before the
king,

And his throne shall be established in
righteousness.

6 Put not forth thyself in the presence of
the king,

And stand not in the place of great *men* :

7 For °better *it is* that it be said unto thee,
"Come up hither;"

19 Fret not = Chafe not thyself. Cp. Ps. 37. 1, 7, 8.
evil men = evil-doers. Cp. Ps. 37. 1, 7, 8. Same word
as in v. 8.

envious = excited. the wicked = lawless ones.

20 reward = posterity, or future.

candle = lamp. The idiom is used for having no
posterity.

21 (A⁴, p. 891). CALL TO HEAR.

21 meddle not = mingle not, i.e. have nothing to do
with.

them that are given to change = with them that
make a difference [between a wicked king and a wicked
common man].

22-29 (B⁴, p. 891). PERSONAL CONDUCT.

22 their: i.e. the king and a common man.

calamity = overthrow.

ruin = catastrophe.

both: i.e. the two who are the subjects of this
counsel.

23 belong to = are [the words of] the wise (pl.).
R. V. = are [sayings] of the wise. See the Structure,
p. 891, and note on 22. 17.

24 the wicked. Unto a wicked [king]: i.e. as well
as to an ordinary man.

wicked = lawless. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

people = peoples.

25 rebuke him: i.e. rebuke a wicked king.

26 kiss his lips = do homage with his lips to him.

right = straightforward.

28 deceive. Heb. *pāthāh*. See note on 11. 18.

29 as = according as.

30-34 (C⁴, p. 891). PERSONAL CHARACTER.

understanding. Heb. "heart": put by Fig. *Metonymy*
(of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the discernment coming from it.
See note on 1. 2.

31 lo. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

32 saw = gazed.

considered it well = set my heart upon it.

34 poverty = need. Heb. *rūsh*. See note on 6. 11.

an armed man = a man with a shield.

25. 1-26. 28 (C, p. 864). PROVERBS BY SOLO-
MON. THIRD PERSON ("HE", "HIM", "HIS").
(Division.)

C | D¹ | 25. 1-28. Admonition to the Fear of God.
D² | 26. 1-28. Warning against the Sins of Men.

25. 1-28 (D¹, above). ADMONITION TO THE
FEAR OF GOD. (Division.)

1 of Solomon = by Solomon, as author: i.e. written
by him. Characterising this section of the book.

the men of Hezekiah. Evidently a special guild of
scribes employed in the work of editing and putting
together the O.T. books. At the end of each book are
three Majuscular letters, *Cheth* (ח=H), *Zayin* (ז=Z),
and *Koph* (כ=K), which are the initials of Hezekiah,
and his sign-manual, confirming the work done. This
tri-grammaton is found in all MSS. and printed editions
up to the end of 2 Kings. After the death of Hezekiah
it obtains varied forms and additions; subsequent
writers and editors having lost the origin and meaning
of these three letters, and taken it as a word which
means "Be strong", put there for their encouragement.
See Ap. 67.

men. Heb. *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

2 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I. Cp. Job 37. 14-24;
and 38-41.

honour = glory, as in preceding line.

4 finer = refiner.

5 Take away, &c. Illustrations: David (1 Kings 2.
5, 6. Cp. v. 46); Asa (1 Kings 15. 13).

the wicked = a lawless one. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

7 better. See note on 8. 11.

Than that thou shouldst be put lower in
the presence of the prince
Whom thine eyes have seen.

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(cont.)

- 8 ° Go not forth hastily to strive,
Lest thou know not what to do in the end thereof,
When thy neighbour hath put thee to shame.
- 9 Debate thy cause ° with thy neighbour himself;
And discover not a secret to another:
- 10 Lest he that heareth it put thee to ° shame,
And thine infamy turn not away.
- 11 A word ° fitly spoken
Is like ° apples of gold in ° pictures of silver.
- 12 As an earring of gold, and an ornament of fine gold,
So is a wise reprover upon an ° obedient ear.
- 13 As the cold of snow ° in the time of harvest,
So is a faithful messenger to them that send him:
For he refresheth the ° soul of his masters.
- 14 Whoso boasteth himself of a ° false gift
Is like clouds and ° wind without rain.
- 15 By long forbearing is a ° prince ° persuaded,
And a soft ° tongue ° breaketh the bone.
- 16 Hast thou found honey? eat so much as is sufficient for thee,
Lest thou be filled therewith, and vomit it.
- 17 Withdraw thy foot from thy neighbour's house;
Lest he be ° weary of thee, and so hate thee.
- 18 ° A man that beareth false witness against his neighbour
Is a ° maul, and a sword, and a sharp arrow.
- 19 Confidence in an ° unfaithful man in time of trouble
Is like a brokentooth, and a ° foot out of joint.
- 20 As he that ° taketh away a garment in cold weather, and as vinegar upon ° nitre,
° So is he that singeth songs to an heavy heart.
- 21 ° If thine enemy be hungry, give him bread to eat;
And if he be thirsty, give him water to drink:
- 22 For thou shalt ° heap coals of fire upon his head,
And ° the LORD shall reward thee.
- 23 The north ¹⁴ wind ° driveth away rain:
So doth ° an angry countenance a backbiting tongue.
- 24 It is ⁷ better to dwell in the corner of the housetop,
Than with a ° brawling woman and in a wide house.
- 25 As cold waters to a thirsty ¹³ soul,
So is ° good news from a far country.
- 26 A righteous man falling down before the ° wicked
Is as a ° troubled fountain, and a corrupt spring.
- 27 It is not good to eat much honey:
So for men to search their own glory is not glory.
- 28 He that hath no rule over his own ° spirit
Is like a city that is broken down, and without walls.

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- 26 As ° snow in summer, and as ° rain in harvest,
So honour is not seemly for ° a fool.
- 2 As the bird ° by wandering, as the swallow ° by flying,
° So the curse causeless shall not come.

- 8 Go not forth, &c. Illustrations: Gaal (Judg. 9. 26-40); the ten tribes (Josh. 22. 12-34); Abner (2 Sam. 2. 14, 17); Asahel (2 Sam. 2. 18-23); Amaziah (2 Kings 14. 8-14); Josiah (2 Chron. 35. 20-24).
- 9 with thy neighbour. Illustrations: Abraham (Gen. 13. 8; 21. 25-32); Jephthah (Judg. 11. 12-27).
- 10 shame. A Homonym. Heb. *cheqed*, meaning (1) mercy, or lovingkindness, but also (2) a disgraceful thing. Lev. 20. 14, 17. Job 37. 13. See notes there.
- 11 fitly=timely. As we say "on the spur of the moment". apples of gold. The difficulty is not in this expression, for jewellery is evidently intended from the first clause of the next verse.
- pictures=carved or sculptured work, put by Fig. Metonymy (of Effect), Ap. 6, for imaginative work made from it: i.e. baskets, or dishes. Golden fruit (the Rev. James Niel suggests oranges) in silver salvers would be the height of rarity, which it is the intention of the words to convey. Heb. *maskith* occurs six times, 18. 11 ("conceit"); Lev. 26. 1. Num. 33. 52. Ps. 73. 7 ("could wish"); Ezek. 8. 12 ("imagery").
- 12 obedient=attentive.
- 13 in the time of harvest: i.e. most unusual. Cp. 26. 1. The emphasis is on "cold" as being refreshing. soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.
- 14 false=pretended. Illustrations: Zedekiah (1 Kings 22. 11); Hananiah (Jer. 28. 1-4); Shemaiah (Jer. 29. 24-31); false apostles (2 Cor. 11. 13-15. Jude 12).
- wind. Heb. *ruach*. Ap. 9.
- 15 prince: or judge. persuaded. Cp. Gen. 26. 13-31. tongue. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6, for what is spoken by it.
- breaketh the bone: i.e. overcometh obstinacy.
- 17 weary=full of.
- 18 A man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.
- maul=a mallet, or large wooden hammer, or club. From the Latin *malleus*.
- 19 unfaithful=treacherous. Heb. *bāgad*. See note on "transgressors" (11. 3).
- foot out of joint=a tottering foot. Illustrations: Micah (Judg. 18. 20); Ben-hadad (2 Kings 8. 8-15. 2 Chron. 28. 20, 21); Israelites (Isa. 30. 1-5); Zedekiah (Jer. 37. 5-7); cp. Ezek. 17. 15; 29. 7; and Prov. 19. 22.
- 20 taketh away, &c.=decketh himself out in. Heb. *'ādāh*. See Job 40. 10. Isa. 61. 10. Jer. 4. 30; 51. 4. Ezek. 16. 11, 13; 23. 40. Hos. 2. 13: i.e. he that thinks more of his appearance than his comfort and health.
- nitre=*natron*. Now called soda. With any acid it causes strong effervescence.
- So is he. The point is in the incongruity of the three things named.
- 21 If thine enemy be hungry, &c. Quoted in Rom. 12. 20; cp. 1 Sam. 24. 6; 26. 9. Illustrations: Azariah, Berachiah, &c. (2 Chron. 28. 12-15); Elisha (2 Kings 6. 19-23). By the Fig. Synecdoche (of Species), Ap. 6, these examples are put for all similar kinds.
- 22 heap, &c.=receive from thine enemy [and place] upon his head. Fig. Ellipsis (Relative), Ap. 6. As *hāthā*=receive, the Ellipsis must be thus supplied: i.e. If thou doest good to one whose burning words (16. 27; 26. 23) thou hast received, they will burn him in another sense. Illustration: David (1 Sam. 24. 16-22). the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.
- 23 driveth away=bringeth forth. Heb. *hūl*.
- an angry countenance. Supply the Ellipsis thus: by adding "[produceth]".
- 24 brawling=wrangling.
- 25 good news, &c. Illustrations: Jacob (Gen. 45. 25-28); Paul (Col. 1. 3, 4. Eph. 1. 15, 16. Phil. 1. 3-6).
- 26 troubled=trampled, or fouled.
- 28 spirit. Heb. *ruach*. Ap. 9.

26. 1-28 (D², p. 897). WARNING AGAINST THE SINS OF MEN.

- 1 snow in summer . . . rain. These are as rare and as exceptional as honour is to a fool.
- a fool. Heb. *kēgil*. See note on 1. 7.
- 2 by . . . by=for . . . for: or [has cause] for.
- So the curse, &c. Illustrations: Baalam's (Neh. 13. 2); Goliath's (1 Sam. 17. 43); Shimei's (2 Sam. 16. 5, 12).

- 3 A whip for the horse, a bridle for the ass,
And a rod for ° the ° fool's back.
- 4 ° Answer not a ° fool according to his ° folly,
Lest thou also be like unto him.
- 5 ° Answer a ° fool according to his ° folly,
Lest he be wise in his own ° conceit.
- 6 He that ° sendeth a message by the hand
of a ° fool
° Cutteth off the feet, and drinketh damage.
- 7 The ° legs of the lame ° are not equal:
So is a parable in the mouth of ° fools.
- 8 As he that ° bindeth a stone in a sling,
So is he that giveth honour to a ° fool.
- 9 As a thorn goeth up into the hand of ° a
drunkard,
So is a parable in the mouth of ° fools.
- 10 ° The great God that formed all things
Both ° rewardeth the ° fool, and rewardeth
transgressors.
- 11 ° As a dog returneth to his vomit,
So a ° fool ° returneth to his ° folly.
- 12 Seest thou a ° man wise in his own ° conceit?
There is more hope of a ° fool than of him.
- 13 The slothful man saith, "There is ° a lion in
the way;
A lion is in the streets."
- 14 As the door turneth upon his hinges,
So doth the slothful upon his bed.
- 15 The slothful ° hideth his hand in his ° bosom;
° It grieveth him to bring it again to his
mouth.
- 16 The sluggard is wiser in his own conceit
Than seven ° men that can render a reason.
- 17 He that passeth by, and ° meddleth with
strife belonging not to him,
Is like one that taketh a dog by the ears.
- 18 As a mad man who casteth firebrands,
Arrows, and death,
- 19 So is the ° man that ° deceiveth his neighbour,
And saith, "Am not I in sport?"
- 20 Where no wood is, there the fire goeth out:
So where there is no talebearer, the strife
ceaseth.
- 21 As coals are to burning coals, and wood to fire;
So is a contentious ° man to kindle strife.
- 22 The words of a talebearer are as ° wounds,
And they go down into the innermost parts
of the belly.
- 23 ° Burning lips and a ° wicked heart
Are like a potsherd covered with ° silver dross.
- 24 He that hateth dissembleth with his lips,
And layeth up ° deceit within him;
- 25 When he ° speaketh fair, believe him not:
For there are seven abominations in his heart.
- 26 Whose hatred is covered by ° deceit,
His ° wickedness shall be shewed before
the whole ° congregation.
- 27 Whoso diggeth a pit ° shall fall therein:
And he that rolleth a stone, it will return
upon him.
- 28 A lying tongue ° hateth those that are
afflicted by it;
And a flattering mouth worketh ruin.
- 27** Boast not ° thyself of to morrow;
For ° thou knowest not what a day may
bring forth.
- 2 ° Let another man praise ° thee, and not
° thine own mouth;
A ° stranger, and not thine own lips.
- 3 A stone is heavy, and the sand weighty;

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3 the fool's back = the back of fools.

4 Answer not. The point of v. 3 is that you cannot reason with a fool: v. 4 gives the reason. If you answer not according to his folly, he will think he is wise like yourself. If you do answer him according to his folly, he will think you are a fool like he is: i.e. according to v. 3 you cannot reason with him. These are finely stated facts, not commands.

folly. Heb. 'evil. See note on 1. 7. 5 conceit = eyes.

6 sendeth a message: or, transacteth business.

Cutteth off the feet: i.e. his own feet = renders himself helpless.

7 legs = clothes; "legs" put by Fig. Metonymy (of Subject), Ap. 6, for the clothes on them.

are not equal - are lifted up: i.e. the clothes being lifted up expose the lame legs. So a fool exposes his folly in expounding a parable.

8 bindeth = bindeth tight: a foolish thing to do.

9 a drunkard: i.e. insensible to a thorn.

10 The great God, &c. Render: "A master [workman] formeth all himself aright: but he that hireth a fool, hireth a transgressor [who will spoil the work]." rewardeth. Heb. *sakar*, to hire.

11 As a dog, &c. Quoted in 2 Pet. 2. 22.

returneth = repeateth. Illustrations: Pharaoh (Ex. 9. 27-34); Ahab (1 Kings 21. 27; 22. 6-8); Herod (Mark 6. 20-27).

12 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

13 a lion = a black lion. 15 hideth = burieth.

bosom - dish, as in 2 Kings 21. 13. Prov. 19. 24.

It grieveth him = It is hard for him, or he is too lazy.

16 men. No Heb. for this word here.

17 meddleth = vexeth himself.

19 deceiveth. Heb. *rāmāh*. See note on 11. 18.

Not the same word as in v. 26.

22 wounds = self-inflicted wounds. Cp. 18. 8.

23 Burning lips: i.e. warm professions.

wicked. Heb. *rā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii.

silver dross. Fig. Hypallage (Ap. 6). Heb. = silver of dross.

25 speaketh fair = maketh his voice gracious.

26 deceit. Heb. *nāshā'*. See note on 11. 18. Not

the same word as in vv. 19, 24.

congregation = assembly.

27 shall fall therein. Illustrations: Jacob, who deceived with a kid (Gen. 27. 14), was deceived by a kid (Gen. 37. 31, 32); David and the sword (2 Sam. 11. 14, 15, and 2 Sam. 12. 10); Haman and the gallows (Est. 7. 10; see Ps. 9. 15); Daniel and his accusers (Dan. 6. 4-9, 13, and 24).

28 hateth, &c.: i.e.:-

"Forgiveness to the injured doth belong;

They ne'er pardon who have done the wrong."

27. 1-29. 27 (D, p. 864). "WORDS OF THE WISE". FOR SOLOMON (A KING AND PRINCE, 28. 16; 29. 4, 14). SECOND PERSON. "MY SON" (27. 11). "THYSELF" (27. 1). "THOU" (27. 1, 22, 23). "THY" (27. 10, 23, 26, 27).

D¹ E¹ 27. 1-27. Against self-praise and arrogance.

E² 28. 1-28. Against unscrupulous dealing.

E³ 29. 1-27. Against stubbornness and insubordination.

1 Boast not, &c. Cp. Jas. 4. 13-16.

thyself... thou. Second person, marking the Structure.

thou knowest not. Illustrations: Jonathan (1 Sam. 23. 17. Cp. 31. 2); Abner (2 Sam. 3. 9, 10. Cp. 3. 27); Benhadad (1 Kings 20. 3-31. Cp. v. 11); Ahab (1 Kings 22. 26, 27, 34-37); Haman (Est. 5. 12; 7. 1, 10); Nebuchadnezzar (Dan. 4. 30, 31-33); the rich fool (Luke 12. 20).

2 Let another man praise thee. Illustrations: Centurion (Matt. 8. 10); John (Matt. 11. 11. John 5. 35); Luke (Col. 4. 14. 2 Tim. 4. 11); Epaphroditus (Phil. 2. 25). No Heb. for "man", here.

thee... thine. Second person, marking the Structure. stranger = one unknown. Heb. *nākar*. See note on 2. 16; 5. 10.

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- But a °fool's wrath is heavier than °them both.
 4 Wrath is cruel, and anger is outrageous;
 But who is able to stand before °envy?
 5 Open rebuke is better
 Than secret love.
 6 °Faithful are the wounds of a friend;
 But the kisses of an enemy are °deceitful.
 7 The full °soul loatheth an honeycomb;
 But to the hungry °soul every bitter thing
 is sweet.
 8 As a bird that wandereth from her nest,
 So is a °man that wandereth from his place.
 9 Ointment and perfume rejoice the heart:
 So doth the sweetness of a °man's friend
 by °hearty counsel.
 10 Thine own friend, and °thy father's friend,
 forsake not;
 Neither go into thy brother's house in the
 day of thy calamity;
 For °better is a neighbour that is near
 than a brother far off.
 11 °My son, be wise, and make my heart glad,
 That I may answer him that reproacheth me.
 12 A prudent man foreseeeth the °evil, and
 hideth himself;
 But the simple pass on, and °are punished.
 13 Take his garment that is surety for a
 °stranger,
 And take a pledge of him for a °strange
 woman.
 14 He that blesseth his friend with a loud
 voice, rising early in the morning,
 It shall be counted a curse to him.
 15 A continual dropping in a very rainy day
 And a °contentious woman are alike.
 16 Whosoever hideth her hideth the °wind,
 °And the ointment of his right hand, which
 bewrayeth itself.
 17 Iron sharpeneth iron;
 So a °man sharpeneth the countenance of
 his friend.
 18 Whoso keepeth the fig tree shall eat the
 fruit thereof;
 So he °that waiteth on his master shall be
 °honoured.
 19 As in water face answereth to face,
 So the heart of °man to °man.
 20 °Hell and destruction are never full;
 So the eyes of °man are never satisfied.
 21 As the fining pot °for silver, and the furnace
 °for gold;
 °So is a °man to his praise.
 22 Though thou shouldest °bray a °fool in a
 mortar among wheat with a pestle,
 Yet will not this °foolishness depart from him.
 23 Bethou diligent to know the state of thy flocks,
 And look well to thy herds.
 24 For °riches are not for ever:
 And doth the crown endure to every
 generation?
 25 The hay appeareth, and the tender grass
 sheweth itself,
 And herbs of the mountains are gathered.
 26 The lambs are for thy clothing,
 And the °goats are the price of the field.
 27 And thou shalt have goats' milk enough for
 thy food, for the food of thy household,
 And for the °maintenance for thy maidens.

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(p. 899) 28 °The °wicked flee when no man pursueth:
 But °the righteous °are °bold as a lion.

- 3 fool's. Heb. 'ēvil. See note on 1. 7.
 them. Should be "they". 4 envy = jealousy.
 6 Faithful, &c. Illustrations: Nehemiah (Neh.
 5. 7-13. Cp. Neh. 6. 2); Jehu (2 Chron. 19. 2-11).
 deceitful. Heb. 'āthar = effusive (i. e. abundant) and
 empty (as vapour). See note on 11. 18. Cp. Matt. 26. 49.
 7 soul. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13.
 8 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.
 9 hearty counsel = counsel of the soul. Heb. nephesh.
 Ap. 13.
 10 thy father's friend. Illustrations: Hiram
 (1 Kings 5. 1. Cp. v. 12); Mephibosheth (2 Sam. 9. 6, 7.
 Cp. 21. 7); Rehoboam (1 Kings 12. 6-8); Joash (2 Chron.
 24. 17, 18; cp. v. 22). better. See note on 8. 11.
 11 My son. Marking the Structure (p. 899), as being
 the Words of the Wise, for Solomon.
 12 evil. Heb. rā'ā'. Ap. 44. viii.
 are punished = pay the penalty.
 13 stranger = an apostate. Heb. zūr. See note on
 2. 16; 5. 3. strange = foreign. See note above.
 15 contentious = wrangling.
 16 wind. Heb. rāach. Ap. 9.
 And. Supply the Ellipsis, "And [hideth]", &c.
 18 that waiteth . . . honoured. Illustrations: De-
 borah (Gen. 35. 8); Joseph (Gen. 39. 2-6, 22, 23); Elisha
 (2 Kings 3. 11); Centurion's servant (Luke 7. 8); disciples
 (Luke 12. 37); soldier (Acts 10. 7).
 19 man . . . man. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.
 20 Hell = Sheōl. Ap. 35.
 21 for . . . for = trieth . . . trieth.
 So is, &c. = So doth a man put his praise to the test.
 22 bray = pound, pulverize.
 24 riches. Consisted mainly in flocks and herds.
 26 goats = he goats. 27 maintenance = life.

28. 1-28 (E², p. 899). AGAINST UNSCRUPULOUS DEALING.

- 1 The wicked flee, &c. = A lawless one flees. Illustrations:
 Adam (Gen. 3. 8); Joseph's brethren (Gen. 50. 15);
 the Jews (Lev. 26. 36); Ahab (1 Kings 21. 20); Herod Anti-
 pas (Matt. 14. 2. Cp. Prov. 20. 27); Felix (Acts 24. 25).
 Cp. Eph. 2. 13.
 the wicked = a lawless one. Heb. rāshā'. Ap. 44. x.
 the righteous = righteous ones.
 are bold as a lion. Illustrations: Moses (Ex. 32. 20);
 the prophet (1 Kings 13. 1-10); Elijah (1 Kings 18. 15, 18.
 2 Kings 1. 15); Azariah (2 Chron. 26. 17, 18); Nehemiah
 (Neh. 6. 11); Shadrach, &c. (Dan. 3); Peter and John
 (Acts 4. 18, 20; 5. 41, 42); Stephen (Acts 7. 51-60); Paul
 (Acts 20. 22-24).
 bold = confident. Heb. bāṭaḥ. Ap. 69. i.
 2 transgression. Heb. pāshā'. Ap. 44. ix.
 many: i. e. changes of dynasty in quick succession.
 a man of understanding, &c., or a man knowing a
 discerning [man] when he sees him, &c. Cp. Pharaoh
 and Joseph; or Nebuchadnezzar and Daniel.
 man. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.
 3 poor = needy. Same root as in vv. 6, 19, 27. Not the
 same word as in vv. 3, 8, 11, 15, 22. Heb. rūsh. See note on 6. 11.
 man = strong man. Heb. geber. Ap. 14. IV.
 the poor = weak ones. Heb. dal. See note on "poverty"
 in 6. 11. Same word as in vv. 8, 11, 15.
 4 praise the wicked = praise a lawless one. Illus-
 trations: Saul (1 Sam. 23. 21); Absalom (2 Sam. 15. 6);
 Judah's nobles (Neh. 6. 19); false prophets (Jer. 5. 30, 31);
 Jews (Acts 12. 21-23).
 contend with them. Illustrations: Nehemiah (Neh.
 5. 7-11; 13. 11); John (Matt. 14. 4).

2 For the °transgression of a land °many
 are the princes thereof:

But by °a °man of understanding and know-
 ledgethe state thereof shall be prolonged.

3 A °poor °man that oppresseth °the poor
 Is like a sweeping rain which leaveth no food.

4 They that forsake the law °praise °the
 °wicked:

But such as keep the law °contend with them.

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- 5 ° Evil ° men ° understand not judgment :
But they that seek ° the LORD ° understand
all *things*.
- 6 ° Better is ° the ° poor that walketh in his
° uprightness,
° Than he that is perverse in his ° ways,
though he be rich.
- 7 Whoso keepeth the law is a ° wise son :
But he that is a companion of riotous men
° shameth his father.
- 8 He that by usury and unjust gain in-
creaseth his substance,
He shall gather it for him that will pity
° the poor.
- 9 He that turneth away his ear from hearing
° the law,
Even his prayer shall be abomination.
- 10 Whoso causeth ° the righteous to go astray
in an ° evil way,
He shall fall himself into his own ° pit :
But the upright shall have good *things* in
possession.
- 11 The rich ° man is wise in his own ° conceit ;
But ° the ° poor that hath ° understanding
searcheth him out.
- 12 When ° righteous men do rejoice, there is
great glory :
But when ° the ° wicked rise, a ° man is hidden.
- 13 ° He that covereth his ° sin shall not prosper :
But whoso ° confesseth and forsaketh them
shall have mercy.
- 14 ° Happy is the ° man ° that feareth alway :
But ° he that hardeneth his heart shall fall
into mischief.
- 15 As a ° roaring lion, and a ranging bear ;
So is a ° wicked ruler over ° the poor people.
- 16 The prince that wanteth ° understanding is
also a great ° oppressor :
But he that hateth covetousness shall pro-
long his days.
- 17 A ° man that doeth violence to ° the blood of
any ° person
Shall flee to the ° pit ; let ° no man stay him.
- 18 Whoso walketh ° uprightly shall be saved :
But he that is ° perverse in his ways shall
° fall at once.
- 19 He that tilleth his land shall have plenty
of bread :
But he that followeth after ° vain persons
shall have ° poverty enough.
- 20 A faithful ° man shall abound with blessings :
But he that maketh haste to be rich shall
° not be innocent.
- 21 To have respect of ° persons is not good :
For for a piece of bread ° that ° man will
° transgress.
- 22 He that hasteth to be rich hath an ° evil eye,
And considereth not that ° poverty shall
come upon him.
- 23 He that rebuketh a ° man afterwards shall
find more favour
Than he that flattereth with the ° tongue.
- 24 Whoso robbeth his father or his mother,
and saith, "It is no ° transgression ;"
The same is the companion of a ° destroyer.
- 25 He that is of a proud ° heart stirreth up strife :
But he that putteth his ° trust in ° the LORD
shall be made fat.
- 26 He that ° trusteth in ° his own heart is a ° fool :
But whoso walketh wisely, he shall be de-
livered.
- 5 Evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.
men. Heb. *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.
understand not, &c. Illustrations : Israel (Num.
16. 41) ; Ahab (1 Kings 18. 17) ; the Lord's enemies (Mark
4. 11, 12. John 5. 44) ; Pharisees (Luke 11. 42 ; 18. 9-14 ;
16. 14). Heb. *bināh*. See note on 1. 2.
the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.
6 Better. See note on 8. 11.
the poor = a poor one. uprightness = integrity.
Than he ... ways = Than [he that walketh] in double
ways. Heb. *'ākash*. See v. 18. Cp. Jas. 1. 8.
ways = double ways. As in v. 18.
7 wise = intelligent. Heb. *bināh*. See note on 1. 2.
shameth. Cp. 29. 15. 9 the law = instruction.
10 the righteous = upright ones.
evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.
pit = a slough or clay pit. Heb. *shehūth*.
11 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II. conceit = eyes.
the poor = a poor one. Heb. *dāl*. See note on 6. 11.
12 righteous = upright ones (pl.).
the wicked = lawless ones.
13 He that covereth, &c. Illustrations : Adam (Gen.
3. 12. See Job 31. 33) ; Cain (Gen. 4. 9) ; Saul (1 Sam. 15. 19-21).
sins = transgressions. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix.
confesseth, &c. Illustrations : David (2 Sam. 12. 13.
Ps. 51. 3) ; Manasseh (2 Chron. 33. 12, 13) ; Nineveh (Jer. 18.
7, 8. Jonah 3. 5-10. Matt. 12. 41) ; the lost son (Luke 15.
18-24). 14 Happy. See note on 3. 13.
that feareth alway, &c. Illustrations : Joseph
(Gen. 39. 9 ; 42. 18) ; Nehemiah (Neh. 5. 15) ; Job (Job 1. 5).
he that hardeneth, &c. Illustrations : Jews (Jer.
8. 12) ; Gentiles (Rom. 2. 3-5) ; Herod (Matt. 14. 1-10).
15 roaring = growling while devouring his prey, not
roaring (as he springs upon it).
16 oppressor, &c. Supply the Relative *Ellipsis*
(Ap. 6), "oppressor [and shall cut short his days] : but",
&c., or, it may be the Fig. *Aposiopesis* (Ap. 6) ; and =
[what of him].
17 the blood of any person = the blood of a soul.
person. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.
pit = the grave. Heb. *bōr*.
no man = none : i. e. A man oppressed with the guilt of
murder (cp. Gen. 9. 4, 5) will flee to the pit [of destruc-
tion] : let none lay hold on him ; there is no occasion
for it ; he is his own tormentor, and will probably be
his own executioner, or will deliver himself up to justice.
18 perverse. Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) = "perverse [and
walketh in double] ways, shall fall in one". See v. 6.
fall at once : or fall in one of the two.
19 vain : or vanities.
poverty. Not the same word as v. 22. Heb. *rūsh*, as
in v. 3. 20 not be innocent = not go unpunished.
21 persons. Heb. "faces", put by Fig. *Synecdoche*
(of Part), Ap. 6, for persons.
that man = [even] a strong man.
transgress. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix.
22 poverty. Not the same word as in v. 19. Heb. *hezer*
= want.
23 tongue. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6,
for what is spoken by it.
24 destroyer = a destroying man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.
25 heart = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.
trust = confidence. Heb. *batah*. Ap. 69. i.
26 his ... heart, &c. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part),
Ap. 6, for himself. Illustrations : Hazael (2 Kings 8. 13) ;
Johanan (Jer. 42. 7-22 ; 43. 1-7) ; Peter (Matt. 26. 33, 74) ;
David (2 Sam. 24. 2 : cp. v. 10) ; Absalom (2 Sam. 15. 4).
Contrast Solomon (1 Kings 3. 7-9).
fool. Heb. *kēsil*. See note on 1. 7. Cp. Jer. 17. 9.
- 27 He that giveth unto ° the ° poor shall not lack :
But he that hideth his eyes shall have
many a curse.
- 28 When ° the ° wicked rise, ° men hide them-
selves :
But when they perish, ° the righteous in-
crease.

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- 29** He, that being ° often reproved hardeneth his neck,
Shall suddenly be destroyed, and that without remedy.
- 2** When ° the righteous are ° in authority, the people rejoice:
But when ° the wicked ° beareth rule, the people mourn.
- 3** Whoso loveth ° wisdom rejoiceth his father:
But he that keepeth company with harlots spendeth his substance.
- 4** The king by judgment establisheth the land:
But ° he that ° receiveth gifts overthroweth it.
- 5** A ° man that flattereth his neighbour
° Spreadeth a net for his ° feet.
- 6** In the transgression of an ° evil ° man there is a snare:
But ° the righteous doth sing and rejoice.
- 7** ° The righteous ° considereth the cause of ° the poor:
But ° the wicked ° regardeth not to know it.
- 8** Scornful ° men ° bring a city into a snare:
But wise men ° turn away wrath.
- 9** If a wise ° man contendeth with a ° foolish ° man,
Whether he rage or laugh, there is no rest.
- 10** ° The bloodthirsty ° hate ° the upright:
But ° the just ° seek his ° soul.
- 11** A ° fool uttereth all his ° mind:
But a wise man ° keepeth it in till afterwards.
- 12** If a ruler hearken to lies,
All his servants are ° wicked.
- 13** ° The ° poor and ° the deceitful ° man ° meet together:
° The LORD lighteneth both their eyes.
- 14** The king that faithfully judgeth ° the ° poor,
His throne shall be established for ever.
- 15** The rod and reproof give ° wisdom:
But a child left to himself bringeth his mother to shame.
- 16** When ° the ° wicked are ° multiplied, ° transgression increaseth:
But ° the righteous shall ° see their fall.
- 17** Correct thy son, and he shall give thee rest;
Yea, he shall give delight unto thy ° soul.
- 18** Where there is ° no vision, ° the people perish:
But he that keepeth the law, ° happy is he.
- 19** A servant will not be corrected by words:
For though he understand he will not answer.
- 20** ° Seest thou a ° man that is hasty in his words?
There is more hope of a ° fool than of him.
- 21** He that delicately bringeth up his servant from a ° child
Shall have him ° become his ° son at the length.
- 22** An angry ° man stirreth up strife,
And a ° furious man aboundeth in ° transgression.
- 23** A ° man's pride ° shall bring him low:

29. 1-27 (E³, p. 899). AGAINST STUBBORNNESS AND INSUBORDINATION.

- 1** often reproved, &c. Illustrations: Antediluvians (Gen. 6. 1 Pet. 3. 20. 2 Pet. 2. 5. Luke 17. 26, 27); Pharaoh (Ex. 7. 13, 14; 8. 15; 10. 1, 20, 27); Ahab (1 Kings 17. 1; 18. 18; 20. 42; 21. 20; 22).
- 2** the righteous = righteous ones.
in authority = increase, not necessarily in numbers, but in greatness. Cp. v. 16, and see note on 4. 10, and the next clause.
- the wicked = a lawless one. Heb. *rāsha'*. Ap. 44. x. beareth rule. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read the plural here: "bear rule".
- 3** wisdom. Heb. *chākmah*. See note on 1. 2.
- 4** he a man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II.
receiveth gifts = is open to bribes.
- 5** man. Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. IV.
Spreadeth a net, &c. Illustrations: woman of Tekoah (2 Sam. 14. 3, 19, 20, 28, 29); spies (Luke 20. 21).
feet = footsteps. **6** evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.
man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II.
the righteous = a righteous one.
- 7** considereth. Heb. "knoweth", put by Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the result of knowing. Illustrations: Job (Job 29. 13-16. Cp. Ps. 37. 26; 112. 5. Prov. 31. 20); Josiah (Jer. 22. 16).
the poor = weak ones. Heb. *dal*. See note on "poverty", 6. 11.
regardeth not to know it: i.e. makes no attempt to know it; or, knowing it, does not consider it. Illustrations: Jews (Jer. 5. 28. Cp. Luke 10. 31, 32).
- 8** Scornful men = Scoffers. Heb. "men of scorning".
men. Heb. *ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.
bring a city, &c. Illustrations: Judah (2 Chron. 36. 16-21); rulers (Isa. 28. 14-22; and Matt. 27. 39-43).
turn away wrath. Illustrations: Moses (Ex. 32. 10-14) and Aaron (Num. 16. 48); Elijah (Jas. 5. 18). Contrast Sodom (Gen. 18. 32); and Jer. 5. 1. Ezek. 22. 30.
- 9** foolish. Heb. *ēvil*. See note on 1. 7. Not the same word as in vv. 11, 20.
- 10** The bloodthirsty = men of bloods. Heb. *ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.
hate the upright. Illustrations: Ahab (2 Chron. 18. 7); Jezebel (1 Kings 18. 4; 19. 2); Jews (Acts 23. 12); Cain (Gen. 4. 8. Cp. 1 John 3. 12).
the upright = upright ones.
the just = an honest one.
seek his soul: i.e. to preserve it. Illustrations: Jonathan (1 Sam. 19. 2); Obadiah (1 Kings 18. 4); believers (Acts 12. 5); Priscilla and Aquila (Rom. 16. 4).
soul = life. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.
- 11** fool. Heb. *kāsil*. See note on 1. 7.
mind = spirit. Heb. *ruach*. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the feeling manifested by it.
keepeth it. Illustrations: Abraham (Gen. 22); Joseph (Gen. 42. 7; 44. 18-34); Moses (Ex. 3. 10. Cp. 4. 18); Nathan (2 Sam. 12. 1-6, 7-13).
- 13** The poor = a needy man. Heb. *rūsh*. See note on 6. 11.
the deceitful = a crafty, or an oppressive man, especially a creditor or usurer. Occurs in plural only here, for emphasis. Cp. Ps. 10. 7 ("fraud"); 55. 11, and 72. 14 ("deceit"). Heb. *tōk*. See note on 11. 18.
meet together: i.e. unexpectedly; first occurrence Gen. 32. 17. Cp. 33. 8.
- The LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
- 14** the poor = weak ones.
- 16** the wicked = wicked ones.
multiplied = increased in authority or position. Not necessarily in number. Cp. v. 2, and see note on 4. 10.
transgression. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix.
- see their fall = see into (the symptoms and causes of) their fall: i.e. fall caused by external circumstances.
- 18** no vision, &c. Illustration: Israel (1 Sam. 3. 1. 1 Kings 12. 28-32; 14. 14-16). the = a. happy, &c. See note on 3. 13. Illustrations: Hezekiah (2 Chron. 29); Josiah (2 Chron. 34. 33; 35. 18. Jer. 22. 16). **20** Seest thou, &c.? Note Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.
- man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II. **21** child = youth.
become. Some render "aspire to be"; others = become [insolent] like a son. son = offspring.
- 22** furious man = a master or lord of wrath. Heb. *bā'al* = lord. **23** man's. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I.
shall bring him low. Adam and Eve (Gen. 3. 5, 6); Hezekiah (2 Kings 20. 16-18); angels (2 Pet. 2. 4. Jude 6, 7).

But honour shall °uphold °the humble in
°spirit.

24 Whoso is partner with a thief hateth his
own ¹⁰soul :

He heareth cursing, and bewrayeth it not.

25 °The fear of ²³man bringeth °a snare :

But whoso °putteth his trust in ¹³the LORD
shall be °safe.

26 Many seek the ruler's favour ;

But every ⁶man's judgment cometh from
¹³the LORD.

27 An unjust ⁶man is an abomination to °the
just :

And he that is upright in the way is
abomination to °the ²wicked.

30 The words of °Agur the son of °Jakeh,
even the °prophesy :

The °man spake unto °Ithiel, even unto
Ithiel and °Ucal,

2 °Surely I am more brutish than any °man,
And have not the °understanding of °a man.

3 I neither °learned °wisdom,
°Nor have the knowledge of °the holy.

4 °Who hath ascended up into heaven, or
descended ?

Who hath gathered °the wind in his fists ?

Who hath bound the waters in a garment ?

Who hath established all the ends of the
earth ?

What is his name, and what is his son's
name, if thou canst tell ?

5 Every °word of °⁸QD is °pure :

It is a shield °unto them that °put their
trust in Him.

6 °Add thou not unto His words,

Lest He °reprove thee, and thou be found
a liar.

7 Two things have I required of thee ;

°Deny me them not before I die :

8 Remove far from me vanity and °lies :

Give me neither °poverty nor riches ;

°Feed me with °food convenient for me :

9 Lest I be full, and deny thee, and say,
"Who is °the LORD ?"

Or lest I be °poor, and steal,

And °take the name of my °God in vain.

10 °Accuse not a servant unto his master,
Lest he curse thee, and thou be found guilty.

11 There is a generation that curseth their
father,

And doth not bless their mother.

12 There is a generation that are pure in their
own eyes,

And yet is not washed from their filthiness.

13 There is a generation, O how lofty are their
eyes !

And their eyelids are lifted up.

14 There is a generation, whose teeth are as
swords, and their jaw teeth as knives,
To devour the °poor from off the earth,
and the needy from among °men.

reference to the second Commandment.

servant=Get not a servant accused. Note the Hiphil here ; as in Ps. 101. 5.

11-31 [For Structure see next page].

14 poor=needy. Heb. 'ānī. See note on 6. 11. Not the same word as in vv. 8, 9.

uphold the humble. Illustrations: Solomon (1 Kings
3. 7, 9, 11-14); John (John 1. 26, 27; 3. 29, 31); Mary
(Luke 1. 38); angels (Isa. 6. 2).
the humble=a humble one.
spirit. Heb. rūach. Ap. 9.

25 The fear of man. Refers to the inward feeling
of timidity. See note on "fear", 2 Tim. 1. 7.

The fear... a snare. One of the two great snares.
The other is "the praise of man": (John 12. 43. Cp.
Rom. 2. 29. John 5. 44). Illustrations: parents (John
9. 22); rulers (John 12. 42); Nicodemus (John 3. 2;
7. 50. Contrast 19. 39); Joseph (John 19. 38); David
(1 Sam. 16. 12, 13; 27. 1); Elijah (1 Kings 19. 3, &c.);
Peter (Matt. 26. 69-74).

putteth his trust=confideth. Heb. bāṭaḥ. Ap. 69. i.
safe=set on high.

27 the just=just ones. the wicked=a lawless one.

30. 1-31. 31 (A, p. 864). THE WORDS OF
AGUR AND LEMUEL, FOR SOLOMON: FOR A
PRINCE AND RULER. (Division.)

F¹ | 30. 1-33. The words of AGUR.

F² | 31. 1-31. The words of king LEMUEL.

30. 1-33 (F¹, above). THE WORDS OF AGUR.
(Alternation and Introversions.)

Title, v. 1-.

F¹ | G | 1-3. Confession. Himself.

H | J¹ | 4. Address.

K¹ | 5. Declaration.

J² | 6. Address.

G | 7-9. Prayer. Himself.

H | J³ | 10. Address.

K² | 11-31. Declaration.

J⁴ | 32, 33. Address.

1 Agur=I shall fear. Probably a master of assem-
blies, as in Ecc. 12. 11. Nothing is known of him, but
we accept all that was in the Scriptures which the Lord
Jesus referred to. We know as little of some of the
Minor Prophets. prophecy=oracle, or burden.

man. Heb. geber. Ap. 14. IV.

Ithiel=El [is] with me. Ap. 4. IV.

Ucal=I shall be able.

2 Surely=[True it is] that.

man=an educated man, or peer. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.
understanding. Heb. bināh. See note on 1. 2.

a man. Heb. 'ādām: a commoner. Ap. 14. I.

3 learned=have been taught; with emphasis on
taught. wisdom. Heb. chākmah. See note on 1. 2.

Nor have=Nor yet have I.

the holy=holy ones: or, the Most Holy One.

4 Who...? Can it mean that the speaker here is
the speaker of ch. 8? viz. the "son" of the last clause of
this verse? the wind. Heb. rūach. Ap. 9.

5 word=saying or utterance. Heb. 'imrah. Ap.
73. v. The only occurrence of this word in Proverbs.

QD, Heb. Eloah. Ap. 4. V. The only occurrence of

this title in Proverbs. Occurs forty-one times in Job,
four times in Psalms, twelve times in the other books.

pure=tried [in a furnace]. Cp. Ps. 12. 6.

unto them. Some codices read "unto all them".

put their trust=flee for refuge. Heb. ḥaṣāh. Ap. 69. ii.

6 Add thou not, &c. A solemn warning based on
Deut. 4. 2; 12. 32. Cp. Gal. 1. 8, 9. Rev. 22. 18, 19.

reprove thee. Emphatic=send a special reproof
unto thee. 7 Deny=Withhold.

8 lies=word of falsehood.

poverty=need. Heb. rūsh. See note on 6. 11.

Feed me=Cause me to be fed.

food convenient=allowance of food. Cp. Job 23. 12.

9 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

poor: i.e. from being dispossessed. Heb. yārash. See
note on "poverty", 6. 11.

take the name, &c.=assaileth Jehovah. Not a
God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. 10 Accuse not a

A F¹ G
(p. 903)

H J¹

K¹

J²

G

H J³

K² L

M N¹

N²

N³

N¹ 15 The °horseleach hath two daughters, crying, "Give, give."
There are three things that are never satisfied,

Yea, four things say not, *It is enough*:
16 °The grave; and the barren womb;
The earth that is not filled with water;
And the fire that saith not, "*It is enough.*"

L 17 The eye that mocketh at his father,
And °despiseth to obey his mother,
°The ravens of the valley shall pick it out,
And the young eagles shall eat it.

M N³ 18 There be three things which are too wonderful for me,
(p. 904)

Yea, four which I know not:
19 The way of an eagle in the air;
The way of a serpent upon a rock;
The way of a ship in the midst of the sea;
And the way of a °man with a °maid.
20 Such is the °way of an adulterous woman;
She eateth, and wipeth her mouth,
And saith, "I have done °no wickedness."

N⁶ 21 For three things the earth is disquieted,
And for four which it cannot bear:
22 For a servant when he reigneth;
And a °fool when he is filled with meat;
23 For an odious woman when she is married;
And an handmaid that °is heir to her mistress.

N⁷ 24 There be four things which are °little upon the earth,
But they are °exceeding wise:

25 The ants are °a people °not strong,
Yet they °prepare their meat in the summer;
26 The °conies are but a feeble folk,
Yet make they their °houses in the °rocks;
27 The locusts have °no king,
Yet go they forth all of them °by bands;
28 The spider taketh hold °with her hands,
And is in °kings' palaces.

N⁸ 29 There be three things which go well,
Yea, four are comely in going:
30 A lion which is strongest among beasts,
And turneth not away for any;
31 A greyhound; an he goat also;
And a king, against whom there is no rising up.

J¹ 32 If thou hast done °foolishly in lifting up thyself,
Or if thou hast °thought evil,
Lay thine hand upon thy mouth.
33 Surely the churning of milk bringeth forth butter,
And the wringing of the nose bringeth forth blood:
So the forcing of wrath bringeth forth strife.

F² O¹ P 31 °The words of °king Lemuel, the
(p. 904)

°prophecy that °his mother taught him.
2 What, °my son? and what, the son of my womb?
And what, the son of my vows?

king Lemuel = to El and for El, a king. Cp. Jedidiah = beloved of Jah (2 Sam. 12. 25). Solomon was the royal seed in the line of Him Who is King of kings and Lord of lords. The Talmud says (*Avoth d'Rab. Nathan*, c. 39): "Solomon was called by six names: Solomon, Jedidiah, Koheleth, Son of Jakeh, Agur, and Lemuel".
prophecy = oracle, oracular utterance, or burden.
2 my son? Cp. the Structure, A (p. 864).

11-31 (K², p. 903). DECLARATION. (Alternation and Divisions.)

K ²	L	11. Parents. Cursing of.	
	M	N ¹ 12. Impurity.	Four-fold enumeration.
		N ² 13. Pride.	
		N ³ 14. Violence.	
		N ⁴ 15, 16. Insatiableness.	
	L	17. Parents. Mocking of.	
	M	N ⁵ 18-20. Four things inscrutable (m).	Four-fold enumeration.
		N ⁶ 21-23. Four things disquieting (f).	
		N ⁷ 24-28. Four things little and wise (m).	
		N ⁸ 29-31. Four things graceful (m).	

15 horseleach. Occurs only here. It is like the "flesh" in man. In the natural and spiritual spheres "the dose has to be increased".

16 The grave = Sheol. Ap. 35.

17 despiseth to obey = despiseth obedience to. The ravens, &c. These birds of prey always begin with the eyes of a carcass.

19 maid. Heb. *'almah*. See note on Gen. 24. 43. Refers here probably to seduction.

20 way = manner, or conduct. Cp. Ps. 119. 9. no wickedness = nothing: or, as we say, "no harm". Heb. *'aven*. Ap. 44. III.

22 fool. Heb. *nābal*. See note on 1. 7.

23 is heir to = has dispossessed, or become heiress to.

24 little upon the earth = earth's little ones. exceeding wise. Heb. "wise, made wise". Fig. *Polyptoton*. Ap. 6. The Sept. and Vulg. render "wiser than the wise".

25 a people. So are those "made wise" (2 Tim. 3. 15) who are God's People (Ps. 100. 3).

not strong = very weak. Fig. *Tapeinosis*. So Rom. 5. 6 (cp. Isa. 40. 29; 45. 24. Job 12. 13).

prepare = will prepare. Hence 10. 5.

26 conies. About the size of a rabbit. Inhabit clefts in the rocks; because, having soft feet, they cannot burrow as a rabbit can. So God's people abide in Christ, their Rock.

houses . . . rocks = house . . . rock. Heb. singular. 27 no king. So we have no visible king, yet when "made wise" we see Him Who is invisible (John 14. 19. Cp. 1 Pet. 1. 8).

by bands = gathered together. So will God's People. Sept. renders it by *keleusmotos* = at one word of command. Same word as the assembling shout in 1 Thess. 4. 16. Cp. 1 Cor. 15. 23, "in his own order" or rank.

28 with her hands. So we, by the hand of faith, shall be found in the palace of the King of kings.

kings' palaces = king's palace.

32 foolishly = stupidly. Heb. *nābal*. See note on 1. 7. Same word as in v. 22.

thought evil = meditated [with evil intent].

31. 1-31 (F², p. 903). THE WORDS OF KING LEMUEL, FOR SOLOMON: A PRINCE AND KING.
(Division.)

F² O¹ 1-9. Warnings. Women and wine.

O² 10-31. Example. The model woman.

31. 1-9 (O¹, above). WARNINGS. "MY SON"
(v. 2). SECOND PERSON. "THY" (vv. 3, 8, 9).
(Introversion.)

O¹ P 1, 2. Call to attention.

Q 3. Women. } Warning.

Q 4-7. Wine. }

P 8, 9. Call to advocacy.

1 The words, &c. The Heb. *dibrēy* has no governing noun; so one must be understood thus: "[An unnamed one's] words [addressed] to king Lemuel: a burden which his mother [repeatedly] taught him".

his mother. Cp. the Structure, A (p. 864).

- Q 3 Give not thy strength unto women,
Nor thy ways to that which destroyeth
kings.
- Q 4 *It is not for kings, O Lemuel, it is not for
kings to drink ° wine;
Nor for princes ° strong drink :*
- 5 Lest they drink, and forget the law,
And pervert the judgment of any of the
afflicted.
- 6 Give ° strong drink unto him that is ready
to perish,
And ° wine unto those that be ° of heavy
hearts.
- 7 Let him drink, and forget his ° poverty,
And remember his misery no more.
- P 8 Open thy mouth for the dumb
In the cause of all ° such as are appointed
to destruction.
- 9 Open thy mouth, judge righteously,
And plead the cause of ° the poor and ° needy.
- O' R S 10 (N) ° Who can find a ° virtuous woman ?
For her price *is* far above rubies.
- 11 (C) The heart of her husband ° doth safely
trust in her,
So that he shall have ° no need of ° spoil.
- 12 (J) She will do him good and not ° evil
All the days of her life.
- T 13 (7) She seeketh wool, and flax,
And worketh ° willingly with her hands.
- 14 (7) She is like the merchants' ships ;
She bringeth her food from afar.
- 15 (7) She riseth also while it is yet night,
And giveth ° meat to her household,
And a portion to her maidens.
- 16 (7) She considereth a field, and buyeth it :
With the fruit of her hands she planteth
a vineyard.
- 17 (7) She girdeth her loins with strength,
And strengtheneth her arms.
- 18 (C) She perceiveth that her merchandise *is*
good :
Her ° candle goeth not out by night.
- 19 (C) She layeth her hands to the spindle,
And her hands hold the distaff.
- U 20 (C) She stretcheth out her hand to ° the poor ;
Yea, she reacheth forth her hands to the
needy.
- V 21 (C) She ° is not afraid of the snow for her
household :
For all her household *are* clothed with
° scarlet.
- W 22 (C) She maketh herself coverings of tapestry ;
Her clothing *is* silk and purple.
- R S 23 (C) Her husband is ° known in the gates,
When he sitteth among the elders of
the land.
- T 24 (C) She maketh fine linen, and selleth *it* ;
And delivereth girdles unto the mer-
chant.
- 25 (7) Strength and honour *are* her clothing ;
And ° she shall rejoice in time to come.
- U 26 (C) She openeth her mouth with ° wisdom ;
And in her tongue *is* the law of kindness.
- V 27 (C) She looketh well to the ways of her
household,
And eateth not the bread of idleness.

- 4 wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. i.
strong drink. Heb. *shēkār*. Ap. 27. iv.
6 of heavy hearts = bitter of soul. Heb. *nephesh*.
Ap. 18.
7 poverty. Heb. *rūsh*. See note on 6. 11.
8 such as are appointed to destruction. Heb. =
sons of destruction. Genitive of Relation, as in Rom.
8. 36. Ap. 17 (5).
9 the poor = a poor one. Heb. *'ānī*. See note on
Prov. 6. 11.
needy = a needy one. Heb. *'ebyōn*. See note on Prov. 6. 11.

31. 10-31 (O², p. 904). THE MODEL WOMAN. (Extended Alternation.)

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| O ² | R | S | 10-12. Her husband (N—C). |
| | | T | 13-19. Her occupation (7—7). |
| | | U | 20. Her character. Bounty (C). |
| | | V | 21. Her household (C). |
| | | W | 22. Herself. Without (C). |
| R | S | 23. Her husband (C). | |
| | T | 24, 25. Her occupation (C and 7). | |
| | U | 26. Her character. Wisdom (C). | |
| | V | 27, 28. Her household (C and 7). | |
| | W | 29-31. Herself. Within (7—C). | |

10 Who can find . . . ? This heading is the Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. The twenty-two verses which follow, each begin with the twenty-two successive letters of the Hebrew alphabet. The acrostic cannot be reproduced in English, because the letters of the two alphabets vary in their number, order, and equivalents. This is to emphasise the great lesson King Solomon was to learn. Note the warnings against foreign women (A, p. 865), which, alas! Solomon failed to heed. This is why the book closes with the eulogy of the model Israelitish matron. See the evidence in Ap. 74. virtuous. The English use of this word limits it to one kind of excellence. The meaning of the Hebrew is wider: *hayil* = strong in all moral qualities. Ruth is the only one so called in the O.T. May it not be that we have here Bathsheba's or Solomon's (and David's) commendation of Ruth?

- 11 doth . . . trust in = hath confided in. Heb. *baṭaḥ*. Ap. 69. I.
no need = no lack. spoil = gain.
12 evil = mischief. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.
13 willingly with her hands = with her hands' good will.
15 meat = [live] prey. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), Ap. 6, for all kinds of food.
18 candle = lamp.
20 the poor = a poor one. Heb. *'ānī*. See note on "poverty", 6. 11.
21 is not = will not.
scarlet = double change of garments.
23 known. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the result of that knowledge; viz. respect from all at the city gate, which includes high and low, rich and poor, peasants, labourers and judges.
25 she shall rejoice, &c. = she laugheth at the future.
26 wisdom. Heb. *chākmah*. See note on 1. 2.
28 children = sons.
30 deceitful = Heb. *sheker*. See note on 11. 18.
the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

- 28 (7) Her ° children arise up, and call her
blessed ;
Her husband *also*, and he praiseth her.
- 29 (7) Many daughters have done virtuously,
But thou excellest them all.
- 30 (C) Favour *is* ° deceitful, and beauty *is* vain :
But a woman *that* feareth ° the LORD,
she shall be praised.
- 31 (7) Give her of the fruit of her hands ;
And let her own works praise her in the
gates.

¹ECCLESIASTES; OR, THE PREACHER.

THE STRUCTURE OF THE BOOK AS A WHOLE.

(Introversion.)

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¹ The name of this book comes direct from the Latin Vulgate through the Sept. version. The Hebrew name is KOHELETH = Assembler or Convener (an appellative, not a proper name). It is feminine, to agree with the word "Wisdom", which is feminine, and is therefore Wisdom personified (as in Prov. 1. 20; 8. 1, and always with masculine verbs. Cp. Matt. 11. 19. Luke 7. 35; 11. 49, 50). KOHELETH is from *kahal* = to call, assemble, or gather together. This is what Solomon did (1 Kings 8. 1, 2, 6). It occurs with a feminine verb in 7. 27. The word *Kohleth* occurs seven times in the book (Ap. 10): three times at the beginning (1. 1, 2, 12); three times at the end (12. 8, 9, 10); and once in the middle (7. 27).

This book formed part of the Hebrew Bible long before the time of Christ, and is therefore included in His word, "the Scriptures" (Matt. 22. 29; 2 Tim. 3. 16, &c.). It is given in the list of canonical books by Josephus (A.D. 37), and is included in all the Ancient Versions made before Christ. It has been rejected by some, or put to a late date, on account of its alleged Theology. Theology is man's reasoning about the *Word* of God, as Science (so called) is man's reasoning about the *Works* of God. Because Genesis does not agree with *Science* that book is rejected by Rationalists. Because Ecclesiastes does not agree with *Theology*, this book is rejected, as uninspired, even by some Evangelical theologians.

True, the Bible contains an inspired record of what people said and did; and it does not follow that all that they said or did was inspired. Nevertheless, it is inconceivable that this can apply to a *whole book*, without a word of warning. Those who can imagine such a thing refuse the evidence that Christ in Luke 16. 19-30 is using the language of His enemies, and in v. 31 giving His own Divine pronouncement. They strain out the gnat and swallow the camel. They do not see that, if any one *whole book* is not a part of "THE ORACLES OF GOD", every Christian doctrine loses its foundation. There could have been in that case no Divine selection or preservation of books, and no Divine CANON OF SCRIPTURE. If one book is thus ruled out, then another may be. Doubt is thus cast upon the whole Bible, and we have no "Word of God" at all! If this book be not part of the Word and words of God, then we have no reply to those who reject Genesis, Daniel, Jonah, or the Apocalypse, who do so on the same ground of human reasoning. If the inner consciousness of each individual is to decide what is and what is not "Scripture", there is an end of Divine Revelation altogether.

In any case Solomon's "wisdom" was given him by God (1 Kings 3. 5-12; 4. 29-34), and this "wisdom" was therefore "from above" (Jas. 3. 17), as Luke's was (see note on Luke 1. 3). Moreover, Solomon did not lose it, for it "remained with" him (Ecc. 2. 9).

ECCLESIASTES;

OR, THE PREACHER.

A
(p. 906)

1 ° The words of °the Preacher, the son of David, king in Jerusalem.

A¹ B¹ D
(p. 907)

2 ° "Vanity of vanities," saith the ¹ Preacher, "vanity of vanities; °all *is* °vanity.

3 What profit hath a °man of all his °labour which he taketh °under the sun?

4 One generation passeth away, and another generation cometh: but the earth °abideth °for ever.

5 The sun also ariseth, and the sun goeth down, and hasteth to his place where he arose.

6 The °wind goeth toward the south, and turneth about unto the north; °it whirleth about continually, and the °wind returneth again according to his circuits.

7 All the rivers run into the sea; yet the sea *is* not full; unto the place from whence the rivers come, thither °they return again.

E **8** All things *are* full of °labour; °man cannot utter *it*: °the eye *is* not satisfied with seeing, nor the ear filled with hearing.

D **9** The thing that hath been, *it is that* which shall be; and that which is done *is that* which shall be done: and *there is* no new thing ³ under the sun.

10 Is there any thing whereof it may be said, 'See, *this is* new?' it hath been already of old time, which was before us.

E **11** *There is* no °remembrance °of former things; neither shall there be any °remembrance of things that are to come with those that shall come °after.

C¹ F¹ a¹
(p. 908)

12 °³ ¹ the Preacher °was king °over Israel in Jerusalem.

13 And I gave my heart to seek and search out by °wisdom concerning all things that are

1 The words. Rashi says that, when this expression occurs at the beginning of a book, it shows that the book is meant for *reproof*, and he gives evidence from Deut. 1. 1 (cp. 32. 15). Amos 1. 1 (cp. 4. 1). Jer. 1. 1 (cp. 30. 6). David, 2 Sam. 23. 1 (cp. v. 6).

the Preacher. This comes from Luther's version "Prediger"; but "Kohleth" does not include the idea of preaching. Some of its teaching is individual (3. 17); and succeeding appeals are in the second person.

1. 2-6. 9 (B, p. 906). THE CHIEF GOOD. WHAT IT IS NOT.

(Division and Repeated Introversion.)

B	A¹	B¹	1. 2-11. Man. His labour. Vanity.
			C ¹ 1. 12-2. 26. Personal search.
A²	B²	C²	3. 1-9. Man. Times for his labour.
			C ² 3. 10-4. 16. Personal Observation.
A³	B³	C³	5. 1-12. Man. His Works.
			C ³ 5. 13-6. 9. Personal Observation.

1. 2-11 (B¹, above). MAN. HIS LABOUR. VANITY. (Alternation.)

B¹	D	2-7. Transience. "Passeth away".
		E 8. Dissatisfaction.
		D 9, 10. Recurrence.
		E 11. Oblivion.

2 Vanity of vanities. Fig. *Polypytōton*. Ap. 6. Note also the Fig. *Epanadiplōsis* (Ap. 6), by which v. 2 begins and ends with the same word. These Figures are used for the greatest emphasis, and denote utter vanity.

all = the whole, or "the sum total". Not everything in the universe, but all the human labours of vv. 3, 8. vanity. Heb. *hābal*, used of that which soon vanishes. 3 man. Heb. *'ādām* = the natural man. Ap. 14. I. labour = toil.

under the sun. This expression is peculiar to this book, and occurs twenty-nine times: (1. 3, 9, 14; 2. 11, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22; 3. 16; 4. 1, 3, 7, 15; 5. 13, 18; 6. 1, 12; 8. 9, 15, 16, 17; 9. 3, 6, 9, 11, 13; 10. 6). It is equivalent to "upon the earth" (5. 2; 8. 14, 16; 10. 7; 11. 2, 3). It refers to all that is connected with earthly things as such, and with man apart from God, but what is stated is inspired truth. If what is stated here seems to be a "discrepancy" when compared with other scriptures, then under the sun. This expression is peculiar to this book, and occurs twenty-nine times: (1. 3, 9, 14; 2. 11, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22; 3. 16; 4. 1, 3, 7, 15; 5. 13, 18; 6. 1, 12; 8. 9, 15, 16, 17; 9. 3, 6, 9, 11, 13; 10. 6). It is equivalent to "upon the earth" (5. 2; 8. 14, 16; 10. 7; 11. 2, 3). It refers to all that is connected with earthly things as such, and with man apart from God, but what is stated is inspired truth. If what is stated here seems to be a "discrepancy" when compared with other scriptures, then

these latter must be dealt with and reconciled and harmonised as other supposed "discrepancies" usually are; not cast aside as uninspired. It may be that it is man's theology which has yet to be conformed to these inspired statements.

4 abideth = standeth still, as in first occurrence (Gen. 18. 8, 22; 19. 27. Josh. 18. 5. Ps. 119. 90). for ever. Heb. *'olām* = for ages; *'olām* occurs in Ecc. seven times: 1. 4, 10; 2. 16; 3. 11, 14; 9. 6; 12. 5. See the notes thereon. It = the world in relation to time past and future: as we use it when we speak of the ancient world, the old world, the modern world, the world to come, the Roman world.

5 The Heb. pauses in this verse are remarkable, and need a semicolon between each clause. **6** wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9. The first part of v. 6 continues the motion of the sun, going to the south (in winter) and turning about to the north (in summer). it whirleth: i. e. the wind whirleth. This is the subject of v. 6.

7 they return again. This is the point of the illustration. Cp. Job 36. 27. **8** labour = weariness. man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II. the eye. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., and Syr., read "and the eye".

11 remembrance = memorial. of former things. Supply the Ellipsis (Ap. 6) with the word "men", to complete the argument from vv. 2-4-. The Chaldee for the former [men] version supplies the word "generation". after = "after [them]", or at the last.

1. 12-2. 26 [For Structure see next page].

12 3. Solomon knew that the kingdom was to be rent (1 Kings 11. 11, 12) and the People scattered; therefore he sought to kill Jeroboam (1 Kings 11. 39-40). The Chald. Targum says, on v. 1: "These are the words of the prophecy which Kohleth delivered when Solomon foresaw, by the Spirit of prophecy, that the kingdom of Rehoboam his son would be divided by Jeroboam the son of Nebat". was = came to be. over Israel. Solomon was the only king of which this was wholly true. **13** wisdom. Heb. *chokmah*. See note on Prov. 1. 2.

done ° under heaven: this sore travail hath ° God given to the sons of ° man to be ° exercised therewith.

14 I have seen all the works that are done ° under the sun; and, behold, all is ° vanity and ° vexation of ° spirit.

15 That which is crooked cannot be made straight: and that which is wanting cannot be numbered.

b¹ (p. 908) 16 I communed with mine own heart, saying, 'Lo, I am come to great estate, and have gotten more ° wisdom than all they that have been before me in Jerusalem: yea, ° my heart ° had great experience of ° wisdom and knowledge.

17 And I gave my heart to know ° wisdom, and to know ° madness and ° folly: I perceived that this also is ° vexation of ° spirit.

18 For in much ° wisdom is much ° grief: and he that increaseth knowledge increaseth ° sorrow.

c¹ 2 I said in mine heart, 'Go to now, I will prove thee with mirth, therefore ° enjoy pleasure: and, ° behold, this also is vanity.

2 I said ° of laughter, 'It is mad: and ° of mirth, 'What doeth it?'

3 I sought ° in mine heart ° to give myself unto ° wine, yet acquainting mine heart with ° wisdom; and to lay hold on folly, till I might see what was that good for the sons of ° men, which they should do ° under the ° heaven ° all the days of their life.

F² a² 4 I ° made me great ° works; I builded me houses; I planted me vineyards:

5 I made me gardens and ° orchards, and I planted trees in them of all kind of fruits:

6 I made me pools of water, to water therewith the ° wood that bringeth forth trees:

7 I ° got me servants and maidens, and had servants born in my house; also I had great possessions of great and small cattle above all that were in Jerusalem before me:

8 I ° gathered me also silver and gold, and the peculiar treasure of kings and of ° the provinces: I gat me men singers and women singers, and the delights of the sons of ° men, as musical instruments, and that of all sorts.

b² 9 So I was great, and increased more than all that were before me in Jerusalem: also my ° wisdom ° remained with me.

were cultivated (Deut. 11. 10. 1 Kings 21. 2). Paradises were formed by eastern monarchs. In the British Museum may be seen the inscriptions of Gudea, the greatest of the Sumerian rulers of Chaldea (2500 B.C.), and Tiglath-pileser I, king of Assyria (1120 B.C.), describing what could be only a botanical and zoological park. Assur-nazir-pal, king of Assyria (885 B.C.), founded such a public paradise, and describes how he stocked it; what he brought, and whence he brought the natural history collection. The British Museum contains a portion of a similar catalogue of Sennacherib. The Paradise in Rev. 2. 7; 22. 1, 2, refers to the future paradise, which will be as literal and real, not figurative.

6 wood=forest. 7 got me servants=bought me servants. Heb. bondage has nothing in common with Greek, Roman, or African slavery. There is no word for such slavery in Hebrew; 'ēbēd=labourer, is the name of all Jehovah's servants.

8 gathered=amassed. Heb. kūnāṣ, said to be a later Hebrew word (see Ap. 76. i). the provinces. Heb. mēdīnāh, from dūn = to rule, hence a country. There is no article before "kings", because they constantly change, whereas countries do not change. This is another word which is said to be of later date, but it is found in 1 Kings 20. 14, 16, 17, 19. Lam. 1. 1. Ezek. 19. 8. See Ap. 76. Cp. note on "event" in v. 14. remained. The Divine wisdom given by God (1 Kings 3. 5-15) had not been taken away. See note at foot of p. 906. This must be remembered in reading this book. Like Luke's "understanding" it came "from above". See note on "very first" (Luke 1. 3).

1. 12-2. 26 (C¹, p. 907). PERSONAL SEARCH. (Division and Extended and Repeated Alternation.)

C ¹	F ¹	a ¹	1. 12-15. Labour. Things done.
		b ¹	1. 16-18. Wisdom.
F ²	a ²	c ¹	2. 1-3. Pleasure sought.
		b ²	2. 4-8. Labour. "Great works".
		c ²	2. 9. Wisdom.
F ³	a ³	c ²	2. 10. Pleasure enjoyed.
		b ³	2. 11. Labour. "Great works".
		c ³	2. 12-16. Wisdom.
F ⁴	a ⁴	b ³	2. 17-. Pleasure hated.
		c ³	2. 17-25. Labour. "All my labour".
		b ⁴	2. 26-. Wisdom.
		c ⁴	2. 26. Pleasure judged.

under heaven=under the heavens. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Aram., Syr., and Vulg., read "under the sun".

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. The title "Jehovah" is not used in Ecclesiastes, as this book refers to man in relation to his Creator only; not to man in covenant with Him as "Jehovah". Hence the frequent use of Heb. 'ādām for "man" in this book.

exercised=humbled.

14 vanity. See note on 1. 2.

vexation of spirit=feeding on wind. The expression occurs nine times (1. 14, 17; 2. 11, 17, 26; 4. 4, 6, 16; 6. 9). spirit. Heb. rūach. Ap. 9.

16 my heart=I myself.

had=saw.

17 madness=the opposite of wisdom, as displayed in the loss of self-control; raving with self-conceit. So elsewhere in this book.

folly=infatuation. Heb. ṣākal. See note on "wisdom", Prov. 1. 2.

vexation, &c. Not the same phrase in Heb. as in v. 14.

18 grief=mortification. sorrow=smarting.

2. 1 enjoy=look thou into.

behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

2 of laughter=to laughter.

It is mad. See note on "madness", 1. 17.

of mirth=to mirth.

What doeth it?=What doth she do?

3 in mine heart: i. e. resolved.

to give myself unto: or, how to enlist, by wine, my very flesh [in the work]: i. e. the work of proving the heart with mirth—"yet retaining wisdom".

wine. Heb. yayin. Ap. 27. I.

wisdom. See note on 1. 13.

men. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I. Note the use of this word in Ecc. See note on 1. 13.

under the heaven. See note on 1. 3. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "sun", to which it is equivalent.

all the days=the numbered days.

4 made me great works=increased or multiplied my possessions.

works. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the results and effects gained by work. Cp. Ex. 23. 12. 1 Sam. 25. 2. Isa. 26. 12.

5 orchards. Heb. pardēsīm = paradises, parks, or pleasure grounds. Different from "gardens", which

^{c2} (p. 908) 10 And whatsoever mine eyes desired I kept not from them, I withheld not my heart from any joy; for my heart rejoiced in all my °labour: and this °was my °portion of all my °labour.

^{F3 a3} 11 °Then I °looked on all the works that my hands had wrought, and on the °labour that I had laboured to do: and, behold, all was °vanity and °vexation of °spirit, and there was no profit °under the sun.

^{b3} 12 And I turned myself to °behold °wisdom, and °madness, and folly: for what can the °man do that cometh after the king? even that which hath been already done.

13 Then I saw that °wisdom excelleth folly, as far as light excelleth darkness.

14 The wise man's eyes are in his head; but the °fool walketh in darkness: °and I myself perceived also that one °event happeneth to them all.

15 Then °said I in my heart, 'As it happeneth to the °fool, so it happeneth even °to me; and why was I then more wise?' Then °I said in my heart, that this also is vanity.

16 For there is no °remembrance °of the wise more than °of the °fool °for ever; °seeing that which now is in the days to come shall °all be forgotten. And how dieth the wise man? °as the °fool.

^{c3} 17 Therefore I hated °life;

^{F1 a4} Because the work that is wrought °under the sun is grievous unto me: for all is °vanity and °vexation of °spirit.

18 Yea, I hated all my °labour which I had °taken °under the sun: because I should leave it unto the °man that shall be after me.

19 And who knoweth whether he shall be a wise man or a °fool? yet shall he °have rule over all my °labour wherein I have laboured, and wherein I have °shewed myself wise °under the sun. This is also vanity.

20 Therefore I went about to cause my heart to despair of all the °labour which I °took °under the sun.

21 For °there is a °man whose labour is in °wisdom, and in knowledge, and in equity; yet to a °man that hath not laboured therein shall he °leave it for his portion. This also is vanity and a great °evil.

22 For what hath °man of all his °labour, and of the °vexation of his heart, wherein he hath °laboured °under the sun?

23 For all his days are sorrows, and his °travail grief; yea, his heart taketh not rest in the night. This is also vanity.

24 There is °nothing °better for a °man, °than that he should eat and drink, and that he should make °his soul enjoy good in his °labour. This also I saw, that °it was from the hand of °God.

25 For who can eat, or °who else can hasten hereunto, °more than I?

^{b4} 26 For God giveth to a °man that is good in His sight °wisdom, and knowledge, and joy: but to the °sinner He giveth °travail, to °gather and to heap up, that he may give to him that is good before God.

^{c4} This also is °vanity and °vexation of °spirit.

10 labour=toil.

was=came to be.

portion=share, as in 3. 22.

11 Then=But when.

looked=turned in order to look, as in v. 12.

vanity. See note on 1. 2.

vexation of spirit=feeding on wind. Cp. 1. 14.

spirit. Heb. *ruach*. Ap. 9. 12 behold=consider.

under the sun. See note on 1. 3.

14 fool. Heb. *k'gil*=fat, inert. Same word as in vv. 15, 16; not the same word as in v. 19.

and I myself perceived=and I too knew: i. e. as well as they.

event=a happening. Heb. *mikreh*. Said to be a later word, but it occurs in 1 Sam. 6. 9; 20. 26. Ruth 2. 3. See note on v. 8.

15 said I in my heart=spake with myself to me. Heb. "to me, even to me" (emphatic).

16 remembrance=memorial, as in 1. 11, 11.

of=for. for ever. See note on 1. 4.

seeing that which now is=for, as in time past.

all. This "all" was not in the edition of A. V. 1611.

as the fool. Cp. Ps. 49. 10. 2 Sam. 3. 33.

17 life. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of the Subject) for the pleasure enjoyed in it.

18 labour. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for all that is produced by toil. taken=toiled.

19 fool. Heb. *gakal*=stupid. Not the same word as in vv. 14, 15, 16.

have rule. Heb. *shalat*. Supposed to be a later Hebrew word, but it occurs in Ps. 119. 133. Gen. 42. 6. See Ap. 75. shewed myself wise=acted wisely.

20 took=toiled. Some codices, with two early printed editions, add "and wherein I had acted wisely".

21 there=here. leave it="leave it [to another]". evil=calamity. Heb. *ra'a*. Ap. 44. viii.

22 vexation=feeding, or delight. Same word as in 1. 17; 4. 16. Not the same as in vv. 11, 17, 26.

23 travail=toil that brings about fatigue. The same word as in 1. 13; 2. 26; 3. 10; 4. 8; 5. 14. Not the same word as in 4. 4, 6. Occurs only in Ecclesiastes.

24 nothing better=no goodness.

better. Occurs in Ecc. 2. 24; 3. 22; 4. 3, 6, 9, 13; 5. 6; 6. 3, 9; 7. 2, 3, 5, 8, 10; 8. 15; 9. 4, 16.

than. Ginsburg thinks this "than" should be in the text. his soul=himself. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

it: i. e. true enjoyment. Omit the preceding italics.

God. Heb. *ha-'Elohim*=the [true] God (Ap. 4. I. with Art.). God (as Creator) is the subject which is continued through the next verse as the source and giver of all good. It is not therefore necessary to suppose that "another hand has been here at work".

25 who else can hasten hereunto=who can enjoy? more than I. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Arab., read *mimmennu*, instead of *mimmenni*, "without Him" (i. e. without His favour).

26 sinner. Heb. *chata'*. Ap. 44. i. Occurs again in Ecclesiastes six times. (5. 6; 7. 20, 26; 8. 12; 9. 2, 18).

gather=gather in. Not the same word as v. 8.

3. 1-9 (B², p. 907). MAN. TIMES FOR HIS LABOUR. (*Introversion*.)

B² | G | 1. Labour. Its appointment.

H | 2-8. Seasons.

G | 9. Labour. Its profit.

1 a season=an appointed time. Heb. *z'man*. Cp. Ezra 10. 14. Neh. 2. 6. Est. 9. 27. A word is not necessarily a "later" word, because there has not been occasion for it to be used, or needed before. See Ap. 76.

a time=a season. Note the 28 "seasons" (=4×7. See Ap. 10.). In Heb. MSS. these are set out in 14 lines; 2 in a line, with a space between each pair.

purpose. Heb. *hephetz*. Alleged to be later Hebræw. See Ap. 76. v.

under the heaven. See note on 1. 3.

3 To every thing there is °a season, and °a time to every °purpose °under the heaven:

B² G (p. 909)

H
(p. 909)

2 A ¹time ° to be born, and a ¹time ° to die;
a ¹time ° to plant, and a ¹time ° to pluck up *that*
which is planted;

3 A ¹time ° to kill, and a ¹time ° to heal; a ¹time
° to break down, and a ¹time ° to build up;

4 A ¹time ° to weep, and a ¹time ° to laugh;
a ¹time ° to mourn, and a ¹time ° to dance;

5 A ¹time ° to cast away stones, and a ¹time
° to gather stones together; a ¹time ° to embrace,
and a ¹time ° to refrain from embracing;

6 A ¹time ° to get, and a ¹time ° to lose;
a ¹time ° to keep, and a ¹time ° to cast away;

7 A ¹time ° to rend, and a ¹time ° to sew; a ¹time
° to keep silence, and a ¹time ° to speak;

8 A ¹time ° to love, and a ¹time ° to hate;
a ¹time ° of war, and a ¹time ° of peace.

G

9 What profit hath he that worketh in that
wherein he °laboureth?

C² J¹ d¹
(p. 910)

10 I have °seen the °travail, which °God
hath given to the sons of °men to be exercised
in it.

e¹

11 He hath made every *thing* beautiful in °his
¹time: also He hath °set °the world in °their
heart, so that no ¹⁰man can find out the work
that °God °maketh from the °beginning to °the
end.

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12 I know that *there is* no good °in them, but
for a *man* to rejoice, and to do good °in his life.

13 And also that every ¹¹man should eat and
drink, and enjoy the good of all his labour, it
is the gift of ¹⁰God.

J³ d²

14 I know that, whatsoever ¹¹God doeth, it
shall be °for ever: nothing can be put to it,
nor any thing taken from it: and ¹¹God doeth
it, that *men* should fear before Him.

15 That which hath been is now; and that

to speak. Ex. 7. 2. Num. 22. 8. 2 Sam. 7. 17. Ps. 2. 5; 145. 6, 11, 21. Ezek. 2. 7. Luke 1. 19, 20. John 16. 13.
8 to love. Jer. 2. 2. Ezek. 16. 8. Dan. 1. 9. Gal. 5. 13. 2 Thess. 1. 3. to hate. 2 Sam. 13. 15. Ps. 105. 25.
Prov. 25. 17. Luke 14. 26. Prov. 11. 15; 15. 27; 28. 16. John 12. 25. Jude 23. of war. Ex. 17. 16. Num.
1. 3, 20, 22; 26. 2. Deut. 3. 18. Judg. 3. 2. 2 Sam. 3. 1. Jer. 6. 4. Luke 14. 31. Rev. 12. 7; 19. 11, 19. of peace.
Josh. 11. 23; 14. 15. Lev. 26. 6. Judg. 4. 17. 1 Sam. 7. 14. Ps. 72. 3; 85. 8. Prov. 16. 7. Isa. 9. 7. Zech. 9. 10.
Rom. 5. 1. Eph. 4. 3. 9 laboureth = toileth.

3. 10-4. 16 (C², p. 907). PERSONAL OBSERVATION. (Repeated and Extended Alternation.)

C ²	J ¹	d ¹	3. 10. Labour. Sons of men.
		e ¹	3. 11. Wisdom. Man ignorant of God's work.
J ²	d ²	f ¹	3. 12, 13. Pleasure, or enjoyment.
		e ²	3. 14, 15. Labour. God's work is for ever.
J ³	d ³	f ²	3. 16-21. Wisdom. Man's ignorance like beasts'.
		e ³	3. 22. Pleasure, or enjoyment.
J ⁴	d ⁴	f ³	4. 1-4. Labour. For others.
		e ⁴	4. 4, 5. Wisdom. The fool, none.
J ⁴	d ⁴	f ⁴	4. 6. Pleasure, or enjoyment.
		e ⁴	4. 7-12. Labour. "For whom".
J ⁴	d ⁴	f ⁴	4. 13, 14. Wisdom.
		e ⁴	4. 15, 16. Pleasure, or enjoyment. None.

10 seen the travail = considered the business. travail. See note on 2. 23. God. Heb. Elohim.
Ap. 4. I. Occurs eight times in this chapter. See note on 1. 13. men. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.
Observe the use of this word in Ecclesiastes. See note on 1. 10. 11 his time = its proper season. set =
put. the world. Heb. 'olām = the ages; or the world (in relation to time). Here, put by Fig. Metonymy
(of Subject) for that which is inscrutable by man, viz. obscurity as to the past and the future ages, resulting
in man's incapacity for finding out, or comprehending the whole of what God doeth. This has resulted
from the Fall. their: i.e. the sons of men (v. 10). God. Heb. Elohim (with Art.) = the true God,
or the Deity. Ap. 4. I. maketh = hath made, or done. beginning to the end. The reason being
given in v. 14. Man sees his own times of v. 1-8; but what God doeth is from time past to time future
(v. 14); so that man cannot find that out to the end from the beginning. the end. Heb. sōph. One
of the words said to belong to later Hebrew, but it is found in 1 Chron. 20. 16 ("conclusion"), and Joel 2. 20
("hinder part"). See also 7. 2; 12. 13, and Ap. 76. vi. 12 in them: i.e. in God's works. in =
during. 14 for ever. Same word as "world" in v. 11. See note on 1. 4.

which is to be hath already been; and ¹⁰ God requireth that which is past.

^{e2} (p. 910) 16 And moreover I saw ° under the sun the place of judgment, *that* ° wickedness was there; and the place of righteousness, *that* ° iniquity was there.

17 I said in mine heart, ¹⁰ God shall judge ° the righteous and ° the wicked: for *there is* a ¹ time *there* for every ¹ purpose and for every work.

18 I said in mine heart concerning the estate of the sons of ¹⁰ men, that ° God might manifest them, and that they might see that they themselves are ° beasts.

19 For ° that which befalleth the sons of ¹⁰ men befalleth ¹⁸ beasts; even ° one thing befalleth them: as the one dieth, so dieth the other; yea, they have all ° one breath; so that a ¹⁰ man hath ° no preeminence above a ¹⁸ beast: for all *is* vanity.

20 All go unto ° one place; all are ° of the dust, and all ° turn to dust again.

21 Who knoweth the ° spirit ° of ¹⁰ man ° that goeth upward, and the ° spirit of the ¹⁸ beast ° that goeth downward to the earth?

^{f2} 22 Wherefore I perceive that *there is* nothing ° better, than that a ¹¹ man should rejoice in his own works; for *that is* his ° portion: for who shall bring him to see what shall be after him?

^{J3 d3} 4 So I returned, and considered all the oppressions that are done ° under the sun: and behold the tears of *such as were* oppressed, and they had no comforter; and on the ° side of their oppressors *there was* power; but ° they had no comforter.

2 Wherefore I ° praised the dead which are already dead more than the living which are yet alive.

3 Yea, ° better *is he* than both they, which hath not yet been, who hath not seen the ° evil work that is done ¹ under the sun.

^{e3} 4 Again, I considered all ° travail, and ° every right work, that for *this* a ° man is envied of his neighbour. *This is* also vanity and ° vexation of ° spirit.

5 The ° fool foldeth his hands together, and eateth his own flesh.

^{f3} 6 ³ Better *is* an handful *with* quietness, than both the hands full *with* ⁴ travail and ⁴ vexation of ⁴ spirit.

^{J4 d4} 7 Then I returned, and I saw vanity ¹ under the sun.

8 There is one *alone*, and *there is* not a second; yea, he hath neither ° child nor brother: yet *is there* no end of all his labour; neither is his eye satisfied with riches; neither *saith he*, 'For whom do I ° labour, and bereave ° my soul of good?' *This is* also vanity, yea, *it is* a sore ° travail.

9 Two are ³ better than one; because they have a good reward for their labour.

10 For if they fall, the one will lift up his fellow: but woe to him *that is* alone when he falleth; for *he hath* not another to help him up.

11 Again, if two lie together, then they have heat: but how can one be warm *alone*?

16 under the sun. See note on 1. 3.

wickedness=lawlessness. Heb. *nāshā'*. Ap. 44. x. iniquity. Same word as "wickedness" above. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6).

17 the righteous=a righteous one.

the wicked=a lawless one. Heb. *nāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

18 God. Cp. v. 11, and note on 1. 11.

God might manifest them=God hath chosen them to show them that even they are beasts.

beasts=living creatures. As opposed to man=mammals: as opposed to creeping things=quadrupeds: as opposed to wild beasts=cattle.

19 that which befalleth. See note on "event", 2. 14; and Ap. 76. iii.

one thing: i.e. death.

one breath=one spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9. Cp. Gen. 2. 7 with 1. 20, 21, 24, 30; and Ap. 13.

no preeminence, &c. Cp. Ps. 49. 12, 20; 146. 4.

20 one place: i.e. *Sheol*, or the grave.

of the dust. See Gen. 1. 24; 2. 7, 19; 3. 19. turn to dust again. See Gen. 3. 19. Ps. 22. 15; 104. 29; 146. 4. Job 10. 9; 34. 15. Cp. ch. 12. 7.

21 spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

of man. Heb. "of the sons of Adam". See notes on v. 10, 13; 1. 13.

that goeth, &c. This is mentioned as one of the emendations of the *Sopherim*, though it is not included in the official lists (see Ap. 33). The primitive Text read the letter *He* (π=H) as an interrogative, "whether it go" (cp. 2. 19; 6. 12). The Chald., Sept., Syr., Vulg., Luther, Geneva, and R. V. follow this reading. Another school took the *He* (π=H) as the article pronoun and read "that goeth", &c., thus avoiding a supposed objection to its public reading. This was followed by Coverdale, the Bishops' Bible, and the A. V. It is therefore the Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6), leaving the question to be answered at the end of the book (12. 7).

22 better. See note on 2. 24. Cp. 11. 9.

portion=share, as in 2. 10: i.e. in the present life.

4. 1 under the sun. See note on 1. 3.

side. Heb. "hand": put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the violence proceeding from it.

they: i.e. the oppressed. The phrase repeated for emphasis. Fig. *Epistrophe*. Ap. 6.

2 praised=commended, or pronounced happy. Heb. *shabach*, used only by David and Solomon.

3 better. See note on 2. 24.

evil. Heb. *nā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

4 travail=toil, as connected with trouble, sorrow. Not the same word as in 1. 13; 2. 23, 26; 3. 10; 4. 8; 5. 14.

every right work=all the dexterity in work.

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

vexation, &c.=feeding on wind. See note on 1. 14.

spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

5 fool. Heb. *kēsil*, fat, inert. See note on Prov. 1. 7.

8 child=son.

labour=toil.

my soul=myself. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

travail=fatigue from toil. See note on 2. 23, 26.

12 prevail against=overpower. Heb. *tāqaph*, supposed to belong to later Hebrew, but it is found in Job 14. 20 and 15. 24 (the only three occurrences). See Ap. 76. vii.

a threefold cord. Cp. Num. 6. 24-26. Mic. 6. 8. Titus 2. 12, 13. 1 Thess. 1. 3 with 1. 9, 10.

13 poor=straits in means, not able to profit others. Heb. *miṣken*. Not the same as in v. 14. Supposed to be a later Hebrew word, but a derivative of it is found in Deut. 8. 9. See Ap. 76. viii.

12 And if one ° prevail against him, two shall withstand him; and ° a threefold cord is not quickly broken.

13 ³ Better *is* a ° poor and a wise child than an old and foolish king, who will no more be admonished. ^{e4}

14 For °out of prison he cometh to reign; whereas also *he that is* °born in his kingdom becometh °poor.

^{f4} (p. 910) 15 I considered all the living which walk °under the sun, with the second child that shall stand up in his stead.

16 *There is* no end of all the people, *even* of all that have been before them: they also that come after shall not rejoice in him. Surely this also *is* vanity and °vexation of °spirit.

^{B3 K1} (p. 912) 5 Keep thy foot when thou goest to the house of °God, and be more ready to °hear, than to give the sacrifice of °fools: for they consider not that they do °evil.

2 Be not rash with thy mouth, and let not thine heart be hasty to utter *any* °thing before °God: for °God *is* in heaven, and thou °upon earth: therefore let thy words be few.

^{L1} 3 For a dream cometh through the multitude of business; and a °fool's voice *is known* by multitude of words.

^{K2} 4 When thou °vowest a vow unto °God, defer not to pay it; for *He hath* no °pleasure in °fools: pay that which thou hast vowed.

5 °Better *is it* that thou shouldest not vow, than that thou shouldest vow and not pay.

6 Suffer not thy mouth °to cause thy flesh to °sin; neither say thou before the °angel, that *it was* an °error: °wherefore should °God be angry at thy °voice, and °destroy the °work of thine hands?

^{L2} 7 For in the multitude of dreams and many words *there are* also °divers vanities: but fear thou °God.

^{K3} 8 If thou seest the oppression of the °poor, and violent perverting of judgment and justice in a °province, marvel not at the °matter:

^{L3} for °*He That is* higher than the highest regardeth; and *there be* higher than they.

^{K4} 9 Moreover the profit of the earth °is °for all: the king *himself* is served by the field.

10 He that loveth silver shall not be satisfied with silver; °nor he that loveth abundance with increase: *this is* also vanity.

11 When goods increase, they are increased that eat them: and what °good *is there* to the °owners thereof, saving the beholding of *them* with °their eyes?

12 The sleep of a labouring man *is* sweet, whether he eat little or much: but the abundance of the rich will not suffer him °to sleep.

^{C3 M g1} 13 There is a sore °evil *which* I have seen °under the sun, *namely*, riches kept for the °owners thereof to °their hurt.

^{h1} 14 But those riches perish by °evil °travail: and he begetteth a son, and *there is* nothing in his °hand.

15 °As he came forth of his mother's womb, naked shall he return to go as he came, and shall take nothing of his labour, which he may carry away in his hand.

^{g2} 16 And this also *is* a sore °evil, *that* in all

14 out of prison, &c. Cp. Joseph (Gen. 41. 40); Daniel (Dan. 5. 29; 6. 1-3).

born, &c. Cp. Rehoboam, robbed by Shishak (1 Kings 14. 25-28).

poor=needy, in want. Heb. *rūsh*. See note on "poverty", Prov. 6. 11.

16 vexation. The same word as in 1. 17; 2. 22.

5. 1-12 (B³, p. 907). MAN. HIS WORKS. (Repeated Alternation.)

B³ K¹ | 1, 2. Works.

L¹ | 3. Reason.

K² | 4-6. Vows.

L² | 7. Reason.

K³ | 8-. Perverting of judgment.

L³ | -8. Reason.

K⁴ | 9-12. Riches.

1 God. Heb. Elohim (with Art.)=the [true] God, or the Deity. Ap. 4. I. See note on 1. 13.

hear=obey.

fools=fat, inert. Heb. *k'ēšil*. See note on Prov. 1. 7.

evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

2 thing=word.

upon earth. Same idea as "under the sun". See note on 1. 3.

4 vowest a vow=makest a solemn vow. Fig. *Polyp-tōton* (Ap. 6). God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

pleasure. See note on "purpose", 3. 1, and Ap. 76. v.

5 Better. See note on 2. 24.

6 to cause, &c.: by vows made concerning the flesh, such as eating and drinking, marrying, &c.

sin. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

angel=messenger. Cp. Mal. 2. 7.

error. Heb. *shāgag*. Ap. 44. xii.

wherefore...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

voice. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the vain words uttered by it; referring to v. 1.

destroy=confiscate.

work. Aram., Sept., and Vulg. read "works" (pl.).

7 divers vanities. Plural of emphasis = great vanity: i.e. in many dreams and many words, also [there is] great vanity: referring to v. 3 above.

8 poor=needy, in want. Heb. *rūsh*, as in 4. 14.

province. See note on 2. 8, and Ap. 76. ii.

matter. Heb. purpose or desire, put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the effect of it. Heb. *hēphez*, one of the words supposed to be later Hebrew. See note on 3. 1, and Ap. 76. v.

He *That is* higher, &c.=the high One above the high one regardeth, even the Most High is over them.

9 is="it [is]."

for all=[consists] in the whole, i.e. not confined to one day.

10 nor he that loveth, &c.=And who is [ever] content with abundance without increase (capital without interest). No socialism or "corruption" of text here.

11 good=advantage.

owners. Plural of emphasis. their=his.

12 to sleep=to sleep soundly.

5. 13-6. 9 (C³, p. 907). PERSONAL OBSERVATION. (Alternations.)

C³ M | g¹ | 5. 13. Self. Labour for.

h¹ | 5. 14, 15. Profitless.

g² | 5. 16. Self. Labour for.

h² | 5. 17. Profitless.

N | 5. 18-20. Long life.

M | g³ | 6. 1, 2-. Self. Riches for.

h³ | 6. -2. Profitless.

g⁴ | 6. 3-. Self. Children.

h⁴ | 6. -3. Profitless.

N | 6. 4-9. Long life.

13 under the sun. See note on 1. 3.

14 travail=fatigue from toil. See note on 2. 23, and 4. 4.

15 As=According as. Cp. Job 1. 21. Ps. 49. 17. 1 Tim. 6. 7.

points as he came, so shall he go: and what °profit hath he that hath °laboured for the °wind?

h² (p. 912) 17 All his days also he eateth in darkness, and he hath much sorrow and wrath with his sickness.

N 18 Behold *that* which I have seen: *it is* good and °comely for one to eat and to drink, and to enjoy the good of all his labour that he taketh ¹³ under the sun all the days of his life, which ¹ God giveth him: for *it is* his portion.

19 Every °man also to whom ¹ God hath given riches and wealth, and hath given him power to eat thereof, and to take his portion, and to rejoice in his labour; *this is* °the gift of °God.

20 For he shall not much remember the days of his life; because ¹ God °answereth *him* in the joy of his heart.

Mg³ 6 There is an °evil which I have seen °under the sun, and *it is* common among °men:

2 A °man to whom °God hath given riches, °wealth, and honour, so that he wanteth nothing for °his soul of all that he desireth,

h³ yet °God giveth him not power to eat thereof, but a stranger eateth it: *this is* °vanity, and *it is* an ¹ evil disease.

g⁴ 3 If a ² man beget an hundred children, and live many years, so that the days of his years be many,

h⁴ and ² his soul be not °filled with good, and also *that* he have no burial; I say, *that* an untimely birth *is* better than he.

4 For °he cometh in with ² vanity, and departeth in darkness, and his name shall be covered with darkness.

5 Moreover he hath not seen the sun, nor known *any thing*: *this* hath more rest than the other.

N 6 Yea, though he live a thousand years twice told, yet hath he seen no good: °do not all go to °one place?

7 All the °labour of ¹ man *is* for his mouth, and yet °the appetite is not filled.

8 For °what hath °the wise more than °the fool? °what hath °the poor, that knoweth to walk before the living?

9 °Better *is* °the sight of the eyes than °the wandering of °the desire: *this is* also vanity and °vexation of °spirit.

B O¹ Q (p. 913) 10 °That which hath been is named already, and it is known that *it is* ¹ man: neither may he contend with Him That is mightier than he.

R 11 Seeing there be many things that increase vanity, what *is* ¹ man the better?

12 For who knoweth what *is* good for ¹ man in *this* life, °all the days of his vain life which he spendeth as a shadow? °for who can tell a ¹ man what shall be after him ¹ under the sun?

7 A °good °name *is* °better than °precious °ointment; and the day of death than the day of one's birth.

2 *It is* ¹ better to go to the house of mourning, than to go to the house of °feasting: for *that is* °the end of all °men; and the living will lay *it* to his heart.

16 profit=advantage.

laboured=toiled.

wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

18 comely=well.

19 man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I. See note on 1. 13. the gift=a gift.

20 answereth=causeth [things] to respond, as in Hos. 2. 21, 22. See note on 10. 19.

6. 1 evil. Heb. *nā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii.

under the sun. See note on 1. 3.

men. Heb. *'ādām* (with Art.)=humanity. Ap. 14. I. See note on 1. 13.

2 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

God. Heb. *Elohim* (with Art.)=the [true] God, or the Deity. Ap. 4. I. See note on 1. 13.

wealth. See note on 5. 19.

his soul=himself. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

vanity. See note on 1. 2.

3 filled=satisfied.

4 he cometh: i. e. in the untimely birth of v. 3.

6 do not all...? Fig. *Erotēsis* (in Affirmation), Ap. 6. Cp. 3. 19-21. one place: i. e. Sheol. Ap. 35.

7 labour=toil.

the appetite=the soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

8 what=what [advantage].

the wise=a wise one, or sage.

the fool=a fool. Heb. *kēṣil*. See note on Prov. 1. 7.

the poor=a wretched one. Heb. *'anāh*. See note on "poverty", Prov. 6. 11.

9 Better. See note on 2. 24.

the sight of=what is seen by.

the wandering of=what is pursued by.

the desire=soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. No Art.

vexation of spirit. See note on 1. 14.

spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

6. 10-12. 12 (B, p. 906). THE CHIEF GOOD, WHAT IT IS. (*Repeated Alternation*.)

B O¹ | 6. 10-7. 14. Man. In himself.

P¹ | 7. 15-29. Personal proving.

O² | 8. 1-8. Man. In his wisdom.

P² | 8. 9, 10. Personal observation.

O³ | 8. 11-13. Man. In his evil-doing.

P³ | 8. 14-9. 1. Personal observation.

O⁴ | 9. 2-10. Man. In his end.

P⁴ | 9. 11-10. 15. Personal inspection.

O⁵ | 10. 16-12. 8. Man. In his different portions.

P⁵ | 12. 9-12. Personal information.

6. 10-7. 14 (O¹, above). MAN. IN HIMSELF. (*Introversion*.)

O¹ | Q | 6. 10. Man and God.

R | 6. 11-7. 10. Good. Q. What is it?

R | 7. 11, 12. Good. Ans. What it is.

Q | 7. 13, 14. God and man.

10 That which hath been is named already, &c.:

"What is he who hath been?" (cp. 1. 9).

Long ago his name was given;

And it is understood what [that name was,]—

It was—Adam":

which means *vegetable mould*, made in the likeness of Elohim, Gen. 1. 27; 2. 7; 5. 1, 2. Made of "earth" he returns to earth (1 Cor. 15. 47): i. e. "vanity". This book is a comment on Pss. 144. 4. Cp. Pss. 39; 49; 62.

12 all the days of his vain life=the numbered days of his vain life. for=as to which.

7. 1 good. Note the Fig. *Epanadiplosis* (Ap. 6), by which the sentence begins and ends with the same word "good" (rendered "precious").

name...ointment. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6), "*shēm mishshemen*".

better. See note on 2. 24.

precious=good. Same word as "good" at the beginning of the sentence.

2 the end. Heb. *sōph*. See note on 3. 11.

men. Heb. *'ādām* (with Art.)=mankind. Ap. 14. I. See note on 1. 13.

3 Sorrow *is* ¹ better than laughter: for by the sadness of the countenance the heart is made ¹ better.

4 The heart of the wise *is* in the house of mourning; but the heart of °fools *is* in the house of mirth.

5 *It is* ¹ better to hear the rebuke of the wise, than for a °man to hear the song of °fools.

6 For as the °crackling of °thorns under a °pot, so *is* the laughter of the °fool: this also *is* °vanity.

7 Surely °oppression °maketh a wise man °mad; and °a gift destroyeth the heart.

8 ¹ Better *is* the end of a thing than the beginning thereof: *and* the patient in °spirit *is* ¹ better than the proud in °spirit.

9 Be not hasty in thy °spirit to be angry: for anger resteth in the bosom of °fools.

10 Say not thou, 'What is *the cause* that the former days were ¹ better than these?' for thou dost not enquire wisely concerning this.

R (p. 913) 11 °Wisdom *is* good ° with an inheritance: and by *it* there *is* profit to them that ° see the sun.

12 For ¹¹ wisdom *is* a defence, *and* money *is* a defence: but the excellency of knowledge *is*, that ¹¹ wisdom giveth °life to them that have it.

Q 13 Consider the work of °God: for who can make *that* straight, which He hath made crooked?

14 In the day of prosperity be joyful, but in the day of adversity consider ¹³ God also hath set the one over against the other, to the end that ² man should ° find nothing after him.

P¹ S¹ I¹ (p. 914) 15 All *things* have I seen in the days of my vanity: there is a ° just *man* that perisheth in his righteousness, and there is a ° wicked *man* that longeth *his life* in his ° wickedness.

16 Be not righteous ° over much; neither make thyself ° over wise:

m¹ why shouldest thou ° destroy thyself?

S² I² (p. 914) 17 ° Be not over much ¹⁵ wicked, neither be thou ° foolish:

m² ° why shouldest thou die before thy time?

18 *It is* good that thou shouldest take hold of this; yea, also from this withdraw not thine hand: for he that feareth ¹³ God shall ° come forth of them all.

S³ I³ 19 ¹¹ Wisdom strengtheneth ° the wise more than ten mighty *men* which are in the city.

m³ 20 For *there is* not a ¹⁵ just ° man upon earth, that doeth good, and ° sinneth not.

S⁴ I⁴ 21 Also take no heed unto all words that are spoken; lest thou hear thy servant ° curse thee:

m⁴ 22 For oftentimes also thine own heart knoweth that thou thyself likewise hast ²¹ cursed others.

S⁵ I⁵ 23 All this have I proved by ¹¹ wisdom: I said, "I will be wise;" but it *was* far from me.

24 That which is far off, and ° exceeding deep, who can find it out?

25 ³ I applied mine heart to know, and to search, and to seek out ¹¹ wisdom, and ° the reason of *things*, and to know the ° wickedness of ° folly, even of ¹⁷ foolishness *and* ⁷ madness:

4 fools = fat, inert. Heb. *k'šil*. Same word as in vv. 5, 6, 9, 25 ("folly"). Not the same as "foolish" (v. 17), or "foolishness", v. 25. See note on "poverty", Prov. 1.7.

5 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

6 crackling. Same word as "voice" (Gen. 3. 8), used of any sound.

thorns . . . pot. Note Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). Heb. *hašširim* . . . *haššir*. May be Englished by "nettles . . . kettles".

vanity. See note on 1. 2.

7 oppression = oppressing: i. e. the act of oppressing. maketh . . . mad. Referring to the madness of folly. mad = beyond control. See note on 1. 17.

a gift = a bribe.

8 spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

11 Wisdom. Heb. *chākmāh*. See note on Prov. 1. 2. with, &c. = like, or as. See 2. 16; 8. 1. Gen. 18. 23, 25.

Job 3. 14, 15; 9. 26; 21. 8; 40. 15. Pss. 73. 5, 25; 148. 7. Render: "Wisdom [is as] good as riches, and more advantageous to them that see the sun".

see the sun: i. e. the idiom for "are alive".

12 life = future life. See note on Lev. 18. 5.

13 God. Heb. *Elohim* (with Art.) = the [true] God: i. e. the Deity. Ap. 4. I.

14 find = discover.

7. 15-29 (P¹, p. 913). PERSONAL PROVING.

(Division and Repeated Alternation.)

P ¹	S ¹	I ¹	15, 16-. Overmuch righteousness.
		m ¹	-16. Reason.
	S ²	I ²	17-. Overmuch wickedness.
		m ²	-17, 18. Reason.
	S ³	I ³	19. Overmuch might.
		m ³	20. Reason.
	S ⁴	I ⁴	21. Overmuch heed.
		m ⁴	22. Reason.
	S ⁵	I ⁵	23-25. Overmuch wisdom.
		m ⁵	26. Reason.
	S ⁶	I ⁶	27, 28-. Overmuch search.
		m ⁶	-28, 29. Reason.

15 just = righteous.

wicked . . . wickedness. Heb. *rāsha'* . . . *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. x, viii.

16 over much: i. e. depending on the merit of good works.

over wise: i. e. beyond what is necessary.

destroy thyself = make thyself lonely: i. e. forsaken. Cp. Job 16. 7.

17 Be not over much wicked = Be not very wicked: i. e. Be not wicked at all. For violation of nature's laws surely end in premature death.

foolish = stupid. Heb. *sākal*; not the same word as in vv. 4, 5, 6, 9, 25 ("folly"). See note on Prov. 1. 7.

why . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

18 come forth of them all = make His way with both.

19 the wise = a wise man.

20 sinneth. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. I.

21 curse = revile.

24 exceeding deep. Heb. "deep, deep". Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6.

25 the reason . . . madness = in order to know the reason (or cause) of folly's wickedness, and the madness of folly.

wickedness = lawlessness. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

27 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

counting, &c. Or, supply the Ellipsis thus: "[considering women] one by one", &c.

account = result.

26 And ³ I find more bitter than death the woman, whose heart *is* snares and nets, *and* her hands *as* bands: whoso pleaseth ¹³ God shall escape from her; but the ²⁰ sinner shall be taken by her.

27 ° Behold, this have I found," saith the preacher, ° "counting one by one, to find out the ° account:

m⁵

S⁶ I⁶

28 Which yet °my soul °seeketh, but I find not:
 11 one 2 man among a thousand have I found;

m⁶ (p. 914) but a woman among all those have I not found.

29 °Lo, this only have I found, that 13 God hath made 2 man upright; but °they have sought out many °inventions.

O² T n (p. 915) 8 Who is °as the wise man? and °who knoweth the °interpretation of a thing?

°a °man's °wisdom maketh his face to shine, and the °boldness of his face shall be changed.

U 2 °I counsel thee to keep the king's commandment, and that °in regard of the oath of °God.

3 Be not hasty to go out of his sight: °stand not in an °evil thing; for he doeth whatsoever pleaseth him.

U 4 Where the word of a king is, there is °power: and who may say unto him, 'What doest thou?'

T n 5 Whoso keepeth the commandment shall °feel no °evil thing: and a wise man's heart discerneth both °time and judgment.

o 6 Because to every °purpose °there is 5 time and judgment, °therefore the misery of 1 man is °great upon him.

7 For he knoweth not that which shall be: for who can tell him when it shall be?

8 There is no 1 man that hath 'power over °the spirit to retain °the spirit; neither hath he 'power in the day of death: and there is no °discharge in that war; neither shall °wickedness deliver °those that are given to it.

P² V 9 All this have I seen, and applied my heart unto every work that is done °under the sun:

W °there is a time wherein one 1 man ruleth over another to his own hurt.

V 10 And so °I saw °the wicked buried, who had °come and gone from the place of the holy,

W and they were forgotten in the city where they had so done: this is also vanity.

O³ X 11 Because sentence against an 3 evil work is not executed speedily, therefore the heart of the sons of 1 men is fully set in them to do 3 evil.

Y 12 Though a °sinner do 3 evil an hundred times, and his °days be prolonged,

Z yet surely I know that it shall be well with them that fear °God, which fear before Him:

Z 13 But it shall not be well with °the 10 wicked, neither shall he prolong his days, which are as a shadow;

X because he feareth not before 12 God.

P³ A (p. 916) 14 There is a vanity which is done °upon the earth; that there be °just men, unto whom it happeneth according to the work of the 10 wicked; again, there be 10 wicked men, to

28 my soul = I myself. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. seeketh = sought.

29 Lo. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6. Same as "Behold" in v. 27.

they = mankind: not merely the above classes. This verse is admittedly the inspired truth of God: so therefore are the other statements in this book. Moreover, "they" is emphatic. inventions = devices.

8. 1-8 (O², p. 913). MAN. IN HIS WISDOM.
 (Introversion and Alternation.)

O² T | n | 1-. Wisdom. Happiness of it.
 | o | -1. Reason.
 | U | 2, 3. King's commandment.
 | U | 4. King's word.
 T | n | 5. Wisdom. Strength of it.
 | o | 6-8. Reason.

1 as = like.

who . . . ? Supply the Ellipsis (Ap. 6), from the preceding line: "Who [is like him that] knoweth?" interpretation = understanding.

man's. Heb. *'ādām* (with Art.). Ap. 14. I. See note on 1. 13.

wisdom. Heb. *chākmāh*. See note on Prov. 1. 2. boldness = sternness.

2 I counsel thee: or I say, then.

in regard of - on account of.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I. See note on 1. 13.

3 stand not = do not take thy stand. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Syr., and Vulg. read, "and stand not".

evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

4 power = might, or control. Heb. *shiltōn*. Occurs only here and in v. 8. 5 feel = know.

evil = calamity. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

time and judgment = a time, yea, a judgment time. Fig. *Hendiadys*. Ap. 6.

6 purpose. See note on 3. 1.

there is = there exists. Heb. *yēsh*.

therefore the misery = when the evil (Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii). great = heavy.

8 the spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9. Some render "wind" and refer to 11. 5. Prov. 30. 4.

discharge in that war = no furlough in the battle [of life].

wickedness. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii. Perhaps here = cunning: no cunning will save the wicked. those that are given to it = its possessors.

8. 9, 10 (P², p. 913). PERSONAL OBSERVATION.
 (Alternation.)

P² V | 9-. Observation.
 | W | -9. Result.
 V | 10-. Observation.
 | W | -10. Result.

9 under the sun. See note on 1. 3.

there is a time wherein = sometimes.

10 I saw = I have seen.

the wicked = lawless men (pl.). Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x. come and gone. Supply the complex Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), "I have seen wicked men come [to the grave; and righteous men] depart [in death, Gen. 15. 2] from the place of the holy, and be forgotten", &c.

11-13 (O³, p. 913). MAN IN HIS EVIL-DOING.
 (Introversion.)

O³ X | 11. Consequence of God's suspended judgment.
 | Y | 12-. Evil-doing prolonged.
 | Z | -12. Evil-doers. Well with them.
 | Z | 13-. Evil-doers. Evil with them.
 | Y | -13-. Evil-doers' days not prolonged.
 | X | -13. Cause. No fear of God.

12 sinner. Heb. *chāṭi'*. Ap. 44. I.

days. Supply the Ellipsis (Ap. 6) by "evil-doing". Heb. *Elohim* (with Art.) = the [true] God: the Deity. Ap. 4. I. See note on 1. 13.

13 the wicked =

8. 14-9. 1 [For Structure see next page].

14 upon the earth. See note on 5. 2.

just = righteous.

whom it happeneth according to the work of the righteous: I said that this also is vanity.

B¹ p¹ (p. 916) 15 Then I commended mirth, because a ¹ man hath no ^o better thing ^o under the sun, than to eat, and to drink, and to be merry:

q¹ for that shall abide with him of his ^o labour the days of his life, which ¹² God giveth him ^o under the sun.

B² p² 16 When I applied mine heart to know ¹ wisdom, and to see the ^o business that is done ¹¹ upon the earth:

q² (^o for also *there is that* neither day nor night seeth sleep with his eyes:)

B³ p³ 17 Then I beheld all the work of ¹² God, that a ¹ man cannot find out the work that is done ^o under the sun:

q³ because though a ¹ man labour to seek *it* out, ^o yet he shall not find *it*; yea farther; though a wise *man* think to know *it*, yet shall he not be able to find *it*.

A 9 For all this ^o I considered in my heart ^o even to declare all this, that ^o the righteous, and the wise, and their works, *are* in the hand of ^o God: no ^o man knoweth either love or ^o hatred by all *that is* before ^o them.

O⁴ C¹ 2 ^o All *things* come alike to all: *there is* ^o one event to the righteous, and to ^o the wicked; to the good and to the clean, and to the unclean; to him that sacrificeth, and to him that sacrificeth not: as *is* the good, so *is* the ^o sinner; and he that sweareth, as *he* that feareth an oath.

3 This *is* ^o an ^o evil among all *things* that are done ^o under the sun, that *there is* ^o one event unto all: yea, also the heart of the sons of ¹ men is full of ^o evil, and ^o madness *is* in their heart while they live, and after that ^o they go to the dead.

D¹ 4 ^o For to him that is joined to all the living there is ^o hope: for ^o a ^o living dog ^o is ^o better than a dead ^o lion.

C² 5 For the living know that they shall die: but ^o the dead know not any thing, neither have they any more ^o a reward; for the ^o memory of ^o them ^o is forgotten.

6 Also their love, and their hatred, and their envy, is now ^o perished; neither have they any more a portion for ever in any *thing* that is done ^o under the sun.

D² 7 Go thy way, eat thy bread with joy, and drink thy ^o wine with a merry heart; for ¹ God now accepteth thy works.

8 Let thy garments be always white; and let thy head lack no ^o ointment.

9 Live joyfully with the wife whom thou lovest all the days of the life of thy vanity, which He hath given thee ^o under the sun, all the days of thy vanity: for *that is* thy portion in *this* life, and in thy ^o labour which *thou* takest ^o under the sun.

each case. is forgotten=ceases to exist, as in Ps. 77. 9, where it is parallel with "clean gone for ever" and "evermore", and in the next verse here (v. 6), where it stands parallel with "perished" and "for ever". 6 perished. Like the knowledge and memory of v. 5. 7 wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. I. 8 ointment=perfume. 9 labour... takest=toil... toiled.

8. 14—9. 1 (P³, p. 913). PERSONAL OBSERVATION. (*Introversion and Alternation.*)

P³ A | 8. 14. Contrariety. Man's happenings.
B¹ | p¹ | 8. 15-. Mirth commended.
q¹ | 8. -15. Reason.
B² | p² | 8. 16-. Wisdom. Man's work on earth.
q² | 8. -16. Reason.
B³ | p³ | 8. 17-. Wisdom. God's work on earth.
q³ | 8. -17. Reason.
A | 9. 1. Contrariety. God's dealings.

15 better. See note on 2. 24. labour=toil.

16 business=travail.

for also there is, &c.=how that one doth not see sleep with his eyes by day or by night. Fig. *Catachresis* (Ap. 6).

17 yet he shall not find it. The A.V. of 1611 omitted these words. Inserted in a subsequent edition.

9. 1 I considered=I have taken to heart. even to declare. Sept. and Syr. read, "and my heart proved".

the righteous=just ones.

God. Heb. *Elohim* (with Art.)=the [true] God: the Deity. Ap. 4. I.

man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I. See note on 1. 13.

hatred by all that is before them=hatred. All lies before them (i.e. in the future).

them: i.e. the righteous and the lawless.

9. 2-10 (O⁴, p. 913). MAN. IN HIS END. (*Repeated Alternation.*)

O⁴ C¹ | 2, 3. The dead.
D¹ | 4, 5-. The living.
C² | -5, 6. The dead.
D² | 7-10-. The living.
C³ | -10. The dead.

2 All things come alike to all=Just as before all others. Reading on from v. 1.

one event: i.e. death. See note on 2. 14.

the wicked=a lawless one. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x. sinner. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i. All the nouns in this verse are sing.

3 an evil. The Preposition (3=B) in *bebol*, gives the force of the superlative: i.e. the greatest or worst calamity of all, &c.

evil=calamity. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

under the sun. See note on 1. 3.

madness. Pl. as elsewhere. See note on 1. 17.

they go. Omit these words and note the Fig. *Aposiopesis* (Ap. 6), "and after that—to the dead!" See the following note.

4 For to him that is joined. Connect this with the end of preceding verse and render "For who is excepted? To all the living", &c.

hope=confidence. Heb. *biṭṭāḥōn* (from *bataḥ*). Ap. 69. i. Occurs only here, 2 Kings 18. 19, and Isa. 36. 4.

a living dog, &c. Fig. *Paremia*. Ap. 6. Same proverb in Arabic.

living dog. Regarded by the Jews as the most unclean and despicable creature (1 Sam. 17. 43; 24. 14. 2 Sam. 9. 8; 16. 9. 2 Kings 8. 13. Matt. 7. 6; 15. 26. Rev. 22. 15). Hence Gentiles so called.

is = ḥe [is]: i.e. even ḥe.

better. See note on 2. 24.

lion. Regarded as the noblest of animals (Gen. 49. 10. Job 10. 16. Isa. 38. 13. Lam. 3. 10. Hos. 13. 7. Rev. 5. 6).

5 the dead know not any thing. See and cp. v. 10. Ps. 6. 5; 30. 9; 31. 17; 88. 11. Isa. 38. 18, 19.

a reward=any advantage [to them].

memory=the faculty of remembering. See note on "them", below.

them. The Heb. suffix "them" must be taken as the subject in all the four nouns alike. As in v. 6, the possessive pronoun "their" is, and must be, taken alike in

10 Whatsoever °thy hand findeth to do, °do it with thy might;

C³ (p. 916) for *there* is no work, nor device, °nor knowledge, nor °wisdom, in °the grave, whither thou goest.

P⁴ E¹ r¹ (p. 917) 11 I returned, and saw °under the sun, that the race is not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong, neither yet bread to the wise, nor yet riches to men of understanding, nor yet favour to °men of skill; but time and °chance °happeneth to them all.

12 °For °man also knoweth not his time:

s¹ as the fishes that are taken in an °evil net, and as the birds that are caught in the snare; so are the sons of °men snared in an °evil time, when it falleth suddenly upon them.

E² r² 13 This °wisdom have I seen also °under the sun, and it seemed great unto me:

14 There was °a little city, and few °men within it; and there came a great king against it, and besieged it, and built great bulwarks against it:

15 Now °there was found in it a °poor wise °man, and he by his °wisdom delivered the city;

s² yet no °man remembered that same °poor °man.

E³ r³ 16 Then said I, °Wisdom is °better than strength:

s³ nevertheless the °poor man's °wisdom is despised, and his words are not heard.

E⁴ r⁴ 17 The words of wise men are heard in quiet more than the cry of him that ruleth among °fools.

18 °Wisdom is better than weapons of war:

s⁴ but one °sinner destroyeth much good.

E⁵ r⁵ 10 °Dead flies °cause the ointment of the apothecary °to send forth a stinking savour: so doth a little °folly °him that is in reputation for °wisdom and honour.

s⁵ 2 A wise man's heart is at his right hand; but a °fool's heart at his left.

E⁶ r⁶ 3 Yea also, when he that is a °fool walketh by the way, his °wisdom faileth him,

s⁶ and he °saith to every one that °he is a °fool.

E⁷ r⁷ 4 If the °spirit of the ruler rise up against thee, leave not thy place; for °yielding pacifieth great offences.

5 There is an °evil which I have seen °under the sun, as an error which proceedeth from the ruler:

s⁷ 6 °Folly is set °in great dignity, and the rich sit in low place.

7 I have seen servants upon °horses, and princes walking as servants °upon the earth.

E⁸ r⁸ 8 He that diggeth a pit shall fall into it; and whoso breaketh an °hedge, a serpent shall bite him.

yielding, &c. = gentleness preventeth greater outrages.

the sun. See note on 1. 3.

6 Folly = a great dullard.

7 horses. No evidence of a late origin of this book, for we read of them in 1 Kings 4. 26, 28; 10. 26, 28; 22. 4. 2 Kings 9. 33; 14. 20. If not in common use, it was because of the Law (Deut. 17. 16); and because of Solomon's disobedience (1 Kings 10. 28. 2 Chron. 1. 16, 17; 9. 28).

upon the earth. See note on 5. 2. 8 hedge = a wall built of loose stones without mortar. Heb. *gāder*, used especially of sheep-folds (Num. 32. 16, 24, 36. 1 Sam. 24. 3. Zeph. 2. 6); also for fencing pathways between the vineyards (Num. 22. 24. Ps. 62. 3; 80. 12). The crevices between the loose stones form hiding-places for lizards and other creeping things.

10 thy hand findeth to do. Hand put by Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the strength put forth by it (Lev. 12. 8; 25. 28).

do it with thy might = do it while thou art able, and have time to do it.

nor knowledge, &c. See note on v. 5, above.

wisdom. Heb. *chākmah*. See note on 1. 2.

the grave. Heb. *Sheol*. Ap. 35. The only occurrence of the word in this book.

9. 11—10. 15 (P⁴, p. 913). PERSONAL INSPECTION. (Division and Repeated Alternation.)

P⁴ E¹ r¹ | 9. 11, 12—Wisdom. Unequally requited, &c.

s¹ | 9. 12—Man snared by ignorance.

E² r² | 9. 13—15—Wisdom. Better than strength.

s² | 9. 15—Man benefits by wisdom of poor.

E³ r³ | 9. 16—Wisdom. Better than strength.

s³ | 9. 16—Man despises wisdom of poor.

E⁴ r⁴ | 9. 17—18—Wisdom. Better than strength.

s⁴ | 9. 18—Man's folly destroys what is good.

E⁵ r⁵ | 10. 1—Wisdom. Better than reputation.

s⁵ | 10. 2—Man's heart betrays his folly.

E⁶ r⁶ | 10. 3—Wisdom of the fool fails him.

s⁶ | 10. 3—Man's folly declares itself.

E⁷ r⁷ | 10. 4, 5—Wisdom. Better than power.

s⁷ | 10. 6, 7—Man's folly often in high places.

E⁸ r⁸ | 10. 8—10—Wisdom. Better than labour.

s⁸ | 10. 10—Man's wisdom saves labour.

E⁹ r⁹ | 10. 11, 12—Wisdom's words are gracious.

s⁹ | 10. 12—15—Man's words destroy himself.

11 men. Heb. *gibbor*. Ap. 14. IV. chance—occurrence. Heb. *phega'*: i.e. "time [of misfortune]". Occurs only here and 1 Kings 5. 4, where it is associated with "evil" (or calamity).

happeneth = meeteth, or befalleth.

12 For man, &c. Connect this sentence with v. 11.

man . . . men. Heb. *'ādām* (with Art.). Ap. 14. I.

14 a little city. For the application of vv. 14–16, note the following illustrations: poor (2 Cor. 8. 9. Phil. 2. 6–8); wise (1 Cor. 1. 24); delivered (1 Cor. 1. 18, 25); none remembered (Isa. 53. 3); despised (1 Cor. 1. 28); words heard in quiet (Job 6. 24. Ezek. 1. 24, 25. Luke 10. 39). men. Heb. pl. of *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

15 there was found = [some one] was found.

poor = unfortunate. Heb. *mišken*. See note on Prov. 6. 11.

poor wise. Some codices, with three early printed editions, Aram., Sept., and Vulg., read "poor but wise". man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

17 fools—fat, inert. Heb. *k'ṣil*. See note on Prov. 1. 7.

10. 1 Dead flies. Heb. flies of death: i.e. flies that bring or produce death. Supply the Fig. *Ellipsis*, "[as] dead". cause = [are that which will] cause, &c.

to send forth a stinking savour = to stink [and] ferment. Fig. *Hendiadys*. Ap. 6.

folly = stupidity. Heb. *ṣākal*. Same root as in v. 6. See note on Prov. 1. 7.

him. Note the Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6): "So doth stupidity [cause] him that is in reputation for wisdom and honour [to send forth an offensive savour]".

wisdom. Heb. *chākmah*. See note on 1. 2.

2 fool's = dullard's. Heb. *k'ṣil*—fat, inert. Same word as in v. 12. See note on Prov. 1. 7.

3 fool. Heb. *ṣākal*. Same word as in vv. 6, 14, not vv. 2, 12, 15. wisdom = heart.

saith = tells. See note on Prov. 1. 7.

he = he himself (emph.).

4 spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

5 evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

under the sun. See note on 1. 3.

6 Folly = a great dullard. Heb. *ṣākal*, as in vv. 1, 3, 14.

in great dignity = in many high positions.

7 horses. No evidence of a late origin of this book, for we read of them in 1 Kings 4. 26, 28; 10. 26, 28; 22. 4. 2 Kings 9. 33; 14. 20. If not in common use, it was because of the Law (Deut. 17. 16); and because of Solomon's disobedience (1 Kings 10. 28. 2 Chron. 1. 16, 17; 9. 28).

9 Whoso removeth stones shall be hurt therewith; and he that cleaveth wood shall be endangered thereby.

10 If the iron be blunt, and he do not whet the edge, then must he put to more strength:

^s but ¹ wisdom is profitable to direct.

^{E⁹ r⁹} (p. 917) 11 Surely the serpent will bite without enchantment; and a babbler is no better.

12 The words of a wise man's mouth are gracious;

^{s⁹} but the lips of a ² fool will swallow up himself.

13 The beginning of the words of his mouth is ° foolishness: and the end of his talk is mischievous ° madness.

14 A ³ fool also is full of words: a ° man cannot tell what shall be; and what shall be after him, who can tell him?

15 The ° labour of the ° foolish wearieth every one of them, because he knoweth not how to go to the city.

^{O⁵ F} (p. 918) 16 Woe to thee, O land, when thy king is a child, and thy princes eat in the morning!

17 ° Blessed art thou, O land, when thy king is the son of nobles, and thy princes eat in due season, for strength, and not for drunkenness!

^G 18 By much slothfulness the ° building decayeth; and through idleness of the hands the house ° droppeth through.

^H 19 A feast is made for laughter, and ° wine ° maketh merry: but money ° answereth all things.

^F 20 ° Curse not the king, no not ° in thy thought; and ° curse not the rich in thy bedchamber: for a bird of the air shall carry the voice, and that which hath wings shall tell the matter.

^G 11 Cast thy ° bread ° upon the waters: for thou shalt find ° it after many days.

2 ° Give ° a portion to ° seven, and also to ° eight; for thou knowest not ° what ° evil shall be ° upon the earth.

3 If the clouds be full of rain, they empty themselves ° upon the earth: and if the tree fall toward the south, or toward the north, in the place where the tree falleth, there it shall be.

4 He that observeth the ° wind ° shall not sow; and he that regardeth the clouds ° shall not reap.

5 ° As thou knowest not what is the way of the ° spirit, nor how the bones do grow in the womb of her that is with child: even so thou knowest not the works of ° God Who maketh all.

6 In the morning sow thy seed, and in the evening withhold not thine hand: for thou knowest not whether shall ° prosper, either this or that, or whether they both shall be alike good.

^{H J¹ t¹} 7 Truly the light is sweet, and a pleasant thing it is for the eyes to behold the sun:

8 But if a ° man live many years, ° and rejoice in them all;

^{u¹} yet let him remember the days of darkness; for they shall be many.

^{v¹} All that cometh is vanity.

13 foolishness. Heb. *ṣākal*, as in vv. 3, 6, 14. madness. See note on 1. 17.

14 man. Heb. *ʾādām* (with Art.). Ap. 14. I. See note on 1. 13.

15 labour=toil.

foolish. Heb. *kēṣil*, as in vv. 2 and 12; not *ṣākal*, as in vv. 3, 6, 13, 14.

10. 16—12. 8 (O⁵, p. 913). MAN IN HIS DIFFERENT PORTIONS. (Extended Alternation.)

O⁵ F | 10. 16, 17. Kings and the Land.

G | 10. 18. Builders.

H | 10. 19. Riches.

F | 10. 20. Kings and subjects.

G | 11. 1-6. Sowers.

H | 11. 7—12. 8. Youth.

17 Blessed = Happy. Heb. *ʾashrēy*. The only occurrence in this book.

18 building decayeth = the roof falleth in. droppeth through = leaketh.

19 wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. i.

maketh merry = will gladden life. Cp. Ps. 104. 15. answereth all things = maketh everything respond [to their requirements]: i. e. will procure both [feast and wine]. See note on 5. 19, the only two occurrences of *ʾānāh* in this book.

20 Curse not the king = Revile not a king.

in thy thought = in thy secret thought: i. e. with all thy [acquired] knowledge. Heb. *maddā*, a rare word. Occurs only six times. Rendered "thought", here; "knowledge" (2 Chron. 1. 10, 11, 12. Dan. 1. 17); "science" (Dan. 1. 4).

11. 1 bread. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Effect), Ap. 6, for the seed from which it is produced.

upon = upon the surface of.

it = the profit or result of it.

2 Give: i. e. in charity.

a portion: i. e. a portion of the bread of v. 1.

seven . . . eight. An idiomatic phrase denoting several or many, like the idiom "once . . . twice" = several times (Job 33. 14. Ps. 62. 11); "twice . . . thrice" = often (Job 33. 29. Isa. 17. 6); "three and four" = frequently, or many (Ex. 20. 5; 34. 7. Prov. 30. 15, 18, 21. Amos 1. 3, 6, 9, 11, 13; 2. 1, 4, 6); "four and five" (Isa. 17. 6); "six and seven" = many (Job 5. 19); "seven and eight" (Mic. 5. 5).

what evil. As the verb is Masc. but "evil" is Fem., render "what will prove a misfortune".

evil = misfortune. Heb. *ṛāʾā*. Ap. 44. viii.

upon the earth. See note on 5. 2.

4 wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

shall not sow . . . shall not reap. The ploughing must be done when the early rains have come, even in the face of storm and tempest; otherwise there will be no reaping after the latter rains.

5 As = According as. See note on John 3. 8.

spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

God. Heb. *Elohim* (with Art.) = the [true] God, or the Deity. Ap. 4. I. See note on 1. 13.

6 prosper. Heb. *kāshēr*: supposed to be a later Hebrew word, but a kindred form seems to be found in Ps. 68. 6, where "with chains" should be rendered "into prosperity". See Ap. 75. xi.

11. 7—12. 8 (H, above). YOUTH.

(Repeated Alternations.)

H | J¹ | t¹ | 11. 7, 8-. Youth. Rejoice.

u¹ | 11. -8-. Remembrance. Days of darkness.

v¹ | 11. -8. Vanity.

J² | t² | 11. 9-. Youth. Rejoice.

u² | 11. -9. Knowledge. Day of judgment.

v² | 11. 10. Vanity.

J³ | t³ | 12. 1-. Youth. Remember.

u³ | 12. -1-7. Knowledge. Days of evil.

v³ | 12. 8. Vanity.

8 man. Heb. *ʾādām* (with Art.). Ap. 14. I. See note on 1. 13. and rejoice = let him rejoice.

J² t² (p. 918) 9° Rejoice, O ° young man, in thy ° youth; and let thy heart cheer thee in the days of ° thy youth, and walk in the ways of thine heart, and in the sight of thine eyes:

u² but know thou, that for all these *things* ° God will bring thee into ° judgment.

v² 10 Therefore remove sorrow from thy heart, and put away ° evil from thy flesh: for childhood and ° youth *are* vanity.

J³ t³ 12 Remember ° now thy ° Creator in the days of thy youth,

u³ w while the ° evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, 'I have no ° pleasure in them;'

x y¹ 2 While the sun, or the light, or the moon, or the stars, be not darkened, nor the clouds return after the rain:

3 In the day when the ° keepers of the ° house shall ° tremble, and ° the strong men shall bow themselves, and ° the grinders ° cease because they are few, and ° those that look out of the ° windows be ° darkened,

4 And ° the doors shall be shut in the ° streets, when the ° sound of the grinding is low, and he shall ° rise up at the voice of the bird, and all ° the daughters of musick shall be brought low;

z¹ 5 Also *when* they shall be ° afraid of *that which is* ° high, and ° fears *shall be* in the way,

y² and the ° almond tree shall flourish, and the ° grasshopper ° shall be a burden,

z² and ° desire shall fail: (because ° man goeth to his long home, and the mourners go about the 'streets:)

y³ 6 ° Or ever ° the silver cord be loosed, or ° the golden bowl be broken, or the ° pitcher be broken at the fountain, or ° the wheel broken at the cistern.

w 7 Then shall the ° dust return to the earth ° as it was: and the ° spirit shall ° return unto ° God Who gave it.

v³ 8 "Vanity of vanities," saith the preacher; "all *is* vanity."

P⁵ K a (p. 920) 9 And moreover, because the preacher was wise, he still taught the People knowledge; yea, he gave good heed, and sought out,

b and set in order many proverbs.

10 The preacher sought to find out acceptable words:

L and *that which* was written was upright, even words of truth.

9 Rejoice, &c. A positive command, not irony; qualified by the solemn fact: "but know thou", &c. young man = a chosen youth, implying beauty and strength.

youth = childhood.

thy youth. Same word as "young man".

judgment = the judgment.

10 evil = sadness.

youth = dawn of life Heb. *shaharūth*. Occurs only here.

12. 1 now = also.

Creator. Plural of Majesty = the [great] Creator, or a reference to the Trinity.

12. -1-7 (u³, p. 918). KNOWLEDGE. DAYS OF EVIL. (*Introversion and Repeated Alternation.*)

u ³	w	-1. Evil days. Approach. (Fig.).	} External.	
x	y ¹	2-4. Figures. Luminaries, &c.		
	z ¹	5-. Literal. Fear.		
	y ²	5-. Figures. Almond tree, &c.		
		z ²	5-. Literal. Failure.	} Internal.
		y ³	6. Figures. Silver cord, &c.	
	w	7. Evil days. (Literal.)		

evil days = days of the misfortune: i.e. affliction and death. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii: i.e. the days described in following verses.

pleasure. See note on 3. 1.

3 keepers of the house: i.e. the arms of the body. house. The human body is often compared to a house (Isa. 38. 12. Job 4. 19. 2 Cor. 5. 1, 2. 2 Pet. 1. 13). tremble. Occurs only here, Est. 5. 9 ("move"), and Hab. 2. 7 ("vex"). See Ap. 76. xii.

the strong men: i.e. the legs. Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. iv. the grinders: i.e. the teeth.

cease = fail, or become unfit for use. Heb. *batāl* = a passage; prob. = the ear-passage. Occurs only in Solomon's writings. Here, v. 5, Prov. 7. 8, and Song 3. 2 (pl.). those that look out of the windows: i.e. eyes ("those" is feminine, agreeing with Heb. "eyes").

windows = lattices = the eyelids.

darkened = dimmed.

4 the doors = the openings: i.e. the mouth and ears. streets = street (sing.).

sound of the grinding is low: i.e. the mastication with gums instead of teeth is low.

rise up = start: referring to insomnia.

the daughters of musick: i.e. songs, &c., the product of music.

5 afraid: i.e. of ascending heights.

high = lofty, elevated.

fears shall be in the way: i.e. apprehensions of danger in journeying.

almond tree shall flourish: i.e. grey hairs shall grow scanty, or drop off, not "almond nuts be rejected"; for the teeth and eating have already been dealt with in v. 3.

grasshopper, or locust.

shall be a burden = shall become burdensome: i.e. as to weight.

desire shall fail. "Desire" = Heb. = the caperberry. Here the A.V. beautifully renders the figure of speech (as a *version* should do), while the R.V. renders it literally (as a *translation* too often does). The Fig. is *Metalepsis*: i.e. a double *Metonymy* (Ap. 6), by which (1) the "caperberry" is put for the *condiment* made from it,

and then (2) the condiment is put for the *appetite* produced by it. And further, since, because of its shape, as well as from the notion that it was supposed to create sexual desire, all that is intended by the figure is included in the rendering "desire shall fail".

6 Or, &c. New figures now (in v. 6) introduced, referring to the *arrival* (y³, above) of death itself. the silver cord: i.e. the spinal cord. the golden bowl: i.e. the head, or skull.

pitcher: the failure of the heart. the wheel. On which the bucket is brought up by a rope from the cistern, or well. 7 dust. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, put for the body which is made of dust (Gen. 2. 7; 3. 19. Ps. 104. 29. Job 34. 15, 16).

spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9. Not *nephesh*, soul (Ap. 13). as it was. Note the reference to Adam's creation.

return unto God. Hence He is said to be the God of the spirits of all flesh (Num. 16. 22; 27. 16. Cp. Luke 23. 46. Acts 7. 59); "the Father of spirits" (Heb. 12. 9).

God. Heb. *Elohim* (with Art.) - the (true or triune) God; the Deity. Ap. 4. I.

M c 11 ° The words of the wise
(p. 920) d are as goads,
d and as ° nails ° fastened
c ° by the masters of assemblies,
L which are given from ° one shepherd.

K a 12 ° And further,

b by these, my son, be admonished : of making many books *there is* no end ; and much study is a weariness of the flesh.

A 13 Let us hear ° the conclusion of the whole matter : Fear ° God, and keep His commandments : for this *is* the whole *duty* of ° man.

(p. 906) 14 For ° God shall bring every work into judgment, with every ° secret thing, whether *it be* good, or whether *it be* ° evil.

12. 9-12 (P⁵, p. 918). PERSONAL INFORMATION AND COUNSEL. (*Alternation.*)

P⁵ K | a | 9-. And moreover (*yōthēr*).
b | -9, 10-. The efforts of *Kōheleth*.
L | -10. What hath been written by one writer.

M c | 11-. The words of the wise
d | -11-. like } well
goads } planted, } "The words of the wise".
d | -11-. like }
nails }
c | -11-. [are] rulers of assemblies.

L | -11. What hath been furnished by one Giver.

K | a | 12-. And further (*yōthēr*).

b | -12. The efforts of others.

11 The words of the wise. See notes on p. 864, and Ap. 7. 4.

nails. These were built into a wall, because Eastern walls were too hard or too soft for them to be hammered in. fastened=planted. Masc., while "nails" is Fem. : but the Accents unite the two words. The verb *nāṭa'* is found again in 3. 2, where it is singular. by the masters=[are] the lords, or rulers. Heb. *ba'al*. one shepherd. The Inspirer. See Gen. 48. 15 ; 49. 24. Ps. 23. 1.

12 And further=Beyond these. Note the Structure above. 13 the conclusion. See note on "the end", 3. 11. God. Heb. *'eth ha-'Elohim*=the [true and only] God ; the great Creator, who throughout the book is put in contrast with man (Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. 1) the creature. Ap. 4. I.

14 secret=hidden. evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. - Ap. 44. viii.

THE SONG OF SOLOMON*.

THE STRUCTURE OF THE BOOK AS A WHOLE†.

(*Introversion and Alternation.*)

A | 1. 1-11. THE INTRODUCTION. THE SHULAMITE SEPARATED. TAKEN BY SOLOMON FROM HER HOME AND HER BELOVED (SHEPHERD) INTO THE ROYAL TENTS, PITCHED NEAR THEM.

B | C | 1. 12-2. 7. THE SHULAMITE AND HER BELOVED TOGETHER.

D | 2. 8-3. 5. THE SHULAMITE AND HER BELOVED APART.

B | C | 3. 6-5. 1. THE SHULAMITE AND HER BELOVED TOGETHER.

D | 5. 2-8. 4. THE SHULAMITE AND HER BELOVED APART.

A | 8. 5-14. THE CONCLUSION. THE SHULAMITE RESTORED. RETURN FROM SOLOMON TO HER HOME WITH HER BELOVED (SHEPHERD).

* In the Hebrew, *lish'elomoh* is not the Genitive case, meaning "of Solomon", or "Solomon's" (v. 1). The Preposition *l* (*Lamed*=l) means "to", or "for", as in the Psalm-Titles, and in the expression "for the chief Musician". It is therefore not necessarily limited to authorship, as may be further seen from the title of Ps. 72, where we have the same word (*lish'elomoh*) rendered "for Solomon". It may well mean *concerning* or *relating to* Solomon "the king's son". Moreover, the Relative Pronoun *'asher* (=which) takes it out of the category of ordinary authorship, and may rightly require the rendering "which [is] concerning Solomon". The Preposition has a wide range of meaning (divided into some twenty-two classes) according to the Verbs used ; but, when used without a Verb (as it is here), it may refer to the *subject*, and be well rendered "concerning", as it is in Jer. 49. 1, 7, 23, 28, &c. The question of authorship therefore does not, of necessity, arise, and need not be discussed.

† For further notes on the book as a whole, see p. 921.

NOTE ON THE STRUCTURE OF THE SONG OF SOLOMON (PAGE 920).

The scope of the book is determined by the Structure of the book as a whole.

The story gradually develops itself; and, from the key which is found in the last chapter (8. 5-14), the whole may be pieced together in the words of Dr. C. D. Ginsburg (*Commentary*, London, 1857, pp. 4-6), to which the references have been added in order to connect the threads of the events.

"There was a family living at Shulem, consisting of a widowed mother, several sons, and one daughter, who maintained themselves by farming and pasturage. The brothers were particularly fond of their sister, and took her under their special care, promising that her prudence and virtue should be greatly rewarded by them (8. 8-14).

"In the course of time, while tending the flock, and, according to the custom of the shepherds, resorting at noon beneath a tree for shelter against the meridian sun, she met with a graceful shepherd youth to whom she afterward became espoused (1. 7; 2. 16; 6. 3).

"One morning, in the spring, this youth invited her to accompany him into the field; but the brothers, overhearing the invitation, and anxious for the reputation of their sister, sent her [in order to prevent their meeting] to take care of the vineyards (2. 15).

"The damsel, however, consoled her beloved and herself with the assurance that, though separated bodily, indissoluble ties subsisted between them, over which her brothers had no control (2. 16).

"She requested him to meet her in the evening (3. 1); and, as he did not come, she feared that some accident had befallen him on the way, and went in search of him (3. 2), and found him (3. 4).

"The evening now was the only time in which they could enjoy each other's company, as, during the day, the damsel was occupied in the vineyards.

"On one occasion, when entering a garden, she accidentally came into the presence of King Solomon (6. 11, 12), who happened to be on a summer visit to that neighbourhood (6. 6-11).

"Struck with the beauty of the damsel, the King conducted her into his royal tent (1. 2-4), and there, assisted by his court-ladies (1. 5-8), endeavoured with alluring flatteries and promises, to gain her affections, but without effect (1. 6-11).

"Released from the King's presence, the damsel soon sought an interview with her beloved shepherd (1. 12-2. 7).

"The King, however, took her with him to his capital in great pomp, in the hope of dazzling her with his splendour (3. 1-11); but neither did this prevail: for while even there, she told her beloved shepherd, who had followed her into the capital (4. 1-5), and obtained an interview with her, that she was anxious to quit the gaudy scene for her own home (4. 6).

"The shepherd, on hearing this, praised her constancy (4. 7-16); and such a manifestation of their mutual attachment took place, that several of the court-ladies were greatly affected by it (6. 1).

"The King, still determined if possible to win her affections, watched for another favourable opportunity; and with flatteries and allurements, surpassing all that he had used before, tried to obtain his purpose (6. 4-7. 9).

"He promised to elevate her to the highest rank, and to raise her above all his concubines and queens, if she would comply with his wishes; but, faithful to her espousals, she refused all his overtures, on the plea that her affections were pledged to another (7. 10-8. 4).

"The King, convinced at last that he could not possibly prevail, was obliged to dismiss her; and the shepherdess, in company with her beloved shepherd, returned to her native place (8. 5-14).

"On their way home (8. 5-7), they visited the tree under which they had first met, and there renewed their vows of fidelity to each other.

"On her arrival in safety at her home, her brothers, according to their promise, rewarded her greatly for her virtuous conduct" (8. 8, 9).

The above is an *Interpretation*. The *Application* is an incentive to loyalty and fidelity to the One "Who loved us and gave Himself for us"; and to stand fast, in our love and loyalty to Him, in the face of the fiercest temptations and severest trials.

To Israel this would be expressed: "Be thou faithful unto death" (Jas. 1. 3. 1 Pet. 1. 7. Heb. 10. 23); "To him that overcometh", &c. (Rev. 2. 7, 11, 17, 26; 3. 5, 12, 21); also Heb. 13. 9, 13. 1 Pet. 1. 4-7, &c.

To the Church of God this would be expressed in such passages as Gal. 5. 1. Eph. 4. 14; 6. 13, 18. Phil. 1. 6; 4. 1. Col. 1. 10, 22, 23; 2 Tim. 3. 14. Tit. 1. 9.

THE SONG OF SOLOMON.

- A A** 1 THE °song of songs, which is °Solomon's.
B C 2 °Let °him kiss me with the kisses of his
 (p. 922) mouth: for °thy love is better than °wine.
 3 °Because of the savour of thy good oint-
 ments °thy name is as ointment poured forth,
 therefore do the °virgins love thee.
 4 °Draw me, we will °run after thee: °the
 king hath brought me into his °chambers: we
 will be glad and rejoice in thee, we will °re-
 member °thy love more than °wine: °the up-
 right love thee.
D 5 ¶ am °black, but comely, O ye °daughters
 of Jerusalem, as the tents of °Kedar, °as the
 curtains of Solomon.
 6 °Look not upon me, because ¶ am black,
 because °the sun hath looked upon me: my
 mother's °children were angry with me; they
 made me the keeper of the vineyards; but
 mine own vineyard °have I not kept.
B C 7 °Tell me, O thou whom my °soul loveth,
 where thou °feedest, where thou makest thy
 flock to °rest at noon: for why should I be
 as one that °turneth aside °by the flocks of
 thy companions?
D 8 °If thou know not, O thou fairest among
 women, go thy way forth by the footsteps of
 the flock, and feed thy kids beside the shep-
 herds' tents.
A 9 °I have compared thee, O °my love, to °a
 company of horses °in Pharaoh's chariots.

1 song of songs, which is Solomon's. Heb. title *Shir Hashshirim* = Song of Songs. In the Sept. it is *Asma Asmaton*, Vulg. *Canticum Canticorum*, all with the same meaning. Fig. *Polyptoton* (Ap. 6), meaning the most beautiful or excellent song. It belongs to the third division of the O.T. Canon (see Ap. 1). The order of the five "Megilloth" (or Scrolls) is the order of the festivals on which they are read. The Song is read annually at the Feast of the Passover, as Ruth is read at Pentecost; Lamentations on 9th of Ab; Ecclesiastes at the Feast of Tabernacles; and Esther at the Feast of Purim.

From the most ancient times it has formed part of the Hebrew Canonical Scriptures. It is a poem based on the true facts of a story which unfolds itself as it proceeds. Various interpretations have been given of it: the *literal*, the *allegorical*, and the *typical*. The allegorical embrace Jehovah and Israel (which was the view of the Jewish commentators); the Roman Catholic views it of the Virgin Mary; the Protestant commentators view it of "Christ and the Church"; the typical view regards it as a type of Solomon's nuptials, or as that of Christ and the Gentiles. The allegorical view puts the coarse flatteries and language of a seducer into the lips of "Christ", which is inconsistent with His dignity and holiness (cp. 6. 4-10, 13; 7. 9). It is the language of seduction put into the mouth of Him "Who spake as never man spake".

The number of speakers forbids all the interpretations which depend on there being only *two*. There are *seven* in all, and they can be easily distinguished by the Structures: viz. (1) the Shulamite; (2) the daughters of Jerusalem; (3) Solomon; (4) the shepherd lover of the Shulamite; (5) the brothers of the Shulamite; (6) the companions of the shepherd; (7) the inhabitants of Jerusalem. Solomon's. See note on p. 920.

1. 1-11 (A, p. 920). THE INTRODUCTION.

Introducing most of the seven speakers of the book: the Shulamite's soliloquy of her beloved shepherd (vv. 2-4, 7); the king (vv. 4, 9-11); the court-ladies (vv. 5, 8); her brothers (v. 6).

(Introversion and Alternation.)

- A** | A | 1. SOLOMON'S Song about the Shulamite.
 B | C | 2-4. THE SHULAMITE soliloquizes about her beloved (shepherd).
 D | 5, 6. THE COURT-LADIES (who disdain her) answered by the Shulamite.
 B | C | 7. THE SHULAMITE soliloquizes about her beloved (shepherd).
 D | 8. THE COURT-LADIES (who tell her to return) answered by the Shulamite.
 A | 9-11. SOLOMON'S admiration of the Shulamite.

The Shulamite speaks. She has been taken into Solomon's tents, and soliloquizes about her beloved (vv. 2, 3); she implores him to come and rescue her (v. 4); she repels the scorn of the court-ladies (v. 6); and implores her beloved to tell her where she may find him (v. 7); the court-ladies ironically reply (v. 8); meanwhile the king comes in and commences by expressing his admiration (vv. 9-11).

2 Let him kiss me = Oh for a kiss. him: i.e. the Shulamite's beloved, the shepherd, from whom she has been taken by Solomon. thy love is = thy endearments [are]. Heb. *dodim*. Only here, vv. 4, 10, 10, and 7. 12. A man is addressed. wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. I.

3 Because of the savour = Sweet is the odour. thy name = thou (emph.). Name put for the person. See note on Ps. 20. 1. virgins = damsels. Heb. *ālāmoth*, not *b'ṭhūloth* (virgins).

4 Draw me, &c. = Draw me after thee, let us flee together! run after = run to any one for refuge. the king. This explains the circumstances described on p. 921. chambers = inner apartments. remember = praise. the upright love thee = upright ones have loved thee. 5 black = swarthy (Fem.). daughters of Jerusalem: i.e. the ladies of Solomon's court. Kedar = dark. All Kedar's tents were black. as. Supply the Ellipsis (Ap. 6), "[but comely] as the curtains of Solomon". Required by the Alternation:—

a | swarthy. | a | as Kedar's tents.
 b | comely. | b | as Solomon's curtains.

6 Look not upon me = Look not down on: i.e. regard me not. Cp. 1 Chron. 17. 17. Ps. 106. 44. the sun hath looked. Fig. *Prosopopæia* (Ap. 6), to emphasise the cause of her swarthy. children = sons: i.e. her brothers are referred to as speaking as in 2. 15, and see note on p. 921 and cp. 8. 8. have I not kept = I never kept. She says this to show the harsh treatment of her brothers. 7 Tell me, &c. Again soliloquizing. See Structure above. soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. feedest = shepherdest. This cannot refer to Solomon! rest = lie down. turneth aside = strayeth, or wandereth.

8 If thou, &c. Answer of the court-ladies: ironical. 9 I have, &c. Solomon now speaks to her. my love = my friend, or one beloved. Heb. *ra'yāh*. Fem. here, v. 15; 2. 2, 10, 13; 4. 1, 7; 6. 4. a company of horses = my mare. in Pharaoh's chariots = in the chariot of Pharaoh.

10 Thy cheeks are comely with rows of jewels, thy neck with chains of gold.

11 We will make thee ° borders of gold with studs of silver.

C ^{E1} (p. 923) 12 ° While the king ° *sitteth* at his table, ° my spikenard ° sendeth forth the smell thereof.

13 A ° bundle of myrrh is ° my wellbeloved unto me; ° he shall lie all night betwixt my breasts.

14 ° My beloved is unto me as a cluster of ° camphire in the vineyards of En-gedi.

^{F1} 15 Behold, thou *art* fair, ° my love; behold, thou *art* fair; thou *hast* doves' eyes.

^{E2} 16 Behold, thou *art* fair, ° my beloved, yea, pleasant: also our ° bed is ° green.

17 The ° beams of our house are ° cedar, and our ° rafters of ° fir.

2 ° *I am* the rose of Sharon, and ° the lily of the valleys.

^{F2} 2 ° As the lily among ° thorns, so is ° my love among the ° daughters.

^{E3} 3 As ° the apple tree among ° the trees of the wood, so is ° my beloved among the sons. I sat down under ° his shadow with great delight, and ° his fruit was sweet to my taste.

4 He brought me to the ° banqueting house, and ° his banner over me was ° love.

5 ° Stay me with ° flagons, ° comfort me with ° apples: for *I am* sick ° of ° love.

6 His left hand is under my head, and his right hand ° doth embrace me.

7 ° I charge ° you, O ye daughters of Jerusalem, by the ° roes, and by the hinds of the field, that ye ° stir not up, nor ° awake ° my love, ° till he please.

D ^{G1} 8 The ° voice of ° my beloved! behold, ° he ° cometh leaping upon the mountains, ° skipping upon the hills.

my love = my friend. Heb. *ra'yāh*. See note on 1. 9. Feminine again, showing that it is the shepherd who is speaking. daughters = damsels. Heb. *bānōth*, fem. pl. of *beyn*, a son. 3 the apple tree. Occurs only six times in Scripture: four times in this book (2. 3, 5; 7. 8; 8. 5); once in Proverbs (25. 11); and once in Joel (1. 12); three times for the tree, and three times for the fruit. Probably the orange tree. the trees of the wood: i.e. the wild trees. my beloved. Masculine. Showing that it is the Shulamite speaking. his = its. 4 banqueting house = vine-arbour or vineyard-bower. his banner over me was love = he overshadowed me with love; *degel*, from *dāgal*, to shade; then an ensign because of the shade it gives and protection which it ensures. love. Heb. *'ahābāh* (Fem.). See note on v. 7. 5 Stay = Strengthen. flagons = grape-cakes. comfort = refresh. of = with. 6 doth embrace = will embrace. 7 I charge = I adjure. you. This and the verbs here are Masculine. It is not uncommon to find this: but when we do, we find true femininity has been lost. roes = gazelles. stir not up = excite not. Heb. *'ūr* (in the Hiphil). awake = incite. Heb. *'ūr* (in the Piel) – not to rouse from sleep, but to excite the passions. See Isa. 42. 13. Prov. 10. 12. my love = my feelings or affection (Fem.). till he = till she. It is Feminine, to agree with love, *'ahābāh* = love never used in the abstract, as in 3. 10, and 8. 4 (a person). This is an appeal to the court-ladies not to try and incite her affection for Solomon.

2. 8–3. 5 (D, p. 920). THE SHULAMITE AND HER BELOVED, APART.

(She, still in the royal tents in the country, tells the court-ladies the story of her love.)

(Repeated Alternation.)

D ^{G1} 2. 8–14. THE SHULAMITE tells the court-ladies about her beloved: how he once came and invited her to go out with him.

^{H1} 2. 15. HINDERED by her brothers, she tells how they set her a task in the vineyards.

^{G2} 2. 16, 17. THE SHULAMITE tells the court-ladies how she waited for her beloved to come again in the evening.

^{H2} 3. 1–3. HINDERED by the watchmen, she tells how she went out and sought him.

^{G3} 3. 4. THE SHULAMITE tells the court-ladies how she found her beloved again.

^{H3} 3. 5. HINDERED by the court-ladies, she again adjures them not to hinder, as before, in 2. 7; in 3. 5, and again in 8. 4.

8 voice = sound: e.g. footsteps (Gen. 3. 8). my beloved. Masculine. Showing that the Shulamite is the speaker. he: emphatic – this (very one). cometh = came. skipping = bounding.

1. 12–2. 7 (C, p. 920). THE SHULAMITE AND HER BELOVED, TOGETHER.

In the royal tents, away from Jerusalem (3. 6–11); in the place where the court-ladies first saw her (6. 12); and “while the king is at his table”.

(Repeated Alternation.)

C ^{E1} 1. 12–14. THE SHULAMITE to her shepherd lover. They meet and exchange their vows.

^{F1} 1. 15. THE BELOVED (shepherd) to the Shulamite. (It is thou who art beautiful; not I.)

^{E2} 1. 16–2. 1. THE SHULAMITE to her shepherd love. (No. It is thou who art comely; not I.)

^{F2} 2. 2. THE BELOVED (shepherd) to the Shulamite. (Thou art my loved one.)

^{E3} 2. 3–7. THE SHULAMITE to her shepherd lover: ending with an apostrophe to the court-ladies not to incite or excite her affection for another person till she herself desires it. See notes on “awake” (2. 7) and “love” (2. 7), and cp. 3. 5 and 8. 4.

11 borders – bead-rows.

12 While the king *sitteth*, &c. Solomon's advances fail; for, to his flattery she opposes her unabated love for her shepherd lover, with whom she has an interview in 1. 12–2. 7. *sitteth*. Supply “was”.

my spikenard: i.e. her shepherd lover.

sendeth = sent.

13 bundle – little bag.

my wellbeloved. Masculine, showing of, and to whom she is speaking.

he shall lie = it (i.e. the bag of myrrh) will lodge.

14 My beloved. Masculine. Same word as “well-beloved” in v. 13.

camphire = henna, or cypress flowers.

15 my love. Here it is Feminine, showing that the shepherd lover is replying to his betrothed. See note on v. 9.

16 my beloved. Here it is Masculine. The Shulamite speaks again.

bed = couch.

green = verdant.

17 beams of our house – our bower.

cedar = cedar arches.

rafters = retreat.

fir = cypress roof.

2. 1 I am the rose of Sharon: i.e. I am a mere wild-flower of the plains: a flower found in great profusion: disclaiming her lover's compliment. the = a.

2 As the lily – As a lily: the shepherd, taking up her word in his reply. thorns. See note on 2 Kings 14. 9.

9^s My beloved is like a ⁷roe or a young hart: behold, ^{he} [°]standeth behind our wall, ^{he} [°]looketh forth at the windows, [°]shewing himself through the lattice.

10^s My beloved spake, and said unto me, "Rise up, ²my love, my fair one, and come away.

11 For, lo, the winter is past, [°]the rain is over and gone;

12 The flowers appear [°]on the earth; the time of the singing of birds is come, and the [°]voice of the [°]turtle is heard in our land;

13 The fig tree [°]putteth forth her green figs, and the vines [°]with the tender grape [°]give a good smell. Arise, [°]my love, my fair one, and come away.

14 O my dove, *that art* in the clefts of the rock, in the [°]secret places of the stairs, let me see thy countenance, let me hear thy voice; for sweet *is* thy voice, and thy countenance *is* comely."

H¹ (p. 923) 15[°] "Take us [°]the foxes, [°]the little foxes, that spoil the vines: for our [°]vines have tender grapes."

G² 16[°] My beloved *is* mine, and *§ am* his: [°]he feedeth among the lilies.

17[°] Until the day break, and the shadows flee away, [°]turn, [°]my beloved, and be thou like a ⁷roe or a young hart upon the mountains of [°]Bether.

H² 3[°] By night on my [°]bed I [°]sought him whom [°]my soul loveth: I sought him, but I found him not.

2 I will rise now, and go about the city in the streets, and in the broad ways I will seek him whom ¹my soul loveth: I sought him, but I found him not.

3 The watchmen that go about the city found me: *to whom I said*, "Saw ye him whom ¹my soul loveth?"

G³ 4[°] *It was* but [°]a little that I passed [°]from them, [°]but I found him whom ¹my soul loveth: I [°]held him, and would not let him go, until I had brought him into my mother's house, and into the [°]chamber of her that conceived me.

H³ 5[°] I charge [°]you, O ye daughters of Jerusalem, by the [°]roes, and by the hinds of the field, that ye [°]stir not up, nor [°]awake my [°]love, till [°]he please.

C^{J1} (p. 924) 6[°] Who *is* this that cometh [°]out of the wilderness like pillars of smoke, perfumed with myrrh and frankincense, with all powders of the merchant?

7[°] Behold his [°]bed, which *is* Solomon's; three-score [°]valiant men *are* about it, of the valiant of Israel.

8 They all hold swords, *being* expert in war: [°]every man *hath* his sword upon his thigh because of fear in the [°]night.

9[°] King Solomon made himself [°]a chariot of the wood of Lebanon.

10 He made the pillars thereof of silver, [°]the bottom thereof of gold, [°]the covering of

9 standeth = there he was standing.

looketh forth = looked through.

shewing himself = he glanced.

11 the rain. The first or early rains come about the end of October or beginning of November; and the wet season, i.e. the last or latter rains, in March or beginning of April.

12 on the earth = in the fields.

voice: i.e. cooing.

turtle = turtle-dove. A migratory bird (Jer. 8. 7).

13 putteth forth = sweetens or ripens.

with the tender grape = blossoms.

give = they give.

my love = friend. Heb. *ra'yah*, as in v. 2. See note on 1. 9. Feminine. Showing that the shepherd is speaking to the Shulamite.

14 secret places of the stairs - the hiding places of the cliff.

15 Take us - Catch for us. The Shulamite here quotes the words of her brothers (H¹, p. 923). See note on "children" 1. 6.

the ... the. No Art. here in the Heb.

vines have tender grapes = vineyards are in bloom.

16 My beloved. Masculine. Showing the Shulamite as the speaker. he feedeth = he who feedeth.

17 Until the day break = When the day cools. This is clear from the words which follow.

turn = return. Bether = separation. See note on 8. 14.

3. bed = couch, not the same word as in 1. 16; 3. 7; 5. 13; 6. 2.

1 sought - still sought.

my soul - I myself. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

4 It was but a little that = Scarcely.

a little a little while. See note on "almost", Prov. 5. 14. from them - them.

but = when.

held = seized.

chamber = inner chamber.

5 I charge you = I have adjured you.

you. See note on 2. 7.

roes - gazelles.

stir not up ... awake. See note on 2. 7.

love. Heb. *'ahabāh*. Fem. as in 2. 7; 8. 4. he = she.

3. 6-5. 1 (C, p. 920). THE SHULAMITE AND HER BELOVED, TOGETHER.

The procession of Solomon's court to Jerusalem. (Introversion and Repeated Alternation.)

C^{J1} 3. 6-11. The inhabitants of JERUSALEM see the procession approaching. Remark of one (v. 6); of another (vv. 7, 8); of a third (vv. 9, 10); of a fourth (v. 11).

K^{L1} 4. 1-5. THE BELOVED (shepherd), who has followed the court, comes to Jerusalem to rescue the Shulamite. He obtains an interview, and again expresses his delight in her. [Contrast his modesty with Solomon's coarse flatteries in 6. 4-10, and 7. 1-9.]

M¹ 4. 6. THE SHULAMITE proposes to return, referring to 2. 17.

L² 4. 7-16-. THE BELOVED (shepherd) immediately proffers assistance, emboldened by her beauty (vv. 7-11) and by her faithfulness (vv. 12-16-).

M² 4. -16. THE SHULAMITE declares that all she has is for his pleasure.

L³ 5. 1-. THE BELOVED (shepherd) suitably responds: "I am coming".

J² 5. -1. The daughters of JERUSALEM (some of the court-ladies) encourage them and urge them on.

6 Who is this? = What is that? A question asked by an inhabitant of Jerusalem.

out of the wilderness up from the country.

7 Behold his bed = Lo! it is the litter or sedan. bed. Heb. *mittah*. Not the same as 1. 16; 3. 1; 5. 13;

8 every man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

The remark of a third inhabitant of Jerusalem.

10 the bottom thereof = its support.

The answer by another inhabitant of Jerusalem.

or 6. 2. valiant men. Heb. *gibbōr*. Ap. 14. IV.

night = nights (Pl.).

See the Structure (J¹, above).

the covering of it = its seat.

9 King Solomon made, &c. a chariot = a palanquin.

it of purple, ° the midst thereof ° being paved
° with love, ° for the daughters of Jerusalem.

11 ° Go forth, O ye ° daughters of Zion, and behold king Solomon with the crown wherewith his mother crowned him in the day of his ° espousals, and in the day of the gladness of his heart.

K L¹
(p. 924)

4 ° Behold, thou *art* fair, ° my love; ° behold, thou *art* fair; thou *hast* ° doves' eyes ° within thy locks: thy hair *is* as a flock of goats, ° that appear from mount Gilead.

2 Thy teeth *are* like a flock of *sheep that are* ° even shorn, which came up from the washing; ° whereof every one bear twins, and none *is* ° barren among them.

3 Thy lips *are* like a ° thread of scarlet, and thy ° speech *is* comely: thy ° temples *are* like a ° piece of a pomegranate¹ within thy locks.

4 Thy neck *is* like the tower of David builded for an armoury, whereon there hang a thousand bucklers, all shields of ° mighty men.

5 Thy two breasts *are* like two young roes that are twins, which feed among the lilies.

M¹ 6 ° Until the day ° break, and the shadows flee away, I will get me to the ° mountain of myrrh, and to the hill of frankincense.

L² 7 ° Thou *art* all fair, ° my love; *there is* no spot in thee.

8 ° Come with me from ° Lebanon, ° my spouse, with me from ° Lebanon: look from the top of ° Amana, from the top of ° Shenir and ° Hermon, from ° the ° lions' dens, from ° the mountains of the ° leopards.

9 Thou *hast* ° ravished my heart, my sister, ° my spouse; thou *hast* ° ravished my heart with ° one of thine eyes, with one chain ° of thy neck.

10 How ° fair is thy ° love, ° my sister, ° my spouse! how much better is thy ° love than ° wine! and the smell of thine ointments than all spices!

11 Thy lips, O my ° spouse, ° drop as the honeycomb: honey and milk *are* under thy tongue; and the smell of thy garments *is* like the smell of Lebanon.

12 ° A garden ° inclosed *is* my sister, my ° spouse; a spring ° shut up, a fountain sealed.

13 Thy plants *are* ° an orchard of pomegranates, with pleasant fruits; ° camphire, with spikenard,

14 Spikenard and saffron; calamus and cinnamon, with ° all trees of frankincense; myrrh and aloes, with all the chief ° spices:

15 ° A ° fountain of gardens, a well of living waters, and streams from Lebanon.

16 Awake, O north wind; and come, thou south; blow upon my garden, *that* the spices thereof may flow out.

M² ° Let ° my beloved come into his garden, and eat ° his pleasant fruits.

L³ 5 ° I am come into my garden, my sister, my ° spouse: ° I have gathered my myrrh with my spice; ° I have eaten my honeycomb with my honey; ° I have drunk my ° wine with my milk:

J³ ° eat, O friends; drink, yea, drink abundantly, O beloved.

the midst thereof = its interior.

being paved = tessellated.

with love = most lovely.

for = by.

11 Go forth. The remark of a fourth inhabitant of Jerusalem. See the Structure (J¹, p. 924).

daughters of Zion. Occurs only here, and Isa. 3. 16, 17; 4. 4; always by way of reproof. Can it be so here? Does it imply the envy or jealousy of 8. 6? (Cp. "haughty", Isa. 3. 16.) Note the difference between the sing. and pl. espousals = marriage.

4. 1 Behold. The words of the shepherd approaching the Shulamite.

my love = my friend. Heb. *ra'yāh*. See note on 1. 2. Feminine, showing the speaker and the one spoken to. behold = gaze on.

doves' eyes. Referring to the large melting eye of the dove: a "clean" bird.

within thy locks = behind (or through) thy veil.

that appear = springing down. 2 even = evenly.

whereof every one bear twins = all of which are paired. This is the force of the *Hiphil* of *tā'am*, to be double or pairs, like the *Poel* of *Kal* in Ex. 26. 24; 36. 22. barren = bereaved, as in Jer. 18. 21.

3 thread = braid.

speech = mouth.

temples = cheeks.

piece = part.

4 mighty men. Heb. *gibbōr*. Ap. 14. IV.

6 Until = When. The Shulamite speaks in v. 6, referring to 2. 17, answering that that very evening she will quit Jerusalem and go to their delightful country. break = cools. Cp. 2. 17.

mountain. The edition of A.V. 1611 had "mountains" (pl.).

7 Thou art all fair, my love. The shepherd speaks: "love" being here feminine again.

8 Come = Thou wilt come.

Lebanon . . . Amana . . . Shenir . . . Hermon . . . the lions' dens, . . . the mountains of the leopards. He gives these names to Jerusalem and the royal residence. my spouse = my betrothed.

lions . . . leopards: denote the king and his courtiers. Cp. Ezek. 19. 7; 22. 25. Nah. 2. 12.

9 ravished my heart = put heart into me.

one. It was customary to unveil one eye in conversation. of: or round.

10 fair = sweet.

love = endearments. Heb. *dodīm*, as in 1. 2, 4; and 7. 12.

my sister, my spouse = my sister = betrothed.

wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. I.

11 drop as = drop [honey] as.

12 A garden. Note the Alternation in vv. 12-15:—

c | 12-. Garden.

d | -12. Spring.

c | 13, 14. Garden fruits.

d | 15. Fountain.

inclosed = closed: bolted and barred.

shut up. Same word as "inclosed" (above).

13 an orchard = a paradise. See note on Ecc. 2. 5.

camphire = henna, or cypress.

14 all trees of frankincense = all sorts of frankincense trees. spices = spice plants.

15 A fountain = [With] a fountain.

fountain of gardens = a garden-fountain, without which no garden was complete.

Let my beloved. The Shulamite speaks in response, with the eloquent brevity of her overwrought feelings. my beloved. Here, masculine, which shows who the speaker of this sentence is. his = its.

5. 1 I am come = I am coming. This is the shepherd's suitable reply to her brief invitation.

spouse = betrothed, as in 4. 8, 9, 10, 12.

I have gathered = I am gathering.

I have eaten = I am eating.

I have drunk = I am drinking.

(The perfect tenses being used for the present. See Kautzsch's *Gesenius*, § 106.)

wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. I.

eat, O friends. The words of the court-ladies, encouraging the Shulamite and her beloved (masculine). See Structure (J², p. 924).

N¹ O¹
(p. 926)

2 ° I sleep, but my heart ° waketh : ° *it is* the voice of ° my beloved ° that knocketh, saying, "Open to me, my sister, ° my love, my dove, my undefiled : for my head is filled with dew, and my locks with the drops of the night.

3 ° I have put off my coat ; how shall I put it on ? I have washed my feet ; how shall I ° defile them ? "

4 ° My beloved ° put in his hand by the hole of the door, and ° my bowels were moved ° for him.

5 ° I rose up to open to ° my beloved ; and my hands dropped with myrrh, and my fingers with sweet smelling myrrh, upon the handles of the lock.

6 I opened to ° my beloved ; but ° my beloved had withdrawn himself, and was gone : ° my soul failed when ° he spake : I sought him, but I could not find him ; I called him, but he gave me no answer.

7 The watchmen that ° went about ° the city found me, they smote me, they wounded me ; the keepers of the walls ° took away my veil from me.

8 ° I charge ° you, O daughters of Jerusalem, if ye find ° my beloved, that ye tell him, that I am ° sick ° of ° love.

P¹ 9 ° What is thy beloved more than another beloved, O thou fairest among women ? what is thy beloved more than another beloved, that thou ° dost so charge us ?

O² 10 ° My beloved is white and ruddy, ° the chiefest among ten thousand.

11 His head is as the most fine gold, his locks are ° bushy, and black as a raven.

12 His eyes are as the eyes of doves by the ° rivers of ° waters, ° washed with milk, and ° fitly set.

13 His cheeks are as ° a bed of spices, as sweet flowers : his lips like lilies, ° dropping ° sweet smelling myrrh.

14 His hands are ° as gold rings ° set with the beryl : his belly is as ° bright ivory overlaid with sapphires.

15 His legs are as pillars of ° marble, set upon ° sockets of fine gold : his ° countenance is as Lebanon, ° excellent as the cedars.

16 His ° mouth is most sweet : yea, he is ° altogether lovely. ° This is ° my beloved, and ° this is my friend, O daughters of Jerusalem.

P² 6 ° Whither is ° thy beloved gone, O thou fairest among women ? whither is ° thy beloved turned aside ? that we may seek him with thee.

O³ 2 ° My beloved is gone down into his garden, to the beds of spices, ° to feed in the gardens, and to gather lilies.

3 I am ° my beloved's, and ° my beloved is mine : ° he feedeth among the lilies.

N² Q¹
(p. 927)

4 ° Thou art beautiful, O ° my love, as ° Tirzah,

excellent = choice.

16 mouth = voice, by Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6. fervently cherished, or desired. Heb. *mahmad*. Occurs only here in this book.

6. 1 Whither, &c. Spoken by the court-ladies. See the Structure (P², above).

2 My beloved. The Shulamite speaks again in reply. See the Structure (O³, above). [his flock].

3 he feedeth = he that feeds [his flock] as a shepherd.

6. 4-8. 4 [For Structure see next page].

4 Thou art beautiful. Solomon breaks in as soon as the Shulamite called for her beloved (shepherd), as he did in 1. 9. my love = my friend. Heb. *ra'yah*. Feminine. See note on 1. 9. Tirzah. Became the royal residence of the kings of Israel after the division of the kingdom, until Omri built Samaria (1 Kings 14. 17 ; 15. 21, 33 ; 16. 8, 15, 17). Cp. 16. 24. Tirzah means "delightful". Hence the flattering comparison.

5. 2-8. 4 (D, p. 920). THE SHULAMITE AND HER BELOVED, APART. (Division.)

D | N¹ | 5. 2-6. 3. Her colloquies with the court-ladies.
N² | 6. 4-8. 4. Her colloquies with Solomon.

5. 2-6. 3 (N¹, above). HER COLLOQUIES WITH THE COURT-LADIES. (Repeated Alternation.)

N¹ O¹ | 5. 2-8. THE SHULAMITE tells the court-ladies a dream she once had about her beloved (shepherd).

P¹ | 5. 9. THE COURT-LADIES, astonished at her love, ask, "What is there in thy beloved more than any other?"

O² | 5. 10-16. THE SHULAMITE describes him to them, and ends, "Such is my beloved".

P² | 6. 1. THE COURT-LADIES wish to see such an one ; and ask, "Where is he, that we may seek him?"

O³ | 6. 2, 3. THE SHULAMITE evades their question, suspecting their motives.

2 I sleep = I was asleep, or sleepy.

waketh = kept awake. it is. Supply "it was". my beloved. Heb. masculine.

that knocketh = he is knocking (masculine).

my love = my friend. Feminine. Heb. *ra'yah*, as in 1. 9, 15 ; 2. 2, 10, 13 ; 4. 1, 7 ; 5. 2 ; 6. 4.

3 I have put off. She quotes (v. 3) the reply her shepherd lover gave in her dream. defile = soil.

4 put in his hand, &c. = withdrew his hand. Heb. "sent away his hand from the hole". So the Sept. and Rashbam.

my bowels were moved for him = my heart was disquieted within me.

for him. Many codices read "within me", and so A.V. margin. 5 I (emph.) : i.e. I immediately arose.

6 my soul = I (emph.). Heb. *nepesh*. Ap. 13. he spake = when he was speaking of it.

7 went about : i.e. the patrol.

the city. She is still in Jerusalem and away from her country home. (See the notes, p. 920.)

took away my veil. This was gross insult to an Eastern woman.

8 I charge = I adjure. you. See note on 2. 7. sick of love = love-sick. of = with.

love. Same word and sense as in 2. 7 ; 3. 5 ; and 8. 4.

9 What is . . . ? The speakers are the court-ladies, replying to the conclusion of her dream.

dost so charge us ? = hast so adjured us ?

10 My beloved. The Shulamite describes him further to them. See Structure (O², above).

the chiefest among ten thousand = distinguished or conspicuous above thousands. Heb. "signalized as by a banner".

11 bushy = flowing, waving, or curled.

12 rivers = channels, or gorges. Heb. *aphikim*. See note on 2 Sam. 22. 16.

waters. In A.V. 1611 this was "water" (sing.).

washed = bathed : i.e. the doves.

fitly set = set as gems in a ring.

13 a bed of spices = a raised bed of balsam. Some codices, with Sept., read "beds of balsam".

dropping = distilling. sweet smelling = liquid.

14 as gold rings = like golden cylinders.

set with the beryl = adorned with gems of Tarshish (alluding to the nails, of which great care was taken)

bright = polished. 15 marble = white marble.

sockets = bases.

countenance = aspect.

altogether lovely = This = Such.

thy beloved. Masc.

to feed = to feed [his flock]. 3 he feedeth = he that feeds [his flock] as a shepherd.

comely as Jerusalem, °terrible as °an army with banners.

5 Turn away thine eyes from me, for they have °overcome me: thy hair is °as a flock of goats °that appear from Gilead.

6 °Thy teeth are as a flock of sheep which go up from the washing, whereof every one beareth twins, and there is not one barren among them.

7 As a °piece of a pomegranate are thy temples °within thy locks.

8 °There are °threescore queens, and four-score concubines, and °virgins without number.

9 °My dove, my undefiled is °but one; she is the only one of her mother, she is the choice one of her that bare her. The daughters saw her, and blessed her; yea, the queens and the concubines, and they °praised her.

10 "Who is she that looketh forth as the morning, fair as the moon, clear as the sun, and °terrible as 'an army with banners? "

R¹ (p. 927) 11 °I went down into the garden of nuts to see the fruits of the valley, and to see whether the vine flourished, and the pomegranates budded.

12 °Or ever I was aware, °my soul °made me like °the chariots of Ammi-nadib.

Q² 13 °Return, return, O °Shulamite; °return, return, that we may °look upon thee.

R² °What will ye °see in the °Shulamite?

Q³ As it were °the company of two armies.

7 How beautiful are thy feet °with shoes, O °prince's daughter! °the joints of thy thighs are like jewels, the work of °the hands of a cunning workman.

2 Thy navel is like a round goblet, which wanteth not °liquor: thy °belly is like an heap of wheat set about with lilies.

3 Thy two breasts are like two young °roes that are twins.

4 Thy neck is as a tower of ivory; thine eyes

made me like = placed me at, or was brought.

renderings that the text is said to be "hopelessly corrupt" by modern critics. The A.V. follows the Sept., Arab., Ethiopic, and Vulgate, by treating it as a proper name (with variations in the orthography). The Heb. is "the chariots of my People, the noble", or, of my noble People. From which, when we note the context, and who is speaking, and what fact she is referring to, the Shulamite plainly seems to be saying that she came unwittingly on the royal chariots and the retinue of nobles with Solomon when he first saw her (see p. 921).

13 Return, return. This was the entreaty of Solomon, as she turned to go away, the moment her necessary explanation had been made.

Shulamite. Shulem is thought to be the same as Shunem, now Sölam, about three and a half miles from Zerin, north of Jezreel, mentioned in Josh. 19. 18. 1 Sam. 28. 4. 1 Kings 1. 3, 15; 2. 17, 21, 22. 2 Kings 4. 8, 12, 25, 36. Instead of this proper name causing "great difficulty", it is necessary, to enable us to fix the locality of the whole subject of the song. Abishag came from Shunem (1 Kings 1. 4); and is here used as being synonymous with "fairest among women" (1. 8; 5. 9; 6. 1).

look = gaze on. Solomon's request as she was departing. see = gaze on. the company of two armies. Instead of "of two armies", the A.V. marg. and R.V. text reads "of Mahanaim", and the R.V. renders the phrase: "the dance (or steps) of Mahanaim". Modern critics say "This is another proper name which must in all probability vanish from the text". But the text needs this here, though it does not need "Ammi-nadib" in v. 12.

The Quarterly Statement of the Palestine Exploration Fund (1891, pp. 244, 245) shows that in *kimhölath hammahänäyim*, the root of the former word (*hül*, to be round) is the common name for a circle (hence another suggested rendering is "like a dance to double choirs"; one even ventures on "a sword-dance"), or geographical "basin", and *m'hanäyim* as meaning a plain or camp on a plain. Remembering that a man was seen by David's watchman from "the wood Ephraim" (2 Sam. 18. 6. Cp. 17. 27) running on "a plain" (2 Sam. 18. 24-27. Cp. 2 Sam. 19. 32), and now putting the word "plain" by Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the view obtained of it, we have the suitable rendering, "Like the view of Mahanaim", i.e. a view as beautiful as that, which would be the answer to her question, "What will ye behold in the Shulamite?" For "Mahanaim" see Gen. 32. 2.

7. 1 with shoes = with sandals. prince's daughter = noble maiden. the joints of thy thighs = thy rounded thighs. the hands of a cunning workman = hands of steadiness: i.e. work not hastily done. See note on "as one brought up", &c., Prov. 8. 30. 2 liquor = spiced wine. belly = body. 3 roes = fawns.

6. 4-8. 4 (N², p. 926). HER COLLOQUIES WITH SOLOMON. (Repeated Alternation.)

N² Q¹ 6. 4-10. SOLOMON comes forward with flatteries (vv. 4-9). What his court-ladies said was true (v. 10).

R¹ 6. 11, 12. THE SHULAMITE explains that her meeting with him was "unwittingly" (see notes). She withdraws.

Q² 6. 13-. SOLOMON: "Return, return".

R² 6. -13- THE SHULAMITE: "What is there to look at in me?"

Q³ 6. -13-7. 9. SOLOMON renews his flatteries.

R³ 7. 10-8. 4. THE SHULAMITE rejects him: "I belong to my beloved; not to you". Calls on her beloved to fetch her away, and again adjures the court-ladies not to excite her feelings (as in 2. 7, and 8. 5).

terrible, &c. = majestic, or awe-inspiring, as bannered hosts.

an army with banners = the bannered [hosts]. Fem. pl., with no noun expressed. Perhaps a reference to the Hosts of Israel in their journeys in Num. 2.

5 overcome me = taken me by storm (as we say). This is the force of the *Hiphil*.

as = like. The A.V. edition of 1611 did not have "as". that appear = springing down. Cp. 4. 1.

6 Thy teeth. See notes on 4. 2, where the same comparison is used by the shepherd, except that the latter uses *k'zūboth*, flocks, while the former uses *rāhēl*, ewes.

7 piece = part.

within thy locks = behind thy veil. Cp. 4. 1, 3.

8 There are: i.e. I have.

threescore. The numbers are not the same as in 1 Kings 11. 3, because a different period is referred to. virgins = damsels. See note on 1. 3.

9 My dove = But he is my dove.

but one = my only one. In contrast with the numbers of v. 8. Flattery enough to turn the heart of almost any woman.

praised her: supply the Ellipsis by adding [saying]. See note on Ps. 109. 5.

11 I went down. The Shulamite explains that she went down to the nut-garden quite innocently, and with no design on her part.

12 Or ever I was aware = Unwittingly, or I know not [how it was], &c.

my soul = I (emph.). Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

the chariots of Ammi-nadib. So various are the

like the fishpools in Heshbon, by ° the gate of Bath-rabbim: thy nose is as the tower of Lebanon which looketh toward Damascus.

5 Thine head upon thee is like Carmel, and the hair of thine head like purple; the king is ° held in the galleries.

6 How fair and how ° pleasant art thou, O ° love, ° for delights!

7 This thy stature is like to a palm tree, and thy breasts to clusters of grapes.

8 I said, "I will go up to the palm tree, I will take hold of the boughs thereof:" now also thy breasts shall be as clusters of the vine, and the smell of thy nose like apples;

9 And ° the roof of thy mouth like the best ° wine for my beloved, that goeth down sweetly, causing ° the lips of those that are asleep to speak.

R³ 10 ° I am my beloved's, and his desire is toward me. (p. 927)

11 ° Come, my beloved, let us go forth into the field; let us lodge in the villages.

12 Let us get up early to the vineyards; let us see if the vine flourish, whether the tender grape appear, and the pomegranates bud forth: there will I give thee my ° loves.

13 The mandrakes ° give a smell, and at ° our gates are all manner of pleasant fruits, new and old, which I have ° laid up for thee, O my beloved.

8 O that thou wert as my brother, that sucked the breasts of my mother! when I should find thee without, I would kiss thee; yea, I should not be ° despised.

2 I ° would lead thee, and bring thee into my mother's house, ° who would instruct me: I would cause thee to drink of ° spiced wine of the juice of my pomegranate.

3 ° His left hand should be under my head, and his right hand should embrace me.

4 ° I charge ° you, O daughters of Jerusalem, that ye ° stir not up, nor ° awake my ° love, until ° he please.

A S¹ 5 ° Who is this that cometh up from ° the wilderness, leaning upon her beloved? (p. 928)

T¹ ° I raised thee up ° under the apple tree: ° there thy mother ° brought thee forth: there she ° brought thee forth that bare thee.

6 ° Set me as a ° seal upon thine heart, as a seal upon thine arm: for ° love is strong as death; jealousy is ° cruel ° as the grave: ° the coals thereof are coals of fire, ° which hath a most vehement ° flame.

7 Many waters ° cannot quench ° love, neither can the floods drown it: if ° a man would give all the substance of his house for ° love, it would utterly be condemned.

I raised thee up: i.e. I awakened [love] in thy heart: i.e. I won thy heart. See note on "love", 2. 7. under the apple tree - under the orange tree. The place of the birth of their love. The orange-blossom is everywhere, now, the bridal flower. there: thither came she that bare thee. Confinements in the open air are of frequent occurrence. brought thee forth = to bring thee forth. 6 Set = Oh place. seal = signet, regarded as good as a signature. Now that writing is more common it has become an ornament. It was worn round the neck (Gen. 38. 18, 25), or worn on the right hand (Jer. 22. 24). Cp. also Hag. 2. 23. cruel = inexorable, hard. as the grave = as Sheol. See Ap. 35. the coals thereof = its flames. which hath a most vehement flame. Heb. "flames of Jah": *shalhebeth-yah*. Render this:

flame. Same root as Gen. 3. 24. 7 cannot quench: i.e. earthly things cannot destroy that which is divine. a man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

4 the gate of Bath-rabbim = the populous gate.

5 held in the galleries = captivated by the ringlets. Carmel = the [mount] Carmel.

6 pleasant = charming.

love. Heb. *'ahābāh* = love in the abstract. It is not the person who is here addressed. See note on 2. 7. for delights - among delightful things.

9 the roof of thy mouth = the palate. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for speech.

wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. I.

the lips of those that are asleep = slumbering lips.

10 I am my beloved's = I belong to my beloved: referring to her beloved shepherd. The Shulamite speaks, and thus gently but firmly refuses the king's advances.

11 Come, my beloved. (Masc.). See note on 1. 2. Thus she apostrophises her beloved (shepherd).

12 loves = endearments. Heb. *dodim*, as in 1. 2, 4; and 4. 10, 10.

13 give a smell = diffuse their fragrance.

our gates = our gateways. laid up = reserved.

8. 1 despised = reproached.

2 would lead thee = would fain lead thee thence [in triumph].

who would = thou wouldest, or she would.

spiced wine = the aromatic [wine]. Heb. *rekaḥ*.

3 His left hand = [Let] his left hand [be].

4 I charge you = I have adjured you. In this last charge the addition is not "by the roes", &c. And we have *mah* instead of *'im* = Why incite, &c. you. See note on 2. 7.

stir not up . . . awake. See note on 2. 7, and cp. 3. 5.

love. Heb. *'ahābāh* (Fem.). Used of love in the abstract. See notes on 2. 4, and 3. 5. he = she.

8. 5-14 (A, p. 920). THE CONCLUSION. THE SHULAMITE RESTORED.

The Shulamite returns home from Solomon, and is seen by her brothers and their companions, approaching; her beloved (shepherd) is with her.

(Repeated Alternation.)

A S¹ 5-. THE COMPANIONS of the shepherd see them approaching.

T¹ 5-7. THE SHULAMITE and her beloved (shepherd) revisit the spot where they first plighted their troth; and renew their vows.

S² 8, 9. THE BROTHERS confer as to their sister's dowry. "What shall we do for her?" "If she be a wall (i.e. virtuous) we will adorn her." "If she be a door (accessible to any) we will shut her up."

T² 10-12. THE SHULAMITE: "I am a wall" (not a door). Solomon has many vineyards; I will keep my own.

S³ 13. THE BELOVED (shepherd) asks her to tell them her story.

T³ 14. THE SHULAMITE owns him her beloved. He is to hasten to her now and ever. No longer over the mountains which separated them (2. 8, 17), for these have given place to the mountains of delight.

5 Who is this? The companions of the shepherd are the speakers.

the wilderness = the plain of 3. 6. See note on "the company of two armies" above: i.e. the plain of Esdraelon, lying between Jezreel and Shunem.

S²
(p. 928)

8 ° We have a little sister, and ° she hath no breasts: what shall we do for our sister in the day when she shall be ° spoken for?

9 ° If she be a wall, we will build upon her a ° palace of silver: and if she be ° a door, we will inclose her with ° boards of cedar.

T²

10 ° I am a wall, and my breasts like towers: then was I in ° his eyes as one that found favour.

11 ° Solomon had a vineyard at ° Baal-hamon; he let out the vineyard unto ° keepers; every one for the fruit thereof was to bring a thousand pieces of silver.

12 My vineyard, which is mine, ° is before me: ° thou, O Solomon, ° must have a thousand, and ° those that keep the fruit thereof two hundred.

S³

13 ° Thou that ° dwellest in the gardens, ° the companions ° hearken to thy voice: cause ° me to hear it.

T³

14 ° Make haste, my beloved, and be thou like to a roe or to a young hart ° upon the mountains of spices.

8 We have. One of the brothers now speaks. We have a little sister = Our sister is still young. she hath no breasts. The idiom for not yet marriageable. This is what the brothers had once said in earlier days. The reference here is "not obscure" when we note who the speakers are, and when they said this. spoken for. i. e. demanded [in marriage]. Cp. 1 Sam. 13. 9; 25. 39.

9 If she be a wall. Spoken by another brother: i. e. like a wall that keeps out all intruders. palace = turret, or battlement. a door: i. e. accessible to any one. boards = planks, or panels.

10 I am a wall. The Shulamite thus replies: I stand firm against all the blandishments of Solomon. I am not a door admitting any one.

his eyes: i. e. her shepherd lover's, or the brother's who last spoke (not Solomon's. Solomon is mentioned in the next verse).

11 Solomon. The Shulamite, in demanding her reward, gives her reasons.

Baal-hamon. Not yet identified.

keepers = husbandmen: i. e. tenants.

12 is before me = is my own.

thou. Apostrophising the absent Solomon whom she had left.

must have. Instead of these words supply "[mayst keep his] thousand".

those that keep, &c. = the keepers [may keep] their

two hundreds. 13 Thou that dwellest = Oh thou that dwellest. Spoken by the shepherd. dwellest in the gardens. No longer in "the city" of 5. 7, but now abidest permanently. Heb. *yāshab*. the companions = my companions (who were the speakers of v. 5). hearken = are listening. me, &c.: or "me [and our companions] to hear". 14 Make haste, &c. The Shulamite lets him hear it; and, before all, announces and avows him as her beloved, bidding him always to hasten to her like a gazelle. upon = [that turneth itself about] upon: or that boundeth over the mountains of spices (4. 6), "*B'sāmim*" (=spices); and no longer over the mountains of separation "*Bāther*" (2. 17).

THE BOOK OF THE PROPHET ISAIAH.

THE STRUCTURE OF THE BOOK AS A WHOLE.

(Introversion.)

1. 1. THE TITLE.

- A** | 1. 2—5. 30. EXHORTATIONS : REPREHENSORY. PROPHEIC.
- B** | 6. 1—13. THE VOICE FROM THE TEMPLE. THE SCATTERING.
- C** | 7. 1—12. 6. HISTORIC. EVENTS AND PROPHECIES (AHAZ).
- D** | 13. 1—27. 13. BURDENS. ALTERNATED WITH ISRAEL'S BLESSINGS.
- D** | 28. 1—35. 10. WOES. ALTERNATED WITH JEHOVAH'S GLORIES.
- C** | 36. 1—39. 8. HISTORIC. EVENTS AND PROPHECIES (HEZEKIAH).
- B** | 40. 1—11. THE VOICE FROM THE WILDERNESS. THE GATHERING.
- A** | 40. 12—66. 24. EXHORTATIONS : PROMISSORY. PROPHEIC.

For the CANONICAL order and place of the Prophets, see Ap. 1 and notes on the Structure of the Minor Prophets as a whole (p. 1207).

For the CHRONOLOGICAL order of the Prophets, see Ap. 77.

For the Inter-relation of the Prophetic Books, see Ap. 78.

For the Prophets and their calling, see Ap. 49.

For the Formulæ of Prophetic Utterances, see Ap. 82.

For References to the Pentateuch in the Prophets, see Ap. 92.

For the Quotations and verbal allusions to ISAIAH in the New Testament, see Ap. 80.

For the Evidences of one Authorship, see Ap. 79.

The Structure, above, declares the unity of the book, and effectually disposes of the alleged dual authorship and the hypothetical division of the book by modern critics into two parts: the "former" part being chs. 1—39, the "latter" part chs. 40—66. The "Voice", in ch. 40. 1—11, is necessitated in order to complete the "Correspondence" with 6. 1—13; and, if an hypothesis is admitted on the one side, then it must be admitted on the other; and it is hypothetically incredible that this dual reference to the "voice" could have been the outcome of a dual authorship. For other evidences, see Ap. 79, 80, and 82.

The DATE of the book is given as "in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah".

In ch. 6. 1, the prophecy there is given as being "in the year that king Uzziah died".

According to Ap. 50, p. 59 (cp. Ap. 77), Uzziah died in 649 B.C.

Historically, Isaiah disappears from view after delivering the great prophecy of the Babylonian Servitude (2 Kings 20. 16—18 and Isa. 39. 1—8). This was in the year 603 B.C., after Hezekiah's illness at the close of the siege of Jerusalem by Sennacherib in Hezekiah's fourteenth year (cp. Ap. 50, p. 60).

We have thus two fixed dates, and between them a period of forty-six years, during which, undoubtedly, "the Word of Jehovah came" through Isaiah, and "God spake" by him.

Though this period was covered and overlapped by the Prophet's life, it was not the whole of the period covered by the "vision", which goes far beyond the prediction of the Babylonish Captivity.

Hezekiah lived for fifteen years after his illness, dying therefore in 588 B.C. Manasseh, his son, born in the third of the fifteen added years, succeeded in the same year (588 B.C.).

How soon after his accession the Manassean persecution began we are not told; but it is highly improbable that a boy of twelve years would immediately commence the horrible things of which we are told in 2 Kings 21 and 2 Chron. 33.

The unutterable "religious" practices that lie behind the descriptive words in these chapters point clearly to some four or five years later, when Manasseh would be sixteen or seventeen.

According to Jewish tradition, Isaiah perished in the Manassean persecution; when, it is said, he took refuge inside a hollow mulberry tree, which Manasseh ordered to be sawn through. This may be referred to in Heb. 11. 37.

If we take the fifth year of Manasseh (584 B.C.) as the date of Isaiah's death (violent or natural, we have no means of determining), then, from "the year that king Uzziah died" (6. 1, which forcibly suggests the *terminus a quo* of the whole book) to this point, we have sixty-five years from the commencement of the "visions" till the supposed date of his death (649—584 B.C. = 65). See Ap. 77.

If Isaiah was about the same age as Samuel, Jeremiah, and Daniel were, at the beginning of their ministries, viz. 16—18, then we may conclude that the length of his life was some 81—83 years.

There is no evidence that "the Word of the LORD came" to Isaiah after the reign of Hezekiah ended in 588 B.C., therefore the whole period covered by "the vision" of Isaiah is *sixty-one* years (649—588 = 61).

From that year onward till the *thirteenth* year of Josiah in 518 B.C., there were seventy years during which God did not speak "by the prophets" (588—518 = 70).

The chart of the Prophets (see Ap. 77) shows that

ISAIAH was contemporary with HOSEA from 649—611 B.C. = 38 years;

with MICAH from 632—611 B.C. = 21 " ;

and with NAHUM in the year 603 B.C. = 1 year.

THE °BOOK OF THE PROPHET °ISAIAH.

649-588

1 ° THE vision of Isaiah the son of Amoz,
which ° he saw ° concerning Judah and
Jerusalem in the days of ° Uziah, ° Jotham,
° Ahaz, ° and ° Hezekiah, kings of Judah.

A A E¹ F¹
(p. 93r)

2 ° Hear, O heavens, and give ear, O earth:
° for ° the LORD ° hath ° spoken,

G¹ I have nourished and ° brought up ° children,
and they have ° rebelled against Me.

3 The ox ° knoweth his owner, and the ass
his master's crib: but Israel doth ° not know,
° My People doth not consider.

H¹ **4** Ah ° sinful nation, a people ° laden with
° iniquity, a seed ° of evildoers, ° children that
are ° corrupters: they have ° forsaken ° the

TITLE. Book = Scroll. For its place in the Heb.
Canon, see Ap. 1. For its relation to the other prophets,
see Ap. 78.

Isaiah = the salvation of Jehovah. For the occur-
rences of his name in N.T., see Ap. 79. I. For quotations
in the N.T., see Ap. 80. For the unity of the book as
a whole, see the Structure on p. 930, and Ap. 79.

1 The vision of Isaiah. This is the title of the
whole book.

he saw = he saw in vision. Heb. *chāzā*, to gaze on,
as in 2. 1; 13. 1. Not the same word as in 6. 1, 6;
21. 6, 7; but Jehovah was the speaker. Isaiah's voice
and pen, but Jehovah's words (v. 2).

concerning Judah and Jerusalem. This is the
subject of the book. It is not concerning the "Church"
or the "world": nor to other nations, except as they
come in contact with "Judah and Jerusalem". Its
theme is the salvation of the nation by Jehovah through
judgment and grace, as being "life from the dead"

(Rom. 11. 15). It is addressed to those who look for Messiah (8. 17; 45. 22) and those who "wait for Him"
(8. 17; 25. 9; 26. 8; 33. 2). Uziah (2 Chron. 26. 1-23. 649 B.C.). Jotham (2 Chron. 27. 1-9).

Ahaz (2 Chron. 28. 1-27). and. The absence of conjunctions between these names, and the Hebrew
accents attached to them, seem to indicate that some of them reigned for a time jointly. See Ap. 50, p. 59.
Hezekiah (2 Chron. 29. 1-32. 33, and Isa. 36. 1-39. 8).

1. 2-5. 30 (A, p. 930). EXHORTATIONS: REPREHENSORY AND PROPHETIC. (Introversion.)

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| A | A 1. 2-31. The Word of Jehovah. "Hear ye!" Zion the vineyard. |
| | B 2. 1-5. Zion's future glory. |
| | C 2. 6-22. The sin of Judah (men). Judgment pronounced. |
| | D 3. 1-15. The political ruin of Judah. |
| | C 3. 16-4. 1. The sin of Judah (women). Judgment pronounced. |
| | B 4. 2-6. Zion's future glory. |
| | A 5. 1-30. The Song of Jehovah. "Judge ye!" Zion the vineyard. |

1. 2-31 (A, above). THE WORD OF JEHOVAH. "HEAR YE!" ZION THE VINEYARD. (Division, and Repeated and Extended Alternation.)

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| A | E ¹ F ¹ 2-. Call to hear. Indictment. |
| | G ¹ -2, 3. Israel's sin. Cause: rebellion. |
| | H ¹ 4-9. Expostulation. |
| E ² | F ² 10. Call to hear. Instruction. |
| | G ² 11-15. Israel's sin. Aggravation: formality. |
| | H ² 16, 17. Exhortation. |
| E ³ | F ³ 18-. Call to hear. Rectification. |
| | G ³ -18-20. Israel's sin. Remedy: Divine grace. |
| | H ³ 21-31. Expostulation. |

2 Hear, O heavens. Fig. *Apostrophe*. Ap. 6. Reference to Pentateuch (Ap. 92). It commences like the
Song of Moses (Deut. 32. 1. See notes, p. 282), and is the commentary on it. Note the connection of the
two books, Isaiah the necessary sequel to Deuteronomy. This verse was put on the title-page of early
English Bibles, claiming the right of all to hear what Jehovah hath spoken. for. Note the reason
given. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. hath spoken: i.e., articulately. Not Isaiah. All

modern criticism is based on the assumption that it is a human book: and that prediction is a human
impossibility (which we grant); and this ends in a denial of inspiration altogether. Against this God
has placed 2 Pet. 1. 21. spoken. Jehovah is the Eternal One: "Who was, and is, and is to come".

Hence, His words are, like Himself, eternal; and prophecy relates to the *then present* as well as to the
future; and may have a *praeterist* and a *futurist* interpretation, as well as a now *present application* to our-
selves. brought up. Cp. Ex. 4. 22; Deut. 14. 1; 32. 6, 18, 20. children = sons. rebelled. Heb.

pāsh'a. Ap. 44. ix. **3** knoweth. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for all that that knowledge
implies. not know. Cp. Jer. 8. 7. All Israel's trouble came from the truth of this indictment. Cp.

Luke 19. 42-44. The trouble will all be removed when 54. 13; 60. 16 are fulfilled. Jer. 31. 34. Isa. 11. 9.
Cp. Jer. 9. 23, 24. My People. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "and My people".

4 Ah. Fig. *Ecphonesis*. Ap. 6. Note the four exclamatory descriptions, and see note on "gone away",
below. sinful. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i. sinful nation. Note the Figs. *Apostrophe*, *Synonymia*,
and *Anabasis* (Ap. 6) in vv. 4, 6. Contrast Ex. 19. 6. Deut. 7. 6; 14. 2, 21. laden = heavily burdened.

iniquity. Heb. *āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv. of = consisting of. Genitive of Apposition. Ap. 17. 4. corrupters.
Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 5). forsaken. Apostasy in disposition. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 20; 31. 16).

Ap. 92. Occurs in the "former" portion here, v. 28; 6. 12; 7. 16; 10. 3 (leave), 14 (left); 17. 2, 9; 18. 6
(left); 27. 10; 32. 14: and in the "latter" portion, 41. 17; 49. 14; 54. 6; 55. 7; 58. 2; 60. 15; 62. 4, 12; 65. 11.
Ap. 79. II. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah (with *'eth*) = Jehovah Himself (Ap. 4. II). Not the same as
in vv. 2, 9, 10, 11, 20.

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LORD, they have °provoked^u the °Holy One of Israel unto anger, they are °gone away backward.

5 °Why should ye be stricken any more? ye will revolt more and more: the whole head is sick, and the whole heart faint.

6 From the sole of the foot even unto the head *there is* no soundness in it; *but* °wounds, and bruises, and putrifying sores: they have not been closed, neither bound up, neither mollified with °ointment.

7 Your country *is* °desolate, °your cities are burned with fire: your °land, °strangers devour it in your presence, and *it is* °desolate, as overthrown by °strangers.

8 And the daughter of Zion is left °as a °cottage in a vineyard, as °a lodge in a garden of cucumbers, as a besieged city.

9 °Except °the LORD of hosts had left unto us a °very small remnant, we should have been °as Sodom, and we should have been like unto Gomorrah.

E² F²
(p. 931)

10 °Hear the word of °the LORD, ye °rulers of °Sodom; give ear unto °the law of our °God, ye °people of Gomorrah.

G²

11 °"To what purpose *is* the multitude of your sacrifices unto Me?" °saith °the LORD: "I am full of the burnt offerings of rams, and the fat of fed beasts; and I delight not in the blood of bullocks, or of lambs, or of he goats.

12 When ye come °to appear before Me, who hath required this at your hand, to °tread My courts?

13 Bring no more vain °oblations; incense °is an abomination unto Me; the new moons and sabbaths, the calling of °assemblies, °I cannot away with; *it is* °iniquity, even the solemn meeting.

14 Your new moons and your appointed feasts °My soul hateth: they are a trouble unto Me; I am weary to bear *them*.

15 °And when ye °spread forth your hands, I will hide Mine eyes from you: yea, when ye °make many prayers, I will not hear: your hands are full of °blood.

H²

16 Wash you, make you clean; put away the °evil of your doings from before Mine eyes; cease to do °evil;

17 Learn to do well; seek judgment, relieve the oppressed, judge the °fatherless, plead for the °widow.

E³ F³

18 Come now, and °let us reason together," °saith °the LORD:

G³

"though your °sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; °though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.

provoked = despised, blasphemed. Ref. to Pent. (Ap. 92). An old Mosaic word (Num. 14. 11, 23; 16. 30. Deut. 31. 20). Apostasy in words (see note above).

the Holy One of Israel. Occurs twenty-five times in Isaiah: twelve times in the "former" portion (1. 4; 5. 19, 24; 10. 20; 12. 6; 17. 7; 29. 19; 30. 11, 12, 15; 31. 1; 37. 23); and thirteen times in the "latter" portion (41. 14, 16, 20; 43. 3, 14; 45. 11; 47. 4; 48. 17; 49. 7; 54. 5; 55. 5; 60. 9, 14). Outside Isaiah it is used by Himself once (2 Kings 19. 22 first occurrence); three times in the Psalms (71. 22; 78. 41; 89. 18). Elsewhere found only three times (Jer. 50. 29; 51. 5; and Ezek. 39. 7 in Israel).

Holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5. gone away backward. Apostasy in act. See notes on v. 4, and notice the threefold apostasy in this verse. Compare also the fourfold exclamatory descriptions of which this apostasy is affirmed: making seven in all (see Ap. 10).

5 Why...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

6 wounds. Note the Fig. *Synonymia* (Ap. 6). Heb. sing., as are the other two. ointment = oil.

7 desolate. Occurs in "former" portion here, 6. 11; 17. 9; 33. 8; and in the "latter" portion, 49. 8, 19; 54. 1, 3; 61. 4, 4; 62. 4.

your cities. Some codices, with Syr., read "and your cities". land - soil.

strangers = foreigners, or apostates. Heb. *zūr*. See note on Prov. 5. 3 (not the same word as in 2. 6).

8 as a cottage. Note the Fig. *Synonymia*. Ap. 6. cottage = a booth, made of reeds. Cp. Job 27. 18.

a lodge. A platform on four poles, sheltered by leaves or sacking. Left to the weather at the close of harvest.

9 Except, &c. The first passage in Isaiah quoted in N.T. (Rom. 9. 29).

the LORD of hosts. See note on 1 Sam. 1. 3.

very small. Heb. *kim'at*. See note on Prov. 5. 14. as Sodom. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 19. 1-29. Deut. 29. 23.)

(Ap. 92). Cp. 3. 9, for the reason.

10 rulers of: i.e. rulers who ruled as in Sodom.

the law. Ref. to whole Pentateuch. Twelve times in Isaiah (1. 10; 2. 3; 5. 24; 8. 16, 20; 24. 5; 30. 9; 42. 4, 21, 24; 51. 4, 7). See Ap. 92.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. i.

people of: i.e. people who acted as the people in Gomorrah acted.

11 To what purpose, &c. Fig. *Synathræsmos* (Ap. 6), in vv. 11-15. Also Fig. *Hypotyposis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis, in describing the hollowness of mere religious observances (as when Christ was on earth. Cp. John 2. 6, 7 with 14, 16). Matt. 15. 3-8.

saith the LORD. The Heb. fut. of 'amar (=y'omar), combined with a Divine title, is used thrice in the so-called "former" portion of Isaiah (1. 11, 18; 33. 10), and six times in the "latter" portion (40. 1, 25; 41. 21, 21; 66. 9). Elsewhere only in Ps. 12. 5, while the past tense is frequently used (see Ap. 92).

12 to appear, &c. Ref. to Pent. See note (Ex. 23. 15; 34. 20).

tread = trample, and thus profane. Heb. *rāmaṣ*. Ezek. 26. 11; 34. 18. Dan. 8. 7, 10.

13 oblations. Heb. *minḥah* = gift-offering. Ap. 43. II. iii. is = itself [is].

assemblies = convocations. Heb. *mikra'*. Ref. to Pent. (Ap. 92); out of twenty-three occurrences, twenty occur in Pent. Occurs only here, 4. 5, and Neh. 8. 8 (in

a later sense "reading"), outside the Pentateuch. Not *kāhal*. See note on Gen. 28. 3; 49. 6; and Ap. 92.

I cannot away with. Heb. *yākol* = to be able. Here = "I am not able [to endure, or put up with]". The Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) must be thus supplied. iniquity = vanity. (Not the same word as v. 4.) Heb. 'āven.

Ap. 44. iii. iniquity, even the solemn meeting. Heb. "iniquity and assembly". Fig. *Hendiadys* (Ap. 6) = your vain assembly. 14 My soul = I (very emphatic). Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

15 And when = Even when. spread forth your hands. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for "pray", in which the hands are spread forth. make many

prayers = multiply your prayer. blood. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6, for the acts which shed the blood. 16 evil. Heb. *rā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii. 17 fatherless... widow.

Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), Ap. 6, for all kinds of helpless and bereaved persons. 18 let us

reason together - let us put the matter right, or settle the matter. It means the putting an end to all reasoning, rather than an invitation to commence reasoning. sins. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i. though. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "yea, though".

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19 If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land :

20 But if ye refuse and rebel, ye shall be devoured with the sword: ° for the mouth of ° the LORD hath spoken it."

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21 How ° is the faithful city become an harlot ! it was full of judgment ; righteousness lodged in it ; but now murderers.

M a

22 Thy silver is become dross, thy ° wine mixed with water :

b

23 ° Thy ° princes are rebellious, and companions of thieves : every one loveth ° gifts, and followeth after rewards : they judge not the ° fatherless, neither doth the cause of the ° widow come unto them.

K

24 Therefore saith ° THE Lord, ° the LORD of hosts, ° the mighty One of Israel, "Ah, I will ease Me of Mine adversaries, and avenge Me of Mine enemies :

J M a

25 And I will ° turn My hand upon ° thee, and purely ° purge away thy dross, and take away all thy ° tin :

b

26 And I will restore thy ° judges as at the first, and thy counsellors as at the beginning :

L

afterward thou shalt be called, The city of righteousness, the ° faithful city.

27 Zion shall be ° redeemed with judgment, and ° her converts with righteousness.

K

28 And the destruction of the ° transgressors and of the ° sinners shall be together, and they that ° forsake ° the LORD shall be consumed.

29 For they shall be ashamed of the ° oaks which ye have desired, and ye shall be confounded for the gardens that ye have ° chosen.

30 For ye shall ° be as an oak whose ° leaf fadeth, and as a garden that hath no water.

31 And ° the strong shall be as tow, and ° the maker of it as a spark, and they shall both burn together, and none shall quench them."

B
(p. 931)

2 ° The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz ° saw ° concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

2 And it shall come to pass ° in the last days, that the ° mountain of ° the LORD'S house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills ; and ° all nations shall ° flow unto it.

3 And many ° people shall go and say, " Come ye, and let us ° go up to the mountain of ° the LORD, ° to the house of the ° God of Jacob ; and He will teach us of His ways, and we will walk in His ° paths : " for out of Zion shall go forth ° the law, and the word of ° the LORD from Jerusalem.

4 And He shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many ° people : and they shall beat their ° swords into plowshares, and their ° spears into pruninghooks : ° nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

"and" is read in some codices, with two early printed editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg. God, Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. paths. Heb. ° *orah*. Occurs in "former" portion here, 3. 12 ; 26. 7, 8 ; 30. 11 ; 33. 8 ("highways") ; and in the "latter" portion, 40. 14 ; 41. 3. See Ap. 79. II. the law = law (no Art.). See note on 1. 10. 4 swords . . . spears. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap. 6, for all kinds of weapons ; while plowshares and pruning-hooks put by the same Figure, for all implements of peace. The signs are Figures, but the things signified are literal. Cp. Ps. 72. 7. Jer. 23. 6. Zech. 9. 10. nation. Some codices, with four early printed editions, read "and nation".

20 for the mouth of the LORD, &c. This sets the seal on this book as a whole, uniting all its parts. It occurs in the "former" portion (1. 20), and in the "latter" portion (40. 5, and 58. 14). Cp. 21. 17 ; 22. 25 ; 24. 3 ; 25. 8. See Ap. 79. II. 21 is = [is it that she].

22 wine = liquor, or drink. Heb. *šābā'*. Ap. 27. vi.

1. 21-31 (H³, p. 931). EXPOSTULATION.
(Alternations and Introversion.)

H³

J | L | 21. The City.

M

a

| 22. Metals. (Fig.)

b

| 23. Officers. (Lit.)

K

| 24. Judgment on enemies of Jehovah.

J

M

a

| 25. Metals. (Fig.)

b

| 26-. Officers. (Lit.)

K

| 28-31. Judgment on the wicked among Jehovah's People.

J

L

| -26, 27. The City.

K

| 28-31. Judgment on the wicked among Jehovah's People.

23 Thy princes, &c. Fig. *Hermeneia* (Ap. 6). Interpreting the Figs. *Hypocatastasis* (Ap. 6) in v. 22. princes are rebellious. *Sārīm ḡorīm*, not a "pun", but the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6), for solemn emphasis. It may be Englished "thy rulers are unruled". gifts = rewards, or bribes.

24 THE Lord. Heb. *Adōn*. Ap. 4. VIII (2). the mighty One of Israel. Peculiar to Isaiah. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 49. 24). Ap. 92. Cp. Isa. 49. 26 ; 60. 16.

25 turn My hand : i.e. repeat the judgment (v. 27). thee : i.e. the city (vv. 21, 26, 27).

purge = refine. Cp. 1. 16 ; 6. 7. tin : i.e. alloy.

26 judges as at the first. Ref. to Pent. Ex. 18. 16-26. Num. 25. 8. Deut. 1. 16 ; 16. 18 ; 19. 17-18 ; 21. 2. Ap. 92.

27 redeemed = delivered. Heb. *pādāh*. See notes on Ex. 6. 6 and 13. 13.

her converts = they that return of her.

28 transgressors = rebels. Ap. 44. ix.

29 oaks : the trees resorted to for idolatrous worship (57. 5 ; 65. 3 ; 66. 17. 2 Kings 16. 4 ; 17. 10. Ezek. 6. 13). Note the alternation of "oaks", "gardens", "oak", "garden" in vv. 29, 30.

chosen. Heb. *bachar*. Occurs four times in the "former" portion (here, 7. 15, 16 ; 14. 1), and sixteen times in the "latter" portion (40. 20 ; 41. 8, 9, 24 ; 43. 10 ; 44. 1, 2 ; 48. 10 ; 49. 7 ; 56. 4 ; 58. 5, 6 ; 65. 12 ; 66. 3, 4, 4). See Ap. 79. II. 30 be = become.

leaf. Some codices (one in marg.), with four early printed editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "leaves" (pl.).

31 the strong. Heb. *hāṣon*. Occurs only here, and Amos 2. 9.

the maker of it = his work (whatever it be) : i.e. the idols (doubtless the *asherāhs*. Ap. 42).

2. 1 The word that = That which. Cp. Mic. 4. 1-3, written seventeen years later.

saw = saw in vision. See note on 1. 1.

concerning Judah, &c. The repetition of 1. 1 shows that ch. 1 is to be regarded as a summary Introduction to the whole book.

2 in the last days : i.e. the days of Messiah.

mountain of the LORD'S house. Ps. 24. 3. Cp. Ps. 68. 15. See note on Ezek. 28. 16.

the LORD'S = Jehovah's. Ap. 4. II.

all nations. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Genus) = many from all nations.

flow = stream. Same word as in Jer. 31. 12. Mic. 4. 1.

3 people peoples.

go up. Note the Fig. *Zeugma* (Ap. 6). The second verb must be supplied (enter into).

to the house = "[and enter] into the house", &c. The

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5 O °house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of °the LORD.

C N c
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6 °Therefore Thou hast forsaken Thy people the °house of Jacob, because they be °replenished °from the east, and are °soothsayers like the Philistines, and they °please themselves in the °children of °strangers.

7 °Their land also is full of silver and gold, °neither is there any end of their treasures; °their land is also full of horses, °neither is there any end of their chariots:

8 Their land also is full of °idols; they worship the work of their own hands, that which their own fingers have made:

9 And the °mean man boweth down, and the °great man humbleth himself: therefore forgive them not.

d

10 Enter into the rock, and hide thee in the dust, for °fear of °the LORD, and for the glory of His majesty.

O e

11 The °lofty looks of °man shall be °humbled, °and the °haughtiness of °men shall be °bowed down,

f

and °the LORD alone shall be °exalted in that day.

12 For °the day of °the LORD of hosts shall be upon every one that is °proud and °lofty, °and upon every one that is °lifted up; °and he shall be °brought low:

13 And upon all the cedars of Lebanon, that are °high and °lifted up, and upon all the oaks of Bashan,

14 And upon all the °high mountains, and upon all the hills that are °lifted up,

15 And upon every °high tower, and upon every fenced wall,

16 And upon all the °ships of °Tarshish, and upon all °pleasant pictures.

O e

17 And the °loftiness of °man shall be °bowed down, and the °haughtiness of °men shall be °made low:

f

and °the LORD alone shall be °exalted in that day.

N c

18 And the °idols He shall utterly abolish.

d

19 And they shall go into the holes of the rocks, and into the caves of the earth, for °fear of °the LORD, and for the glory of His majesty, when He ariseth to shake °terribly the earth.

20 In that day a °man shall cast his °idols of silver, and his °idols of gold, which they

5 house of Jacob. Generally has regard to the natural seed of Jacob, while Israel has regard to the spiritual. See notes on Gen. 32. 28; 43. 6; 45. 26, 28. The expression occurs nine times in Isaiah, six before ch. 40 (2. 5, 6; 8. 17; 10. 20; 14. 1; 29. 22), and three after ch. 40 (46. 3; 48. 1; 58. 1). See Ap. 79. II.

2. 6-22 (C, p. 931). THE SIN OF JUDAH: (MEN). JUDGMENT PRONOUNCED.

(Introversion and Alternations.)

C N | c | 6-9. The sin of Judah. Idols made.

d | 10. Threatening.

O | e | 11-. Abasement of man } Day of the Lord.
f | -11-16. Exaltation of }
Jehovah.

O | e | 17-. Abasement of man. } Day of the Lord.
f | -17. Exaltation of Je- }
hovah.

N | c | 18. The sin of Judah. Idols abolished.

d | 19-22. Threatening.

6 Therefore. Or, For.

replenished: or, full of divinations.

from the east. Especially diviners and mediums from an evil spirit (an *ob*). Cp. Lev. 19. 31; 20. 6. Deut. 18. 11. 1 Sam. 28. 3-7; and below, 8. 9; 19. 3; 29. 4, where *ob* occurs. See note on Lev. 19. 31.

soothsayers. Ref. to Pent. Lev. 19. 26 (observe times). Deut. 18. 10, 14 (observers of times). Same word in all four cases. Heb. *'ānan*. Occurs only here in the "former" portion, and only in 57. 3 (sorceress) in the "latter" portion. See Ap. 79. II.

please themselves=join hands with.

children=young children.

strangers. Heb. *nakar*=unknown persons; hence, foreigners.

7 Their land... neither (repeated). Note Fig. *Symploke* (Ap. 6).

8 idols=nothings. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 1. Deut. 17. 14-19). Ap. 92.

9 mean man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I. } Contrasting
great man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II. } society's
extremes.

10 fear=dread. Cp. 2 Thess. 1. 9, 10.

11 lofty=proud. Note the Fig. *Synonymia* (Ap. 6) to impress us with the far-reaching object and effect of Jehovah's dealings in "the day of the Lord", recorded in vv. 11-17. Heb. *gābah*. Same word as "high" (v. 15), and "loftiness" (v. 17). Not the same word as "lofty" (v. 12). man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

humbled=lowered. Note the Fig. *Synonymia* (Ap. 6), in vv. 11 and 17. Heb. *shāphal*. Same word as "brought low" (v. 12), "made low" (v. 17). Heb. =each shall be, &c. and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6).

haughtiness. Heb. *rūm*. Same word as "lofty" (v. 12), "high" (vv. 13, 14).

men. Heb. pl. of *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

bowed down=brought low. Heb. *shāhah*. Same word as in v. 17.

exalted. Heb. *šāgab*. Same word as in v. 17.

12 the day of the LORD. This is the first of twenty

occurrences. In sixteen it is simply "*yōm Jehovah*" (13. 6, 9. Ezek. 13. 5. Joel 1. 15; 2. 1, 11; 3. 14 (Heb. 4. 14). Amos 5. 18, 20. Obad. 15. Zeph. 1. 7, 14, 14. Mal. 4. 5). In four passages it is with *Lamed* (≡L) prefixed=for or to: viz. 2. 12. Ezek. 30. 3. Zech. 14. 1 and 17=a day known to Jehovah. In other places it is combined with other words, such as "wrath", "vengeance". In the N.T. it occurs four times: viz. 1 Thess. 5. 2. 2 Thess. 2. 2 (see note). 2 Pet. 3. 10. Rev. 1. 10 (see note). Thus the expression is stamped with the number "four" (see Ap. 10); for "the day of the LORD" is the day when everything done will be to abase man and exalt Jehovah. Now it is "man's day" (1 Cor. 4. 3, see note), when man exalts himself, and bows God out of the world He has created.

the LORD of hosts. See note on 1 Sam 1. 3. proud=arrogant. Heb. *gā'āh*. Note the Fig. *Synonymia* (Ap. 6). lofty=haughty. Heb. (*rūm*). Same word as "haughtiness" (v. 11, 17), "high" (vv. 13, 14). Note the Fig. *Synonymia* (Ap. 6). and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), emphasising each of the details in vv. 11-18. lifted up= self-satisfied. Heb. *nās'a'*. Same as vv. 13, 14. brought low. Heb. *shāphal*. Same word as "humbled" (v. 11). Note the Fig. *Synonymia* (Ap. 6).

13 high. Heb. *rūm*. Same word as "haughtiness" (v. 11, 17); "lofty" (v. 12); "high" (v. 14). 15 high. Heb. *gābah*. Same word as "lofty" (v. 11); "loftiness" (v. 17). 16 ships of Tarshish. Occurs in the "former" portion only here and 23. 1, 14; and in the "latter" portion only in 60. 9. Tarshish. See note on 1 Kings 10. 22. pleasant=desirable. 17 loftiness. Heb. *gābah*. Same word as "lofty" (v. 11).

made low. Heb. *shāphal*. Same word as "humbled" (v. 11), "brought low" (v. 12). 19 terribly the earth. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). Heb. *le'āroṣ hā'āreṣ*. Cp. v. 21.

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made *each one* for himself to worship, to the moles and to the bats;

21 To go into the clefts of the rocks, and into the °tops of the ragged rocks, for fear of °the LORD, and for the glory of His majesty, when He ariseth to shake °terribly the earth.

22 °Cease ye from °man, whose °breath is in his nostrils: °for wherein is he to be °accounted of?

D P¹ g¹
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3 For, °behold, °the Lord, °the LORD of hosts, doth take away from Jerusalem and from Judah the °stay and the °staff, the whole stay of °bread, and the whole stay of °water,

2 °The °mighty man, and the °man of war, the judge, and the prophet, and the °prudent, and the °ancient,

3 The captain of fifty, and the °honourable man, and the counsellor, and the °cunning artificer, and the °eloquent orator.

h¹ 4 And I will give °children to be their princes, and °babes shall rule over them.

5 And the People shall be oppressed, every one by another, and every one by his neighbour: the °child shall behave himself proudly against the ancient, and the base against the honourable.

6 When a °man shall take hold of his brother of the house of his father, saying, "Thou hast °clothing, °be thou our ruler, and let this ruin be under thy hand:"

7 In that day shall he °swear, saying, "I will not be an healer; for in my house is neither bread nor clothing: make me not a ruler of the People."

Q¹ 8 For Jerusalem is °ruined, and Judah is fallen: because their tongue and their doings are against °the LORD, to provoke °the eyes of His glory.

9 The °shew of their countenance doth °witness against them; and they °declare their sin as °Sodom, they °hide it not. Woe unto °their soul! for they have rewarded °evil unto themselves.

P² g² 10 Say ye to °the righteous, that *it shall be well with him*: for they shall eat the fruit of their doings.

11 °Woe unto °the wicked! *it shall be ill with him*: for the reward of his °hands shall be °given him.

h² 12 As for My People, °children are their oppressors, and women rule over them.

Q² 13 O My People, they which lead thee cause thee to err, and °destroy the way of thy °paths.

P³ g³ 13 °The LORD standeth up to plead, and standeth to judge the °people.

14 °The LORD will enter into judgment with the °ancients of His People, and the princes thereof: for ye have eaten up the vineyard; the spoil °of the °poor is in your houses.

h³ 15 "What mean ye *that ye* °beat My People to pieces, and grind the faces of the °poor?" °saith °the Lord °GOD of hosts.

C R 16 Moreover °the LORD saith, "Because the °daughters of Zion are haughty, and walk with stretched forth necks and wanton eyes, walking and mincing as they go, and making a tinkling with °their feet:

21 tops = fissures or crevices. Cp. Rev. 6. 12-17.

22 Cease ye = Let go.

breath, &c. Heb. *n'shamāh* (Ap. 16). Occurs twice in the "former" portion (2. 22; 30. 33) and twice in the "latter" portion (42. 5; 57. 16, "soul"). Ap. 79: II. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 2. 7). Ap. 92.

for wherein . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. accounted of = reckoned on. Cp. Ps. 146. 3, 4. Jer. 17. 5

3. 1-15 (D, p. 931). THE POLITICAL RUIN OF JUDAH. (Alternations.)

D P¹ g¹ | 1-3. Judgment. Prophesied.

h¹ | 4-7. Oppression.

Q¹ | 8, 9. The ruin of Jerusalem and Judah.

P² g² | 10, 11. Judgment. Threatened.

h² | 12-. Oppression.

Q² | -12. The ruin of the People.

P³ g³ | 13, 14. Judgment. Assured.

h³ | 15. Oppression.

1 behold. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

the Lord. Heb. *hāh-ādōn*. Ap. 4. VIII (1).

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

the LORD of hosts. See note on 1 Sam. 1. 3.

stay . . . staff. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). Heb. *mash'en* (masc.); *mish'an* (fem.).

bread . . . water. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), Ap. 6, for all kinds of food.

2 The. Note the absence of Articles in this verse.

mighty man. Heb. *gibbōr*. Ap. 14. IV.

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

prudent = diviner: i.e. the king. Cp. Prov. 16. 10.

ancient = elder.

3 honourable man = eminent or highly respected man. Cp. 2 Kings 5. 1.

cunning artificer = skilled in arts.

eloquent orator = skilled in magnetism.

4 children = youths, or boys.

babes = with caprice.

5 child = a youth, or a boy.

6 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

clothing. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), Ap. 6, for all necessities. be = become.

7 swear. Heb. "lift up [the hand]" = i.e. swear. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 14. 22. Ex. 6. 8. Num. 14. 30. Deut. 32. 40). Ap. 92.

8 ruined = overthrown.

the eyes of His glory = His glorious presence, "eyes" being put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for the person as manifested.

9 shew = expression.

witness = testify.

declare . . . hide it not = have declared . . . have not hidden. Fig. *Pleonasm* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

Sodom. See 1. 9, 10.

their soul = them (emphatic). Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 18.

evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

10 the righteous = a righteous one.

11 Woe. Fig. *Maledictio*. Ap. 6.

the wicked, &c. = a lawless evil one (*rā'a'*, Ap. 44. viii), [it shall not be well]. Heb. *rāshū'*. Ap. 44. x.

hands. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for what is done with them. given him = done to him.

12 children = little ones.

destroy = have swallowed up.

paths. See note on 2. 3.

13 people = peoples.

14 of. Genitive of Relation (Ap. 17. 5) = taken from. poor = oppressed. Heb. *'ānī*. See note on "poverty" (Prov. 6. 11).

15 beat = crush.

saith is the oracle of.

the Lord. Heb. *'Ādonāi*. Ap. 4. VIII (2).

GOD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

3. 16-4. 1 (C, p. 931). THE SIN OF JUDAH: (WOMEN). JUDGMENT PRONOUNCED.

(Introversion.)

C' R | 3. 16. Pride. Manifested.

S | 3. 17. Threatening. (General.)

S | 3. 18-26. Threatening. (Particular.)

R | 4. 1. Pride. Humbled.

16 daughters. Cp. the "kine of Bashan" (Amos 4. 1). their. Heb. masc. Often used of women who act as men.

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17 Therefore ° the LORD * will smite with a scab the crown of the head of the daughters of Zion, ° and ° the LORD will discover their ° secret parts."

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18 In that day ° the Lord will take away the ° bravery of their tinkling ° ornaments about their feet, and their ° cauls, and ° their round tires like the moon,

19 The ° chains, ° and the bracelets, and the ° mufflers,

20 The ° bonnets, ° and the ° ornaments of the legs, and the ° headbands, and the ° tablets, and the ° earrings,

21 The rings, and ° nose jewels,

22 The ° changeable suits of apparel, ° and the mantles, and the ° wimples, and the ° crisping pins,

23 The ° glasses, ° and the ° fine linen, and the ° hoods, and the ° vails.

24 ° And it shall come to pass, that instead of ° sweet smell there shall be ° stink; ° and instead of a girdle a ° rent; and instead of ° well set hair baldness; and instead of a ° stomacher a ° girding of sackcloth; and ° burning instead of beauty.

25 Thy ° men shall fall by the sword, ° and thy ° mighty in the war.

26 ° And her ° gates shall ° lament and ° mourn; and she being desolate shall sit upon the ground.

R

4 ° And ° in that day seven women shall take hold of one ° man, saying, "We will eat our own bread, and wear our own apparel: only let us be called by thy name, to take away our reproach."

B T
(p. 936)

2 ° In that day shall ° the Branch ° of ° the LORD ° be ° beautiful and glorious, and the fruit of ° the earth shall be excellent and comely for them that are ° escaped of Israel.

U

3 And it shall come to pass, that he that is left in Zion, and he that remaineth in Jerusalem, shall be called ° holy, even every one that is written ° among the living in Jerusalem:

U

4 When ° the LORD * shall have washed away the filth of the daughters of Zion, and shall have ° purged the ° blood of Jerusalem from the midst thereof by the ° spirit of judgment, and by the ° spirit of burning.

T

5 And ° the LORD will create upon ° every dwelling place of mount Zion, and upon her ° assemblies, a cloud and smoke by day, and the shining of a flaming fire by night: for ° upon all the glory shall be ° a defence.

6 And there shall be a ° tabernacle for a shadow in the daytime from the heat, and for a place of refuge, and for a covert from storm and from rain.

17 the LORD*. One of the 134 places where, in the primitive text, the *Sopherim* say they changed Jehovah to Adonai. See Ap. 32.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in v. 17—4. 1. secret parts; or, nakedness.

18 bravery = finery.

ornaments = metal crescent-shaped discs.

cauls = caps. Old French "cale".

their round tires like the moon = round crescent-shaped headbands.

19 chains = pendants. mufflers = light face-veils.

20 bonnets = headdress. Heb. *p'er*. Not therefore peculiar to the "latter" portion of Isaiah (61. 10) as alleged. See Ap. 79. II. ornaments = anklets.

headbands = girdles. Cp. 49. 18. Jer. 2. 32.

tablets = scent bottles. Heb. houses of the soul; *nepesh*, used in the sense of breath. See Ap. 13. VIII. 5.

earrings = amulets.

21 nose jewels. Worn in Palestine to-day.

22 changeable suits, &c. = robes: i.e. state or gala dresses. wimples = a neck binding (Old English).

crisping pins = reticules or purses.

23 glasses = mirrors (of polished metal).

fine linen = underclothing.

hoods = turbans. vails = long flowing vails.

24 sweet smell = perfume.

stink = rottenness, or stench. rent = a rope.

well set hair = richly plaited hair.

stomacher = sash or girdle, often worked in silk and gold. Still worn in Palestine.

girding of sackcloth = girding with a rope.

burning = branding.

25 men. Heb. *m'ethim*. See Ap. 14. V.

mighty = might. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "mighty ones".

26 gates = entrances.

lament and mourn. Fig. *Prosopopeia*. Ap. 6.

mourn. Occ. in "former" portion here, 19. 8 (as adj.); 24. 4, 7; 33. 9; and in the "latter" portion, 57. 18 (as noun); 60. 20 (as noun); 61. 2, 3 (as adj.); 66. 10. Ap. 79. II.

4. 1 And. The Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) links this verse on to the preceding chapter. See the Structure, R, above.

in that day. Not emphatic, or at the beginning of the verse. man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

4. 2-6 (B, p. 931). ZION'S FUTURE GLORY.

(Introversion.)

B | T | 2. Glory. The Branch, Jehovah.

U | 3. Inhabitants of Jerusalem: holy.

U | 4. Inhabitants of Jerusalem: cleansed.

T | 5, 6. Glory. The marriage canopy.

2 In that day: i.e. after all the judgments.

the Branch: i.e. Messiah. So the Chaldee paraphrase has it. Heb. *zemach*. Not the same word as in 11. 1. See the Structure of "the Four Gospels" preceding this

Structure of MATTHEW; and note the application of this expression to the Gospel of JOHN and the notes there.

Used there to connect the four Titles of Messiah: MATTHEW: the King (Zech. 9. 9 with Jer. 23. 5, 6). MARK:

the Servant (Isa. 42. 1 with Zech. 3. 8). LUKE: the MAN (Zech. 6. 12). JOHN: JEHOVAH (Isa. 40. 9, 10, with Isa. 4. 2).

of the LORD = Jehovah's Branch: i.e. Messiah. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

beautiful and glorious = for honour and for glory.

the earth = the land.

escaped of Israel: i.e. those who will have escaped the "Church", for they are of "Israel"; and the

blessings are the temporal blessings promised in 30. 23, &c. Ezek. 34. 29. Joel 2. 23-25. Amos 9. 11-15, &c.

3 holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5. among the living = written down or destined for life. Cp. Pss. 69. 28;

87. 5, 6. Mal. 3. 16. 4 the LORD* = Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. One of the 134 places where Jehovah (in the

primitive text) was changed to Adonai. See Ap. 32.

blood. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6, for blood-guiltiness. spirit = blast, as in 11. 4. Cp.

2 Thess. 2. 8. Heb. *ruach*. Ap. 9. 5 every dwelling place of mount Zion. Not merely over the

Tabernacle as in the old Dispensation. assemblies = convocation. Heb. *mikra'*. Ref. to Pent. See

note on 1. 13. Some codices, with four early printed editions, read "assemblies" (pl.) upon = over.

a defence = a canopy. Heb. *chuppah*, the marriage canopy. Not translated "defence" elsewhere. Occurs only here, Ps. 19. 5, and Joel 2. 16. Cp. Isa. 62. 4.

6 tabernacle = pavilion.

destruction in the great tribulation. These could not be the "Church", for they are of "Israel"; and the

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5 Now will I sing to My wellbeloved ° a song of My beloved touching his vineyard. My wellbeloved ° hath a vineyard in ° a very fruitful ° hill:

2 And he fenced it, and gathered out the stones thereof, and planted it with the choicest ° vine, and built a ° tower in the midst of it, and also made a ° winepress therein: and he looked that it should bring forth grapes, and it brought forth ° wild grapes.

k **3** ° And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem, and ° men of Judah, judge, I pray you, betwixt Me and My vineyard.

4 What could have been done more to My vineyard, that I have not done ° in it? wherefore, when I looked that it should bring forth grapes, brought it forth ° wild grapes?

X **5** ° And now go to; I will tell you what I will do to My vineyard: I will take away the hedge thereof, and it shall be eaten up; and break down the wall thereof, and it shall be trodden down:

6 And I will lay it waste: it shall not be pruned, nor digged; but there shall come up briers and thorns: ° I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it.

W¹ i **7** For the vineyard of ° the LORD of hosts is the ° house of Israel, and the ° men of Judah His pleasant plant:

k and He looked for ° judgment, but behold ° oppression; for ° righteousness, but behold ° a cry.

V² Y¹ **8** ° Woe unto them that join house to house, that lay field to field, till there be ° no place, that they may be placed alone in the midst of the earth!

Z¹ **9** "In Mine ° ears" ° said ° the LORD of hosts, "Of a truth many houses shall be desolate, even great and fair, without inhabitant.

10 Yea, ten acres of vineyard shall yield one ° bath, and the seed of an ° homer shall yield an ° ephah.

Y² **11** ° Woe unto them that rise up early in the morning, that they may follow ° strong drink; that continue until ° night, till wine inflame them!

12 And the harp, and the viol, the ° tabret, and ° pipe, and ° wine, are in their ° feasts: but they regard not the work of ° the LORD, neither consider the operation of His hands.

Z¹ **13** Therefore My People are gone into captivity, because they have no knowledge: and their honourable ° men are famished, and their multitude dried up with thirst.

m **14** Therefore ° hell hath ° enlarged ° herself,

8 Woe. Fig. *Epibole*. Ap. 6. "Woe" repeated six times in succession (vv. 8, 11, 18, 20, 21, 22). Note the six subjects. no. Heb. *'ephes*. Occurs in "former" portion only here and in 34. 12; and in the "latter" portion in 40. 17; 41. 12, 29; 45. 6, 14; 46. 9; 47. 8, 10; 52. 4; 54. 15. Ap. 79. II. **9** ears. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. said. Note *Ellipsis* of the verb "to say". See Ap. 6 and instructive examples in Pss. 109. 5; 144. 12. Isa. 28. 9. Jer. 9. 19, &c. **10** bath... homer... ephah. See Ap. 51. III. 3. **11** strong drink. Heb. *shēkār*. Ap. 27. IV. **12** night. Heb. *nesheph*. A *Homonym*. Cp. 21. 4 and 59. 10. See notes on Job 24. 15, and 1 Sam. 30. 17. **13** tabret=drum. Heb. *toph*. See note on 1 Sam. 10. 5. **14** pipe=pipe. wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. I. **15** feasts=banquets. the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

5. 13-17 (Z², above). THREATENING: CAPTIVITY. (*Introversion*.)

Z² | 1 | 13. Captivity.
m | 14, 15. Judgment. Man abased.
m | 16. Judgment. Jehovah exalted.
l | 17. Restoration.

13 men. Heb. *mēthim*. Ap. 14. v. **14** hell=Sheol. Ap. 35.
herself=her soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

enlarged. Fig. *Prosopopeia*.

5. 1-30 (A, p. 931). THE SONG OF ° JEHOVAH. (*Division*.)

A | V¹ | 1-7. The Parable of the Vineyard.
V² | 8-30. The Parable interpreted.

5. 1-7 (V¹, above). THE PARABLE OF THE VINEYARD. (*Introversion and Alternation*.)

V¹ | W¹ | i | 1, 2. The Vineyard. Jehovah's care.
k | 3, 4. Requit by Vineyard.
X | 5. Jehovah's requital. Externals destroyed.
X | 6. Jehovah's requital. Internals wasted.
W² | f | 7-. The Vineyard. Jehovah's care.
k | -7. Requit by Vineyard.

1 a song. Eight sentences describe the vineyard, of which seven give the characteristics, and one (v. 7) the result. This "song" sets forth the doom of the Vineyard: the Parable (Luke 20. 9-16), the doom of the husbandmen, hath=had.

a very fruitful=oil's son. Can it refer to David and his anointing? Cp. 1 Sam. 2. 10; 16. 13; Ps. 132. 7. Cp. v. 7-, below.

hill=horn. Heb. *keren*, always "horn" (seventy-five times). Only "hill" here.

2 vine. For Israel as this vine, see 27. 2-6. Jer. 2. 21; 12. 10. Ps. 80. 8. Hos. 10. 1; 14. 5-7, &c. One of the three trees to which Israel is likened: the fig=national privilege; the olive=religious privilege; the vine=spiritual privilege. See note on Judg. 9. 8-13, tower=a watchtower.

winepress=wine-vat. Heb. *yekeb*, not *gath*, a winepress. See note on Prov. 3. 10.

wild grapes=bad grapes. Heb. *bē'ushim*, from *bashash*, to stink. The Heb. word occurs only in vv. 2, 4.

3 And now. Referring to time. Note the Fig. *Anacænōsis* (Ap. 6). men. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

4 in it. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "to (or for) it".

6 I will, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 23, 24. Lev. 26. 19).

7 the LORD of hosts. See note on 1. 9 and 1 Sam. 1. 3. house of Israel. Occurs four times in Isaiah, twice before ch. 40 (5. 7; 14. 2), and twice after (46. 3; 63. 7). See Ap. 79. II. Note the *introversion*: "vineyard", "Israel", "Judah", "pleasant plant".

judgment... oppression. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6) for great and solemn emphasis, to attract our attention and impress our minds. Not a "pun" or a "play" on words. Heb. *mishpāt*... *mishpāch*. righteousness... a cry. Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). Heb. *zēdāqāh*... *zē'ākāh*. See note above. These two lines may be Englished by "He looked for equity, but behold iniquity; for right, but behold might" (as used in oppression and producing a "cry").

8-30 (V², above). THE PARABLE INTERPRETED. (*Repeated Alternation*.)

V² | Y¹ | 8. Woe. Crimination. Covetousness.
Z¹ | 9, 10. Threatening. Desolation.
Y² | 11, 12. Woe. Crimination. Excess.
Z² | 13-17. Threatening. Captivity.
Y³ | 18-23. Woe. Crimination. Iniquity.
Z³ | 24-30. Threatening. Destruction (24, 25). Invasion 26-30.

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and opened ° her mouth without measure : and their glory, and their multitude, and their pomp, and he that rejoiceth, shall descend into it.

15 And ° the mean man shall be brought down, and ° the mighty man shall be humbled, and the eyes of the ° lofty shall be humbled :

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16 But ° the LORD of hosts shall be exalted in judgment, and ° GOD That is ° holy shall be sanctified in righteousness.

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17 Then shall the lambs feed after their manner, and the waste places of the fat ones shall ° strangers eat.

Y^s

18 ° Woe unto them that draw ° iniquity with ° cords of vanity, and ° sin as it were with a ° cart rope :

19 ° That say, 'Let Him make speed, and hasten His work, that we may see it; and let the counsel of ° the Holy One of Israel draw nigh and come, that we may know it!'

20 ° Woe unto them that ° call ° evil good, and good ° evil; that ° put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that ° put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!

21 ° Woe unto them that are wise in their own eyes, and prudent in their own ° sight!

22 ° Woe unto them that are ° mighty to drink ¹² wine, and ° men of strength to mingle ¹¹ strong drink :

23 Which justify ° the wicked for ° reward, and take away the righteousness of ° the righteous from ° him !

Z^s

24 Therefore as the fire devoureth the stubble, and the flame consumeth the chaff, so their root shall be as rottenness, and their blossom shall go up as dust : because they have cast away ° the law of ° the LORD of hosts, and despised ° the word of ° the Holy One of Israel.

25 Therefore is the anger of ° the LORD kindled against His People, and He hath ° stretched forth His hand against them, and hath smitten them : and the hills did tremble, and their carcases were ° torn in the midst of the streets. ° For all this His anger is not turned away, but His hand is ° stretched out still.

26 And He will lift up an ensign to the nations from far, and will ° hiss unto them from the end of the earth : and, behold, ° they shall come with speed swiftly :

27 None shall be weary nor stumble among them; none shall slumber nor sleep; neither shall the girdle of their loins be loosed, nor the latchet of their shoes be broken :

28 Whose arrows are sharp, and all their bows bent, their horses' hoofs shall be counted like flint, and their wheels like a whirlwind :

29 Their roaring shall be like a lion, they shall roar like young lions : yea, they shall roar, and lay hold of the prey, and shall carry it away safe, and none shall deliver it.

30 And in that day they shall roar against them like the roaring of the sea : and if one look unto the land, behold darkness and sorrow, and the light is darkened in the ° heavens thereof."

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6 In ° the year that ° king Uzziah ° died ° I saw also ° the LORD* sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and His train filled the temple.

14 her. All these feminine pronouns mean that the nouns belong to Sheol.

15 the mean man = commoner. Heb. 'āḏām. Ap. 14. I. the mighty man = peer. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II. See notes on 2. 11, 17.

lofty = proud. Heb. gābah. See note on 2. 11.

16 GOD = the mighty God. Heb. 'El (with Art.). Ap. 4. iv. holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

17 strangers = foreigners.

18 iniquity. Heb. 'āvāh. Ap. 44. iv. cords, &c. Which draw on sin by the load.

sin. Heb. chōṭā'. Ap. 44. i.

cart rope. Implies sin by the cart-load.

19 That say, &c. Cp. Jer. 17. 15.

the Holy One of Israel. See notes on 1. 4 and Ps. 71. 22.

20 call = are calling.

evil. Heb. rā'a'. Ap. 44. viii.

evil good. Note the Introversion in each of the three clauses of this verse. put = give out.

21 sight. Heb. "face", put by Fig. Metonymy (of Subject), Ap. 6, for themselves, or their own view of matters.

22 mighty = strong men. Heb. gibbōr. Ap. 14. IV. men. Heb. pl. of 'enōsh. Ap. 14. III.

23 the wicked = a lawless one. Heb. rāshā'. Ap. 44. x. reward = a bribe. the righteous = righteous ones.

him = them. 24 the law. See note on 1. 10.

the word = saying, or spoken word. Heb. 'imrāh. See Ap. 73. v.

25 stretched forth : in judgment.

torn in the midst of the streets = as the sweepings of the streets.

For all this, &c. Cp. the Ref. to Pent. in the fivefold consequence of Isa. 5. 25; 9. 12, 17, 21; 10. 4 : with the fivefold cause in Lev. 26. 14, 18, 21, 24, 28.

stretched out still = remains stretched out. Same word as "stretched forth (above) in judgment". Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 6. 6. Deut. 4. 34; 5. 15; 7. 19; 9. 29; 11. 2; 26. 8).

26 hiss unto = hiss for (as men call bees). Fig. Anthrōpopatheia. Ap. 6.

they shall come. Note the Fig. Hypotyposis (Ap. 6) in vv. 26-30. 30 heavens = skies.

6. 1-13 (B, 930). THE VOICE FROM THE TEMPLE. (Alternations.)

B A | 1. The Vision. (General.)

B n | 2-4. The Seraphs.

o | 5. The Prophet. (Defiled.)

n | 6. A Seraph.

o | 7. The Prophet. (Cleansed.)

A | 8-. The Voice. (Particular.)

B p | -8. The Messenger. "Then said I,"

q | 9, 10. Answer and Message.

p | 11-. The Messenger. "Then said I,"

q | -11-13. Answer and Promise.

1 king Uzziah. Contrast this leprous king with the glorious king of v. 5.

died. In a separate house. This completes the contrast. See 2 Chron. 26. 21.

I saw. Heb. rā'āh = to see clearly. As in v. 6; 21. 6, 7. Not the same word as in 1. 1; 13. 1.

the LORD* = Jehovah. One of the 134 places where, in the primitive text, Jehovah was changed to Adonai. See Ap. 32, and Ap. 4. VIII. 2. and II.

2 it : i.e. the throne.

seraphims = burning ones. No Art. Celestial beings, named but unexplained. Name used of the serpents (Num. 21. 6) because of the burning effect produced by them, just as nāchāsh was used of a snake because of its shining skin (Num. 21. 9), as well as of the shining one of Gen. 3. 1. See notes on Gen. 3. 1. Num. 21. 6, 9, and Ap. 19. Sept. reads "and seraphs stood round about Him".

2 Above ° it stood the ° seraphims : each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly.

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3 And one cried unto another, and said, "Holy, holy, holy, is ° the LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of His glory."

4 And the posts of the door moved at the voice of him that cried, and the house was filled with smoke.

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5 Then said I, "Woe is me! for I am ° undone; because I am a ° man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a People of unclean lips: for mine eyes have ° seen the ° King, ° the LORD of hosts."

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6 Then ° flew one of the ° seraphims unto me, having a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with ° the tongs from off the altar:

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7 And he laid it upon my mouth, and said, "Lo, this hath touched thy lips; and thine ° iniquity is taken away, and thy sin ° purged."

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8 Also I heard the ° voice of ° the LORD*, saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for ° Us?"

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Then ° said I, "Here am I; send me."

q

9 And He said, "Go, and tell this People, "Hear ye indeed, but understand not; and ° see ye indeed, but perceive not."

10 ° Make the ° heart of this People fat, and make their ° ears heavy, and shut their ° eyes; lest they see with their ° eyes, and hear with their ° ears, and understand with their ° heart, and ° convert, and be healed."

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11 Then said I, "LORD*, ° how long?"

q

And He answered, "Until the cities be ° wasted ° without inhabitant, and the houses without ° man, and the ° land be utterly ° desolate, 12 And ° the LORD have removed ° men far away, and there be a great ° forsaking in the midst of the land.

13 ° But yet in it shall be a tenth, and it shall return, and ° shall be eaten: as a ° teil tree, and as an oak, whose ° substance ° is in them, when they ° cast their leaves: so the ° holy seed shall be the substance thereof."

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7 And ° it came to pass in the days of ° Ahaz the son of Jotham, the son of Uzziah, king of Judah, that ° Rezin the king of Syria, and ° Pekah ° the son of Remaliah, king of Israel, went up toward Jerusalem to war against it, but ° could not prevail against it.

3 Holy, holy, holy. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6) for intense and solemn emphasis. Cp. the threefold blessing of Num. 6. 24-26 and Rev. 4. 8, a threefold unity. the LORD of hosts. See note on 1. 9 and 1 Sam. 1. 3.

5 Woe. Fig. *Ecphonēsis*. Ap. 6. undone=dumb, or lost. The essence of true conviction is a concern for what I am, not for what I have done or not done.

man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II. seen. Cp. Job 42. 5. King. Contrast "king Uzziah", v. 1.

6 flew. Cp. "ran" (Luke 15. 20). the tongs. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 25. 38; 37. 23 ("snuffers")). Num. 4. 9). Ap. 92.

7 iniquity. Heb. *avāh*. Ap. 44. iv. purged=covered. Heb. *kāphar*=to cover, and thus, here, atone. See note on Ex. 29. 33. Not the same word as in 1. 25; 4. 4.

8 voice. See the Structure (p. 980). This is the voice from the Temple concerning the "scattering", corresponding with 40. 3, 6, which is the voice from the wilderness concerning the "gathering".

Whom shall I send? This was not Isaiah's original commission to prophesy, but his special commission for this great dispensational prophecy. Chs. 1-5 form a general introduction to the whole book (see p. 930).

Us. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 1. 26; 3. 22; 11. 7). Ap. 92. said I. In edition 1611 this was "I said".

9 Hear ye indeed. Heb. "a hearing, hear ye". Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6) for emphasis. See note on Gen. 26. 28. see ye indeed. Heb. "a seeing see ye". Fig. *Polyptōton*, as above.

10 Make, &c.=Declare or foretell that the heart of this People will be fat. Isaiah could do no more. A common Hebrew idiom.

This prophecy is of the deepest import in Israel's history. Written down seven times (Matt. 13. 14. Mark 4. 12. Luke 8. 10. John 12. 40. Acts 28. 26, 27. Rom. 11. 8). Solemnly quoted in three great dispensational crises:—

(1) By Christ (Matt. 13. 14), as coming from Jehovah on the day a council was held "to destroy Him".

(2) By Christ, as coming from Messiah in His glory (John 12. 40, 41) after counsel taken to "put Him to death" (John 11. 53, and cp. 12. 37).

(3) By Paul, as coming from the Holy Ghost when, after a whole day's conference, they "believed not" (Acts 28. 25-27).

heart. Note the Fig. *Epanodos* (Ap. 6), in verse 10:—

q | r | heart.
s | ears.
t | eyes.
t | eyes.
s | ears.
r | heart.

convert=turn or return.

11 how long? See the answer (Rom. 11. 25).

wasted=desolate.

without=for want of. man. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I. land=ground, or soil. Heb. *ādamah*. desolate. See note on 1. 7. 12 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. forsaking. See note on 1. 4. 13 But yet in it shall be a tenth, &c.=Still, there is in it (the land) a tenth part; and it (the tenth part) shall again be swept away; yet, as with terebinth and oak, whose life remains in them when felled, the holy seed will be the life thereof. This is no "interpolation"; it is necessary to complete the Structure (q, p. 938). shall be. Supply [there is]. teil tree=terebinth. substance=root-stock. is in them: or will be in them. A special reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 34) reads "in it": i.e. in the land. cast their leaves=are felled. The *Ellipsis*, here, is wrongly supplied. holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

7. 1-12. 6 (C, p. 930). HISTORIC EVENTS AND PROPHECIES (AHAZ).

(Repeated Alternation.)

- C¹ | 7. 1-9. Confederacy (Syria and Israel). (Particular.) "It shall not stand" (v. 7).
D¹ | 7. 10-8. 8. Divine Interposition (7. 10). THE VIRGIN'S SON.
C² | 8. 9, 10. Confederacy. (General.) "It shall be brought to naught."
D² | 8. 11-9. 7. Divine Interposition. IMMANUEL.
C³ | 9. 8-10. 32. Confederacy. (Jehovah's.) Particular. "I will punish".
D³ | 10. 33-12. 6. Divine Interposition. THE SON OF DAVID.

7. 1 it came to pass in the days of. See note on Gen. 14. 1. Ahaz. For the history explaining this prophecy see 2 Kin. 15. 37-16. 5. Rezin. See 2 Kin. 16. 5-9. Pekah. His was the last prosperous reign in Israel. It began in the last year of Uzziah, king of Judah. the son of Remaliah. Repeated for emphasis in vv. 1, 4, 5, 9. A murderer (2 Kin. 15. 25). could not prevail against it. Cp. 2 Kin. 16. 5.

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2 And it was told ° the house of David, saying, "Syria is confederate with ° Ephraim." And ° his heart was moved, and the heart of his people, as the trees of the wood are moved with the ° wind.

3 Then said ° the LORD unto Isaiah, "Go forth now to meet Ahaz, thou, and ° Shear-jashub thy son, at the end of the conduit of the upper pool in the ° highway of the fuller's field;

4 And say unto him, 'Take heed, and be quiet; fear not, neither be fainthearted ° for the two tails of these smoking ° firebrands, ° for the fierce anger of ° Rezin with Syria, and of ° the son of Remaliah.

5 Because Syria, ° Ephraim, and ° the son of Remaliah, have taken evil counsel against thee, saying,

6 'Let us go up against Judah, and ° vex it, and let us make a breach therein for us, and set a king in the midst of it, even ° the son of Tabeal:'

7 Thus saith ° the Lord ° God, 'It shall not stand, neither shall it come to pass.

8 For ° the head of Syria is ° Damascus, and the head of Damascus is ° Rezin; ° and within ° threescore and five years shall ° Ephraim be broken, ° that it be not a people.

9 And the head of Ephraim is Samaria, and the head of Samaria is Remaliah's son. ° If ° ye will not believe, ° surely ye shall not be ° established.'"

10 ° Moreover ° the LORD ° spake ° again unto Ahaz, saying,

11 "Ask thee a ° sign of ° the LORD thy ° God; ask it ° either in the depth, or in the height above."

H 12 But Ahaz said, ° "I will not ask, neither will I tempt ° the LORD."

G 13 And ° he said, "Hear ye now, O ° house of David; Is it a small thing for you to weary ° men, but will ye weary my ° God also?

14 Therefore ° the LORD ° Himself shall give you a ° sign; ° Behold, ° a ° virgin ° shall conceive, and bear a son, and ° shall call his name ° Immanuel.

2 the house of David. Not to Ahaz only, but to the house which had received the promise of Jehovah's protection (2 Sam. 7).

Ephraim. The leading tribe, put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6, for the rest of the ten tribes. Sometimes called "Samaria" (1 Kin. 16. 24).

his, i.e. Ahaz. wind. Heb. *rûach*. Ap. 9.

3 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

Shear-jashub = the remnant shall return.

highway. Occurs in the "former" portion, here, 11. 16; 19. 23; 38. 8; 35. 8; 36. 2; and in the latter portion, 40. 3; 49. 11; 57. 14 (verb); 59. 7 (paths); 62. 10 (verb and noun). See Ap. 79. II.

4 for = because of. firebrands. Cp. Amos 4. 11. Zech. 3. 2. Not like the stump of Judah (6. 13).

6 vex = terrify.

the son of Tabeal: i.e. Rezin, king of Syria.

7 the Lord. Heb. *Adonai*. Ap. 4. VIII (2).

God. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II and IX.

8 the = though the.

Damascus: which is soon to be spoiled.

Rezin: a firebrand soon to be quenched. He was the last independent king of Syria. and = yet.

threescore and five years. To be made up thus: Ahaz 14 + Hezekiah 29 + Manasseh 22 = 65 (13 × 5). Fulfilled in 567-6 B.C.

that it be not a people = shall be no more a people. But Judah shall return (6. 13).

9 If ye will not believe, surely ye shall not be established. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6) for emphasis and to attract attention to the importance of the sentence. Heb. *'im l'v tha'dminu, ki l'v th'amenu*, which may be Englished thus: "If ye will not trust, ye shall not be trusted". Or, have no belief... find no relief; or, will not understand... shall not surely stand; or, no confiding... no abiding. Verse 17 shows that Ahaz did not trust.

ye. But specially referring to Ahaz. See note on "shall call" (v. 14). surely = [know] that.

7. 10-8. 8 (D¹, p. 939). DIVINE INTERPOSITION. THE VIRGIN'S SON. (*Alternation*.)

D¹ | E | 7. 10-17. The Son.

F | 7. 18-25. Assyrian Invasion.

E | 8. 1-4. The Son.

F | 8. 5-8. Assyrian Invasion.

7. 10-17 (E, above). THE SON. (*Alternation*.)

E | 10, 11. The Sign offered.

H | 12. Ahaz. Refusal of Sign.

G | 13-16. The Sign given.

H | 17. Ahaz. Prophecy concerning him.

10 Moreover. It seems as though Isaiah wanted to see what Ahaz would say to v. 9. spake. This identifies the words with Jehovah Himself, and not merely with Isaiah. It shows the vast importance of the coming prophecy.

again = added. Lit. added to speak. Occurs in this connection only again in 8. 5 in this book. 11 sign. Heb. *'oth*, a present visible token or pledge, as in Gen. 1. 14. Ex. 4. 8, 9; 12. 13; and especially 8. 18. This word is used eight times in the "former" portion (here; v. 14; 8. 18; 19. 20; 20. 3; 37. 30; 38. 7, 22); and three times in the "latter" portion (44. 25; 55. 13; 66. 19). See Ap. 79. II, and cp. Hezekiah's sign (38. 7).

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. either. Ahaz was not limited, and therefore without excuse. 12 I will not ask. He had already made up his mind to appeal to Assyria, and had probably sent messengers to Tiglath-Pileser (2 Kings 16. 7. 2 Chron. 28. 16). His self-hardening is masked by his apparently pious words.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah (with *'eth*) = Jehovah Himself. Ap. 4. II. 13 he: i.e. Jehovah by the prophet; thus identifying Himself with this important prophecy. men. Heb. pl. of *'enosh*. Ap. 14. III. 14 the LORD*. One of the 134 passages where Jehovah, in the primitive text, was altered by the Sopherim to "Adonai". See Ap. 32. Behold. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6) for emphasis.

a virgin. Heb. the virgin: i.e. some definite well-known damsel, whose identity was then unmistakable, though unknown to us. See Matt. 1. 21-23. Luke 1. 31. See Ap. 101. virgin = damsel. Heb. *ha-'almah*. It occurs seven times (Gen. 24. 43. Ex. 2. 8. Ps. 68. 25. Prov. 21. 19. Song 1. 3; 6. 8, and Isa. 7. 14). The Heb. for virgin (in our technical sense) is *bethulah*, and occurs fifty times (2 × 5², see Ap. 10). Its first occurrence is Gen. 24. 16, where, compared with v. 43, it shows that while every *Bethulah* is indeed an *Almah*, yet not every *Almah* is a *Bethulah*. The prophecy does not lose its Messianic character, for Mary, in whom it was fulfilled, is designated by the same holy inspiring Spirit as "parthenos" (not *gune*). As a sign to Ahaz this damsel was an *almah*. As a sign, when the prophecy was fulfilled (or filled full), it was Mary, the *parthenos* or virgin. shall conceive, and bear = is pregnant and beareth.

Ref. to Pent. The two words occur together only here, Gen. 16. 11, and Judg. 13. 5, 7; and v. 12 shows that birth was imminent. Perhaps the *Almah* was "Abi" (2 Kings 18. 2. 2 Chron. 29. 1), but the son was not necessarily Hezekiah. See Ap. 101. shall call. Some codices, with three early printed editions, and Sept., read "thou (Ahaz) wilt call". Immanuel = "GOD ('El) with us". Most codices, and six early printed editions, give it as two words. Some, with two early printed editions, as one word.

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15° Butter and honey shall he eat, ° that he may know to refuse the ° evil, and ° choose the good.
 16° For before the ° child shall know to refuse the 15° evil, and 16° choose the good, ° the land that thou ° abhorrest ° shall be forsaken ° of ° both her kings.

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17° The LORD shall bring upon thee, and upon thy people, and upon thy father's house, days that have not come, from the day that Ephraim departed from Judah; even ° the king of Assyria.

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18 And it shall come to pass in that day, that ° the LORD shall hiss for the fly that is in the uttermost part of the ° rivers of Egypt, and for the bee that is in the land of Assyria.

s¹

19 And they shall come, and shall rest all of them in the desolate valleys, and in the holes of the rocks, and upon all ° thorns, and upon all ° bushes.

r²

20 In the same day shall 14 the LORD * shave with a razor that is ° hired, namely, by them beyond the river, by the king of Assyria, the head, and the hair of the feet: and it shall also consume the beard.

s²

21 ° And it shall come to pass in that day, that a ° man ° shall nourish a young cow, and two sheep;

s³

22 And it shall come to pass, for the ° abundance of milk that they shall give he shall eat 15° butter: for ° butter and honey shall every one eat that is left ° in the land.

r⁴

23 And it shall come to pass in that day, that every place shall be, where there were a thousand vines at a thousand ° silverlings, it shall even be for briers and thorns.

24 With arrows and with bows shall men come thither; because all the land shall become briers and thorns.

s⁴

25 And on all hills that ° shall be digged with the mattock, there ° shall not come thither ° the fear of briers and thorns: but it shall be for the ° sending forth of oxen, and for the ° treading of lesser cattle."

E t

8 ° Moreover ° the LORD said unto me, "Take thee a great ° roll, and write ° in it with ° a ° man's pen ° concerning ° Maher-shalal-hash-baz."

2 And I took unto me faithful witnesses to record, ° Uriah the priest, and ° Zechariah the son of Jeberechiah.

u

3 And I went unto the prophetess; and she conceived, and bare a son.

u

Then said 1 the LORD to me, "Call his name 1 Maher-shalal-hash-baz.

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4 For ° before the ° child shall have knowledge to cry, 'My father, and my mother,' the riches of Damascus and the spoil of Samaria ° shall be ° taken away before the king of Assyria."

written by it. man's = a common man's. Heb. *enosh*. Ap. 14. III. concerning = "for Maher, &c." Maher-shalal-hash-baz = haste, spoil, speed, prey. (Note the *Alternation*.) These words are explained in v. 4, and may be connected thus: he hasteneth [to take the] spoil, he speeds [to seize] the prey. This child was a sign, as also the child in 7. 14. 2 Uriah = Urijah. See 2 Kings 16. 10. Zechariah. Probably the father-in-law of Ahaz (2 Kings 18. 2). from the prophecy, twelve from the birth. 4 before. The interval was twenty-one months child = sucking child: as in 7. 16. Not the same word as in v. 18. shall be taken. So it was: in the third year of Ahaz, Damascus was sacked and Rezin was slain. taken = carried away.

15 Butter = Curds. See Gen. 18. 8. Deut. 32. 14, &c. that he may know = up to the time of his knowing: i.e. the prophecy shall come to pass while still a babe. See v. 16. evil. Heb. *ra'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

choose. See note on 1. 29. 16 For before. This was the sign to Ahaz and all present. Cp. the further sign, 8. 4, and see Ap. 101. child = sucking child. the land = the soil. abhorrest: or vexest.

shall be forsaken. So it came to pass two years later. Cp. 2 Kings 15. 30; 16. 9. See note on 1. 4.

of = because of. Connect this with "abhorrest", not with "forsaken".

both her kings: i.e. Pekah and Rezin (v. 1).

17 the king of Assyria. This was fulfilled in 2 Kings 16. 7, and 2 Chron. 28. 19, 20.

7. 18-25 (F, p. 940). ASSYRIAN INVASION. (Repeated Alternation.)

F r¹ | 18. Fly and Bee.

s¹ | 19. Destination.

r² | 20-. Razor.

s² | -20. Destination.

r³ | 21. Cow and Sheep.

s³ | 22. Destination.

r⁴ | 23, 24. Briers and thorns.

s⁴ | 25. Destination.

18 rivers of Egypt. Ref. to Pent. Heb. *y'or*. Twenty-nine times in Genesis and Exodus (only twice in plural. Ex. 7. 19; 8. 6). Then, after, 2 Kings 19. 24; Job 28. 10; Ps. 78. 44; ten times in Isaiah. See Ap. 92.

19 thorns = the thorn bushes. bushes = the pastures.

20 hired. By Ahaz himself.

21 And it shall come to pass. Note the Fig. *Anaphora* (Ap. 6), commencing vv. 21, 22, 23, emphasising the points of the prophecy.

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

shall nourish, &c.: i.e. no longer a land of olives and oil, but a poor pasturage. Cp. Jer. 39. 10.

22 abundance of milk. Not because of the number of the cattle, but on account of the fewness of the people. butter and honey. Not corn and wine and oil. in = in the midst of.

23 silverlings = shekels: i.e. as rent. Cp. Song 8. 11, and see Ap. 51. II (5).

25 shall be digged = should be digged (but were to go out of cultivation).

shall not come thither = thou wilt not come thither: i.e. venture to walk (without weapons, v. 24) where thou wast wont to plough in peace.

the fear of = for fear of.

sending forth = letting loose, or driving forth.

treading = trampling down.

8. 1-4 (E, p. 940). THE SON. (Introversion.)

E t | 1, 2. The Prophecy

u | 3-. The Son. Birth.

u | -3. The Son. Name.

t | 4. The Prophecy.

8. 1 Moreover. There is no break in the prophecy. the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II. roll = tablet. Elsewhere only in 8. 23. in it = on it.

a man's pen = the carving tool of the people. The writing was to be legible, in the language of the common people (not in the language of the priests or educated classes). Eastern languages have these two, down to the present day. Cp. Hab. 2. 2. "Pen" is put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the writing concerning = "for Maher, &c."

4 before. The interval was twenty-one months child = sucking child: as in 7. 16. Not the same word as in v. 18.

shall be taken. So it was: in the third year of Ahaz, Damascus was sacked and Rezin was slain.

taken = carried away.

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5 ¹The LORD spake also unto me °again, saying,

6 "Forasmuch as this People refuseth the waters of °Shiloah that go softly, and °rejoice in Rezin and Remaliah's son;

W 7 Now therefore, behold, °the LORD* bringeth up upon them the waters of the river, strong and many, even the king of Assyria, and all his glory:

W and he shall come up over all his °channels, and go over all his banks:

V 8 And he shall pass through Judah; he shall overflow and go over, he shall reach even to the neck; and the stretching out of °his wings shall fill the breadth of thy land, O °Immanuel.

C²
(p. 939)

9 °Associate yourselves, O ye °people, and ye shall be broken in pieces; and give ear, all ye of far countries: °gird yourselves, and ye shall be broken in pieces; °gird yourselves, and ye shall be broken in pieces.

10 Take counsel together, and it shall come to nought; speak the word, and it shall not stand: for °GOD is with us."

D² J x
(p. 942)

11 For ¹the LORD spake thus to me with a strong hand, and instructed me that I should not walk in the way of this People, saying,

12 "Say ye not, 'A °confederacy,' °to all them to whom this People shall say, 'A °confederacy'; °neither fear ye °their fear, nor be afraid.

Y 13 °Sanctify °the LORD of hosts Himself; and let °him be your fear, and let °him °be your dread.

14 And He shall be for a sanctuary; but °for a stone of stumbling and for a rock of offence to both the houses of Israel, for a °gin and for a snare to the inhabitants of Jerusalem.

15 And many among them shall °stumble, and fall, and be broken, and be snared, and be taken.

K 16 Bind up the °testimony, seal the °law among My °disciples."

17 And I will °wait upon ¹the LORD, That hideth His face from °the house of Jacob, °and I will look for Him.

L 18 Behold, § and the °children whom ¹the LORD hath given me are for °signs and for wonders in Israel from ¹³the LORD of hosts, Which °dwelleth in mount Zion.

J x 19 "And °when they shall say unto you, 'Seek unto them that have °familiar spirits, and unto wizards that °peep, and that °mutter:'

Y should not a people seek unto their °God? °for the living to the dead?

K 20 To the ¹⁶law and to the ¹⁶testimony: it they speak not according to this word, it is because °there is no light in them.

disciples = instructed ones. 17 wait. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 49. 18). See Ap. 92. the house of Jacob. See note on 2. 5. and I will look, &c. See Heb. 2. 13. 18 children = young children. Not the same word as in v. 4. signs. See the Structure in Ap. 102. signs and for wonders. Cp. 20. 3. Ref. to Pent. Ex. 7. 3. Deut. 4. 34; 6. 22; 7. 19; 13. 1, 2; 26. 8; 28. 46; 29. 3; 34. 11. See note on 7. 11, and Ap. 92. dwelleth = is making His dwelling, or is about to dwell. 19 when = should. familiar spirits. See note on Lev. 19. 31. peep. Heb. *zāphaph*. Occurs only in Isaiah; and this form, only in 10. 14: elsewhere, in 29. 4 (whisper); 38. 14 (chatter). It is used of an unearthly sound. mutter: i.e. with indistinct sounds. This refers to the low incantations which, in the Babylonian and Egyptian "mysteries", had to be recited in a whisper (like certain parts of the Roman Missal). A whole series is called "the ritual of the whispered charm". (See *The Religions of Ancient Egypt and Babylonia*, pp. 465, 466). God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I. for the living to the dead. Supply the Fig. *Ellipsis* from the preceding clause (Ap. 6), and render: "Should not any People seek unto its God? for [should] the living [seek unto] the dead?" This is a solemn warning against all ancient and modern Spiritists. 20 there is no light in them = there shall be no morning for them. All are in darkness who do not speak by and appeal to the revealed Word of God.

8. 5-8 (F, p. 940). THE ASSYRIAN INVASION. (Introversion.)

F | v | 5, 6. The Land. Its waters refused.
w | 7-. Waters of Assyria. Approach.
w | -7. Waters of Assyria. Arrival.
v | 8. The Land. Assyrian waters overflow.

5 again. See note on 7. 10.

6 Shiloah: i.e. the waters beneath Zion running from Gihon to Siloam. See Ap. 68. II. (pp. 100, 101). rejoice in Rezin. This is not "a wrong reading of the Hebrew text", but it refers to the trust reposed in the king of Syria instead of in Jehovah (7. 9). They despised God's covenant with Zion (symbolized by its secret stream), and preferred the help of the heathen; therefore the Assyrian floods should overwhelm them. (Cp. the same contrast in Ps. 46. 3, 4; and see notes there.) This applied specially to Israel: and the judgment overtook Israel first.

7 the LORD*. One of the 134 places where the *Sopherim* changed "Jehovah", of the primitive text, to *Adonai*. See Ap. 32.

channels. Heb. *āphikim*. See note on 2 Sam. 22. 16.

8 his wings. Probably referring to the wings of his army.

Immanuel = GOD with us. This shows that the prophecy in 7. 14 was not to be exhausted with Ahaz and his times. See Ap. 101.

9 Associate yourselves = Make friendships. people = nations.

gird yourselves. Note the Fig. *Repetitio* (Ap. 6) for emphasis. Occurs in "former" portion here only, and in the "latter" portion only in 45. 5 and 50. 11. Ap. 79. II.

10 GOD is with us = Heb. *Immanu-El*. See v. 8. Ap. 4. IV.

8. 11-9. 7 (D², p. 939). DIVINE INTERPOSITION. IMMANUEL. (Extended Alternation.)

D² | J | x | 8. 11, 12. False dependence. Confederacy.
y | 8. 13-15. True dependence. Jehovah.
K | 8. 16, 17. The Testimony and the Law.
L | 8. 18. Messiah and His children.
J | x | 8. 19-. False dependence: spirits.
y | 8. -19. True dependence. God.
K | 8. 20-22. The Law and the Testimony.
L | 9. 1-7. Messiah. The Son.

12 confederacy. Heb. *kesher*. Never used in a good sense.

to all them to whom = whensoever, or whereof.

neither, &c. Quoted in 1 Pet. 3. 14, 15.

their fear = what they fear, or with their fear.

13 Sanctify = Hallow, regard as holy. Cp. 29. 23. See note on Ex. 3. 5. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 20. 12; 27. 14). Ap. 92.

the LORD of hosts. See note on 1. 9 and 1 Sam. 1. 9. be your dread = inspire you with awe. Quoted in 1 Pet. 3. 13-15.

14 for a stone of stumbling. Cp. 1 Pet. 2. 7, 8. Luke 20. 17. Rom. 9. 32, 33; 11. 11. gin = a trap.

15 stumble . . . fall, &c. Note the Fig. *Synonymia*. Ap. 6.

16 testimony . . . law. No Art. either here or in v. 20. Note the Structure, above, and the *Introversion* of these two words in K and K. See note on 1. 10.

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21 And °they shall pass through °it, °hardly bestead and hungry: and it shall come to pass, that when they shall be hungry, they shall °fret themselves, and curse their king and their °God, and °look upward.

22 And they shall look unto °the earth; and behold trouble and darkness, °dimness of anguish; and they shall be °driven to darkness.

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(p. 942)

9 °Nevertheless the °dimness shall not be such as was in her °vexation, when °at the first He lightly afflicted °the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, and °afterward did more grievously afflict her by the way of the sea, beyond Jordan, in Galilee of the nations.

2 The people °that walked in darkness °have seen a great light: °they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined."

3 °Thou °hast multiplied the nation, °and not increased the joy: they joy before Thee according to the joy in harvest, and as men rejoice when they divide the spoil.

4 For °Thou hast broken the yoke of his burden, and the °staff of his shoulder, the °rod of his oppressor, as in the °day of Midian.

5 For every battle of the warrior is with confused noise, and garments rolled in blood; but this shall be with burning and fuel of fire.

6 °For unto us a Child °is born, unto us a Son °is given: and the °government shall be upon His shoulder: and His °name shall be called °Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty °GOD, The everlasting Father, The Prince °of Peace.

7 Of the increase of His °government and peace there shall be °no end, upon the throne of David, and upon His kingdom, to order °it, and to establish °it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of °the LORD of hosts will perform this."

M¹ N¹ b¹
(p. 943)

8 °The LORD °sent a word into °Jacob, and it hath °lighted upon Israel.

21 they: i.e. they who live not in the light of God's Word.

it: i.e. Immanuel's land. The singular number and same verb, referring back to v. 8.

hardly bestead=in hard case.

fret themselves. Cp. Rev. 16. 11, 21.

look upward: [in vain].

22 the earth=the land.

dimness of anguish=the gloom of anguish.

driven to=thrust out into.

9. 1 Nevertheless=For. This member (L, 9. 1-7) relates to Messiah, the Son, referring back to 8. 9, 10; and carries 7. 14 on to its future fulfilment. See Ap. 102. dimness . . . vexation. Almost the same two words as dimness . . . anguish (8. 22).

at the first. When Ben-hadad, in the reign of Baasha, "smote Ijon, and Dan, and Abel-beth-maachah, and all Cinneroth, with all the land of Naphtali" (1 Kings 15. 20). the land, &c. Quoted in Luke 1. 79.

afterward. Referring to the heavier scourge when Hazael "smote all the coasts of Israel from Jordan eastward, all the land of Gilead" (2 Kings 10. 32, 33). This land was the first to be afflicted by the armies of Assyria (2 Kings 15. 29), and was the first to see the promised light in the person of the Messiah.

2 that walked in darkness=the walkers in darkness. have seen=saw. Quoted in Matt. 4. 14-16.

3 Thou: i.e. Jehovah.

hast. This is the Fig. *Prolepsis* (Ap. 6), by which the future is prophetically spoken of as present, or past.

and not increased the joy. The difficulty is not removed by reading *lō*, "to him", instead of *l'ō*, "not" (which is the marginal reading of Heb. text, and is followed by the R.V. Dr. C. D. Ginsburg suggests that the word in question, *haggil'ō*, was wrongly divided into two words, and the last syllable (*l'ō*) was treated as a separate word. Read as one word, the four lines form an *Introversion*, thus:—

z | Thou hast multiplied the exultation,

a | Thou hast increased the joy:

a | They joy before Thee according to the joy in harvest,

z | And as men exult when they divide the spoil.

4 Thou hast. Fig. *Prolepsis*. Ap. 6. See above (v. 3). staff=rod: i.e. the rod that smites the shoulder.

rod=sceptre.

day of Midian. Refers to Judg. 7. 21, &c.

6 For unto us, &c. The prophecy of the "Divine is. Fig. (quoted in Luke 2. 11). See Ap. 102. is. Fig. given. The interval of this present dispensation comes between this word "given" and the next clause. government. The Heb. word *mishrah* occurs only in these verses (6, 7). Like *politeuma* (Phil. 3. 20). name=He Himself. See note on Ps. 20. 1. Wonderful. Cp. Judg. 13. 18. GOD. Heb. El. As in 10. 21. Ap. 4. IV. of. Genitive (of Origin), Ap. 17. 2; i.e. the Prince Who gives peace. Cp. Rom. 15. 16. 7 no end. Cp. the angelic message (Luke 1. 32, 33). it. Feminine, referring to the kingdom. upon . . . henceforth. Quoted in Luke 1. 32, 33. the LORD of hosts. See note on 1. 9, and 1 Sam. 1. 3.

9. 8-10. 32 (C³, p. 939). JEHOVAH'S CONFEDERACY. (Division.)

C³ | M¹ | 9. 8-10. 4. Made with Israel's enemies (in judgment).

M² | 10. 5-32. Broken with enemies for Israel's deliverance (in grace).

9. 8-10. 4 (M¹, above). JEHOVAH'S COVENANT MADE WITH ISRAEL'S ENEMIES.

(Repeated and Extended Alternation.)

M ¹	N ¹	b ¹ 9. 8-10. Sin. Self-confidence.
		c ¹ 9. 11, 12-. Threatening.
N ²	b ² 9. 13. Sin. Impenitence.	d ¹ 9. -12. Anger not turned away.
		c ² 9. 14-17-. Threatening.
N ³	b ³ 9. 18-. Sin. Lawlessness.	d ² 9. -17. Anger not turned away.
		c ³ 9. -18-21-. Threatening.
N ⁴	b ⁴ 10. 1, 2. Sin. Haughtiness.	d ³ 9. -21. Anger not turned away.
		c ⁴ 10. 3, 4-. Threatening.
		d ⁴ 10. -4. Anger not turned away.

8 the LORD *=Jehovah. One of the 134 places where the *Sopherim* changed Jehovah (of the primitive text), to *Adonai*. See Ap. 32. sent a word: ch. 2. 6, 8, which had now been fulfilled. Cp. 5. 25. 2 Chron 28. 6-8. Jacob. See note on 2. 5. lighted=fallen.

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9 And °all the People shall know, *even* Ephraim and the inhabitant of Samaria, that say in the pride and stoutness of heart,

10 "The bricks are °fallen down, but we will build with hewn stones: the sycomores are cut down, but we will change *them into cedars.*"

c¹
(p. 943)

11 Therefore °the LORD shall set up the °adversaries of Rezin against °him, and °join his enemies together;

12 The Syrians before, and the Philistines behind; and they shall devour Israel with open mouth.

d¹

°For all this His anger is not turned away, but His hand *is* °stretched out still.

N² b²

13 For the people °turneth not unto Him That smiteth them, neither do they seek °the LORD of hosts.

c²

14 Therefore °the LORD will cut off from Israel head and tail, branch and °rush, in one day.

15 The ancient and honourable, *he is* the °head; and the prophet that teacheth lies, *he is* the °tail.

16 For °the leaders of this People cause *them* to °err; and °they that are led of them are °destroyed.

17 Therefore °the LORD* shall have no joy in their young men, neither shall have mercy on their fatherless and widows: for every one *is* an hypocrite and an evildoer, and every mouth speaketh folly.

d²

12 For all this His anger is not turned away, but His hand *is* stretched out still.

N³ b³

18 For °wickedness burneth as the fire: it

c³

shall devour the briars and thorns, and shall kindle in the thickets of the forest, and they shall mount up *like* the lifting up of smoke.

19 Through the wrath of °the LORD of hosts is the land darkened, and the People shall be as the fuel °of the fire: no man shall spare his brother.

20 And he shall snatch on the right hand, and be hungry; and he shall °eat on the left hand, and they shall °not be satisfied: they shall eat °every man the flesh of his own arm:

21 Manasseh, Ephraim; and Ephraim, Manasseh: and *they together shall be* against Judah.

d³

12 For all this His anger is not turned away, but His hand *is* stretched out still.

N⁴ b⁴

10 Woe unto them that decree unrighteous decrees, and that °write °grievousness *which* they have °prescribed;

2 To turn aside the needy from judgment, and to take away the right from the °poor of My People, that widows may be their prey, and *that* they may rob the fatherless!

c⁴

3 And what will ye do in the day of visitation, and in the °desolation *which* shall come from far? to whom will ye flee for help? and where will ye °leave your °glory?

4 Without Me they shall °bow down under the prisoners, and they shall °fall under the slain.

d⁴

°For all this His anger is not turned away, but His hand *is* stretched out still.

M² O
(p. 944)

5 °O, °Assyrian! the rod of Mine anger, and the staff in their hand is Mine indignation.

6 I will send him against an °hypocritical nation, and against the People of My wrath will

9 all the People, &c. "People" is singular, and "know" is plural = the People, all of them.

10 fallen down. Note the *Alternation* in this verse.

11 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. adversaries. Some codices read "princes, or generals". him: i.e. Ephraim (not Rezin). join, &c. = weave together, unite as allies.

12 For all this, &c. See note on 5. 25. Note the Fig. *Amœbaen* (Ap. 6), 5. 25; here, vv. 17, 21; 10. 4. stretched out: in judgment. See note on 5. 25.

13 turneth not. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 4. 29, 30). Ap. 92. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. with 'eth = Jehovah Himself. Ap. 4. II. See note on i Sam. 1. 3.

14 rush. Heb. 'agmôn. Occurs twice in "former" portion, here and 19. 15; and once in "latter" portion (58. 5, "bulrush"). Elsewhere only in Job 41. 2, 20. See Ap. 79. II.

15 head . . . tail. Ref. to Pent. Only here and Deut. 28. 13, 44. Ap. 92.

16 the leaders: or, flatterers. err = stray.

they that are led = they that are flattered.

destroyed = swallowed up.

18 wickedness = lawlessness. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

19 of = for. Genitive of Relation (Ap. 17. 5).

20 eat . . . not be satisfied. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 26). Ap. 92.

every man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

10. 1 write = ordain, or register; legalize iniquities.

grievousness = oppression.

prescribed = written.

2 poor = Heb. 'anī. See note on Prov. 6. 11.

3 desolation = storm.

leave = secure, or put in safe keeping. Heb. 'āzab, a Homonym with two meanings. See note on Ex. 23. 5.

glory = honour.

4 bow down under the prisoners = captives will be enough to make you bow down.

fall under the slain = mortally wounded ones [will be enough] to make you fall.

For, &c. See note on 9. 12.

10. 5-32 (M², p. 943). JEHOVAH'S COVENANT. BROKEN FOR ISRAEL'S DELIVERANCE.

(Introversion and Alternation.)

M² O | 5, 6. Assyrian invasion. Mission.

P | e | 7-11. Assyrian intention.

f | 12-15. Jehovah's punishment of Assyria.

P | e | 16-19. Assyrian work.

f | 20-27. Jehovah's deliverance of Israel.

O | 28-32. Assyrian invasion. March.

5 O Assyrian. Not woe to the Assyrian. That woe comes later (cp. 17. 12, and 33. 1), after the latest woes on Ephraim and Judah. This is a Divine summons.

Assyrian. The monuments tell us that this was Sargon, the father of Sennacherib.

6 hypocritical = impious, profane, godless, or irreligious. Cp. 9. 17 and 33. 14, the only other occ. in Isaiah.

7 he meaneth not so = will not mean. The blindness of the instrument emphasises the truth of the prophecy. think so = so intend.

8 he saith = he will say. altogether = all of them.

10 As = According as. idols = nothings.

I give him a charge, to take the spoil, and to take the prey, and to tread them down like the mire of the streets.

7 Howbeit °he meaneth not so, neither doth his heart °think so; but *it is* in his heart to destroy and cut off nations not a few.

8 For °he saith, "Are not my princes °altogether kings?"

9 Is not Calno as Carchemish? *is* not Hamath as Arpad? *is* not Samaria as Damascus?

10 °As my hand hath found the kingdoms of the °idols, and whose graven images did excel them of Jerusalem and of Samaria;

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11 Shall I not,¹⁰ as I have done unto Samaria and her °idols, so do to Jerusalem and her °idols?"

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12 °Wherefore it shall come to pass, *that* when °the LORD* hath performed His whole work upon mount Zion and on Jerusalem, I will punish the fruit of the stout heart of the king of Assyria, and the glory of his high looks.

13 For he saith, "By the strength of my hand I have done *it*, and by my wisdom; for I am prudent: and I have removed the °bounds of the °people, and have robbed their treasures, and I have put down the inhabitants like a valiant man:

14 And my hand hath °found as a nest the riches of the people: and as one gathereth eggs *that are* left, have I gathered all the earth; and there was none that moved the wing, or opened the mouth, or °peeped."

15 °Shall the axe °boast itself against him that heweth therewith? or shall the °saw magnify itself against him that shaketh it? as if the rod should °shake *itself* against them that lift it up, or as if the staff should °lift up *itself*, as if it were °no wood.

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16 Therefore shall °THE Lord, °the LORD of hosts, send among his fat ones leanness; and under his glory He shall °kindle a °burning like the burning of a fire.

17 And the light of Israel shall be for a fire, and his Holy One for a flame: and it shall burn and devour his thorns and his briars °in one day;

18 And shall consume the glory of his forest, and of his fruitful field, both °soul and °body: and they shall be as when a standardbearer fainteth.

19 And the rest of the trees of his forest shall be few, that a °child may °write them.

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20 And it shall come to pass in °that day, *that* the remnant of Israel, and such as are escaped of °the house of Jacob, shall no more again stay upon him that smote them; but shall stay upon °the LORD, °the Holy One of Israel, °in truth.

21 °The remnant shall return, *even* the remnant of Jacob, unto °the mighty °GOD.

22 For °though Thy people Israel be °as the sand of the sea, *yet* °a remnant of them shall return: the °consumption decreed shall overflow °with righteousness.

23 For °the Lord °GOD of hosts shall make a °consumption, even °determined, in °the midst of °all the land."

24 Therefore thus saith °the Lord °GOD of hosts, "O My people that dwellest in Zion, be not afraid of the Assyrian: he shall °smite thee with a °rod, and shall lift up his staff against thee, after the manner of Egypt.

25 For yet a very little while, and the indignation shall cease, and Mine °anger in their destruction.

26 And °the LORD of hosts shall stir up a scourge for him °according to the slaughter of °Midian at the rock of Oreb; and as His rod was upon the sea, so shall He lift it up after the manner of Egypt.

27 And it shall come to pass in that day,

11 idols=effigies.

12 Wherefore=And.

the LORD*=Jehovah (Ap. 4. II). One of the 184 places where the *Sopherim* altered the primitive text from Jehovah to *Adonai*. See Ap. 32.

13 bounds of the people. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. s). people=peoples.

14 found as a nest. Supply the Ellipsis (Ap. 6) thus: "found [means to reach] as a nest".

peeped. See note on 8. 19.

15 Shall . . . ? Note Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6) for emph. boast itself. Heb. *pā'ar*. Not therefore peculiar to the "latter" portion of Isaiah (44. 23, &c.), as alleged. See Ap. 79. II. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 8. 9).

saw. Heb. *massōr*. Occurs only here.

shake itself against=brandish.

lift up itself, as if it were no wood=raise him that lifteth it up.

no wood: i.e. the user of it (who is flesh and blood, not wood).

16 THE Lord. Heb. 'Adon (with Article). See Ap. 4. VIII (1).

the LORD of hosts. See note on 1. 9 and 1 Sam. 1. 3. kindle . . . burning=be like a burning. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). Heb. *yēkad yēkōd kīkōd*=kindle . . . kindling . . . kindling.

17 in one day. So it was (2 Kings 19. 35).

18 soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

body=flesh. Put by Fig. *Synecdochē* (of Part), Ap. 6, for the whole body.

19 child=lad.

write=reckon.

20 that day. Passing on to the final fulfilment in the day of the LORD.

the house of Jacob. See note on 2. 5.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

the Holy One of Israel. See note on 1. 4.

in truth. Heb. *be'ēmeth*. Occurs three times in the "former" portion (here; 18. 5; 38. 3); and twice in the "latter" portion (48. 1; 61. 8). See Ap. 79. II.

21 The remnant shall return. Heb. *Shear-jashub*. See 7. 3. So they did. Cp. 2 Chron. 30. 1-13, esp. v. 6.

the mighty GOD. Cp. 9. 6. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 10. 17). GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

22 though, &c. Quoted in Rom. 9. 27, 28.

as the sand, &c. Fig. *Parēmia* (Ap. 6). Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 22. 17; 32. 12, &c.).

consumption=full end, or finish. Heb. *killāyōn*. Ref. to Pent. Occurs only here, and Deut. 28. 65. Ap. 92. with=in.

23 the Lord. Heb. *Adonai*. Ap. 4. VIII (2).

GOD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

consumption=consummation. Heb. *kālāh*.

determined=decreed.

the midst of. Fig. *Pleonasm*. Ap. 6.

all. Some codices, with five early printed editions, omit "all".

24 smite thee with=smite thee [indeed] with, &c. rod=club.

25 anger=anger [shall cease].

26 according to=like.

Midian. Cp. 9. 4, and Judg. 7. 25.

27 shall be destroyed=will rot.

because of the anointing=before the face (at the sight) of the oil: i.e. in Gideon's lamps; and of the anointed One (Messiah).

28 He is come. This is a prophetic description of Sennacherib's advance against Judah.

Aiath=Ai: now *et Tell*, or *Khan Haiyan*.

that his burden shall be taken away from off thy shoulder, and his yoke from off thy neck, and the yoke °shall be destroyed °because of the anointing.

28 °He is come to °Aiath, he is passed to

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° Migron; at ° Michmash he hath ° laid up his ° carriages:

29 They are gone over ° the passage: they have taken up their lodging at ° Geba; ° Ramah is afraid; ° Gibeah of Saul is fled.

30 Lift up thy voice, O daughter of ° Gallim: cause it to be heard unto ° Laish, O poor ° Anathoth.

31 ° Madmenah is removed; the inhabitants of ° Gebim gather themselves to flee.

32 As yet shall he remain at ° Nob that day: he shall shake his hand *against* the mount of the daughter of Zion, the hill of Jerusalem.

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33 Behold, ¹⁶ THE LORD, ¹⁶ the LORD of hosts, shall lop the bough with terror: and the high ones of stature *shall be* hewn down, and the haughty shall be humbled.

34 And He shall cut down the thickets of the ° forest with iron, and Lebanon shall fall by a mighty one.

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11 ° And there shall come forth ° a rod out of the ° stem of Jesse, and a ° Branch shall grow out of his roots:

2 And the ° spirit of ° the LORD shall ° rest upon Him, the ° spirit ° of wisdom and ° understanding, the ° spirit of counsel and might, the ° spirit of knowledge and of the fear of ° the LORD;

3 And ° shall make Him of quick understanding in the fear of ° the LORD: ° and He shall ° not judge after the sight of His eyes, neither ° reprove after the hearing of His ears:

4 But with righteousness shall He judge the ° poor, and ° reprove with equity for the meek of the earth: and He shall ° smite ° the earth with the rod of His mouth, and with the ° breath of His lips shall He slay ° the wicked.

5 And righteousness shall be the girdle of His loins, and faithfulness the girdle of His reins.

Migron. Not yet identified. Probably near Gibeah (1 Sam. 14. 2). Sennacherib mentions it as *Amgarron* (see Ap. 67. x. p. 98).

Michmash. Now *Mūkmās*, seven miles north of Jerusalem (1 Sam. 13. 2-23; 14. 5, 31. Ezra 2. 27. Neh. 7. 31; 11. 31).

laid up. In anticipation of a speedy conquest of Jerusalem.

carriages = baggage (Old English). Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for what is carried.

29 the passage = the ravine: i.e. Wady *Suweinit*. Cp. 1 Sam. 13. 23.

Geba. Now *Jeb'a*, near Michmash.

Ramah. Now *er Ram*, five miles north of Jerusalem.

Gibeah. Now *Tell el Ful*, between Jerusalem and Emmaus, two and a half miles north of Jerusalem.

30 Gallim. Not identified. Probably *Beitfāla*, near Bethlehem.

Laish. Not Laish in the tribe of Dan.

Anathoth. Now *Anāta*. Three miles north-east of Jerusalem.

31 Madmenah. Not identified. A town of Benjamin, near Jerusalem. See note on 25. 10.

Gebim. Not identified. North of Jerusalem.

32 Nob. A city of the priests, in sight of Jerusalem, from whence Sennacherib shook his hand against the city. Nob only a half day's journey from Jerusalem.

10. 33-12. 6 (D³, p. 939). DIVINE INTERPOSITION. (THE SON OF DAVID.)
(Introversion and Alternation.)

D ³	Q	10. 33, 34. Prophecy of Jehovah's deliverance.
R	S	11. 1-5. The Deliverer. "The Offspring."
	T	11. 6-9. His new Dispensation. (Moral.)
R	S	11. 10. The Deliverer. "The Root."
	T	11. 11-16. His new Dispensation. (Political.)

Q | 12. 1-6. Praise for Jehovah's deliverance.

34 forest. A.V., edition 1611, reads, "forests" (pl.). These are Sennacherib's own figures of himself. See 2 Kings 19. 23. Cp. 29. 17. Ezek. 31. 3-8. Note the contrast in 11. 1.

11. 1 And = But. Note the same order of events in a rod = a sprout: occ. again only in Prov. 14. 3. Note the

Rev. 19 and 20, as in Isa. 10 and 11.

sublime contrast with 10. 33, 34.

stem = stump. Appropriate for Jesse, not David. Branch

= Shoot or Scion. Heb. *nezer*. Nothing to do with "Nazareth". See note on Matt. 2. 23. Not the same

word as in 4. 2; see note there. 2 spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9. Same word as v. 4 "breath";

and v. 15 "wind". the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. rest upon Him. Cp. 61. 1.

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Cause. Ap. 17. 2. understanding = discernment. 3 shall make Him of quick under-

standing. Or, His delight shall be; or, the reverence of Jehovah shall be fragrance to Him. Cp. Gen.

8. 21. Lev. 26. 31. and. Some codices, with two early printed editions, Aram., Sept., and Vulg.,

omit this "and". not judge, &c. Cp. 1 Sam. 16. 7. reprove = administer judgment.

4 poor = impoverished, reduced. Heb. *dal*. See note on "poverty" (Prov. 6. 11). reprove = set

right, or righten. smite. Same word as in v. 15. the earth. Some codices read '*ariz*,

"the oppressor", for *erez*, "the earth". This reading is confirmed by the Structure of the clause (which is

an Introversion):

g		He shall smite the oppressor
h		with the rod of His mouth,
h		and with the blast of His lips
g		shall He slay the lawless one.

This reading ("oppressor", for "the earth") depends on whether the first letter is *Aleph* (א-) or *Ayin* (ע-). If with א the word is '*erez*, earth; and if with ע it is '*ariz*, oppression. These two letters are often interchanged. See notes on Pss. 28. 8 (their); 35. 15 (tear me). Mic. 1. 10 (at all). Hos. 7. 6 (baker sleepeth). The word *gā'al* (to redeem) is spelt with Aleph (א), but it has been mistaken for *gā'al* (to pollute), and is actually so rendered in Ezra 2. 62. Neh. 7. 64. Isa. 59. 3; 63. 3. Lam. 4. 14. Dan. 1. 8. Zeph. 3. 1. Mal. 1. 7; while *gā'al* is properly so rendered in Lev. 26. 11, 15, 30, 43, 44. 2 Sam. 1. 21 (vilely = as polluted). Job 21. 10 (faileth), Jer. 14. 19 (lothed), Ezek. 16. 45. The word "power" is spelt 'ā (with Aleph) in Ps. 76. 7, but 'oz (with Ayin) in 90. 11. See further note on Hos. 7. 6 ("in their lying in wait"). The *Massōrah* contains several lists of words in which these letters are interchanged. See Ginsburg's *Massōrah* (Vol. I, p. 57, letter א, § 514 b, and Vol. II, p. 390, letter ע, §§ 352-360, &c.). breath. Heb. *rūach* = blast, as in Ex. 15. 8; 25. 4; 37. 7. 2 Kings 19. 7. the wicked = the lawless one. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x (sing. not pl.). Cp. 2 Thess. 2. 3.

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6 The °wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together;

k and a °little child shall lead them.

i 7 And the cow and the bear shall feed; their young ones shall lie down together: and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

k 8 And the sucking child shall play on the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the °cockatrice' den.

9 They shall not hurt nor destroy °in all My holy mountain: for the earth °shall be full of °the knowledge of °the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.

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10 And in that day there °shall be a °Root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the °people; to it shall the °Gentiles seek: and His rest shall be °glorious.

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11 And it shall come to pass in that day, that °the LORD* shall set His hand again °the second time to recover the remnant of His People, which shall be left, from Assyria, and from Egypt, and from °Pathros, and from Cush, and from Elam, and from Shinar, and from Hamath, and from the °islands of the sea.

12 And He shall set up an ensign for the nations, and shall °assemble the °outcasts of Israel, and °gather together the °dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth.

m 13 The envy also of °Ephraim shall depart, and the adversaries of Judah shall be cut off: Ephraim shall not envy Judah, and Judah shall not vex Ephraim.

m 14 But they shall °fly upon the shoulders of the Philistines toward the west; they shall spoil °them of the east together: they shall lay their hand upon Edom and °Moab; and the °children of Ammon shall obey them.

l 15 And °the LORD shall utterly destroy the °tongue of the Egyptian sea; and with °His mighty °wind shall He shake His hand over °the river, and shall °smite it in the seven streams, and make men go over °dryshod.

16 And there shall be an °highway for the remnant of His People, which shall be left, from Assyria; °like as it was to Israel °in the day that he came up out of the land of Egypt.

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12 And in that day thou shalt say, "O °LORD, I will praise Thee:

o though Thou wast angry with me, Thine anger is turned away, and Thou comfortedst me.

V 2 Behold, °GOD is my salvation; I will °trust, and not be afraid: for °THE LORD °JEHOVAH is °my strength and my song; he also is become my salvation.

3 Therefore with joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of °salvation."

U n 4 And in that day shall ye say,

o "Praise °the LORD, call upon His name, declare His doings among the °people, make mention that His name is °exalted.

11. 6-9 (T, p. 946). HIS NEW DISPENSATION. (MORAL.) (Alternation.)

T i | 6-. Natural enemies, together.
k | -6. A child not hurt by them.
i | 7. Natural enemies, together.
k | 8, 9. A child not hurt by them.

6 wolf. Fig. Ampliato. Ap. 6.
little child = youth.

8 cockatrice' = viper's. Heb. *zēpha'*. Occurs only here in "former" portion; and in 59. 5 in "latter". Ap. 79. II.

9 in all My holy mountain. This expression occurs in the "former" portion only here and 27. 13, and in the "latter" portion in 56. 7; 57. 13; 65. 25. It is to be distinguished from other expressions in which the word "mountain" occurs.

shall be = shall assuredly become.
the knowledge. This is the sign of the fulness of blessing. See note on 1. 3; cp. 6. 3. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 14. 21). Ap. 92.

11. 11-16 (T, p. 946). HIS NEW DISPENSATION. (POLITICAL.) (Introversion.)

T l | 11, 12. Return of Remnant from Assyria.
m | 13. Result. Adversaries cut off. Internal.
m | 14. Result. Enemies' submission. External.
l | 15, 16. Return of Remnant from Assyria.

10 shall be - shall come to be. Quoted in Rom. 15. 12. Root = sapling. people = peoples.

Gentiles = nations. glorious = glory.

11 the LORD* = Jehovah. One of the 134 places (Ap. 32) where the *Sopherim* changed "Jehovah" (of the primitive text) to "Adonai".

the second time. Ref. to Pent. (the first time being Ex. 15. 16, 17). Ap. 92. Pathros = Upper Egypt.

islands = maritime countries. Heb. *'i*. Occurs in "former" portion, here; 20. 6; 23. 2, 6; 24. 15; and in the "latter" portion, in 40. 15; 41. 1, 5; 42. 4, 10, 12, 15; 49. 1; 51. 5; 59. 18; 60. 9; 66. 19.

12 assemble - gather in.
outcasts . . . dispersed. Note these two words as applied respectively to Israel and Judah: the former, masc.; the latter, fem.

gather together = gather out.

13 Ephraim. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6, for the whole of the ten tribes.

14 fly = flee. them = the sons of.
Moab. See note on 15. 1. children = sons.

15 tongue = gulf.

His mighty = the full force, spirit, or blast, as in v. 4 ("breath"). wind = Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

the river: i.e. the Euphrates.

dryshod. Heb. in shoes.

16 highway. See note on 7. 3.

like as it was. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 14. 22). Ap. 92.
in the day = when. See note on Gen. 2. 17, and Ap. 18.

12. 1-6 (Q, p. 946). PRAISE FOR JEHOVAH'S DELIVERANCE. (Alternations.)

Q U | n | 1-. In that day. Praise.
o | -1. Cause. Expressed in words.
V | 2, 3. Jehovah . . . my song.

U | n | 4-. In that day. Praise.
o | -4. Cause. Expressed in words.
V | 5, 6. Jehovah . . . my song.

1 LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

trust = confide in. Heb. *bāṭaḥ*. Ap. 69. i.

THE LORD. Heb. Jah. Ap. 4. III.

JEHOVAH. One of the four passages where Jehovah is transliterated instead of being translated (Ex. 6. 3, Ps. 83. 18, and Isa. 26. 4). Also one of several words where different type is used. See Ap. 48.

my strength and my song. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 15. 2). Ap. 92.

3 salvation. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 49. 18. Ex. 14. 13; 15. 2. Deut. 32. 15). Ap. 92.

4 people = peoples.

exalted. Cp. 2. 11, 17, "in that day".

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5 °Sing unto¹ the LORD; for He hath done excellent things: this is known in all the earth.

6 Cry out and shout, thou °inhabitant of Zion: for great is °the Holy One of Israel in the midst of thee.'"

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13 The °burden of °Babylon, which °Isaiah the son of Amoz did see.

2 Lift ye up a banner upon the high mountain, exalt the voice unto them, shake the hand, that they may go into the gates of the nobles.

3 I have commanded My °sanctified ones, I have also called My °mighty ones for Mine anger, even °them that rejoice in My highness.

4 The noise of a multitude in the mountains, like as of a great people; a tumultuous noise of the kingdoms of nations gathered together: °the LORD of °hosts mustereth the °host of the battle.

5 They come from a far country, from °the end of heaven, even °the LORD, and the weapons of His indignation, to destroy °the whole land.

C p 6 Howl ye; for °the °day of °the LORD is at hand; it shall come as a °destruction from °the ALMIGHTY.

q 7 Therefore shall all hands be faint, and every °man's heart shall melt:

8 And they shall be afraid: pangs and sorrows shall take hold of them; they shall be in pain as a woman that travaileth: they shall be amazed one at another; their faces shall be °as flames.

p 9 Behold, °the day of °the LORD cometh, °cruel both with wrath and fierce anger, to lay the land desolate: and He shall destroy the sinners thereof out of it.

10 For the stars of heaven and the constellations thereof °shall not give their light: the sun shall be darkened in his going forth, and the moon shall not cause her light to shine.

11 And I will punish °the world for their °evil, and the °wicked for their °iniquity; and I will cause the arrogance of the proud to cease, and will lay low the haughtiness of the terrible.

12 I will make a °man more precious than fine gold; even a °man than the golden wedge of Ophir.

q 13 Therefore I will shake the heavens, and the earth shall remove out of her place, in the wrath of °the LORD of hosts, and in the day of His fierce anger.

14 And it shall be as the chased roe, and as a sheep that no °man taketh up: they shall every °man turn to his own people, and flee every one into his own land.

15 Every one that is found shall be thrust

5 Sing = Sing praise. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 15. 1, 21). Ap. 92. 6 inhabitant = inhabitress. the Holy One of Israel. See note on 1. 4.

13. 1-27. 13 (D, p. 930). BURDENS, AND ISRAEL'S BLESSINGS.

(Introversion and Alternations.)

D	W	Y ¹	13. 1-22. Burden of Babylon. (People, Land.)
			Z ¹ 14. 1-3. Israel. Jehovah's mercy.
		Y ²	14. 4-23. Burden of Babylon. (King.)
			Z ² 14. 24-32. Israel. Jehovah's deliverance.
	X	A ¹ 15. 1-16. 14. Burden. Moab.	
		A ² 17. 1-14. Burden. Damascus.	
		A ³ 18. 1-7. Burden. Ethiopia.	
		A ⁴ 19. 1-20. 6. Burden of Egypt.	
		A ⁵ 21. 1-10. Burden. Desert of Sea.	
		A ⁶ 21. 11, 12. Burden. Dumah.	
	A ⁷ 21. 13-17. Burden. Arabia.		
W	Y ³	22. 1-14. Burden of Valley of Vision.	
		Z ³ 22. 15-25. Israel. Judgment and Mercy.	
	Y ⁴	23. 1-18. Burden of Tyre.	
		Z ⁴ 24. 1-27. 13. Israel. Judgment and Mercy.	

13. 1-14. 32 (W, above). BURDEN: BABYLON AND ISRAEL.

(Repeated and Extended Alternations.)

W	B ¹	13. 1-5. Prophecy. Babylon's destruction.
	C	p 13. 6. The day of Jehovah.
		q 13. 7, 8. Consequences.
		p 13. 9-12. The day of Jehovah.
		q 13. 13-18. Consequences.
	D	13. 19, 20. Depopulation.
	E	13. 21, 22. Devastation.
	B ²	14. 1-3. Prophecy. Israel's restoration.
	C	r 14. 4-8. Oppressor ceased.
		s 14. 9-11. Taunt of dead. Fig.
		r 14. 12-15. Oppressor fallen.
		s 14. 16-20. Taunt of living.
	D	14. 21, 22. Depopulation.
	E	14. 23. Devastation.
	B ³	14. 24-32. Prophecy. Jehovah's purpose concerning both: Assyria, Philistia, and Israel.

1 burden = a prophetic oracle or warning. This begins the fourth great division of the book. See the Structure (p. 930), and above. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 24. 3). Ap. 92.

Babylon. This takes precedence, and stands for Chaldaea generally. It reached its height about 100 years later, under Nabopolassar and his son Nebuchadnezzar. A generation later it was captured by Cyrus and Darius the Mede (see Ap. 57). Babylon was of little importance at this time.

Isaiah. His name given in 1. 1; 2. 1; 7. 3; 13. 1; 20. 2, 3; 37. 2, 5, 6, 21; 38. 1, 4, 21; 39. 3, 5, 8.

3 sanctified ones = separated ones. Here = the armies of the Medes and Persians. Cp. 44. 28; 45. 1. mighty ones = heroes. Heb. *gibbôr*. Ap. 14. IV. them that rejoice in My highness = my proudly exulting ones.

4 the LORD of hosts. See note on 1. 9. hosts ... host. Note Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). Heb. *zēba'ōth* ... *zēbū*.

5 the end of heaven: i.e. from afar. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. the whole land - all the land [of Chaldaea].

6 the day. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for the events (or judgments) which shall take place in it. day of the LORD. See note on 2. 12. Occurs in fifteen other places in O.T.: (v. 9. Ezek. 13. 5. Joel 1. 15; 2. 1, 11, 31; 3. 14. Amos 5. 18, 18, 20. Obad. 15. Zeph. 1. 7, 14, 14. Mal. 4. 5 (total 4 × 4, Ap. 10). destruction ... ALMIGHTY. Note Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). Heb. *kēshod* ... *mishshaddai*. the ALMIGHTY = the All-bountiful One. Heb. *Shaddai* (Ap. 4. VII). Ap. 14. III. 8 as flames = as [faces of] flames darkened. 9 cruel = stern. 10 shall not give their light. Quoted in Matt. 24. 29. Shall not celebrate [Thee]. Cp. Ps. 19. 1-3; 145. 10. Heb. *hālel*. Occurs twice in "former" portion (here and in 38. 18 "celebrate") and four times in "latter" portion (41. 16; 45. 25, "glory"; 62. 9; 64. 11, "praise"). See Ap. 79. II. 11 the world = the habitable world. Heb. *tēbēl*. evil. Heb. *rā'ā*. Ap. 44. viii. wicked = lawless. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x. iniquity. Heb. *āwāh*. Ap. 44. iv. 12 man. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I. 14 man. Heb. *īsh*. Ap. 14. II.

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through; and every one that is joined *unto* them shall fall by the sword.

16 Their °children also shall be dashed to pieces before their eyes; their houses shall be spoiled, and their wives ravished.

17 Behold, I will stir up the °Medes against them, which shall not regard silver; and as for gold, they shall not delight in it.

18 Their bows also shall dash the young men to pieces; and they shall have no pity on the fruit of the womb; °their °eye shall not spare °children.

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19 And Babylon, the glory of kingdoms, the beauty of the Chaldees' excellency, shall be °as when °God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah.

20 It shall °never be inhabited, neither shall it be dwelt in from generation to generation: neither shall the Arabian pitch tent there; neither shall the shepherds make their fold there.

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21 But wild beasts of the desert shall lie there; and their houses shall be full of °doleful creatures; and owls shall dwell there, and °satyrs shall dance there.

22 And °the wild beasts of the islands shall cry in their desolate houses, and °dragons in their pleasant palaces: and her time is near to come, and her days shall not be prolonged.

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14 For °the LORD will °have mercy on Jacob, and will yet °choose Israel, and °set them in their own °land: and the °strangers shall be joined with them, and they shall cleave to °the house of Jacob.

2 And °the people shall take them, and bring them to °their place: and °the house of Israel shall °possess them in the land of °the LORD for servants and handmaids: and they shall take them captives, whose captives they were; and they shall rule over their °oppressors.

3 And it shall come to pass in the day that °the LORD shall give thee rest from thy sorrow, and from thy fear, and from the hard bondage wherein thou wast made to serve,

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4 That thou shalt °take up this °proverb against the °king of Babylon, and say, °“How hath the oppressor ceased! the °golden city ceased!

5 °The LORD hath broken the staff of the °wicked, and the sceptre of the rulers.

6 He who smote °the people in wrath with a °continual stroke, he that °ruled the nations in anger, °is persecuted, and none hindereth.

7 The whole earth is at rest, and is quiet: they °break forth into singing.

8 Yea, the °fir trees °rejoice at thee, and °the cedars of Lebanon, saying, ‘Since thou art °laid down, no feller is come up against us.’

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9 °Hell from beneath is moved for thee to meet thee at thy coming: it stirreth up the °dead for thee, even all the chief ones of the earth; it hath raised up from their thrones all the kings of the nations.

10 All they shall °speak and °say unto thee, ‘Art thou also become weak as we? art thou become like unto us?’

11 Thy pomp is brought down to °the grave, and the noise of thy viols: the °worm is spread under thee, and the worms °cover thee.

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12 ‘How art thou fallen from heaven, O °Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou

16 children = babes.

17 Medes. Here only “Medes”. In 21. 2, “Persians and Medes.” In 45. 1 Cyrus named. The order is chronological.

18 their. Some codices, with two early printed editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read “and their”. eye shall not spare. Fig. *Prosopopœia*. Ap. 6. children = sons.

19 as when God, &c. Ref. to Pent. See note on 1. 9. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

20 never. See note on 25. 8.

never be inhabited. Cp. 14. 4-23; 15. 6, 7; 21. 9; 34. 11; 46. 1; 47. 1-11. Jer. 25. 12-14; 50. 1-46; 51. 1-64.

21 doleful creatures. Probably hyenas.

satyrs = goat-shaped demons worshipped by the Seirites (Edom). Cp. Lev. 17. 7. 2 Chron. 11. 15; 25. 14.

22 the wild beasts = jackals.

dragons, or wild dogs.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

have mercy. Note the Structure (B², p. 948).

choose. See note on 1. 29.

set them = make them rest. Cp. v. 3.

land = soil.

strangers = sojourners, foreign proselytes. Isaiah sees far beyond the Captivity. Heb. *gûr*. See note on 5. 17. Thus, the mention of strangers is not confined to latter part of Isaiah as alleged by some. See Ap. 79. II.

the house of Jacob. See note on 2. 5.

2 the people = peoples.

their place = their own place. See 49. 22; 60. 9; 66. 20.

the house of Israel. See note on 5. 7.

possess them. For servants and handmaids. This is to be fulfilled at a later day: still future (49. 23; 60. 9-14; 61. 5).

oppressors. Cp. 60. 14.

4 take up this proverb. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 23. 7, 24; 24. 3, 15, 20, 21, 23). Elsewhere only in Mic. 2. 4. Hab. 2. 6, and Job 27. 1; 29. 1.

proverb = triumph-song.

king of Babylon. Fig. *Polyonymia* (Ap. 6). One of the names for the Antichrist. See note on Dan. 7. 8.

How . . . ! Fig. *Chleusmos*. Ap. 6.

golden city: or exactress of gold. Some, by reading 7 (= R) for 7 (= D) read “oppression”.

5 wicked = lawless ones (pl.). Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

6 continual = unremitting.

ruled the nations = trod down nations.

is persecuted, and none hindereth = with an un-sparing persecution.

7 break forth into singing. This word (Heb. *pāzah*) occurs once in the “former” portion (here), and five times in the “latter” portion (44. 23; 49. 13; 52. 9; 54. 1; 55. 12). See Ap. 92.

8 fir trees. Cp. 37. 24; 41. 19; 55. 13; 60. 13.

rejoice. Fig. *Prosopopœia*. Ap. 6.

the cedars of Lebanon, saying, &c. It refers to Nebuchadnezzar's and Esar-haddon's cutting down, as recorded in their *Inscriptions*, p. 58 (published by Oppert, Paris, 1865). They tell how they “brought the greatest trees from the summits of Lebanon to Babylon”. Nebuchadnezzar moreover boasts that he will do it in his message to Hezekiah (37. 28. See Ap. 67, p. 98).

laid down = laid low.

9 Hell = the grave. Heb. *Sheōl*. Ap. 35.

dead = *Rephaim*. See Ap. 28 and 25. Cp. 26. 14, 19.

10 speak . . . say. Fig. *Prosopopœia* (Ap. 6), by which the dead are represented as speaking.

11 the grave. Heb. *Sheōl*. Ap. 35. Same word as “hell”, vv. 9 and 15.

worm. This shows the meaning to be given to Heb. “*Sheōl*” in vv. 9, 15; as worms are *material*, not *spirit*. Cp. 66. 24. Mark 9. 44, 46, 48.

cover thee = are thy coverlet.

12 Lucifer = Morning - star. Worshipped by the Assyrians as male at sunrise, female at sunset. A name of Satan.

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cut down to the ground, which didst ° weaken the nations!

13 ° For thou ° hast said in thine heart, 'I will ° ascend into ° heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of ° GOD: I will sit also upon the ° mount of the congregation, in the ° sides of ° the north:

14 I will ascend above the heights ° of the clouds; I will be like ° the MOST HIGH.'

15 Yet thou shalt be brought down to ° hell, to the ° sides of the pit.

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16 They that see thee shall narrowly look upon thee, and consider thee, saying, ° 'Is this the ° man that made the earth to ° tremble, that did shake kingdoms;

17 That made the ° world as a wilderness, and destroyed the cities thereof; that ° opened not the house of his prisoners?'

18 All the kings of the nations, even all of them, ° lie in ° glory, every one in his own ° house.

19 But thou art ° cast out of thy ° grave like an ° abominable branch, and as the raiment of those that are slain, thrust through with a sword, ° that go down ° to the ° stones of the ° pit; as a carcase trodden under feet.

20 Thou shalt not be joined with them in burial, because thou hast destroyed thy land, and slain thy people: the seed of evildoers shall never be renowned.

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21 Prepare ° slaughter for his ° children ° for the ° iniquity of their fathers; that they do not rise, nor possess the land, nor fill the ° face of the world with ° cities."

22 "For I will rise up against them," saith ° the LORD of hosts, "and cut off from Babylon the ° name, and remnant, ° and ° son, and ° nephew," saith ° the LORD.

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23 "I will also make it a possession for the bittern, and pools of water: and I will sweep it with the besom of destruction," saith ° the LORD of hosts.

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24 ° The LORD of hosts ° hath sworn, saying, "Surely ° as I have ° thought, so shall it come to pass; and as I have purposed, so shall it stand:

25 That I will ° break ° the Assyrian in My land, and upon My mountains tread him under foot: then shall his ° yoke depart from off them, and his burden depart from off their shoulders.

26 This is the ° purpose that is purposed upon the whole earth: and this is the hand that is ° stretched out upon all the nations.

27 For ° the LORD of hosts hath ° purposed, and who shall disannul it? and His hand is ° stretched out, and who shall turn it back? "

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28 In the year that ° king Ahaz died was this ° burden.

29 ° Rejoice not thou, whole ° Palestina, because the rod of ° him that smote thee is broken: ° for out of the serpent's root shall come forth a ° cockatrice, and his fruit shall be a fiery flying serpent.

30 And the ° firstborn of the poor shall feed, and the needy shall lie down in safety: and I will kill thy root with famine, and he shall slay thy remnant.

weaken = subdue.

13 For = And.

ascend = mount up.

GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

mount of the congregation. Not Zion, but the Divine assembly of judgment. Cp. Pss. 75. 2; 82. 1. Ezek. 28. 12-14.

sides = recesses. Same word as in v. 15; 37. 24, and 1 Sam. 24. 3. Ezek. 32. 23.

the north. This helps us to localize the dwelling place of God. No "Semitic conception", but Divine revelation of Him Who knows what Satan "said in his heart". Cp. Ps. 75. 6. Job 26. 7.

14 of = that is to say. Genitive of Apposition. Ap. 17. 4. the MOST HIGH. Heb. Elyon. Ap. 4. VI.

16 Is this the man . . . ? Fig. Dialogismos. Ap. 6. man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

tremble = quake, forming the Fig. Paronomasia (Ap. 6), with "shake."

17 world = the habitable world. Heb. tēbel.

opened not the house of = loosed not.

18 lie = sleep. Heb. shakab. So rendered twelve times in O.T. glory = state or honour.

house = burial-house, or mausoleum. 1 Kings 2. 10, 34. 1 Sam. 25. 1; 28. 3. Ecc. 12. 5.

19 cast out = flung out: out, or far away.

grave = sepulchre. Heb. keber. See Ap. 35.

abominable branch = a detested or despised scion, that go down, &c. As those that go down . . . as, &c. to. One school of Massorites reads "upon", another reads "up to".

stones. Cast upon those who were buried. No word has "evidently dropped out" of v. 20; for v. 19 does state that they were buried, but he was not.

pit = a rock-hewn buryingplace, as in Pss. 28. 1; 30. 3; 88. 5. Heb. bōr. See note on Gen. 21. 19, showing the sense in which we are to understand Sheol in vv. 11, 15. Cp. English word "bore." Heb. bōr is rendered cistern, four times; dungeon, thirteen; fountain, one; well, nine; pit, thirty-nine times.

21 slaughter = a slaughter-house, or, instruments of slaughter. Heb. maibēah. Occurs only here.

children = sons.

for the iniquity of their fathers. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 20. 5). Ap. 92.

iniquity. Heb. 'āvāh. Ap. 44. iv.

face = surface.

cities. The triumph-song which began in v. 4 ends here.

22 the LORD of hosts. See note on 1. 9. 1 Sam. 1. 3. name and remnant. Note the Fig. Homœopropheron (Ap. 6) in this sentence and the next: "renown and remnant, scion and seed".

and. Some codices, with two early printed editions, omit this "and".

son, and nephew = scion and seed, or, son and son's son.

24 hath sworn. Fig. Deasis. Ap. 6. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 1. 8; 2. 14; 4. 31, &c.). In Isaiah it occurs again: 45. 23; 54. 9; 62. 8. See Ap. 79. II.

as = according as. Cp. 46. 10, 11. Job 23. 13. Pss. 33. 9, 10; 92. 5. Prov. 19. 21; 21. 30. Lam. 3. 37. Matt. 11. 25. Acts 4. 28. Eph. 1. 9.

thought = intended.

25 break . . . yoke. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 27. 40).

the Assyrian. Another name for the Antichrist. See note on Dan. 7. 8.

26 purpose . . . hand. Note the Alternation of these two words in vv. 26 and 27.

stretched out: i.e. in judgment.

28 king Ahaz died. Cp. 6. 1.

burden = rod: i.e. Babylon.

29 Rejoice not thou: i.e. at the death of Ahaz, and because the Davidic dominion was broken by the Syro-Ephraimitic war. Palestina = Philistia.

him = the Davidic power.

for out of the serpent's root, &c. That was how

30 firstborn of the poor = the poorest of the poor. This looks forward to the fulfilment by Messiah (v. 32).

Philistia regarded Judah and Ahaz.

cockatrice = viper (see note on 11. 8), which they would find in his

son Hezekiah in the immediate future (2 Kings 18. 8).

Heb. idiom. Heb. dāl, impoverished, reduced. See 11. 4. This looks forward to the fulfilment by Messiah (v. 32).

616 31 Howl, O °gate; cry, O °city; thou, whole
 29 Palestina, *art* dissolved: for there shall come
 from the north a smoke, and °none shall be
 alone °in his appointed times.

32 What shall °one then answer the messen-
 gers of °the nation? °That °the LORD hath
 founded Zion, and °the poor of His People
 shall °trust in it.

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15 The °burden of °Moab. °Because in the
 night °Ar of Moab is °laid waste, and
 °brought to silence; because in the night °Kir
 of Moab is laid waste, and °brought to silence;

G¹ t¹ 2 °He is gone up to °Bajith, and to °Dibon,
 the high places, to weep: Moab shall howl
 over °Nebo, and over °Medeba: on all their
 heads shall be baldness, and every beard cut off.

3 In °their streets they shall gird themselves
 with sackcloth: on the tops of °their houses,
 and in °their °streets, every one shall howl,
 °weeping abundantly.

4 And °Heshbon shall °cry, and °Elealeh:
 their voice shall be heard even unto °Jahaz:
 therefore the °armed soldiers of Moab shall
 °cry out; his °life shall be °grievous unto him.

5 My heart shall °cry out for Moab; his fugi-
 tives shall flee unto °Zoar, °an heifer of three
 years old: for by the °mounting up of °Luhith
 with weeping shall they go it up; for in the
 way of °Horonaim they shall raise up a °cry
 of destruction.

u¹ 6 For the waters of °Nimrim shall be °deso-
 late: for the hay is withered away, the grass
 faileth, there is no green thing.

7 Therefore the abundance they have gotten,
 and that which they have laid up, shall they
 carry away to the °brook of the willows.

t² 8 For the cry is gone round about the borders
 of Moab; the howling thereof unto °Eglaim,
 and the howling thereof unto Beer-elim.

u² 9 For the waters of °Dimon shall be full of
 °blood: for I will bring °more upon °Dimon,
 °lions upon him that escapeth of Moab, and
 upon the remnant of the land.

G² t³ 16 Send ye the °lamb °to the ruler of the
 land from °Sela to the wilderness, unto
 the mount of the daughter of Zion.

u³ 2 For it shall be, *that*, as a wandering bird
 °cast out of the nest, so the daughters of Moab
 shall °be at the fords of Arnon.

t⁴ 3 °Take counsel, °execute judgment; make
 thy shadow as the night in the midst of the
 noonday; hide the outcasts; bewray not him
 that wandereth.

Deut. 34. 3. Jer. 48. 34. an heifer = [flee] like an heifer, &c. Cp. Jer. 48. 34. mounting up =
 ascent. Luhith. Now Tel'at el Heith; one mile west of Mount Nebo. Cp. Jer. 48. 5. Horonaim.
 Not identified; probably Wady Ghueir. 6 Nimrim. Probably Wady Nimrim, near south end of
 Dead Sea. desolate = desolations. 7 brook of the willows: or valley of the Arabians. Probably
 the Wady-el-Ahsy separating Kerek from Djebel, or the brook Zered of Deut. 2. 13, 14. 8 Eglaim.
 Not identified; probably the En-eglaim of Ezek. 47. 10. 9 Dimon. Probably Umm Deineh, east of the
 Dead Sea. Dimon . . . blood. Note Fig. Paronomasia (Ap. 6). Heb. Dimon . . . dām. more =
 more [howlings]. lions = a lion. Put by Fig. Synecdoche (of Species), Ap. 6, for all wild beasts.

16. 1 lamb = tribute lamb. to the ruler = of the ruler: i.e. Judah, as Mesha king of Moab had done
 (2 Kings 3. 4). Sela. Now Petra (so called by the Romans) in Mount Seir, near Mount Hor (2 Kings
 14. 7). 2 cast out, &c. = a forsaken nest. be = become. 3 Take counsel = Bring
 advice. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "Bring thou counsel".
 execute judgment = perform an arbitrator's duty. Heb. p'ililah. Occurs only here. Some codices, with
 seven early printed editions, Aram., Sept., Syr. and Vulg., read "execute thou".

31 gate . . . city. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Subject),
 Ap. 6, for the people in them.

none shall be alone = there shall be no stragglers.
 in = at.

32 one then answer = what report shall the mes-
 sengers or ambassadors of the nations take back?
 the nation = a nation.

That, &c. This is the report.

the poor = oppressed ones. Heb. 'ānī. See note on
 Prov. 6. 11.

trust in it = flee for refuge to it. Heb. ḥāṣāh. Ap. 69. ii.

15. 1-16. 14 (A¹, p. 948). THE BURDEN OF
 MOAB. (Introversion and Alternations.)

A¹ F | 15. 1. Past. Devastation of Moab.

G¹ t¹ | 15. 2-5. Moab. Cry.

u¹ | 15. 6, 7. Reason.

t² | 15. 8. Moab. Cry.

u² | 15. 9. Reason.

G² t³ | 16. 1. Moab. Advice.

u³ | 16. 2. Reason.

t⁴ | 16. 3, 4. Moab. Advice.

u⁴ | 16. 4, 5. Reason.

G³ t⁵ | 16. 6. Moab. Pride.

u⁵ | 16. 7, 8. Result.

u⁶ | 16. 9-11. Result.

t⁶ | 16. 12. Moab. Pride.

F | 16. 13, 14. Future. Enfeeblement of Moab.

1 burden. The first of the seven burdens (see D,
 p. 930). Because = Surely.

Moab. Had been subdued by Saul (1 Sam. 14. 47)
 and David (2 Sam. 8. 2); and paid tribute to Ahab
 (2 Kings 1. 1; 3. 4, 5); Jehoshaphat gained victories
 (2 Chron. 20. 1-30, and 2 Kings 3. 4-27). Tiglath-pileser
 carried away tribes east of Jordan, and received tri-
 bute from Moab as well as from Ahaz (2 Kings 16. 10).

Ar = Rabbah (Num. 21. 28; Deut. 2. 9, 18, 29).

laid wastē . . . brought, &c. Note the Alternation
 in this verse.

brought to silence = cut off or destroyed. Cp. Hos.
 4. 6; 10. 7, 15.

Kir. Now Kirak, east of south end of Dead Sea.

2 He: i.e. Moab. Bajith. Not identified.

Dibon. Now Dhībān. Num. 21. 30; 32. 3, 34; 33. 46,
 46. Josh. 18. 9, 17. Jer. 48. 18, 22.

Nebo. Now Jebel Neba in Moab, overlooking the
 Jordan Valley.

Medeba. Same name to-day. Cp. Num. 21. 30. Josh.
 13. 9, 16. 1 Chron. 19. 7.

3 their streets = his (i.e. Moab's) open streets.

weeping abundantly = coming down with weeping.

4 Heshbon. Now Heshbān. The capital of the Amor-
 ites. Rebuilt by Reuben (Num. 32. 37).

cry = cry in pain.

Elealeh. Now el'Al, near Heshbon. Cp. 16. 9. Num.
 32. 3, 37. Jer. 48. 34.

Jahaz. Not identified. Num. 21. 23. Deut. 2. 32.
 Judg. 11. 20.

armed soldiers = light-armed troopers.

cry out = shout for joy.

life = soul. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13.

grievous unto him = vexed within him.

5 Zoar. Now (probably) Tell esh Shaghūr. Original
 name was Bela (Gen. 13. 10; 14. 2, 8; 19. 22, 23, 30.

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4 ° Let Mine outcasts ° dwell with thee, Moab ; be thou a covert to them from the face of ° the spoiler :

u⁴ (p. 951) for the ° extortioner is at an end, the spoiler ceaseth, the ° oppressors are consumed out of the land.

5 And ° in ° mercy shall the throne be established : and He shall sit upon it ° in truth in the tabernacle of David, judging, and seeking judgment, and ° hasting righteousness.

G⁸ t⁵ 6 ° We have heard of the pride of Moab ; he is very proud : even of his haughtiness, and his pride, and his wrath : but ° his lies shall not be so.

u⁵ 7 Therefore shall Moab howl for Moab, every one shall howl : for the foundations of ° Kir-hareseth shall ye mourn ; surely they are ° stricken.

8 For ° the fields of ° Heshbon ° languish, ° and ° the vine of ° Sibmah : the ° lords of the ° heathen have broken down the principal plants thereof, they are come even unto ° Jazer, they ° wandered through the wilderness : her branches are stretched out, they are gone over the sea.

u⁶ 9 Therefore I will bewail with the weeping of ° Jazer the vine of ° Sibmah : I will ° water thee with My tears, O ° Heshbon, and ° Elealeh : for ° the shouting for thy summer fruits and for thy harvest is fallen.

10 And gladness is taken away, and joy out of the ° plentiful field ; and in the vineyards there shall be no singing, neither shall there be shouting : the treaders shall tread out no ° wine in their ° presses ; I have made their vintage shouting to cease.

11 Wherefore My bowels shall ° sound like an harp for Moab, and Mine inward parts for ° Kir-harsh.

t⁶ 12 And it shall come to pass, when it is seen that Moab is weary ° on the high place, that he shall come to his sanctuary to pray ; but he shall not ° prevail.

F 13 This is the word that ° the LORD hath spoken concerning Moab since that time.

14 But now ° the LORD hath spoken, saying, ° " Within ° three years, as the years of an hireling, and the glory of Moab shall be ° contemned, with all that great multitude ; and the remnant shall be very ° small and ° feeble."

A² H a (p. 952)

17 The ° burden of ° Damascus. " Behold, Damascus ° is taken away from being a ° city, and it shall be a ruinous ° heap.

b 2 The ° cities of ° Aroer are ° forsaken : they shall be for flocks, which shall lie down, and none shall make them afraid.

3 The fortress also shall cease from Ephraim, and the kingdom from Damascus, and the remnant of Syria : they shall be as the glory of the ° children of Israel," saith ° the LORD of hosts.

K c 4 " And in that day it shall come to pass, that the glory of Jacob shall ° be made thin, and the fatness of his flesh shall wax lean.

p. 980). Damascus. The capital of Syria.

pileser, king of Assyria, and the slaughter of Rezin (632 B.C.). See 2 Kings 16. 9, and 7. 9, 16, above. city . . . heap. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). Heb. *mē'ir* . . . *mē'i*. 2 cities of Aroer. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). Heb. *'ārey 'āro'ēr*. Aroer. There were three other cities of that name forsaken. See note on 1. 4. 3 children = sons. the LORD of hosts. See note on 1. 9. 4 be = become.

4 Let Mine outcasts, &c. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., and Syr., read " Let the outcasts ", &c. dwell = sojourn. Cp. 1 Sam. 22. 3, 4. the spoiler : i.e. Sennacherib.

extortioner. Heb. *māz*. Occurs only here. oppressors = treaders down. Heb. *rāmas*. Occurs only here.

5 in mercy. The burden goes beyond the immediate future to the ultimate future.

mercy = lovingkindness, or grace.

in truth. See note on 10. 20.

hasting righteousness = prompt in equity. Cp. 46. 13.

6 We. Cp. 6. 8. Gen. 1. 26.

his lies shall not be so = his resources do not correspond.

7 Kir-hareseth. Some codices read " Kir-harasheth ". Cp. 15. 1.

stricken = worn away. Heb. *nākā'*. Occurs only here.

8 the fields = [as to] the fields. Cp. Deut. 32. 32.

2 Kings 23. 4. Jer. 31. 40 (feminine).

Heshbon. Cp. 15. 4.

languish = he [Moab] hath enfeebled.

and = supply [as to] and omit the colon.

the vine of Sibmah = Sibmah's vine.

Sibmah. Probably *Sūmia*, on the east of Jordan, two and a half miles west of Heshbon (Josh. 13. 19. Jer. 48. 32).

lords. Probably plural of Majesty for " great lord of the nations ", a title claimed by the kings of Assyria.

heathen = nations.

Jazer. Probably *Beit Zer'ah*, on the east of Jordan (Num. 32. 1. Josh. 13. 25 ; 21. 39. 2 Sam. 24. 5. 1 Chron. 6. 81 ; 26. 31. Jer. 48. 32).

wandered through : or, strayed into.

9 water thee = make thee drunk.

Elealeh. See note on 15. 4.

the shouting for thy summer fruits and for thy harvest is fallen = on thy summer fruits and thy harvest a war-cry hath fallen.

10 plentiful = fruitful.

wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. I.

presses = wine-vat. Heb. *yeḡeb*, not *gath*. See note on 5. 2.

11 sound = make a plaintive sound. Note the Fig.

Paronomasia (Ap. 6). Heb. *v'kirbi Kir*.

Kir-harsh. See note on 15. 1.

12 on. Some codices, with two early printed editions, read " unto " : weary with climbing up to. Cp. 15. 2. prevail = obtain anything.

13 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

14 Within. Some codices, with two early printed editions, read " about ".

three years. From the death of Ahaz.

contemned = brought low.

small = few.

feeble = small.

17. 1-14 (A², p. 948). BURDEN OF DAMASCUS. (*Introversion and Alternation.*)

A² H | a | 1. Ruin of Damascus.

b | 2, 3. Other cities.

J | K | c | 4, 5. Diminution.

d | 6. The remnant.

L | 7, 8. God. Looking unto Him.

J | K | d | 9-. The remnant.

c | -9. Desolation.

L | 10. God. Not looking unto Him.

H | a | 11. Ruin of Damascus.

b | 12-14. Other peoples.

1 burden. The second of the seven burdens (see D, is taken away = is swept away. This was by Tiglath-pileser . . . heap. See 2 Kings 16. 9, and 7. 9, 16, above.

2 cities of Aroer. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). Heb. *mē'ir* . . . *mē'i*. Aroer. There were three other cities of that name forsaken. See note on 1. 4.

3 children = sons. the LORD of hosts. See note on 1. 9.

4 be = become.

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5 And °it shall °be as when the harvestman gathereth the corn, and reapeth the ears with his arm; and °it shall be as he that gathereth ears in the valley of °Rephaim.

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6 Yet gleanings grapes shall be left in it, as the shaking of an olive tree, two or three berries in the top of the uppermost bough, four or five in the outmost fruitful branches thereof, °saith °the LORD °God of Israel.

L

7 At that day shall °a man °look to his Maker, and his eyes shall °have respect to °the Holy One of Israel.

8 And he shall not look to the altars, the work of his hands, neither shall respect *that* which his fingers have made, either °the groves, or the °images.

J K d

9 In that day shall his strong cities °be as a °forsaken bough, and an uppermost branch, which they left because of the °children of Israel:

c

and there shall be °desolation.

L

10 Because thou hast forgotten the °God of thy salvation, and hast not been mindful of the °Rock of thy strength, therefore shalt thou plant °pleasant plants, and shalt set it with °strange slips:

H a

11 °In the day shalt thou make thy plant to grow, and in the morning shalt thou make thy seed to flourish: *but* the harvest *shall be* a heap in the day of grief and of desperate sorrow.

b

12 Woe to the multitude of many °people, which make a noise like the °noise of the seas; and to the °rushing of nations, *that* make a °rushing like the °rushing of mighty waters!

13 The nations shall °rush like the °rushing of many waters: but °God shall rebuke them, and they shall flee far off, and shall be chased as the °chaff of the mountains before the °wind, and like °a rolling thing before the whirlwind.

14 And behold at eveningtide °trouble; and before the morning °he is not. This *is* the portion of them that spoil us, and the lot of them that rob us.

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18 °Woe to the °land °shadowing with wings, which *is* °beyond the rivers of Ethiopia:

2 That sendeth ambassadors by °the sea, even in vessels of °bulrushes upon the waters, *saying*, "Go, ye swift messengers, to a nation °scattered and peeled, to a people °terrible from their beginning hitherto; a nation meted out and trodden down, °whose land the rivers have spoiled!"

f

3 All ye inhabitants of the world, and dwellers on the earth, see ye, when °He lifteth up an ensign on the mountains; and when °He bloweth a trumpet, hear ye.

N

4 For so °the LORD said unto me, "I will take My rest, and I will consider in My dwelling place like a clear heat upon herbs, *and* like a °cloud of dew in the heat of harvest."

N

5 For afore the harvest, when the bud is perfect, and the sour grape is ripening in the flower, he shall both cut off the sprigs with

5 it: i.e. Jacob's glory (v. 4).

it: i.e. Jacob's fatness (v. 4).

Rephaim. South-west of Jerusalem. So called after one "Rapha", a mighty one among the descendants of the *Nephilim*, as Anak was, who gave his name to another branch. See Ap. 23 and 25.

6 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

the LORD God of Israel. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 32. 27. Cp. Josh. 9. 18, 19; 10. 40, 42, &c.). See note on 29. 23 and Ap. 92.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

God of Israel. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 24. 10. Num. 16. 9). Occurs in latter part of Isaiah (41. 17; 45. 3; 48. 2). See Ap. 79. II and 92.

7 a man = Lit. the man. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.

look = have an eye unto.

have respect = have regard. Note the Alternation in vv. 7, 8: "look" and "have respect", the Holy One of Israel. See note on 1. 4.

8 the groves = the *Ashērahs*. See Ap. 42. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 34. 13. Deut. 7. 5; 12. 3; 16. 21). Ap. 79. II. images = sun images. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 30); both mentioned again (27. 9). Ap. 92.

9 desolation. See note on 1. 7.

10 Rock. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 13). Ap. 92.

pleasant plants. Probably = plantings of Adonis. strange slips: or slips of a strange [God].

11 In the day = By day.

12 people = peoples. noise = booming, or roaring. rushing. Note the Fig. *Repetitio* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

13 God = One. chaff = dried grass.

wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

a rolling thing = a *galgal*. See note on Ps. 88. 13.

14 trouble = consternation.

he is not: or, he is no more. Some codices, with two early printed editions, Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "and he is no more".

18. 1-7 (A³, p. 948). BURDEN OF ETHIOPIA.

(Introversion and Alternation.)

A³ M | e | 1, 2. Israel. Spoiling.

f | 3. Zion. Jehovah's ensign.

N | 4. Jehovah's withdrawal. Cause of recall.

N | 5, 6. Jehovah's act. Cause of spoiling.

M | e | 7-. Israel. Present to Jehovah.

f | -7. Zion. Mount of Jehovah's name.

1 Woe = Ho! The third of the seven burdens (see D, p. 930).

land . . . beyond: i.e. land . . . beyond Abyssinia.

shadowing with wings - of the rustling *zalzal* (from *zalal*, to tinkle, cp. Deut. 28. 42). Occurs only in Job 41. 7 (spears). 2 Sam. 6. 5 (cymbals). Ps. 150. 5 (cymbals). See note on 1 Chron. 13. 8.

2 the sea = the Nile. So called by the inhabitants of the Sudan to-day.

bulrushes = reeds. Not the papyrus, but its companion reed, the *ambach*, which reaches a height of fifteen feet and has yellow flowers. Ref. to Pent. Only here, 35. 7; Ex. 2. 3; and Job 8. 11. Ap. 79. II.

scattered and peeled = "tall and smooth-faced", as Professor Sayce describes them.

terrible. They formed the armies of "So" or Shabaka, and are the backbone of the Anglo-Egyptian army (see *Records of the Past*, vol. vii, part iv).

whose land the rivers have spoiled: i.e. the "sudd" or swamps (hence Sudan). The Dinka and Shilluk negroes live on the floating cakes of sudd.

3 He = Jehovah. See Structure, above.

4 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

cloud of dew = summer night mist. Heb. 'āb. Not a rain-cloud, which latter is never seen in harvest. Eight times rendered "thick clouds".

6 left. See note on "forsaken" (1. 4).

fowls . . . beasts. Note the Alternation.

pruning hooks, and take away *and* cut down the branches.

6 They shall be °left together unto the °fowls

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of the mountains, and to the °beasts of the earth: and the fowls shall summer upon them, and all the beasts of the earth shall winter upon them.

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7 In that time shall the °present be brought unto °the LORD of hosts of a people °scattered and peeled, and from a people °terrible from their beginning hitherto; a nation meted out and trodden under foot, whose land the rivers have spoiled,

f to the place of °the name of °the LORD of hosts, the mount Zion."

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19 The °burden of Egypt. "Behold, °the LORD °rideth upon a swift cloud, and shall come into Egypt: and the idols of Egypt shall be moved at His presence, and the heart of Egypt shall melt in the midst of it.

h 2 And I will °set the Egyptians against the Egyptians: and they shall fight °every one against his brother, and every one against his neighbour; city against city, and kingdom against kingdom.

g 3 And the °spirit of Egypt shall fail in the midst thereof; and I will destroy the counsel thereof: and they shall seek to the °idols, and to the °charmners, and to them that have °familiar spirits, and to the wizards.

h 4 And the Egyptians will I give over into the hand of a °cruel lord; and a fierce king shall rule over them," saith °THE Lord, °the LORD of hosts.

P i 5 "And the waters shall °fail from the sea, and °the river shall be wasted and dried up.

6 And °they shall turn the rivers far away; and the °brooks of defence shall be °emptied and dried up: the reeds and flags shall wither.

k 7 The °paper reeds by the °brooks, by the mouth of the °brooks, and every thing sown by the °brooks, shall °wither, be driven away, °and be no more.

i 8 The fishers also shall °mourn, and all they that cast angle into the °brooks shall lament, and they that spread nets upon the waters shall languish.

k 9 Moreover they that work in fine flax, and they that °weave networks, shall be confounded.

10 And they shall be broken in the °purposes thereof, all that °make sluices and ponds for °fish.

Q i 11 Surely the princes of °Zoan are °fools, the counsel of the wise counsellors of Pharaoh is become brutish:

m how say ye unto Pharaoh, 'I am the son of the wise, the son of ancient kings?'

12 Where are they? where are thy wise men? and let them tell thee now, and let them know what °the LORD of hosts hath purposed upon Egypt.

l 13 The princes of °Zoan are become fools, the princes of Noph are deceived; they have also seduced Egypt, even they that are the stay of the tribes thereof.

14 °The LORD hath mingled a perverse °spirit

7 present. Heb. *shai*, because of being conveyed. Only here, and Ps. 68. 29; 76. 11.
the LORD of hosts. See note on 1. 9.
the name. See note on Ps. 20. 1.

19. 1-20. 6 (*A⁴*, p. 948). BURDEN OF EGYPT. (*Introversion.*)

A⁴ O | 19. 1-4. Confusion. Assyria.

P | 19. 5-10. Desolation.

Q | 19. 11-17. The Lord of hosts. The cause.

P | 19. 18-25. Healing.

O | 20. 1-6. Captivity. Assyria.

19. 1-4 (O, above). CONFUSION. (*Alternation.*)

O | g | 1. Idols, &c.

h | 2. War. Civil.

g | 3. Idols, &c.

h | 4. War. Foreign.

1 burden. The fourth of the seven burdens (see *D*, p. 980). the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II. rideth. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

2 set the Egyptians, &c. Referring to the anarchy consequent on the defeat of Egypt by Sargon (688 B.C.). every one. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

3 spirit. Heb. *rûach*. Ap. 9.

idols. See note on 2. 8.

charmners. Heb. *'ittim* = mutterers. Occurs only here. familiar spirits. See note on Lev. 19. 31. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 20. 6, 27; Deut. 18. 11, &c.). Ap. 92.

4 cruel lord. Sing. adjective with pl. noun = the lord of the nations, as the kings of Assyria called themselves.

THE Lord = the *'Adôn*. Ap. 4. VIII (1).

the LORD of hosts. See note on 1. 9.

19. 5-10 (P, above). DESOLATION. (*Alternation.*)

P | i | 5, 6. Waters.

k | 7. Vegetation.

i | 8. Waters. Fishers in them.

k | 9, 10. Vegetation. Workers therein.

} Things.

} Persons.

5 fail = be dried up. Heb. *nāshath*. Occurs only here in "former" portion, and only in 41. 17 in the "latter" portion. Elsewhere only in Jer. 51. 30. Ap. 79. II.

the river: i.e. the Nile.

6 they shall turn, &c. = the arms of the river shall stink.

brooks = canals of *Matzor*: i.e. Egypt. See note on 7. 18.

7 paper reeds = meadows. Occurs only here.

wither = be dried up.

and be no more: or, and disappear.

8 mourn. See note on 3. 26.

9 weave. Occurs in the "former" portion only here, and in 38. 12; and in the "latter" portion only in 59. 5. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 28. 32; 35. 35; 39. 22). Ap. 92.

10 purposes: or, foundations. Cp. Ps. 11. 3.

make sluices . . . fish: or, work for wages shall be grieved in soul.

fish = souls. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. A.V. marg., "living things".

19. 11-17 (Q, above). THE CAUSE: THE LORD OF HOSTS. (*Alternation.*)

Q | l | 11-. Princes . . . fools.

m | -11, 12. Cause. The LORD of hosts.

l | 13-15. Princes . . . fools.

m | 16, 17. Cause. The LORD of hosts.

11 Zoan. See note on 30. 4.

fools. Heb. *'aval*. See note on Prov. 1. 7.

14 staggereth = goeth astray, as in preceding clause.

in the midst thereof: and they have caused Egypt to err in every work thereof, as a drunken man °staggereth in his vomit.

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15 Neither shall there be *any* work for Egypt, which the head or tail, branch or °rush, may do.

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16 °In that day shall Egypt be like unto women: and it shall be afraid and fear because of the shaking of °the hand of °the LORD of hosts, which he shaketh over it.

17 And °the land of Judah shall be a terror unto Egypt, every one that maketh mention thereof shall be afraid in himself, because of the counsel of °the LORD of hosts, which he hath determined against it.

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18 16 In that day shall °five cities in the land of Egypt speak °the language of Canaan, and swear to °the LORD of hosts; one shall be called, The city of °destruction.

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19 16 In that day shall there be °an altar to °the LORD in the midst of the land of Egypt, and °a pillar °at the border thereof to °the LORD.

20 And it shall be for a °sign and for a witness unto °the LORD of hosts in the land of Egypt: for they shall cry unto °the LORD because of the oppressors, and He shall send them a Saviour, and a great One, and He shall deliver them.

21 And °the LORD shall be known to Egypt, and the Egyptians shall know °the LORD 16 in that day, and shall °do sacrifice and oblation; yea, they shall vow a vow unto °the LORD, and perform it.

22 And °the LORD shall smite Egypt: He shall smite and heal it: and they shall return even to °the LORD, and He shall be intreated of them, and shall heal them.

n

23 °In that day shall there be a °highway out of Egypt to Assyria, and the Assyrian shall come into Egypt, and the Egyptian into Assyria, and the Egyptians shall serve with the Assyrians.

o

24 23 In that day shall Israel be the third with Egypt and with Assyria, even a blessing in the midst of the °land:

25 Whom °the LORD of hosts shall bless, saying, 'Blessed be Egypt My people, and Assyria the work of My hands, and Israel Mine inheritance.'

O p

20 °In the year that °Tartan came unto Ashdod, (when °Sargon the king of Assyria °sent him,) and fought against Ashdod, and took it;

q

2 At °the same time spake °the LORD °by °Isaiah the son of Amoz, saying, "Go and loose the sackcloth from off thy loins, and put off thy shoe from thy foot." And he did so, walking °naked and barefoot.

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3 And 2 the LORD said, "Like as My servant Isaiah hath walked 2 naked and barefoot three years for a °sign and wonder upon Egypt and upon Ethiopia;

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4 So shall the king of Assyria lead away the Egyptians prisoners, and the Ethiopians captives, young and old, 2 naked and barefoot, even with their buttocks uncovered, to the shame of Egypt.

5 And they shall be afraid and ashamed of Ethiopia their °expectation, and of °Egypt their glory.

15 rush. See note on 9. 14.

16 In that day: i.e. the day when this burden should be fulfilled (not "the day of the Lord"). Note the six steps, vv. 16, 18, 19, 21, 23, 24.

the hand. Put for the judgments indicated by the act.
17 the land of Judah. The Assyrian armies came through Judah.

19. 18-25 (P, p. 954). HEALING. (Alternation.)

P n | 18. Cities.
o | 19-22. Healing.
n | 23. Highway.
o | 24, 25. Blessing.

18 five cities. These were probably Heliopolis, Leontopolis, Daphne, Migdol, and Memphis.
the language of Canaan: i.e. the Hebrew language, by the multitude of Jews that went thither.

destruction. The primitive reading was doubtless *ha-zedek*—"righteousness", which the Sept. simply transliterates, *doedék*. From a desire not to compete with "Jerusalem", which bore this name (Isa. 1. 26), it was altered to *cherez*, which in Chaldee—"the sun", or in Greek—"Heliopolis", which is the reading in many MSS., two early printed editions, and the margins of the A.V. and R.V. But when the temple at Jerusalem was cleansed and restored, the temple at Heliopolis was deemed schismatic; and, by altering one letter (π=CH, for π=H), *cherez* (the sun) was altered to *heres* (destruction). Hence the present reading of the current Heb. text. See Ginsburg, *Introduction*, pp. 404-8, and Ap. 81.

19 an altar. See Ap. 81.

a pillar. Probably a boundary pillar. Heb. *nāṣab*. A pillar or monument. Not for worship.

at=close to. 20 sign. See note on 7. 11.

21 do sacrifice. "The third Ptolemy, when he had occupied all Syria by force, did not sacrifice thank-offerings to the gods in Egypt, but came to Jerusalem and made votive offerings" (Josephus, c. *Apion*, 11. 5).

23 In that day: i.e. the glorious future, the day of the LORD. Not the same as v. -11.

highway. See note on 7. 3. 24 land: or, earth.

20. 1-6 (O, p. 954). CAPTIVITY. ASSYRIA. (Introversion.)

O p | 1. Assyria.
q | 2. Isaiah. Symbol.
q | 3. Isaiah. Signification.
p | 4-6. Assyria.

1 In the year. Probably the year of Samaria's fall (611 B.C.).

Tartan. A title=commander-in-chief. Cp. 2 Kings 18. 17.

Sargon. Never once named by classic writers, and in Scripture only here. The monuments show that he was the son of Shalmaneser, and the father of Sennacherib. sent him. This expedition is mentioned on the monument found at Khorsabad. A usurper, called "Javan", or "the Greek", had been put on the throne of Ashdod by Hezekiah in the place of "Akimit".

2 the same=that.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

by=by the hand of. Isaiah. See note on 13. 1.

naked. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Whole), Ap. 6, for being scantily clad.

3 sign and wonder. Ref. to Pent. (see note on 7. 11 and 8. 18), and Ap. 92.

5 expectation. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the help expected from Egypt.

Egypt their glory. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the Egyptians, in whom they gloried.

6 isle=sea coast, or coast land. See note on 11. 11.

6 And the inhabitant of this °isle shall say in that day, 'Behold, such is our expectation, whither we flee for help to be delivered from the king of Assyria: and how shall we escape?'

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21 The °burden °of °the desert of °the sea. As °whirlwinds in the south °pass through; so it cometh from the desert, from a terrible land.

2 A grievous vision is declared unto me; the treacherous °dealer dealeth treacherously, and the spoiler spoileth.

3 Go up, O Elam: besiege, O Media; all the °sighing thereof have I made to cease.

3 Therefore are my loins filled with pain: pangs have taken hold upon me, as the pangs of a woman that travaileth: I was bowed down at the hearing of it; I was dismayed at the seeing of it.

4 My heart panted, fearfulness affrighted me: the °night of my °pleasure hath he turned into °fear unto me.

5 Prepare the table, watch in the watchtower, eat, drink: arise, ye princes, and anoint the shield.

6 For thus hath °the LORD* said unto me, "Go, set a watchman, let him declare what he seeth."

7 And he saw °a chariot with a couple of horsemen, °a chariot of asses, and a °chariot of camels; and he hearkened diligently with much heed:

8 And he cried, "°A lion: My °LORD*, I stand continually upon the watchtower in the daytime, and I am set in my ward whole nights:

9 And, behold, here cometh a °chariot of °men, with a couple of horsemen." And he answered and said, "°Babylon is fallen, is fallen; and all °the graven images of her gods he hath broken unto the ground."

10 O my °threshing, and the °corn of my floor:

11 that which I have heard of °the LORD of hosts, the °God of Israel, have I declared unto you."

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11 The °burden of °Dumah. He calleth to me out of °Seir, "Watchman, °what of the night? Watchman, °what of the night?"

12 The watchman said, "°The morning cometh, and also the night: °if ye will enquire, enquire ye: return, come."

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13 The °burden °upon Arabia. In the forest °in Arabia shall ye lodge, O ye °travelling companies of °Dedan.

14 The inhabitants of the land of °Tema brought water to him that was thirsty, they °prevented with their bread him that fled.

15 For °they fled from the swords, from the drawn sword, and from the bent bow, and from the grievousness of war.

16 For thus bath °the LORD* said unto me, "°Within a year, according to the years of an hireling, and all the glory of °Kedar shall fail:

13 burden. The seventh and last of the seven burdens (see **D**, p. 930). **upon Arabia:** *ba' rāb* = in Arabia. in Arabia: or, in the evening, or, at sunset. The name is as significant as "Dumah" (v. 11). **travelling companies** = caravans. **Dedan** = Dedanites. Descendants of Abraham by Keturah: Dedan, son of Midian (Gen. 25. 3. 1 Chron. 1. 32). **14 Tema.** Descendants of Abraham through Hagar and Ishmael (Gen. 25. 15. 1 Chron. 1. 30): both mentioned in Jer. 25. 23. Job 6. 19. See note on p. 666. **brought** = bring ye. **prevented** = meet ye. **15 they fled.** From the Assyrian invaders. **16 Within a year.** Later afflictions were foretold in Jer. 49. 28. **Kedar.** Another descendant of Abraham by Hagar through Ishmael (Gen. 25. 13).

21. 1-10 (A⁵, p. 948). BURDEN OF THE DESERT OF THE SEA. (BABYLON). (*Introversion*.)

A⁵ r | 1, 2-. Vision. Seen and declared.
s | -2-4. The besiegers (Media and Persia). Sent by God.
t | 5. The feasting of Babylon. } The besieged.
t | 6-9. The fall of Babylon.
s | 10-. The besiegers. Sent by God.
r | -10-12. Vision heard and declared.

1 burden. The fifth of the seven burdens (see **D**, p. 930).

of = relating to. Genitive of Relation. Ap. 17. 5. the desert of the sea. A similar term used by Herodotus, "*pelagizein*" (i. 184).

the sea. The waters of the Euphrates in flood were so called, as the Nile was (19. 6). Cp. Rev. 17. 3, 15. **whirlwinds** = storms. **pass** = sweep.

2 dealer = one.

Go up, O Elam. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). Heb. *'ālī 'ēylām*.

sighing. Caused by the oppression of Babylon. Occurs in the "former" portion only here, and in 35. 10, and in the "latter" portion only in 51. 11. See Ap. 79. II.

4 night. A *Homonym*. Heb. *nēsheph* = darkness, here, but daylight in Job 7. 4. 1 Sam. 30. 17. See notes there. The R.V., in doubt, renders it here "twilight". **pleasure** = joy. **fear** = trembling.

5 Prepare, &c. Fig. *Irony*. Ap. 6.

6 the LORD*. One of the 134 instances where the *Sopherim* say they changed the primitive text (Jehovah) to *Adonai*. Ap. 32.

7 a chariot = a troop.

a chariot with a couple of horsemen = a troop of horsemen in pairs.

8 A lion: My LORD*. Read: [as] a lion, "O LORD", &c. **9 men.** Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

Babylon is fallen, &c. Note the Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

the graven images of her gods. Ref. to Pent. Phrase peculiar to Deut. 7. 25; 12. 3. Ap. 92.

10 threshing. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause) for the results of it. Here—my oppressed People. Cp. 41. 15. Mic. 4. 13. Jer. 51. 33.

corn of my floor. Lit. son of my threshing floor.

the LORD of hosts. See note on 1. 9.

the God of Israel. See note on 29. 23.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

11 burden. The sixth of the seven burdens (see **D**, p. 930).

Dumah = Edom. An abbreviated form of fuller name "Idumea" (34. 5. Ezek. 35. 15; 36. 5. Mark 3. 8). **Dumah** = silence, prophetic of its end.

Seir. The inheritance of Esau (or Edom).

what of the night? = how far is it in the night?

Note the Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6). Repeated in an abbreviated form thus: Heb. *shomēr mah-millay'lah?* *shomēr ma-millēyl?* = how far gone is the night? how far gone the night? This is Edom's inquiry.

12 The morning cometh, &c. This may be the oracle of silence implied in the name "Dumah" (see above, and cp. Pss. 94. 17; 115. 17).

if ye will inquire. Isaiah had no answer. He is silent, but intimates that they may inquire again.

21. 13-17 (A⁷, p. 948). THE BURDEN OF ARABIA. (*Alternation*.)

A⁷ u | 13, 14. Arabia.

v | 15. The flight.

u | 16. Arabia.

v | 17. The diminishing.

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649-588 17 And the residue of the number of archers, the °mighty men of the °children of Kedar, shall be diminished: for °the LORD °God of Israel hath spoken it."

^{Y³ w} (p. 957) **22** The °burden of the °valley of °vision. What aileth thee now, that thou art wholly °gone up to the housetops?

2 Thou that art full of °stirs, a tumultuous city, a joyous city: thy slain *men are* not slain with the sword, nor dead in battle.

3 All thy rulers are fled together, they are bound by the archers: all that are found in thee are bound together, *which* have fled °from far.

^x 4 Therefore said I, "Look away from me; I will weep bitterly, labour not to comfort me, because of the spoiling of the daughter of my People."

5 For *it is* a day of trouble, and of treading down, and of perplexity by °the Lord °GOD of hosts in the °valley of vision, breaking down the walls, and of crying to the mountains.

^y 6 And °Elam bare the °quiver with °chariots of °men °and horsemen, and Kir uncovered the shield.

7 And it shall come to pass, *that* thy choicest valleys shall be full of chariots, and the horsemen shall set themselves in array °at the gate.

8 And he °discovered the °covering of Judah, and thou didst look in that day to the armour of the house of the forest.

9 Ye °have seen also the breaches of the city of David, that they are many: and ye gathered together the waters of °the lower pool.

10 And ye have numbered the houses of Jerusalem, and the houses have ye broken down to fortify the wall.

11 Ye made also a °ditch between the two walls for the water of the old pool: but ye have not looked unto the maker thereof, neither had respect unto Him That fashioned it long ago.

^z 12 And in that day did °the Lord °GOD of hosts call to weeping, and to mourning, and to baldness, and to girding with sackcloth:

^w 13 And behold joy and gladness, slaying oxen, and killing sheep, eating flesh, and drinking wine: °"let us eat and drink; for to-morrow we shall die."

14 And it was revealed in mine ears by °the LORD of hosts, "Surely this °iniquity shall not be purged from you till ye die," saith °the Lord °GOD of hosts.

^{Z³ R} 15 Thus saith °the Lord °GOD of hosts,

^S "Go, get thee unto this treasurer, *even* unto °Shebna, which *is* over the house, °and say,

16 'What hast thou here? and whom hast thou here, that thou hast hewed thee out a sepulchre here, °as he that heweth him out a sepulchre on high, *and* that graveth an habitation for himself in a rock?

17 °Behold, °the LORD °will carry thee away with a mighty captivity, and will surely cover thee.

18 He will °surely violently turn and toss

17 mighty men. Heb. *gibbôr*. Ap. 14. IV. children=sons.

22. 1-14 (Y³, p. 948). THE VALLEY OF VISION. PERSIAN INVASION. (*Introversion*.)

^{Y³} w | 1-3. The besieged. Impious joy.
x | 4, 5. Day of trouble. Inflicted.
y | 6-11. The invaders. Persians.
z | 12. Day of mourning. Required.
w | 13, 14. The besieged. Impious joy.

1 burden=oracle.

valley of vision. The Sept. and Arabic versions render it Jerusalem, in relation to the high hills around. Similar names: "inhabitant of the valley," "rock of the plain" (Jer. 21. 13), "mountain in the fields" (Jer. 17. 3). The reference is to v. 5.

vision. Here the most solemn visions had been seen: Abraham (Gen. 22. 2, 14, cp. the name Jehovah-jireh); also David (1 Chron. 21. 16, 28), and the many visions of Isaiah (1. 1; 6. 1-4, &c.). The Sept. reads "Zion".

gone up, &c. Denoting a time of popular rejoicing. Refers to past time. Cp. Matt. 24. 16. Luke 21. 21.

2 stirs=outreries. Referring to the time of this prophecy.

3 from far=afar, or far away.

5 the Lord. Heb. *Adonai*. Ap. 4. VIII (2).

GOD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. See 1. 9.

6 Elam . . . Kir. The south and north limits of the Chaldean forces.

quiver. Heb. *'ashpāh*. Occurs only here in "former" portion, and only in 49. 2 in the "latter" portion. Ap. 79. II. chariots. See note on 21. 7.

men. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

and. Some codices, with three early printed editions and Vulg., read this "and" in the text.

7 at=toward.

8 discovered=dismantled. covering=veil.

9 have seen. beheld.

the lower pool. The pool of Siloam. Cp. 7. 3; 2 Chron. 32. 30. The old pool. See notes on 2 Chron. 32. 3, 30, and Ap. 68. III, p. 161.

11 ditch=a gathering of waters.

13 let us, &c. Note Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6). Supply thus: "[saying,] 'Let us eat,'" &c. Cp. 1 Cor. 15. 32.

14 the LORD of hosts. See note on 1. 9.

iniquity. Heb. *'āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

iniquity shall not be purged. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 30. 10. Lev. 4. 20, &c.). Cp. 6. 7; 27. 9; and Ap. 92.

22. 15-25 (Z³, p. 948). ISRAEL: JUDGMENT AND MERCY. (*Introversion*.)

^{Z³} R | 15-. Jehovah's word.

S | -15-19. Shebna.

T | 20-24. Eliakim.

S | 25-. Shebna.

R | -25. Jehovah's word.

15 Shebna. See 2 Kings 18. 18, 26. Probably a foreigner, or heathenized Jew.

and say. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "and thou shalt say unto him".

16 as he . . . rock=(as . . . rock). Fig. *Parenthesis*. Ap. 6.

17 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

will carry thee away with a mighty captivity, &c.—will hurl thee with the hurling of [a mighty] man.

18 surely violently turn and toss thee. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). Heb. *ḡānōph*, *yiḡnāphka*, *ḡnēphāh*.

19 drive=thrust.

station=office, or administration.

thee like a ball into a large country: there shalt thou die, and there the chariots of thy glory shall be the shame of thy lord's house.

19 And I will °drive thee from thy °station, and from thy state shall He pull thee down."

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20 And it shall come to pass °in that day, that I will call My servant °Eliakim the son of Hilkiah:

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21 And I will clothe him with thy robe, and strengthen him with thy °girdle, and I will commit thy °government into his hand: and he shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and to the house of Judah.

22 And the key of the house of David will I lay °upon his shoulder; °so he shall °open, and none shall shut; and he shall shut, and none shall open.

23 And I will fasten him as a nail in a sure place; and he shall be for a glorious throne to his father's house.

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24 And they shall hang upon him all the glory of his father's house, °the offspring and the issue, all °vessels of small quantity, from the vessels of cups, even to all the vessels of flagons.

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25 °In that day," saith ¹⁴ the LORD of hosts, "shall °the nail that is fastened in the sure place be °removed, and be °cut down, and °fall; and the burden that was upon it shall be °cut off:

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for ¹⁷ the LORD hath spoken it."

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23 The °burden of °Tyre. Howl, ye °ships of °Tarshish;

Y a¹

for it is laid waste, so that there is no °house, no entering in: from the land of °Chittim °it is revealed to them.

2 Be still, ye inhabitants of the °isle; °thou whom the merchants of Zidon, that °pass over the sea, have replenished.

3 And by great waters the °seed of °Sihor, the °harvest of the °river, is her revenue; and °she is a °mart of nations.

4 Be thou ashamed, O °Zidon: for the sea hath spoken, even the strength of the sea, saying "°I travail not, nor bring forth °children, neither do I nourish up young men, nor bring up virgins."

b¹

5 °As at the report concerning Egypt, so shall they be sorely pained at the report of Tyre.

ships. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the people in them. house. In this case "port".

-1-13 (Y, above). THE REASON. DEVASTATION.
(Repeated Alternation.)

Y | a¹ | -1-4. Apostrophe to Tarshish and Zidon.
b¹ | 5. Cause of sorrow. Report.
a² | 6-8. Apostrophe to Tarshish.
b² | 9. Cause. Jehovah.
a³ | 10-12. Apostrophe to Tarshish.
b³ | 13. Punishment. Chaldeans.

Chittim. Originally used of Cyprus, but extended to the islands and coast-lands of the Mediterranean. it: i.e. the fall of Tyre. 2 isle. Here, Tyre itself. thou whom = which. pass over =

cross, in trading. In vv. 6, 10, 12, imperative, implying flight. 3 seed: or, grain. Sihor = the black river, the Nile (cp. Jer. 2. 18). harvest. Egypt was the field, the Phœnician coast its granary. river. Ref. to Pent. See note on 7. 18. "River" is here put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct),

Ap. 6, for the country (Egypt) through which it passes. she is a mart of nations: or, it became merchandise for the nations. mart = gain resulting from merchandise, as in v. 18 (45. 14. Prov. 3. 14; 31. 18). 4 Zidon. Was a seaport, the mother city of Phœnicia, the granary of Egypt's harvests. The Zidonians had built Tyre on a rocky island, and connected it with the mainland. I travail not =

I have not travailed. The verbs which follow in v. 4 are in the past tense. The sea speaks to the mother Zidon: thou seekest Tyre—thou findest only the sea. children = sons. 5 As at the report concerning, &c.: or, When the report comes to Egypt they are forthwith in terror at the report concerning Tyre.

22. 20-24 (T, p. 957). ELIAKIM.

T U | 20. Eliakim. Called.
V | 21-23. "I will". Jehovah's work.
U | 24. Eliakim. Established.

20 in that day: i.e. in the day when this prophecy will be fulfilled. Cp. v. 25.

Eliakim = Whom God sets up. Hezekiah's minister. Probably superseded by Shebna in the evil days of Manasseh. See 36. 3, 22; 37. 2.

21 girdle. Ref. to Pent. Occurs here; and elsewhere only in Ex. 28. 4, 39, 40; 29. 9; 39. 29. Lev. 8. 7, 13; 16. 4. Ap. 92. A priestly vestment.

government = administration.

22 upon. Cp. 9. 6.

so = and.

open and . . . shut. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for power of administration. Cp. Rev. 3. 7, which shows that the fulfilment culminates in Messiah.

24 the offspring and the issue: i.e. direct and collateral issue, and embraces his entire kindred.

the offspring. Heb. *hazze'ezā'im*. Occurs only in Job and Isaiah (Job 5. 25; 21. 8; 27. 14; 31. 8, and Isa. 54. 1; 42. 5; 44. 3; 48. 19; 61. 9; 65. 23). See Ap. 79. II. vessels. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for the kindred mentioned above.

25 In that day. Refers back to the day of v. 20: i.e. the day of Shebna's overthrow. This would be the day of Eliakim's exaltation.

the nail: which Shebna thought himself to be, but which Jehovah declared Eliakim to be.

removed . . . cut down . . . fall . . . cut off. Referring to vv. 17-19. Fig. *Synonymia* (Ap. 6), emphasising the completeness of Shebna's downfall. The interpretation belongs to the two men, but the application refers (1) to the two parties in Jerusalem, and (2) to the Messiah, in Whom the prophecy will be exhausted.

23. 1-18 (Y⁴, p. 948). BURDEN OF TYRE.
(Division.)

Y⁴ | W¹ | 1-14. The former time.
W² | 15-18. The latter time.

1-14 (W¹, above). THE FORMER TIME.
(Alternation.)

W¹ | X | 1-. Howl.
Y | -1-13. Reason. Devastation.
X | 14-. Howl.
Y | -14. Reason. Devastation.

1 burden = oracle.

Tyre. It had rejoiced in the misfortunes of Judah (Amos 1. 9); so it is punished by the same king of Babylon (v. 13). Ezek. 26. 2-21.

ships of Tarshish. See note on 2. 16 and 1 Kings 10. 22.

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6² Pass ye over to ¹Tarshish; howl, ye inhabitants of the ²isle.

7 Is this your joyous city, whose ^oantiquity is of ancient days? her own ^ofeet shall carry her afar off to sojourn.

8 Who hath taken this counsel against ¹Tyre, the ^ocrowning city, whose merchants are princes, whose traffickers are the honourable of the earth?

b² 9 ^oThe LORD of hosts hath purposed it, to ^ostain the pride of all glory, and to bring into contempt all the honourable of the earth.

a³ 10 ²Pass through thy land as a ³river, O daughter of ¹Tarshish: there is no more strength.

11 He stretched out his hand over the sea, He shook the kingdoms: ^othe LORD hath given a commandment against ^othe merchant city, to destroy the strong holds ^othereof.

12 And He said, "Thou shalt no more rejoice, O thou ^ooppressed virgin, daughter of ⁴Zidon: arise, ²pass over to ¹Chittim; there also shalt thou have no rest."

b³ 13 Behold the land of the Chaldeans; ^othis people was not, *til* the Assyrian founded it for them that dwell in the wilderness: they set up the towers thereof, they raised up the palaces thereof; ^oand ^oHe brought it to ruin.

X 14 Howl, ye ¹ships of Tarshish:

Y for your strength is laid waste.

W² c (p. 959) 15 And it shall come to pass in that day, that Tyre shall be forgotten ^oseventy years, according to the days of ^oone king: after the end of seventy years shall Tyre sing as an harlot.

d 16 ^oTake an harp, go about the city, thou harlot that hast been forgotten; make sweet melody, sing many songs, that thou mayest be remembered.

c 17 And it shall come to pass after the end of seventy years, that ¹¹the LORD will visit Tyre,

d and she shall turn to her hire, and shall commit fornication with all the kingdoms of the ^oworld ^oupon the face of the ^oearth.

18 And her merchandise and her hire shall be ^oholiness to ¹¹the LORD: it shall not be treasured nor laid up; for her merchandise shall be for them that dwell before ¹¹the LORD, to eat ^osufficiently, and for durable clothing.

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24 ^oBehold, ^othe LORD maketh the ^oearth ^oempty, and maketh it waste, and turneth it upside down, and scattereth abroad the inhabitants thereof.

f¹ 2 And it shall be, ^oas with the people, so with the priest; as with the servant, so with his master; as with the maid, so with her mistress; as with the buyer, so with the seller; as with ^othe lender, so with ^othe borrower; as with the taker of usury, so with the giver of usury to him.

e² 3 ^oThe land shall be ^outterly emptied, and ^outterly spoiled: for ¹the LORD hath spoken this word.

4 ¹The earth ^omourneth and fadeth away, ^othe world ^olanguisheth and fadeth away,

f² the haughty people of ^othe earth do ^olanguish.

7 antiquity = origin.

feet. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for the vessels in which the Tyrians fled from Nebuchadnezzar.

8 crowning = crown-giver: i.e. conferring crowns on other Phœnician cities.

9 The LORD of hosts. See note on 1. 9. stain = pollute.

11 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

the merchant city = Tyre, or the Phœnician coast. Hos. 12. 7. thereof: or, which are upon it.

12 oppressed = humbled.

13 this people was not = a people that were no people (i.e. Assyria). Tyre boasted antiquity (v. 7). Assyria was their object-lesson and warning. and: or, but. He. God.

23. 15-18 (W², p. 958). THE LATTER TIME (Alternation.)

W² c | 15. Time. Seventy years.

d | 16. Rejoicing. Fig. *Irony*.

c | 17-. Time. Seventy years.

d | -17, 18. Restitution. Literal.

15 seventy years. See Jer. 25. 9-11; 27. 2-7. From the first year of Nebuchadnezzar (496 B.C.) to the conquest of Babylon by Cyrus (426 B.C.).

one. Heb. *'ehad*, a compound unity, hence "one" of a dynasty, here, the Babylonian dynasty. Not *yāhūd*, a single one. See note on Deut. 6. 4.

16 Take an harp, &c. Fig. *Apostrophe*. Ap. 6. Not a quotation.

17 world = the earth. Heb. *hā-'āreṣ*.

upon = which are upon.

earth = ground, or, soil. Heb. *hā-'ādāmāh*.

18 holiness = hallowed.

sufficiently = abundantly.

24. 1-27. 13 (Z⁴, p. 948). ISRAEL. JUDGMENT AND MERCY. (Division.)

Z⁴ A¹ | 24. 1-23. Judgment.

A² | 25. 1-27. 13. Mercy.

24. 1-23 (A¹, above). ISRAEL. JUDGMENT. (Alternations.)

A¹ B e¹ | 1. Land.

f¹ | 2. People.

e² | 3, 4-. Land.

f² | -4-12. People.

C | 13-16-. Jehovah glorified from the ends of the earth.

B e³ | -16. Land.

f³ | 17, 18. People.

e⁴ | 19, 20. Land.

f⁴ | 21, 22. People.

C | 23. Jehovah glorified on Mount Zion.

1 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6). Note the Structure of Z⁴ from p. 948, and that of Z⁴ from D (p. 980).

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

earth. Heb. *hā-'āreṣ*. Occurs sixteen times in this chapter. Rendered "land" in vv. 3, 11, 13.

empty. Note the Fig. *Synonymia*, "empty", "waste", "upside down", "scattered abroad". See Ap. 6. 2 as . . . so. Fig. *Simile*. Ap. 6.

the lender . . . the borrower. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 22. 25, 27. Deut. 15. 2; 24. 10, 11). See Ap. 92

3 The land: Heb. *hā-'āreṣ*, as in v. 1. utterly emptied. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. Heb. *hibbōk tibbōk*.

utterly spoiled. Heb. *hibbōz tibbōz*.

4 mourneth. See note on 3. 26.

mourneth and fadeth away. Note Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). Heb. *'āblāh nāblāh*.

the world = the habitable world. Heb. *tēbēl*.

the world languisheth and fadeth away . . . languish. Heb. *'umlāh nāblāh tēbēl 'umlāh*.

the earth, &c. Fig. *Prosopopœia* (Ap. 6). This is one of the three places where (in the Heb.) one verse ends with "the earth" and the next verse begins with "the earth", being the Fig. *Anadiplosis* (Ap. 6). The other two passages are Gen. 1. 1, 2, and Hos. 2. 23, 24 (A.V. vv. 21, 22).

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5 ° The earth also is defiled under the inhabitants thereof; because they have °transgressed ° the laws, changed the ordinance, broken ° the everlasting covenant.

6 ° Therefore hath the curse devoured the ° earth, and they that dwell therein are ° desolate: therefore the inhabitants of the ° earth are burned, and few ° men left.

7 The ° new wine ° mourneth, the vine languisheth, all the merryhearted do sigh.

8 The mirth of ° tabrets ceaseth, the noise of them that rejoice endeth, the joy of the harp ceaseth.

9 They shall not drink ° wine with a song; ° strong drink shall be bitter to them that drink it.

10 The city of ° confusion is broken down: every house is shut up, that ° no man may come in.

11 There is a crying for ° wine in the streets; all joy is darkened, the mirth of ° the land is gone.

12 In the city is left ° desolation, and the gate is smitten with destruction.

C (p. 959) 13 When thus it shall be in the midst of ° the land among the people, there shall be as the shaking of an olive tree, and as the gleaning grapes when the vintage is done.

14 They shall lift up their voice, they shall sing for the majesty of ° the LORD, they shall cry aloud from the ° sea.

15 "Wherefore glorify ye ° the LORD in the ° fires, even the name of ° the LORD ° God of Israel in the ° isles of the sea.

16 From the uttermost part of ° the earth have we heard songs, even glory to ° the righteous."

B e° But ° I said, " ° My leanness, my leanness, woe unto me! the ° treacherous dealers have dealt treacherously; yea, the ° treacherous dealers have dealt very treacherously."

f° 17 ° Fear, and the ° pit, and the ° snare, are upon thee, O inhabitant of ° the earth.

18 And it shall come to pass, that he who fleeth from the noise of the ° fear shall fall into the ° pit; and he that cometh up out of the midst of the ° pit shall be taken in the ° snare: for ° the windows from on high ° are open, and the ° foundations of ° the earth do shake.

e° 19 ° The earth is ° utterly broken down, the ° earth is ° clean dissolved, the ° earth is ° moved exceedingly.

20 The ° earth shall ° reel to and fro like a drunkard, and shall be ° removed like a cottage; and the ° transgression thereof shall be heavy upon it; and it shall fall, and not rise again.

f° 21 And it shall come to pass in that day, that ° the LORD shall punish the host of the high ones ° that are on high, and the kings of the ° earth upon the ° earth.

22 And they shall be gathered together, as prisoners are gathered in the ° pit, and shall be shut up in the prison, ° and after many days shall they be ° visited.

C 23 Then the moon shall be ° confounded, and

5 The earth. See last note on p. 959.

transgressed. Heb. 'ābar. Ap. 44. vii. the laws . . . the everlasting covenant. Ref. to Pent. See note on Gen. 9. 16; and Ap. 92. The Pentateuch was as well known to Isaiah as to the kings in whose reigns he prophesied.

6 Therefore hath the curse devoured the earth. Some codices, with four early printed editions (one in margin), and Syr., read "Because of a curse the earth mourneth". earth. Heb. 'erez.

desolate=laid waste. Heb. 'āsham. Cp. vv. 10, 12, 23. men. Heb. 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

7 new wine=must. Heb. tīrōsh. Ap. 27. II.

8 tabrets=drums. See note on drums, 1 Sam. 10. 5. Heb. toph. 9 wine. Heb. yayin. Ap. 27. I.

strong drink. Heb. shēkar. Ap. 27. IV. 10 confusion=desolation. Heb. tohū. Same word as "without form". Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 1. 2). Occurs in "former" portion three times (here; 29. 21, "thing of naught;" 34. 11); and in the "latter" portion eight times (40. 17, 23; 41. 29; 44. 9, "vanity;" 45. 18, 19, "in vain;" 49. 4, "naught;" 59. 4, "vanity"). See Ap. 79. II. no man=no one.

12 desolation=astonishment. Heb. shamēm. Cp. vv. 6, 10, 23.

14 sea. Note Fig. Ellipsis=sea [saying]. Ap. 6. See note on Ps. 109. 5. 15 fires. Or, valleys.

God. Heb. Elōhim. Ap. 4. I.

God of Israel. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 38. 20. Ex. 24. 10. Num. 16. 9). See note on 29. 23, and Ap. 92.

isles=maritime countries. See note on 11. 11.

16 the righteous=the righteous One (sing.): i.e. the One referred to in v. 15; or, the nation, as in 26. 2. Cp. Acts 3. 14; 7. 52; 22. 14.

I said=I had said: i.e. the land. Fig. Prosopopœia. Ap. 6.

My leanness, my leanness. Fig. Epizeuxis (Ap. 6), for emphasis. This figure is used thrice in the "former" portion (here, and 26. 3; 29. 1); and twice in the "latter" portion (41. 27, and 65. 1). See Ap. 79. II.

treacherous dealers, &c.=traitors have betrayed. Note Fig. Polyptōton (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

17 Fear, and the pit, and the snare. Fig. Synonymia (Ap. 6), and Fig. Paronomasia (Ap. 6), not a "play on words", but for great and solemn emphasis. Heb. paphāḏ, vāpaphāth, happa vāppāph (tr. Eng., scare, lair, snare).

18 fear . . . pit . . . snare. Fig. Paronomasia (Ap. 6) again. Heb. happahāḏ . . . happahāth . . . happahāth bappāh. See Luke 21. 35, and cp. Jer. 48. 43, 44.

the windows from on high, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 7. 11). Ap. 92. are open=have opened.

foundations of the earth. See 58. 12. Cp. 40. 21.

19 utterly broken down. Note Fig. Polyptōton (Ap. 6). Heb. breaking, breaks up. Same Fig. below.

clean dissolved. Heb. bursting, bursts up.

moved exceedingly. Heb. tottering, tottereth.

20 reel to and fro. Heb. staggering, staggereth.

removed. Heb. rocketh to and fro. transgression=revolt. Heb. pasha'. Ap. 44. ix. Not the same word as in v. 5.

21 that are. Omit.

earth=the ground, or, soil. Heb. hā-ādāmāh. Cp. 6. 12.

22 pit. Not the same word as in vv. 17, 18. Here, Heb. bōr, a dug-out pit, or dungeon. Occurs in Isa. 14. 15, 19; 36. 13; 38. 18; and in "latter" portion, 51. 1. Ap. 79. II. and=even.

visited: i.e. with the judgments foretold in the preceding verses. Cp. 10. 3; 26. 14, 16; 29. 6.

23 confounded=blush (from shame).

ashamed=turn pale (from fear).

the LORD of hosts. See note on 1. 9.

ancients=elders. Cp. Rev. 4. 4.

gloriously=in glory, or "[shall be] a glory".

the sun ° ashamed, when ° the LORD of hosts shall reign in mount Zion, and in Jerusalem, and before His ° ancients ° gloriously.

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25 O °LORD, *Thou art* my °God; °I will exalt Thee, °I will praise Thy name; for Thou hast done °wonderful things; Thy counsels of old *are* faithfulness and truth.

2 For Thou hast made of a city an heap; of a defenced city a ruin: a palace of °strangers to be no city; it shall never be built.

3 Therefore shall the strong people glorify Thee, the city of the terrible nations shall fear Thee.

4 For Thou hast been a °strength to the °poor, a °strength to the needy in his distress, a refuge from the storm, a shadow from the heat, °when the °blast of the terrible ones *is* as a storm *against* the wall.

5 Thou shalt bring down the noise of °strangers, as the heat in a dry place; *even* the heat with the shadow of a cloud: the °branch of the terrible ones shall °be brought low.

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6 And in this mountain shall °the LORD of hosts make unto all °people °a feast °of fat things, °a feast of °wines on the lees, of fat things °full of marrow, °of wines on the lees well refined.

7 And He will °destroy in °this mountain the face of the covering °cast over all °people, and the vail that is spread over all nations.

8 He will °swallow up death °in victory; and °the Lord °GOD will wipe away tears from off all faces; and the °rebuke of His People shall He take away from off all the earth: for °the LORD hath spoken *it*.

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9 And it shall be said in that day, "Lo, this *is* our °God; °we have waited for Him, and He will save us: this *is* °the LORD; °we have waited for Him, we will be glad and rejoice in His salvation."

H h

10 For in this mountain shall the hand of °the LORD rest,

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and °Moab shall be °trodden down under Him, even °as °straw is °trodden down °for the dunghill.

11 And He shall °spread forth His hands in the midst of them, °as he that swimmeth °spreadeth forth *his hands* to swim: and He shall bring down their pride together with the °spoils of their hands.

12 And the fortress of the high fort of thy walls shall He °bring down, lay low, and bring to the ground, *even* to the dust.

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26 °In that day shall this song be sung in the land of °Judah; We have a strong city; salvation will God appoint for walls and bulwarks.

mathbēn, which occurs only here, is used to complete the Fig. *Homæopropheron*. See above. trodden down = beaten to pieces by treading. for the dunghill = in Madmenah, as in 10. 31 and Jer. 48. 2 R.V. quite wrong, "in the water of the dunghill". Dung is never watered in the East, but dried, and used as fuel (Ezek. 4. 15), and is found only in the streets of towns and villages. In Ps. 83. 10 "earth" is 'ādāmāh = ground. See note there. 11 spread forth His hands. In the East all swimmers swim "hand over hand", and beat the water with a loud noise. Parallel with the beating of straw in v. 10. Cp. Isa. 63. . as = according as. spoils = devices, or artifices. 12 bring down, lay low, and bring to the ground. Note the Fig. *Synonymia* (Ap. 6), to emphasise the certainty and reality of what had been expressed by the Fig. *Simile* in vv. 10, 11.

26. 1-21 [For Structure see next page].

1 In that day: i. e. in the yet future day, when these judgments shall have been accomplished. In ch. 26 we have the Song of Judah (v. 1); in ch. 27, the Song of Israel. Cp. vv. 6, 12.

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25. 1-27. 13 (A², p. 959). MERCY.
(Introversion.)

A²

D | 25. 1-12. Praise.

E | 26. 1-21. Song in Judah.

F | 27. 1. The old serpent punished.

E | 27. 2-6. Song of Israel.

D | 27. 7-13. Acknowledgment.

25. 1-12 (D, above). PRAISE.
(Alternation and Introversion.)

D

G | 1. Praise.

H | g | 2-5. Destruction of enemies.

h | 6-8. Place. This mountain.

G | 9. Praise.

H | h | 10-. Place. This mountain.

g | -10-12. Destruction of enemies.

1 LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

I will exalt Thee, I will praise Thy name. In Hebrew three words, two making the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6); not for a "play on words", but for solemn emphasis, to attract our attention. Heb. 'ārōmimkā, 'ōdeh shimkā. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 15. 2). Ap. 92. wonderful things = a wonderful deed.

2 strangers = foreigners. See note on 5. 17.

4 strength = stronghold.

poor. Heb. *dal* = impoverished, reduced. See note on "poverty", Prov. 6. 11.

when the blast of the terrible ones is = for the blast of the terrible ones [is], &c.

blast. Heb. *rūach* (Ap. 9), as in 37. 7. Ex. 15. 8. 2 Kings 19. 7.

5 branch = triumphal song.

be brought low = become low.

6 the LORD of hosts. See note on 1 Sam. 1. 3.

people = the peoples.

a feast. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6) in this verse: a feast (Heb. *mishtēh*) of fat things (Heb. *sh' mānim*), a feast of (Heb. *mishtēh*) wines on the lees (Heb. *sh' mārim*); of fat things (Heb. *sh' mānim*) full of marrow (Heb. *m' muhyim*), of wines on the lees (Heb. *sh' mārim*). All these words are thus heaped together to impress us with the greatness of this feast. wines on the lees. Heb. *sh' mārim* (Ap. 27. VIII), see above = wines purified from the lees.

7 destroy = swallow up, as in v. 8.

this mountain: i. e. Zion (2. 1, 2; 24. 23).

cast = covered.

8 swallow up. Same word as "destroy" (v. 7), so as to cause a thing to disappear and be no more. Cp.

Num. 16. 30. Ps. 69. 15; 106. 17. Jonah 1. 17.

in victory. Heb. *neṣaḥ* = for ever. Occurs in Isa. 13. 20; 28. 28; 33. 20; 54. 10; and in the "latter" portion, 57. 16; rendered "victory" in 1 Chron. 29. 11.

1 Sam. 15. 29. Quoted in 1 Cor. 15. 54: where we have the Holy Spirit's comment on the word, giving the additional thought of "victory". See Ap. 79. II.

the Lord = Adonai. Ap. 4. VIII (2).

GOD = Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

9 we have waited. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 49. 18. See Ap. 36). Ap. 92.

we have waited. Fig. *Anaphora*. Ap. 6.

10 Moab . . . as straw . . . for the dunghill. Note the Fig. *Homæopropheron* (Ap. 6). Moab . . . *Māthbēn b' Mo Madmēnāh*.

straw. Instead of the usual word *teben*, the word

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2 Open ye the gates, that the righteous nation which °keepeth the truth may enter in.

3 Thou wilt keep *him* in °perfect peace, whose °mind *is* stayed on Thee: because he °trusteth in Thee.

4 °Trust ye in °the LORD for ever: for in °THE LORD °JEHOVAH *is* °everlasting strength:

k¹ q¹ (p. 962) 5 For He °bringeth down them that dwell on high; the lofty city, He layeth it low; He layeth it low, *even* to the °ground; He bringeth it *even* to the dust.

6 The foot shall tread it down, *even* the feet of the °poor, *and* the steps of the °needy.

i² 7 The °way of °the just *is* °uprightness: Thou, most upright, dost °weigh the path of °the just. 8 Yea, in the °way of Thy judgments, O °LORD, have °we waited for Thee; the desire of our °soul *is* to Thy name, and to the °remembrance of Thee.

9 With my °soul have I desired Thee in the night; yea, with my °spirit within me will I seek Thee °early: for °when Thy judgments *are* in the earth, the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness.

k² 10 Let favour be shewed to °the wicked, yet will he not learn righteousness: in the land of uprightness will he deal unjustly, and will not behold the majesty of °the LORD.

11 °LORD, when Thy hand is lifted up, they will not see: *but* they shall see, and be ashamed for their envy at the people; yea, °the fire of Thine enemies shall devour them.

i³ 12 °LORD, Thou wilt °ordain peace for us: for Thou also hast wrought all our works °in us.

13 O °LORD our °God, *other* °lords beside Thee have °had dominion over us: *but* by Thee only will we °make mention of °Thy name.

k³ 14 °They *are* dead, they shall not live; they *are* °deceased, °they shall not rise: therefore hast Thou visited and destroyed them, and made all their memory to perish.

i⁴ 15 °Thou hast °increased °the nation, O °LORD, °Thou hast increased the nation: Thou art glorified: Thou °hast removed it far unto all the ends of the earth.

16 °LORD, in trouble have they visited Thee, they poured out a prayer when Thy °chastening was upon them.

17 °Like as a woman with child, *that* draweth near the time of her delivery, is in pain, *and* crieth out in her pangs; so have we been in Thy sight, O °LORD.

18 We have been with child, we have been in pain, we have as it were brought forth °wind;

26. 1-21 (E, p. 961). SONG IN JUDAH.

(Repeated Alternation.)

E i¹ | 1-4. The righteous. Their salvation.
k¹ | 5, 6. The wicked. Brought down.
i² | 7-9. The righteous. Their way.
k² | 10, 11. The wicked. Devoured.
i³ | 12, 13. The righteous. Their God.
k³ | 14. The wicked (Rephaim). No resurrection.
i⁴ | 15-19. The righteous nation. Increased. Resurrection.
k⁴ | -19. The wicked (Rephaim). No resurrection.
i⁵ | 20. The righteous nation. Preserved.
k⁵ | 21. The wicked. Destroyed.

2 keepeth the truth = maintaineth fidelity. No Article. Cp. Deut. 32. 20. Occurs only here, in Isaiah.

3 perfect peace. Heb. peace, peace. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis, beautifully expressed in the A.V. The same expression occurs in 57. 19, indicating the unity of the book. See note on 24. 16, and Ap. 79. II. Cp. 27. 5. mind = thought.

trusteth = confideth. Heb. *baṭaḥ*. See Ap. 69. I.

4 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

THE LORD. Heb. Jah. Ap. 4. III. In Isaiah, only here and 12. 2; 38. 11, 11.

JEHOVAH. One of the four passages where the A.V. transliterates the word instead of translating it. See note on 12. 2, and Ap. 48.

everlasting strength = a rock of ages. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 4, 18, 30, same word as here). See Ap. 92. Found only in Deuteronomy and as applied to God (see Ap. 79. II); and here, and 30. 29, in the "former" portion; and 44. 8 in the "latter" portion. Cp. Hab. 1. 12. 1 Sam. 2. 2. 2 Sam. 23. 3, and Psalms.

5 bringeth down, &c. See note on 25. 12.

ground = earth. Heb. *'ereṣ*.

6 poor = wretched, afflicted. Here singular. Heb. *'anāh*. See note on Prov. 6. 11.

needy = lowly ones.

7 way. See note on "path", 2. 3.

the just = a just one.

uprightness = a perfect or level way.

weigh = ponder.

8 we waited. See note on 25. 9.

soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

remembrance. Ref. to Pent. Same as "memorial" in Ex. 3. 15. The words are quoted again in Pss. 102. 12; 135. 13 and Hos. 12. 5, and nowhere else. Ap. 92.

9 spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

early = with the dawn.

when, &c. Hence the multitudes which come out of the great tribulation in Rev. 7. 14-17.

10 the wicked = a lawless one. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

11 the fire, &c. Or, fire shall devour Thine adversaries (R.V.). 12 ordain = arrange.

in us = for us. Cp. Phil. 2. 13.

13 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

lords = owners. Referring to the Canaanite oppressors of Israel and their false gods.

had dominion = domineered, or lorded it.

make mention = call upon.

Thy name = Thee. See note on Ps. 20. 1.

14 They are dead: i.e. the "other lords" of v. 13. Heb. *mēthim*. Not dead men, as such, for "all" men shall rise again (Dan. 12. 2. John 5. 28, 29. Acts 23. 6, 8; 24. 15. 1 Cor. 15. 22. Rev. 20. 4-6, 13), but those referred to in v. 13.

deceased = the *Rephaim*. This is a proper name, and should not be translated. Where it is translated it is always rendered "giants" or "dead" (v. 19. Job 26. 5. Ps. 88. 10. Prov. 2. 18; 9. 18; 21. 16. Isa. 14. 9); why not so here? or transliterated, as it is in 17. 5. they shall not rise. These *Rephaim* will not rise. They were the progeny of the fallen angels: these latter are kept "in prison" (1 Pet. 3. 19), in "chains" (2 Pet. 2. 4. Jude 6), "reserved" unto judgment: but their progeny will "not rise" (vv. 14, 19) or be judged, for they have been "visited", "destroyed", and "perished". See Ap. 23 and 25. 15 Thou hast increased. Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6. increased = added to.

the nation: i.e. Israel. The future nation of Matt. 21. 43. hadst removed, &c. = hast enlarged or extended all the boundaries of the land. Heb. *rachak*, as in Mic. 7. 11. 16 chastening = discipline.

17 Like as a woman, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 3. 16). Ap. 92. Cp. 13. 8; 37. 3; 42. 14; 66. 7, 9. These refer to the birth-pangs of the Great Tribulation, which issue in the new nation. 18 wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

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we have not wrought any deliverance in the earth; °neither have the inhabitants of the °world fallen.

19 °Thy dead *men* shall live, *together with* °my dead body °shall they arise. Awake and sing, ye that °dwell in dust: for thy dew *is* °as the dew of herbs,

k⁴ °and the earth shall °cast out °the dead.

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20 °Come, My People, enter thou into thy chambers, and shut thy doors about thee: hide thyself as it were for °a little moment, until the indignation be overpast.

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21 For, behold, °the LORD °cometh out of His place to punish the inhabitants of the earth for their °iniquity: the earth also shall °disclose her blood, and shall no more cover her slain.

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27 °In that day °the LORD with °His sore and great and °strong sword shall punish °leviathan the °piercing serpent, even leviathan that °crooked serpent; and He shall slay the °dragon that *is* in the °sea.

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2 °In that day °sing ye unto her, A vineyard of °red wine.

3 °the LORD do keep it; I will water it every moment: lest *any* hurt it, I will keep it night and day.

4 °Fury *is* °not in Me: who would set the °briers and thorns against Me in battle? I would go through them, I would burn them together.

5 °Or let him take hold of °My strength, *that* he may make peace with Me; *and* he shall make peace with Me.

6 °He shall cause them that come of Jacob to take root: Israel shall blossom and bud, and fill the face of °the world with fruit.

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7 Hath He smitten him, °as He smote those that smote him? *or* is he slain according to the slaughter of them that are slain by him?

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8 °In measure, °when it shooteth forth, °Thou wilt debate with it: He stayeth His °rough °wind in the day of the °east °wind.

9 °By this therefore shall the °iniquity of Jacob be °purged; and °this *is* all the fruit to take away his °sin; when He maketh all the stones of °the altar °as chalkstones that are beaten °in sunder, °the groves and °images shall °not stand up.

5 Or: i.e. if such enemies wish to avert My wrath, then let them make peace with Me. My strength = Me, as a refuge or protection. 6 He shall cause, &c. This verse is not an "addendum", or "irrelevant", or "an illegible gap". It is necessary in order to give us the subject of the song, which is reserved till this verse. The symbol is to tell us that Israel is the vineyard (cp. v. 12). See the Structure on p. 961; and note that in E (26. 1-21) we have the Song of Judah, while in E (27. 2-6) the Song concerning Israel. the world = the inhabited world. Heb. *tēbēl*.

27. 7-13 (D, p. 961). ACKNOWLEDGMENT. (Alternation.)

D | 1 | 7. Enemies.
m | 8, 9. Israel.
l | 10, 11. Enemies.
m | 12, 13. Israel.

7 as, &c. = according to the stroke of those, &c. 8 In measure = By measure. Referring to the smiting of Israel, as being in a limited measure. Heb. *šē'āh*. Ap. 51. III. 3. (11), (5). when it shooteth forth = when Thou didst send it forth (i.e. the stroke of v. 7). Thou wilt debate with it = Thou wilt curb it (i.e. the stroke of v. 7). Heb. *rib* = plead, as in 1. 17; 3. 13; 51. 22. Jer. 2. 9, 29; 12. 1; 50. 34. Mic. 7. 9. rough = harsh, or severe. wind. Heb. *rūaḥ*. Ap. 9. east wind. A violent, hot, scorching wind; pernicious to the fruit of a vineyard. 9 By this = In this way. iniquity. Heb. *āwāh*. Ap. 44. iv. purged = covered: i.e. atoned for. Heb. *kāphar*. See note on Ex. 29. 33. this is all the fruit = all this is the fruit or result. sin. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i. the altar = [all] altars. as = no better than. in sunder = to pieces. the groves = the Asherahs. Ap. 42. images = images of Ashtoreth. See note on 17. 8. not = no more.

neither have the inhabitants of the world fallen = nor did the inhabitants of the world come to the light: i.e. by being born. The Heb. *nāphal*, to fall, is used of birth, as Heb. *nēphel* occurs only in Job 3. 16. Ps. 58. 8. Ecc. 6. 3.

world = the inhabited world. Heb. *tēbēl*.

19 Thy dead men = Thy dead ones. Heb. *mēthim*, as in v. 14. These are very different from the dead in v. 14. They are Jehovah's dead. These shall rise.

my dead body shall . . . arise = my corpse (a noun of multitude).

shall they arise (pl. verb): i.e. all the dead bodies of Jehovah's people. All these shall awake and sing (Ps. 17. 15).

dwell in dust = lie in the dust: i.e. buried in the dust of the earth.

as the dew of herbs = like the dew upon herbs: i.e. revivifying them. Cp. 66. 14.

and - but; introducing the important contrast already expressed in v. 14.

cast out: or, cast away. Not yield up in resurrection. Whom will the earth thus cast away? See the answer in the word which follows.

the dead = the *Rephaim*. See note on v. 14, and Ap. 23 and 25. These will "not rise".

20 Come = Go.

a little moment. See note on Prov. 5. 14.

21 iniquity. *āwāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

disclose her blood. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 4. 10, 11). Ap. 92.

27. 1 In that day: i.e. the period of judgment foretold in 26. 21.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

His . . . strong sword. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. leviathan. Three great aquatic animals are here mentioned: probably referring to Israel's three great enemies: Assyria (with Nineveh, on the Tigris); Babylon (on the Euphrates); and Egypt (on the Nile); with Satan himself behind them all, as their great instigator.

piercing = fleeing, or fugitive (like the Tigris).

crooked = tortuous (like the winding Euphrates).

dragon = the crocodile of the Nile.

sea = the Nile, as in 19. 5. Nah. 3. 8.

2 sing: or, answer.

red wine. Heb. *chemer*. Ap. 27. III. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Aram., and Sept., read *chemed*, pleasant, or lovely.

4 Fury. Heb. *chēmāh* = heat, wrath, displeasure.

not in Me: i.e. not now. There was in the other song (5. 5-7): but now, "in that day", all wrath will have gone.

briers and thorns: i.e. the *internal* enemies of the vineyard (as the wild beasts are the external enemies). These are now the objects of His wrath, not His vineyard.

^t 10 °Yet the defenced city *shall be* desolate, and the habitation °forsaken, and left like a wilderness: there shall the calf feed, and there shall he lie down, and °consume the branches thereof.

11 When °the boughs thereof are withered, °they shall be °broken off: the women come, and set them on fire: for it is a people of no understanding: therefore He That made them will not have mercy on them, and He That formed them will shew them no favour.

^m 12 And it shall come to pass °in that day, that °the LORD shall °beat off from the °channel of the °river unto the stream of Egypt, and °ye shall be gathered one by one, O ye °children of Israel.

13 And it shall come to pass ¹²in that day, that the great trumpet shall be blown, and they shall come which were °ready to perish in the land of Assyria, and the outcasts in the land of Egypt, and shall worship ¹the LORD in the °holy °mount at Jerusalem.

^{DJ'K'Mn} 28 °Woe to the °crown of pride, °to the drunkards of °Ephraim, whose glorious beauty is °a fading flower, which are on the head of the °fat valleys of them that are overcome with °wine!

^o 2 °Behold, °the LORD* °hath a mighty and strong one, which as a tempest of hail and a destroying storm, as a flood of mighty waters overflowing, shall °cast down to the earth with the hand.

3 The ¹crown of pride, the drunkards of Ephraim, shall be trodden under feet:

4 And the glorious beauty, which is on the head of the ¹fat valley, shall °be °a fading flower, °and as the °hasty fruit before the summer; which when he that looketh upon it °seeth, while it is yet in his hand he °eateth it up.

5 In that day shall °the LORD of hosts be for a crown of glory, and for a diadem of beauty, unto the residue of His People,

6 And for a °spirit of judgment to him that sitteth in judgment, and for strength to them that °turn the battle to the gate.

ⁿ 7 But °they also have erred through ¹wine, and through °strong drink are out of the way; the priest and the prophet have erred through °strong drink, they are swallowed up of ¹wine, they are out of the way through °strong drink; they err in vision, they stumble in °judgment.

8 For all °tables are full of vomit and filthiness, so that there is no place clean.

^{N p} 9 °Whom shall He teach knowledge? and whom shall He make to understand doctrine? them that are weaned from the °milk, and drawn from the °breasts.

^q 10 °For precept °must be upon precept, pre-

hasty fruit = early fig [becomes].

swalloweth it.

turn = turn, or drive, back.

Ap. 27. IV.

Harvest, &c.).

1 Sam. 20. 34. Ezek. 40. 39-43.

milk . . . breasts? (Two questions.)

he were teaching little children in a school.

“For it is *zav lāzāv, zav lāzāv*

kav lāzāv, kav lāzāv

z“er shām, z“er shām.”

The Figs. *Epizeuxis* and *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. It may be Englished by: “Law upon law, Saw upon saw”.

10 Yet = For.

consume = devour.

11 the boughs, &c. = her harvest drieth up.

they. Fem., i.e. the “stones” of v. 9.

broken off = broken, or destroyed.

12 in that day: vv. 12, 13 refer to Israel, as vv. 7, 10, and 11 refer to Israel's enemies.

beat off: i.e. as olives from a tree = “beat off [his fruit]”: i.e. gather the sons of Israel.

channel = flood.

river: i.e. the Euphrates.

children = sons.

13 ready to perish. So the end will be like the beginning. See Deut. 26. 5.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

mount = mountain.

28. 1-35. 10 (D, p. 930). WOES. ALTERNATED WITH JEHOVAH'S GLORIES.

(Repeated Alternation.)

D J¹ K¹ | 28. 1-22. Ephraim (Samaria and Israel).

L¹ | 28. 23-29. Jehovah the Instructor.

J² K² | 29. 1-21. Jerusalem and Lebanon.

L² | 29. 22-24. Jehovah the Redeemer.

J³ K³ | 30. 1-17. The Egyptian League.

L³ | 30. 18-33. Jehovah the gracious One.

J⁴ K⁴ | 31. 1-9. Apostates.

L⁴ | 32. 1-20. Jehovah the righteous King.

J⁵ K⁵ | 33. 1-12. The Assyrian spoiler.

L⁵ | 33. 13-24. Jehovah the King in His beauty.

J⁶ K⁶ | 34. 1-17. Gentile nations.

L⁶ | 35. 1-10. Jehovah, the King in His glory.

28. 1-22 (K¹, above). EPHRAIM. (SAMARIA AND ISRAEL). (Introversions and Alternation.)

K¹ | M | n | 1. Ephraim. Pride.

o | 2-6. Jehovah the Instructor.

n | 7, 8. Judah. Drink.

N | p | 9. Whom shall He teach.

q | 10, 11. Teaching. Mocking.

N | p | 12. Refusal to hear.

q | 13. Teaching. Threatening.

M | r | 14, 15. Judah. Scorners.

s | 16, 17. Jehovah's foundation.

r | 18-22. Judah. Scorners.

1 Woe = Ho! We now come (in D, see above) to a cycle of woes corresponding with the “burdens” (in D, p. 930). In these “woes” Jehovah's purpose is alternately thrown into sharp contrast (see the Structure of D, above).

crown of pride = pride's crown, or proud crown (i.e. Samaria; cp. Amos 6. 1, 3). Fig. *Enallagē* (Ap. 6). Referring to the circle of towers which girdled Samaria. to = of.

Ephraim = one tribe. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for all the tribes of Israel.

a fading flower. Cp. 1. 30; 40. 7.

fat = rich, or luxuriant.

wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. I.

2 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6).

the LORD* = Jehovah (Ap. 4. II). One of 134 places where “Jehovah” of the primitive text was changed to “Adonai”; so some codices, with two early printed editions. See Ap. 32.

hath a mighty and strong one = hath a mighty one, immensely strong: i.e. Assyria (2 Kings 17. 5, 6; 18. 10). cast down = cast [Ephraim] down.

4 be = become.

and. Omit.

eateth it up =

6 spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

strong drink. Heb. *shekār*.

9 Whom = Whom [say they].

10 For = For [say they] mimicking the prophet as though

must be: or, [hath been]. The verse then reads:

“For it is *zav lāzāv, zav lāzāv*

kav lāzāv, kav lāzāv

z“er shām, z“er shām.”

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cept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, *and* there a little:

11 °For with °stammering lips and °another tongue will °He speak to this People.

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12 °To whom He said, "This is the rest wherewith ye may cause the weary to rest; and this is the refreshing:" yet they would not hear.

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13 But the word of °the LORD °was unto them precept upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little; that they °might go, and °fall backward, and be broken, and snared, and °taken.

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14 Wherefore hear the word of °the LORD, ye scornful °men, that rule this People which is in Jerusalem.

15 Because ye have said, "We have °made a covenant with death, and with °hell are we at agreement; when the overflowing scourge shall pass through, it shall not come unto us: for we have made lies our refuge, and under falsehood have we hid ourselves:"

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16 Therefore thus saith °the Lord GOD, °"Behold, °I lay °in Zion for a foundation °a stone, °a tried stone, a precious corner stone, °a sure foundation: he that believeth shall °not make haste.

17 °Judgment also will I lay to the line, and righteousness to the plummet: and the hail shall sweep away the refuge of lies, and the waters shall overflow the hiding place.

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18 And your °covenant with death shall be disannulled, and your agreement with °hell shall not stand; when the overflowing scourge shall pass through, then ye shall be trodden down by it.

19 From the time that it goeth forth it shall °take you: for morning by morning shall it pass over, by day and by night: and it shall be a °vexation only to understand the °report.

20 For °the bed is shorter than that a man can stretch himself on it: and the covering narrower than that he can wrap himself in it.

21 For °the LORD shall rise up as in mount °Perazim, He shall be wroth as in the valley of °Gibeon, that He may do His work, °His strange work; and bring to pass His act, °His strange act."

22 Now therefore be ye not mockers, lest your bands be made strong: for I have heard from °the Lord GOD of hosts a consumption, even determined, upon the whole °earth.

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23 Give ye ear, and hear My voice; hearken, and hear My speech.

24 Doth the plowman °plow all day to sow? doth °he open and break the clods of his ground?

25 When he hath made plain the face thereof, doth he not cast abroad the fitches, and scatter

11 For = Yea, verily. Taking the words out of their own taunting lips, and turning them against themselves. Quoted in 1 Cor. 14. 21.

stammering - jabbering.

another = foreign. Referring to the Assyrian language they were (alas!) soon to hear (cp. 33. 19. Deut. 28. 49).

He speak: i.e. by the Assyrians.

12 To whom He said: or, He (Jehovah) Who said to them: i.e. by His prophets (7. 4; 8. 6; 30. 15. Jer. 6. 16).

13 was = became. Giving back to the scoffers their own words (from v. 10) in the form of a threatening.

might - may.

fall backward, &c. Note the Fig. *Synonymia* (Ap. 6), by which the similar words are heaped together to impress on them the solemnity and certainty of the judgment.

taken = caught.

14 men. Pl. of 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

15 made = cut, or solemnised.

made a covenant. It is alleged that the use of the word "covenant" is confined to Jehovah by the "second Isaiah" (i.e. after ch. 40): but it is so used before that (see 24. 5; 33. 8). But why should not a covenant be made with, and by, other parties as it is here in 28. 15, 18? See Ap. 79. II.

hell. Heb. Sheōl. Ap. 35.

16 the Lord GOD = Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See Ap. 4. VIII (2).

Behold. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6), emphasising the contrast between the false foundation of v. 15 with the true foundation. (This is quoted in Rom. 9. 33. 1 Pet. 2. 6.)

I lay - I have laid. So the Syr. and Sept. Laid, in the counsels of eternity: in Abraham's promise (Gen. 12); in David's covenant (2 Sam. 7).

in Zion. In Zion; not Zion itself.

a stone. This is a distinct reference to Gen. 49. 24. It is the Immanuel (of ch. 7), the promised Son (of ch. 9), the rod from Jesse's stem (of ch. 11).

a tried stone - a test stone: i.e. tested itself, and testing others. Cp. v. 17, and Zech. 3. 9.

a sure foundation. Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. Heb. a foundation founded: i.e. a well-founded foundation, or a firm or sure foundation.

not make haste - be constant, steady, not fleeing away. See note on Prov. 8. 30. Note the Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6; by which the hastening, or flight, is put for the confusion and shame which is the cause of it. Sept. reads "ashamed". In Rom. 9. 33; 10. 11. 1 Pet. 2. 6, the Fig. is translated, and means therefore exactly the same thing: - shall have no need for hurried flight (cp. 49. 23).

17 Judgment also will I lay to the line, &c. = I will make judgment the line, and righteousness the plumb-line.

19 take you - take you away.

vexation - terror.

report - hearing. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for what is heard.

20 the bed, &c. This allegory is to show that their false security as to the approach of Sennacherib would afford them no real rest, it would soon be disturbed.

21 Perazim . . . Gibeon. This could not be known or understood without reference to 2 Sam. 5. 20, and Josh. 10. 10; and this reference must have been in writing: too long before (700 years) to be a matter of mere memory. See Ap. 92.

His strange work - strange His work [is]. Heb. zār - foreign.

His strange act - unwonted [is] His act. Heb. nākar.

22 earth - land, or soil.

28. 23-29 (L¹, p. 964). JEHOVAH THE INSTRUCTOR. (Alternation.)

L¹ | t | 23 25. Ploughing and sowing.

u | 26. Divine instruction.

t | 27, 28. Threshing.

u | 29. Divine instruction.

24 plow all day: i.e. continually - ever keep ploughing? See the note on v. 28.

he open = he [for ever] open.

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the cummin, and cast in ° the principal wheat and the appointed barley and the rie in their ° place?

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26 ° For his ° God doth instruct him to discretion, and doth teach him.

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27 For the fitches are not threshed with a ° threshing instrument, neither is a cart wheel turned about upon the cummin; but the fitches are beaten out with a staff, and the cummin with a rod.

28 ° Bread corn is ° bruised; ° because he will not ° ever be threshing it, nor break it with the wheel of his cart, nor ° bruise it with his horsemen.

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29 ° This also cometh forth from ° the LORD of hosts, Which is wonderful in counsel, and ° excellent in ° working.

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(p. 966)

29 ° Woe ° to ° Ariel, to Ariel, ° the city where David ° dwelt! add ye ° year to year; ° let them kill sacrifices.

2 Yet I will distress ° Ariel, and there shall be heaviness and sorrow: and it shall be unto Me ° as Ariel.

3 And I will camp against thee round about, and will lay siege against thee with a mount, and I will raise forts against thee.

4 And thou shalt be brought down, and shalt speak out of the ° ground, and thy speech shall be low out of the dust, and thy voice shall be, as of one that hath ° a familiar spirit, out of the ° ground, and thy speech shall ° whisper out of the dust.

5 Moreover the multitude of thy ° strangers shall be ° like small dust, and the multitude of the ° terrible ones shall be as chaff that passeth away: yea, it shall be at an instant suddenly.

6 Thou shalt be ° visited of ° the LORD of hosts with thunder, and with earthquake, and great noise, with storm and tempest, and the flame of devouring fire.

7 And the multitude of all the nations that fight against ° Ariel, even all that fight against her and her munition, and that distress her, shall be as a dream of a night vision.

8 It shall even be ° as when an hungry man dreameth, and, behold, he eateth; but he awaketh, and his ° soul is empty: or as when a thirsty man dreameth, and, behold, he drinketh; but he awaketh, and, behold, he is faint, and his ° soul hath appetite: so shall the multitude of all the nations be, that fight against mount Zion.

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9 Stay yourselves, and wonder; cry ye out, and cry: they are drunken, but not with ° wine; they stagger, but not with ° strong drink.

10 For ° the LORD ° hath poured out upon you the ° spirit of deep sleep, and hath closed your eyes: the prophets and your rulers, the seers hath He covered.

11 And the vision ° of all is become unto you as the words of a ° book that is sealed, which men deliver to one that is learned, saying, "Read this, I pray thee:" and he saith, "I cannot; for it is sealed:"

12 And the ° book is delivered to him that is not learned, saying, "Read this, I pray thee:" and he saith, "I am not learned."

25 the principal wheat = wheat in rows. Only here. place = due order. Connect "appointed" with "place", not with "barley".

26 For his God, &c. Render: "For One hath instructed him in the right course; his God doth teach him". God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

27 threshing instrument. Only here, and 41. 15.

28 Bread = Corn. Bread is put by Fig. Metonymy (of Effect), Ap. 6, for the corn of which it is made. Cp. Job 28. 5.

bruised = crushed: i.e. reduced to powder. Cp. Ex. 32. 20. 2 Kings 23. 6. Render, as a question: Is corn crushed?

because = nay. The Heb. accent *tēbir* is disjunctive and requires this rendering. Cp. R.V. marg., and Job 22. 2.

29 This: i.e. this same design in His treatment of His people. His purpose is the same as that of the husbandman. Cp. Amos 9. 9. excellent = lofty.

working = wisdom. The sort of wisdom which carries the purpose through to permanency. Heb. *tūshiyah*. See note on Prov. 2. 7.

29. 1-21 (K², p. 964). JERUSALEM AND LEBANON. (Extended Alternation.)

K² v | 1-8. Woe. Jerusalem.

w | 9-12. Stupefaction.

x | 13, 14. Reason.

v | 15-17. Woe. Lebanon.

w | 18, 19. Illumination.

x | 20, 21. Reason.

1 Woe. The second of the six woes, indicated in the Structure (D, p. 930).

to Ariel. Note the Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6). See note on 24. 16.

Ariel = either a lion of GOD (El, Ap. 4. IV) (2 Sam. 23. 20); or the altar-hearth of GOD (Ezek. 43. 15, 16; and the Moabite Stone, line 12, Ap. 54). Jerusalem is called Har-el on old Egyptian monuments.

the city. Put by Fig. *Polyonymia* (Ap. 6) for Jerusalem. "City" is in the construct state: - city of [the spot] where David camped.

dwelt = encamped.

year. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for festival.

let them kill, &c.: or, let the feasts go round. Fig. *Eironia*. Ap. 6.

2 as Ariel = as a veritable hearth of GOD.

4 ground = earth.

a familiar spirit = an Ob. See note on Lev. 19. 31.

whisper = peep, chirp, or mutter.

8 strangers: i.e. adversaries.

like, &c. . . . as, &c. Fig. *Hyperbole*. Ap. 6.

terrible ones = tyrants.

6 visited. These judgments (in v. 6) refer to the deliverance from Jerusalem's enemies.

the LORD of hosts. See note on 1 Sam. 1. 3.

7 Ariel. Here it is plainly Jerusalem.

8 as = according as.

soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

9 wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. I.

strong drink. Heb. *shēkār*. Ap. 27. IV.

10 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

hath poured, &c. Quoted in Rom. 11. 8.

spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

11 of all = of the whole, or altogether.

book = scroll, or document, in writing.

13 the LORD*. One of the 134 places where the *Sopherim* say they changed Jehovah of the primitive text to Adonai. See Ap. 32.

said. Quoted in Matt. 15. 7-9. Mark 7. 6.

but = though.

13 Wherefore ° the LORD * ° said, "Forasmuch x as this people draw near Me with their mouth, and with their lips do honour Me, ° but have

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removed their heart far from Me, and their fear toward Me is °taught by the precept of °men:

14 Therefore, behold, I will proceed to do a marvellous work among this People, *even* a marvellous work and a wonder: °for the °wisdom of their wise *men* shall perish, and the °understanding of their prudent *men* shall be hid."

15 Woe unto them that seek deep to hide their counsel from °the LORD, and their works are in the dark, and they say, "Who seeth us? and who knoweth us?"

16 Surely your turning of things upside down shall be esteemed as the potter's clay: for shall the work °say of him that made it, "He made me not?" or shall the thing framed say of him that framed it, "He had no °understanding?"

17 Is it not yet a very little while, and Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field, and the fruitful field shall be esteemed as a forest?

18 And in that day shall the deaf hear the words of the °book, and the eyes of the blind shall see out of obscurity, and out of darkness.

19 The °meek also shall increase *their* joy in °the LORD, and the °poor among °men shall rejoice in °the Holy One of Israel.

20 For °the terrible one is brought to nought, and the scorner is consumed, and all that watch for °iniquity are cut off:

21 That °make a °man an offender for a word, and lay a snare for him that °reproveth in the gate, and turn aside the °just for °a thing of nought.

L² y (p. 967) 22 Therefore thus saith °the LORD, Who redeemed °Abraham, concerning °the house of Jacob, "Jacob shall not now be ashamed, neither shall °his face now wax pale.

23 But when he seeth his °children, the work of Mine hands, in the midst of him,

24 they shall sanctify My °name, and sanctify °the Holy One of Jacob, and shall fear °the God of Israel.

y 24 They also that erred in °spirit °shall come to °understanding, and they that murmured shall °learn doctrine."

K³ O 30 "Woe to the °rebellious °children," saith °the LORD, "that °take counsel, but not of Me; and that °cover with a covering, but not of °My Spirit, that they may add °sin to °sin:

2 That °walk to go down into Egypt, and have not asked at My mouth; to strengthen themselves in the °strength of Pharaoh, and to °trust in the shadow of Egypt!

P 3 Therefore shall the °strength of Pharaoh be your shame, and the °trust in the shadow of Egypt *your* confusion.

4 For °his princes were at °Zoan, and his ambassadors came to °Hanes.

5 They were all ashamed of a people *that* could not profit them, nor be an help nor profit, but a shame, and also a reproach."

began the exodus.

Hanes. Called Tahapanes (Jer. 2. 16). Now Tell Defenneh, about seventy miles from Cairo, the capital of a minor district. Succeeded Memphis as the capital before Abraham's time. Known to the Greeks as Hiraclaeopolis Magna. The name occurs only here in Scripture.

taught by the precept of men = a commandment of men in which they have been schooled: i.e. taught by rote.

men = mortals. Heb. pl. of 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

14 for. Quoted in 1 Cor. 1. 19.

wisdom. Heb. *chākām*. } See notes on understanding. Heb. *bīnāh*. } Prov. 1. 2.

16 say. Cp. 45. 9.

18 book = scroll.

19 meek = oppressed, poor = oppressed. Heb. 'ebyōn. See note on Prov. 6. 11.

men. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.

the Holy One of Israel. See note on Isa. 1. 4.

20 the terrible one = the tyrant.

iniquity. Heb. 'āven. Ap. 44. iii.

21 make a man an offender for a word = who bring a man into condemnation by a word (i.e. by false witness).

reproveth = decideth: i.e. in judgment.

just = righteous.

a thing of nought. See note on "confusion", 24. 10.

29. 22-24 (L², p. 964). JEHOVAH THE REDEEMER. (Introversion.)

L² y | 22. The word of Jehovah. Spoken.

z | 23-. The work of Jehovah. Seen.

-23. The work of Jehovah. Effect.

y | 24. The word of Jehovah. Understood.

22 Abraham. Ref. to Pent. as well known. Ap. 92. the house of Jacob. See note on 2. 5.

his face . . . wax pale. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for fear.

23 children = young children.

the God of Israel. This expression occurs seven times in Isaiah (here; 41. 17; 45. 3, 16; 48. 1, 2; 52. 12). Elsewhere twenty-nine times, without Jehovah preceding (Gen. 33. 20. Ex. 24. 10. Num. 16. 9. Josh. 22. 16. 1 Sam. 1. 17; 5. 7, 8, 8, 10, 11; 6. 3, 5; 25. 32. 2 Sam. 23. 3. Ezra 3. 2; 8. 35; 9. 4. 1 Chron. 4. 10; 5. 26. 2 Chron. 29. 7. Ps. 69. 6. Ezek. 8. 4; 9. 3; 10. 19, 20; 11. 22; 43. 2).

24 shall come, &c. - shall know discernment. learn doctrine - accept instruction.

30. 1-17 (K³, p. 964). THE EGYPTIAN LEAGUE. (Extended Alternation and Introversion.)

K³ O | 1, 2, Rebellion against Jehovah.

P | 3-5. Egypt. Disappointment from.

Q | a | 6. Property. Removal.

b | 7. Reason. Egypt's help, vain.

O | 8-11. Rebellion against Jehovah.

P | 12-14. Egypt. Destruction of.

Q | b | 15. Egypt's help, vain.

a | 16, 17. Persons. Flight.

1 Woe. The third of the six woes (see D, p. 930).

rebellious = stubborn, or backsliding.

children = sons.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

take counsel = carry out a purpose.

cover with a covering: or, pour out a libation; and so, make an alliance.

My Spirit = Me. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

sin. Heb. *chāṭā*. Ap. 44. i.

2 walk = are setting out. This prophecy had been given in the days of Hezekiah (617-588), and was then being fulfilled in Israel.

strength of Pharaoh. Cp. v. 7, where it is shown to be a vain help. In vv. 2, 3, "strength" is literal. In v. 7 it is a Figure.

trust = flee for refuge to. Heb. *hāṣāh*. Ap. 69. II. Same word as in v. 3, but not the same as in v. 12.

4 his: i.e. Pharaoh's.

Zoan. Now *Zān*. In the time of Moses it was the capital or court of Pharaoh, and the scene of his miracles (Ps. 78. 12, 43), and the seat of wisdom (19. 11, 13). Occurs elsewhere Num. 13. 22. Ezek. 30. 14. At Zoan

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6 The °burden of the beasts of °the south: into the land of trouble and anguish, from whence come the young and old lion, °the viper and fiery flying serpent, they will carry their °riches upon the shoulders of young asses, and their treasures upon the bunches of camels, °to a people that shall not profit them.

b **7** For the Egyptians shall help in vain, and to no purpose: therefore °have I cried concerning this, °“Their strength is to sit still.”

o **8** Now go, write it before them in °a table, and °note it in a book, that it may be for °the time to come for ever and ever:

9 That this is a rebellious People, lying °children, °children that will not hear the °law of the LORD:

10 Which say to the seers, “See not;” and to the prophets, “Prophesy not unto us right things, speak unto us smooth things, prophesy deceits:

11 Get you out of the way, turn aside out of the °path, cause °the Holy One of Israel to cease from before us.”

P **12** Wherefore thus saith °the Holy One of Israel, “Because ye despise this word, and °trust in oppression and perverseness, and stay thereon:

13 Therefore this °iniquity shall be to you as a breach ready to fall, swelling out in a high wall, whose breaking cometh suddenly at an instant.

14 And He shall break it °as the breaking of the potters’ vessel that is broken in pieces; He shall not spare: so that there shall not be found in the bursting of it a sherd to take °fire from the hearth, or to take water withal out of the °pit.”

Q b **15** For thus saith °the Lord GOD, °the Holy One of Israel; “In returning and rest shall ye be saved; in quietness and in °confidence shall be your °strength: and ye would not.

a **16** But ye said, ‘No; for we will °flee upon °horses;’ therefore °shall ye flee: and, ‘We will ride upon the °swift;’ therefore shall they that pursue you be °swift.

17 °One thousand °shall flee at the °rebuke of one; at the °rebuke of five shall °ye flee: till ye be left as °a beacon upon the top of a mountain, and as an °ensign on an hill.”

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18 And therefore will °the LORD wait, that He may °be gracious unto you, and therefore will He be exalted, that He may °have mercy upon you: for °the LORD is a °God of judgment: °blessed are all they that °wait for Him.

19 For the people shall dwell in Zion at Jerusalem: thou shalt weep no more: He will be very gracious unto thee at the voice of thy cry; when He shall hear it, He will answer thee.

20 And °though the °LORD* give you the bread of adversity, and the water of affliction,

wait = look for.

20 though. Omit “though”, and read it as a direct promise: “Jehovah will give you affliction [as] bread and adversity [as] water”. LORD* = Jehovah (Ap. 4. II). One of the 134 places where the *Sopherim* changed Jehovah of the primitive text for Adonai (Ap. 32). Some codices, with three early printed editions, read “Jehovah” in the text.

6 burden. Refers to the lading of the animals of the ambassadors who were going down to Egypt with rich gifts to secure an alliance, and thus reversing the steps of their national deliverance. It is not a fresh “burden”, “the beginning of which has been lost”.

the south = the Negeb, which must be passed through to get to Egypt. See notes on Gen. 13. 1, and Ps. 126. 4. the viper, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 8. 15). Occurs in Isaiah only here, and in 59. 5. Ap. 92.

riches. Heb. *hüyil* = strength. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the riches or treasures carried by it.

to = [relying] upon: i.e. the Egyptians, as stated in preceding clause.

7 have I cried concerning this = have I called (or named) her.

Their strength, &c. Heb. Egypt—sitting still (and thus not giving the help that was being sought). Rahab = pride, or strength, is put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for Egypt, the proud or strong one. Note the wrong but common use of this verse, through not heeding the context.

8 a table = a tablet.

note = inscribe. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 17. 14; 24. 4; 34. 27, 28. Num. 33. 2. Deut. 31. 9, 24). Ap. 92.

the time to come = the latter day.

9 children = sons.

law: or, instruction contained in the law of Moses. See note on 1. 10.

11 path. See note on 2. 3.

the Holy One of Israel. See note on 1. 4. Ps. 71. 22.

12 trust = confide. Heb. *bāṭah* (Ap. 69. i). Not the same word as in vv. 2, 3. Same as in v. 15.

13 iniquity. Heb. *‘avāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

14 as the breaking of the potters’ vessel. The reference is to the manufacture of *homrah*, by breaking up pottery to powder in order to make cement of it. Carried on in the valley of Hinnom. See note on Jer. 19. 1, 2.

fire from the hearth = that which is kindled.

pit = cistern.

15 the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. Ap. 4. VIII.

confidence = trust: i.e. trust [in Jehovah]. Heb. *bāṭah*, as in v. 12. Ap. 69. i.

strength = real power. Heb. *gēbūrah*. Not the same word as in vv. 2, 3: but the same as in 28. 6.

16 flee . . . horses . . . shall ye flee. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). Heb. *nānūs . . . sūs . . . t’nisūn*, for emphasis.

swift . . . shall they . . . be swift. Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). Heb. *kal . . . yik’kallū*, for emphasis; not a mere “play on words”.

17 One thousand shall flee. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 8. Deut. 28. 25; 32. 30). Ap. 92.

shall flee. The Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) is correctly supplied from the next clause.

rebuke = threat.

ye flee = ye [all] flee.

a beacon = a pole, or mast. ensign = flagstaff.

30. 18-33 (L³, p. 964). JEHOVAH THE GRACIOUS ONE. (*Repeated Alternation.*)

L³ c¹ | 18-21. Blessing for Israel. Spiritual.

d¹ | 22. Judgment on idols.

c² | 23-26. Blessing for Israel. Temporal.

d² | 27, 28. Judgment on nations.

c³ | 29. Blessing for Israel. Spiritual.

d³ | 30-33. Judgment on Assyria.

18 be gracious—show you favour, or grace.

have mercy upon you = show you compassion.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

blessed = O the happinesses [of all, &c.]. The first of three in Isaiah (32. 20; 56. 2).

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tion, °yet shall not thy °teachers °be removed into a °corner any more, but thine eyes shall °see thy °teachers:

21 And thine ears shall hear a word behind thee, saying, "This is the way, walk ye in it," when ye turn to the right hand, and when ye turn to the left.

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22 Ye shall defile also the °covering of thy graven images of silver, and the °ornament of thy molten images of gold: thou shalt cast them away as a menstruous cloth; thou shalt say unto it, "Get thee hence."

c²

23 Then shall He give the rain of °thy seed, that thou shalt sow the ground withal; and bread of the increase of the °earth, and it shall be fat and plenteous: in that day shall thy cattle feed in large pastures.

24 The oxen likewise and the young asses that °ear the ground shall eat clean provender, which hath been winnowed with the shovel and with the fan.

25 And there shall be upon every high mountain, and upon every high hill, rivers and °streams of waters in the day of the great slaughter, when the towers fall.

26 Moreover the light of the moon shall be as the light of the sun, and the light of the sun shall be sevenfold, as the light of seven days, in the day that °the LORD bindeth up the breach of His People, and healeth the stroke of their wound.

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27 °Behold, °the name of °the LORD cometh from far, burning with His anger, and the burden thereof is heavy: His lips are full of indignation, and His tongue as a devouring fire:

28 And His °breath, as an overflowing stream, shall reach to the midst of the neck, to sift the nations with the sieve of vanity: and there shall be a bridle in the jaws of the °people, causing them to err.

c³

29 Ye shall have a song, as in the night °when a °holy solemnity is kept; and gladness of heart, as when one goeth with a pipe to come into °the mountain of °the LORD, to the °mighty One of Israel.

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30 And °the LORD shall cause His glorious voice to be heard, and shall shew the lighting down of His arm, with the indignation of His anger, and with the flame of a devouring fire, with scattering, and tempest, and hailstones.

31 For through the voice of °the LORD shall the Assyrian be beaten down, which smote with a rod.

32 And in °every place where the grounded staff shall pass, which °the LORD shall lay upon him, it shall be with °tabrets and harps: and in battles of °shaking will He fight with it.

33 For °Tophet is ordained of old; yea, for °the king it is prepared; He hath made it deep and large: the pile thereof is fire and much wood; the °breath of °the LORD, like a stream of brimstone, doth kindle it.

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31 °Woe to them that go °down to Egypt for help; and stay on horses, and °trust in chariots, because they are many; and in horsemen, because they are very strong;

yet shall not thy teachers = and thy teachers shall not.

corner. Heb. occurs only here. teachers. Perhaps pl. of Majesty = thy great Teacher (i. e. Jehovah).

be removed into a corner = hide Himself. see = be clearly seeing.

22 covering. Heb. *zāphā* (*zippōi*). Ref. to Pent. Occurs only here, Ex. 38. 17, 19, and Num. 16. 38, 39. Ap. 92.

ornament. Heb. *āphuddah* (rendered ephod). Ref. to Pent. Occurs only here, Ex. 28. 8, and 39. 5.

23 thy seed. Another reading (Ben Naphtali) is "thy land".

24 ear. Old English = to plough: from Anglo-Saxon *erian*: and this from the Latin *arare*: the Aryan root AR entering into many words with a cognate reference. ARt (ploughing being the oldest art); oAR (with which the water is ploughed); ARtos (Greek for bread); eARth; ARatrum (Latin, a plough); ARare (to plough). The verb "ear" is found only here, Deut. 21. 4, and 1 Sam. 8. 12. The noun "earring" occurs in Gen. 45. 8, and Ex. 34. 21.

25 streams. Heb. *yiblēi* (from *yābal* = to bring, or conduct along). Occurs only here in the "former" portion, and only in 44. 4, in the "latter" portion of Isaiah, where it is rendered "watercourses". Ap. 79. II.

27 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

the name. See note on Ps. 20. 1.

28 breath = blast. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9. See note on 25. 4. people = peoples.

29 when a holy solemnity is kept. Ref. to Pent. and the habitual keeping of the feasts there prescribed (Lev. 23. 2, &c.). See Ap. 92.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 6.

the mountain of the LORD. See notes on 2. 3, and Ezek. 28. 16.

mighty One = Rock. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 4, 15, 18, 30, 31). Cp. Isa. 26. 4. Ap. 92.

32 every place where the grounded staff, &c. = every stroke of the staff of doom, which, &c.

tabrets = drums. See note on 1 Sam. 10. 5. Heb. *toph*, forming the Fig. *Paronomasia* with *Tophet* in next verse, for emphasis (Ap. 6).

shaking = tumult.

33 Tophet = the place of burning. In the valley of Hinnom, the place where continual fires consumed the refuse of Jerusalem. Cp. Rev. 19. 20; 20. 10.

the king = Moloch. See note on 1 Kings 11. 7. breath. Heb. *nēshamah* (Ap. 16). See note on 2. 22.

31. 1-9 (K⁴, p. 964). APOSTATES. (Repeated Alternation.)

K⁴ | e¹ | 1-. Trust in Egypt. Woe.
f¹ | -1, 2. Jehovah. Rejection.

e² | 3-. Trust in Egypt. Vain.
f² | -3-6. Jehovah. Protection.

e³ | 7. Trust in Jehovah. Exhortation.
f³ | 8, 9. Jehovah. Deliverance.

1 Woe. The fourth of the six woes. See the Structure (D, p. 930).
down. It is always "down" to Egypt, geographically and morally.

trust = confide. Heb. *bāṭah*. Ap. 69. i.
the Holy One of Israel. See note on 1. 4. Ps. 71. 22.
neither seek the LORD. Cp. 30. 2. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 17. 16). Ap. 92.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah (with 'eth). Ap. 4. II.

2 evil ... evildoers. Heb. *rā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii.

iniquity. Heb. *āven*. Ap. 44. iii.

but they look not unto °the Holy One of Israel, f¹
°neither seek °the LORD!

2 Yet He also is wise, and will bring °evil, and will not call back His words: but will arise against the house of the °evildoers, and against the help of them that work °iniquity.

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3 Now the Egyptians are °men, and not °GOD; and their horses °flesh, and not °spirit.

When °the LORD shall stretch out His hand, both he that helpeth shall fall, and he that is holpen shall fall down, and they all shall fail together.

4 For thus hath °the LORD spoken unto me, "Like as the lion and the young lion roaring on his °prey, when a °multitude of shepherds is called forth against him, he will not be afraid of their voice, nor abase himself for the noise of them: so shall °the LORD of hosts come down to fight °for mount Zion, and °for the hill thereof.

5 °As birds flying, so will °the LORD of hosts °defend Jerusalem; °defending also He will deliver it; and °passing over He will preserve it."

6 °Turn ye unto Him from whom the °children of Israel have deeply revolted.

e³ 7 "For in that day °every man shall cast away his °idols of silver, and his °idols of gold, which your own hands have made unto you for a °sin.

f² 8 Then shall the Assyrian fall with the sword, not of a °mighty man; and the sword, not of a °mean man, shall devour him: but he shall flee from the sword, and his young men shall be °discomfited.

9 And he shall °pass over to his strong hold for fear, and his princes shall be afraid of the ensign," saith °the LORD, Whose fire is in Zion, and His furnace in Jerusalem.

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32 °Behold, °a king shall reign °in righteousness, and princes shall rule °in judgment.

S 2 °And a °man shall be as an hiding place from the °wind, and a covert from the tempest; as °rivers of water in a dry place, as the shadow of a great rock in a °weary land.

T 3 °And the eyes of them that see shall not bedim, and the ears of them that hear shall hearken.

4 °The heart also of the rash shall understand knowledge, °and the tongue of the stammerers shall be ready to speak plainly.

5 °The °vile person shall be no more called °liberal, nor the °churl said to be bountiful.

6 For the °vile person will speak villany, and his heart will work °iniquity, to practise hypocrisy, and to utter error against °the LORD, to make empty the °soul of the hungry, and he will cause the drink of the thirsty to fail.

7 The °instruments also of the °churl are °evil: he °deviseth °wicked °devices to destroy the °poor with lying words, even when the °needy speaketh right.

8 But the °liberal °deviseth °liberal things; and by °liberal things shall he stand.

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(pp. 970,
971)

9 Rise up, °ye women that are at ease; °hear my voice, ye °careless daughters; give ear unto my speech.

7 instruments also of the churl. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). Heb. *v'kelay kelayv*. Eng. chattels of the churl. evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii. deviseth = counselleth. wicked. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x. devices = plans. poor = wretched. Heb. *anāh*. See note on Prov. 6. 11. needy = helpless, weak in will and wealth. Heb. *ebyōn*. See note on Prov. 6. 11. 8 liberal - noble: freehearted, freehanded.

32. 9-14 [For Structure see next page].

9 ye women. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), "women" being put for the whole nation, now reduced by sin to utter weakness; or, a special message, as in 3. 16-26. hear my voice. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 4. 33, 36), Ap. 92. careless = confident. Heb. *bāṭaḥ*. Ap. 69. i. Used here of self-confidence, in irony.

3 men, and not GOD. Fig. *Pleonasm* (Ap. 6). The statement put two ways for great emphasis (positive and negative). men. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I. GOD. Heb. *El* = the mighty God. Ap. 4. IV. flesh, and not spirit. Fig. *Pleonasm* (Ap. 6). See above. spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

4 prey = live prey. multitude = crowd. the LORD of hosts. See note on 1. 9 and 1 Sam. 1. 3. for: or, over.

5 As birds flying. As birds hovering [covering and protecting their nest with their wings], so will, &c. The Fig. *Ellipsis* is to be thus supplied. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 11). Ap. 92.

defend = shield. The verb is found only in Isaiah's utterances (2 Kings 19. 34, 20. 6. Isa. 31. 5; 37. 35; 38. 6; and Zech. 9. 15; 12. 8.

defending, &c. = shielding. Only used of God. Only here, 2 Kings 19. 34; 20. 6. Lit. "[then there will be] a shielding, and He will rescue; a passing over [as in Egypt at the Passover], and he will cause to escape."

passing over. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 12. 13, 23, 27). Ap. 92. This word is nowhere else used in this sense.

6 Turn = Return. children = sons.

7 every man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II. idols = nothings. sin. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

8 mighty man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II.

mean man. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

discomfited = become tributaries.

9 pass over. Not the same word as in v. 5 (which is *pāṣah*). Here, Heb. *ābar*, to cross over, or retreat.

32. 1-20 (L⁴, p. 964). JEHOVAH'S RIGHTEOUS KING. (Extended Alternation.)

L⁴ R | 1. The king reigning in righteousness.

S | 2. The Land.

T | 3-8. The People. } Effect: Protection.

U | 9-14. Desolation.

R | 15-. The Spirit poured out.

S | 15-17. The Land. } Effect: Security.

T | 18, 19. The People. }

U | 20. Cultivation.

1 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

a king. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 17. 14, 15). Ap. 92.

in = for, in the interest of.

2 And. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in vv. 2-5, emphasising every detail.

man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II.

wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

rivers of water. Heb. *palgēi-māyim*. Channels for irrigation in a garden. See notes on Prov. 21. 1. Ps. 1. 3.

weary = thirsty.

4 The heart also = And the heart: preserving the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (v. 2). Ap. 6.

5 The vile person. Some codices, with two early printed editions, Sept., and Syr., read "And the", thus preserving the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (v. 1). Ap. 6.

vile person = fool. Heb. *nābal*. See note on Prov. 1. 7 and on 1 Sam. 25. 3. liberal = noble.

churl = miser, or covetous. Note the *Altnation* in vv. 5-7:—

g | 5-. vile.

h | 5. churl.

g | 6. vile.

h | 7. churl.

6 vile... villany. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). Heb. *nābāl nēbālāh*.

iniquity. Heb. *āven*. Ap. 44. iii.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

^k 10 Many days and years shall ye be troubled,
(p. 971) ye °careless women:

649-588 1 for the vintage shall fail, the gathering shall not come.

ⁱ 11 Tremble, °ye women that are at ease; be troubled, ye °careless ones: strip you, and make you bare, and gird sackcloth upon your loins.

^k 12 They shall lament for the teats, for the °pleasant fields, for the fruitful vine.

13 Upon the land of My people shall come up thorns and briers; yea, upon all the houses of joy in the joyous city:

^l 14 Because the palaces shall be °forsaken; the multitude of the city shall be °left; the forts and towers shall be for dens °for ever, a joy of wild asses, a pasture of flocks;

^R 15 Until the °spirit be °poured upon us from (p. 970) on high,

^S and the wilderness be a fruitful field, and the fruitful field be counted for a forest.

16 Then judgment shall dwell in the wilderness, and righteousness remain in the fruitful field.

17 And the °work of righteousness shall be peace; and the effect of righteousness quietness and °assurance for ever.

^T 18 And My People shall dwell in a peaceable habitation, and in sure dwellings, and in quiet resting places;

19 When it shall °hail, coming down on the forest; and the city shall be low in a low place.

^U 20 °Blessed are ye that sow beside all waters, that send forth thither the feet of the ox and the ass.

^{K⁵ m¹} 33 °Woe to thee °that spoilest, and thou (p. 971) wast not spoiled; and °dealest treacherously, and they dealt not treacherously with thee! when thou shalt cease to spoil, thou shalt be spoiled; and when thou shalt make an end to deal treacherously, they shall deal treacherously with thee.

^{n¹} 2 O °LORD, be gracious unto us; we have waited for Thee: be Thou their °arm °every morning, our salvation also in the time of trouble.

^{m²} 3 At the noise of the tumult °the people fled; at the lifting up of Thyself °the nations were scattered.

4 And your spoil shall be gathered like the gathering of the °caterpillar: as the running to and fro of locusts shall He run upon them.

^{n²} 5 °The LORD is exalted; for He dwelleth on high: He hath filled Zion with judgment and righteousness.

6 And wisdom and knowledge shall be the stability of thy times, and strength of salvation: the fear of °the LORD °is his treasure.

^{m³} 7 °Behold, their valiant ones shall cry without: °the ambassadors of peace shall weep bitterly.

8 The °highways °lie waste, the °wayfaring man ceaseth: he hath broken the covenant, he hath despised the cities, he regardeth no °man.

32. 9-14 (U, p. 970). DESOLATION.
(Extended Alternation.)

^U ⁱ | 9. Women at ease. Call to hear.

^k | 10-. Trouble.

^l | -10. Reason.

ⁱ | 11. Women at ease. Call to tremble.

^k | 12, 13. Trouble.

^l | 14. Reason.

12 pleasant fields = fields of desire. Fig. Enallage. Ap. 6. 14 forsaken = neglected.

left. See note on "forsake", 1. 4. for ever. Fig. Synecdoche (of the Whole), Ap. 6. Put for a prolonged period. Note the limitation by the word "until" in the next verse.

15 spirit. Heb. rūāḥ. Ap. 9. Cp. Joel 2. 28. Ezek. 36. 25-27.

poured. Heb. 'ārāh. Occurs in Isa. 3. 17; 22. 6, and here in the "former" portion; and in 53. 12, the "latter" portion. 17 work = tillage.

assurance = confidence. Heb. bāṭaḥ (Ap. 69. i). Same word as careless (v. 9), but not in irony.

19 hail, coming down. Note the Fig. Paronomasia (Ap. 6), for emphasis. Heb. ūbārād bēredeth; Eng. hail hailing.

20 Blessed = O the happinesses of you, &c. The second of the three occurring in Isaiah. See note on 30. 18. Cp. 56. 2.

33. 1-12 (K⁵, p. 964). THE ASSYRIAN SPOILER.
(Repeated Alternation.)

^{K⁵} ^{m¹} | 1. The spoiler.

^{n¹} | 2. Jehovah. Prayer to.

^{m²} | 3, 4. The spoiler.

^{n²} | 5, 6. Jehovah. Praise to.

^{m³} | 7-9. The spoiler.

^{n³} | 10-12. Jehovah. Answer of.

1 Woe. The fifth of the six Woes. See the Structure (D, p. 930). The Structure of K⁵, above, will make this section quite clear, and show that the verses are not "out of place", or "disarranged".

that spoilest = thou plunderer.
dealest treacherously = thou traitor.

2 LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. arm. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Cause) for the strength and defence put forth by it. Ap. 6. every morning: i.e. continually.

3 the people = peoples. the nations = nations.

4 caterpillar = locusts. 6 is = that [is].

7 Behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

the ambassadors. Note the Fig. Asyndeton (Ap. 6), in vv. 7-12. 8 highways. See note on 7. 3.

lie waste = are desolate. See note on 1. 7.

wayfaring man = he that walketh along the path. See note on "path", 2. 3.

man = mortal. Heb. 'enōsh. Ap. 14. III.

9 mourneth. See note on 3. 26.

hewn down = withered.

Sharon. Occurs in the "former" portion, only here and 55. 2; and in the "latter" portion, only in 65. 10. Ap. 79. II.

shake off. Heb. nā'ar. A rare word. Occurs twice in the "former" portion (here, and v. 15), and once in the "latter" portion (52. 2). Ap. 79. II.

10 saith the LORD = may Jehovah say. See note on 1. 11.

11 breath, as fire = breath as a fire. Heb. rūāḥ. Ap. 9.

9 The earth °mourneth and languisheth: Lebanon is ashamed and °hewn down: °Sharon is like a wilderness; and Bashan and Carmel °shake off their fruits.

10 "Now will I rise," °saith °the LORD; "now will I be exalted; now will I lift up Myself. n³

11 Ye shall conceive chaff, ye shall bring forth stubble: your °breath, as fire, shall devour you.

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12 And °the people shall be as the °burnings of lime: as °thorns cut up shall they be burned in the fire."

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13 Hear, °ye *that are* far off, °what I have done; and, ye *that are* near, acknowledge My might.

14 The sinners in Zion are afraid; °fearfulness hath °surprised the hypocrites. °Who °among us shall dwell with the devouring fire? °who among us shall dwell with everlasting burnings?

15 °He that walketh righteously, and speaketh uprightly; he that despiseth the gain of oppressions, that °shaketh his hands from holding of bribes, that stoppeth his ears from °hearing of °blood, and shutteth his eyes from seeing °evil;

16 °He shall dwell on high: his place of defence shall be the munitions of rocks: bread shall be given him; his waters shall be sure.

17 Thine eyes shall see °the king in his beauty: they shall behold the land that is very °far off.

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18 Thine heart shall meditate terror. Where is the °scribe? where is the °receiver? where is °he that counted the towers?

19 Thou shalt not see a °fierce people, a people of a deeper speech than thou canst perceive; of a °stammering °tongue, *that thou canst* not understand.

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20 °Look upon Zion, °the city of our °solemnities: thine eyes shall see Jerusalem a quiet habitation, a °tabernacle *that* shall not be taken down; not one of the stakes thereof shall ever be removed, neither shall any of the cords thereof be broken.

21 But there the glorious °LORD will be unto us a place of broad rivers and streams;

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wherein shall go no galley with oars, neither shall °gallant ship pass thereby.

o³

22 For °the LORD is our Judge, °the LORD is our Lawgiver, °the LORD is our King; °He will save us.

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23 Thy tacklings are loosed; they could not well strengthen their mast, they could not spread the sail: then is the prey of a great spoil divided; °the lame take the prey.

o⁴

24 And the inhabitant shall not say, "I am sick:" the People that dwell therein shall be °forgiven *their* °iniquity.

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34 Come near, ye nations, to hear; and hearken, ye °people: let the earth hear, and all that is therein; the °world, and °all things that come forth of it.

2 For the indignation of °the LORD is upon all nations, and His fury upon all their armies: He hath °utterly destroyed them, He hath delivered them to the slaughter.

3 Their slain also shall be cast out, and their stink shall come up out of their carcases, and the °mountains shall be melted with their blood.

4 And all the host of heaven shall be dissolved, and the heavens shall be rolled together as a scroll: and all their host shall fall down, as the leaf falleth off from the vine, and as a falling fig from the fig tree.

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5 For My sword shall be bathed in heaven:

12 the people = peoples.
burnings of lime: i.e. fuel for limekilns.
thorns cut up. These are the common fuel used in limekilns in Palestine.

33. 13-24 (L⁵, p. 964). JEHOVAH. THE KING IN HIS BEAUTY. (*Repeated Alternation.*)

L⁵ o¹ | 13-17. The king. Seen in the Land.
p¹ | 18, 19. Enemy not seen.
o² | 20, 21-. The glorious Jehovah. Seen in Zion.
p² | -21. Enemy not seen.
o³ | 22. Jehovah. Present to save.
p³ | 23. Enemy. Destroyed.
o⁴ | 24. Jehovah. His People forgiven.

13 ye: i.e. the heathen.
what I have done: i.e. in the destruction of Sennacherib's army.

14 fearfulness = trembling. Heb. *rē'ādah*. Only here in Isaiah; and elsewhere, only in Job 4. 14. Pss. 2. 11; 48. 6.

Who . . . ? who . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6). The answer implied being the negative.

among - for.
15 He, &c. This is not the answer to v. 14, but the subject of the Promise in v. 16, "He . . . shall dwell on high". Hence it is emphatic. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 10. 17; 16. 19; 27. 25). Ap. 92.

hearing of = listening to.
blood = murderers. Fig. *Metalepsis* (of Subject), Ap. 6; by which "blood" is first put for bloodshedding, and, secondly, bloodshedding put for those who shed it.

evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. x.
17 the king. See v. 22. far off far stretching.
18 scribe the counter. receiver = the weigher.

he that counted, &c. Referring to Sennacherib's besieging army.
19 fierce, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 49, 50). Ap. 92.

stammering = jabbering.
tongue. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the language spoken by it.
20 Look = Gaze.

the city. Fig. *Polyonymia*. Ap. 6.
solemnities = festal-days. Ref. to Pent., where the word frequently occurs (cp. Lev. 23. Num. 15, &c.). Ap. 79. II.
tabernacle = tent. Heb. *'ohel*. Ap. 40. 3.

21 gallant = mighty, or noble.
23 the lame take the prey. Referring to the spoil taken from the dead of the Assyrian host. See 2 Kings 19. 35.

24 forgiven their iniquity. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 23. 21; 32. 32. Num. 14. 19).
iniquity. Heb. *'āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

34. 1-17 (K⁶, p. 964). GENTILE NATIONS. (*Extended Alternations.*)

K⁶ V | 1-8. Nations and armies.
W | 9, 10. The land.
X | 11-. Wild creatures.
Y | -11. The line of confusion.
V | 12. Nobles and Princes.
W | 13-. The land.
X | -13-16. Wild creatures.
Y | 17. The line of confusion.

1-8 (V, above). NATIONS AND ARMIES. (*Introversion.*)

V | q | 1-4. Wrath.
r | 5, 6-. Sword.
r | -6, 7. Sacrifice.
q | 8. Vengeance.

1 people = peoples.
world = the inhabited world. Heb. *tābel*.
all things, &c. = and all that is therein.
2 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
utterly destroyed = devoted to destruction, or, placed under a Divine ban.

3 mountains shall be melted with their blood.
Fig. *Hyperbole* (Ap. 6). So vv. 4 and 5.

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behold, it shall come down upon Idumea, and upon the people ° of My curse, to judgment.

6 The sword of ° the LORD is filled with blood, it is made fat with fatness, and with the blood of lambs and goats, with the fat of the kidneys of rams:

7 for ° the LORD hath a sacrifice in Bozrah, and a great slaughter in the land of Idumea.

7 And the ° unicorns shall come down with them, and the bullocks with the bulls; and their land shall be ° soaked with blood, and their dust made fat with fatness.

8 For it is the day ° of ° the LORD'S vengeance, and the year of recompences for the controversy ° of Zion.

9 And the streams thereof shall be turned into pitch, and the dust thereof into brimstone, and the land thereof shall become burning pitch.

10 It shall not be quenched night nor day; the smoke thereof shall go up for ever: from generation to generation it shall lie waste; none shall pass through it for ever and ever.

11 But the cormorant and the bittern shall possess it; the owl also and the raven shall dwell in it:

and He shall stretch out upon it the line of ° confusion, and the ° stones of ° emptiness.

12 They shall call the nobles thereof to the kingdom, but none shall be there, and all her princes shall be nothing.

13 And thorns shall ° come up in her palaces, nettles and brambles in the fortresses thereof:

and it shall be an habitation of dragons, and a court for owls.

14 The wild beasts of the desert shall also meet with the wild beasts of the island, and the satyr shall cry to his fellow; the ° screech owl also shall rest there, and find for herself ° a place of rest.

15 There shall the great owl make her nest, and lay, and hatch, and gather under her shadow: there shall the vultures also be gathered, every one with her mate.

16 ° Seek ye out of ° the book of ° the LORD, and read: no one of these shall ° fail, none shall want her mate: for My mouth it hath commanded, and His ° Spirit it hath gathered them.

17 And He hath cast the lot for them, and His hand hath divided it unto them by line: they shall possess it for ever, from generation to generation shall they dwell therein.

5 of My curse: i.e. I have devoted.

7 unicorns: or, rhinoceros. Heb. *re'emim*.

soaked—drunken. Fig. *Hyperbole*. Ap. 6.

8 of=for. 11 confusion. See note on 24. 10.

confusion . . . emptiness. Heb. *tohū* . . . *bohū*. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 1. 2), "without form and void" = waste and desolate. Only there, here, and Jer. 4. 23 beside. Ap. 92.

stones of emptiness. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, "stones" being put for what causes the land to lie empty or untilled. 13 come up in=climb.

14 screech owl. Heb. *Lilith*. Used to-day of any being of the night, as the English "bogy" is used. Charms are used against it to-day in Palestine.

a place, &c. = a roost. 16 Seek=Search.

the book of the LORD. This proves there was a book in existence, which could be searched. See Ap. 47.

fail=be missing. Heb. *ādar*. Not the same word as in 19. 5 (see note there). Occurs here in "former" portion, and 40. 26 in "latter" portion. See Ap. 79. II.

Spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

35. 1-10 (L⁶, p. 964). JEHOVAH: THE KING IN HIS GLORY. (Alternation).

L⁶ s¹ | 1, 2. The Land.

t¹ | 3-6. The People.

s² | -6-8-. The Land.

t² | -8. The People.

s³ | 9-. The Land.

t³ | -9, 10. The People.

Ch. 35 is the sequel to this long series of Burdens (D) and Woes (D); it sets forth the future return of Israel.

1 The wilderness, &c.: i.e. the land of Edom referred to in 34. 9-16. While Edom becomes a waste, the Land becomes a paradise; and the way of the return thither a peaceful highway.

shall be glad for them=shall rejoice over them, as in the first occ. Deut. 28. 63; 30. 9, and Jer. 32. 41.

them: i.e. the noisome creatures of 34. 14-16, which were the evidences of the vengeance of 34. 8 and the glorious results as seen in 35. 4. The former portrays one aspect of it, and the latter the other. The wilderness is glad for the removal of the Edomites, of which removal the presence of the wild creatures (34. 13-17) was the token. See Ap. 82.

and—but; giving the contrast.

the desert shall rejoice, and blossom, &c. The description in this chapter leaves little to be interpreted. It requires only to be believed. No amount of spiritual blessing through the preaching of the Gospel can produce these physical miracles.

2 Sharon. See note on 33. 9.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

3 Strengthen, &c. Quoted in Heb. 12. 11, 12.

5 Then the eyes, &c. When Messiah came, these miracles (not miracles *qua* miracles) were the evidence that He had indeed come to save His People (Matt. 11. 1-6), but they rejected Him. Hence, this with other similar prophecies are in abeyance. John had based his own claims on 40. 3, while the Lord based His claims on 35. 5, 6.

35 ° The wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad for ° them; ° and ° the desert shall rejoice, and blossom as the rose.

2 It shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice even with joy and singing: the glory of Lebanon shall be given unto it, the excellency of Carmel and ° Sharon, they shall see the glory of ° the LORD, and the excellency of our ° God.

3 ° Strengthen ye the weak hands, and confirm the feeble knees.

4 Say to them that are of a fearful heart, "Be strong, fear not: behold, your ° God will come

with vengeance, even ° God with a recompence; He will come and save you."

5 ° Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped.

6 Then shall the lame man leap as an hart, and the tongue of the dumb sing:

for in the wilderness shall waters break out, and streams in the desert.

7 And the parched ground shall become a pool, and the thirsty land springs of water: in the habitation of dragons, where each lay, shall be grass with reeds and rushes.

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8 And an ° highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called ° The way of holiness ;

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the unclean shall not pass over it; ° but it *shall* be for those: the wayfaring men, though fools, shall not ° err *therein*.

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9 ° No lion shall be there, nor *any* ravenous beast shall go up thereon, it shall not be found there;

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but the redeemed shall walk *there* :

10 And the ransomed of ° the LORD shall return, and come to Zion with songs, and everlasting joy upon ° their heads: they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and ° sighing shall flee away.

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36 Now ° it came to pass ° in the fourteenth year of king Hezekiah, *that* Sennacherib king of Assyria came up against all the ° defenced cities of Judah, ° and took them.

2 And the king of Assyria sent ° Rabshakeh from ° Lachish to Jerusalem unto king Hezekiah ° with a great army. And ° he stood by the conduit of the upper pool in the ° highway of the fuller's field.

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3 Then came forth unto him ° Eliakim, Hezekiah's son, which was over the ° house, and ° Shebna the ° scribe, and Joah, Asaph's son, the recorder.

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4 And ° Rabshakeh said unto them, "Say ye now to Hezekiah, ' Thus saith ° the great king, the king of Assyria, ' What confidence *is* this wherein thou ° trustest ?

5 ° I say, *sayest thou*, (but *they are but* ° vain words) ' I have counsel and strength for war ': now on whom dost thou ° trust, that thou rebellest against me ?

6 Lo, thou ° trustest in the staff of this broken reed, on Egypt; whereon if a ° man lean, it will go into his hand, and pierce it: so *is* Pharaoh king of Egypt to all that ° trust in him.

7 But if ° thou say to me, ' We ° trust in ° the LORD our ° God ': ° *is it* not *He*, Whose high places and Whose altars Hezekiah hath taken away, and said to Judah and to Jerusalem, ' Ye shall worship before this altar ' ?

8 Now therefore give pledges, I pray thee, to my ° master the king of Assyria, and I will give thee two thousand horses, if thou be able on thy part to set riders upon them.

8 highway. See note on 7. 3. Occurs only here. The way, &c. = the holy road.

but, &c. : i. e. yet for those very persons it will exist. err therein = go astray.

9 No lion shall be there, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 6). Ap. 92.

10 their heads. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6, for themselves. **sighing**. See note on 21. 2.

Ch. 40 takes up this theme, after the historical episode of chs. 36-39, which is necessary for the understanding of the references to the Assyrian invasion.

36. 1-39. 8 (C, p. 930). HISTORIC EVENTS AND PROPHECIES. (HEZEKIAH.) (Extended and Repeated Alternation.)

C	Z ¹	A ¹	36. 1-37. 13. The King of Assyria. His summons to surrender Jerusalem.
			B ¹ 37. 14-20. Hezekiah's fear and prayer.
		C ¹	37. 21-38. Isaiah. Answer to prayer, and promise of deliverance from Sennacherib.
	Z ²	A ²	38. 1. "The King of Terrors". His solemn summons to Hezekiah to surrender his life.
			B ² 38. 2, 3. Hezekiah's fear and prayer.
		C ²	38. 4-22. Isaiah. Answer to prayer and promise of deliverance from death.
	Z ³	A ³	39. 1. The King of Babylon. His letters and present.
			B ³ 39. 2. Hezekiah. Fearless and prayerless.
		C ³	39. 3-8. Isaiah. His message of deliverance to Babylon.

36. 1-37. 13 (A¹, above). THE KING OF ASSYRIA. (Introversion.)

A ¹	D	36. 1-21. Rabshakeh. First embassy.
		E 36. 22-37. 7. Hezekiah. Reception of message.
		D 37. 8-13. Rabshakeh. Second embassy.

36. 1-21 (D, above). RABSHAKEH. (FIRST EMBASSY.) (Repeated Alternation.)

D	u ¹	1, 2. Rabshakeh. Mission.
		v ¹ 3. Eliakim. Comes forth.
		u ² 4-10. Rabshakeh. Message to Hezekiah.
		v ² 11. Eliakim. Answer.
		u ³ 12-20. Rabshakeh. Message to the People.
	v ³	21. Eliakim. Answer him not.

For the general notes on this chapter see notes on 2 Kings 18. 13-20. 19.

1 it came to pass. Note the insertion of these historical events in the midst of prophecy, corresponding with those concerning the reign of Ahaz (C, p. 930). Cp. 2 Kings 18. 13-20. 19, on which Isaiah is not dependent, and 2 Chron. 32. 1-33, which is not dependent on either (see Ap. 56). This history is a proof of Isaiah's prophetic mission and gifts. History and

prophecy are thus combined: for the latter is history foretold, and the former is (in this and many cases) prophecy fulfilled: the two accounts being perfectly independent. in the fourteenth year: i. e. 628 B. C.

See Ap. 50. V, pp. 59, 60. After Hezekiah's reformation (2 Chron. 29. 1-32. 1). Samaria had been taken by Shalmaneser in Hezekiah's sixth year (2 Kings 18. 10). The date (fourteenth year) no "error". defenced cities = fortified cities. and took them. See the list and number of them (forty-six) on Sennacherib's

hexagonal cylinder in the British Museum. See Ap. 67 (xi), p. 98. 2 Rabshakeh: or, "political officer". Probably a renegade Jew. Lachish. Now *Tell el Hesi*, or *Umm Lâkis*. See the work on the excavations there, published by the "Palestine Exploration Fund". Cp. note on 2 Kings 18. 17; and 19. 8.

with a great army. Foretold in 29. 1-6, as foretold in 22. 15-25. he stood. In the same spot where Isaiah stood with Ahaz twenty-eight years before. See 7. 3. highway. See note on 7. 3. 3 Eliakim.

See and cp. 22. 20-25. The promise of 22. 20, 21 was already fulfilled. house. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for household. Eliakim fulfils Shebna's office, as foretold in 22. 15-25. Shebna.

See 22. 15. scribe: or, secretary. Title used of a state officer, first in 2 Sam. 8. 17. Connected with finance (2 Kings 22. 3). Jer. 52. 25. 4 the great king. Contrast Ps. 47. 2. trustest = hast

confided. Heb. *bāṭaḥ*. Ap. 69. i. See Hezekiah's "Songs of the Degrees" (Pss. 121. 3; 125. 1, 2; 127. 1; 130. 5-8; and Ap. 67 (xi)). 5 I say, sayest thou. Some codices read "Thou sayest", as in 2 Kings 18. 20. vain words = lip-talk. Heb. word of lips. 6 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

7 thou. Some codices read "ye", as in 2 Kings 18. 22. the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II. God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I. is it not He . . . ? Manifesting Rabshakeh's ignorance.

8 master. Heb. *'Adonai*. Ap. 4. VIII (2).

603 9 How then wilt thou turn away the face of one captain of the least of my master's servants, and put thy 'trust on °Egypt for chariots and for horsemen?

10 And °am I now come up without 'the LORD against this land to destroy it?' the LORD said unto me, 'Go up against this land, and destroy it.' "

v² (p. 974) 11 °Then said °Eliakim and °Shebna and Joah unto Rabshakeh, "Speak, I pray thee, unto thy servants in the Syrian language; for we understand it: and speak not to us in the °Jews' language, in the ears of the people that are on the wall."

u³ 12 But °Rabshakeh said, "Hath my master sent me to thy master and to thee to °speak these words? hath he not sent me to the °men that °sit upon the wall, that they may eat their own dung, and drink their own piss with you?"

13 Then °Rabshakeh stood, and cried with a loud voice in the Jews' language, and said, "Hear ye the words of °the great king, the king of Assyria.

14 Thus saith the king, 'Let not Hezekiah deceive you: for he shall not be able to deliver you.

15 Neither let Hezekiah make you 'trust in °the LORD, saying, 'The LORD will surely deliver us: °this city shall not be delivered into the hand of the king of Assyria.'

16 Harken not to Hezekiah': for thus saith the king of Assyria, 'Make an agreement with me by a present, and come out to me: and eat ye °every one of his vine, and °every one of his fig tree, and drink ye °every one the waters of his own cistern;

17 Until I come and °take you away to a land like your own land, a land of corn and °wine, a land of °bread and vineyards.

18 Beware lest Hezekiah persuade you, saying, 'The LORD will deliver us.' °Hath any of the gods of the nations delivered his land out of the hand of the king of Assyria?

19 °Where are the gods of °Hamath and °Arphad? where are the gods of °Sepharvaim? and have they delivered Samaria out of my hand?

20 Who are they among all the gods of these lands, that have delivered their land out of my hand, that °the LORD should deliver Jerusalem out of my hand?"

v³ 21 But they held their peace, and answered him not a word: for the king's commandment was, saying, "Answer him not."

E w (p. 975) 22 Then came °Eliakim, the son of Hilkiyah, that was over the household, and °Shebna the scribe, and Joah, the son of Asaph, the recorder, to Hezekiah with their clothes rent, and told him the words of °Rabshakeh.

x 37 And it came to pass, when king Hezekiah heard it, that he rent his clothes, and covered himself with sackcloth, and °went into the house of °the LORD.

w 2 And he sent °Eliakim, who was over the household, and °Shebna the scribe, and the °elders of the priests covered with sackcloth, unto Isaiah the prophet the son of Amoz.

3 And they said unto him, "Thus °saith Hezekiah, 'This day is a day of trouble, and of rebuke, and of °blasphemy: for the °children

9 Egypt. Hezekiah at first looked for help there (see 20. 3-6; 30. 2-5; 2 Kings 18. 21).

10 am I now come up. As foretold twenty-eight years before (10. 6-8). If Rabshakeh knew of this, it shows the falsehood of "half the truth".

11 Then said, &c. This led only to grosser insults. Jews'. The name by which the People were known of old, to foreigners. See note on v. 2. No proof of a later authorship. "Hebrew" is the later word for the language (cp. 19. 18).

12 speak these words. See Ap. 67 (i). men. Heb. pl. of 'enōsh. Ap. 14. III. sit upon the wall=maintain their posts: i.e. till reduced to these extremities.

15 this city. Some codices, with two early printed editions, Sept., and Syr., read "and this city": i.e. "therefore this city".

16 every one - man, as in v. 6.

17 take you away. As he did Israel (2 Kings 18. 11). wine=new wine. Heb. tīrōsh. Ap. 27. II. bread. Put by Fig. Synecdoche (of Part), Ap. 6, for all kinds of food.

18 Hath, &c.?=[Reflect]: Hath, &c.?

19 Where: or, Why, where. Some codices, with two early printed editions, read "Where then".

Hamath. Now Hama, north of Damascus (Amos 6. 14). Arphad. Now Tell Erfād, 13 miles north of Aleppo. Sepharvaim. Now Sippara on the Euphrates, above Babylon.

36. 22-37. 7 (E, p. 974). HEZEKIAH. RECEPTION OF MESSAGE. (Alternation.)

E w | 36. 22. Hezekiah. Message received from Rabshakeh.

x | 37. 1. Jehovah. Answer sought from.

w | 37. 2-6. Hezekiah. Message sent to Isaiah.

x | 37. 6, 7. Jehovah. Answer sent from.

37. 1 went into the house of the LORD. See Hezekiah's reference to his love for, and use of, the Temple in his "Songs of the Degrees" (Pss. 122. 1, 9; 134. 1, 2; and Ap. 67 (xiii)).

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 Eliakim . . . Shebna. See note on 36. 3.

elders of the priests. These now added to the embassy. Joah absent.

3 saith=hath said.

blasphemy=reproach. Note the reference to this in Hezekiah's "Songs of the Degrees" in Pss. 120. 2, 3; 123. 3, 4; and Ap. 67 (i). children=sons.

4 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

words. See note on "blasphemy" (v. 3).

Rabshakeh = the Rabshakeh. See note on 36. 2.

reproach=revile.

lift up thy prayer. Note the reference to Hezekiah's "Songs of the Degrees" in Pss. 120. 1; 123. 1-3; 130. 1, 2; and Ap. 67 (iv). Trust (36. 4, 7, 15) leads to prayer.

6 Isaiah said. The message in vv. 6, 7 is shorter and calmer than the second.

7 a blast. Heb. rūach. Ap. 9. See 2 Kings 19. 35.

are come to the birth, and there is not strength to bring forth.

4 It may be °the LORD thy °God will hear the °words of °Rabshakeh, whom the king of Assyria his master hath sent to °reproach the living °God, and will reprove the °words which °the LORD thy °God hath heard: wherefore °lift up thy prayer for the remnant that is left."

5 So the servants of king Hezekiah came to Isaiah.

6 And °Isaiah said unto them, "Thus shall ye say unto your master, 'Thus saith °the LORD, 'Be not afraid of the °words that thou hast heard, wherewith the servants of the king of Assyria have °blasphemed me.

7 Behold, I will send °a blast upon him, and

603 he shall hear °a rumour, and return to his own land; and I will cause him to °fall by the sword in his own land.'""

D
(p. 974) 8 So °Rabshakeh returned, and found the king of Assyria warring against Libnah: for he had heard that he °was departed from Lachish.

9 And °he heard say concerning °Tirhakah king of °Ethiopia, "He is come forth to make war with thee." And when he heard it, he sent messengers to Hezekiah, saying,

10 "Thus shall ye speak to Hezekiah king of Judah, saying, 'Let not thy °God, in Whom thou °trustest, deceive thee, saying, 'Jerusalem shall not be given into the hand of the king of Assyria.'

11 °Behold, thou hast heard what the kings of Assyria have done to °all lands by destroying them utterly; and shalt thou be delivered?

12 Have the gods of the nations delivered them which my fathers have destroyed, as °Gozan, and Haran, °and Rezeph, and the °children of Eden which were in Telassar?

13 Where is the king of °Hamath, and the king of °Arphad, and the king of the city of °Sepharvaim, °Hena, and °Ivah?'"

B 1 14 And Hezekiah received the letter from the hand of the messengers, and read it: and Hezekiah °went up unto the house of °the LORD, and °spread it before °the LORD.

15 And Hezekiah prayed unto °the LORD, saying,

16 "O °LORD of Hosts, °God of Israel, That °dwellest between the cherubims, Thou art °the °God, even Thou alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth: Thou hast °made heaven and earth.

17 Incline Thine °ear, O °LORD, and hear; open Thine °eyes, O °LORD, and see: and hear all the °words of Sennacherib, which hath sent to °reproach the °living °God.

18 Of a truth, °LORD, the kings of Assyria have laid waste all the °nations, and their countries,

19 And have cast their gods into the fire: for they were no gods, but the work of °men's hands, wood and stone: therefore they have destroyed them.

20 Now therefore, O °LORD our °God, °save us from his hand, that all the kingdoms of the earth may know that Thou art °the LORD, even Thou only."

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(p. 976) 21 Then Isaiah the son of Amoz sent unto Hezekiah, saying, "Thus °saith °the LORD °God of Israel, 'Whereas °thou hast prayed to me against Sennacherib king of Assyria:

z 22 This is the word which °the LORD hath spoken concerning him; 'The virgin, the daughter of Zion, hath °despised thee, and °laughed thee to scorn; the daughter of Jerusalem hath °shaken her head at thee.

23 Whom hast thou °reproached and °blasphemed? and against whom hast thou exalted thy voice, and lifted up thine eyes on high? even against °the Holy One of Israel.

24 By thy servants hast thou °reproached the °LORD*, and hast said, 'By the multitude of my chariots °am I come up to the height of the mountains, to the sides of °Lebanon;

a rumour. Not that of vv. 8, 9, but that of v. 36, on hearing which he returned to his own land (v. 37).

fall by the sword. See note on v. 37.
8 was departed from Lachish: having raised the siege. See note on 2 Kings 18. 17; 19. 8.

9 he heard. The "rumour" of v. 7.
Tirhakah. The Taracus of the inscriptions. The third and last of Manetho's twenty-sixth dynasty. This reference to the Ethiopian dynasty in Isaiah's time is an "undesigned coincidence".

Ethiopia. Judah's hope in Ethiopia was vain (see 20. 1-6).

10 trustest=confidest. Heb. *bātah*. Ap. 69. i. See note on 36. 4.

11 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

all lands=all the earths: i.e. all such countries specially connected with Israel.

12 Gozan, &c. These places are all in Mesopotamia, and Rezeph. The Heb. pointing connects this with the next clause.

children=sons.

13 Hamath . . . Arphad . . . Sepharvaim. See notes on 36. 19.

Hena. Now (prob.) 'Anah, on the Euphrates.

Ivah. Now (prob.) Hit, on the Euphrates.

14 spread it, &c. See note on "lift up", &c. (v. 4).

16 LORD of Hosts. See note on 1. 9, and 1 Sam. 1. 3. God of Israel. See note on 29. 23.

dwellest: or, sittest enthroned.

the. Heb. *he*, the [God]. Cp. 1 Kings 18. 39.

God. Heb. *Elohim* (with Art.)=the [true] God.

made heaven and earth. Note the reference to this in Hezekiah's "Songs of the Degrees" (Pss. 121. 1, 2; 123. 1; 124. 8; 134. 3; and Ap. 67 (v)).

17 ear . . . eyes. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

eyes. Heb. text reads "eye". But A.V. reads "eyes", with some codices, five early printed editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg.

living. In contrast with idols.

18 nations, and their countries. Heb. *hā-ārāzōth* . . . 'arzām: as in v. 11. The latter word put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the people inhabiting the lands. Note also the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). Some codices read "nations, and their land".

19 men's. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.

20 save us. Some codices add "I (or, we) pray Thee". Cp. 2 Kings 19. 19.

37. 21-38 (C¹, p. 974). ISAIAH. ANSWER TO PRAYER. (Alternation.)

C¹ | y | 21. Hezekiah. Prayer regarded.

z | 22-29. King of Assyria. Apostrophe to.

y | 30-32. Hezekiah. Sign given to.

z | 33-38. King of Assyria. Destruction of.

21 thou hast prayed. See note on "lift up" (v. 4).

22 despised . . . laughed . . . shaken, &c. Fig. *Prosopopoeia*. Ap. 6.

shaken=wagged. Denoting derision and scorn.

23 the Holy One of Israel. See note on 1. 4.

24 LORD*. One of the 134 places where the *Sopherim* changed "Jehovah" of the primitive text to "Adonai". See Ap. 32.

am I come up=have I scaled. Cp. 36. 10. These boasts probably refer to the future as well as the past.

Lebanon, &c. Cp. 2 Kings 19. 23. Fulfilling 14. 8 (see note there). As Hannibal later scaled the Alps.

25 rivers=arms, or canals. Cp. 19. 6, and Mic. 7. 12. besieged places. Heb. *matzōr*. Put for Egypt.

and I will cut down the tall cedars thereof, and the choice fir trees thereof: and I will enter into the height of his border, and the forest of his Carmel.

25 I have digged, and drunk water; and with the sole of my feet have I dried up all the °rivers of the °besieged places.'

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26 Hast thou not heard long ago, *how* I have done it; and of ancient times, that I have °formed it? now have I brought it to pass, that thou shouldest be to lay waste defenced cities *into* ruinous heaps.

27 Therefore their inhabitants *were* of small power, they were dismayed and confounded: they were °as the grass of the field, and as the green herb, as the grass on the housetops, and as corn blasted before it be grown up.

28 But I know thy °abode, and thy °going out, and thy coming in, and thy rage against Me.

29 Because thy rage against Me, and thy °tumult, is come up into Mine ears, therefore will I put °My hook in thy nose, and My bridle in thy lips, and I will °turn thee back by the way by which thou camest.

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30 And this *shall* be a °sign unto thee, °Ye shall eat *this* year such as °groweth of itself; and the second year that which °springeth of the same: and in the third year °sow ye, and reap, and plant vineyards, and eat the fruit thereof.

31 And the remnant that is escaped of the house of Judah °shall again take root downward, and bear fruit upward:

32 For out of Jerusalem °shall go forth a remnant, and they that escape out of mount Zion: the °zeal of °the LORD of hosts °shall do this."

33 Therefore thus saith °the LORD concerning the king of Assyria, "He °shall not come into this city, nor shoot an arrow there, nor come before it with shields, nor cast a bank against it.

34 By the way that he came, by the same °shall he return, and shall not come into this city," saith °the LORD.

35 "For I will °defend this city to save it for Mine own sake, and for °My servant °David's sake."

36 °Then the angel of °the LORD went forth, and smote in the camp of the Assyrians a hundred and fourscore and five thousand: and when °they arose early in the morning, behold, they *were* all dead corpses.

37 So Sennacherib king of Assyria departed, °and went °and returned, °and dwelt at Nineveh.

38 And it came to pass, as he was worshipping in the house of Nisroch his god, that Adrammelech and Sharezer °his sons smote him with the sword; and they escaped into the land of Armenia: and °Esar-haddon his son reigned in his stead.

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38 °In those days was Hezekiah °sick unto death. And Isaiah the prophet the son of Amoz came unto him, and said unto him, "Thus saith °the LORD, °Set thine house in order: for thou shalt °die, and not live."

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2 Then Hezekiah turned his face toward the wall, and °prayed unto °the LORD,

3 And said, "Remember now, O °LORD, I beseech Thee, how I have walked before Thee °in truth and with a perfect heart, and have done *that which is good* in Thy sight." And Hezekiah °wept sore.

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(p. 977)

4 Then °came the word of °the LORD to Isaiah, saying,

5 "Go, and say to Hezekiah, 'Thus saith °the LORD, °the °God of David thy father, °I

26 formed=purposed. Cp. 10. 5, 15; 30. 32.

27 as the grass. Note Hezekiah's reference to this in his "Songs of the Degrees" (Ps. 129. 5-7). See Ap. 67. ii.

28 abode=sitting down.

going out, and thy coming in. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6, for life in general.

29 tumult=arrogance.

My hook, &c. Assyrian sculptures represent captives thus led. Jehovah would treat them as they treated others.

turn thee back. See Hezekiah's reference to this (Ps. 129. 4, 5). Ap. 67. iii.

30 sign. See note on 7. 11.

Ye shall eat, &c. No seed would be sown on account of the (foretold) devastation wrought by the invasion. Hezekiah refers to this "sign" in his "Songs of the Degrees" (Pss. 126. 5, 6; 128. 2). See Ap. 67. ix.

groweth of itself. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 25. 5, 11). Only here, 2 Kings 19. 29, and Job 14. 19.

springeth of the same=shooteth up of itself, or from the roots. Heb. *shahith*, occurs only here.

sow ye. See note above.

31 shall. Hezekiah refers to Jehovah's repeated promises on which he relies (cp. 2 Kings 19. 30-34). See Pss. 121. 2-8; 124. 1-3, 6; 125. 2; 126. 2, 3; 127. 1. See Ap. 67. vii.

32 zeal=jealousy. Ref. to Pent. Cp. 9. 7. See Ap. 92.

35 defend=shield. See note on Isa. 31. 5.

My servant. Three are so called in this book: David (here); Israel or Jacob (the nation) (41. 8; 42. 19; 43. 10; 44. 1; 45. 4; 48. 20; 49. 3 and whole chapter); and Messiah (42. 1; 65. 8).

David's sake. Note how Hezekiah refers to these words in his "Songs of the Degrees" (Ps. 132. 1, 10). See Ap. 67. viii.

36 Then, &c. Cp. 2 Kings 19. 35-37.

they: i.e. the Israelites.

37 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in this verse, to emphasise his departure and return, which leads up to what he returned for; also, that he did this without taking the city. Nebuchadnezzar makes no reference to this in his inscription.

38 his sons . . . Esar-haddon. See note on 2 Kings 19. 37.

38. 1 In those days: i.e. Hezekiah's fourteenth year: for fifteen years (603-588 B.C.) are added to his life (v. 5), and he reigned twenty-nine years (2 Kings 18. 2); 14 + 15 = 29.

sick. This sickness was therefore during the siege.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

Set thine house in order=Give charge concerning thy house.

die, and not live=thou wilt certainly die. Fig. *Pleonasm* (Ap. 6): by which a thing is put both ways (positive and negative) for emphasis.

2 prayed. As in 37. 4 ("lift up") and vv. 14, 15. Contrast 39. 2, where, when the king of Babylon sent letters and he neglected prayer. See the Structure of C, p. 974).

3 in truth. See note on 10. 20.

wept sore=wept a great weeping. Fig. *Polypytoton* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. Cp. 2 Kings 20. 3.

38. 4-22 (C², p. 974). ISAIAH. ANSWER TO PRAYER. (*Alternation*.)

C² F | 4-6. Jehovah's Message to Hezekiah.

G | 7, 8. The Sign given.

F | 9-20. Hezekiah's Prayer to Jehovah.

G | 21, 22. The Sign asked for.

4 came. The only occurrence of this in the case of Isaiah. Cp. Gen. 15. 1.

5 the God of David. This Divine title reminds and assures Hezekiah that Jehovah would be faithful to His promise made to David in 2 Sam. 7. See Ap. 67. viii, and note on 2 Kings 20. 5.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

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have heard thy prayer, I have seen thy tears: behold, I will add unto thy days ° fifteen years.
6 And ° I will deliver thee and this city out of the hand of the king of Assyria: and ° I will defend this city.

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7 And this *shall be* ° a sign unto thee from the LORD, that the LORD will do this thing that He hath spoken;

8 ° Behold, I will bring again ° the shadow of the ° degrees, which is gone down in the sun ° dial of Ahaz, ten ° degrees backward. So the sun returned ten ° degrees, by which ° degrees it was gone down.

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9 ° The writing of Hezekiah king of Judah, when he had been sick, and was recovered of his sickness:

b

10 I said "in the cutting off of my days, I shall go to the gates of ° the grave: I am deprived of the residue of my years."

11 I said, "I shall not ° see ° THE LORD, even ° THE LORD, ° in the land of ° the living: I shall behold ° man no more with the inhabitants of ° the world.

12 Mine ° age is departed, and is removed from me as a shepherd's tent: I have cut off ° like a weaver my life: He will cut me off with pining sickness: from day even to night wilt Thou make an end of me."

13 ° I reckoned till morning, *that*, ° as a lion, ° so will He break all my bones: from day even to night wilt Thou make an end of me.

14 ° Like a crane or a swallow, so did I chatter: I did ° mourn as a dove: mine eyes fail *with looking upward*: O ° LORD*, I am oppressed; ° undertake for me.

15 What shall I say? He hath both spoken unto me, and Himself hath done *it*: I shall go ° softly all my years in the bitterness of my ° soul.

16 O ° LORD*, ° by these *things* men live, and in all these *things* is the life of my ° spirit: so wilt Thou recover me, and make me to live.

17 ° Behold, for peace I had great bitterness: but Thou hast in love to my ° soul *delivered it* from the ° pit of corruption: for Thou hast cast all my ° sins ° behind Thy back.

18 For ° the grave cannot praise Thee, death can ° not ° celebrate Thee: ° they that go down into the pit cannot hope for Thy truth.

19 ° The living, the living, *he* shall praise Thee, as I do this day: ° the father to the ° children shall make known Thy truth.

20 ° The LORD ° *was ready* to save me:

a

° therefore ° we will sing my songs to the stringed instruments all the days of our life in ° the house of ° the LORD.

fifteen years. Hence the number of the "Songs of the Degrees". See Ap. 67.

6 I will deliver thee and this city. The city was thus still besieged.

I will. Hezekiah trusted this promise. See Ap. 67. vii. defend = shield. See note on 31. 5.

7 a sign = the sign. Hezekiah had asked for this sign (see v. 22). This shows that v. 22 is not "displaced" as alleged. See the Structure on p. 977; and ep. note on 7. 11.

8 Behold. Note Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6) for emphasis. the shadow of the degrees. It is to these "degrees", or steps of the sundial of Ahaz his father, that Hezekiah refers in the title for "The Songs of the Degrees". See Ap. 67.

degrees = steps. Note the emphasis placed on these by the fivefold repetition of the word.

dial = degrees (making the fifth repetition of the word).

38. 9-20 (F, p. 977). HEZEKIAH'S PRAYER TO JEHOVAH. (*Introversion*.)

F | a | 9. The Superscription.

b | 10-20-. The Prayer.

a | -20. The Subscription.

9 The writing, &c. Heb. *michtab*. Another spelling of *michtam*. See Ap. 65. xii. This verse is the superscription common to most Psalms, corresponding with the subscription (v. -20). See Ap. 65.

10 the grave. Heb. *Sheöl*. Ap. 35. See note on Matt. 16. 18.

11 see THE LORD = appear before Jah. Ref. to Pent. See note on 1. 12; and on "appear" (Ex. 23. 15; 34. 20).

THE LORD. Heb. Jah. Ap. 4. III. Note the emphasis given here by the Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6).

in the land of the living. This expression occurs three times with the Art. ("the living") in the Hebrew (viz. here; Job 28. 13; and Ps. 142. 5). Without the Art. it occurs eight times. See note on Ezek. 26. 20.

the living: i.e. alive on the earth. Not *Sheöl*, which is the place of the dead.

man. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

the world. Heb. *hādel* = a quiet land: i.e. when this invasion shall be ended. Some codices read *heled* (transposing the *l* and *d*) = the transitory world: *hādel* occurs only here.

12 age. Heb. *dōr* = generation, or succession.

like a weaver. Supply Ellipsis thus: "like a weaver [his thread]." See note on "weave" (19. 9).

13 I reckoned = I waited expectantly.

as a lion = as a lion [awaits his prey].

so will He break. See note on Ps. 22. 16.

14 Like a crane or a swallow: or, like a twittering swallow.

mourn. See note on Ps. 55. 17. Cp. Ezek. 7. 16.

LORD*. This is *Adonai* in the Heb. text, but it is one of the 134 places where it was altered to *Adonai*, as Jehovah is read in the famous Hillel Codex (A. D. 600), quoted in the *Massōrah*, and followed by A. V. and R. V.

undertake = be a surety. Cp. Job 17. 3 ("put me in surety").

15 softly = slowly. Heb. *dādah*. Only here and in Ps. 42. 4 ("went"). soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

16 LORD* = Jehovah (Ap. 4. II). One of the 134 places where the *Sōpherim* changed "Jehovah" of the primitive text to "Adonai" (see Ap. 32).

by these, &c. = upon these [Thy doings (v. 15) men] spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

pit of corruption = pit or corruption. sins. Heb. *chātā*. Ap. 44. i.

behind Thy back. Sins unforgiven are said to be "before His face" (Ps. 109. 14, 15. Jer. 16. 17. Hos. 7. 2). Cp. Mic. 7. 19. Hence the "happinesses" of Ps. 32. 1.

18 the grave. Heb. *Sheöl*.

not. Note the Ellipsis of the second negative. See note on Gen. 2. 6, and 1 Kings 2. 9. Cp. for the teaching Pss. 6. 5; 30. 9; 88. 10, 12. Ecc. 9. 10.

celebrate. See note on "shall not give their light" (13. 10).

19 The living, the living. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

the father to the children. Note the reference to the Pentateuch (Deut. 4. 9; 6. 7).

children = sons.

20 was ready. Supply "was gracious".

therefore, &c. Note the subscription (a) above. we will sing my songs: i.e. the "Songs of the Degrees" (Ap. 67). Where are "my songs", and what were they if not the fifteen songs named after the ten degrees by which the shadow of the sun went back on the sundial of Ahaz (vv. 7, 8)?

the house of the LORD. Note Hezekiah's love for this in these songs (Pss. 122. 1, 9; 134. 1, 2). See Ap. 67. xiii.

revive (Ps. 104. 29, 30), and the reviving of my spirit [is] altogether in them.

17 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

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16. 17. Hos. 7. 2). Cp. Mic. 7. 19. Hence the "happinesses" of Ps. 32. 1.

Ap. 35. Put here by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for those who are in it.

of the second negative. See note on Gen. 2. 6, and 1 Kings 2. 9. Cp. for the teaching Pss. 6. 5; 30. 9; 88. 10, 12. Ecc. 9. 10.

Some codices read "and they".

implying that only such are able to praise.

the father to the children. Note the reference to the Pentateuch (Deut. 4. 9; 6. 7).

therefore, &c. Note the subscription (a) above.

we will sing my songs: i.e. the "Songs of the Degrees" (Ap. 67). Where are "my songs", and what were they if not the fifteen songs named after the ten degrees by which the shadow of the sun went back on the sundial of Ahaz (vv. 7, 8)?

the house of the LORD. Note Hezekiah's love for this in these songs (Pss. 122. 1, 9; 134. 1, 2). See Ap. 67. xiii.

^G (p. 977) 21 For Isaiah had said, "Let them take a lump of figs, and lay it for a plaister upon the boil, and he shall recover."

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22 Hezekiah also had said, "What is the sign that I shall go up to the house of the LORD?"

^{Z³ A³} (p. 974) 39 °At that time Merodach-baladan, the son of Baladan, °king of Babylon, sent °letters and a present to Hezekiah: for he had heard that he had been sick, and was recovered.

^{B³} 2 And Hezekiah was °glad of them, °and shewed them the house of °his °precious things, °the silver, °and the gold, and the spices, °and the precious ointment, °and all the house of °his armour, °and all that was found in °his °treasures: there was °nothing in °his house, nor in all °his dominion, that Hezekiah shewed them not.

^{C³ c¹} (p. 979) 3 Then came Isaiah the prophet unto king Hezekiah, and said unto him, "What said these °men? and from whence came they unto thee?"

^{d¹} And Hezekiah said, "They are come from a far country unto me, even from Babylon."

^{c²} 4 Then said °he, "What have they seen in thine house?"

^{d²} And Hezekiah answered, "All that is in mine house have they seen: there is nothing among my treasures that I have not shewed them."

^{c³} 5 Then said Isaiah to Hezekiah, "Hear the word of °the LORD of Hosts:

6 °Behold, the days come, that all that is in thine house, and that which thy fathers have laid up in store until this day, shall be carried to Babylon: nothing shall be left, saith °the LORD.

7 °And of °thy sons that shall issue from thee, which thou shalt beget, shall they take away; and they shall be °eunuchs in the palace of the king of Babylon."

^{d³} 8 Then said Hezekiah to Isaiah, "Good is the word of °the LORD which thou hast spoken." He said moreover, "For there shall be peace and truth in my days."

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40 °"Comfort ye, °comfort ye My People," °saith your °God.

2 "Speak ye °comfortably to Jerusalem, and °cry unto her, that her °warfare is accomplished, that her °iniquity is pardoned: for

22 What is the sign...? See on 7, s.

39. 1 At that time: i.e. shortly after the two miracles of the shadow and Hezekiah's recovery from his sickness. Cp. 2 Chron. 32. 31.

king of Babylon. The third king of the Structure C on p. 974.

letters and a present. These were more potent than Sennacherib's hosts; just as Ahab's daughter and feast were than his men of war with Jehoshaphat. See 2 Chron. 18. 1-3. Cp. with 2 Chron. 17. 1-3.

2 glad of them. This is further Divine information, given by Him Who knew Hezekiah's heart. 2 Kings 20. 13 records what Hezekiah did: viz. "hearkened unto them". Man could see the ear, but only Jehovah could know the heart. Hezekiah forgot to pray, as in 37. 4, 14, 15; and 38. 2. Hence his failure.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), to emphasise and call attention (by five "ands") to every detail. his. Note the Fig. *Repetitio* (Ap. 6) to mark Hezekiah's ostentation and failure in not giving Jehovah all the glory.

precious things. Hezekiah's possession of these riches, after the depletion of his treasures in 2 Kings 18. 15, 16, is explained and accounted for by a reference to 2 Chron. 32. 22, 23, 27, and to the spoil of the Assyrians' camp (2 Kings 19. 35).

the silver, and the gold. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 17. 17).

treasures=treasuries.

nothing. Emphasising the completeness of his act.

39. 3-8 (C³, p. 974). ISAIAH. HIS MESSAGE. (Alternation.)

C ³	c ¹	3-. Isaiah. Question.
	d ¹	-3. Hezekiah. Information.
	c ²	4-. Isaiah. Question.
	d ²	-4. Hezekiah. Ostentation.
	c ³	5-7. Isaiah. Denunciation.
	d ³	8. Hezekiah. Submission.

3 men. Heb. pl. of 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

4 he: i.e. Isaiah.

5 the LORD of Hosts. See note on 1 Sam. 1. 3.

6 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

7 thy sons. Hezekiah had none as yet, and Jehovah's promise to David (2 Sam. 7. 16) seemed in danger of failing. Manasseh was not born till the third of the fifteen added years. Hence his reference to this position in the "Songs of the Degrees". See Pss. 127. 3-5; 128 (quoting in vv. 5, 6 the words in Isa. 39. 8). Hezekiah did not marry till after this, and there may be a reference to his marriage to Hephzi-bah in 62. 4, which serves as the basis of the comparison in his prophecy concerning the future blessing of Israel.

eunuchs. See Dan. 1. 3, 4.

8 Good. Hezekiah's submission was like Eli's. Cp. 1 Sam. 3. 18. 2 Kings 20. 19. Job 1. 21; 2. 10. James 5. 10, 11.

For=Nevertheless. The Heb. distinctive accent *mēyrka* thus marks it.

40. 1-11 (B, p. 930). THE VOICE FROM THE WILDERNESS. THE GATHERING. (Introversion.)

B	H	1, 2. Comfort for Jerusalem. Iniquity gone.
	J	3-5. The voice. Jehovah's work. Glorious.
	J	6-8. The voice. Jehovah's word. Eternal.
	H	9-11. Comfort for Zion. Adonai Jehovah come.

This chapter commences a new Prophecy (see Ap. 82), and follows that in 34. 1-35. 10, after the historic episode of chs. 36-38. It will be seen that it forms an integral part of the prophet Isaiah's book, as this member B forms a perfect Correspondence with B (ch. 6), and cannot be wrenched from it without destroying the whole. Other evidences may be seen in Ap. 79 and 80.

1 Comfort ye. Note the Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis, and see Ap. 82. saith. See note on 1. 11. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

2 comfortably to=to the heart of: i.e. affectionately. Cp. Gen. 34. 3; 50. 21. Judg. 19. 3. Hos. 2. 14. cry=proclaim. Note the same word, and truth, in v. 3. warfare=hard service or forced service. iniquity. Heb. 'āvāh. Ap. 44. iv.

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she hath received of ° the LORD'S hand ° double for all her ° sins."

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3 ° The voice of ° him that 2 crieth in the wilderness, "Prepare ye the way of 2 the LORD, make straight in the desert a ° highway for our 1 God.

4 ° Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill shall be made low: and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places plain:

5 And the glory of 2 the LORD shall be revealed, and all ° flesh shall see it together: for the mouth of 2 the LORD hath spoken it."

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6 ° The voice said, 2 "Cry." And he said, "What shall I 2 cry?" "All ° flesh ° is grass, and all the ° goodness thereof ° is as the flower of the field:

7 The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: because the ° spirit of 2 the LORD bloweth upon it: surely the people ° is grass.

8 The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but the word of our 1 God shall ° stand for ever."

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9 ° O Zion, ° that bringest ° good tidings, get thee up into the high mountain; ° O Jerusalem, ° that bringest ° good tidings, lift up thy voice with ° strength; lift it up, be not afraid; say unto the cities of Judah, ° "Behold your 1 God!"

10 ° Behold, ° the Lord GOD will come with ° strong hand, and His arm shall rule for Him: behold, His reward is with Him, and His work before Him.

11 He shall ° feed His flock like a shepherd: He shall ° gather the lambs with His arm, and carry them in His bosom, and shall gently lead those that are with young.

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12 ° Who hath measured the waters in the hollow of his hand, and meted out heaven with the span, and comprehended the dust of the earth in ° a measure, and weighed the mountains in scales, and the hills in a balance?

the LORD'S. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

double = in full. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for that which is complete, thorough, ample. See 61. 7. Gen. 43. 22. Job 11. 6; 41. 13. Jer. 16. 18; 17. 18. Zech. 9. 12. 1 Tim. 5. 17. Cp. Job 42. 10. Gal. 6. 7-9. sins. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

3 The voice, &c. Quoted in Matt. 3. 3. Mark 1. 3. Luke 3. 4-6. John 1. 23. 1 Pet. 1. 24. Cp. the voice from the temple in ch. 6, concerning the scattering, and this voice outside the land concerning the gathering. The voice was not Isaiah's, but heard by him in vision. John Baptist claims it; but this People would not hear; and He Whom he heralded was crucified and His kingdom was rejected (John 1. 11). The King and the kingdom are therefore alike in abeyance, and the prophecy yet awaits its further fulfilment. Cp. Heb. 2. 8. Rev. 3. 21, 22, &c. him that crieth = him that proclaimeth. These words are ascribed to Isaiah by the Holy Spirit in Matt. 3. 3, &c. Ch. 42. 1-4 is so ascribed in Matt. 12. 17-21; ch. 53. 1 in John 12. 38. Rom. 10. 16; ch. 53. 4 in Matt. 8. 17; ch. 53. 7, 8 in Acts 8. 32, 33; and 61. 1 in Luke 4. 18, 19. Not to a "second Isaiah". Ap. 79. II. highway. See note on 7. 3.

4 Every valley, &c. These physical marvels are supernatural, and can never be produced by the spiritual and holy living of individual Christians.

5 flesh. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Genus), Ap. 6, put for all people.

6 The voice = A voice. This is a second "voice": the voice of Jehovah.

is grass. Fig. *Metaphor* (Ap. 6), by which the assertion is boldly made that one thing is another (i.e. *represents* it). It differs from the Fig. *Simile* in the next clause, which asserts that one thing only *resembles* another. goodness = grace, or loveliness.

is as. Fig. *Simile*. Ap. 6.

7 spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

8 stand for ever. Cp. 46. 10, 11; 55. 10, 11. Ps. 119. 89-91. Zech. 1. 5. Matt. 5. 18; 24. 35. Mark 13. 31. John 10. 35; 12. 34. 1 Pet. 1. 25.

9 O Zion, that bringest: or, O thou that tellest good tidings to Zion. Cp. 41. 27.

that bringest. This is feminine, personifying the "herald-band". good = joyful.

O Jerusalem. See note on "O Zion", above.

strength = power, strength (to endure). Heb. *koah*. Same as in v. 31; not the same as in v. 10.

Behold your God. See note on the Structure of the four Gospels, which shows this sentence as being applicable to the Gospel by John.

10 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6. the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah (Ap. 4). This title is used because of His connection here with the earth. strong = mighty strength (to hold fast). Heb. *ḥazak*. Not the same word as in vv. 9, 26, 29, 31. 11 feed His flock. As in the wilderness. See 63. 11. Ps. 77. 20; 78. 52, 53; 80. 1. gather = take up.

40. 12-66. 24 (A, p. 930). EXHORTATIONS: PROMISSORY AND PROPHETIC.

(Alternation and Introversion.)

A	K		40. 12-31. God's Controversy with the Nations. Vanity of Idols.	
	L		M 41. 1-42. 16. Messiah's Anointing and Mission.	
	N		42. 17-45. 15. Jehovah's Controversy with Israel.	
K		45. 16-47. 15. God's Controversy with the Nations. Vanity of Idols.		
L		N		48. 1-22. Jehovah's Controversy with Israel.
	M		49. 1-66. 24. Messiah's Mission and Triumph.	

40. 12-31 (K, above). GOD'S CONTROVERSY WITH THE NATIONS. VANITY OF IDOLS.

(Extended and Repeated Alternation.)

K	O ¹	P ¹	12. Challenge by Jehovah. Omnipotence.
		Q ¹	13, 14. Question as to knowledge.
	O ²	P ²	15-17. Nations insignificant.
		Q ²	18-20. Challenge by Jehovah. Comparison.
	O ³	P ³	21. Question as to knowledge.
		Q ³	22-24. Peoples of the earth insignificant.
		P ³	25-27. Challenge by Jehovah. Equality.
		Q ³	28. Question as to knowledge.
		R ³	29-31. His People. Weakness revived.

These chapters (40. 12-66. 24) form a group corresponding with chs. 1-5; and, like them, consist of exhortations and prophecies, while they are set in contrast with them, being promissory instead of reprehensory. Their subjects, as respectively repeated, will be seen in the Structure of A, above. They look beyond the Captivity. 12-14 Who... Who... With whom...? in vv. 12-14 are introductory: while the Fig. *Erotēsis* emphasises the importance of Him Who speaks. a measure = a [*Shālīsh*] measure. See Ap. 51. III. 3 (11).

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13 ¹² Who hath directed the ⁷ Spirit of ² the LORD, or being ^o His counsellor hath ^o taught Him?

14 With whom took He counsel, and who ^o instructed Him, and ¹³ taught Him in the ^o path of judgment, and ¹³ taught Him knowledge, and shewed to Him the way of understanding?

R¹ 15 ¹⁰ Behold, the nations are as a drop ^o of a bucket, and are counted as the small dust of the balance: ¹⁰ behold, He taketh up the ^o isles as a very little thing.

16 And Lebanon is ^o not sufficient to burn, nor the beasts thereof sufficient for a burnt offering.

17 All ^o nations before Him are as ^o nothing; and they are counted to Him less than nothing, and ^o vanity.

O² P² 18 To whom then will ye liken ^o GOD? or what likeness will ye compare unto Him?

19 The workman ^o melteth a ^o graven image, and the goldsmith spreadeth it over with gold, and casteth silver chains.

20 He that is so impoverished that he hath no oblation ^o chooseth a tree that will not rot; he seeketh unto him a cunning workman to ^o prepare a ^o graven image, that shall not be moved.

Q² 21 ^o Have ye not known: ^o have ye not heard? hath it not been told you from the beginning? ^o have ye not understood from the foundations of the earth?

R² 22 It is He That ^o sitteth ^o upon the ^o circle of the earth, and the inhabitants thereof are as grasshoppers; That stretcheth out the heavens as a curtain, and spreadeth them out as a tent to dwell in:

23 That bringeth the princes to nothing; He maketh the judges of the earth as ¹⁷ vanity.

24 Yea, they shall not be planted; yea, they shall not be sown: yea, their stock shall not take root in the earth: and He shall also blow upon them, and they shall wither, and the whirlwind shall take them away as ^o stubble.

O³ P³ 25 "To whom then will ye liken Me, or shall I be equal?" ¹ saith the ^o Holy One.

26 "Lift up your eyes on high, and behold Who hath created these things, That bringeth out their host by number: He ^o calleth them all ^o by names by the greatness of His might, for that He is ^o strong in power; not one ^o faileth.

27 ^o Why sayest thou, O Jacob, and speakest, O Israel, 'My way is hid from ² the LORD, and my judgment is passed over from my ¹ God?'

Q³ 28 ^o Hast thou not known? ^o hast thou not heard, that the everlasting ¹ God, ² the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? ^o there is no searching of His understanding.

R³ 29 He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might He increaseth ^o strength.

30 Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall ^o utterly fall:

31 But they that wait upon ² the LORD shall ^o renew their ^o strength; they shall ^o mount up with wings as eagles; they shall ^o run, and not be weary; and they shall ^o walk, and not faint."

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41 Keep silence before me, O ^o islands; and let the people ^o renew their ^o strength: let them ^o come near; then let them speak: let us ^o come near together to judgment.

13 His counsellor = the man (Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II) of His counsel. Note the Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) = "[who being] His counsellor hath", &c.?

taught Him = made Him know. Heb. yāda'.

14 instructed Him = made Him understand. path. See note on 2. 3.

taught = trained. Heb. lāmad.

15 of - on: i. e. hanging from.

isles = maritime countries. See note on 11. 11.

16 not sufficient: i. e. for the wood-offering. Cp. Neh. 10. 39. 17 nations = the nations.

nothing. See note on 5. 8. Not the same word as in following clause.

vanity = a desolation. Heb. tohū. Same as "without form" (Gen. 1. 2). See note on 24. 10. Cp. v. 23.

18 GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

19 melteth = casteth.

graven. Heb. pēgel. Here made by casting.

20 chooseth. See note on 1. 29.

prepare = construct. See note on "the smith", &c., 44. 12.

graven = carved. Same word, but made by cutting.

21 Have ye not . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

22 sitteth. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

upon - above.

circle = circuit, or vault: i. e. as far as one can see, around or above. See Job 22. 14. Prov. 8. 27.

24 stubble = straw. Heb. kash.

25 Holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

26 calleth = calleth for, summoneth.

by names. See Ps. 147. 4; and Ap. 12.

strong - strong (for activity in working). Not the same word as in vv. 9, 29, 31 (Heb. 'amāz).

faileth - is missing (when called). Cp. 1 Sam. 30. 19. 2 Sam. 17. 22. See note on 34. 16.

27 Why . . . ? Note the Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6), to emphasise the conclusion drawn from v. 26.

28 Hast . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

there is. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "and [so] there is".

29 strength = strength (for defence). Not the same word as in vv. 9, 10, 26, 31 (Heb. 'āzām).

30 utterly fall. Note Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6) for this emphasis. Heb. "they fall, they fall".

31 renew = change. Heb. halaph, to change for the better. See note on Lev. 27. 10.

strength = strength (to endure). Same word as in v. 9. Not the same as in vv. 26, 29.

mount up . . . run . . . walk. Note the Fig. *Catabasis* (Ap. 6), to call attention (by Application) to the progress of experience in grace. At first we fly (cp. Paul, 2 Cor. 11. 5; 12. 11); then we run (cp. Paul, Eph. 3. 8); then we walk (cp. Paul, 1 Tim. 1. 15).

41. 1-42. 17 (M, p. 980). MESSIAH'S ANOINTING AND MISSION. (*Division*.)

M | S¹ | 41. 1-29. Types.

| S² | 42. 1-17. Antitype.

41. 1-29 (S¹, above). TYPES. (*Division*.)

S¹ | T¹ | 41. 1-20. Abraham. From the East (v. 2). Past.

| T² | 41. 21-29. Cyrus. From the North (v. 25). Future.

41. 1-20 (T¹, above). ABRAHAM AND ISRAEL. (*Extended Alternation*.)

T¹ | U | 1. Islands. Jehovah's call.

V | 2, 3. Type. Abraham.

W | 4. Jehovah the Doer.

U | 5-7. Islands. Answer to Jehovah's call.

V | 8-19. Type. Israel.

W | 20. Jehovah the Doer.

1 islands = coast-lands. See note on 11. 11.

renew. Same word as in 40. 31.

strength = strength (to endure); not the same word as in 40. 9, 26, 29, 31. Heb. koah.

come near = draw nigh.

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2 Who raised up °the righteous *man* from the east, called him to His foot, gave the nations before him, and made *him* rule over °kings? He gave *them* as the dust to his sword, and as driven °stubble to his bow.

3 °He pursued them, and passed safely; even by the °way that he had not gone with his feet.

W

4 Who hath wrought and done *it*, calling the generations from the beginning? °the LORD, °the first, and °with the last; °*I am* He.

U

5 The °isles °saw *it*, and °feared; the ends of the earth were °afraid, °drew near, and came.

6 They helped every °one his neighbour; and every one said to his brother, "Be of good courage."

7 So the carpenter encouraged the goldsmith, and he that smootheth with the hammer him that smote the anvil, saying, "It is ready for the sodering;" and he fastened it with nails, that it should not be moved.

V e

8 But thou, Israel, art °My servant, Jacob whom I have °chosen, the seed of Abraham °My friend.

9 Thou whom I have taken from the ends of the earth, and called thee from °the chief men thereof, and said unto thee, "Thou art °My servant; °I have °chosen thee, and not cast thee away.

10 °Fear thou not; for °*I am* with thee: °be not dismayed; for °*I am* thy °God: I will °strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of My righteousness.

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11 °Behold, all they that were incensed against thee shall be ashamed and confounded: they shall be as nothing; and °they that strive with thee shall perish.

12 Thou shalt seek them, and shalt not find them, even °them that contended with thee: they that war against thee shall be as °nothing, and as a thing of nought.

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13 For °the LORD thy °God will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, °Fear not; °*I* will help thee.

14 °Fear not, °thou worm Jacob, and ye °men of Israel; °*I* will help thee," saith °the LORD, and °thy Redeemer, °the Holy One of Israel.

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15 °Behold, I will °make thee a new sharp °threshing instrument having teeth: thou shalt thresh the mountains, and beat *them* small, and shalt make the hills as chaff.

16 Thou shalt fan them, and the °wind shall carry them away, and the whirlwind shall scatter them: and thou shalt rejoice in °the LORD, and shalt °glory in °the Holy One of Israel.

17 When the °poor and needy seek water, and there is none, and their tongue °faileth for thirst, °the LORD will °hear them, °*I* °the °God of Israel will not °forsake them.

18 I will °open rivers in high places, and fountains in the midst of the valleys: I will make the wilderness a pool of water, and the dry land springs of water.

19 I will plant in the wilderness the cedar, the shittah tree, and the myrtle, and the oil tree; I will set in the desert the fir tree, and the pine, and the box tree together:

2 the righteous man from the east: i.e. Abraham. Cp. Cyrus raised up from the north, v. 25.

kings: i.e. those mentioned in Gen. 14, 1, 8, 9.

stubble = straw. Heb. *kash*, as in 40. 24.

3 He pursued them: i.e. Abraham pursued them unto Dan. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 14, 14, 15). Ap. 92.

way. See note on "path." Ch. 2. 3.

4 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

the first, and . . . last. Occurs here and 44. 6; 48. 12. Thus, three times in Isaiah, and three times in the Apocalypse (Rev. 1. 17; 2. 8; 22. 13).

with the last: i.e. He who called Abraham, the first, will be with the last (Messiah), Who is the subject of this prophecy.

°*I am* He: or, I AM.

5 saw . . . feared . . . afraid . . . drew near. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). Heb. *rā'ū . . . v'yīyra'ū . . . yehērādū . . . kārbū*.

6 one = man. Heb. *'ish*.

41. 8-19 (V, p. 981). TYPE. ISRAEL. (Alternation.)

V e | 8-10. Encouragement. "Fear not".

f | 11, 12. Ascendancy.

e | 13, 14. Encouragement. "Fear not".

f | 15-19. Victory.

8 My servant. See note on 37. 35 for the three "servants" in Isaiah. This was Israel, as the seed of Abraham, not Cyrus (yet). Cp. vv. 21-29.

chosen. See note on 1. 29.

My friend. See note on 2 Chron. 20. 7.

9 the chief men = the remote parts.

I have chosen thee. Gen. 12. 1. Josh. 24. 2-4. Neh. 9. 7. Acts 7. 2-7. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 7. 6; 10. 15; 14. 2). Ap. 92.

10 Fear thou not. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 31. 6, 8).

be not dismayed = look not around. Some codices, with Syr., read "and be not", &c. It is this that dismays (see notes on Pss. 73 and 77).

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

strengthen = strength (inherent, for activity). Heb. *'āmaṣ*. Not the same word as in vv. 1 and 21.

11 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

Behold, all they, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 23. 22). Ap. 92.

they that strive = the men (Heb. *'ish*, Ap. 14. II) of thy strife: i.e. thine accusers.

12 them that contended = the men (Heb. *'ish*) of thy contention.

nothing. See note on 5. 8.

14 thou worm. To emphasise the weakness of Israel; marked also by the Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6), "Behold".

men. Heb. *methim*. Ap. 14. V.

thy Redeemer. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 48. 16. Ex. 6. 6; 15. 13). Ap. 92.

the Holy One of Israel. See note on 1. 4.

15 make thee = set thee for.

threshing instrument. See note on 28. 27.

16 wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

glory. See note on 13. 10.

17 poor = wretched. Heb. *'ānāh*. See note on Prov. 6. 11. faileth. See note on 19. 5.

hear = answer.

the God of Israel. See note on 29. 23.

forsake. See note on 1. 4.

18 open rivers, &c. Note that all these physical marvels must be accomplished by the miraculous power of God, not by the spirituality of His People. See note on 35. 1.

20 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) for emphasis.

20 That they may see, °and know, °and consider, °and understand together, that the hand of the LORD hath done this, and °the Holy One of Israel hath created it.

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21 Produce your cause," °saith °the LORD; "bring forth your °strong reasons," saith °the King of Jacob.

22 "Let them bring *them* forth, and shew Us what shall happen: let them shew the former things, what *they be*, that we may consider them, and know the latter end of them; or declare Us things for to come.

23 Shew the things that are to come hereafter, that We may know that *ye are* gods: yea, do good, or do °evil, that We may be dismayed, and behold *it* together.

h 24 ¹¹ Behold, *ye are* of nothing, and your work of nought: an abomination *is he that* °chooseth you.

Y 25 I have °raised up *one* from the north, and he shall °come: from the rising of the sun °shall he call upon °My name:

Y and he shall come upon °princes as *upon* mortar, and as the potter treadeth clay.

X g 26 Who hath declared from the beginning, that we may know? and beforetime, that we may say, 'He is righteous?' yea, *there is* none that sheweth, yea, *there is* none that declareth, yea, *there is* none that heareth your words.

27 °The first *shall say* to Zion, ¹¹ 'Behold, °behold them:' and I will give to Jerusalem one that bringeth good tidings.

28 For I beheld, and *there was* no °man; even among them, and *there was* no counsellor, that, when I asked of them, could answer a word.

h 29 ¹¹ Behold, *they are* all vanity; their works *are* ¹² nothing: their °molten images *are* °wind and °confusion.

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42 °Behold °My Servant, Whom I uphold; Mine elect, *in Whom* °My soul °delighteth; I have °put °My spirit upon Him: He shall bring forth judgment to the Gentiles.

2 He shall not °cry, nor lift up, nor cause His voice to be heard in the street.

3 A bruised reed shall He not break, and °the smoking °flax shall He °not quench: He shall bring forth judgment °unto truth.

4 He shall not °fail nor °be discouraged, till He have set judgment °in the earth: and the °isles shall °wait for His °law."

k 5 Thus saith °GOD °the LORD, He That created the heavens, °and stretched them out; He That spread forth the earth, and that which cometh out of it; He That giveth °breath unto the people upon it, and ¹spirit to them that walk therein:

6 "3 °the LORD have called thee in righteousness, and will hold thine hand, and will keep thee, and give thee for a covenant of the People, for °a light of the Gentiles;

7 °To open the blind eyes, to bring out the °prisoners from the prison, and them that °sit in darkness out of the prison house.

isles=maritime countries. The Divine interpretation="Gentiles" (Matt. 12. 18-21). See note on 11. 11. wait. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 8. 12 "stayed"). Ap. 92. law. See note on 1. 10. 5 GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. and stretched them out=they that stretched them out. Cp. "us", "our" (Gen. 1. 26). Cp. "image" (singular). breath. Heb. *neshāmāh* (Ap. 16). See note on 2. 22. 6 a light of the Gentiles. Quoted in Luke 2. 32. Cp. 49. 6. 7 To open the blind eyes. Renewing the prophecy of 35. 5. prisoners. See 49. 9; 61. 1. sit. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species) Ap. 6, for being in a permanent condition.

41. 21-29 (T², p. 981). TYPE. CYRUS.
(Introversion and Alternation.)

T² X | g | 21-23. Challenge as to Prediction.
h | 24. Nothingness.
Y | 25-. Cyrus. Raised up. The act.
Y | -25. Cyrus. Raised up. The purpose.
X | g | 26-28. Challenge as to Prediction.
h | 29. Nothingness.

21 saith the LORD. See note on 1. 11. strong=strong (for weight or importance). Heb. *azam*. Not same word as in vv. 1, 10. Heb. *'āmaz*. the King of Jacob. This title occurs only here. Heathen kings were the gods of their people. So Jehovah, the King of Jacob, was the God of Israel.

23 evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. See Ap. 44. viii.

25 raised up one from the north: i.e. Cyrus. See Ap. 57. Cp. Abraham (the other type was "from the east", v. 2). This prophecy was made 137 years before its fulfilment. Cp. 44. 28; 45. 1.

come=speed. shall he call upon My name. This is the counterpart of 45. 3, 4. Cp. Ezra 1. 2 and 2 Chron. 36. 22, 23.

My name=Me (emph.). See note on Ps. 20. 1.

princes. The title of Babylonian governors and prefects of provinces. Heb. *šaganim*. Used once in Ezra (9. 2, "rulers"); nine times in Nehemiah (2. 16, 16; 4. 14, 19; 5. 7, 17; 7. 5; 12. 40; 13. 11); three times in Jeremiah (51. 23, 28, 57); three times in Ezekiel (23. 6, 12, 23). Always rendered "rulers" except here, which is the only occurrence in Isaiah. Cyrus (the Medo-Persian) did fulfil this on the Babylonian "princes".

27 The first shall say=From the first [I have said]. Behold, behold. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. See note on 24. 16.

28 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

29 molten images. See note on 30. 22. wind-vanity. Heb. *rūach* (Ap. 9). See note on 57. 6. confusion. See note on 24. 10.

42. 1-17 (S², p. 981). ANTITYPE. MESSIAH.
(Introversion and Alternation.)

S² Z | B | i | 1-4. Messiah. Presented.
k | 5-7. Messiah. Addressed.
C | 8. Images.
A | 9. Predictions.
A | 10-12. Praise.
Z | B | i | 13. Messiah. Presented.
k | 14-16. Messiah. Addressing.
C | 17. Images.

1 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6). Quoted in Matt. 12. 17-21.

My Servant: i.e. Messiah. See note on 37. 35.

My soul=I Myself. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

delighteth=is well-pleased. put=bestowed.

My spirit. Heb. *rūach* (Ap. 9). Here is the doctrine of the Trinity: (1) The Father, the speaker; (2) My "Servant", the Messiah, the Son; and (3) My Spirit. See note on "stretched out" in v. 5.

2 cry. See the Divine interpretation "strive" (Matt. 12. 19).

3 the smoking flax: i.e. the wick (made of flax) that is burning dim.

flax. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the wick made of it.

not quench: i.e. not put it out, but trim it and make it burn brightly. This was the servant's work.

unto-in accordance with.

4 fail-go out (as a lamp).

be discouraged=break, or break down.

in-upon.

C 8 ° I am ° the LORD: that is My name: and
(p. 983) My glory ° will I not give to ° another, neither
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A 9 ° Behold, ° the former things are come to pass,
and ° new things do I declare: before they
spring forth I tell you of them.

A 10 ° Sing unto ° the LORD a new song, and
His praise from the end of the earth, ye that
go down to the sea, and all that is therein;
the ° isles, and the inhabitants thereof.

11 Let the wilderness and the cities thereof
lift up their voice, the villages that Kedar doth
inhabit: let the inhabitants of the rock sing,
let them shout from the top of the mountains.

12 Let them give glory unto ° the LORD, and
declare His praise in the ° isles.

Z B i 13 ° The LORD shall ° go forth as a ° mighty
(p. 984) man, He shall ° stir up ° jealousy like a ° man
of war: He shall ° cry, yea, ° roar; He shall
prevail against His enemies.

k 14 I have long time holden My peace; I have
been still, and refrained Myself: now will I
cry like a travailing woman; I will destroy
and devour at once.

15 I will make waste mountains and hills,
and dry up all their herbs; and I will make
the rivers ° isles, and I will dry up the pools.

16 And I will bring the blind by a way that
they knew not; ° I will lead them in paths that
they have not known: I will make darkness
light before them, and crooked things straight.
° These things ° will I do unto them, ° and not
forsake them.

C 17 They shall be turned back, they shall be
greatly ashamed, that ° trust in graven images,
° that say to the molten images, ° Ye are our
gods.

N D n 18 ° Hear, ye deaf; and look, ye blind, that
(p. 984) ye may see.

o 19 Who is blind, but ° My servant? or deaf, as
My messenger that I sent? who is blind as he
that is ° perfect, and blind as ° the LORD'S
servant?

20 ° Seeing many things, but thou observest
not; ° opening the ears, but ° he heareth not."

p 21 ° The LORD is well pleased for His right-
eousness' sake; ° He will magnify the ° law,
and make it honourable.

q 22 But ° this is a People robbed and spoiled;
they are all of them snared in holes, and they
are hid in prison houses: they are for a prey,
and none delivereth; for a spoil, and none
saith, "Restore."

n 23 ° Who among you will give ear to this?
who will hearken and hear for the time to
come?

o 24 Who gave ° Jacob for a spoil, and ° Israel
to the robbers? did not ° the LORD, He against
Whom we have ° sinned? for they would not
walk in His ways,

p neither were they obedient unto His ° law.

q 25 Therefore He hath poured upon him the
fury of His anger, and the ° strength of battle:
and it hath set him on fire round about, yet he
knew not; and it burned him, yet he laid it
not to heart.

8 I am. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 3. 15). Ap. 92.

will I not give. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 20. 5). Ap. 92.
another: i. e. a strange god.

praise. Heb. *hālal*. Not confined to the "former" part
of Isaiah, as alleged. See 13. 10; 38. 18. See Ap. 79. II.

9 the former things, &c. Referring to his prophecies,
among others, concerning Sennacherib, chs. 10 and 37.
new things, &c. Thus uniting the predictions of the
earlier chapters with the so-called "second" part. See
Ap. 79. II.

10 Sing. Fig. *Pæanismos*. Ap. 6.

13 go forth. This is an enlargement of 41. 15, 16.
Still more so in Rev. 6. 2; 19. 11.

mighty man. Heb. *gibbôr*. Ap. 14. iv.

stir up = awaken, incite. See note on Song 2. 7.

jealousy. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 20. 5). Ap. 92.

man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II.

cry . . . roar. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

16 I will lead = I have led.

I will lead them, &c. Some codices, with Sept., Syr.,
and Vulg., commence this sentence with "And".

These things, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 31. 6). Ap. 92.

will I do = have I done. and not = and have not.

17 trust = confide. Heb. *batāh*. Ap. 69. i.

that say, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 32. 4). Ap. 92.

42. 18-45. 15 (N, p. 980). JEHOVAH'S CON-

TROVERSY WITH ISRAEL.

(Extended Alternation and Introversion.)

N D | 42. 18-25. Remonstrance. Morals. } Is-

E | 43. 1-7. Encouragement. "Fear not." } rael.

F | 43. 8-13. Witnesses. }

G | 1 | 43. 14-17. Babylon. Destruction. }

m | 43. 18-21. Remembrance. Negative. }

D | 43. 22-28. Remonstrance. Ceremonials. } Is-

E | 44. 1-5. Encouragement. "Fear not." } rael.

F | 44. 6-20. Witnesses. }

G | m | 44. 21-23. Remembrance. Positive. }

l | 44. 24-45. 15. Jerusalem. Restoration. }

42. 18-25 (D, above). REMONSTRANCE.

MORALS. (Extended Alternation.)

D n | 18. Call to hear.

o | 19, 20. Israel. "Blind and deaf".

p | 21. The Law magnified by Jehovah.

q | 22. Judgments.

n | 23. Call to hear.

o | 24-. Jacob. "Spoiled and robbed".

p | -24. The Law disregarded by Israel.

q | 25. Judgments.

18 Hear. Note the call to hear in the Structure ("n"),

corresponding with the call in "n" v. 23.

19 My servant. This is Israel. See the Structures
of N, p. 980, and D, above; and see note on 37. 35. Not
the same "servant" as in v. 1.

perfect = an intimate friend or trusted one. Heb.

m'shullām (plural of *shālām*), to be at peace with. Cp.

2 Sam. 20. 19. Job 22. 21. Ps. 7. 4. It is from this

word we have *Mussulman* and *Moslem*. Israel, in the

presence of the foe, was, in Jehovah's sight, thus per-

fect. See Num. 23. 21.

20 Seeing . . . opening the ears. As Israel had

done. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 29. 1, 2). Ap. 92. But

Israel was blind and deaf (v. 19). Cp. Jer. 5. 21; 6. 10.

Ezek. 12. 2. Matt. 13. 14. John 12. 40.

he. Some codices, with Syr., read "thou" (as in the

preceding clause); others read "ye". The pronoun

refers to Israel. See v. 19.

21 He will magnify the law. Note the correspon-

dence with v. 24 ("p" and "p" above).

22 this is a People. Showing most clearly that

Israel is the subject of this member (D, above).

23 Who . . . ? The other "call to hear" emphasised

by the Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6).

24 Jacob . . . Israel. See notes on Gen. 32. 28;

43. 6; 45. 26, 28. sinned. Heb. *chtāā*. Ap. 44. i.

25 strength = strength (for prevailing). Not the

same word as in 41. 1, 10. Heb. *azaz*: i. e. battle that

prevailed against Israel.

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43 But now thus saith °the LORD That created thee, O °Jacob, and °He That formed thee, O °Israel,

J r °“Fear not: for I have °redeemed thee, I have called *thee* by thy name; thou *art* Mine.

s 2 °When thou passest through °the waters, *∫* will be with thee; and through °the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through °the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall °the flame °kindle upon thee.

K t 3 For °∫ *am* ¹the LORD thy °God, °the Holy One of Israel, °thy Saviour:

u I gave °Egypt for thy °ransom, °Ethiopia and °Seba for thee.

K t 4 °Since thou wast precious in My sight, thou hast been honourable, and *∫* have loved thee:

u therefore will I give °men for thee, and °people for thy °life.

J r 5 Fear not: for *∫ am* with thee:

s I will bring thy seed from the °east, and gather thee from the °west;

6 I will say to the °north, ‘Give up’; and to the °south, ‘Keep not back: bring My sons from far, and My daughters from the ends of the earth;

H 7 *Even* every one that is called by My name: for I have created him for My glory, I have formed him; yea, I have made him.

8 Bring forth °the blind People that have eyes, and the deaf that have ears.

9 Let all the nations be gathered together, and let the ‘people be assembled: who among °them can declare this, and shew us former things? let them bring forth their witnesses, that they may be justified: or let them hear, and say, ‘*It is truth.*’

F v 10 *Ye are* My witnesses,” °saith ¹the LORD, “and °My Servant Whom I have °chosen:

w that ye may know and believe Me, and understand that °∫ *am* He: before Me there was no °GOD formed, neither shall there be after Me.

11 *∫, even ∫, am* ¹the LORD; and beside Me there is no saviour.

12 *∫* have declared, and have saved, and I have shewed, when *there was* °no strange god among you:

v therefore *ye are* My witnesses,” ¹⁰saith ¹the LORD,

w “that *∫ am* ¹⁰GOD.

13 Yea, before the day was *∫ am* *∫e*; and *there is* none that can deliver out of My hand: I will work, and who shall °let it?”

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14 Thus saith ¹the LORD, your °Redeemer, °the Holy One of Israel; “For your sake I have sent to °Babylon, and have brought down all °their nobles, and the Chaldeans, °whose cry is in the ships.

See Ap. 92. 13 let it=avert it. See Amos 1. 3, 6, 9, 11, 13; 2. 1, 4, 6. Redeemer. Heb. *Go'el*. See note on Ex. 6. 6. Isaiah. their nobles=all of them in flight. with loud outcries (cp. Lam. 2. 19. Num. 24. 24).

43. 1-7 (E, p. 984). ENCOURAGEMENT.
(Introversion and Alternation.)

E H | 1-. Israel created and called.
J | r | -1. “Fear not”.
s | 2. Preservation.
K | t | 3-. Jehovah. Israel's Saviour.
u | -3. Ransom.
K | t | 4-. Jehovah. Israel's Lover.
u | -4. Ransom.
J | r | 5-. “Fear not”.
s | -5-7-. Restoration.
H | -7. Israel called and created.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. the LORD That created thee. This is another Jehovah title (cp. Ap. 4. II.)=Jehovah *Boraäka*=Jehovah thy Creator.

Jacob... Israel. See notes on Gen. 32. 28; 43. 6; 45. 26, 28. See 42. 24, above.

He That formed thee=thy Former.

Fear not. Cp. v. 5.

redeemed. Heb. *gā'al*. See note on Ex. 6. 6.

2 When thou passest=shouldst thou pass: the habitual sense of *kī* with the Future. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 31. 6, 8).

the waters... the rivers... the fire... the flame =waters... rivers... fire... flame. A general promise of future deliverance put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for troubles of any and all kinds. This promise refers to Israel's future, and not to the Saxon race, or the Church.

kindle upon thee=pass over thee.

3 I am the LORD thy God=I Jehovah am thy God (Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I). Note the three titles. He was Israel's God by covenant (note the others in the next clause):—

the Holy One of Israel, in contrast with all false gods. See note on 1. 4, and Ps. 71. 22.

thy Saviour. This is the third title.

Egypt... Ethiopia and Seba=Egypt... Nubia (Cush), and Ethiopia. These were given to Persia as ransom-money (as it were) for the release of Israel by Persia through the successors of Cyrus (see Xenophon, *Cyr.* viii. 6, 20; and Herod. i. 153; iii. 25). In the time of Isaiah these three were united under one dynasty.

ransom . atonement price. Heb. *kopher*. See note on Ex. 29. 33.

4 Since thou wast=Ever since thou becamest.

men=a man. Can this refer to Christ? Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I. people=peoples.

life=soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

5-6 east... west... north... south. This contemplates a wider and greater deliverance than that from Babylon, even from “the ends of the earth”.

43. 8-13 (F, p. 984). WITNESSES.
(Alternation.)

vv. 8, 9. The Challenge.

F | v | 10-. Jehovah's witnesses.
w | -10-12-. The only God.
v | -12-. Jehovah's witnesses.
w | -12, 13-. The only God.

8 the blind People=a blind People: i.e. Israel (see 6. 10; 42. 19, 20. Jer. 5. 21. Ezek. 12. 2. Matt. 13. 14. Acts 28. 26, 27).

9 them. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Syr., and Vulg., read “you”.

10 saith the LORD=Is Jehovah's oracle.

My Servant: i.e. Israel. See note on 37. 35.

chosen. See note on 1. 29.

I am He: or, “I [am] He [Who is]”. Note the Structure, above (“w”, and “w”).

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12 no strange god. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 12, 16).

14 Redeemer=Kinsman-Babylon. This is the first occurrence of the name in whose cry is in the ships=the ships which resound

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15 *I am* ¹the LORD, your Holy One, the Creator of Israel, your King."

16 Thus saith ¹the LORD, Which ^omaketh a way in the sea, and a path in the mighty waters;

17 Which bringeth forth the chariot and horse, the army and the power; "they shall lie down ^otogether, they shall not rise: they are extinct, they are quenched as ^otow.

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(p. 984) 18 ^oRemember ye not the former things, neither consider the things of old.

19 Behold, I will do ^oa new thing; now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert.

20 The beast of the field shall honour Me, the dragons and the owls: because ^oI give waters in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert, to give drink to My people, My chosen.

21 ^oThis People have I formed for Myself; they shall shew forth My praise.

D 22 But thou hast not ^ocalled upon Me, O Jacob; but thou hast ^obeen weary of Me, O Israel.

23 ^oThou hast not brought Me the small cattle of thy burnt offerings; neither hast thou honoured Me with thy sacrifices. I have not caused thee to serve with an offering, nor wearied thee with incense.

24 Thou hast bought Me no sweet cane with money, neither hast thou filled Me with the fat of thy sacrifices: ^obut thou hast ^omade Me to serve with thy ^osins, thou hast wearied Me with thine ^oiniquities.

25 *I, even I, am* ^{he} That blotteth out thy ^otransgressions ^ofor Mine own sake, and ^owill not ^oremember thy ²⁴sins.

26 Put Me in remembrance: let us plead together: ^odeclare thou, that thou mayest be justified.

27 ^oThy first father hath ²⁴sinned, and thy teachers have ²⁵transgressed against Me.

28 Therefore I have profaned the ^oprinces of the sanctuary, and have given ^oJacob to the curse, and ^oIsrael to reproaches.

E 44 Yet now hear, O Jacob ^oMy servant; and Israel, whom I have ^ochosen:"

2 ^oThus saith ^othe LORD That made thee, and ^oformed thee from the womb, Which will help thee; "Fear not, O Jacob, ¹My servant; and thou, ^oJesurun, whom I have ¹chosen.

3 For ^oI will pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground: I will pour My ^ospirit upon thy seed, and My blessing upon thine offspring:

4 And they shall spring up as among the grass, ^oas willows by the ^owater courses.

5 ^oOne shall say, '*I am* ²the LORD'S;' and ^oanother shall call *himself* by the name of Jacob; and ^oanother shall subscribe *with* his hand unto ²the LORD, and surname *himself* by the name of Israel."

F L
(p. 987) 6 Thus saith ²the LORD ^othe King of Israel, and ^ohis Redeemer ^othe LORD of hosts; "*I*

16 maketh a way in the sea. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 14. 16, 21, 22. Ps. 77. 19). See Ap. 92.

17 together: or, at once.

tow=wick. Heb. flax. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the wick made of it.

18 Remember ye. Note the correspondence of the members "m" and "m" (v. 18, and 44. 21).

19 a new thing. The future deliverance of Israel will be with greater marvels than at the Exodus.

20 I give waters, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 17. 6. Num. 20. 11).

21 This People, &c. For Israel (as Birks puts it) "is the keystone of the whole arch of promise". See note on 44. 7.

22 called upon Me. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), Ap. 6, for all that has to do with worship, as developed in vv. 23, 24.

been weary of Me. Note the emphasis is on "Me" in these verses (cp. Mic. 6. 3. Mal. 1. 13).

23 Thou hast not brought Me, &c. These verses are quite opposed to the alleged indifference of the prophets to the Divine ritual.

24 but. Note the solemn antithesis.

made Me to serve. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect, of the verb), Ap. 6, for the judicial consequences of their sins.

sins. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

iniquities. Heb. *āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

25 transgressions=rebellions. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix.

for Mine own sake. He does not go out of Himself for the reason which flows from grace.

will not remember. He remembers our infirmities (which man forgets. Ps. 103. 14), but will forget our sins (which man remembers).

remember. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

26 declare=recount [thy works, or sins].

27 Thy first father: i. e. Jacob, as stated in the next verse (cp. Deut. 26. 5. Ezek. 16. 3, 45).

28 princes=priests, whose great duty it was to "teach" the people the Law and Word of God (see notes on Deut. 17. 11; 33. 10).

Jacob . . . Israel. Including the whole Nation: the subject of this prophecy concerning Jehovah's "servant".

44. 1 My servant. The subject of these members "E" and "E" (p. 984). See note on 37. 35, chosen. See note on 1. 29.

2 Thus saith, &c. Jehovah's first controversy with Israel closes with this member "N" (p. 980); and the second closes with "N" (p. 984).

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. Note the Jehovah title, as in 43. 1, in the members "E" and "E" (p. 984).

formed - fashioned.

Jesurun. This is a direct reference to the Pentateuch (Deut. 32. 15; 33. 5, 26), the only three places where this name occurs. See notes there and Ap. 92.

3 I will pour, &c. These promises all refer to the day of Israel's future restoration.

spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9. For this promise, see Ezek. 36. 25-30; 39. 29. Cp. Isa. 32. 15; 59. 21. Joel 2. 28. Zech. 12. 10. It began at Pentecost (Acts 2. 16); but the kingdom was then rejected (Acts 28. 25, 26), and the promise is now in abeyance. Cp. Joel 2. 28, "afterward".

4 as willows, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 24. 6). Ap. 92. water courses. See note on "streams", 30. 25.

5 One . . . another . . . another. Heb. *zeh*=this one, that one, &c.

44. 6-20 [For Structure see next page].

6 the King of Israel. Note this title (1) in connection with the O.T. manifestation of the kingdom; (2) the Gospels, the proclamation of the kingdom by the

Son (Matt. 27. 42. Mark 15. 32. John 1. 49; 12. 13). All were rejected, and the kingdom therefore is now in abeyance. his Redeemer: i. e. his Kinsman-Redeemer. Ref. to Pent. (see note on 41. 14). the LORD of hosts. See note on 1 Sam. 1. 3.

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am °the first, and **§ am** the last; and °beside Me there is no °God.

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7 And who, as I, shall call, and shall declare it, and set it in order for Me, since I °appointed °the ancient People? and the things that are coming, °and shall come, let them shew unto them.

I.

8 Fear ye not, neither be afraid: have not I told thee from that time, and have declared it? **pe** are even °My witnesses. Is there °a **§§§** beside Me? yea, *there is* °no God; I know not any.

M N

9 They that °make a graven image *are* all of them °vanity; and °their °delectable things shall not profit; and *they are* their own witnesses; °they see not, nor know; that they may be °ashamed.

10 Who hath formed a god, or molten a graven image *that* is profitable for nothing?

11 Behold, all his fellows shall be °ashamed: and the workmen, *they are* of °men: let them all be gathered together, let them stand up; *yet* they shall fear, *and* they shall be °ashamed together.

O x

12 °The smith with the tongs both worketh in the coals, and fashioneth it with hammers, and worketh it with the strength of his arms:

y

yea, he is hungry, and his strength faileth: he drinketh no water, and is faint.

x

13 The carpenter stretcheth out *his* rule; he marketh it out with a line; he fitteth it with planes, and he marketh it out with the compass, and maketh it after the figure of a °man, according to the beauty of a °man; that it may remain in the house.

14 He heweth him down cedars, and taketh the cypress and the oak, which he strengtheneth for himself among the trees of the forest: he planteth an ash, and the rain doth nourish *it*.

15 Then shall it be for a man to burn: for he will °take thereof, and warm himself; yea, he kindleth *it*, and baketh bread; yea, he maketh a god, and worshippeth *it*; he maketh it a graven image, and falleth down thereto.

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16 He burneth part thereof in the fire; °with part thereof he eateth flesh; he roasteth roast, and is satisfied: yea, he warmeth *himself*, and saith, 'Aha, I am warm, I have seen the fire.'

17 And the residue thereof he °maketh a god, even his graven image: he falleth down unto it, and worshippeth *it*, and prayeth unto it, and saith, 'Deliver me; for *thou art* my god.'

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18 They have °not known nor understood: for he hath °shut their eyes, that they cannot see; *and* their hearts, that they cannot understand.

19 And °none considereth in his heart, neither *is there* knowledge nor °understanding to say, 'I have burned part of it in the fire; yea, also I have baked bread upon the coals thereof; I have roasted flesh, and eaten *it*; and shall I make the residue thereof an abomination? shall I fall down to °the stock of a tree?'

20 He feedeth °on ashes: a deceived heart hath turned him aside, that he cannot deliver his °soul, nor say, 'Is there not °a lie in my right hand?'

44. 6-20 (F, p. 984). WITNESSES. (Alternation.)

F | **L** | 6. Jehovah. His Own Witness.
| **M** | 7. Idolaters. Their own witnesses. Ignorance.
L | 8. Jehovah. His Own Witness.
| **M** | 9-20. Idolaters. Their own witnesses. Impotence.

the first, &c. See note on 41. 4. Quoted in Rev. 1. 17, &c. beside Me. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 4. 35; 32. 39). Ap. 92. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

7 appointed = set, or established.

the ancient People = the everlasting Nation. The nation of Israel is everlasting, like the Covenant. The nations which oppressed Israel (Egypt, Assyria, Babylon, Rome) have passed away; but Israel remains, and, when restored, will remain for ever. Note and cp. the nine everlasting things in Isaiah: (1) covenant (55. 3; 61. 8; cp. note on Gen. 9. 16); (2) kindness (54. 8); (3) salvation (45. 17); (4) excellency (60. 16); (5) joy (51. 11); (6) name (56. 5); (7) light (60. 19, 20); (8) sign (55. 13); and (9) as the pledge of all, "the everlasting God" (40. 28; 63. 12).

and shall come = and [which] shall come.

8 My witnesses. Note the Structures ("L" and "L", above).

a **§§§**. Heb. an Eloah. Ap. 4. V.

no God = no Rock. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 4. Cp. Isa. 26. 4). Ap. 92.

9-20 (M, above). IDOLATERS THEIR OWN WITNESSES. IGNORANCE. (Introversion.)

M | **N** | 9-11. Idolaters. Their stupidity.
| **O** | 12-17. The smith and the carpenter.
| **N** | 18-20. Idolaters. Their stupidity.

9 make = fashion, or, form.

vanity = emptiness. Heb. *tōhū* (without form), as in Gen. 1. 2. See note on 24. 10.

their = the fashioners'.

delectable things. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the things they have desired.

they: i.e. the makers and worshippers. See the Structure, above.

ashamed: as the Babylonians were when their city was taken by the Medo-Persians.

11 men. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

12-17 (O, above). THE SMITH AND THE CARPENTER. (Alternation.)

O | **x** | 12-. The smith and his god.
| **y** | -12. His own infirmity.
x | 13-15. The carpenter and his god.
| **y** | 16, 17. His own infirmity.

12 The smith with the tongs, &c. "The smith was more or less a sacred person, and the iron foundry was an annex of heathen temples." Mounds of *scoriae* and iron slag are found near many heathen temples. So writes Prof. Sayce in *The Proceedings of the Society of Biblical Archaeology* (1911). Note the contrast exhibited (apparently on purpose) in 1 Kings 6. 7.

13 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

15 take thereof = take [of the wood] thereof.

16 with. Some codices in marg., with one early printed edition, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "and with".

17 maketh a = maketh into a.

18 not known = not taken note.

shut = smeared.

19 none considereth = none reflecteth; none bringeth back to his heart.

understanding = discernment.

the stock of a tree = a log of wood.

20 on. The A.V. of 1611 had "of".

soul. Heb. *nephes*. Ap. 13.

a lie: i.e. the maker's vain fancy.

21 Remember these, O Jacob and Israel; for *thou art* °My servant: I have formed thee; *thou*

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art ¹My servant: ° O Israel, thou shalt ° not be forgotten of Me.

22 ° I have blotted out, as a thick cloud, thy ° transgressions, and, as a cloud, thy ° sins: return unto Me; for I have ° redeemed thee.

23 ° Sing, O ye heavens; for ²the LORD hath done it: ° shout, ye lower parts of the earth: ° break forth into singing, ye mountains, O forest, and every tree therein: for ¹the LORD hath ° redeemed Jacob, and glorified Himself in Israel."

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24 Thus saith ²the LORD, thy ⁶Redeemer, and He That ²formed thee from the womb, "° I am ²the LORD That maketh all things; That stretcheth forth the heavens alone; That spreadeth abroad the earth by Myself;

25 That frustrateth the ° tokens of the ° liars, and maketh ° diviners mad; That turneth ° wise men backward, and maketh their knowledge foolish;

26 That confirmeth the word of ° His Servant, and performeth the counsel of His messengers;

Q S

That saith to ° Jerusalem, 'Thou shalt be inhabited'; and to the ° cities of Judah, 'Ye shall be ° built, and I will raise up the decayed places thereof:'

27 That saith to ° the deep, 'Be dry, and ° I will dry up thy ° rivers:'

T

28 That saith of ° Cyrus, 'He is My shepherd, and shall perform all My pleasure: ° even saying to ° Jerusalem, 'Thou shalt be built; and to the ° temple, 'Thy foundation shall be laid.'"

45 Thus saith ° the LORD to His anointed, to ° Cyrus, whose right hand I have holden, to subdue nations before him, and I will ° loose the loins of kings; to ° open before him the two leaved gates; and the gates shall ° not be shut;

2 "° I will go before thee, and make the crooked places ° straight: I will ° break in pieces the ° gates of brass, and ° cut in sunder the bars of iron:

3 And I will give thee the treasures of darkness, and hidden riches of secret places, that thou mayest know that I, ¹the LORD, Which ° call thee by thy name, am ° the ° God of Israel.

4 For Jacob ° My servant's sake, and Israel Mine elect, I have even ° called thee by thy name: I have ° surnamed thee, ° though thou hast not known Me.

5 I am ¹the LORD, and there is none else, there is no ° God beside Me: I ° girded thee, ° though thou hast not known Me:

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6 That they may know from the rising of the sun, and from the west, that there is ° none beside Me. I am ¹the LORD, and there is none else.

7 I form the light, and create darkness: I

Divine prophecy before birth: Isaac (Gen. 17. 19); Solomon (1 Chron. 22. 9); Josiah (1 Kings 13. 2); and Cyrus, 137 years before his birth. See Ap. 50, p. 67.
 the God of Israel. See note on 29. 23.
 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. 4 My servant's. See note on 37. 35. surnamed. Cyrus was the additional name divinely given. His Persian name is said to have been Agradates (Strabo, xv. 3, 6).
 though thou hast not=when thou didst not. 5 girded thee. Contrast "loose" (v. 1), and see note on 8. 9. 6 none. See note on 5. 8.

21 O Israel. Some codices, with one early printed edition (Rabbinic, 1517), read "And Israel". The reference is to Gen. 32. 26;

not be forgotten. Because of being the "everlasting Nation" (v. 7).

22 I have blotted out. See 43. 25. transgressions=rebellions. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix. sins. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

redeemed. Heb. *gā'al*. See note on Ex. 6. 6.

23 Sing . . . shout. Fig. *Pæanismos* (Ap. 6). break forth into singing. See note on 14. 7.

44. 24-45. 15 (l, p. 984). JERUSALEM RESTORED.

(Extended Alternation and Introversion.)

l P | 44. 24-28-. Jehovah's attributes.

Q | S | 44. -26, 27. Jerusalem. Rebuilding.

T | 44. 28-45. 5. CYRUS.

R | 45. 6-10. Sovereignty.

P | 45. 11, 12. Jehovah's attributes.

Q | T | 45. 13-. CYRUS.

S | 45. -13, 14. Jerusalem. Rebuilding.

R | 15. Inscrutability.

25 tokens=signs. See note on 7. 11.

liars: i.e. the false prophets of the heathen.

diviners: i.e. the astrologers, &c., of Assyria. See note on 47. 13.

wise. Fig. *Antiphrasis* (Ap. 6)=accounted wise.

26 His Servant: i.e. His prophet (Isaiah).

Jerusalem . . . cities, &c. These named first because first built. See v. 28. built=rebuilt.

27 the deep: i.e. the Euphrates, on which Babylon was built.

I will dry up. Literally fulfilled, at the taking of Babylon, by Cyrus through his general, Gobryas. Cp. Jer. 50. 38; 51. 31, 32, 36.

rivers. Pl. of Majesty for the great river Euphrates.

28 Cyrus. See note on 45. 1.

even saying - and saying: i.e. Jehovah, the Speaker from v. 24, and in the preceding clause. It does not mean that Cyrus spoke of rebuilding Jerusalem (for he did not), but it records what Jehovah would say of Cyrus, and what He would say also to Jerusalem. Nehemiah must have obtained a copy of Isaiah on his visit to Jerusalem, or he could not have instructed Cyrus.

Jerusalem. Named before the temple, because the city and its walls were first built, before the temple foundations were laid. See notes on Neh. 7. 4, and on pp. 616-618; also Ap. 57 and 58.

temple. Named after Jerusalem, because the city walls were first built. See note above, and cp. Neh. 7. 4 with Hag. 1. 1-4.

45. 1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

Cyrus. See Ap. 57.

loose the loins. Idiom for weakening. Cp. Job 12. 21. The opposite of "girding" (v. 5).

open before him the two leaved gates: i.e. of Babylon, as described by Herodotus. See *Records of the Past*, Part V, p. 162; and cp. Jer. 51. 30, 31.

not be shut. They were found open, and Gobryas and the soldiers of Cyrus entered Babylon without fighting.

2 straight=level.

break in pieces=shiver.

gates of brass. Herodotus (i. 180) tells us that the gates leading to the river were of brass.

cut in sunder=smash.

3 call thee by thy name. Only four named by the God of Israel. See note on 29. 23.

4 My servant's. See note on 37. 35. surnamed. Cyrus was the additional name divinely given. His Persian name is said to have been Agradates (Strabo, xv. 3, 6).

5 girded thee. Contrast "loose" (v. 1), and see

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make peace, and ° create ° evil: 3¹ the LORD do all these things.

8 Drop down, ye heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness: ° let the earth open, and let them bring forth salvation, and let righteousness spring up together; 3¹ the LORD have created it.

9 Woe unto him that striveth with his Maker! Let the potsherd strive with the potsherds of the ° earth. Shall the clay say to him that fashioneth it, 'What makest thou?' or thy work, 'He hath no hands?'

10 Woe unto him that saith unto his father, 'What begetteth thou?' or to the woman, 'What hast thou brought forth?'

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11 Thus saith ° the LORD, ° the Holy One of Israel, and his ° Maker, "Ask Me of things to come concerning My sons, and concerning the work of My hands command ye Me.

12 ° 3 have made the earth, and created ° man upon it: 3, even My hands, have stretched out the heavens, and all their host have I commanded.

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13 3 have ° raised him up in righteousness, and I will direct all his ways:

S

° he shall build My city, and he shall let go My ° captives, not for price nor reward," saith ° the LORD of hosts.

14 Thus saith ° the LORD, "The ° labour of Egypt, and merchandise of Ethiopia and of the Sabeans, ° men of stature, ° shall come over unto thee, and they shall be thine: they shall come after thee; in chains they shall come over, and they shall fall down unto thee, they shall make supplication unto thee, saying, 'Surely ° GOD is in thee; and there is none else, there is ° no ° God.'"

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15 Verily 3¹ thou art a ° GOD That hidest Thyself, O ° God of Israel, the Saviour.

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16 They shall be ashamed, and also confounded, all of them: they shall go to confusion together that are makers of ° idols.

b

17 But Israel shall be saved in ° the LORD with an ° everlasting salvation: ye shall not be ashamed nor confounded ° world without end.

c

18 For thus saith ° the LORD ° That created the heavens; God Himself ° That formed the earth and ° made it; 3¹ hath established it, ° He created it not ° in vain, He formed it to be inhabited: "3¹ am ° the LORD;

d

and there is none else.

e

19 I have not spoken in secret, in a dark place of the earth:

f

I said not unto the seed of Jacob, 'Seek ye Me

7 create. Heb. the Pool Participle of the verb *bārā'* (create) which, with "evil", requires the rendering "bring about". Not the same form as in *vv.* 8, 12, or *v.* 18, in connection with the earth. In Jer. 18. 11 the verb is *yāzar*, to frame, or mould. In Amos 3. 6 it is *āshah*, to bring about. A word of wide meaning; its sense has to be determined by its context. Here, disturbance in contrast with "peace."

evil: never rendered "sin". God brings calamity about as the inevitable consequence of sin. It is rendered "calamity" in Ps. 141. 5; "adversity" in 1 Sam. 10. 19. Ps. 94. 13. Ecc. 7. 14; "grief" in Neh. 2. 10. Prov. 15. 10. Ecc. 2. 17. Jonah 4. 6; "affliction" in Num. 11. 11; "misery" in Ecc. 8. 6; "trouble" in Ps. 41. 1; "sore" in Deut. 6. 22; "noisome" in Ezek. 14. 15, 21; "hurt" in Gen. 26. 29; "wretchedness" in Num. 11. 15; also "harm", "ill", and "mischief". Cp. Jer. 18. 11, and Amos 3. 6. See note on "create", above.

8 let the earth open, &c. When the earth opened before it brought forth destruction (Num. 16. 32; 26. 10 and Ps. 106. 17).

9 earth=ground: i.e. here, clay.

11 the Holy One of Israel. See note on 1. 4. Maker=Former, or Fashioner.

12 have made, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 1. 1). Ap. 92. man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

13 raised him up: i.e. raised Cyrus up.

he shall build My city. Nehemiah rebuilt only the walls. See Neh. 7. 4. The city was not rebuilt until after the return under Zerubbabel, and the emancipation by Cyrus. See notes on pp. 616-18, and Ap. 68.

captives. Heb. captivity. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the captives in it.

the LORD of hosts. See note on 1 Sam. 1. 3.

14 labour. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6, for that which is produced by it.

men. Heb. pl. of *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

shall come over. Some codices, with five early printed editions (one Rabbinic, in margin, 1517), Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "and they shall", &c.

GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

45. 16-47. 15 (K, p. 980). GOD'S CONTROVERSY WITH THE NATIONS. VANITY OF IDOLS. (Division.)

K | U¹ | 45. 16-25. The nations.

U² | 46. 1-13. Babylon's idols.

U³ | 47. 1-15. Babylon. Doom.

45. 16-25 (U¹, above). THE NATIONS. (Introversion, and Extended Alternation.)

U¹ | V | a | 16. Idolaters. Their shame and confusion.

b | 17. Israel. Saved.

c | 18-. Earth. Its formation.

d | 18. None beside Jehovah.

e | 19-. The oracles of God. Plain.

f | 19. Call to the seed of Jacob.

W | 20-. The escaped Nation. Called.

V | a | 20. Idolaters. Their ignorance.

b | 21. Israel's Saviour.

c | 22-. Earth. Call to.

d | 22. "None beside Elohim".

e | 23. The oath of God. Sure.

f | 24, 25. Call to the seed of Israel.

16 idols=images. Heb. *ṣērīm*. Occurs in this sense only here.

17 everlasting salvation. See note on "ancient" world without end=the ages of futurity.

18 That created=the Creator of.

Note how these expressions are heaped together to impress us with the fact that the One Who created all ought to be able to tell us, better than ignorant man, how He created it. That formed=The

Former of. Heb. *yāzar*=to fashion. made=the Maker of.

He created. It did not come

of itself by evolution (see Ap. 5 and 8). Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 1. 1).

in vain=*tohū*. The same word

as in Gen. 1. 2 ("without form"). Therefore it must have become *tohū*: which is exactly what Gen. 1. 2 declares (see note there). In Gen. 1. 1 we have "the world that then was" (cp. 2 Pet. 3. 6); and in *v.* 2 we have the ruin into which it fell. We are not told how, when, or why, or how long it lasted. When

geologists have settled how many years they require, they may place them between *vv.* 1 and 2 of Gen. 1. In Gen. 1. 2-2. 4, we have "the heavens and the earth which are now" of 2 Pet. 3. 7. Both are set in

contrast with the "new heavens and the new earth" of 2 Pet. 3. 13.

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°in vain: ' § 1 the LORD speak righteousness, I declare things that are right.

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20 Assemble yourselves and come; draw near together, ye *that are* escaped of the nations:

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they have no knowledge that set up the wood of their graven image, and pray unto a god *that* cannot save.

b

21 Tell ye, and bring °them near; yea, let them take counsel together: who hath declared this from ancient time? *who* hath told it from that time? *have* not § 1 the LORD? and °there is no °God else beside Me; a just °GOD and a Saviour; *there is* none beside Me.

c

22 Look unto Me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth:

d

for § *am* °GOD, and *there is* none else.

e

23 °I have sworn by Myself, the word is gone out of My mouth in righteousness, and shall not return, That °unto Me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear.

f

24 'Surely,' shall one say, 'in °the LORD have I righteousness and strength: ' *even* to Him shall °men come; and all that are incensed against Him shall be ashamed.

25 In °the LORD shall all the seed of Israel be justified, and °shall glory.'

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46 °Bel boweth down, °Nebo stoopeth, their idols were upon the beasts, and upon the cattle: °your carriages °were heavy laden; °they are a burden to the weary beast.

2 They stoop, they bow down together; °they could not deliver the burden, but °themselves are gone into captivity.

Y g

3 °Hearken unto Me, O °house of Jacob, and all the remnant of the °house of Israel, °which are borne *by* Me from the belly, °which are carried from the womb:

4 And *even* to your old age § *am* §; and *even* to hoar hairs will § carry you: § have made, and § will bear; °even § will carry, and will deliver you.

h

5 To whom will ye liken Me, and make Me equal, and compare Me, that We may be like?

X

6 They lavish gold out of the bag, and weigh silver in the balance, *and* hire a goldsmith; and he maketh it a °god: they fall down, yea, they worship.

7 They bear him upon the shoulder, they carry him, and set him in his place, and he standeth; from his place shall he not remove: yea, one shall cry unto him, yet can he not answer, nor save him out of his trouble.

Y h

8 °Remember this, and shew yourselves °men: °bring it again to mind, O ye °transgressors.

9 Remember the former things of old: for § *am* °GOD, and *there is* none else; I *am* °God, and *there is* °none like Me,

10 Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times *the things* that are not yet done, saying, 'My counsel shall stand, and I will do all My pleasure: '

11 Calling a ravenous bird from the east, °the man that executeth My counsel from a far country: yea, I have spoken it, °I will also bring it to pass; I °have purposed it, I will also do it.

19 in vain. Heb. *tohū*. Repeated from v. 18. Jehovah did not command His People to seek Him in a pathless and trackless waste, where there are no indications of how He is to be found; but in His Word, where He has revealed Himself clearly and distinctly: not "in secret" or "in darkness" (same words as in v. 18). Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 30. 1). Ap. 92. See note on 24. 10.

21 them: i.e. the "image" and "god" of v. 20. there is no God. Note the Fig. *Pleonasm* (Ap. 6), by which the same assertion is made in two ways (pos. and neg.) for emphasis. Cp. the Structure "d" and "d", p. 989.

23 I have sworn, &c. Quoted in Rom. 14. 11; and Phil. 2. 10. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 22. 16). Ap. 92.

unto Me. Ascribed to Christ in the quotation above.

24 men come=one come. Heb. text is sing., as in preceding clause; but pl. in v. 1.

25 shall glory. See note on "give light" (13. 10).

46. 1-13 (U², p. 989). BABYLON'S IDOLS.

(*Alternation and Introversion.*)

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X | 1, 2. Impotence of idols.

Y

g | 3, 4. Call to hear.

h

| 5. Challenge as to comparison.

X

| 6, 7. Impotence of idols.

Y

h | 8-11. Challenge as to comparison.

g

| 12, 13. Call to hear.

1 Bel. Abbreviation of *Baal*=lord. Here=Zeus, or Jupiter of the Greek and Roman mythology.

Nebo. Answers to the Egyptian Anubis, Greek Hermes, and Roman Mercurius (cp. Acts 14. 12). These gods were indeed brought down. In the *Inscription of Nebuchadonosor*, pp. 15, 21 (Oppert, Rheims, 1866), found at Hillel in 1867 by Sir Hartford Jones, and now in the British Museum, these gods are mentioned, and in this order, with Merodach (Jer. 50. 2). It is a block of black basalt in ten columns, making 620 lines.

your carriages=the things ye carried about: i.e. in procession (Amos 5. 26).

were heavy laden=are become a burden.

they are a burden =[are even now] loaded on beasts [for exile].

2 they. Aram. and Syr., with five early printed editions, read "and they". But some codices, with two early printed editions, omit "and".

themselves=their soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

3 Hearken. Note the two calls to hear: here, and v. 12 ("g" and "g", above). See Ap. 82.

house of Jacob. See note on 2. 5.

house of Israel. See note on 5. 7.

which -who are borne. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 19. 4. Deut. 1. 31; 32. 11). Ap. 92.

which. Some codices, with two early printed editions, Aram., and Sept., read "and who".

4 even=yea. Some codices, with three early printed editions, Syr., and Vulg., omit "yea".

6 god. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

8 Remember. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 7). Ap. 92.

men. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

bring it again. The Western reading was "and bring it", &c.

transgressors=rebels. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix.

9 GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

none. See note on 5. 8.

11 the man that executeth My counsel=the man of My counsel: i.e. Cyrus, a type of Messiah, set apart by God for this special service. See Ap. 57.

I will also bring it to pass. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 23. 19).

13 shall not tarry=will not be too late.

12 Hearken unto Me, ye stouthearted, that are far from righteousness:

13 I bring near My righteousness; it shall not be far off, and My salvation °shall not tarry: and I will place salvation in Zion for Israel My glory.

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47 Come down, and sit in the dust, O virgin °daughter of Babylon, sit on the °ground: °there is no throne, O daughter of the Chaldeans: for thou shalt no more be called tender and delicate.

2 Take the millstones, and °grind °meal: °uncover thy locks, °make bare the leg, uncover the thigh, pass over the rivers.

3 Thy nakedness shall be uncovered, yea, thy shame shall be seen: I will take vengeance, and I will °not meet thee as a °man.

4 As for our Redeemer, °the LORD of hosts °is His name, °the Holy One of Israel.

5 Sit thou silent, and get thee into darkness, O daughter of the Chaldeans: for thou shalt no more be called, The °lady of kingdoms.

A i **6** I was wroth with My people, I have polluted Mine inheritance, and given them into thine hand: thou didst shew them °no mercy; upon the °ancient hast thou very heavily laid °thy °yoke.

7 And thou saidst, 'I shall be °a lady for ever: ' so that thou didst not lay these things to thy heart, neither didst remember °the latter end of it.

k **8** Therefore hear now this, thou that art given to pleasures, that dwellest °carelessly, that sayest in thine heart, 'I am, and °none else beside me; I shall not sit as a widow, neither shall I know the loss of °children: ' °yoke.

9 But these two things shall come to thee in a moment in one day, the loss of °children, and widowhood: they shall come upon thee in their °perfection for the multitude of thy sorceries, and for the great abundance of thine enchantments.

A i **10** For thou hast °trusted in thy °wickedness: thou hast said, 'None seeth me.' Thy wisdom and thy knowledge, it hath perverted thee; and thou hast said in thine heart, 'I am, and °none else beside me.'

k **11** Therefore shall °evil come upon thee; thou shalt not know from whence it riseth: and °mischief shall fall upon thee; thou shalt not be able to °put it off: and desolation shall come upon thee suddenly, which thou shalt not know.

Z **12** °Stand now with thine enchantments, and with the multitude of thy sorceries, wherein thou hast laboured from thy youth; if so be thou shalt be able to profit, if so be thou mayest °prevail.

13 Thou art wearied in the multitude of thy counsels. Let now the °astrologers, the stargazers, °the monthly prognosticators, stand up, and save thee from these things that shall come upon thee.

14 Behold, they shall be as stubble; the fire shall burn them; they shall not deliver °themselves from the power of the flame: there shall not be a coal to warm at, nor fire to sit before it.

15 Thus shall they be unto thee with whom thou hast laboured, even °thy merchants, from thy youth: °they shall wander every °one to his quarter; none shall save thee.

47. 1-15 (U³, p. 989). BABYLON. DOOM.
(Introversion and Alternation.)

U³ Z | 1-5. Call to Babylon. Darkness and silence.
A | i | 6, 7. Crimination. Cruelty and self-exaltation.
k | 8, 9. Retribution. Widowhood.
A | i | 10. Crimination. Evil and self-deification.
k | 11. Retribution. Evil and desolation.
Z | 12-15. Call to Babylon. Impotence.

1 daughter of Babylon. Cp. Tyre (23. 12), and see 37. 22. Ps. 137. 28.

ground = earth. Heb. 'āreṣ.

there is no throne = throneless.

2 grind meal: the work of slaves (Ex. 11. 5. Matt. 24. 41).

meal. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Effect), Ap. 6, for the corn from which meal is ground.

uncover thy locks = remove thy veil.

make bare the leg = lift up thy skirts or train.

3 not meet thee as a man = not accept or regard any man. man. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.

4 the LORD of hosts. See note on 1 Sam. 1. 3.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

is His name. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 3. 15; 15. 3). Ap. 92. the Holy One of Israel. See note on 1. 4.

5 lady of kingdoms = mistress of the kingdoms. The king of Babylon called himself "the King Vicar" (Oppert, *Inscription of Nebuchadonosor*, p. 15). Cp. Ezek. 26. 7. Dan. 2. 37. So the popes name themselves, and are so addressed when crowned. Cp. Rev. 18. 7.

6 no mercy. Cp. 2 Kings 25. 5, 6, 26. Jer. 50. 17; 51. 34. ancient = elder. Cp. Lam. 4. 16.

thy. In edition of A.V. 1611, "the".

yoke. Cp. Zech. 1. 15.

7 the latter end of it = the issue thereof: but some codices, with one early printed edition (Rabbinic, margin 1517), and Vulg., read "thy latter end". Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 29). Ap. 92.

8 carelessly = confidently.

none else beside me. Babylon and Rome claim the Divine attributes, as used in these chapters. Cp. 45. 6, 14; 46. 9.

none. See note on 5. 8.

children = sons.

9 perfection = full measure.

10 trusted = confided. Heb. *bataḥ*. Ap. 69. i.

wickedness. Heb. *rā'a*. Ap. 44. viii.

11 evil = calamity. Heb. *rā'a*. Ap. 44. viii. Cp. 45. 7. mischief = ruin; especially as prepared for others. Not the same word as in 59. 4. Only here and Ezek. 7. 26. put it off = expiate it, or charm it away.

12 Stand now with = Persist in.

prevail = strike terror.

13 astrologers. The scientists of Babylon were divided into three classes: writers of (1) charms to be placed on afflicted persons or houses; (2) formulae of incantations; (3) records of observations which mixed up astronomy with astrology, and resulted, in the case of any two successive or concurrent events, in the conclusion that one was the cause of the other; and, the further conclusion was reached by reasoning from the "particular" to the "general".

the monthly prognosticators = they who make known the future by observing new moons. See the fifth "creation tablet" (British Museum).

14 themselves = their souls. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

15 thy merchants. Cp. Rev. 18. 11-19.

they shall wander = stagger onward.

one. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

48. 1-22 [For Structure see next page].

1 house of Jacob. See note on 2. 5.

called by the name of Israel. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 32. 28; 35. 10). Designates spiritual descent, while "Jacob" denotes natural descent.

48 Hear ye this, O °house of Jacob, which are °called by the name of Israel, and

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are come forth out of the °waters of Judah, which °swear by the name of °the LORD, and make mention of °the °God of Israel, but not °in truth, nor in righteousness.

2 For they call themselves of the holy city, and stay themselves upon °the God of Israel; °The LORD of hosts is His name.

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3 I have declared °the former things from the beginning; and they went forth out of My mouth, and I shewed them; I did *them* suddenly, and they came to pass.

l²

4 Because I knew that thou *art* obstinate, and °thy neck is an iron sinew, and thy brow brass;

m²

5 I have even from the beginning declared *it* to thee; before it came to pass I shewed *it* thee: lest thou shouldst say, 'Mine idol hath done them, and my graven image, and my molten image, hath commanded them.'

l³

6 Thou hast heard, °see all this; and will not *ye* declare *it*?

m³

I have shewed thee new things from this time, even hidden things, and thou didst not know them.

7 They are created now, and not from the beginning; even before the day when thou heardest them not; lest thou shouldst say, 'Behold, I knew them.'

l⁴

8 Yea, thou heardest not; yea, thou knewest not; yea, from that time *that* thine ear was not opened: for I knew that thou wouldst deal very treacherously, and wast called a °transgressor from the womb.

m⁴

9 For °My name's sake will I defer Mine anger, and for My praise will I refrain for thee, that I cut thee not off.

10 Behold, I have refined thee, but not with silver; I have chosen thee in the furnace of °affliction.

11 °For Mine own sake, *even* °for Mine own sake, will I do *it*: for how should °My name be polluted? and °I will not give My glory unto another.

l⁵

12 Harken unto Me, O °Jacob and Israel, My called;

m⁵

3 *am* *he*; 3 *am* °the first, 3 *also am* °the last.

13 Mine hand also hath laid the foundation of the earth, and My right hand hath °spanned the heavens: *when* 3 call unto them, they °stand up together.

l⁶

14 All ye, assemble yourselves, and hear; which among °them hath declared these *things*?

m⁶

1 The LORD hath loved °him: He will do His pleasure on Babylon, and His °arm *shall be* on the Chaldeans.

15 °3, *even* °3, have spoken; yea, I have called °him: I have brought °him, and he shall make his way prosperous.

l⁷

16 Come ye near unto Me, hear ye this;

m⁷

I have °not spoken in secret from the beginning; from the time that it was, there *am* 3: and now °the Lord °GOD, °and His °Spirit, hath sent Me."

17 Thus saith °the LORD, thy Redeemer, °the

48. 1-22 (N, p. 980). GOD'S CONTROVERSY WITH ISRAEL. (Repeated Alternation.)

- N | l¹ | 1, 2. Israel. Call to hear.
 m¹ | 3. Jehovah. Foreknowledge.
 l² | 4. Israel. Obstinacy.
 m² | 5. Jehovah. Foreknowledge.
 l³ | 6-. Israel. Unheeding.
 m³ | -6, 7. Jehovah. Foreknowledge.
 l⁴ | 8. Israel. Treachery.
 m⁴ | 9-11. Jehovah. Forbearance.
 l⁵ | 12-. Israel. Call to hear.
 m⁵ | -12, 13. Jehovah. The only God.
 l⁶ | 14-. Israel. Call to assemble and hear.
 m⁶ | -14, 15. Jehovah. Fore-love.
 l⁷ | 16-. Israel. Call to hear.
 m⁷ | -16, 17. Jehovah. The only God.
 l⁸ | 18, 19. Israel. Apostrophe.
 m⁸ | 20, 21. Jehovah. Redeemer and Supplier.
 l⁹ | 22. Israel. Sentence.

waters. Some codices, with three early printed editions, read "days".

swear by the name, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 6. 13). Ap. 92. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

the God of Israel. See note on 29. 23.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

in truth. See note on 10. 20.

2 The LORD of hosts. See note on 1 Sam. 1. 3.

3 the former things, &c. Such as the birth of Isaac, the Exodus, &c.

4 thy neck, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 32. 9). Ap. 92.

6 see = look close into.

8 transgressor = rebel. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix.

9 My name's. See note on Ps. 20. 1.

10 affliction = humiliation, or oppression.

11 For Mine own sake. Note the Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6), for great emphasis.

I will not give, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 20. 5). Cp. 42. 8. Ap. 92.

12 Jacob and Israel: i.e. the natural and spiritual seed. See note on v. 1. Some codices, with two early printed editions, read "Jacob my servant"

the first . . . the last. Cp. 41. 4; 44. 6.

13 spanned = stretched out.

stand up. To listen to my words.

14 them. Some codices, with two early printed editions, and Syr., read "you".

him: i.e. Cyrus: 45. 1; 46. 10, 11.

arm. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the judgment inflicted by it. Note also the Fig. *Anthropopatheia* (Ap. 6).

15 3 . . . 3. Note the Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6.

16 not spoken in secret. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 30. 11). Cp. 45. 19. Ap. 92.

the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. Ap. 4. VIII (2) and II.

and His Spirit, hath sent Me: or, hath sent both Me and His Spirit: i.e. the prophet, and His Spirit the inspirer of the message sent by Isaiah (cp. Acts 28. 25), "well spake the Holy Ghost by Isaiah", &c. Note the great doctrine of the Trinity.

Spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

17 the Holy One of Israel. See note on 1. 4.

18 O that thou hadst, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 5. 29).

Cp. Ps. 81. 13. Note Fig. *Eōnismos*. Ap. 6 and 92.

peace = well-being, or prosperity. a = the.

19 as the sand. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 22. 17; 32. 12).

Holy One of Israel; "3 *am* °the LORD thy °God Which teacheth thee to profit, Which leadeth thee by the way *that* thou shouldst go.

18 °O that thou hadst hearkened to My commandments! then had thy °peace been as °a river, and thy righteousness as the waves of the sea:

19 Thy seed also had been °as the sand, and

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the offspring of thy bowels like the gravel thereof; his name should not have been cut off nor destroyed from before Me.

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20 Go ye forth of Babylon, flee ye from the Chaldeans, with a voice of singing declare ye, tell this, utter it *even* to the end of the earth; say ye, 'The LORD hath redeemed °His servant °Jacob.

21 And they thirsted not *when* °He led them through the deserts: He °caused the waters to flow out of the rock for them: He clave the rock also, and the waters gushed out.'

19 22 *There is* °no ¹⁸peace," saith °the LORD, "unto °the wicked.

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49 Listen, O °isles, unto Me; and hearken, ye °people, from far; °The LORD °hath called °Me from the womb; from the bowels of My mother hath He made mention of My name.

2 And He hath made My °mouth like a sharp °sword; in °the shadow of His °hand hath He hid Me, and made Me a °polished °shaft; in His quiver hath He °hid Me;

o¹ 3 And said unto Me, 'Thou *art* °My Servant, O °Israel, in Whom I will be glorified.'

p¹ 4 Then °I said, 'I have laboured in vain, I have spent My °strength °for nought, and in vain: *yet* surely My °judgment *is* with °the LORD, and My °work with My °God.'

n² 5 And now," °saith °the LORD That formed Me from the womb

o² to be His Servant, to bring Jacob again to Him, "Though Israel be °not gathered, yet shall I be glorious in the eyes of °the LORD, and My °God shall be My °strength."

6 And He said, "It is a °light thing that Thou shouldest be °My Servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob, and to restore the preserved of Israel: °I will also give Thee for a light to the °Gentiles, that °Thou mayest be My °Salvation unto the end of the earth."

p² 7 Thus saith °the LORD, the °Redeemer of Israel, and His Holy One, "to Him °Whom man despiseth, to Him Whom the °nation abhorreth, to °a servant of rulers, Kings shall see and arise, princes also shall worship, because of °the LORD That is faithful, and °the Holy One of Israel, and He shall choose Thee."

n³ 8 Thus saith °the LORD, "In °an acceptable

20 His servant. See note on 37. 35.

21 He led them, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 8. 2). caused. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 17. 6. Num. 20. 11). Ap. 92.

22 no peace, &c. Cp. 57. 20. the wicked=lawless ones: i.e. the wicked in Israel. Heb. *rāsha'*. Ap. 44. x.

49. 1-66. 24 (M, p. 980). MESSIAH'S MISSION AND TRIUMPH. (*Introversion and Alternation*.)

M B | 49. 1-12. The Messiah in Person. His call, qualifications, and mission.

C | 49. 13-26. Zion. Her reconciliation, restoration, and enlargement.

D | 50. 1-11. Sin: the cause of the Separation.

E | G | 51. 1-8. The call to "Hearken".

H | 51. 9-52. 12. The call to Israel ("Awake").

F | 52. 13-53. 12. Messiah's propitiatory work.

E | G | 54. 1-56. 8. The call to "Sing" and "Come".

H | 56. 9-58. 14. The call to Israel's enemies ("Devour").

D | 59. 1-21. Sin: the cause of the Separation.

C | 60. 1-22. Zion. Her reconciliation, restoration, and enlargement.

B | 61. 1-66. 24. The Messiah in Person. His anointing, and final victory.

49. 1-12 (B, above). MESSIAH IN PERSON. CALL, QUALIFICATIONS, AND MISSION. (*Repeated and Extended Alternation*.)

B n¹ | 1, 2. Messiah. Called.

o¹ | 3. Object. Jehovah's glory.

p¹ | 4. Reception.

n² | 5-. Messiah. Formed.

o² | -5, 6. Object. Jehovah's glory.

p² | 7. Reception.

n³ | 8. Messiah. Given.

o³ | 9-11. Object. Israel's blessing.

p³ | 12. Reception.

1 isles=maritime countries. See note on 11. 11. people=peoples.

The LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

hath called. Fulfilled in Matt. 1. 18. Luke 1. 28.

Me. The Messiah prophesied in 7. 14. Neither Isaiah, nor Israel, nor the Church.

2 mouth... the shadow... hand. Fig. *Anthropopathia*. Ap. 6.

sword. Cp. Rev. 1. 16; 2. 12, 16; 19. 15.

polished: or, pointed. shaft=arrow.

hid Me. Thirty years at Nazareth.

3 My Servant. See note on 37. 35.

Israel=Prince of GOD. Messiah making this use of, and applying the name to Himself. Israel could not "raise up" Israel (v. 6). Christ is called "Israel" in the same way that He is called "David"; and Ps. 24. 6, "Jacob".

4 I said, or thought: i.e. said to Myself.

strength-strength (to endure). Heb. *koah*. Not the same word as in v. 5.

judgment=vindication.

work=

for nought. Heb. *tohū*. See note on 24. 10, "confusion".

recompense. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

"thus saith". not. Heb. text=*lo*=not; but marked in margin to be read *lō*=to Him, which is confirmed by the list of such readings in the Massorah. If (in "be not gathered"), the negative be read, then the "though" and the "yet" must be retained; but if the preposition with suffix be read, then the rendering of the clause will be "to bring Jacob again to Him, and that Israel unto Him might be gathered, and I be glorious", &c. Probably both readings may be correct, for Israel was not gathered at His first coming (John 1. 11), but will be at His second coming.

word as in v. 4. Heb. *'āzaz*. 6 light=small. I will also give, &c. Quoted in Luke 2. 32. Acts 13. 47. Gentiles=nations. Heb. *goyim*. Cp. 42. 6. Therefore not the secret (or Mystery) of the Epistle to the Ephesians. Cp. Gen. 12. 3. Luke 2. 29-32. Thou. This cannot be Israel, for it is expressly fulfilled in Christ. Salvation. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6, for the Saviour Who wrought salvation.

7 Redeemer=Kinsman Redeemer. Heb. *go'el*. See note on 41. 14 and Ex. 6. 6. Whom man despiseth=Whom their (i.e. Israel's) soul (Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13) despiseth. Cp. 53. 3. Ps. 42. 5, 6. Matt. 26. 67. 1 Cor. 2. 14. nation. Heb. *goi*: i.e. a heathen nation. So called here for its unbelief and rejection of the Messiah.

a servant of rulers. Cp. Ps. 2. 2. Matt. 27. 41. the Holy One of Israel. See note on 1. 4. 8 an acceptable time=a time of acceptance. Quoted in 2 Cor. 6. 2.

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time have I °heard Thee, and in a day of salvation have I helped Thee: and I will preserve Thee, and give Thee for °a covenant of the People, to °establish the earth, to cause to inherit the °desolate heritages;

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9 °That Thou mayest say to the prisoners, °Go forth; °to them that are in darkness, °Shew yourselves. They shall feed in the ways, and their pastures shall be in all high places.

10 °They shall not hunger nor thirst; neither shall the heat nor sun smite them: for He That hath mercy on them shall lead them, even by the springs of water °shall He guide them.

11 And I will make all My mountains a way, and My °highways shall be exalted.

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12 °Behold, these shall come from far: and, °lo, these from the north and from the west; and these from the land of °Sinim."

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13 °Sing, O °heavens; and be joyful, O earth; and °break forth into singing, O mountains: for °the LORD hath °comforted His People, and will have mercy upon His afflicted.

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14 But °Zion said, "°The LORD* hath °forsaken me, and °my LORD* hath forgotten me."

K q

15 °Can a woman forget her sucking child, that she should not have compassion on the son of her womb? yea, they may forget, yet °will I not forget thee.

16 °Behold, I have °graven thee upon °the palms of My hands; thy walls are continually before Me.

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17 Thy °children shall make haste; thy destroyers and they that made thee waste shall go forth of thee.

18 Lift up thine eyes round about, and behold: all these gather themselves together, and come to thee. "As I live," saith °the LORD, "thou shalt surely clothe thee with them all, as with an ornament, and bind them on thee, as a °bride doeth.

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19 For thy waste and thy °desolate places, and the land of thy destruction, shall even now be too narrow by reason of the inhabitants, and they that swallowed thee up shall be far away.

r

20 The °children °which thou shalt have, after thou hast lost the other, shall say again in thine ears, 'The place is too strait for me: give place to me that I may dwell.'

21 °Then shalt thou say in thine heart, °Who hath begotten me these, seeing I have lost my °children, and am desolate, a captive, and removing to and fro? and who hath brought up these? °Behold, I was left alone; °these, where °had they been? "

22 Thus saith °the Lord GOD, "Behold, I will °lift up Mine hand to the °Gentiles, and set up My standard to the °people: and they shall bring thy sons in their °arms, and thy °daughters shall be carried upon their shoulders.

23 And kings shall be thy nursing fathers, and their °queens thy nursing mothers: they shall bow down to thee with their face toward the earth, and °lick up the dust of thy feet;

heard = answered.

a covenant of the People = the covenant of a People.

Cp. 42. 6, 7. Heb. 'ām, not goi as in v. 7.

establish the earth = raise up the Land.

desolate. See note on 1. 7.

9 That Thou mayest say. This cannot be the nation, but the Messiah.

Go forth. Cp. 42. 7; 61. 1.

to. Some codices, with two early printed editions, Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "and to".

10 They shall not hunger, &c. Quoted in Rev. 7. 16.

shall He guide them = shall He cause them to rest.

11 highways. See note on 7. 3.

12 Behold . . . lo. Fig. Asterismos (Ap. 6) for emphasis.

Sinim. Probably = China. Occurs only here.

49. 13-26 (C, p. 993). ZION. RECONCILIATION, RESTORATION, AND ENLARGEMENT. (Extended Alternation.)

C

13. INTRODUCTION. The Call to Rejoice.

J | 14. Zion's despondency.

K | 15-23-. Answer. Promise.

L | -23. Jehovah the only God.

J | 24. Zion's despondency.

K | 25, 26-. Answer. Prophecy.

L | -26. Jehovah the only God.

13 Sing = Shout in triumph. Figs. *Pæanismos* and *Prosopopæia*. Ap. 6.

heavens. A.V. edition, 1611, had "heaven".

break forth into singing. See note on 14. 7.

the LORD. A.V. edition, 1611, had "God".

comforted His People. Cp. 40. 1; 51. 3.

14 Zion said. Fig. *Prolepsis* (Ap. 6). This sets at rest the conflicting interpretations.

forsaken. See note on 1. 4.

my LORD*. One of the 134 places where the Sopherim changed °ehovah of the primitive text to Adonai. Ap. 32.

15-23- (K, above). ANSWER. PROMISE. (Alternation.)

K | q | 15, 16. Zion. Not forgotten.

r | 17, 18. Her sons. Returned.

q | 19. Zion. Enlarged.

r | 20-23-. Her sons. Replenished.

15 Can a woman, &c. Figs. *Erotēsis* and *Pathopæia*. Ap. 6.

will I not forget. Fig. *Anthropopathēia*. Ap. 6.

16 graven. Denoting permanence.

the palms, &c. Fig. *Anthropopathēia*. Ap. 6.

17 children = sons.

18 bride. First occurrence in this connection.

20 which thou shalt have . . . other = of thy childlessness, or, of whom thou wast bereaved.

21 Then = And.

Who . . . where? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

these. Some codices, with Sept. and Vulg., read "and these", or "these therefore".

had they been = were they?

22 the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See Ap. 4. VIII (2) and II.

lift up Mine hand. Idiom for "call". Fig. *Anthropopathēia*. Ap. 6.

Gentiles = nations.

people = peoples.

arms = bosom: the folds of the garment forming a large natural pocket; but children were, and still are, usually carried astride the shoulder as soon as they can sit.

daughters shall be carried. Showing the care they shall receive, for girls are usually left to shift for themselves. See note on 60. 4.

23 queens = princesses.

lick up, &c. Denoting subjection and submission, as in Gen. 3. 14. Cp. Ps. 72. 9 and Mic. 7. 17.

L and °thou shalt know that \S am¹ the LORD: (p. 994) for they shall not be ashamed that °wait for Me." 603-588

J 24 Shall °the prey be taken from the °mighty, or the lawful captive delivered?

K 25 But thus saith °the LORD, "Even the °captives of the °mighty shall be taken away, and the prey of the °terrible shall be delivered: for \S will contend with him that contendeth with thee, and \S will save thy °children.

26 And I will feed them that oppress thee with their own flesh; and they shall be drunken with their own blood, as with °sweet wine:

L and °all flesh shall know that \S °the LORD °am thy Saviour and thy °Redeemer, °the mighty One of Jacob."

D M¹ s 50 °Thus saith °the LORD, °"Where is (p. 995) °the bill of your mother's °divorcement, °whom I have °put away?

t or which of My creditors is it to whom I have °sold you? °Behold, for your °iniquities have ye sold yourselves, and for your °transgressions is your mother °put away.

t 2 °Wherefore, °when I came, was there °no °man? when I called, was there none to answer?

s °Is My hand shortened at all, that it cannot °redeem? or have I no power to deliver? °behold, at My rebuke °I dry up the sea, I make the °rivers a wilderness: °their fish stinketh, because there is no water, and dieth for thirst. 3 I clothe the heavens with blackness, and I make sackcloth their covering."

M² u 4 °The Lord GOD hath given Me the tongue of the learned, °that I should know how to speak a word in season to him that is weary: he °wakeneth morning by morning, he °wakeneth Mine ear °to hear as the °learned.

5 °The Lord GOD hath opened Mine ear, and \S was °not rebellious, neither turned away back.

v 6 °I gave My back to the smiters, and My cheeks to them that plucked off the hair: I hid not My face from shame and spitting.

u 7 For °the Lord GOD will help Me; therefore shall I not be confounded: therefore have °I set My face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be ashamed.

8 He is near That justifieth Me; °who will contend with Me? let us stand together: °who is Mine adversary? let him come near to Me.

9 °Behold, °the Lord GOD will help Me; °who is he that shall °condemn Me? lo, they all shall wax old as a garment; the moth shall eat them up.

v 10 °Who is among you that feareth °the LORD, that obeyeth the voice of His Servant, that

thou shalt know. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 6. 7). Ap. 92. wait for me. Ref. to Pent. (same word as in Gen. 49. 18). Ap. 92.

24 the prey. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 31. 11, 12, 26, 27, 32. Occurs elsewhere only in the next verse and Ps. 22. 15. mighty = a mighty one (sing.). Heb. *gibbôr*. Ap. 14. IV.

25 captives = captivity. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for "captives". terrible = tyrant or ruthless one.

26 sweet wine. Heb. *'asig* = new wine, the product of the same year. Ap. 27. V.

all flesh shall know. Cp. 40. 5; 52. 10.

am thy Saviour: or, am saving thee.

the mighty One of Jacob. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 49. 24): only here and 60. 16. Nowhere else except Ps. 132. 2, 5. See Ap. 92.

50. 1-11 (D, p. 993). SIN: THE CAUSE OF THE SEPARATION. (*Division*.)

D | M¹ | 1-3. The Breach: caused by Israel's sin.
| M² | 4-11. The Breach: healed by Messiah.

1-3 (M¹, above). THE BREACH: THE CAUSE. (*Introversion*.)

M¹ | s | 1-. Jehovah. Question. Words.

t | -1. Not sold by God.

t | 2-. No help from man.

s | -2, 3. Jehovah. Question. Power.

1 Thus. Some codices, with two early printed editions, read "For thus".

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

Where...? Fig. *Erotësis*. Ap. 6.

the bill = this bill.

divorcement. Found only here, and in Jer. 3. 8 outside the Pentateuch. See Dent. 24. 1, 3. See Ap. 92.

whom: or, wherewith.

put away... sold. Note the *Introversion* of these words in this verse.

Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

sold... put away. Note the *Introversion*.

iniquities. Heb. *'āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv. Cp. 59. 2.

transgressions. Heb. *pāshā'*. Ap. 44. ix.

2 Wherefore...? Fig. *Erotësis*. Ap. 6.

when I came. Messiah speaks.

no man. See John 1. 11. Cp. Jer. 5. 1. Acts 13. 46; 18. 6; 28. 28.

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

Is My hand shortened...? Ref. to Pent. (Num. 11. 23). Cp. 59. 1. See Ap. 92.

redeem. Heb. *pādāh*. See note on Ex. 13. 13.

I dry up the sea. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 14. 21). Ap. 92.

rivers. Plural of majesty: i.e. the great river, the Jordan. Ref. to Pent. (Josh. 4. 7, 18). Ap. 92. Cp. Ps. 107. 33.

their fish stinketh. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 7. 18, 21).

4-11 (M², above). THE BREACH: HEALED BY MESSIAH. (*Alternation*.)

M² | u | 4, 5. Messiah. Qualified.

v | 6. His reception.

u | 7-9. Messiah. Helped.

v | 10, 11. His reception.

4 The Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. Ap. 4. VIII (2) and II.

that I should know, &c. He spake none other words than those given Him by the Father. Cp. the seven times this was asserted by Messiah (John 7. 16; 8. 28, 46, 47; 12. 49; 14. 10, 24; 17. 8).

wakeneth = [continually] wakeneth.

to hear as the learned = to hearken as do the instructed. learned = taught.

5 not rebellious = not perverse or refractory.

7 I set My face like a flint. Note the fulfilment. that "accomplished" it Himself (Luke 9. 31), and, after saying this, "He steadfastly set His face", as above, "like a flint". He laid down His life Himself: see 53.

8 who...? Fig. *Erotësis*. Ap. 6. who is Mine adversary? = who can convict Me? Lit. who owneth My sentence? 9 condemn Me = prove Me lawless.

10 Who, &c. These are the words of the prophet in view of Messiah's reception.

6 I gave, &c. Fulfilled in Matt. 26. 67; 27. 26.

His death was not an event which happened. He saying this, "He steadfastly set His face", as above, "like a flint". He laid down His life Himself: see 53.

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walketh in darkness, and hath no light? let him °trust in the name of °the LORD, and stay upon his °God.

11 °Behold, all ye °that kindle a fire, that °compass yourselves about with °sparks: °walk in the light of °your fire, and in the °sparks that ye have kindled. This shall ye have of Mine hand; ye shall lie down in sorrow.

G N¹ w¹
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51 °Hearken to Me, ye that follow after righteousness, ye that seek °the LORD:

x¹ look unto the rock whence ye °are hewn, and to the °hole of the pit whence ye °are digged.

2 °Look unto °Abraham your father, and unto °Sarah that bare you: for I called him °alone, and blessed him, and increased him.

y¹ 3 For °the LORD shall comfort Zion: He will comfort all her °waste places; and He will make her wilderness °like Eden, and her desert °like the garden of °the LORD; joy and gladness shall be found therein, thanksgiving, and the voice of °melody.

N² w² 4 °Hearken unto Me, My People; and give ear unto Me, O My nation: for a °law shall proceed from Me, and I will °make My judgment °to rest for a light of °the people.

5 My righteousness is near; My salvation is gone forth, and Mine arms shall judge °the people; the °isles shall °wait upon Me, and on Mine arm shall they °trust.

x² 6 Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look upon the earth beneath: for the heavens °shall vanish away like smoke, and the earth shall wax old like a garment, and they that dwell therein shall die °in like manner:

y² but My salvation shall be for ever, and My righteousness shall not be abolished.

N³ w³ 7 °Hearken unto Me, ye that °know righteousness, the People in whose heart is My °law; fear ye not the reproach of °men, neither be ye afraid of their revilings.

x³ 8 For the moth shall eat them up like a garment, and the worm shall eat them like wool:

y³ but My righteousness shall be for ever, and My salvation from generation to generation.

G H O¹ 9 °Awake, awake, put on strength, O °arm of °the LORD; awake, as in the ancient days, in the generations of old. Art thou not it that hath cut °Rahab, and wounded the °dragon?

10 Art thou not it which hath °dried the sea, the waters of the great deep; that hath made the depths of the sea a way for the °ransomed to pass over?

I¹ 11 Therefore the °redeemed of °the LORD shall return, and °come with singing unto Zion; and everlasting joy shall be upon their head: they shall obtain gladness and joy; and sorrow and °mourning shall flee away.

12 ¶, even ¶, am ¶ That comforteth you: who art thou, that thou shouldest be afraid of a °man that shall die, and of the son of °man which shall be made as grass;

13 And forgettest °the LORD thy Maker, That

10 trust in = confide in. Heb. *bāṭaḥ*. Ap. 69. i. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. l.

11 that kindle a fire = that are incendiaries; not the ordinary word for lighting a fire. Only in Deut. 32. 2 (the first occurrence). Jer. 15. 14; 17. 4. Isa. 64. 2. compass = gird. See note on 8. 9. sparks = fiery darts.

walk. This is Divine irony (Ap. 6).

your = your own.

51. 1-8 (G, p. 993). THE CALL TO "HEARKEN". (Repeated and Extended Alternation.)

G	N ¹	w ¹	1-.	Hearken unto Me. Righteous.
		x ¹	1-.	Illustration. Abraham and Sarah.
		y ¹	3.	Jehovah. Comfort and Joy.
	N ²	w ²	4, 5.	Hearken unto Me. People.
		x ²	6-.	Illustration. Heavens and earth.
		y ²	6.	Jehovah. Salvation and Righteousness.
	N ³	w ³	7.	Hearken unto Me. Righteous.
		x ³	8-.	Illustration. Moth and worm.
		y ³	8.	Jehovah. Righteousness and Salvation.

1 Hearken. Note the call to hear. See Structure, above.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

are = were.

hole of the pit = the hollow of the quarry.

2 Look - Look well: as in v. 1. Fig. *Hermeneia* (Ap. 6), by which v. 2 interprets v. 1.

Abraham . . . Sarah. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 12, &c.; 24. 36). Ap. 92.

alone. Cp. Ezek. 33. 24. Mal. 2. 15.

3 waste places. Cp. 40. 1; 49. 13.

like Eden. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 2 and 3). Ap. 92. Elsewhere, only here; Joel 2. 3; and six times in Ezekiel.

like the garden of the LORD. This is a quotation from Gen. 13. 10. Ap. 92.

melody = music or Psalmody.

4 law: i.e. the law of Moses, which was Jehovah's revealed instruction. Cp. Mal. 4. 4.

make . . . to rest = establish.

the people = peoples.

5 isles = maritime countries. See note on 11. 11.

wait. Cp. 42. 4; 60. 9.

trust - hope. Heb. *yaḥal*. Ap. 69. vi. Not the same word as in 50. 10.

6 shall = will have.

in like manner - so. There is no ancient authority for "as a gnat", as some render it.

7 know = take note of.

men = mortal men. Heb. *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

51. 9-52. 12 (H, p. 993). THE CALL TO ISRAEL ("AWAKE"). (Repeated Alternation.)

H	O ¹	51. 9, 10.	"Awake, awake".	Call to Jehovah.
	P ¹	51. 11-16.	Comfort.	
	O ²	51. 17-20.	"Awake, awake".	Call to Jerusalem.
	P ²	51. 21-23.	Comfort.	
	O ³	52. 1, 2.	"Awake, awake".	Call to Zion.
	P ³	52. 3-12.	Comfort.	

9 Awake. Same word as in 52. 1. Not the same as in v. 17. Note the Fig. *Epizeuxis* (for emphasis), Ap. 6.

arm. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

Rahab = Egypt. Cp. Pss. 87. 4; 89. 10.

dragon = crocodile.

10 dried the sea. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 14. 29).

ransomed = redeemed (by price, or blood). Heb. *ga'al*. Cp. Ex. 6. 6.

11 redeemed = redeemed (by power). Heb. *pādāh*. See note on Ex. 13. 13.

come with singing. Cp. 35. 10.

mourning = sighing. See notes on 21. 2.

12 man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

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hath ° stretched forth the heavens, and laid the foundations of the earth; and hast feared continually every day because of the fury of the oppressor, °as if he were ready to destroy? and where is the fury of the oppressor?

14 The captive exile hasteneth that he may be loosed, and that he should not die in the pit, nor that his bread should fail.

15 But I am ° the LORD thy ° God, That ° divided the sea, whose waves roared: ° The LORD of hosts is His name.

16 And I have ° put My words in thy mouth, and I have covered thee in the shadow of Mine hand, ° that I may plant the heavens, and lay the foundations of the earth, and say unto Zion, "Thou art My People."

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17 ° Awake, ° awake, stand up, O Jerusalem, which hast drunk at the hand of ° the LORD the cup of His fury; thou hast drunken the dregs of the cup of trembling, and wrung them out.

18 There is none to guide her among all the sons whom she hath brought forth; neither is there any that taketh her by the hand of all the sons that she hath brought up.

19 These two things are come unto thee; ° who shall be sorry for thee? desolation, ° and destruction, ° and the famine, ° and the sword: by whom shall I comfort thee?

20 ° Thy sons have fainted, they lie at the head of all the streets, as a wild bull in a net: they are full of the fury of ° the LORD, the rebuke of thy ° God.

P²

21 Therefore hear now this, thou afflicted, and drunken, but not with ° wine:

22 Thus saith ° thy LORD ° the LORD, and thy ° God That pleadeth the cause of His People, ° "Behold, I have taken out of thine hand the cup of trembling, even the dregs of the cup of My fury; thou shalt ° no more drink it again:

23 But I will put it into the hand of them that afflict thee; which have said to ° thy soul, 'Bow down, that we may go over:' and thou hast laid thy body as the ground, and as the street, to them that went over."

O³

52 ° Awake, awake; put on thy strength, O Zion; put on thy beautiful garments, O Jerusalem, ° the holy city: for henceforth there shall no more come into thee the uncircumcised and the unclean.

2 ° Shake thyself from the dust; arise, and ° sit down, O Jerusalem: loose thyself from the bands of thy neck, O captive daughter of Zion.

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3 For thus saith ° the LORD, "Ye have sold yourselves for nought; and ye shall be ° redeemed ° without money."

4 For thus saith ° the Lord ° God, ° "My People went down aforetime into Egypt to sojourn there; and ° the Assyrian ° oppressed them ° without cause.

5 Now therefore, ° what have I here," saith ° the LORD, "that My People ° is taken away for nought? they that rule over them make them to howl," saith ° the LORD; "and ° My name continually every day is blasphemed.

6 Therefore My people shall know My name: therefore they shall know in that day that I am ° That doth speak: behold, it is I."

13 stretched forth the heavens. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 1 and 2). See Ap. 92.

as if he were. A special reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 84), with some codices, two early printed editions, and Syr., read "who was": referring doubtless to the Antichrist's effort in "the great tribulation".

15 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. divided the sea. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 14. 21). Ap. 92.

The LORD of hosts. See note on 1 Sam. 1. 3.

16 put My words in thy mouth. See note on 50. 4 ("that I should know"). Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 18. 18). Ap. 92. that: i.e. in order that.

17 Awake=Rouse thee. Not the same forms as in v. 9 and 52. 1.

19 who...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton*. Ap. 6.

20 Thy sons have fainted. Note the *Alternation* in this verse. Thus: "fainted at the head", &c., and "they lie as a wild bull", &c.

21 wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. I.

22 thy LORD the LORD=thy Adonim Jehovah. See Ap. 4. VIII (3) and II.

Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

no more drink it again. All this refers therefore to the final restoration of Israel.

23 thy soul=thee. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

52. 1 Awake. Same form as in 51. 9; not the same as in 51. 17. Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6.

the holy city. Heb. "the city of the Sanctuary". See note on Ex. 3. 5.

2 Shake. See note on 33. 9.

sit: i.e. sit as queen. Cp. Rev. 18. 7, for usage.

3 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

redeemed. Heb. *gā'al*. See note on Ex. 6. 6.

without money=not with silver. Cp. 1 Pet. 1. 18.

4 the Lord. Heb. Adonai. Ap. 4. VIII (2).

GOD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

My People went down aforetime. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 46. 6). See Ap. 92.

the Assyrian. This was "another king" (Acts 7. 18), the first of a new dynasty, the "new king" of Ex. 1. 8, who (of course) "knew not Joseph". See notes on the above passages.

oppressed them. This refers to Ex. 1, and has nothing to do with the later Assyrian carrying away.

without cause=for nothing, groundlessly. This is a Divine comment. See John 15. 25. Heb. *'epheq*. See note on 5. 8.

5 what have I here...? = what do I here? What He did in the circumstances of v. 4 we know. What He will do in these new circumstances we are about to be told. is=hath been.

My name, &c. Quoted in Rom. 2. 24.

7 How beautiful, &c. Quoted in Rom. 10. 15.

the feet. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6, for the whole person of the messenger, that we may not think of him, but of his coming as sent by Jehovah (cp. Nah. 1. 15). Fulfilled partially in John and Christ, both of whom were rejected and slain. There will be other messengers of the future coming, even Elijah and others (Mal. 4. 5). God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

8 sing=shout.

see eye to eye=see face to face, and will be face to face with the coming heralds of the King, yea, with the King Himself. This oft misapplied expression has nothing whatever to do with agreement in opinion.

7 ° How beautiful upon the mountains are ° the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, "Thy ° God reigneth!"

8 Thy watchmen shall lift up the voice; with the voice together shall they ° sing: for they shall ° see eye to eye, when ° the LORD shall bring again Zion.

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9 Break forth into joy, ^s sing together, ye waste places of Jerusalem: for ^s the LORD hath ^o comforted His People, He hath ^s redeemed Jerusalem.

10 ^s The LORD hath made bare His ^o holy ^o arm in the ^o eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our ^s God.

11 ^o Depart ye, ^o depart ye, go ye out from thence, touch no unclean *thing*; go ye out of the midst of her; be ye clean, that bear the vessels of ^s the LORD.

12 For ^o ye shall not go out with haste, nor go by flight: for ^s the LORD will go before you; and ^o the ^s God of Israel will be your ^o rereward.

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13 ^o Behold, ^o My Servant shall ^o deal prudently, He shall be ^o exalted and ^o extolled, and ^o be very high.

v

14 ^o As many were ^o astonished at Thee; (His visage was ^o so marred more than ^o any man, and His form more than the sons of ^o men):

w

15 ^o So shall He ^o sprinkle many nations; the kings shall ^o shut their mouths at Him: for ^o that which had not been told them shall they see; and ^o that which they had not heard shall they consider.

R T² u

53 ^o Who ^o hath believed our ^o report? and to whom is the ^o arm of ^o the LORD ^o revealed?

2 For He shall grow up before ^o Him as a ^o tender plant, and as ^o a root out of a ^o dry ground: He hath no form nor comeliness; and when ^o we shall see Him, *there is no beauty* that we should desire Him.

3 He is ^o despised and rejected of ^o men; a ^o man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and ^o we hid as it were *our faces* from Him; He was despised, and we esteemed Him not.

S v

4 Surely ^o *He* hath ^o borne our ^o griefs, and ^o carried our ^o sorrows: yet *we* did esteem Him stricken, smitten ^o of ^o God, and ^o afflicted.

9 comforted. Cp. 40. 1.

10 holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

arm. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the wonders wrought by it. Also Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. eyes, &c. = sight, or view. Cp. 40. 5; 49. 26.

11 Depart ye. Note the Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6). Cp. Rev. 18. 4. Quoted (in application for us to-day) in 2 Cor. 6. 14-18.

12 ye shall not go out with haste. Ref. to Pent., where it was otherwise (only here, Ex. 12. 33, 39, and Deut. 16. 3). See Ap. 92.

the God of Israel. See note on 29. 23.

rereward = rear-guard. Cp. 58. 8. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 14. 19). See Ap. 92.

52. 13-53. 12 (F, p. 998). MESSIAH'S PROPITIATORY WORK. (*Introversion*.)

As coming to fulfil the LAW which was in His heart (Ps. 40. 6-8).

F | Q | 52. 13-15. GENESIS. The Divine *counsels* concerning Messiah, summarizing ch. 53 as a whole. The counsel, "Let Us make" (Gen. 1. 26), answering to the counsel here, Let Us redeem.

R | 53. 1-3. EXODUS. Messiah taking His place with the nation.

S | 53. 4-6. LEVITICUS. Messiah's relation to Jehovah. His personal work of atonement, the basis of the whole. Jehovah's dealings with Him in the *Sanctuary*.

R | 53. 7-10-. NUMBERS. Messiah's relation to the earth: finding a grave in it.

Q | 53. -10-12. DEUTERONOMY. The outcome, fulfilling the Divine *counsels* according to the Word.

The first member (GENESIS), Q, is shown to be a summary or epitome of the whole by the following arrangement:—

F	T ¹	u	52. 13. Messiah's presentation.	} 52. 13-15.
		v	52. 14. His sufferings.	
		w	52. 15. His reward.	
	T ²	u	53. 1-3. Messiah's reception.	} 53. 1-12.
		v	53. 4-10-. His sufferings.	
		w	53. -10-12. His reward.	

13 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6), to emphasise what is to follow.

My Servant. The Messiah. See note on 37. 35.

deal prudently = prosper. Cp. 1 Sam. 18. 14.

exalted . . . extolled . . . be very high. Fig. *Anabasis* (Ap. 6), for great emphasis = riseth . . . is lifted up . . . becometh very high (cp. Phil. 2. 9-11).

14 As = According as. This corresponds with the

astonied: corresponding

"so" of v. 15 (not with the "so" in the next clause, which is parenthetic). with the word rendered "sprinkle" in v. 15. From Old French *estonner*. Nine times so spelt, from Wycliff and Geneva Bible. Chaucer spells it "astoned"; Spenser, "astownd".

so marred: pointing to the depth of the humiliation, as set forth in detail in 53. 4-10-. Cp. Matt. 26. 67, 68; 27. 27-30. any man.

Heb. *'ish*. Cp. Ps. 22. 6, "I am a worm, and no man". men. Heb. *'adām*. Ap. 14. I. 15 So.

Corresponding with the "As" of v. 14. sprinkle = cause to leap or spring up for joy. Heb. *nāzāh*.

When used of liquids it means to spurt out, as in 63. 3, the only other occurrence in Isaiah, and that in judgment (cp. 2 Kings 9. 33). The usual word for ceremonial sprinkling is *zārah*, not *nāzāh*. The astonishment

and the joy of many nations is set in contrast with the astonishment of the many people of v. 14. The Sept. reads "shall admire". Moreover, the verb is in the Hiphil conjugation, and we can say "cause to leap up for joy", but not "cause to sprinkle". With this, Gesenius, Fuerst, Lowth, Parkhurst, and others agree.

shut their mouths: i.e. be dumb with the astonishment. that which had, &c. = they to whom it had been told shall see. that which they, &c. = they which had not heard shall consider. Quoted in Rom. 15. 21.

53. 1 Who . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6). The questions are asked by the prophet, and the answer is "no one" or few. Quoted in John 12. 38 and Rom. 10. 16.

Ap. 69. III. The tenses are Past (the prophetic Perfect). hath believed = put faith in. Heb. *'āman*.

Adjunct, Ap. 6, for the subject-matter, which was heard. report = hearing. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of arm. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. revealed =

made bare: i.e. revealed. 2 Him: i.e. Jehovah. tender plant = a sapling. a root = a root-sprout. dry ground. The "root" (David) of which He was the offspring was well nigh extinct. we: i.e. the people who saw Him. The interpretation is for the Jews of our Lord's day. The application is for us. The nation will yet say it in their confession and weeping.

3 despised and rejected. Fulfilled in John 1. 10, 11; 8. 48; 10. 20. men. Heb. pl. of *'ish*. Ap. 14. II = the chief men. Cp. John 7. 48, 49. man.

Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II. we hid. Cp. 50. 6. Ps. 22. 6, 7; and John 8. 48, Mark 3. 21, 30. John 18. 40. 4 *He* [and no one else]. Emphatic. Quoted in Matt. 8. 17. borne . . . carried = borne the punishment for. See note on Ezek. 4. 4. Matt. 8. 17. Cp. vv. 11, 12. griefs . . . sorrows. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the judgment which was brought about by their sins. of = by. Gen. of Agent. Ap. 17. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. afflicted = humbled.

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5 But *He* was °wounded for our °transgressions, *He* was bruised for our °iniquities: the chastisement °of our peace was upon Him; and °with His stripes we are healed.

6 °All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and °the LORD hath laid on Him the °iniquity of us °all.

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7 He was °oppressed, and *He* was afflicted, yet *He* °opened not His mouth: °He is brought as °a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so *He* °openeth not His mouth.

8 He was taken °from prison and from judgment: and °who shall declare His °generation? for *He* was °cut off out of the land of the living: for the °transgression of My people was *He* stricken.

9 And °He °made His °grave with °the wicked, and with °the rich °in His death; because °He had done no violence, neither *was any* deceit in His mouth.

10 Yet °it pleased °the LORD to bruise Him; *He* hath put *Him* to grief:

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°when thou shalt make °His soul °an offering for °sin, °He shall see *His* seed, *He* shall prolong *His* days, and the °pleasure of °the LORD shall prosper in His hand.

11 He shall see of the travail of °His soul, and shall be °satisfied: °by His knowledge shall My righteous Servant justify many; for *He* shall bear their °iniquities.

12 Therefore will I °divide Him a portion °with the great, and He shall divide the spoil with the strong; because *He* hath °poured out °His soul unto death: °and *He* was numbered with the °transgressors; and *He* °bare the °sin of many, and °made intercession for the °transgressors.

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54 °°Sing, O °barren, thou *that* didst not bear; °break forth into singing, and

this is a peculiarly Levitical word (Lev. 14. 12, 21), and cannot be understood apart from it. In Ps. 40 it is the aspect of the whole burnt offering. He shall see His seed: "see" corresponding with "see" in 52. 15: i.e. the result, issue, and reward of His sufferings. Cp. Ps. 22. 30; 24. 6; 25. 13. The Chaldee Targum reads, "they (His seed) shall see the kingdom of their Messiah". pleasure=purpose. 11 satisfied. Not disappointed. We have not an impotent Father, or a disappointed Christ, or a defeated Holy Ghost, as is so commonly preached; but an omnipotent Father, an all-victorious Christ, and an almighty Holy Spirit, able to break the hardest heart and subdue the stoutest will. by His knowledge, &c. Punctuate: "Satisfied by His knowledge, My righteous Servant shall justify many, for *He* shall bear", &c. 12 divide =apportion, or assign. with=among. poured out. Only here (in the "latter" portion); and 32. 15 (the "former" portion). Ap. 79. II. and *He* was numbered. Quoted in Mark 15. 28. Luke 22. 37. Ap. 79. II. bare the sin. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 10. 17. Num. 9. 13; 18. 32). Cp. vv. 4, 11. See Ap. 92. sin. Not the same word as in v. 10. Heb. *chātā*. made intercession=interposed.

54. 1-56. 8 (G, p. 993). THE CALL TO "SING", "COME", &c.
(Repeated Alternation.)

- G U¹ | 54. 1, 2. Exhortation. "Sing."
V¹ | 54. 3. Reason. Fruitfulness.
U² | 54. 4. Exhortation. "Fear not."
V² | 54. 5-10. Reason. Jehovah's faithfulness.
U³ | 54. 11-. Exhortation. Be comforted.
V³ | 54. -11-17. Reason. Jehovah's goodness.
U⁴ | 55. 1-3. Exhortation. "Come."
V⁴ | 55. 4, 5. Reason. Messiah given.
U⁵ | 55. 6, 7. Exhortation. "Seek."
V⁵ | 55. 8-13. Reason. Jehovah's gifts.
U⁶ | 56. 1-. Exhortation. "Keep justice."
V⁶ | 56. -1, 2. Reason. Jehovah's blessing.
U⁷ | 56. 3. Exhortation. Encouragement.
V⁷ | 56. 4-8. Reason. Jehovah's gathering.

1 Sing=Shout in triumph (52. 8, 9. Zeph. 3. 14). Quoted in Gal. 4. 27.
break forth into singing. See note on 14. 7.

barren. Refers to Sarah.

5 wounded=pierced.
transgressions. Heb. *pāsha*. Ap. 44. ix.
iniquities. Heb. *avon*. Ap. 44. iv.
of=which procured. Gen. of Cause. Ap. 17.
with, &c. Quoted in 1 Pet. 2. 24.
6 All . . . all. Note the Fig. *Epanadiplosis* (Ap. 6), by which the statement is emphasised as containing the essence of the whole chapter. More noticeable in Heb. *killānū . . . killānū*. Quoted in 1 Pet. 2. 22.
7 oppressed: or, hard pressed.
opened not His mouth. Idiom for silence and submission. Cp. 1 Pet. 2. 22, 23.
He is brought. Quoted in Acts 8. 32, 33.
a lamb. Cp. John 1. 36.
8 from prison and from judgment, &c.=by constraint and by sentence *He* was taken away.
who shall declare His generation? =as to the men of His age [i.e. His contemporaries], who ponders, or considers as to this seed, seeing *He* is to be "cut off"? Cp. v. 10.
cut off. Cp. Dan. 9. 26. Thustheclimax of this prophecy is reached: (1) a hint (42. 4); (2) open lament (49. 4); (3) personal suffering (50. 6); now (4) a violent death (53. 8).
9 He made, &c. - one [or they] appointed, or assigned [His grave]; or, it [His grave] was appointed.
made. Heb. *nāthan* (to give) is rendered "appoint" in Ex. 30. 16. Num. 35. 6. Josh. 20. 7. 2 Kings 8. 6. 1 Chron. 16. 4. Ezra 8. 20. Neh. 9. 17. Ezek. 4. 6; 36. 5; 45. 6; and "assign" in Josh. 20. 8. 2 Sam. 11. 16. Even where it is rendered "to make", it has the force of "appoint" (Gen. 9. 12. Num. 14. 4, &c.).
grave. Heb. *keber*. See Ap. 35.
the wicked=the criminals (pl.). These have a separate part assigned in all Jewish cemeteries.
the rich=a rich [man] (sing.). Cp. Matt. 27. 59, 60. Mark 15. 43, 46. Luke 23. 53. John 19. 40-42.
in His death =when *He* was dead. Cp. Mark 15. 42-47. John 19. 38, 39.
He had done, &c. Quoted in 1 Pet. 2. 22.

10 it pleased the LORD =Jehovah purposed.
when thou shalt make, &c. This introduces the break in the Dispensations, which is the subject of the rest of the chapter: the "glory which shall follow" the sufferings. See Ap. 71 and 72.

His soul =Himself. Heb. *nepheš*. Ap. 13 =life. Cp. John 10. 11, 15, 17, 18.

an offering for sin. Heb. *ashām* = the trespass offering. See Ap. 43. II. vi and 44. ii. Ref. to Pent., for

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cry aloud, thou *that* didst not travail with child: for more *are* the °children of the °desolate than the °children of the °married wife," saith °the LORD.

2 "Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitations: spare not, lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy °stakes;

V¹ (p. 999) 3 For thou shalt break forth on the right hand and on the left; and thy seed shall inherit the °Gentiles, and make the °desolate cities to be inhabited.

U² 4 Fear not; for thou shalt not be °ashamed: neither be thou confounded; for thou shalt not be put to shame: for thou shalt forget °the shame of thy youth, and shalt not remember the reproach of thy widowhood any more.

V² W (p. 1000) 5 For thy °Maker *is* thine husband; °the LORD of hosts *is* His name; and °thy Redeemer °the Holy One of Israel; °The °God of the whole earth shall He be called.

6 For °the LORD hath called thee *as a woman* °forsaken and grieved in °spirit, and a wife of youth, when thou wast refused," saith thy °God.

7 "For a small moment have I forsaken thee; but with great mercies will I °gather thee.

X x 8 In °a little wrath °I hid My face from thee for a moment;

y but with °everlasting kindness will I have mercy on thee," saith °the LORD °thy Redeemer.

Y 9 "For this *is as* °the waters of Noah unto Me:

Y for *as* °I have sworn that °the waters of Noah should no more go over the earth;

X x so have I sworn that I would not be wroth with °thee, nor rebuke °thee.

y 10 For the mountains shall depart, and the hills be removed; but My kindness shall not depart from thee,

W neither shall the covenant of My peace be removed," saith °the LORD That hath mercy on thee.

U³ (p. 999) 11 "O thou afflicted, tossed with tempest, and not comforted,

V³ behold, I will lay thy stones with fair colours, and lay thy foundations with sapphires.

12 And I will make thy °windows of agates, and thy gates of carbuncles, and all thy °borders of pleasant stones.

13 And °all thy °children *shall be taught* °of °the LORD; and great *shall be* the peace of thy °children.

14 In righteousness shalt thou be established: thou shalt be far from oppression; for thou shalt °not fear: and from terror; for it shall not come near thee.

15 Behold, °they shall surely gather together, but °not by Me: whosoever shall gather together against thee °shall fall for thy sake.

16 Behold, °I have created the smith that bloweth the coals in the fire, and that bringeth forth an °instrument for his work; and I have created the waster to destroy.

children = sons. desolate. See note on 1. 7.

married wife = the husbanded one.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 stakes = tent-pegs. 3 Gentiles = nations.

4 Fear not . . . ashamed. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 6). Cp. 44. 16, 17.

the shame of thy youth. Ref. to Israel's days of idolatry. Cp. Jer. 3. 24, 25.

54. 5-10 (V², p. 999). REASON. JEHOVAH'S FAITHFULNESS. (*Introversion and Alternation*)

V² W | 5-7. The Covenant [Marriage] Breach.

X | x | 8-. Wrath overflowing.

y | -8. Everlasting kindness.

Y | 9-. The waters of Noah. Comparison.

Y | -9-. The waters of Noah. Reason.

X | x | -9. Wrath restrained.

y | 10-. Everlasting kindness.

W | -10. The Covenant. Breach removed.

5 Maker. Heb. pl. Reference to the triune Jehovah. the LORD of hosts. See note on 1 Sam. 1. 3.

thy Redeemer = thy kinsman-Redeemer. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 48. 16. Ex. 6. 6; 15. 13). Ap. 92. the Holy One of Israel. See note on 1. 4.

The God of the whole earth. This is the title connecting Jehovah with universal dominion. Cp. "The Lord of the whole earth" in Josh. 3. 11, 13. Zech. 6. 5.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

6 forsaken. See note on 1. 4.

spirit. Heb. *rûach*. Ap. 9.

7 gather thee = gather thee out.

8 a little wrath = in an overflow of wrath.

I hid My face. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 31. 17, 18). Cp. Isa. 8. 17; 53. 3; 64. 7. See Ap. 92.

everlasting kindness. See note on "ancient", 44. 7.

9 the waters of Noah. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 6-9). Ap. 92. Some codices, reading one word instead of two, with Aram., Syr., and Vulg., read "the days of Noah . . . when [I swear, &c.]."

I have sworn = when I swear. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 6-9). Noah is nowhere else mentioned in the O.T. except in 1 Chron. 1. 4. Ezek. 14. 14, 20. See Ap. 92.

thee. Supply *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), "thee [for ever]".

12 windows = battlements,

borders = boundaries.

13 all thy children, &c. Quoted in John 6. 45.

of = by. Gen. (of Origin). Ap. 17. 2.

14 not. See note on "no" (5. 8).

15 they: i.e. the enemies of Israel (Ps. 56. 7; 59. 4).

shall fall = shall be overthrown (cp. 8. 14).

16 I have created. Cp. 45. 7, 8.

instrument = weapon.

17 weapon. Same word as instrument (v. 16).

55. 1 Ho, &c. This cry heard in Jerusalem to-day. All water has to be bought. Cp. John 4. 14; 7. 37-39. every one that thirsteth. The invitation is only to these.

come. Fig. *Repetitio* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

waters: of life (Rev. 22. 17).

wine: of gladness (Ps. 104. 15).

milk: of nourishment (1 Pet. 2. 2).

17 No °weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue *that* shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This *is* the heritage of the servants of °the LORD, and their righteousness *is* of Me," saith °the LORD.

55 °Ho, °every one that thirsteth, °come ye to the °waters, and he that hath no money; °come ye, buy, and eat; yea, °come, buy °wine and °milk without money and without price.

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2 °Wherefore do ye spend money for *that* which is not bread? and your labour for *that* which satisfieth not? °hearken diligently unto Me, and eat ye *that* which is good, and let your °soul delight itself in fatness.

3 Incline your ear, and come unto Me: hear, and your °soul shall live; and I will make an °everlasting covenant with you, *even* °the sure mercies °of David.

V^a (p. 999) 4 ¹Behold, I have given °Him *for* a Witness to the °people, a Leader and Commander to the °people.

5 ¹Behold, °thou shalt call a nation *that* thou knowest not, and nations *that* knew not °thee shall run unto thee because of °the LORD thy °God, and for °the Holy One of Israel; for He hath glorified thee.

U⁵ 6 Seek ye °the LORD while He °may be found, call ye upon Him while He is near:

7 Let the °wicked °forsake his °way, and the °unrighteous °man his °thoughts: and let him return unto °the LORD, and He will have mercy upon him; and to our °God, for He will °abundantly pardon.

V⁵ 8 For °My °thoughts *are* not °your thoughts, neither *are* your ways My ways," saith °the LORD.

9 "For *as* the heavens are higher than the earth, so *are* My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts.

10 For °as the rain cometh down, and the snow from °heaven, and returneth not thither, °but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater:

11 So shall °My word be that goeth forth out of My °mouth: it shall not return unto Me void, ¹⁰but it °shall accomplish that which I please, and it °shall prosper *in the thing* whereto I sent it.

12 For ye shall °go out with joy, and be led forth with °peace: the mountains and the hills shall °break forth before you into °singing, and all the trees of °the field shall clap *their* hands.

13 Instead of the thorn shall come up the fir tree, and instead of the °brier shall come up the myrtle tree: and it shall be to °the LORD for a name, for an °everlasting sign *that* shall not be cut off."

U⁶ 56 Thus saith °the LORD, "Keep ye judgment, and do °justice:

V⁶ for My salvation *is* near to come, and My righteousness to be revealed.

2 Blessed *is* the °man *that* doeth °this, and the son °of man *that* layeth hold on °it; that °keepeth the sabbath from polluting it, and keepeth his hand from doing any °evil.

U⁷ 3 Neither let the son of the °stranger, that hath joined himself to °the LORD, °speak, saying, °The LORD hath utterly separated me from His People: °neither let the eunuch say, °Behold, I *am* a dry tree.'

V⁷ 4 For" thus saith °the LORD "unto the eunuchs that °keep My sabbaths, and °choose *the things* that please Me, and °take hold of My covenant;

5 Even unto them will I give in Mine house

2 Wherefore . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6), to emphasise the universal corruption and practice of the natural man. Cp. John 6. 27.

hearken diligently. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. Heb. "Hearken a hearkening": i.e. continue to hearken. soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 18.

3 everlasting. See note on "ancient", 44. 7.

the sure mercies of David: i.e. the lovingkindnesses well assured to David, the "everlasting covenant" made with David in 2 Sam. 7. 8-16. Quoted in Acts 13. 34. Assured by oath to David (Ps. 132. 11).

of=pertaining to. Gen. of Relation. Ap. 17. V.

4 Him=Messiah: not David, but David's Son and David's Lord.

people=peoples.

5 thou . . . thee: i.e. Israel, who is addressed here. See Structure, G, p. 996.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

the Holy One of Israel. See note on Ps. 71. 22.

6 may be: i.e. letteth Himself be.

7 wicked=lawless man (sing.). Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x. forsake. See note on 1. 4.

way . . . thoughts. Note the *Introversion* of lines in vv. 7 and 8:

a | 7-. way.

b | -7. thoughts.

b | 8-. thoughts.

a | -8. ways.

unrighteous. Heb. *'āven*. Ap. 44. iii.

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

abundantly pardon. Heb. multiply to pardon.

8 My thoughts . . . your thoughts. Note the *Introversion* of the pronouns:

c | My.

d | your.

d | your.

c | My.

The contrast thus emphasised is not merely holiness, but vastness.

10 as=according as. heaven=the heavens.

but=except it: i.e. until it. Note that the four succeeding tenses are *pasts*, and in the *singular* number. The waters *do* return, as stated in other scriptures (Ps. 135. 7. Jer. 10. 13; 51. 16).

11 My word be that goeth. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 8. 3; 32. 2).

mouth. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

shall=shall assuredly.

12 go out=go forth: i.e. from the lands of your wandering. peace=prosperity.

break forth . . . singing. Fig. *Prosopopœia*. Ap. 6. See note on 14. 7.

the field: i.e. the open country beyond the limits of cultivation.

13 brier: or, nettle.

everlasting. See note on "ancient", 44. 7.

56. 1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

justice=righteousness.

2 man=(mortal) man. Heb. *'enōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

this . . . it. This righteousness . . . this salvation. Both Fem.

of man=of Adam. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

keepeth the sabbath. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 20. 8-11). Ap. 92.

evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

3 stranger=foreigner. Heb. *nākar*. See Prov. 5. 3.

speak=think. Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

4 choose. See note on 1. 29.

5 place: or, trophy. Heb. hand.

and within My walls a °place and a name better than of sons and of daughters: I will give them an °everlasting name, that shall not be cut off.

6 Also the sons of the °stranger, that join themselves to °the LORD, to serve Him, and to

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love the name of ¹ the LORD, to be His servants, every one that ² keepeth the sabbath from polluting it, and taketh hold of My covenant;

7 Even them will I bring ^o to My ^o holy mountain, and make them joyful in My ^o house of prayer: their burnt offerings and their sacrifices ^o shall be accepted upon Mine altar; for ^o Mine house shall be called an house of prayer for all ^o people."

8 ^o The Lord GOD Which gathereth the outcasts of Israel saith, "Yet will I gather *others* to him, beside those that are gathered unto him."

H A
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^o All ye beasts of ^o the field, come to devour, yea, all ye beasts in the forest.

B C

10 His watchmen *are* blind: they are all ignorant, they *are* all dumb dogs, they cannot bark; ^o sleeping, lying down, loving to slumber.

11 Yea, they *are* ^o greedy dogs which can never have enough, and they *are* shepherds that cannot understand: they all look to their own way, ^o every one for his gain, from his quarter.

12 "Come ye," say they, "I will fetch ^o wine, and we will fill ourselves with ^o strong drink; and to morrow shall be as this day, *and* much more abundant."

D

57 The righteous perisheth, and no ^o man layeth it to heart: and ^o merciful ^o men are taken away, none considering that the righteous is taken away ^o from the ^o evil to come.

E

2 ^o He shall enter into peace: ^o they shall rest ^o in their ^o beds, *each one* walking in ^o his uprightness.

C e

3 But draw near hither, ye sons of the ^o sorceress, the seed of the adulterer and the whore.

4 Against whom do ye sport yourselves? against whom make ye a wide mouth, *and* draw out the tongue? *are* ye not ^o children of ^o transgression, a ^o seed of falsehood,

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5 Enflaming yourselves ^o with idols under every green tree, ^o slaying the ^o children in the valleys under the cliffs of the rocks?

6 Among ^o the smooth stones of the stream is ^o thy portion; they, they *are* thy lot: even to them hast thou poured a ^o drink offering, thou hast offered a ^o meat offering. Should ^o I receive comfort in these?

7 Upon a lofty and high mountain hast thou set thy bed: even thither wentest thou up to offer sacrifice.

8 Behind the doors also and the posts hast thou set up thy ^o remembrance: for thou hast discovered *thyself to another* than Me, and art gone up; thou hast enlarged thy bed, and made ^o thee a covenant with them; thou lovedst their ^o bed ^o where thou sawest it.

9 And thou wentest to ^o the king with ointment, and didst increase thy perfumes, and didst send thy messengers far off, and didst debase *thyself even* unto ^o hell.

10 Thou art wearied in the greatness of thy way; yet saidst thou not, "There is no hope:" thou hast ^o found the life of thine ^o hand; therefore thou wast not grieved.

7 to = into. Some codices read "upon".

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

house of prayer. See quotation below.

shall be accepted = for acceptance.

Mine house, &c. Quoted in Matt. 21. 13. Mark 11. 17. Luke 19. 46. Contrast "your house" (Matt. 23. 38).

people = peoples.

8 The Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See Ap. 4. VIII (2), and II.

56. 9-58. 14 (H, p. 993). THE CALL TO ISRAEL'S ENEMIES. (Alternation.)

H | A | 56. 9. Call to devour.

B | 56. 10-57. 21. Contrasted characters.

A | 58. 1. Call to cry aloud.

B | 58. 2-14. Contrasted conduct.

9 the field. See note on 55. 12.

56. 10-57. 21 (B, above). CONTRASTED CHARACTERS. (Extended Alternation.)

B | C | 56. 10-12. The wicked.

D | 57. 1. The righteous.

E | 57. 2. Peace.

C | 57. 3-13-. The wicked.

D | 57. -13-18. The righteous.

E | 57. 19-21. Peace.

10 sleeping - dozing, or dreaming.

11 greedy = strong of soul. Heb. *nephesh* (Ap. 13) = strong of appetite: i. e., as well rendered, "greedy". every one. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

12 wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. I.

strong drink. Heb. *shēkar*. Ap. 27. IV.

57. 1 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

merciful = kind.

men. Heb. pl. of *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

from the evil to come = from the presence of the calamity.

evil = calamity. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii: i. e. the calamity referred to in Jer. 22. 10. See 2 Kings 22. 16-20.

2 He: i. e. the righteous man.

they: i. e. the men of grace. in = upon.

beds = couches.

his uprightness = his straight path.

57. 3-13- (C, above). THE WICKED. (Alternation.)

C | e | 3, 4. Inquiry.

f | 5-10. Crimination.

e | 11. Inquiry.

f | 12, 13-. Threatening.

3 sorceress. See note on 2. 6 ("soothsayer").

4 children = offspring.

transgression: i. e. inborn transgression. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix.

seed of falsehood = false seed. Fig. *Enallagē*. Ap. 6.

5 with idols = with the sacred trees: i. e. the *Ashērahs*. See Ap. 42.

slaying the children. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 18. 21); to Molech (1 Kings 11. 7. 2 Kings 17. 16, 17); or to Baal (Jer. 19. 5. Ezek. 16. 20; 23. 39. Hos. 13. 1).

6 the smooth stones, &c. = the open places. Judah still in the land. None of the things mentioned in vv. 5-7 found in Babylonia.

thy. This and all the Pronouns in vv. 6-8 are Fem. drink offering . . . meat offering. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 29. 40, 41, &c. Num. 15. 1-10). Cp. 1 Kings 12. 32, 33.

I receive comfort. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

8 remembrance = symbols.

thee. Ed. of A.V. 1611 omits this word "thee".

bed = couch.

where thou sawest it = a hand thou hast seen: as beckoning.

9 the king. Or, the idoi, as in 80. 33. 1 Kings 11. 7. hell. Heb. *Sheōl*. Ap. 35.

10 found . . . hand = found [by the length of thy journeys] a hand to mouth life.

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11 And of whom hast thou been afraid or feared, that thou hast lied, and hast not remembered Me, nor laid it to thy heart? have not I held My peace even of old, and thou fearest Me not?

12 I will declare thy righteousness, and thy works; °for they shall not profit thee.

13 When thou criest, let °thy companies deliver thee; but the °wind shall carry them all away; °vanity shall take them:

14 but he that °putteth his trust in Me shall possess the land, and shall inherit My °holy mountain;

14 And shall say, °“Cast ye up, cast ye up, prepare the way, take up the stumbling block out of the way of My People.”

15 For thus saith the high and °lofty One °That inhabiteth eternity, Whose name is °Holy; °“I dwell in the high and °holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble °spirit, to revive the °spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones.

16 For I will not contend for ever, neither will I be always wroth: for the °spirit should fail before Me, and the °souls which I have made.

17 For the iniquity of his covetousness was I wroth, and smote him: °I hid Me, and was wroth, and he went on frowardly in the way of his heart.

18 I have seen his ways, and will heal him: I will °lead him also, and restore comforts unto him and to his °mourners.

19 I create the fruit of the lips; °Peace, peace to him that is far off, and to him that is near,” °saith the LORD; °“and I will heal him.

20 But the °wicked are like °the troubled sea, °when it cannot rest, whose waters cast up mire and dirt.

21 There is °no peace,” saith °my God, “to the °wicked.”

58 °Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and shew My People their °transgression, and °the house of Jacob their °sins.

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2 Yet they seek Me daily, and delight to know My ways, as a nation that did righteousness, and °forsook not the ordinance of their °God: they ask of Me the ordinances of °justice; they take delight in approaching to °God.

3 °“Wherefore have we fasted,” say they, “and Thou seest not? wherefore have we °afflicted our °soul, and Thou takest no knowledge?” °Behold, in the day of your fast ye find pleasure, and exact all your labours.

4 °Behold, °ye fast for strife and debate, and to smite with the fist of °wickedness: °ye shall not fast as ye do this day, °to make your voice to be heard on high.

5 Is it such a fast that I have °chosen? a day for °a man to °afflict his °soul? is it to bow down his head as a °bulrush, and to spread sackcloth and ashes under him? wilt thou call this a fast, and an acceptable day to °the LORD?

6 Is not this the fast that I have °chosen? to

12 for. Some codices, with two early printed editions, omit “for”, and read “and thy works, they will not profit thee”.

13 criest. In distress.

thy companies. The paramours of v. 2.

wind. Heb. *rûach*. Ap. 9.

vanity. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for vain men. Cp. Ps. 144. 4. Jas. 4. 14.

putteth his trust = fleeth for refuge to. Heb. *hāṣāh*. See Ap. 69. ii. holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

14 Cast ye up = Make a highway. Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6. See note on 7. 3.

15 lofty = lifted up. Same word as 6. 1 (“exalted One”).

That inhabiteth = inhabiting.

spirit. Heb. *rûach*. Ap. 9.

16 souls = breathing things. Heb. *neshāmāh*. Ap. 18. See note on 2. 22 (“breath”).

17 I hid Me. Cp. 45. 15; 59. 2; 64. 7.

18 lead = (gently) lead.

mourners. See note on “mourn” (8. 26).

19 Peace, peace. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6), for great emphasis = perfect peace (as in 26. 3), or great prosperity.

saith the LORD. Heb. = saith Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. The famous Codex *Mugah*, quoted in the *Massorah*, reads, “saith Jehovah my God”.

20 wicked = lawless. Heb. *rāshā’*. Ap. 44. x.

the troubled sea = the sea when tossed.

when = for.

21 no peace. Cp. 48. 22.

my God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I. Some codices read “Jehovah” (Ap. 4. II). Cp. 48. 22. Other codices read “my God”, or “Jehovah God” (with Sept. and Vulg.).

58. 1 Cry aloud = Heb. “call with the throat”: i.e. deep down as in the oriental throat. It denotes not a wild cry, but solemnity with restraint.

transgression = rebellion. Heb. *pāshā’*. Ap. 44. ix.

the house of Jacob. See note on 2. 5.

sins. Heb. *ḥāṭā’*. Ap. 44. i.

58. 2-14 (B, p. 1002). CONTRASTED CONDUCT.
(Repeated Alternation.)

B g¹ | 2-7. Condition. Legal observances.

h¹ | 8, 9-. Recompense. Illumination.

g² | -9, 10-. Condition. Charity.

h² | -10-12. Recompense. Illumination.

g³ | 13. Condition. Legal observance—Sabbath.

h³ | 14. Recompense. Ascendancy.

2 forsook. See note on 1. 4.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

justice = righteousness. Cp. Ex. 21-23.

3 Wherefore . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

afflicted our soul. Ref. to Pent. This is a strictly Levitical technical expression (Lev. 16. 29, 31; 23. 27, 32. Num. 29. 7). This shows that the People were not in exile as alleged, but in the Land. See also the references to other observances below (v. 13). Note that in chs. 58 and 59 we have the reference to the Day of Atonement; in chs. 60 and 61, to the Sab-batical and Jubilee years. Ch. 60 refers to the feast of Tabernacles with its “ingathering” (vv. 3-5, 13), which followed the Day of Atonement (Lev. 23. 27, 34).

soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Aram., Sept., and Vulg., read “souls” (pl.).

Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

4 ye fast. Referring to Day of Atonement, which was still observed; and in the Land, not in exile, as alleged.

wickedness = lawlessness. Heb. *rāshā’*. Ap. 44. x.

ye shall not. Some codices, with two early printed

editions, read “and ye shall not”.

a man. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

to make = if ye would make.

soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

5 chosen. See note on 1. 29.

bulrush. See note on 9. 14.

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loose the °bands of °wickedness, to undo the heavy burdens, and to let the oppressed go free, and that ye break every yoke?

7 *Is it not* °to deal thy °bread to the hungry, and that thou bring the °poor that are cast out to thy house? when thou seest the naked, that thou cover him; and that thou °hide not thyself from °thine own flesh?

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8 Then shall thy light break forth as the morning, and °thine health shall spring forth speedily: and thy righteousness shall go before thee; the glory of °the LORD shall °be thy °rereward.

9 Then shalt thou call, and °the LORD shall answer; thou shalt °cry, and He shall say, "Here I am."

g²

If thou take away from the midst of thee the yoke, the putting forth of the finger, and speaking vanity;

10 And if thou °draw out thy °soul to the hungry, and satisfy the afflicted °soul;

h²

then shall thy light rise in obscurity, and thy darkness °be as the noon day:

11 And °the LORD shall °guide thee continually, and satisfy thy °soul in °drought, and °make fat thy bones: and thou shalt be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose waters fail not.

12 And they that shall be of thee shall °build the old waste places: thou shalt raise up the foundations of many generations; and thou shalt be called, The repairer of the breach, The restorer of paths °to dwell in.

g³

13 If thou turn away °thy foot °from the sabbath, from doing thy °pleasure on My °holy day; and call the sabbath a delight, the °holy of °the LORD, honourable; and shalt honour Him, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own °pleasure, nor speaking °thine own words:

h³

14 Then shalt thou °delight thyself in °the LORD; and I will °cause thee to ride upon the high places of the earth, and feed thee with the heritage of Jacob thy father: for the mouth of °the LORD hath spoken it.

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59 °Behold, °the LORD'S °hand is °not shortened, that it cannot save; neither His ear heavy, that it cannot hear:

G

2 But your °iniquities have separated between you and your °God, and your °sins °have hid His face from you, that He will not hear.

3 For your hands are °defiled with blood, and your fingers with °iniquity; your lips have spoken lies, your tongue hath muttered perverseness.

4 None °callevh for justice, nor any pleadeth °for truth: they °trust in °vanity, and speak °lies; they conceive mischief, and bring forth °iniquity.

5 They hatch °cockatrice' °eggs, and °weave the spider's °web: he that eateth of their eggs dieth, and that which is crushed breaketh out into a °viper.

6 Their °webs shall not become garments, neither shall they cover themselves with their works: their works are works of °iniquity, and the act of violence is in their hands.

6 bands = pangs. See note on Ps. 73. 4.

7 to deal = to break. The technical term for giving or partaking of food, as in Luke 24. 30, 35. Acts 2. 42, 46; 20. 7, 11; 27. 35. 1 Cor. 10. 16; 11. 24. Cp. Job 42. 11. Lam. 4. 4. Ezek. 18. 7; 24. 17. Hos. 9. 4. bread. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), Ap. 6, for all kinds of food.

poor. Heb. 'ānāh. See note on Prov. 6. 11.

hide not. Some codices, with two early printed editions, read "do not thou hide".

thine own flesh. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 29. 14). Cp. Neh. 5. 1-11. Ap. 92.

8 thine health. Heb. thy healing. Referring to the healing of wounds. be = bring up.

rereward = rearguard. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 14. 19, 20). Cp. 52. 12. 9 cry. In distress.

10 draw out thy soul. Some codices, with Syr., read "give out thy bread".

be. Supply Ellipsis (of verb "become"). Or we have the Fig. *Oxymoron* (Ap. 6).

11 guide = (gently) guide.

drought. Heb. droughts (pl. of majesty) = great drought. make fat = invigorate.

12 build = rebuild. This is still future.

to dwell in: or, leading home.

13 thy foot. Some codices, with one early printed edition, read "thy feet" (pl.).

from the sabbath. Ref. to Pent., as in 56. 2.

pleasure. Some codices, with three early printed editions, read "pleasures" (pl.).

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

thine own words = vain words: or, keep making talk.

14 delight thyself = revel.

cause thee to ride, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Dent. 32. 13; 33. 29).

59. 1-21 (D, p. 993). SIN THE CAUSE OF THE BREACH. (*Introversion*.)

D | F | 1. Salvation. Jehovah's power.

G | 2-8. Israel. Crimination.

G | 9-15. Israel. Confession.

F | 16-21. Salvation. Jehovah's work.

1 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*, Ap. 6.

the LORD'S. Heb. Jehovah's. Ap. 4. II.

hand. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

not shortened. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 11. 23). Cp. 50. 2. The phrase occurs nowhere else in the O.T.

2 iniquities. Heb. 'āvāh. Ap. 44. iv. Same word as in vv. 3, 12. Not the same as in vv. 6, 7.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

sins. Heb. chātā'. Ap. 44. i.

have hid His face. Cp. 45. 15; 54. 8; 57. 17.

3 defiled. Heb. gā'al, to redeem, put for gā'al, to pollute, here, and Ezra 2. 62. Neh. 7. 64. Lam. 4. 14. Dan. 1. 8, 8. Zeph. 3. 1. Mal. 1. 7, 12.

4 calleth for justice = sueth in righteousness.

for truth = in truth.

trust = confide. Heb. bātah. Ap. 69. i.

vanity = confusion. Heb. tohū, as in Gen. 1. 2 ("without form"). See note on 24. 10. lies = vanity.

iniquity. Heb. 'āven. Ap. 44. iii. Same word as in vv. 6, 7. Not the same as in vv. 2, 3, 12.

5 cockatrice' = adders', or vipers'. See note on 11. 8. eggs . . . web. Note the *Alternation* in vv. 5, 6.

weave. See note on 19. 9.

viper. Occurs in Isaiah only here, and in the "former" portion (30. 6). See Ap. 79. II.

7 Their feet = They. Feet being put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6, for the whole person. Quoted in Rom. 3. 15, 16. evil. Heb. rā'a'. Ap. 44. viii.

innocent blood. Ref. to Pent. Only here in Isaiah; five times in Deuteronomy (19. 10, 13; 21. 8, 9).

paths = highways. See note on 7. 3.

7 °Their feet run to °evil, and they make haste

to shed °innocent blood: their thoughts are thoughts of °iniquity; wasting and destruction

are in their °paths.

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8 °The way of peace they know not; and *there* is no °judgment in their goings: they have made them crooked paths: whosoever goeth therein shall not know peace.

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9 Therefore is °judgment far from us, neither doth °justice overtake us: we wait for light, but behold obscurity; for brightness, *but* we walk in darkness.

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10 °We grope for the wall like the blind, and we grope as if *we had* no eyes: we stumble at noon day as in the °night; *we are* in desolate places as dead *men*.

11 We roar all like bears, and mourn sore like doves:

i²

we look for °judgment, but *there is* none; for salvation, *but* it is far off from us.

k²

12 For our °transgressions are multiplied before Thee, and our °sins testify against us: for our °transgressions *are* with us; and *as for* our °iniquities, we know them;

13 In °transgressing and lying against °the LORD, and departing away from our °God, speaking oppression and revolt, conceiving and uttering from the heart words of falsehood.

i³

14 And °judgment is turned away backward, and °justice standeth afar off:

k³

for truth is fallen in the street, and equity cannot enter.

15 Yea, °truth faileth; and he *that* departeth from °evil °maketh himself a prey:

F 1

and °the LORD saw *it*, and it displeased Him that *there was* no °judgment.

16 And He saw that *there was* no °man, and wondered that *there was* no intercessor:

m

therefore His °arm brought salvation unto Him; and His righteousness, it sustained Him.

17 For °He put on righteousness as a °breastplate, and an helmet of salvation upon His head; and He put on the garments °of vengeance for clothing, and was clad with °zeal as a cloke.

18 According to *their* deeds, accordingly He will repay, fury to His adversaries, recompence to His enemies; to the °islands He will repay recompence.

n

19 So shall they fear the name of °the LORD from the west, and His glory from the rising of the sun.

l

When the °enemy shall come in °like a flood,

m

the °Spirit of °the LORD shall °lift up a °standard against him.

20 And °the Redeemer shall come °to Zion, and unto them that turn from °transgression in Jacob, saith °the LORD.

n

21 "As for Me, this *is* My covenant with them," saith °the LORD; "My °spirit that *is* upon thee, and My words which I have put in thy mouth, shall not depart out of thy mouth, nor out of the mouth of thy seed, nor out of the mouth of thy seed's seed," saith °the LORD, "from henceforth and °for ever."

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s

60 °Arise,
°shine; for °thy light is come,
and °the glory of °the LORD is risen upon thee.

8 The way, &c. See Rom. 3. 17.
judgment = righteousness.

59. 9-15 (G, p. 1004). CONFESSION. (Repeated Alternation.)

G

i¹ | 9. Justice. Departed.

k¹ | 10, 11-. Condition. Comparisons.

i² | -11. Justice. Looked for in vain.

k² | 12, 13. Reason.

i³ | 14-. Justice. Turned away backward.

k³ | -14, 15-. Reason.

9 justice = righteousness. Same as "judgment", v. 8.
10 We grope, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 29). Idea the same, but word different. The word in Deuteronomy is the same as in Gen. 27. 12, 22; 31. 34, 37. Ex. 10. 21. Job 5. 14; 12. 25. The word in Isaiah occurs nowhere else. Ap. 92.

night. Heb. *nesheph*. A Homonym, with two meanings: (1) *darkness*, as here; Job 24. 15. Prov. 7. 9. 2 Kings 7. 5, 7. Isa. 5. 11; 21. 4. Jer. 13. 16; (2) *daylight*, 1 Sam. 30. 17. Job 7. 4. Ps. 119. 147.

12 transgressions. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix. sins. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i. Note that these three words occur together in Lev. 16. 21.

15 truth faileth = the truth is found missing. evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii. maketh himself a prey: i. e. is liable to be despoiled, or outlawed. Rashi says, "is considered mad", as A.V. marg.

59. -15-21 (F, p. 1004). SALVATION. JEHOVAH'S WORK. (Extended Alternation.)

F

l | -15, 16-. Evil seen by Jehovah.

m | -16-18. Evil removed by Jehovah.

n | 19-. The blessed result.

l | -19-. Evil inflicted by the enemy.

m | -19, 20. Evil removed by Jehovah.

n | 21. The blessed result.

16 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II. arm. Fig. *Anthropopatheia* (Ap. 6). Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the power put forth by it.

17 He put on. Fig. *Anthropopatheia* (Ap. 6). Note that all the armour is for defence. breastplate = a coat of mail.

of vengeance for clothing = of avenging for clothing. Cp. 61. 2; 63. 4. The Oxf. Gesenius explains it as "of Jehovah as champion of Israel" (p. 528 b).

zeal = jealousy.

18 islands = maritime countries. See note on 11. 11.

19 enemy. Heb. *tzar*, as in v. 18.

like a flood = like the flood: the Nile in its overflow. Spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

lift up. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

standard: or, banner. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 17. 15). Heb. *nāḡas*. Ap. 92.

20 the Redeemer = a Redeemer: i. e. the Messiah. Quoted in Rom. 11. 26, 27, showing that the fullness of the Gentiles must be the fullness of the Gentile times.

to = for: i. e. on behalf of. See note on Rom. 11. 26.

21 for ever. This coming deliverance for Israel will be final, and cannot therefore as yet have taken place.

60. 1-22 [For Structure see next page]

1 Arise. Cp. 51. 9, 17, "awake"; 52. 2, "awake"; 60. 1, "arise"; and contrast the cry to Babylon (47. 1), "come down, sit in the dust". See Ap. 82. This refers to the future. shine. Cp. 2 Sam. 23. 4.

thy light: i. e. Israel's glory.

the glory of the LORD. Heb. *kābōd*. See 4. 2, 5; 6. 3; 35. 2; 40. 5; 58. 8; and v. 2 here. Cp. Ps. 106. 20. Jer. 2. 11. Hag. 2. 3, 7, 9.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 behold. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6), to call attention to the condition of the nations just before Israel's future glory shines forth.

2 For, °behold, the darkness shall cover the earth,

and gross darkness the °people :

but °the LORD shall arise upon thee, and His glory shall be seen upon thee.

3 And °the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising.

4 Lift up thine eyes round about, and see : °all they gather themselves together, they come to thee : thy °sons shall come from far, and thy °daughters shall be °nursed at thy side.

5 Then thou shalt see, and °flow together, and thine heart shall °fear, and °be enlarged ; because the abundance °of the sea shall be °converted unto thee, the °forces of °the Gentiles shall come unto thee.

6 °The multitude of camels shall cover thee, the dromedaries of Midian and °Ephah ; all they from °Sheba shall come : they shall bring gold and incense ; and they shall shew forth the praises of °the LORD.

7 All the flocks of °Kedar shall be gathered °together unto thee, °the rams of °Nebaioth shall minister unto thee : they shall come up with acceptance on Mine altar, and I will °glorify the °house of My glory.

8 °Who are these that fly as a cloud, and as the doves to their windows ?

9 Surely the °isles °shall wait for Me, and the °ships of Tarshish °first, to bring thy sons °from far, their silver and their gold with them, unto the name of °the LORD thy °God, and to °the Holy One of Israel, because He hath glorified thee.

10 And °the sons of °strangers shall build up thy walls, and their kings shall minister unto thee : for °in My wrath I smote thee, but in My favour have I had mercy on thee.

11 Therefore °thy gates shall be open continually ; they shall °not be shut day nor night ; that men may bring unto thee the °forces of the °Gentiles, and that their kings may be brought.

12 For °the nation and kingdom that will not serve thee °shall perish ; yea, those nations shall be utterly wasted.

13 The glory of Lebanon shall come unto thee, the fir tree, °the pine tree, and the box together, to beautify the place of My sanctuary ; and I will make °the place of My °feet glorious.

14 The sons also of them that °afflicted thee °shall come bending unto thee ; and all they that despised thee shall bow themselves down at the soles of thy feet ; and they shall call thee, The city of °the LORD, The Zion of °the Holy One of Israel.

60. 1-22 (C, p. 993). ZION : RECONCILIATION, RESTORATION, AND ENLARGEMENT. (*Alternation.*)

C | H | 1-16-. Israel's ascendancy.
J | -16. Jehovah the worker.
H | 17-22-. Israel's glory.
J | -22. Jehovah the worker.

60. 1-16- (H, above). ISRAEL'S ASCENDANCY. (*Alternation.*)

H | o | 1-7. Gentiles. Accession.
p | 8-11. Their ministry.
o | 12, 13. Gentiles. Subjection.
p | 14-16-. Their homage.

60. 1-7 (o, above). GENTILES. ACCESSION. (*Division.*)

o | p¹ | 1-3. Israel's rising come.
p² | 4-7. Gentiles' attraction to it.

60. 1-3 (p¹, above). ISRAEL'S RISING COME. (*Introversion.*)

p¹ | q | 1-. The rising of Israel.
r | -1-. The light shining.
s | -1. The glory of Jehovah.
t | 2-. Darkness covering the earth.
t | -2-. Darkness covering the peoples.
s | -2. The glory of Jehovah.
r | 3-. The light reflected.
q | -3. The rising of Israel.

people = peoples.

3 the Gentiles = nations.

4 all they, &c. This is still future.

sons . . . daughters. These are not Gentiles therefore, but true Israelites (Jer. 31. 10). Cp. Ezek. 34. 11-15. nursed, &c. Carried on the shoulders. So Chald. and Sept. See note on 49. 22.

5 flow together : or, according to the Targum and Syr., "shall be lightened", as in Ps. 34. 5. So in R.V. fear - praise. Heb. *pāhad*. A *Homonym*, with two meanings : (1) to fear, as in Deut. 28. 66. Job 23. 15 ; but (2) to rejoice, here and Hos. 3. 5 = praise. See note there.

be enlarged = opened as with joy.

of the sea = of the rich seafaring peoples, for which "sea" is put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6.

converted = turned.

forces = fullness, riches, wealth, or resources. This prophecy looks far beyond the return under Ezra-Nehemiah. See vv. 12, 15, &c.

6 The multitude = A stream.

Ephah. A Midianite tribe (Gen. 25. 4).

Sheba. Cp. Ps. 72. 10. Both descended from Abraham and Keturah.

7 Kedar. See 21. 16, 17 ; 42. 11 ; and cp. Gen. 25. 13. Ps. 120. 5. Song 1. 5. together = out.

the. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Sept., and Syr., read "and the".

Nebaioth. A tribe allied to Kedar, descended from Ishmael (Gen. 25. 13). glorify = beautify.

house of My glory = My beautiful house.

8 Who are these . . . ? Referring probably to the ships whose sails are compared to wings, developed in next verse.

9 isles = maritime lands. See note on 11. 11.

ships of Tarshish. See note on 2. 16. first = in the first place, or rank.

from far. This looks beyond Babylon. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. the Holy One of Israel. See note on 1. 4.

10 the sons of strangers. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 12. 43. Lev. 22. 25). These were expressly excluded. strangers = foreigners.

in My wrath. Cp. 54. 8. Zech. 1. 15. 11 thy gates shall be open. Heb. they shall keep thy gates open. The word "they" is impersonal : i.e. they who are continually bringing the exiles with their riches. Cp. the same idiom in Luke 12. 20, "they demand thy soul".

not be shut. These coming times are already being foreshadowed, for this has already been the case for the past few years. This looks beyond the Ezra-Nehemiah period, for see Neh. 13. 19.

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8. 11 refers to this. Cp. Mal. 1. 11.

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15 Whereas thou hast been °forsaken and hated, so that no man went through thee, I will make thee an °eternal excellency, a joy °of many generations.

16 Thou shalt also suck the milk of °the Gentiles, and shalt suck the breast of kings:

J and °thou shalt know that J °the LORD am thy Saviour and thy °Redeemer, °the mighty One of Jacob.

H u 17 °For brass I will bring gold, and for iron (p. 1007) I will bring silver, and for wood brass, and for stones iron: I will also make thy officers peace, and °thine exactors °righteousness.

v 18 °Violence shall no more be heard in thy land, wasting nor destruction within thy borders; but thou shalt call thy °walls °Salvation, and thy gates Praise.

u 19 The sun shall be no more thy light by day; neither for brightness shall the moon give light unto thee: but °the LORD shall be unto thee an everlasting light, and thy °God thy °glory.

20 °Thy sun shall no more °go down; neither shall thy moon withdraw itself: for °the LORD shall be thine everlasting light, and the days of thy °mourning shall be ended.

v 21 °Thy People also shall be °all righteous: they shall inherit the land °for ever, the branch of °My planting, the work of My hands, that I may be °glorified.

22 °A little one shall become a thousand, and a small one a strong nation:

J J °the LORD will hasten it in °his time.

B K P

61 °The °Spirit of °the Lord GOD is upon Me; because °the LORD hath °anointed Me to preach good tidings unto the °meek; He hath sent Me to °bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and °the opening of the prison to them that are bound; 2 To proclaim °the acceptable year of °the LORD, °and the day of vengeance of our °God; to comfort all that °mourn;

3 °To appoint unto them that °mourn in Zion, to give unto them °beauty for °ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the °spirit of heaviness; that they might be called °trees of righteousness, the planting of °the LORD, that °He might be glorified.

1 The Spirit, &c. Quoted in Luke 4. 18, 19. The speaker is therefore the Messiah. Spirit. Heb. *rûach*. Ap. 9. the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See Ap. 4. VIII (2) and II. Some codices, with two early printed editions, Sept., and Vulg., omit "Adonai".

4. II. anointed. Matt. 3. 17, with the Divine formula of consecration, "This is My Son", for the office of Prophet; Matt. 17. 5 for the office of Priest; Ps. 2. 7 and Heb. 1. 5, for the office of King. meek = oppressed, or lowly ones. bind up. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. the opening of the prison = an opening of the understanding or heart, instead of prison doors. Occurs only here. Heb. *p'kah-kôah*, referring to the opening of the vision. 2 the acceptable year = the year of acceptance, or jubilee year (Lev. 25. 9, 10). We may render:— A year of good-pleasure for Jehovah, [But] A day of vengeance for our God.

and the day of vengeance. Cp. 59. 17; 63. 4. This is a notable example of how to rightly divide "the Word of truth", when we observe that the Messiah, in quoting this prophecy concerning Himself in Luke 4. 18, 19, "closed the book", and did not go on to quote further in v. 20, because the former part of the prophecy referred to the then present time, and not to the future Dispensation of judgment. The Heb. accent separates these two clauses, indicated by "[But]", above. Note that the vengeance is assigned to a "day", in contrast with "year". God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. mourn. See note on 3. 26, and cp. Matt. 5. 4. 3 To appoint = to set (as a permanent, irrevocable thing). beauty . . . ashes. Note the emphasis put on this by the Fig. *Paronomasia*, Ap. 6, *p'êr* . . . 'êpher. beauty = an ornament, or nuptial tiara. ashes: as put on the head, as a sign of mourning (2 Sam. 13. 19). spirit of heaviness = heavy spirit. Heb. *rûach*. Ap. 9. trees of righteousness. Ref. to 60. 21. He. All is for Jehovah's glory.

15 forsaken. The type of the forsaken wife is changed to that of the forsaken Land. See note on 1. 4. eternal. This cannot refer to the prosperity of any past period of Israel's history.

of many generations = of generation after generation. 16 thou shalt know, &c. Ref. to Pent. See notes on 1. 24; 41. 14, &c. Ap. 92.

the LORD am thy Saviour. This constitutes another Jehovah title. Heb. = *Jehovah mōshî'ek*.

Redeemer. Cp. 41. 14; 43. 14; 44. 6, 24; 47. 4; 48. 17; 49. 7, 26; 54. 5, 8; 59. 20; 60. 15 (ten times in all, in Isaiah. Cp. Prov. 23. 11).

the mighty One of Jacob. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 49. 24). Cp. 49. 26. Ps. 182. 2-5. Including the whole natural seed, as well as the spiritual seed of Israel. See notes on Gen. 32. 28; 43. 6; 45. 26, 30. Ap. 92.

60. 17-22 (H, p. 1006). ISRAEL'S GLORY. (Alternation.)

H u | 17. Materials.

v | 18. Evil removed.

u | 19, 20. Luminaries.

v | 21, 22-. Good bestowed.

17 For brass. Note the correspondence (by contrast) of this verse with 3. 24 (in A and A, p. 930). Cp. also 1. 23-25. thine exactors = thy tax-gatherers. See Luke 3. 13. righteousness = righteous. The very opposite to what they have been. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for righteous.

18 Violence shall, &c. Cp. Gen. 6. 11, 13. Some codices, with three early printed editions, Sept., and Syr., read "So shall violence", &c. walls. Cp. 26. 1.

Salvation: or, Victory.

20 Thy sun . . . go down. } These prophecies mourning. See note on 3. 26. } yet await

21 Thy People . . . all righteous. } fulfilment. for ever. This settles the whole question as to any fulfilment in the past.

My planting. Heb. text has "His planting", but "My plantings" in the margin, with some codices, four early printed editions, Aram., Syr., and Vulg. glorified = get Myself glory.

22 A little one = The little one: i. e. he who has no sons, or few. his = its.

61. 1-66. 24 (B, p. 998). MESSIAH IN PERSON. (Alternations.)

B K | 61. 1-9. Messiah in Person. Grace.

L | 61. 10, 11. Joy for present blessings.

M | N | 62. 1-7. Prayer incited.

O | 62. 8-12. Answer promised.

K | 63. 1-6. Messiah in Person. Judgment.

L | 63. 7-14. Praise for past blessings.

M | N | 63. 15-64. 12. Prayer offered.

O | 65. 1-66. 24. Answer given.

1-9 (K, above). MESSIAH IN PERSON. (Division.)

K | P¹ | 1-3. Messiah. Himself.

P² | 4-9. Messiah. His People.

P² w a
(p. 1008)

4 And they shall ° build the old ° wastes,
they shall raise up the former ° desolations,
and they shall repair the ° waste cities,
the ° desolations of many generations.

x 5 And ° strangers shall stand and feed your
flocks, and the sons of ° the alien *shall be* your
plowmen and your vinedressers.

y 6 But ° ye shall be named the Priests of ° the
LORD: *men* shall call you ° the Ministers of our
° God: ye shall eat the riches of ° the Gentiles,
and in their glory shall ye boast yourselves.

w c 7 For your ° shame *ye shall have* ° double;
d and for ° confusion they shall rejoice in their
portion:

c therefore in their land they shall possess the
double:

d ° everlasting joy shall be unto them.

x 8 For ° the LORD love ° judgment, ° I hate
robbery for burnt offering; and I will ° direct
their work ° in truth, and I will make an
° everlasting covenant with them.

y 9 And their seed shall be known among the
° Gentiles, and their offspring among the ° people:
all that see them shall acknowledge them,
that *they are* the seed *which* ° the LORD hath
blessed.

L
(p. 1007)

10 I will greatly rejoice in ° the LORD, my
° soul shall be joyful in my ° God; for He hath
clothed me with the garments of salvation,
He hath covered me ° with the robe of right-
eousness, as ° a bridegroom ° decketh *himself*
with ornaments, and as ° a bride adorneth *her-*
self with her jewels.

11 For as the earth bringeth forth her bud,
and as the garden causeth the things that are
sown in it to spring forth; so ° the LORD* GOD
will cause righteousness and praise to spring
forth before all the nations.

M N

62 ° For Zion's sake will ° I not hold My
peace, and for Jerusalem's sake I will
not ° rest, until the righteousness thereof go
forth as brightness, and the salvation thereof
as a lamp *that* burneth.

2 And ° the Gentiles shall see thy righteous-
ness, and all kings thy glory: and thou shalt
be ° called by a new name, which the mouth
of ° the LORD shall ° name.

3 Thou shalt also be a ° crown of ° glory in the
hand of ° the LORD, and a royal diadem in the
hand of thy ° God.

4 Thou shalt no more be termed ° Forsaken;
neither shall thy land any more be termed
° Desolate: but thou shalt be called ° Hephzi-
bah, and thy land ° Beulah: for ° the LORD
delighteth in thee, and thy land shall be
married.

5 For as a young man marrieth a virgin, so

2 Sam. 12. 30. Song 3. 11. glory = beauty.
Heb. 'Azubah. From 'azab. See note on 1. 4.
Hephzi-bah. Heb. Hephzi-bāh. Probably a reference to the important marriage of King Hezekiah with
Be'ulah = married. See note above. Note the Alternation in this verse.

61. 4-9 (P², p. 1007). MESSIAH. HIS PEOPLE.
(Extended Alternation.)

P² w | 4. Israel. Restoration.
x | 5. Gentiles. Gifts.
y | 6. Israel Jehovah's glory.
w | 7. Israel. Restoration.
x | 8. Gentiles. Assistance.
y | 9. Israel Jehovah's glory.

61. 4 (w, above). ISRAEL. RESTORATION.
(Alternation.)

w | a | 4-. Wastes. Rebuilt.
b | 4-. Desolations. Raised up.
a | 4-. Wastes. Rebuilt.
b | 4-. Desolations. Raised up.

4 build = rebuild. Cp. Amos 9. 11, 12. Acts 15. 16.
wastes = deserted (cities).

desolations = places of silence. See note on 1. 7.

8 strangers = foreigners.

the alien = an unknown people.

6 ye shall be named, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 19. 6).

the Ministers of our God. Ref. to the technical

phrase, common in the Law. See Ex. 28. 35. Num.

16. 9. Deut. 10. 8; 17. 12, &c.

the Gentiles = nations.

7 shame . . . double. Note the Alternation:

61. 7 (w, above). ISRAEL. RESTORATION.
(Alternation.)

w | c | 7-. Complete compensation.
d | 7-. Rejoicing.
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double = "double [honour]". Not as in 40. 2. See
note there.

confusion = reproach, or disgrace.

everlasting joy. See note on 44. 7.

8 judgment = justice.

I hate robbery, &c. Showing that the sacrificial
system was in operation at the time when this prophecy
was given.

direct their work = make their recompense.

in truth. See note on 10. 20.

everlasting covenant. See note on "ancient", 44. 7.

9 people = peoples.

10 soul. Heb. *nephesh* Ap. 13.

with the robe. A special various reading called
Sevir (Ap. 84), with some codices, one early printed
edition, Sept., Syr., and Vulg. read "and with a robe".
This necessitates conformity with the Heb. text:—

"With the garments of salvation will He, &c.,

And with a robe of righteousness will He", &c.

a = the.

decketh himself, &c. = adorneth himself (with a tur-
ban such as worn by priests).

11 the LORD* GOD = Adonai Jehovah. This is one of
the 184 places where the *Sopherim* changed "Jehovah"
of the primitive text to "Adonai"; but both words
have been retained instead of the one: viz. Jehovah.

62. 1 For Zion's sake, &c. Not fulfilled, therefore,
in the Gospel dispensation; for Zion is still trodden
down of the Gentiles (Luke 21. 24).

I. Here we have Messiah's intercession for Israel.
See "B", p. 1007.

rest. Cp. vv. 6, 7.

2 the Gentiles = nations.

called by a new name. As Abraham was (Gen. 17. 5),
and Jacob (Gen. 32. 28).

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

name = expressly name, or specify.

3 crown = bridal crown. Heb. 'āṭārāh, as in 28. 5.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

4 Forsaken.

Desolate. Heb. *Shēmāmāh*. See note on 1. 7.

Beulah. Heb.

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shall °thy sons °marry thee: and as the bridegroom rejoiceth over the bride, so shall thy °God rejoice over thee.

6 I have set watchmen upon thy walls, O Jerusalem, which shall never hold their peace °day nor night: °ye that make mention of °the LORD, keep not silence.

7 And give Him no °rest, till He establish, and till He make Jerusalem a praise in the earth.

O
(p. 1007)

8 °The LORD hath °sworn by His °right hand, and by the °arm of His strength, "Surely °I will no more give thy corn to be meat for thine enemies; and the sons of the °stranger shall not drink thy °wine, for the which thou hast laboured:

9 But they that have °gathered it shall eat it, and °praise °the LORD; and they that have °brought it together shall drink it in °the courts of My holiness."

10 Go through, go through the gates; prepare ye the way of °the People; °cast up, cast up the highway; gather out the stones; lift up a standard for °the People.

11 °Behold, °the LORD hath proclaimed unto the end of the °world, "Say ye to the daughter of Zion, °Behold, thy salvation cometh; behold, His reward is with Him, and His °work before Him."

12 And they shall call them, The °holy People, The redeemed of °the LORD: and thou shalt be called, °Sought out, A city °not °forsaken.

K e
(p. 1009)

63 °Who is °This That cometh from °Edom, with dyed garments from °Bozrah?

f
This That is glorious in His apparel, °travelling in the greatness of His °strength? 3 That speak in righteousness, °mighty to save.e
2 Wherefore art Thou °red in Thine apparel, and Thy garments like him that treadeth in the °winefat?f
3 I have trodden the °winepress alone; and of °the people there was °none with Me: for I will tread them in Mine anger, and trample them in My fury; and their °blood °shall be sprinkled upon My garments, and I will stain all My raiment.

4 For the °day of vengeance is in Mine heart, and °the °year of My °redeemed is come.

5 And I looked, and there was none to help; and I wondered that there was none to uphold: therefore °Mine own arm brought °salvation unto Me; and My °fury, it upheld Me.

6 And I will tread down °the people in Mine anger, and °make them drunk in My fury, and I will bring down their °strength to the earth.

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(p. 1007)

7 I will mention the lovingkindnesses of °the LORD, and the praises of °the LORD, according to all that °the LORD hath bestowed on us, and the great goodness toward the °house of Israel, which He hath bestowed on them according to His mercies, and according to the multitude of His lovingkindnesses.

8 For He said, "Surely they are My People, °children that will not °lie:" so He was their Saviour.

9 °In all their affliction He was afflicted, and °the Angel of His presence saved them: in

5 thy sons marry thee. Note the Fig. *Catachrēsis* (Ap. 6). See note on marry, below.

marry = own, or possess. Heb. *bā'al* = to become an owner, or husband of a wife. See v. 4.

6 day nor night. Heb. all the day and all the night.

ye that make mention of = ye that remind.

7 rest = silence, as in v. 6.

8 sworn. Fig. *Deśis*. Ap. 6.

right hand . . . arm. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

I will no more give, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 30, 31, &c.). Ap. 92.

stranger = foreigner.

wine. Heb. *tirōsh*. Ap. 27. II.

9 gathered it = gathered it in. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 20. 6; 28. 30). Cp. Jer 31. 5. Ap. 92.

praise the LORD. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 14. 23, 26; 16. 11, 14). See note on "shall not" (13. 10).

brought it together = gathered it out. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 12. 12). Ap. 92.

the courts of My holiness = My holy courts.

10 the People. In 40. 3 the way is to be "prepared" for Messiah: here, for His People.

cast up, cast up the highway. Cp. Figs. *Epizeuxis* and *Polyptoton*. Ap. 6. See note on "highway" (7. 3).

11 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

world. Heb. earth. Heb. *'ēretz*.

work = recompense.

12 holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

Sought out. Heb. *Derūshah*.

not forsaken. Heb. *L'o-Ne'ezābāh*.

63. 1-6 (K, p. 1007). MESSIAH. IN PERSON. JUDGMENT. (*Alternation*.)

K | e | 1-. Question.

f | -1. Answer. Character.

e | 2. Question.

f | 3-6. Answer. Work.

1 Who . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. The prophet's question.

This: i.e. Messiah in the execution of His vengeance in judgment.

Edom = red. } Cp. 34. 5.
Bozrah = vintage.

travelling = bending forward, as in marching.

strength . . . mighty = strength (for endurance). Heb. *koah*. Not referring to His death, which was in weakness.

2 red = 'ādom. Hence "Edom" (v. 1).

winefat = winepress. Heb. *gath*. Not *yeqeb*, a wine-vat.

3 winepress = trough. Heb. *pūrah*.

the people = peoples.

none = not a man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

blood. Lit. grape-juice, put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for life-blood. All this is in judgment, not redemption. Cp. Rev. 14. 20; 19. 11-21.

shall be sprinkled = will spurt.

4 day . . . year. Cp. 61. 2.

the year of My redeemed. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 35). Cp. 61. 2.

redeemed = redeemed as by a kinsman (Ex. 6. 6).

5 Mine own arm. Cp. 59. 16.

salvation = victory.

fury = indignation. Some codices, with four early printed editions, read "righteousness". Cp. 59. 18.

6 make them drunk in. Some codices, with one early printed edition, and Aram., read "brake them in pieces with".

strength = life-blood, as in v. 3.

7 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

house of Israel. See note on 5. 7.

8 children = sons.

lie = deal falsely.

9 In all their affliction He was afflicted. Heb. text reads, "In all their adversity [He was] no adversary". But some codices, with two early printed editions, read as text of A.V.

the Angel of His presence. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 14. 19; 23. 20, 21; 33. 14). Ap. 92.

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His love and in His pity ^{he} ° redeemed them; and He ° bare them, and carried them all the days of old.

10 But they rebelled, and vexed His ° holy ° Spirit: therefore He was turned to be their enemy, ° and ^{he} fought against them.

11 Then He remembered the days of old, Moses, and His People, saying, "Where is He That brought them up out of the sea with the ° shepherd of His flock? where is He That ° put His 10 holy 10 Spirit within him?"

12 That led them by the right hand of Moses with His glorious ° arm, ° dividing the water before them, to make Himself an ° everlasting name?

13 That led them through the deep, as an horse in the wilderness, that they should not stumble?"

14 ° As a beast goeth down into the valley, the 10 Spirit of 7 the LORD caused him to rest: so didst Thou lead Thy People, to make Thyself a glorious name.

M N g
(p. 1010)

15 Look down from heaven, and behold from the ° habitation of ° Thy holiness and of Thy glory: where is Thy zeal and Thy ° strength, the ° sounding of Thy bowels and of Thy mercies toward me? are they restrained?

h 16 Doubtless ° Thou art our ° Father, though Abraham be ignorant of us, and Israel acknowledge us not: ° Thou, O 7 LORD, art our Father, our ° Redeemer; Thy name is from everlasting.

i 17 O 7 LORD, why hast Thou ° made us to err from Thy ways, and ° hardened our heart from Thy fear? ° Return for Thy servants' sake, the tribes of Thine inheritance.

k 18 ° The People of 15 Thy holiness have possessed it but a little while: our adversaries have trodden down Thy sanctuary.

19 ° We are Thine: Thou never barest rule over them; ° they were not called by Thy name.

g 64 ° Oh that Thou wouldest ° rend the heavens, that Thou wouldest come down, that the mountains might ° flow down ° at Thy presence,

2 As when the ° melting fire burneth, the fire causeth the waters to boil, to make ° Thy name known to Thine adversaries, that the nations may tremble 1 at Thy presence!

3 ° When Thou didst terrible things which we looked not for, Thou camest down, the mountains 1 flowed down 1 at Thy presence.

4 For ° since the beginning of the world ° men have not heard, ° nor perceived by the ear, neither hath the eye seen, O ° God, beside Thee, what He ° hath prepared for ° him that waiteth for Him.

5 ° Thou meetest him ° that rejoiceth and worketh righteousness, those that remember Thee in Thy ways: behold, Thou ° art wroth; for we have ° sinned: in ° those is continuance, and we shall be saved.

31. 19. nor. So, some codices, with two early printed editions, Syr., and Vulg. But others read "have not perceived". God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. 1. him that waiteth = the man who waited. Pent. (Gen. 32. 1). Ap. 92. that rejoiceth = who was rejoicing, &c. art wroth = wert, or wast wroth. sinned. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i. those is continuance = those [ways of Thine] is continuance. Same word as "since the beginning" in v. 4. Cp. 63. 9, 11, 16, 19.

redeemed them. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 15. 13). Ap. 92. bare them. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 19. 4. Deut. 1. 31; 32. 18). Cp. 46. 3, 4. Acts 13. 18. Ap. 92.

10 But they rebelled. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 15. 24. Num. 14. 11, 34). Ap. 92.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

Spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

and ^{he} fought = and He Himself fought. Some codices, with three early printed editions, read this "and" in the text.

11 shepherd. Many codices, with five early printed editions (one Rabbinic, 1517), and Vulg., read "shepherds". Referring either to Moses, Aaron, and Joshua; or, the pl. of Majesty, referring to Jehovah their Shepherd. Some codices, with four early printed editions, read "shepherd" (sing.).

put His holy Spirit, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 11. 17). Cp. Ex. 14. 31; 32. 11, 12. Num. 14. 13, 14. Ap. 92.

12 arm. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 15. 16). Ap. 92.

dividing the water. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 14. 21, the same word). Ap. 92.

everlasting name. See note on 44. 7.

14 As a beast goeth down = as the cattle go down. Referring to the settlement of Israel in Canaan.

63. 15-64. 12 (N, p. 1007). PRAYER OFFERED. (Extended Alternation.)

N | g | 63. 15. To look down.

h | 63. 16. "Our Father".

i | 63. 17. Sin.

k | 63. 18, 19. Desolation.

g | 64. 1-7. To come down.

h | 64. 8. "Our Father".

i | 64. 9. Sin.

k | 64. 10-12. Desolation.

15 habitation . . . Thy, &c. See note on "courts" (62. 9).

strength = mighty deeds.

sounding = yearning. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

16 Thou art our Father. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 6).

Father. A rare word in this connection. Cp. 64. 8. Redeemer. See note on 60. 16.

17 made us = suffered us.

hardened = let us harden.

Return. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 10. 36). Ap. 92.

18 The People of Thy holiness = Thy holy People. Fig. *Enallage* (Ap. 6). See note on Ex. 3. 5. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 7. 6; 26. 19).

19 We are [Thine]. There is no word for "Thine" in Heb. text. The Heb. accent (disjunctive) leaves a solemn hiatus between the two clauses; as though, what Israel had become could not be expressed by words: "We are come to this—Thou never barest rule over them"; implying an *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), to be supplied thus: "We are become [as they]".

they were not called by Thy name = Thy name was not called upon them.

64. 1 Oh, &c. Fig. *Euchē*. Ap. 6. Ch. 64 is joined to ch. 63 by the Massoretic pointing.

rend. A.V., ed. 1611, reads "rent".

flow down = quake. The reference is to Sinai in these verses. Cp. Ps. 68. 7, 8. Judg. 5. 4, 5.

at Thy presence. Note the Fig. *Epistrophē* (Ap. 6), used here for great emphasis.

2 melting. The Heb. word occurs only here, and is plural.

Thy name. See note on Ps. 20. 1.

3 When Thou didst terrible things. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 34. 10, same word).

4 since the beginning of the world = from of old. men have not heard. Quoted in 1 Cor. 2. 9. Cp. Ps.

5 Thou meetest him = Thou didst meet him. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 32. 1). Ap. 92.

that rejoiceth = who was rejoicing, &c. art wroth = wert, or wast wroth.

sinned. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i. those is continuance = those [ways of Thine] is continuance. Same word as "since the beginning" in v. 4. Cp. 63. 9, 11, 16, 19.

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6 But we are all as an unclean *thing*, and all our righteousnesses *are* as filthy rags; and we all do fade as a leaf; and our ^o iniquities, like the ^o wind, have taken us away.

7 And *there is* none that calleth upon ² Thy name, that stirreth up himself to take hold of Thee: for Thou ^o hast hid Thy face from us, and hast consumed us, because of our ^o iniquities.

h 8 But ^o now, O ^o LORD, ^o Thou *art* our Father; *we are* the clay, and Thou our Potter; and we all *are* the work of Thy ^o hand.

i 9 ^o Be not wroth very sore, O ^o LORD, neither ^o remember ^o iniquity for ever: behold, see, we beseech Thee, we *are* all Thy People.

k 10 Thy ^o holy cities are a wilderness, Zion is a wilderness, Jerusalem a ^o desolation.

11 Our ¹⁰ holy and our beautiful house, where our fathers ^o praised Thee, ^o is burned up with fire: and all our ^o pleasant things are laid waste.

12 Wilt Thou ^o refrain Thyself for these *things*, O ^o LORD? wilt Thou hold Thy peace, and afflict us very sore?

O Q (p. 1011) **65** I am sought of *them that* asked not *for Me*; ^o I am found of *them that* sought Me not: I said, ^o "Behold Me, behold Me," unto ^o a nation *that* was not called by My name.

2 I have ^o spread out My hands all the day unto a rebellious People, which walketh in a way *that* was not ^o good, after their own thoughts;

3 A People that ^o provoketh Me to anger continually to My face; ^o that sacrificeth in gardens, and ^o burneth incense ^o upon altars of brick;

4 Which remain among the ^o graves, and lodge in the ^o monuments, which ^o eat swine's flesh, and ^o broth of ^o abominable *things is* in their vessels;

5 Which say, "Stand by thyself, come not near to me; for I am holier than thou." "Thy ^o *are* a smoke in My ^o nose, a fire that burneth all the day.

6 ^o Behold, ^o it is written before Me: I will not keep silence, but ^o will recompense, even recompense into their bosom,

7 Your ^o iniquities, and the ^o iniquities of your fathers together," saith ^o the LORD, "which have ^o burned incense upon the mountains, and blasphemed Me upon the hills: therefore will I measure their former work into their bosom."

R 8 ^o Thus saith ^o the LORD, ^o "As the ^o new wine is found in the cluster, and *one* saith, 'Destroy it not; for a blessing *is* in it:' so will I do for ^o My servants' sakes, that I may not destroy them all.

9 And I will bring forth ^o a seed out of Jacob, and out of Judah an inheritor of My mountains: and Mine elect shall inherit it, and My servants shall dwell there.

10 And ^o Sharon shall be a fold of flocks, and

The first is 42. 5.

As = According as.

further reference to the new Israel. See notes on v. 1. with one early printed edition, and Sept., read "servant's" (sing.): i.e. Messiah (see note on 37. 35) = "for the sake of My servant".

66. 7, 8. Matt. 21. 43.

10 Sharon. See note on 33. 9.

6 iniquities. Heb. *'avāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

7 hast hid = hadst hidden. Cp. 45. 15; 53. 3; 54. 8;

57. 17; 59. 2. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 31. 17, 18, 20). Ap. 92.

8 now. A special various reading, called *Sevir* (Ap. 34), with some codices, two early printed editions, and Aram., read "Thou".

LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

Thou art our Father. See note on 63. 16.

hand. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "hands" (pl.).

9 Be not, &c. Continue not to be, &c.

remember = continue not to remember.

10 holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

desolation. Referring to the time of Matt. 23. 38; 24. 2.

11 praised. See note on "shall not", &c. (13. 10).

is burned up with fire. This prayer is proleptic; and is said now by anticipation of the then (and now still future) day of Israel's repentance and return to Jehovah.

pleasant things = goodly places, or vessels. Same word as in 2 Chron. 36. 19.

12 refrain Thyself: i.e. refuse to give way in compassion, &c. Cp. Gen. 43. 1; 45. 1. Isa. 42. 14; 63. 16.

65. 1-66. 24 (O, p. 1007). ANSWER. GIVEN. (*Extended Alternation.*)

O | Q | 65. 1-7. Contrasted characters.

R | 65. 8-10. Seed promised.

S | 65. 11-16. Threatening.

T | 65. 17-25. New heavens and new earth.

Q | 66. 1-6. Contrasted characters.

R | 66. 7-14. Seed brought forth.

S | 66. 15-18-. Threatening.

T | 66. -18-24. New heavens and new earth.

1 I am found, &c. Quoted in Rom. 10. 20, 21.

Behold Me. Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6. See note on 24. 16. a nation *that* was not called by My name. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 21), and to the Dispensation of the Acts. See the Structure of "the Song of Moses", p. 283.

2 spread out, &c. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

good = right. Cp. Ps. 36. 4.

3 provoketh Me to anger. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 21, the same word, though not the same form). Ap. 92.

that sacrificeth in gardens. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 17. 5). Cp. 1. 29; 57. 5. Jer. 2. 20. Ap. 92.

burneth. Heb. *kātar*. See Ap. 43. I. vii.

upon altars of brick = upon the bricks: i.e. not on the golden altar of incense.

4 graves = tombs. Heb. *keber*. Ap. 35.

monuments = secret places. Probably in heathen temples.

eat swine's flesh. Ref. to Pent., where this was forbidden (Lev. 11. 7. Deut. 14. 8). Ap. 92. Bones of swine were found at Gezer. See note on 1 Kings 9. 15.

broth. The reference is to a sacrificial feast of unclean food.

abominable things. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 7. 18; 19. 7). The Heb. word (*piggul*) is found only in Ezek. 4. 14, beside these passages. Ap. 92.

5 nose. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

6 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

it is written. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 32. 35. Lev. 26. Deut. 32). Ap. 92.

will recompense, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 35, the same word, and is unique in its occurrence). Ap. 92.

7 iniquities. Heb. *'avāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

8 Thus saith the LORD. Note the frequent occurrence of this expression in predicting these new things.

new wine. Heb. *tirōsh*. Ap. 27. ii. Here is

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the °valley of Achor a place for the herds to lie down in, for My People that have sought Me.

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11 But *ye* are they that °forsake °the LORD, that forget My °holy mountain, that prepare a table for °that troop, and that °furnish the drink offering unto °that number.

12 Therefore will I °number you to the sword, and ye shall all bow down to the slaughter: because when I called, ye did not answer; when I spake, ye did not hear; but did °evil before Mine eyes, and did °choose *that* wherein I delighted not."

13 Therefore thus saith °the Lord GOD, °"Behold, °My servants shall eat, but *ye* shall be hungry: °behold, °My servants shall drink, but *ye* shall be thirsty: °behold, °My servants shall rejoice, but *ye* shall be ashamed:

14 Behold, My servants shall sing for joy of heart, but *ye* shall cry for sorrow of heart, and shall howl for °vexation of °spirit.

15 And ye shall leave your name for a curse unto My chosen: for °the Lord GOD shall slay thee, and call His servants °by another name:

16 °That °he who blesseth himself in the earth shall bless himself in the °God of °truth; and he that sweareth in the earth °shall swear by the °God of °truth; because the former troubles are forgotten, and because they are hid from Mine eyes.

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17 For, °behold, I create °new heavens and a new earth: and °the former shall not be remembered, nor come into mind.

18 But be ye glad and rejoice °for ever *in that* which I create: for, behold, I create Jerusalem a rejoicing, and her People a joy.

19 And I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and joy in My People: and the voice of weeping shall be °no more heard in her, nor the voice of crying.

20 °There shall be °no more thence an infant °of days, nor an old man that hath not filled his days: for the °child shall die an hundred years old; but the sinner *being* an hundred years old shall be °accursed.

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21 And °they shall build houses, and inhabit *them*;

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and they shall plant vineyards, and eat the fruit of them.

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22 They shall not build, and another inhabit; they shall not plant, and another eat: for as the days of a tree *are* the days of My People, and Mine °elect shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

23 °They shall not labour in vain, nor bring forth for trouble; for *they* are the seed of the blessed of °the LORD, and their offspring with them.

24 And it shall come to pass, that °before they call, I will answer; and while *they* are yet speaking, I will hear.

25 The °wolf and the lamb shall feed °together, and the lion shall eat straw like the bullock: and °dust *shall be* °the serpent's meat. They shall not hurt nor destroy °in all My °holy mountain," saith °the LORD.

Cp. Prov. 20. 17.

the serpent's, &c. - as for the serpent, dust shall be his food: i.e. the Old Serpent (Rev. 20. 2), who brought in all the sin and misery to the world and to Israel, will then be bound (Rev. 20. 1-3), and he will lick the dust, the symbol of his humiliation, disappointment, and defeat. Referring to the Figs. used in Gen. 3. 14. See Ap. 19.

in all My holy mountain. See note on 11. 9.

valley of Achor. As in Hos. 2. 15. The only two references to the history of Josh. 7.

11 forsake. See note on 1. 4.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

that troop. Heb. *Gad*, the well-known Syrian god of "Fate".

furnish the drink offering = fill up the mixed wine. Heb. *mimṣak*. Ap. 27. vii. Cp. Jer. 7. 18; 44. 17.

that number. Heb. *m'ni*. Same as the god *Manu* (= Destiny) of the Assyrian inscriptions.

12 number = destroy. Heb. *mānithi*. Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6), with the name of the god, *M'ni*.

evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

choose. See note on 1. 29.

13 the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. Ap. 4. VIII (2), and II.

Behold, &c. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. Fig. *Symplokē*. Ap. 6. Luke 6. 25 refers to the period prophesied here.

My servants. Refers to the new Israel of 26. 2; 66. 7, 8. Matt. 21. 43.

14 vexation = breaking.

spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

15 by another name: i.e. Hephzi-bah. See 62. 4.

16 That = So that.

he who blesseth, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 22. 18; 26. 4). Ap. 92. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

truth - faithfulness. Cp. 2 Cor. 1. 20.

shall swear, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 6. 13). Ap. 92.

17 new heavens, &c.: i.e. new, in respect to the old. Not the "new" of 2 Pet. 3. 13, or Rev. 21. 1. Note the contrast of this with Rev. 21. 1:-

Isa. 65.

Name, Jerusalem (Hephzi-bah, v. 18).

Position, on mountain (v. 25).

Privileges, vv. 18-20.

Character, sinners there (v. 20).

" prayer (v. 24).

Employment, labour, planting, building (v. 21).

Rev. 21.

New Jerusalem (v. 2);

"great", "holy" (v. 10).

out of heaven (v. 2).

v. 4.

no sinners (v. 27).

no temple (v. 22).

already built by God (vv. 12-25; 22. 3-5).

the former = viz. those which were, and are now.

18 for ever. Chald. Targum renders it "in the world of worlds": i.e. the most glorious world.

19 no more heard. Therefore not the restoration of Ezra-Nehemiah, or the Church of God now.

20 There. Some codices read "And there".

of days: i.e. of a few days.

child shall die = youth may die: i.e. neither early death, nor premature decay.

accursed = cut off. Cp. Ps. 101. 8.

21 they shall build, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 16. Deut. 28. 41). Note the *Alternation* in vv. 21, 22 :-

21	1 21-. Houses. Build.	} Positive.
22	m -21. Vineyards. Plant.	
	l 22-. Houses. Not build.	} Negative.
	m -22-. Vineyard. Not plant.	

22 elect = chosen.

23 They shall not labour in vain. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 41, reversed). Cp. Lev. 26. 16. Ap. 92.

24 before they call, &c. A reference to 30. 19. The blessing of Messiah (Ps. 21. 3) now extended to the new Israel.

25 wolf, &c. As in 11. 6, 7, 9, which is Millennial, not eternal.

together = as one. Heb. *'echad*. Same word as "one" in Deut. 6. 4: i.e. one of others. Occurs in former part of Isaiah (4. 1; 5. 10; 6. 2, 6; 9. 14; 10. 17; 19. 18; 23. 15; 27. 12; 30. 17, 17; 34. 16; 36. 9); and, in the latter part (47. 9; 51. 2; 65. 25; 66. 8, 8, 17). See Ap. 79. II.

dust. Never was the serpent's food. It is used as a powerful Fig. of Speech, or Idiom, as in Ps. 72. 9.

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66 ° Thus saith ° the LORD, ° "The heaven is My throne, and the earth is My footstool: where is ° the house that ° ye build unto Me? and where is ° the place of My rest?"

2 For all those things hath Mine hand made, and all those things have been, ° saith ° the LORD: but to this man will I look, even to him that is ° poor and of a contrite ° spirit, and ° trembleth at My word.

3 He that killeth an ox is as if he slew a ° man; he that sacrificeth a lamb, as if he ° cut off a dog's neck; he that offereth an ° oblation, as if he offered ° swine's blood; he that ° burneth incense, as if he blessed an idol. Yea, they have ° chosen their own ways,

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and ° their soul delighteth in their abominations.

4 ¶ also will ° choose their delusions, and will bring their fears upon them;

because when I called, none did answer;

when I spake, they did not hear: but they ° did ° evil before Mine eyes,

and ° chose that

in which I delighted not.

5 Hear the word of ° the LORD, ye that ° tremble at His word; Your brethren that hated you, that cast you out for My name's sake, said, 'Let ° the LORD be glorified:' but He shall appear to your joy, and they shall be ashamed.

6 ° A voice of noise from the city, a voice from the temple, a voice of ° the LORD That ° rendereth recompence to His enemies.

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7 Before she travailed, ° she brought forth; before her pain came, she was delivered of ° a man child.

8 Who hath heard such a thing? ° who hath seen such things? Shall the earth be made to bring forth in one day? or shall ° a nation be born ° at once? for as soon as Zion travailed, she brought forth her ° children.

9 Shall ¶ bring to the birth, and not cause to bring forth?" saith ° the LORD: "shall ¶ cause to bring forth, and shut the womb?" ° saith thy ° God.

10 ° "Rejoice ye with Jerusalem, and be glad with her, all ye that love her: rejoice for joy with her, all ye that ° mourn for her:

11 That ye may suck, and be satisfied with the breasts of her consolations; that ye may milk out, and be delighted with the abundance of her glory.

12 For thus saith ° the LORD, ° Behold, I will extend ° peace to her like a river, and the glory of the ° Gentiles like a flowing stream: ° then shall ye suck, ye shall be borne upon her sides, and be dandled upon her knees.

13 As ° one whom his mother comforteth, so will ¶ comfort you; and ye shall be comforted ° in Jerusalem.

14 And ° when ye see this, your heart shall rejoice, and your bones shall flourish like an herb: and the hand of ° the LORD shall be known toward His servants, and His indignation toward His enemies.

15 For, ° behold, ° the LORD will come with fire, and with His chariots like a whirlwind,

66. 1 Thus saith the LORD. See Ap. 82. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. The heaven, &c. Quoted in Acts 7. 49. Cp. 1 Kings 8. 27. 2 Chron. 6. 18. the - this. Heb. *zeh*.

ye: i.e. the future builders of the house. the place of My rest: i.e. rest in satisfaction. The Temple was for sacrifice and atonement (2 Chron. 2. 6), not for dwelling. Cp. Acts 7. 48.

2 saith the LORD = [is] Jehovah's oracle. poor = wretched, or lowly. Heb. *'ānī*. See note on "poverty", Prov. 6. 11.

spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9. trembleth at = careth anxiously for. Cp. v. 5.

3 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

cut off = breaketh.

oblation = gift, or meal offering. Heb. *minchah*. Ap. 43. II. iii.

swine's blood. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 14. 8. Lev. 11. 7). See Ap. 92. Cp. 65. 4.

burneth incense = maketh a memorial of frankincense. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 2. 2). Ap. 92.

chosen. See note on 1. 29.

their soul = they. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

Note the *Introversion* beginning with the last clause of v. 3, and including v. 4:—

3, 4		n		-3. They delight, &c.	} The sin.	
		o		-4-. I also will choose, &c.		
		p		-4-. When I called, &c.		} The reason for the judgment.
		p		-4-. When I spake, &c.		
		o		-4-. They chose, &c.	} The sin.	
		n		-4-. I delighted not.		

4 did = have done.

evil = the evil. Heb. *rā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii.

6 A voice, &c. Cp. Zech. 12. 3-6; 14. 3. Cp. 42. 14. rendereth recompence. Cp. 65. 6.

7 she brought forth. This is the birth of the new nation. These are the "birth pangs" (or "sorrows") of Matt. 24. 8. In Rev. 12. 1, 2 we have one part of the type in the person of Messiah. Here is the other part of the type.

a man child = a male, as in Rev. 12. 5.

8 who. Some codices, with four early printed editions, Sept., and Vulg., read "and who".

a nation: i.e. the righteous nation of 26. 2. Referred to in v. 7. Matt. 21. 43.

at once = at a stroke. children = sons.

9 saith thy God. See note on 1. 11.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

10 Rejoice ye with Jerusalem. The promises, of 1. 27; 2. 1-5, are now at length to be fulfilled. mourn. As for one lost, or dead. See note on 3. 26.

12 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6), to introduce the Fig. *Synecrisis* (Ap. 6), to increase the emphasis.

peace = prosperity.

Gentiles = nations.

then shall ye suck. The promises of 49. 22 and 60. 4 are again renewed.

13 one = a man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

in Jerusalem. Not in the Church. Cp. 1. 1.

14 when ye see this = as soon as ye see this.

16 all flesh. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap. 6, for all mankind.

17 gardens. Cp. 1. 29; 40. 5, and 65. 3.

one tree: i.e. the *Asherah*. See Ap. 42.

and. The *Mugah* Codex (quoted in the *Massōrah*) and other codices, omit this "and".

to render His anger with fury, and His rebuke with flames of fire.

16 For by fire and by His sword will ° the LORD plead with ° all flesh: and the slain of ° the LORD shall be many.

17 They that sanctify themselves, and purify themselves in the ° gardens behind ° one tree in the midst, eating ° swine's flesh, ° and the

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°abomination, and the °mouse, shall °be consumed together, °saith °the LORD.

18 For I know their works and their °thoughts: it shall come,

T that °I will gather all nations and tongues; (p. 1011) and they shall come, and see My glory.

19 And I will set a °sign among them, and I will °send °those that escape of them unto the nations, to °Tarshish, °Pul, and °Lud, that draw the bow, to °Tubal, and °Javan, to the °isles afar off, that have not heard My fame, neither have seen My glory; and they shall declare My glory among the °Gentiles.

20 And they °shall bring all your brethren for °an offering unto °the LORD out of all nations

q upon horses,

r and in chariots, and in litters,

q and upon mules,

r and upon °swift beasts, to My °holy mountain Jerusalem," saith °the LORD, "as the °children of Israel °bring °an offering in a clean vessel into the house of °the LORD.

21 And I will also take of °them for °priests °and for Levites," saith °the LORD.

22 "For as the °new heavens and the new earth, which I will make, shall remain before Me," saith °the LORD, so shall your seed and your name remain.

23 And it shall come to pass, that from one °new moon to another, and from one °sabbath to another, shall °all flesh come to worship °before Me," saith °the LORD.

24 And they shall go forth, and look upon the carcases of the °men that have °transgressed against Me: for °their worm shall not die, neither shall their fire be quenched; and they shall be °an abhorring unto °all flesh."

23 new moon . . . sabbath. Ref. to Pent. and the law concerning them (Num. 10. 10; 28. 11-15). Ap. 92. Cp. Ps. 81. 3, 4. before Me. Ref. to Pent., implying centralised worship, as in Ex. 20. 3, 5. Deut. 26. 3, 5. Ap. 92. Cp. 1. 12.

24 men. Heb. pl. of 'enōsh. Ap. 14. III. transgressed. Heb. pāsha'. Ap. 44. ix. their worm. Quoted in Mark 9. 44. Referred by our Lord to Gehenna, of which the fires in the valley of Hinnom were an illustration. Heb. tōlā', the maggot bred from putrid substances. See Ex. 16. 20. Deut. 28. 39. Job 25. 6 (second word). Ps. 22. 6. Isa. 14. 11 (second word); 41. 14; 66. 24; and Jonah 4. 7, which are all the occurrences of tōlā' in O.T. In the synagogue use, v. 23 is repeated after v. 24, so that the book may end with comfort. Cp. end of Lamentations, Ecclesiastes, and Malachi.

an abhorring. The Heb. occurs only here.

abomination. Heb. shāqaz. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 7. 26). Occurs in Isaiah only here; Leviticus thirteen times (7. 21; 11. 10, 11, 11, 12, 13, 13, 20; 23. 41, 42, 43; 20. 25); and Ezek. 8. 10. Not the same word as in 65. 4. Ap. 92. mouse. Ref. to Pent., where it is forbidden (Lev. 11. 29). Ap. 92. Elsewhere, only in 1 Sam. 6. 4, 5, 11, 18. be consumed = come to an end.

18 thoughts = devices.

I will gather. Cp Joel 3. 2. Zeph. 3. 8.

19 sign. See note on 7. 11.

send: as missionaries.

those that escape: i.e. the remnant of saved Israel.

Tarshish. Put for the far west.

Pul . . . Lud = Phut . . . Lud, put for African peoples. They are mentioned together, as serving in the Egyptian armies (Ezek. 30. 5).

Tubal = the Scythian tribes.

Javan. Put for the Greeks settled in Asia Minor.

isles = maritime countries. See note on 11. 11.

20 shall bring. Not into the Church, but back to the Holy Land.

an offering = a gift offering. Heb. minchah. Ap. 43. II. iii.

swift beasts: carriages, as required by the Structure of v. 20:—

20 q | upon horses.

r | in chariots and litters.

q | upon mules.

r | in earriages.

"Swift beasts" is Heb. kirkāroth, from kārār, to move in a circle; hence, may mean (like English car) any vehicle on wheels. It is never used of animals. There is nothing to suggest "swaying furnaces", as suggested by some, to mean "locomotives".

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

as = according as.

children = sons.

bring an offering, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 2, &c.). Ap. 92.

21 them, i.e. Israel.

priests and for Levites. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 17. 9).

See notes on Ezek. 43. 19; 44. 10, 13, 15. Ap. 92.

priests. Thus completing the fulfilment of Ex. 19. 6.

and. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read this "and" in the text.

22 new heavens, &c. See note on 65. 17.

THE BOOK OF THE PROPHET JEREMIAH.

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For the CHRONOLOGICAL order of the Prophets, see Ap. 77.

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For references to the Pentateuch in the Prophets, see Ap. 92.

For the Canonical order of Jeremiah's prophecies, see below.

For the Chronological order of Jeremiah's prophecies, see Ap. 83.

For the Septuagint version of Jeremiah, see Ap. 84.

The prophecies of Jeremiah do not profess to be given in chronological order (see Ap. 83); nor is there any reason why they should be so given. Why, we ask, should modern critics first assume that they ought to be, and then condemn them because they are not?

It is the historical portions, which concern JEHOIAKIM (**D**) and ZEDEKIAH (**D**), that are chiefly so affected. And, Who was Jehoiakim that his history should be of any importance? Was it not he who "cut up the Word of Jehovah with a penknife, and cast it in the fire"? Why should not his history be "cut up"? ZEDEKIAH rejected the same Word of Jehovah. Why should his history be respected?

Secular authors take the liberty of arranging their own literary matter as they choose; why should this liberty be denied to the sacred writers? The fact that the canonical and chronological portions have each their own particular Structures, and that both are perfect, shows that both orders have the same Divine Author.

Jeremiah's prophecy is dated (1. 2, 3) as being "in the days of Josiah . . . in the thirteenth year of his reign. It came also in the days of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah . . . unto the end of the eleventh year of Zedekiah . . . unto the carrying away of Jerusalem captive in the fifth month."

The 13th year of Josiah was 518 B.C.

The 11th year of Zedekiah was 477 B.C.

Therefore the whole period covered by Jeremiah was 41 years, as shown in Ap. 50, pp. 60, 67, 68, and Ap. 77.

It is highly probable that this period was exactly *forty* years—the last probationary period (see Ap. 10) vouchsafed by Jehovah, before Jerusalem was destroyed and the Temple burnt.* But, as the month in the *thirteenth* year of Josiah, at which the Word first came to Jeremiah, is not stated, the whole period has to be shown as above, viz. 41 years.

Having regard to the *Formulae* of prophetic utterances (see Ap. 82), there appear to be some fifty-one distinct and clearly marked prophecies, commencing with some such formula as "The word of the Lord came", &c. It would have been well if the book could have been divided into fifty-one chapters (instead of fifty-two) so as to coincide with these. They commence as follows:—

I. 1. 4.	XIV. 21. 1.	XXVII. 34. 1.	XL. 45. 1.
II. 1. 11.	XV. 24. 4.	XXVIII. 34. 8.	XLI. 46. 1.
III. 1. 13.	XVI. 25. 1.	XXIX. 34. 12.	XLII. 46. 13.
IV. 2. 1.	XVII. 26. 1.	XXX. 34. 1.	XLIII. 47. 1.
V. 3. 6.	XVIII. 27. 1.	XXXI. 35. 12.	XLIV. 48. 1†.
VI. 7. 1.	XIX. 28. 12.	XXXII. 36. 1.	XLV. 49. 1†.
VII. 11. 1.	XX. 30. 1.	XXXIII. 36. 27.	XLVI. 49. 7†.
VIII. 13. 3.	XXI. 32. 1.	XXXIV. 37. 6.	XLVII. 49. 23†.
IX. 13. 8.	XXII. 32. 6.	XXXV. 39. 15.	XLVIII. 49. 28.
X. 14. 1.	XXIII. 32. 26.	XXXVI. 40. 1.	XLIX. 49. 34.
XI. 16. 1.	XXIV. 33. 1.	XXXVII. 42. 7.	L. 50. 1.
XII. 18. 1.	XXV. 33. 19.	XXXVIII. 43. 8.	LI. 51. 59.
XIII. 18. 5.	XXVI. 33. 23.	XXXIX. 44. 1.	

* Like the corresponding period of probation covered by the Acts of the Apostles, before the destruction of the second Temple.

† The Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) should be repeated in each of these passages, from 47. 1 ["The word of Jehovah came to Jeremiah the prophet] against", &c.

THE BOOK OF THE PROPHET JEREMIAH.

A A¹
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1 THE ° words of ° Jeremiah the son of ° Hil-
kiah, ° of the priests that were in ° Ana-
thoth in the land of Benjamin :

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2 To whom ° the ° word of ° the LORD came
in the days of ° Josiah the son of Amon king
of Judah, in the ° thirteenth year of his reign.

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3 ° It came also in the days of ° Jehoiakim the
son of Josiah king of Judah, unto the end of
the eleventh year of Zedekiah the son of Jo-
siah king of Judah, unto the carrying away
of Jerusalem captive in ° the fifth month.

B B C a

4 ° Then the ° word of ° the LORD came unto
me, saying,

5 "Before I formed thee in the belly ° I knew
thee; and before thou camest forth out of the
womb I ° sanctified thee, and I ordained thee
a prophet unto ° the nations."

6 Then said I, "Ah, ° Lord GOD! ° behold, ° I
cannot speak: for I am ° a child."

7 But ° the LORD said unto me, "Say not,
'I am ° a child:' for thou shalt go to all that
I shall send thee, and ° whatsoever I command
thee thou shalt speak.

b

8 ° Be not afraid of their faces:

D c

for I am with thee to deliver thee, ° saith ° the
LORD.

1. 1-3 (A, p. 1015). INTRODUCTION.
(Division.)

A

A¹	1. The Prophet.	His Person.
A²	2. The Prophet.	His Call. Its time.
A³	3. The Prophet.	His Ministry. Its duration.

1 words: or, prophecies (vv. 4, 9; 2. 1, 4, &c.). Cp. 86.
1, 2; but better "words", as the historic portions are
also Jehovah's words. Cp. Amos 1. 1.

Jeremiah. Heb. *y'irmēyāhū* = whom Jehovah raises
up, or launches forth.

Hilkiah. Not the high priest of that name, who was
of the line of Eleazar (1 Chron. 6. 4, 13); whereas
Anathoth belonged to that of Ithamar (1 Chron. 24.
3, 6). Cp. 2 Chron. 34.

of the priests. Beside Jeremiah, Nathan (1 Kings
4. 5), Ezekiel (1. 3), and probably Zechariah (1. 1) were
of priestly origin.

Anathoth. Now 'Anāta, three miles north-east of
Jerusalem. Jeremiah was persecuted there before he
prophesied in Jerusalem (11. 21; 12. 6). This prepared
him for later conflicts (cp. 12. 5, 6).

2 the word of the LORD came. It is remarkable
that, in the four longer prophets, this formula is almost
entirely confined to the two who were priests (Jeremiah
and Ezekiel). See Ap. 82. Cp. Gen. 15. 1. 1 Sam. 9. 27;
15. 10. 2 Sam. 7. 4; 24. 11. 1 Kings 12. 22. 1 Chron.
17. 3; 22. 8. 2 Chron. 11. 2; 12. 7. Ezek. 1. 3; 14. 12.
Hos. 1. 1. Joel 1. 1, &c.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

Josiah. Three kings named here and in v. 3. Two
others not named here (Jehoahaz and Jehoiachin), who
reigned only three months each (2 Kings 23. 31; 24. 8).

3 It came also in the days. See note

on Gen. 14. 1. the fifth month. The month that Jerusalem was destroyed (52. 12. 2 Kings 25. 3, 8).
After that, Jeremiah continued in the Land (40. 1; 42. 7); and, later, in Egypt (chs. 43, 44).

1. 4-19 (B, p. 1015). JEREMIAH'S COMMISSION GIVEN.
(Introversions and Alternations.)

B	B	C	a	4-7. Commission given.	} Command.		
				b		8-. "Be not afraid".	
				D		c	9-. "I am with thee".
				d		9, 10. "I have this day", &c.	} Encouragement.
				E		e	
B	C	a	f	12. Explanation.	} Mission.		
			E	e		13. Vision (seething pot).	
			f	14-16. Explanation.			
			B	C	a	17-. Commission given.	} Command.
b	-17. "Be not dismayed".						
D	d	18, 19-. "I have this day", &c.	} Encouragement.				
c	-19. "I am with thee".						

1. 4-10. Jeremiah's FIRST prophecy (see p. 1015).

4 Then: i.e. in the thirteenth year of Josiah. word. Sing., because referring to this special prophecy.

5 I knew. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for choosing. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 33. 12, 17). Ap. 92.
sanctified thee = set thee apart, or, hallowed thee. See note on Ex. 3. 5, and cp. John Baptist (Luke 1. 15-17);
Paul (Gal. 1. 15, 16); Samson (Judg. 13. 3).

the nations. This distinguishes Jeremiah from some

of the other prophets, and shows that the legend of his martyrdom is only legend. **6** Lord GOD.

Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See Ap. 4. viii (2), and II. behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6. I cannot
speak, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 4. 10). Ap. 92. This is true of all God's messengers. a child. Heb.

na'ar, a youth. Probably about Josiah's age; for he began to reign at 8 years of age, and 8 + 13 would make
him 21. But this refers more to inefficiency than to age. **7** whatsoever I command, &c. Ref. to Pent.
(Num. 22. 20). Ap. 92. **8** Be not afraid, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 3. 12; Deut. 31. 6). Ap. 92. Cp.

Ezekiel (Ezek. 2. 6); Paul (Acts 26. 17). saith the LORD = [is] Jehovah's oracle.

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2 ° "Go and cry in the ears of Jerusalem, saying, 'Thus °saith °the LORD; °I remember thee, the kindness of thy °youth, the love of thine espousals, °when thou wentest after Me in the wilderness, in a land *that was not sown*.

3 Israel *was* °holiness unto °the LORD, and °the firstfruits of His increase: all that °devour him shall °offend; °evil shall come upon them, °saith °the LORD.

4 Hear ye the word of °the LORD, O °house of Jacob, and all the families of °the house of Israel:

5 Thus saith °the LORD, °What °iniquity have your °fathers found in Me, that they are gone far from Me, and have walked after °vanity, and are °become vain?

6 Neither said they, 'Where *is* °the LORD That °brought us up out of the land of Egypt, That °led us through the wilderness, through a land of deserts and of pits, through a land of drought, and of the °shadow of death, through a land that no °man passed through, and where no °man dwelt?'

7 And I brought you into °a plentiful country, to eat the fruit thereof and the goodness thereof; but when ye entered, ye defiled My land, and made Mine heritage an abomination.

8 The priests said not, 'Where *is* °the LORD?' and °they that handle the law knew Me not: the °pastors also °transgressed against Me, and the prophets prophesied by Baal, and walked after *things that* °do not profit.

P 9 Wherefore I will yet °plead with you, °saith °the LORD, and with your °children's children will I plead.

N 10 For pass over the °isles of °Chittim, and see; and send unto °Kedar, and consider diligently, and see if there be such a thing.

11 Hath a nation changed *their* gods, which *are* yet no gods? but My people have changed °their glory for *that which* doth not profit.

12 °Be astonished, O ye heavens, at this, and be horribly afraid, be ye °very desolate, °saith °the LORD.

13 For My people have committed two °evils; they have forsaken Me the °fountain of living waters, and hewed them out °cisterns, broken cisterns, that °can hold no water.

14 *Is* Israel a °servant? *is* he a homeborn °slave? why is he °spoiled?

15 The young lions roared upon him, and yelled, and they made his land waste: his cities are burned without inhabitant.

2 Go and cry. Jeremiah continued to retain his connection with Anathoth (11. 21; 29. 27; 32. 7; 37. 12), though his mission was to Jerusalem.

2. 1-20. 18 (C, p. 1015). PROPHECIES ADDRESSED TO JEWS. JOSIAH. (*Alternation*.)

C F | 2. 1-12. 17. Proclamations.
G | 13. 1-17. 18. Symbols.
F | 17. 19-27. Proclamations.
G | 18. 1-20. 18. Symbols.

2. 1-12. 17 (F, above). PROCLAMATIONS. (*Introversions*.)

F H | 2. 1-3. 11. To Jerusalem. Espousals.
J | 8. 12-6. 30. Place. Toward the north.
J | 7. 1-10. 25. Place. In the Gate of the Temple.
H | 11. 1-12. 17. To Judah and Jerusalem. Covenant.

2. 1-3. 11 (H, above). TO JERUSALEM. ESPOUSALS. (*Introversions*.)

H K | 2. 1-3. Espousals.
L M | O | 2. 4-8. Call to hear. Remonstrance.
Past.
P | 2. 9. Pleading. Future.
N | 2. 10-28. Crimination. Idolatry.
L M | P | 2. 29, 30. Pleading. Future.
O | 2. 31, 32. Call to see. Remonstrance.
Past.
N | 2. 33-37. Crimination. Idolatry.
K | 3. 1-11. Adultery.

2 saith the LORD. See note on 1. 8.
I remember thee. The expression is used in *good part* Pss. 98. 3; 106. 45; 132. 1. Neh. 5. 19; 13. 14, 22, 31; but in *evil part* Pss. 79. 8; 137. 7. Neh. 6. 14; 13. 29. Probably both senses here: the good on Jehovah's part (v. 3. Hos. 11. 1; 2. 19, 20. Amos 2. 10); and the evil on Israel's part, for even in the wilderness Israel was unfaithful (Amos 5. 25, 26. Acts 7. 39-43).

youth. Cp. Ezek. 16. 8.
when. Cp. v. 6. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 2. 7; 8. 2, 16, 18). Cp. Neh. 9. 12-21. Isa. 63. 7-14.

3 holiness unto the LORD. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 19. 6). the firstfruits, &c., which were consecrated. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 23. 19. Deut. 18. 4; 26. 10). Ap. 92.

devour = devoured.
offend = be held guilty. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 4. 13, 22, 27; 5. 2, 3, 4, 5, 17, 19; 6. 4. Num. 5. 6, 7). Ap. 92.
evil = calamity. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii. See note on Isa. 45. 7.

4 house of Jacob. Occurs only here, and 5. 20, where it is "in the house of Jacob". The only other passage is Amos 3. 13.

the house of Israel. The *Massōrah* (Ap. 80), records that this expression occurs twenty times in Jeremiah (here; v. 26; 3. 18, 20; 5. 11, 15; 9. 26; 10. 1; 11. 10, 17; 13. 11; 18. 6, 6; 23. 8; 31. 27, 31, 33; 33. 14, 17; 43. 13).

5 What iniquity. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 4). Ap. 92. iniquity. Heb. *āvāl*. Ap. 44. iv. fathers. Not merely recently, but of old (v. 7. Judg. 2. 10, &c.).

vanity = the vanity. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for vain things: i. e. idols. Cp. 10. 3-10, 15; 14. 22; 16. 19, 20. Deut. 32. 21. Acts 14. 15. 1 Cor. 8. 4. become vain? Cp. 2 Kings 17. 15. Idolaters always become like the gods they worship. Cp. Pss. 115. 8; 135. 18. 6 brought us up. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 13. 27; 14. 7, 8. Deut. 6. 10, 11, 18). Ap. 92. led us.

Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 8. 14-16; 32. 10). Ap. 92. shadow of death = deep darkness. man. Heb. *'ish*.

Ap. 14. II. man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I. 7 a plentiful country = a country of garden land. Heb. the land of a Carmel. Cp. Isa. 33. 9; 35. 2.

8 they that handle the law. The law therefore well known, and the priests known as the custodians of it. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 10. 11. Deut. 17. 11; 33. 10). Ap. 92. pastors = shepherds. Used of kings and other leaders of the People. Cp. 17. 16; 23. 1-8. transgressed = revolted. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix. do not profit. Fig. *Tapētnosis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis = lead to ruin.

9 plead = argue, contend. children's children = sons' sons. 10 isles = coastlands, or maritime countries. Chittim. See note on Num. 24. 24. Kedar. In Arabia. Two names used to represent west and east outlanders. 11 their glory = His glory. This is one of the emendations of the *Sōpherim* (Ap. 33), by which the Heb. *kēbōdī* ("My glory") was changed to *kēbōdō* ("His glory"), out of a mistaken idea of reverence. 12 Be astonished. Fig. *Apostrophē*. Ap. 6. very desolate = dried up, or, devoid of clouds and vapours. 13 evils. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii. fountain = a well dug out, but having living water. cisterns = a hewn cistern, holding only what it receives. can hold no

water = cannot hold the waters. 14 servant? ... slave? They were treated as such by Assyria, and afterward by Egypt. spoiled = become a spoil.

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16 Also the °children of °Noph and °Tahapanes have broken the crown of thy head.

17 Hast thou not procured this unto thyself, in that thou hast forsaken °the LORD thy °God, when °He led thee by the way?

18 And now what hast thou to do in °the way of Egypt, to drink the waters of °Sihor? or what hast thou to do in the way of Assyria, to drink the waters of °the river?

19 Thine own °wickedness shall correct thee, and thy backslidings shall reprove thee: know therefore and see that *it is* an °evil thing and bitter, that thou hast forsaken °the LORD thy °God, and that My fear °is not in thee, °saith °the Lord GOD of hosts.

20 For of old time I have broken thy yoke, and burst thy bands; and thou saidst, °I will not °transgress; when upon every °high hill and under every °green tree thou wanderest, playing the harlot.

21 Yet I had planted thee a °noble vine, wholly a right seed: how then art thou turned into the degenerate plant of a °strange vine unto Me?

22 For though thou wash thee with °nitre, and take thee much °sope, yet thine °iniquity is °marked before Me, °saith °the Lord GOD.

23 How canst thou say, °I am not polluted, °I have not gone after °Baalim? see thy way in the valley, know what thou hast done: thou art a swift dromedary °traversing her ways;

24 A wild ass used to the wilderness, that snuffeth up the °wind at °her pleasure; in her occasion who can turn her away? all they that seek her will not weary themselves; in her month they shall find her.

25 Withhold thy foot from being unshod, and thy throat from thirst: but thou saidst, °There is no hope: no; for I have loved strangers, and after them will I go.

26 As the thief is ashamed when he is found, so is the house of Israel ashamed; they, °their kings, °their princes, and their priests, and their prophets,

27 Saying to a stock, °Thou art my father; and to a °stone, °Thou hast brought me forth: for they have turned their back unto Me, and not their face: but in the time of their trouble they will say, °Arise, and save us.

28 But °where are thy gods that thou hast made thee? let them arise, if they can save thee in the time of thy trouble: °for according to the number of thy cities are thy gods, O °Judah.

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29 Wherefore will ye plead with Me? ye all have °transgressed against Me, °saith °the LORD.

30 In vain have I smitten your °children; they received no correction: your own sword hath °devoured your prophets, like a destroying lion.

31 O °generation, see ye the word of °the LORD. Have I been a wilderness unto Israel? °a land of darkness? wherefore say My People, °We are lords; we will come no more unto Thee?

32 Can a maid forget her ornaments, or a bride her attire? yet My people have forgotten Me days without number.

16 Noph = Memphis, the capital of Lower Egypt, south of Cairo. Cp. 44. 1. Isa. 19. 13. Ezek. 30. 13, 16; 46. 14, 19.

Tahapanes. The Greek Daphnae, on the Pelusiac branch of the Nile. Cp. 43. 7, 11. See Ap. 87.

17 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

He led thee. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 12). Ap. 92.

18 the way of Egypt. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 17. 16). Sihor: i.e. the Nile.

the river: i.e. the Euphrates.

19 wickedness. Heb. *rā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii.

is not in thee—should not have pertained to thee.

the Lord GOD of hosts = Adonai (Ap. 4. VIII. 2), Jehovah (Ap. 4. II) of Sebaioth. This title occurs in this book six times (here; 46. 10, 10; 49. 5; 50. 25, 31). Ap. 79. II.

20 I will not transgress. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 19. 8). transgress. Heb. *'ābar*. A Homonym. Here = serve; elsewhere = transgress. Ap. 44. vii. Not the same word as in *vv.* 8, 29.

high hill . . . green tree. The places where the Asherah was worshipped. Ap. 42.

21 noble vine = choice, or precious vine. Heb. *sorēk*, as in Isa. 5. 2. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 49. 11). Ap. 92.

strange = foreign.

22 nitre: i.e. a mineral alkali. In Palestine a compound of soap.

sope = soap. The A.V., 1611, spelt "sope". Old Eng. spelling. Anglo-Saxon *sāpe*, from Lat. *sapo*, whence Fr. *savon*. Occurs only here, and in Mal. 3. 2.

iniquity. Heb. *'āvōn*. Ap. 44. iv.

marked = graven.

23 I have not gone. Some codices, with four early printed editions (one in marg.), Aram., Sept., and Syr., read, "and I have not gone", &c.

Baalim = lords. Used here for false gods generally, including Moloch. Cp. 7. 31; 19. 5; where Moloch is called Baal. traversing = entangling.

24 wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

her pleasure = her soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

26 their kings. Showing that Judah was still in the land, but in Jehoiakim's reign.

their princes. Some codices, with Sept. and Syr., read "and their princes", perfecting the Fig. *Poly-syndeton* (Ap. 6), emphasising all classes.

27 stone. Here fem., to agree with mother.

28 where . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 37, 38). Ap. 92.

for, &c. Fig. *Epitropē*. Ap. 6.

Judah. Cp. 11. 13.

30 devoured your prophets. See 1 Kings 18. 4, 13. 2 Kings 21. 16. 2 Chron. 24. 21. Cp. Matt. 23. 37. Luke 11. 47. Acts 7. 51, 52. 1 Thess. 2. 15.

31 generation. Once a chosen generation (Pss. 22. 30; 24. 6; 112. 2. Isa. 53. 8); now a perverse generation (7. 29. Deut. 32. 5. Ps. 78. 8). Cp. Matt. 3. 7; 11. 16; 12. 34, 39, 41-45; 16. 4; 17. 17.

a land of darkness: or, Is the land the darkness of Jah?

33 love. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the object loved. Cp. *v.* 23.

ones. Here "wicked" is Fem. = wicked women.

34 blood. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of the Subject), Ap. 6, for the guilt of bloodshedding.

souls. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

poor = helpless. Heb. *'ebyōn*. See note on Prov. 6. 11.

it: i.e. the guilt (of bloodshedding) on the "poor innocents".

these: i.e. these [thy skirts] which evidence it. Note the Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), in this verse. Cp. 22. 17.

33 Why trimmest thou thy way to seek °love? therefore hast thou also taught the °wicked °ones thy ways.

34 Also in thy skirts is found the °blood of the °souls of the °poor innocents: I have not found °it by secret search, but upon all °these.

35 Yet thou sayest, °Because I am innocent,

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surely His anger shall turn from me.' Behold, I will °plead with thee, because thou sayest, 'I have not °sinned.'

36 Why gaddest thou about so much to change thy way? thou also shalt be ashamed of Egypt, °as thou wast ashamed of Assyria.

37 Yea, thou shalt go forth from him, and °thine hands upon thine head: for °the LORD hath rejected thy confidences, and thou shalt not prosper in them.

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3 °They say, 'If a °man put away his wife, and she go from him, and become another man's, shall he return unto her again? shall not that land be greatly polluted?' 'but thou hast played the harlot with many lovers; °yet return again °to Me,' °saith °the LORD.

2 Lift up thine eyes unto the high places, and see where thou hast not been lien with. In the ways hast thou sat for them, as the Arabian in the wilderness; and thou hast polluted the land with thy whoredoms and with thy °wickedness.

3 Therefore the °showers have been °withholden, and there hath been no latter rain; and thou hadst a whore's °forehead, thou refusedst to be ashamed.

4 Wilt thou not from this time cry unto Me, 'My Father, Thou art the °Guide of my youth?'

5 Will He °reserve °His anger for ever? will He keep it to the end? Behold, thou hast spoken and done °evil things °as thou couldest."

6 °The LORD said also unto me °in the days of Josiah the king, "Hast thou seen that which backsliding °Israel hath done? she is gone up upon every high °mountain and under every green °tree, and there hath °played the harlot.

7 And I said after she had done all these things, °'Turn thou unto Me.' But she returned not. And her treacherous sister Judah saw it.

8 °And I saw, when for all the causes whereby backsliding °Israel committed adultery I had put her away, and °given her a bill of divorce; yet her treacherous sister Judah feared not, but went and °played the harlot also.

9 And it came to pass through the lightness of her whoredom, that she defiled the land, and committed adultery with °stones and with °stocks.

10 And yet for all this her treacherous sister Judah hath not turned unto Me with her whole heart, but °feignedly, °saith °the LORD."

11 And °the LORD said unto me, "The backsliding Israel hath °justified °herself more than treacherous Judah.

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12 Go and proclaim these words °toward the north, and say, 'Return, thou backsliding Israel, °saith °the LORD; and I will not °cause Mine anger to fall upon you:

S¹ for I am °merciful, °saith °the LORD, and I will not °keep °anger for ever.

T¹ 13 °Only acknowledge thine °iniquity, that thou hast °transgressed against °the LORD thy

was, and still is, the one condition of national blessing for Israel. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 40. 42). Ap. 92. iniquity. Heb. 'āvôn. Ap. 44. iv.

transgressed = rebelled. Heb. pāsha'. Ap. 44. ix.

35 plead = enter into judgment with. sinned. Heb. chātā'. Ap. 44. i.

36 as = according as.

37 thine hands upon thine head. The Eastern custom of expressing grief. Cp. 2 Sam. 13. 19.

3. 1 They say = [It is a common] saying. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 24. 1-4). Ap. 92. man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

yet return again to Me = yet [thinkest thou to] return, &c. It was contrary to the law of Deut. 24. 1-4. It will be the new Israel of Matt. 21. 43 of a yet future day. God never mends what man has marred. This is the lesson of the potter's house. See 18. 1-4.

to Me. See v. 7; 4. 1.

saith the LORD - [is] Jehovah's oracle.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 wickedness. Heb. rā'a'. Ap. 44. viii.

3 showers . . . withholden. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 19. Deut. 11. 17; 28. 23). Ap. 92.

forehead. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for impudence. 4 Guide = Friend.

5 reserve. Heb. natar. Occurs in Jer. only here and in v. 12 ("keep").

His anger. Fig. Ellipsis (Absolute). Ap. 6.

evil things = the evil things. Heb. rā'a', as in v. 2. as thou couldest: or, hast had thy way.

3. 6-4. 4. Jeremiah's Fifth prophecy. See p. 1015.

6 in the days of Josiah. This must be noted to understand the context.

Israel. Here refers to the Northern Kingdom. In Jeremiah it usually refers to the whole nation.

mountain . . . tree. Cp. 2. 20, and Hos. 4. 13.

played the harlot. The whole of this refers to idolatry, chiefly because of the uncleanness connected with the phallic worship of the Canaanitish nations.

7 Turn thou unto Me: or, "Unto Me she will return".

8 And I saw. In transcribing from the ancient characters, Aleph (א = a) was perhaps taken for Tau (ט = t), the two letters differing only in one minute stroke (Λ (-a) and (τ (=t)). This shows that the primitive reading was = "Though she saw". The Vulg. has preserved the ancient reading, which the R.V. has put in the margin.

given her a bill, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 24. 1). Ap. 92. Cp. Isa. 50. 1. Mark 10. 4.

9 stones . . . stocks. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the idols made from them.

10 feignedly = in falsehood. The reformation was Josiah's. The People's heart was not changed.

11 justified herself. Cp. Ezek. 16. 51, 52.

herself = her soul. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13.

3. 12-6. 30 (J, p. 1018). PLACE. TOWARD THE NORTH. (Division.)

J | Q¹ | 3. 12-4. 2. Israel.

| Q² | 4. 3-6. 30. Judah.

3. 12-4. 2 (Q¹, above). ISRAEL.
(Repeated and Extended Alternation.)

Q ¹	R ¹ 3. 12-. Call to return.	} Command.
	S ¹ 3. -12. Reason.	
	T ¹ 3. 13. Conditions.	
R ² 3. 14-. Call to return.		
	S ² 3. -14-18. Reason.	} Obedience.
	T ² 3. 19-21. Conditions.	
R ³ 3. 22-. Call to return.		
	S ³ 3. -22-25. Return. Reason.	
	T ³ 4. 1, 2. Conditions.	

12 toward the north = toward the Northern Kingdom of Israel.

cause Mine anger to fall upon you. Heb. cause My face, or countenance, to fall. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Effect), Ap. 6, for the anger manifested by it. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 4. 5, 6). merciful = gracious, favourable. keep. See note on "reserve", v. 5.

13 Only acknowledge, &c. This, from the first.

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° God, and hast ° scattered thy ways to the ° strangers under ° every green tree, and ye have not obeyed My voice, ° saith ° the LORD.

R² 14 ° Turn, O backsliding children, ° saith ° the LORD;

S² i for I am ° married unto you: and I will take you one of a city, and two of a ° family, and I will bring you to Zion:

15 And I will give you ° pastors according to Mine heart, which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding.

k 16 And it shall come to pass, when ye be multiplied and increased in the land, ° in those days, ° saith ° the LORD, ° they ° shall say no more, ° ‘The ark of the covenant of ° the LORD:’ neither shall it come to mind: neither shall they remember it; neither shall they ° visit it; ° neither shall that be done any more.

k 17 ° At that time they shall ° call Jerusalem the ° throne of ° the LORD; and ° all the nations shall be gathered unto it, to ° the name of ° the LORD, to Jerusalem: neither shall they walk any more after the ° imagination of their ° evil heart.

i 18 ° In those days ° the house of Judah shall ° walk with ° the house of Israel, ° and they shall ° come ° together out of the land of the north to the land that I have given for an inheritance unto your fathers.

T² 19 But I said, ‘How shall I put thee among the ° children, and give thee ° a pleasant land, a goodly heritage of the hosts of nations?’ and I said, ‘Thou shalt call Me, My Father; and shalt not turn away from Me.’

20 Surely as a wife treacherously departeth from her ° husband, so have ye dealt treacherously with Me, O ° house of Israel, ° saith ° the LORD.

21 A voice was heard upon ° the high places, weeping and supplications of the ° children of Israel: ° for they have perverted their way, and they have forgotten ° the LORD their ° God.

R³ 22 Return, ye backsliding ° children, and I will heal your backslidings.”

S³ ° Behold, we come unto Thee: for Thou art ° the LORD our ° God.

23 ° Truly ° in vain is salvation hoped for from the hills, and from the multitude of mountains: ° truly in ° the LORD our ° God is the salvation of Israel.

24 For ° shame hath devoured the ° labour of our fathers from our youth; their flocks and their herds, ° their sons and their daughters.

25 We lie down in our shame, and our confusion covereth us: for we have ° sinned against ° the LORD our ° God, we and our fathers, from our youth even unto this day, and have not obeyed the voice of ° the LORD our ° God.

in vain, &c. - as certainly as the hills [have proved] false, so truly is the salvation of Israel with our God. The “hills” and “mountains” are put by the Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for the idolatry practised on them. Cp. Ezek. 18. 6, 11, 15. 24 shame = the shameful thing, “shame” being put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6, for the *Asherah* labour. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, their sons. Some codices, with two early printed editions, Aram., Sept., and Syr., read “and their”, thus completing the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), to emphasise the completeness of the Restoration.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. scattered thy ways = gone hither and thither. strangers = foreigners.

every green tree. Referring to the worship of the *Asherah* (Ap. 42).

14- Turn = Return, as in vv. 12, 22.

3. -14-18 (S², p. 1020). THE REASON. (*Introversion*.)

S² i | -14, 15. Restoration.

k | 16. The Symbol. No longer the Ark.

k | 17. The Reality. The Throne.

i | 18. Restoration.

-14 married = am become your husband. This will be the result of the Restoration here promised. family. Probably a family, or group of cities.

15 pastors. Lit. shepherds; but used in Jeremiah of kings, priests, and prophets, who were the guides of the people. See 2. 8; 3. 15; 10. 21; 23. 1, 2, 4; 25. 34; 35. 36.

16 in those days: i.e. the days of the Restoration spoken of in vv. -14, 15. Cp. 31. 38-40; 33. 13.

they: i.e. those who return. shall say no more, ‘The ark’, &c. The ark was still in the land in the days of this prophecy (2 Chron. 35. 3); but it was to disappear with the broken covenant, of which it was the symbol.

The ark of the covenant of the LORD. Ref. to Pent. (see notes on Ex. 25. 22). Ap. 92. Cp. note on 1 Chron. 13. 3).

visit it. This is conclusive of the fact that it was burnt together with the Temple (as it is not included in the excepted things, in 2 Kings 25. 9, 13-15), notwithstanding the Jewish tradition recorded in 2 Macc. 2. 4-8, and the impossible stories of its being taken over to North Africa, Constantinople, or Ireland.

neither shall that be done, &c. = neither shall it be made any more. It disappeared together with the covenant, of which it was the symbol (8. 19; 12. 7. Ps. 132. 13, 14). The reason follows in v. 17. Jehovah's throne will be substituted for it: the reality will take the place of the symbol. Jehovah Himself will take the place of the Shekinah.

17 At that time. Referring to the future Restoration (“k” answering to “k” of v. 16).

call Jerusalem, &c. Cp. Ps. 87. 2-7. Isa. 60. 1; 65. 18; 66. 7-13, 20.

throne. Cp. 14. 21. 1 Sam. 2. 8. Ps. 47. 8 with Matt 25. 31 and Zeph. 3. 8.

all the nations. This shows that the prophecy refers to the yet future Restoration. Cp. 1. 5, 10.

the name, &c. See note on Ps. 20. 1.

imagination = stubbornness. The word is used eight times by Jeremiah, but is found nowhere else outside the Pentateuch, except in Ps. 81. 12. Cp. 7. 24. The ref. to Pent. is in Deut. 29. 19. See Ap. 92.

evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

18 In those days. Still referring to the future Restoration.

the house of Judah. This expression occurs eleven times in this book: here; 5. 11; 11. 10, 17; 12. 14; 13. 11; 22. 6; 31. 27, 31; 33. 14; 36. 3. walk with = go unto.

the house of Israel. See note on 2. 4.

and they shall - that they may. come = enter.

together: or, at the same time. 19 children = sons. a pleasant land. Heb. a land of desire: i.e. to be desired.

20 husband = guide, or friend, as in v. 4. 21 the high places = the places where they had sinned. Cp. v. 2. for = because.

22 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6), to mark the confession that will be made “in those days”.

23 Truly = Thus continuing her confession.

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25 sinned. Heb. *chāta'*. Ap. 44. i.

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4 "If thou wilt °return, O °Israel, °saith the LORD, °return unto Me: and if thou wilt put away thine abominations out of My sight, °then shalt thou not remove.

2 And °thou shalt swear, °The LORD liveth, °in truth, in judgment, and in righteousness; and the nations shall bless themselves in Him, and in Him shall they glory.

Q² U¹ W
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3 For thus saith °the LORD to the °men of Judah °and Jerusalem, Break up your fallow ground, and sow not among thorns.

4 °Circumcise yourselves to °the LORD, and take away the foreskins of your heart, ye men of Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem: lest My fury come forth like fire, and burn that none can quench it, because of the °evil of your doings.

X **5** °Declare ye in °Judah, and °publish in Jerusalem; and °say, °Blow ye the trumpet in the land: °cry, gather together, and say, °Assemble yourselves, and let us go into the defenced cities.

6 °Set up the °standard toward Zion: °retire, °stay not: for °I will bring °evil from the north, and a great °destruction.

7 °The lion is come up from his thicket, and the destroyer of the °Gentiles is on his way; he is gone forth from his place to make thy land desolate; and thy cities shall be laid waste, without an inhabitant."

W I **8** For this gird you with sackcloth, lament and howl:

m for the fierce anger of °the LORD is not turned back from us.

9 "And it shall come to pass at that day, °saith °the LORD, that the °heart of the °king shall perish, °and the °heart of the °princes; °and the °priests shall be astonished, °and the °prophets shall wonder."

10 Then said I, "Ah, °Lord GOD! surely Thou hast °greatly deceived this People and Jerusalem, saying, 'Ye shall have peace; whereas the sword reacheth unto the °soul.'"

11 At that time shall it be said to this People and to Jerusalem, "A dry °wind of the high places in the wilderness toward the daughter of My People, not to fan, nor to cleanse,

12 Even a full °wind from those places shall come unto Me: now also will °I give sentence against °them."

13 Behold, he shall come up as clouds, and his chariots shall be as a whirlwind: his horses are swifter than eagles. Woe unto us! for we are spoiled.

I **14** "O Jerusalem, wash thine heart from °wickedness, that thou mayest be saved. How long shall thy vain thoughts lodge within thee?

m **15** For a voice declareth °from Dan, and publisheth affliction from °mount °Ephraim.

16 Make ye mention to the nations; behold, publish against Jerusalem, that watchers come from a far country, and give out their voice against the cities of Judah.

17 As keepers of a field, are they against her round about; because she hath been rebellious against Me, °saith °the LORD.

18 Thy way and thy doings have procured

4. 1 return. Note the Fig. *Cycloides*. Ap. 6. Israel. Now referring to the northern kingdom.

saith the LORD=[is] Jehovah's oracle.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

then shalt thou not remove=and stray not [from Jehovah]. Cp. 2. 22-26; 3. 2.

2 thou shalt swear. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 10, 20).

in truth, in judgment, and in righteousness. Fig. *Hendiadris* (Ap. 6)=truly, yea, justly and righteously, the three referring to the one thing, "shalt swear".

4. 3-6. 30 (Q², p. 1020). JUDAH.

(Repeated Alternation.)

Q² U¹ | 4. 3-31. Warning. Threatenings. Alarm.

V¹ | 5. 1-31. Investigation.

U² | 6. 1-9. Warnings. Threatenings. Alarm.

V² | 6. 10-21. Investigation.

U³ | 6. 22-26. Warnings. Threatenings. Alarm.

V³ | 6. 27-30. Reprobation.

4. 3-31 (U¹, above). WARNINGS. THREATENINGS. ALARM. (Alternation.)

U¹ | W | 3, 4. Call to repentance.

X | 5-7. Alarm.

W | 8-18. Call to repentance.

X | 19-31. Alarm.

3 men. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

and Jerusalem. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., and Syr., read "and the inhabitants of Jerusalem", as in v. 4.

4 Circumcise. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 10. 16; 30. 6). Ap. 92. Spiritual circumcision in the O.T. is confined to these three passages.

evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

5 Declare . . . publish . . . say. Cp. 46. 14; 50. 2.

Judah. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6, for Judah and Benjamin.

Blow ye. Heb. text reads, "And blow ye": but Heb. marg., and some codices, with three early printed editions, Aram., Sept., and Syr., read without the "And". This is followed by A.V. and R.V.

6 Set . . . retire . . . stay. All plural standard. A.V. of 1611 had "standards" (pl.).

evil = calamity. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

destruction: or, breaking up.

7 The lion = A lion. Fig. *Hypocatastasis* (Ap. 6), not Simile or Metaphor. Put thus for the king of Babylon. Contrast 49. 19. See note there.

Gentiles = nations.

4. 8-18 (W, above). CALL TO REPENTANCE. (Alternation.)

W | 1 | 8-. Call.

m | -8-13. Reason.

I | 14. Call.

m | 15-18. Reason.

9 heart. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for courage.

king . . . princes . . . priests . . . prophets. All had become false and corrupt since Josiah's day.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), emphasising each of the four.

10 Lord GOD! Heb. Adonai Jehovah. Ap. 4. VIII (2), and II.

greatly deceived. Heb. idiom for declaring that they would be deceived: i.e. by the false prophets who prophesied peace.

soul. Heb. *nephes*. Ap. 13.

11 wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

12 them. A special various reading called "*Sevir*" (Ap. 34) reads "her".

14 wickedness. Heb. *rāsha'*. Ap. 44. x.

15 from Dan . . . Ephraim. The enemy would enter the Land from the north, as he afterward did. mount = hill country of.

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these *things* unto thee; this is thy ¹⁴ wickedness, because it is bitter, because it reacheth unto thine heart."

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19 °My bowels, °my °bowels! I am pained at °my °very heart; my °heart maketh a noise in me; I cannot hold my peace, because °thou hast heard, O my ¹⁰soul, the sound of the trumpet, the alarm of war.

20 Destruction upon destruction is cried; for the whole land is spoiled: suddenly are my tents spoiled, and my °curtains in a moment.

21 How long shall I see the standard, and hear the sound of the trumpet?

22 For My people *is* foolish, they have not °known Me; they are °sottish °children, and they have none understanding: they are wise to do °evil, but to do good they have no knowledge.

23 °I beheld the earth, and, °lo, it was °without form, and void; and the heavens, and they had no °light.

24 °I beheld the mountains, and, lo, they trembled, and all the hills moved lightly.

25 °I beheld, and, lo, there was no °man, and all the birds of the heavens were fled.

26 °I beheld, and, lo, the fruitful place was a wilderness, and all the cities thereof were broken down °at the presence of °the LORD, °and by His fierce anger.

27 For thus hath °the LORD said, "The whole land shall be desolate; °yet will I not make a full end.

28 For this shall the earth mourn, and the heavens above be black: because I have spoken it, °I have purposed it, and will not repent, neither will I turn back from it.

29 The whole °city shall flee for the noise of the horsemen and bowmen; they shall go into thickets, and climb up upon the rocks: °every city shall be forsaken, and not a °man dwell therein.

30 And when °thou art spoiled, what wilt thou do? Though thou clothest thyself with crimson, though thou deckest thee with ornaments of gold, though thou °rentest thy °face with painting, in vain shalt thou make thyself fair; thy lovers will despise thee, they will seek thy °life.

31 For I have heard a voice as of a woman in travail, and the anguish as of her that bringeth forth her first child, the voice of the daughter of Zion, that bewaileth herself, that spreadeth her hands, saying, 'Woe is me now! for my ¹⁰soul is wearied because of murderers.'

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5 Run ye to and fro through the °streets of Jerusalem, and see now, and know, and seek in the °broad places thereof, °if ye can find a °man, if there be any that executeth judgment, that seeketh the truth; and °I will pardon it.

2 And though they say, °'The LORD liveth'; surely they swear falsely."

3 O °LORD, are not Thine eyes upon °the truth? Thou hast stricken them, but they °have not grieved; Thou hast consumed them, but they have refused to receive correction: they have made their faces harder than a rock; they have refused to return.

4 Therefore I said, "Surely these are °poor;

19 My bowels. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. Note the Fig. *Hypotyposis*, vv. 19-31 ("X"). Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6, for the emotions which produce and affect their movement.

bowels . . . very heart . . . heart. Note the Fig. *Anabasis*. Ap. 6. See note below.

my very heart = the walls of my heart. thou hast. Heb. text reads "I have"; but marg. and some codices, with three early printed editions, and R. V. marg., read "thou hast", as in A. V.

20 curtains. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for tents, in which a large proportion of the people lived (2 Sam. 18. 17. 1 Kings 8. 66). Cp. 10. 20.

22 known = acknowledged. sottish = stupid. Probably from Celtic. Breton *sôt*, or *sôd* = stupid.

children = sons. evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

23 I beheld. Note the Fig. *Anaphora* (Ap. 6), commencing this and the three following verses.

10. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

without form, and void. Heb. *tohū va-bohū*. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 1. 2). Occurs only here. Ap. 92. In Isa. 34. 11, the two words are in another connection. Cp. also Isa. 45. 18.

25 man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

26 at = because of.

and by. Some codices, with five early printed editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "and because of".

27 yet will I not make a full end. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 44). Ap. 92. Cp. 5. 10, 18.

28 I have purposed it, and, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 23. 19). Ap. 92.

29 city. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for its inhabitants.

every = all, as in preceding clause.

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

30 thou. Fig. *Prosopopœia* (Ap. 6). Put for idolatrous Israel. An adulterous woman.

rentest = enlargest (with paint).

face = eyes. life = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

5. 1-31 (V¹, p. 1022). INVESTIGATION. (Repeated Alternation.)

V ¹	Y ¹	1-5. Incrimination.
	Z ¹	6. Threatening. Invasion. (Fig.)
	Y ²	7, 8. Incrimination.
	Z ²	9. Threatening. Vengeance.
	Y ³	10-13. Incrimination.
	Z ³	14-19. Threatening. Invasion. (Lit.)
	Y ⁴	20-28. Incrimination.
	Z ⁴	29-31. Threatening. Vengeance.

1 streets = out places, or outskirts.

broad places = market, or open places of concourse. if ye can find. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 18. 26, &c.). Ap. 92.

Points to reign of Jehoiakim rather than that of Josiah. man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

I will pardon. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 18. 24-32). Ap. 92.

2 The LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

3 the truth = faithfulness. The same word as in v. 1. have not grieved = have felt no pain.

4 poor = become poor, or impoverished, reduced in means. Heb. *dal*. See note on "poverty", Prov. 6. 11.

judgment = justice. God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

5 altogether = together, or with one accord.

6 evenings = deserts.

they are foolish: for they know not the way of °the LORD, nor the °judgment of their °God.

5 I will get me unto the great men, and will speak unto them; for they have known the way of °the LORD, and the judgment of their °God: but these have °altogether broken the yoke, and burst the bonds.

6 Wherefore a lion out of the forest shall slay them, and a wolf of the °evenings shall spoil them, a leopard shall watch over their cities:

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every one that goeth out thence shall be torn in pieces: because their °transgressions are many, and their °backslidings are °increased."

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7 "How shall I pardon thee for this? thy °children have °forsaken Me, and °sworn by them that are no gods: when I had °fed them to the full, they then °committed adultery, and assembled themselves by troops in the harlots' houses.

8 They were as fed horses °in the morning: every one neighed after his neighbour's wife.

Z²

9 ° Shall I not visit for these things? °saith °the LORD: and shall not °My soul °be avenged on such a nation as this?

Y³

10 Go ye up upon her walls, and destroy; but make °not a full end: take away her battlements; for they are not °the LORD's.

11 For °the house of Israel and °the house of Judah have dealt very treacherously against Me, °saith °the LORD.

12 They have °belied °the LORD, and said, 'It is not He; neither shall °evil come upon us; neither shall we see sword nor famine:

13 And the °prophets shall become °wind, and the word is not in them: thus shall it be done unto them.

Z³

14 Wherefore thus saith °the LORD God of hosts, Because ye speak this word, behold, I will make My words in thy mouth fire, and this people wood, and it shall devour them.

15 °Lo, °I will bring °a nation upon you from far, O °house of Israel, °saith °the LORD: it is a mighty nation, it is an °ancient nation, a nation whose language thou knowest not, neither °understandest what they say.

16 Their quiver is as an open sepulchre, they are all mighty men.

17 And °they shall eat up thine °harvest, and thy bread, which thy sons and thy daughters should eat: °they shall eat up thy flocks and thine herds: °they shall eat up thy vines and thy fig trees: they shall °impoverish thy fenced cities, wherein thou °trustedst, with the sword.

18 Nevertheless in those days, °saith °the LORD, I will °not make a full end with you.

19 And it shall come to pass, when ye shall say, °Wherefore doeth °the LORD our °God all these things unto us?' then shalt thou answer them, 'Like as ye have °forsaken Me, and served °strange gods in your land, so shall ye serve °strangers in a land that is not yours.'

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20 °Declare this °in the house of Jacob, and °publish it in Judah, saying,

21 'Hear now this, O foolish people, and without °understanding; which have eyes, and see not; which have ears, and hear not;

22 Fear ye not Me? °saith °the LORD: will ye not tremble at My presence,

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Which have placed the sand for the bound of the sea by a perpetual decree, that it cannot pass it: and though the waves thereof toss themselves, yet can they not prevail; though they roar, yet can they not pass over it?

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23 But this People hath a revolting and a rebellious heart; they are revolted and gone.

transgressions = revolts. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix.

backslidings = apostasies.

increased = strong, or many.

7 children = sons. forsaken Me. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 15, 21). Ap. 92.

sworn. Cp. v. 2.

fed them to the full. So in many codices, with two early printed editions, Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg.; but some codices, with five early printed editions, read "made them swear".

committed adultery. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 20. 14. Deut. 5. 18). Ap. 92. The usual formula for idolatry.

8 in the morning: i.e. roaming at large.

9 Shall I not visit . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

saith the LORD = [is] Jehovah's oracle.

My soul = I Myself, for emphasis. Heb. *nepheš*. Ap. 13. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

be avenged = avenge herself. Cp. v. 29; 9. 9.

10 not a full end. Cp. v. 18, and 4. 27.

11 the house of Israel. See note on 2. 4.

the house of Judah. See note on 2. 4.

12 belied = acted deceitfully against. Cp. Josh. 24. 27.

evil = calamity. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

13 prophets: i.e. Jeremiah, and others with him. See one in ch. 26. 20. wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

14 the LORD God of hosts. Heb. Jehovah the Elohim of Zebaoth. Occurs in Jeremiah only here, 15. 16; 35. 17; and 49. 5.

15 Lo. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

I will bring. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 49). Ap. 92.

a nation: i.e. the Chaldeans, but not yet named as such. ancient. Cp. Gen. 10. 10.

understandest = hearest. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for what is understood. Cp. 1 Cor. 14. 2.

17 they shall eat up. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 16). Ap. 92. Repeated three times by Fig. *Anaphora* (Ap. 6), for great emphasis.

harvest, &c. Note the similar enumeration in Hab. 3. 17.

impoverish = beat down. Only again in Mal. 1. 4.

trustedst = confidedst. Heb. *batah*. Ap. 69. I.

19 Wherefore . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 29. 24, 26). Ap. 92.

strange . . . strangers = foreign . . . foreigners, or aliens.

5. 20-28 (Y⁴, p. 1023). INCRIMINATION. (Extended Alternation.)

Y⁴

n | 20-22-. Call to fear God.

o | -22. On account of His power.

p | 23. Rebellion in heart.

n | 24-. Call. Refused.

o | -24. Notwithstanding His bounty.

p | 25-28. Rebellion in acts.

20 Declare . . . publish. Cp. 4. 15. in the house of Jacob. Only here, and Amos 3. 13, with the Prep. "in". See note on 2. 4.

21 understanding. Heb. "heart".

24 That giveth rain. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 11. 14).

both = even. Some codices omit this word.

the appointed . . . harvest. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 8. 22).

25 iniquities. Heb. *āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

sins. Heb. *chata'*. Ap. 44. i. good = the good (sing.).

26 wicked. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

24 Neither say they in their heart, 'Let us now fear °the LORD our °God,

°That giveth rain, °both the former and the latter, in his season: He reserveth unto us °the appointed weeks of the °harvest.'

25 Your °iniquities have turned away these things, and your °sins have withholden °good things from you.

26 For among My People are found °wicked men: they lay wait, as he that setteth snares; they set a trap, they catch men.

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27 As a cage is full of birds, so are their houses full of deceit: therefore they are become great, and waxen rich.

28 They are °waxen fat, they shine: yea, they overpass the deeds of °the wicked: they judge not the cause, the cause of °the fatherless, °yet they prosper; and the right of °the needy do they not judge.

Z⁴ (p. 1023) 29 °Shall I not visit for these things? saith °the LORD: °shall not °My soul °be avenged on such a nation as this?

30 °A wonderful and horrible thing is committed in the land;

31 The prophets prophesy falsely, and the priests bear rule °by their means; and My People love to have it so: and what will ye do in the end thereof?""

U² (p. 1022) 6 O ye °children of °Benjamin, gather yourselves to °flee out of the midst of Jerusalem, and °blow the trumpet in °Tekoa, and set up °a sign of fire in °Beth-haccerem: for °evil appeareth out of the °north, and great °destruction.

2 I have likened the °daughter of Zion to a comely and delicate °woman.

3 The °shepherds with their flocks shall come unto her; they shall pitch their tents against her round about; they shall feed every one in his place.

4 °Prepare ye war against her; arise, and let us go up °at noon. °Woe unto us! for the day goeth away, for the shadows of the evening are stretched out.

5 Arise, and let us go by night, and let us destroy her palaces.

6 For thus hath °the LORD of hosts said, "Hew ye down trees, and °cast a mount against Jerusalem: this is the city to be visited; she is wholly oppression in the midst of her.

7 As a °fountain casteth out her waters, so she casteth out her °wickedness: violence and spoil is heard in her; before Me continually is grief and wounds.

8 Be thou instructed, O Jerusalem, lest °My soul depart from thee; lest I make thee desolate, a land not inhabited."

9 Thus saith °the LORD of hosts, "They shall thoroughly glean the remnant of Israel °as a vine: turn back thine hand as a grapegatherer into the baskets.

V² q (p. 1025) 10 To whom shall I speak, and °give warning, that they may hear? °behold, their °ear is uncircumcised, and they cannot hearken: behold, the word of °the LORD is unto them °a reproach; °they have no delight in it.

r 11 Therefore I am full of the fury of °the LORD; I am weary with holding in: I will pour it out upon the °children abroad, and upon the assembly of young men together: for even the husband with the wife shall be taken, the aged with him that is full of days.

12 And their houses shall be °turned unto others, with their fields and wives together: for I will stretch out My hand upon the inhabitants of the land, °saith °the LORD.

But other codices, with three early printed editions, read "and they". Heb. 'al. 12 turned unto others. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 30).

28 waxen fat. Ref. to Pent. (the same word as in Deut. 32. 15). Ap. 92.

the wicked = a lawless one. Heb. *rāsha'*. Ap. 44. x. the fatherless = an orphan.

yet they prosper: or, that they [the fatherless] should prosper. Fig. *Ellipsis*. Ap. 6. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 10. 18; 24. 17; 27. 19). Ap. 92.

the needy = needy ones.

29 Shall I not . . . ? Note the repeated Fig. *Erotēsis*, in the form of Fig. *Anaphora*. Ap. 6.

30 A wonderful = An astounding.

31 by their means. Prophets were raised up when the priests failed in their duty. Now they had become in accord with them. Cp. 23. 25, 26. Ezek. 13. 6, &c.

1 children = sons.

Benjamin. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap. 6, for the whole of Judah, on account of their close connection with the Gibeathites (Judg. 19. 16. Hos. 9. 9; 10. 9).

flee out. In 4. 6 it was "flee to". Now Jerusalem itself is to be taken.

blow . . . Tekoa. Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. Heb. *bithkō'ah* . . . *tiķ'u*.

Tekoa. Now *Khan Tekū'a*, five miles south of Bethlehem, ten from Jerusalem.

a sign of fire = a fire-signal.

Beth-haccerem = house of the vineyards. Not identified. Conder suggests such a house at 'Ain Karīm.

evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

north. Because the armies from Assyria entered the land from the north. See note on 3. 12.

destruction = fracture, or damage, as in v. 14.

2 daughter. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the helpless inhabitants.

woman. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 23. 56). Ap. 92.

3 shepherds: i.e. the Chaldean armies. See 3. 15.

4 Prepare, &c. = Prosecute a holy war.

at noon. In the heat of the day, when most are resting. Cp. 15. 8. Song 1. 7. Isa. 32. 2. See 2 Sam. 4. 5.

Woe unto us, &c. See note on 15. 8.

6 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

the LORD of hosts = *Jehovah Zēbbaiōth*, the first of thirty-nine occurrences of this title in Jeremiah (6. 6, 9; 8. 3; 9. 7, 17; 10. 16; 11. 17, 20, 22; 19. 11; 20. 12; 23. 16, 16, 36; 25. 8, 28, 29, 32; 26. 18; 27. 18, 19; 29. 17; 30. 8; 31. 35; 32. 18; 33. 11, 12; 46. 18; 48. 16; 49. 7, 26, 35; 50. 33, 34; 51. 5, 14, 19, 57, 58).

cast a mount = pour out: i.e. the earth from baskets to make a mount.

7 fountain. Heb. *bōr* = a well, bored or hewn out. Cp. 2 Sam. 23. 15, 16. 1 Chron. 11. 17. See note on Gen. 21. 19.

wickedness. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

8 My soul = I myself. Heb. *nephes̄h*. Ap. 13.

9 as a vine. Here, and in 8. 13, one Codex (Harley, 5720, B.M., Lond.) reads, "on the vine".

6. 10-21 (V², p. 1022). INVESTIGATION.

(Extended Alternation.)

V² q | 10. Sin. (Part.) Insensibility.

r | 11, 12. Threatening. Captivity.

s | 13-15-. General corruption.

t | -15. Threatening. Fall.

q | 16, 17. Sin. (Part.) Disobedience.

r | 18, 19. Threatening. Retribution.

s | 20. General corruption.

t | 21. Threatening. Fall.

10 give warning = testify.

behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

ear is uncircumcised. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 6. 12, 30. Lev. 26. 41). Ap. 92. Fig. *Catachresis* (Ap. 6). An ear not brought into the covenant.

a reproach. Note the fate of Jehovah's word in the down-grade of Jeremiah's days. In 6. 10 a reproach; in 8. 9, rejected; in 17. 15, scoffed at; in 23. 36, perverted. they. So the *Mugah* Codex quoted in the *Massōrah*.

11 children = a young child. saith the LORD = [is] Jehovah's oracle.

S 13 For from the least of them even unto the greatest of them every one is given to °covetousness; and from the prophet even unto the priest every one dealeth falsely.

14 They have healed also the °hurt °of the daughter of My People slightly, saying, °Peace, peace; when there is no peace.

15 Were they ashamed when they had committed abomination? nay, they were not at all ashamed, neither °could they blush:

t therefore they shall fall among them that fall: at the time that I visit them they shall be cast down," saith °the LORD.

q 16 Thus saith °the LORD, °"Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the °old paths, where is the °good way, and walk therein, and ye shall °find rest for °your souls. But they said, 'We will not walk therein.'

17 Also I set watchmen over you, saying, °Hearken to the sound of the trumpet.' But they said, 'We will not hearken.'

r 18 Therefore hear, ye nations, and know, O °congregation, what is among them.

19 Hear, O earth: behold, I will bring °evil upon this People, even the fruit of their thoughts, because they have not hearkened unto My words, nor to °My law, but rejected it.

s 20 To what purpose cometh there to Me °incense from °Sheba, and the sweet cane from a far country? your burnt offerings are °not acceptable, nor your sacrifices sweet unto Me.

t 21 Therefore thus saith °the LORD, °Behold, I will lay stumblingblocks before this people, and the fathers and the sons together shall fall upon them; the neighbour and his friend shall perish.

U³ (p. 1022) 22 Thus saith °the LORD, °Behold, a people cometh from the north country, and a great nation shall be raised from °the sides of the earth.

23 They shall lay hold on bow and spear; they are cruel, and have no mercy; their voice °roareth like the sea; and they ride upon horses, set in array as °men for war against thee, O °daughter of Zion."

24 We have heard the fame thereof: our hands wax feeble: anguish hath taken hold of us, and pain, as of a woman in travail.

25 Go not forth into the field, nor walk by the way; for the sword of the enemy and °fear is on every side.

26 O daughter of My people, gird thee with sackcloth, °and wallow thyself in ashes: make thee mourning, as for an only son, most bitter lamentation: for the spoiler shall suddenly come upon us.

V³ 27 I have set thee for a °tower and °a fortress among My people, that thou mayest know and °try their °way.

28 They are all grievous revolters, walking with slanders: they are °brass and iron; they are all corrupters.

29 The bellows are burned, the lead is consumed of the fire; the °founder melteth in vain: for the °wicked are not plucked away.

30 °Reprobate silver shall men call them, because °the LORD hath °rejected them.

13 covetousness. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 18. 21). Ap. 92.

14 hurt. Same word as "destruction" (v. 1). of the daughter. Some codices, with four early printed editions, read these words in the text.

Peace, peace. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. See note on Isa. 26. 3.

15 could they = knew they how to.

16 Stand ye, &c. A gracious appeal to avoid the threatened calamity, as in 2. 2.

old paths. Cp. 18. 15.

good = right.

find rest. Cp. Matt. 11. 29, 30; where a like invitation and promise is given to those who will "learn". Following likewise on a preceding threatening of judgment. Cp. Deut. 28. 65.

your souls = yourselves (emphatic). Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

17 Hearken = Give ye heed. Some cod., with two early printed editions, read "And (therefore) give ye heed".

18 congregation = assembly (in its civil aspect). Heb. *edah*, a technical Pentateuchal word. First occurrence in Ex. 12. 3, 6, 19, 47. Used technically of Israel, fifteen times in Exodus; twelve in Leviticus; eighty-three times in Numbers. Found in the prophets only here; 80. 20; and Hos. 7. 12 (ref. to Pent.). Ap. 92.

19 evil = calamity. Heb. *ra'at*. Ap. 44. viii.

My law. Ref. to Pent. Note that "words" and "law" are put alternatively.

20 incense = frankincense. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap. 6, for the whole incense of which it was an ingredient.

Sheba. In the south of Arabia.

not acceptable. Cp. Isa. 1. 11-15.

22 the sides, &c. Idiom for a great distance.

23 roareth = will roar. Cp. Isa. 5. 29, 30.

men. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II.

25 fear is on every side = terror is round about. Cp. 20. 3, 10; 46. 5; 49. 29. Lam. 2. 22.

26 and. Some codices, with five early printed editions, omit this "and".

27 tower = watchtower; or, an assayer.

try = assay (as an assayer of metals).

way. Some codices read "heart".

28 brass and iron. Not silver and gold. Cp. Ezek. 22. 18.

29 founder melteth = refiner refineth.

30 Reprobate . . . rejected. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). Heb. *nim'as* . . . *ma'as*: i.e. rejected (silver) . . . rejected (them). Cp. Isa. 1. 22. Ezek. 22. 18.

7. 1-10. 25 (J, p. 1018). PLACE. IN GATE OF THE TEMPLE. (Alternation, and Introversion.)

J	A	C		7. 1-28. Exhortation.
		D		7. 29-8. 13. Call for lamentation.
		B		8. 14-9. 9. Invasion.
	A	D		9. 10-26. Call for lamentation.
		C		10. 1-16. Exhortation.
		B		10. 17-25. Expulsion.

Jeremiah's Sixth prophecy (see p. 1015).

7. 1-28 (C, above). EXHORTATION. (Alternation.)

C	E		1, 2. Proclamation.
	F		3-26. Disobedience.
	E		27, 28-. Proclamation.
	F		-28. Disobedience.

1 came. The danger attending this message is shown in ch. 26. Cp. 7. 2 with 26. 2; 7. 3 with 26. 13; 7. 12-14 with 26. 4-6. Ch. 26 was in the beginning of the reign of Jehoiakim, probably his fourth year. Ch. 26 is the historical appendix of ch. 7.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

7 The word that °came to Jeremiah from °the LORD, saying,

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2 "Stand ° in the gate of ¹ the LORD'S house, and proclaim there this word, and say, 'Hear the word of ¹ the LORD, ° all ye of Judah, that enter in at these gates to worship ¹ the LORD.

F G¹ H¹
(p. 1027)

3 Thus saith ° the LORD of hosts, the ° God of Israel, 'Amend your ways and your doings, and I will cause you to dwell in this place.

v¹

4 ° Trust ye not in lying words, saying, ° 'The temple of ¹ the LORD, ° The temple of ¹ the LORD, ° The temple of ¹ the LORD, are these.'

H²

5 For if ye thoroughly amend your ways and your doings; if ye thoroughly execute judgment between a ° man and his neighbour;

J² v²

6 If ye oppress not the ° stranger, the fatherless, and the widow, and shed not ° innocent blood in this place, neither walk after ° other gods to your hurt:

u²

7 ° Then will I cause you to dwell in this place, in the land that I gave to your fathers, ° for ever and ever.

H³

8 ° Behold, ye ° trust in lying words, that cannot profit.

9 Will ye ° steal, murder, and commit adultery, and swear falsely, and burn incense unto Baal, and walk after other gods whom ye know not;

J³ v³

10 And ° come and stand before Me in this house, ° which is called by My name, and say, 'We are delivered to do all these abominations'?

11 ° Is this house, which is called by My name, become a den of robbers in your eyes? ° Behold, even I have seen it, ° saith ¹ the LORD.

u³

12 But go ye now unto My place which was ° in Shiloh, ° where I set My name at the first, and see ° what I did to it for the ° wickedness of My People Israel.

13 And now, because ye have done all these works, ¹¹ saith ¹ the LORD, and I spake unto you, ° rising up early and speaking, but ye heard not; and I called you, but ye answered not;

14 Therefore will I do unto *this* house, which is called by My name, wherein ye ° trust, and unto the place which I gave to you and to your fathers, ° as I have done to ¹² Shiloh.

15 And I will cast you out of My sight, as I have cast out all your brethren, *even* ° the whole seed of Ephraim.'

16 Therefore pray not thou for this People, neither lift up cry nor prayer for them, neither ° make intercession to Me: for I will not hear thee.

H⁴

17 Seest thou not what they do in the cities of Judah and in the streets of Jerusalem?

18 The ° children gather wood, and the fathers kindle the fire, and the women knead *their* dough, to ° make cakes to the ° queen of heaven, and to pour out drink offerings unto other gods, that they may provoke Me to anger.

19 Do they ° provoke Me to anger? ¹¹ saith ¹ the LORD: *do they not provoke themselves to the confusion of their own faces?*

J⁴ v⁴

20 Therefore thus saith ° the Lord ° GOD; ° Behold, Mine anger and My fury shall be poured out upon this place,

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upon ° man, and upon beast, and upon the

2 in the gate: i.e. in the fore-court. The proclamation has the Temple and its frequenters for its subject. all ye of Judah—all Judah.

7. 3-26 (F, p. 1026). DISOBEDIENCE. (Division.)

F | G¹ | 3-20. Incrimination. (Shiloh.)
G² | 21-26. Incrimination. (Egypt.)

7. 3-20 (G¹, above). INCRIMINATION. (SHILOH.) (Repeated Alternation and Introversion.)

G ¹	H ¹	3-. Ways and Doings.
	J ¹	u ¹ -3. Land.
		v ¹ 4. Temple.
H ²		5. Ways and Doings.
	J ²	v ² 6. Temple.
		u ² 7. Land.
H ³		8, 9. Ways and Doings.
	J ³	v ³ 10, 11. Temple.
		u ³ 12-16. Land.
H ⁴		17-19. Ways and Doings.
	J ⁴	v ⁴ 20-. Temple.
		u ⁴ -20. Land.

3 the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel. This title occurs thirty-four times in Jeremiah (7. 3, 21; 9. 15; 16. 9; 19. 3, 15; 25. 15, 27; 27. 4, 21; 28. 2, 14; 29. 4, 8, 21, 25; 31. 23; 32. 14, 15; 35. 13, 18, 19; 38. 17; 39. 16; 42. 15, 18; 43. 10; 44. 2, 11, 25; 46. 25; 48. 1; 50. 18; 51. 33). God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

4 Trust=Confide. Heb. *bāṭah*. Ap. 69. I.

The temple of the LORD. Note the Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6), for great emphasis, to exhibit the fanaticism common to all idolaters.

5 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

6 stranger, the fatherless, and the widow. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 24. 17). Ap. 92.

innocent blood. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 19. 10). Ap. 92. See note on Isa. 59. 7.

other gods. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 20. 3. Deut. 6. 14; 8. 19, &c.). Ap. 92.

7 Then will I cause, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 4. 40). for ever and ever. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Whole), Ap. 6, for an age-abiding duration.

8 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

9 steal, murder, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 20. 7-15).

10 come = [still] come.

which is called, &c. = whereon My name was called.

11 Is this house . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. This passage used by our Lord, just as Isa. 56. 7 was in Matt. 21. 13. Mark 11. 17. Luke 19. 46.

saith the LORD - [is] Jehovah's oracle.

12 in Shiloh. Now *Seilun*. Cp. 26. 6, 9; 41. 5.

where I set . . . at the first. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 12. 5, 11, &c.). Ap. 92. Cp. 1 Sam. 4. 4.

what I did to it. See 1 Sam. 4. 11, and cp. 25. 6.

wickedness. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

13 rising up early and speaking. This phrase is almost peculiar to Jeremiah, where it occurs eleven times (7. 13, 25; 11. 7; 25. 3, 4; 26. 5; 29. 19; 32. 33; 35. 14, 15; 44. 4). Occurs elsewhere only in 2 Chron. 36. 15.

14 as = according as.

15 the whole seed of Ephraim. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap. 6, for the ten tribes which were already in captivity. The trouble recorded in ch. 27 proves that this prediction was spoken.

16 make intercession. Cp. 11. 14; 14. 11.

18 children = sons. make: or, offer.

queen. Some codices, with two early printed editions, read "worship", which is put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6, for the goddess to whom the worship was offered. See 19. 13; 44. 19; and cp. 2 Kings 21. 3, 5; 23. 12, 13.

19 provoke. Note the Fig. *Ploke* (Ap. 6), by which the one word implies a second meaning. "Do they provoke Me . . . ? No: they bring on themselves" the judgments of Jehovah. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 21).

20 the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. Ap. 4. viii (2), and II. man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

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trees of the field, and upon the fruit of the ground; and it shall burn, and shall not be quenched."

G² w (p. 1028) 21 Thus saith ³ the LORD of hosts, the ³ God of Israel; "Put your burnt offerings unto your °sacrifices, and eat flesh.

22 For °I spake not unto your fathers, nor commanded them in the day that I brought them out of the land of Egypt, °concerning burnt offerings or ²¹ °sacrifices:

x 23 But °this thing commanded I them, saying, °Obey My voice, and I will be your ³ God, and ye shall be My people: and walk ye in all the ways that I have commanded you, that it may be well unto you.'

24 But they hearkened not, nor inclined their ear, but walked in the counsels and in the °imagination of their evil heart, and went backward, and not forward.

w 25 Since the day that °your fathers came forth out of the land of Egypt unto this day I have even sent unto you all My servants the prophets, daily ¹³ rising up early and sending them:

x 26 Yet they hearkened not unto Me, nor inclined their ear, but hardened their neck: they did worse than their fathers.

E (p. 1026) 27 Therefore thou shalt speak all these words unto them; but they will not hearken to thee: thou shalt also call unto them; but they will not answer thee.

28 But thou shalt say unto them,

F 'This *is* °a nation that °obeyeth not the voice of ¹ the LORD their ³ God, nor receiveth °correction: °truth is perished, and is cut off from °their mouth.'

D k¹ (p. 1028) 29 °Cut off thine hair, O °Jerusalem, and °cast it away, and take up a lamentation on °high places; for ¹ the LORD hath rejected and forsaken the generation °of His wrath.

30 For the ¹⁸ children of Judah have done °evil in My sight, ¹¹ saith ¹ the LORD: they have set their abominations °in the house °which is called by My name, to pollute it.

31 And they have built the °high places of °Tophet, which *is* in the valley of the son of °Hinnom, to °burn their sons and their daughters in the fire; °which I commanded °them not, neither °came it into My heart.

L¹ M y 32 Therefore, ⁸ behold, the days come, ¹¹ saith ¹ the LORD, that it shall no more be called ³¹ Tophet, nor the valley of the son of ³¹ Hinnom, but the valley of °slaughter:

z for they shall bury in ³¹ Tophet, till there be no place.

a 33 And °the carcasses of this People shall be meat for the fowls of the heaven, and for the beasts of the earth; and none shall °fray them away.

M y 34 Then will I cause to cease from the cities of Judah, and from the streets of Jerusalem, °the voice of mirth, and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride:

z °for the land shall be desolate.

7. 21-26 (G², p. 1027). INCRIMINATION. (EGYPT.) (Alternation.)

G² w | 21, 22. Command.
x | 23, 24. Disobedience.
w | 25. Command.
x | 26. Disobedience.

21 Put = Add.

sacrifices. Heb. *zābāch*. Ap. 43. I. iv.

22 I spake not . . . concerning . . . sacrifices. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 15. 26; 19. 5), which was *before any law was given*. This vindicates the passage from modern criticism. Cp. Lev. 26. 3-13, and 1 Sam. 15. 22, with Ps. 50. 8, 9; 51. 16, 17; Isa. 1. 11-17. Hos. 6. 6. Amos 5. 21-24. Mic. 6. 6-8. Matt. 9. 13; 12. 7; 23. 23.

23 this thing . . . Obey, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 3 13). Ap. 92.

24 imagination. See note on 3. 17.

25 your fathers came forth, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 12-15). Ap. 92.

28 a = the. obeyeth = hearkeneth to. correction: or instruction, or discipline. truth = fidelity, or veracity.

their. The Babylonian Codex reads "your".

7. 29-8. 13 (D, p. 1026). CALL FOR LAMENTATION. (Repeated Alternation.)

D K¹ | 7. 29-31. Incrimination. Pollution of Temple.
L¹ | 7. 32-8. 3. Threatening. Slaughter.
K² | 8. 4-9. Incrimination. Impenitence.
L² | 8. 10, 11. Threatening. Dispossession.
K³ | 8. 12-. Incrimination. Effrontery.
L³ | 8. -12, 13. Threatening. Fall. Cast down.

29 Cut off thine hair. A symbol of mourning. Jerusalem: or, supply "daughter of My People". Cp. 8. 11, 19, 21, 22; 9. 1, 7. The verb is fem. (sing.). cast it away. Showing the completeness of the operation.

high places. As such. Cp. 3. 21.

of. Gen. of Relation. Ap. 17. 5. Cp. Rom. 8. 36.

30 evil. Heb. *rā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii.

in the house. Note the enormity of the evil.

which is called by My name = whereon My name was called.

31 high places. Idolatrous places. Not the same word as v. 29.

Tophet. In the valley of the son of Hinnom (2 Kings 23. 10. Isa. 30. 33. Jer. 19. 6, 11-14).

Hinnom. Now *Wādī er Rabābeh* (Josh. 15. 8; 18. 16. 2 Kings 23. 10. 2 Chron. 28. 3; 33. 6. Neh. 11. 30).

burn. This shows the result of passing them through the fire.

which I commanded them not. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 17. 3; 18. 10. Lev. 18. 21). Ap. 92. Note the sin of adding to God's commands and words.

them. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Sept., and Syr., read this "them" in the text. Cp. 32. 35. came = ascended. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), Ap. 6, for coming into the mind.

7. 32-8. 3 (L¹, above). THREATENING. (SLAUGHTER.) (Extended Alternation.)

L¹ M | y | 7. 32-. Cessation of name.
z | 7. -32. Reason. } Temple.
a | 7. 33. Carcasses unburned. }
M | y | 7. 34-. Cessation of joy.
z | 7. -34. Reason. } Land.
a | 8. 1-3. Bones unburned. }

32 slaughter. Cp. 19. 6; 12. 3. Zech. 11. 4, 7. Occ. only in Jeremiah and Zechariah.

33 the carcasses, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 26).

fray = frighten: from Fr. *effrayer*.

34 the voice of mirth, &c. This refrain is peculiar to Jeremiah. Occurs four times (here; 16. 9; 25. 10; 33. 11) ("joy").

for the land shall be desolate. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 31, 33, the same word "desolate"). Ap. 92.

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8 At that time, °saith °the LORD, they shall bring out the °bones of the kings of Judah, °and the bones of his princes, °and the bones of the priests, °and the bones of the prophets, °and the bones of the inhabitants of Jerusalem, out of their graves:

2 ¹And they shall spread them before the sun, and the moon, °and all the host of heaven, whom they have loved, °and whom they have served, °and after whom they have walked, °and whom they have sought, °and whom they have worshipped: they shall °not be gathered, nor be buried; they shall be for dung upon the face of the earth.

3 And death shall be chosen rather than life by all the residue of them that remain of this °evil family, which remain in all the places whither I have driven them, ¹saith ¹the LORD of hosts."

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4 Moreover thou shalt say unto them, "Thus saith ¹the LORD; 'Shall they fall, and not arise? shall °he turn away, and not return?'

5 Why *then* is this People of Jerusalem slidden back by a perpetual backsliding?

^{c¹}

they hold fast deceit, they refuse to return.

6 I hearkened and heard, *but* they spake not aright: °no °man repented him of his °wickedness, saying, 'What have I done?' every one turned to his course, as the horse rusheth into the battle.

7 Yea, the stork in the heaven °knoweth her appointed times; and the °turtle and the crane and the swallow observe the time of their coming; but My People °know not the judgment of ¹the LORD.

^{b²}

8 How do ye say, *we are* wise, and the law of ¹the LORD *is* with us?'

^{c²}

°Lo, certainly in vain made He *it*; the pen of the scribes *is* in vain.

9 The wise *men* are ashamed, they are dismayed and taken: °lo, they have °rejected the word of ¹the LORD;

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and what wisdom *is* in them?

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10 Therefore will I °give their wives unto others, *and* their fields to them that shall °inherit *them*: for every one from the least even unto the greatest is given to covetousness, °from the °prophet even unto the °priest every one dealeth falsely.

11 For they have healed the °hurt of the daughter of My people slightly, saying, °Peace, peace; when *there is* no peace.

^{K³}

12 Were they ashamed when they had committed abomination? nay, they were not at all ashamed, neither °could they blush:

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therefore shall they fall among them that fall: in °the time of their visitation they shall be cast down, ¹saith ¹the LORD.

13 I will °surely consume them, ¹saith ¹the LORD: *there shall be* no grapes °on the vine, nor figs on the fig tree, and the leaf °shall fade; and °the things that I have given them shall pass away °from them."

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14 Why do °we sit still? assemble yourselves, and let us enter into the defenced cities, and let us be silent there: for ¹the LORD our °God

8. 1 saith the LORD = [is] Jehovah's oracle, the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

bones. Note the Fig. *Repetitio* (Ap. 6), for emphasis, and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), to emphasise each class as responsible for the corruption and apostasy.

2 and. Particularising here the details of the idolatry, not be gathered. Cp. 2 Sam. 21. 13.

3 evil. Heb. *rā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii.
saith the LORD of hosts. See note on 6. 6. Cp. 1 Sam. 1. 3.

8. 4-9 (K², p. 1028). INCRIMINATION. IMPENITENCE. (*Repeated Alternation*.)

K² | b¹ | 4, 5-. Question.
c¹ | -5-7. Answer.
b² | 8-. Question.
c² | -8-9-. Answer.
b³ | -9. Question.

4 arise = rise up again.

he turn away, and. The *Massōrah* (vol. II, p. 54, Ginsburg's edition) calls attention to the fact that of the two words represented by "turn" and "and", the first letter of the second word belongs to the first word; so that this latter will read "shall they return [to Him], and He not return [to them]?" It is the same word (in Heb.) in both clauses.

6 no man. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Genus), Ap. 6 = scarcely any. man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II. Cp. 5. 1.

wickedness. Heb. *rā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii.

7 knoweth. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the effect of acting on the knowledge.

turtle = turtle-dove. **8** Lo. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

9 rejected. The second of four downward steps. See note on 6. 10.

10 give their wives unto others. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 30). Ap. 92.

inherit = seize; or, to their dispossessors. from. Some codices, with two early printed editions, and Syr., read "and from".

prophet... priest. The former, raised up on account of the failure of the latter, now of one accord.

11 hurt = breach.

Peace, peace = perfect peace. Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6. Cp. 6. 14 and Isa. 26. 3.

12 could they blush. See note on 6. 15.
the time of their visitation. A phrase ("time" or "year") used eight times in Jeremiah (8. 12; 10. 15; 11. 23; 23. 12; 46. 21; 48. 44; 50. 27; 51. 18). Nowhere else, except Isa. 10. 3. Hos. 9. 7. Mic. 7. 4, until our Lord used it in Luke 19. 44.

13 surely consume them. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). Heb. *'asōph 'āšiphēm*.

on the vine. See note on 6. 9.

shall fade = is withered.

the things... from them: or, I have appointed them those that shall pass over them.

8. 14-9. 9 (B, p. 1026). INVASION. (*Alternation*.)

B | N¹ | 8. 14-16. The Prophet. Sorrow.
O¹ | 8. 17. Jehovah. Threatening.
N² | 8. 18. The Prophet. Sorrow.
O² | 8. 19. Jehovah. Threatening.
N³ | 8. 20-9. 9. The Prophet. Sorrow.

14 Why...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Vv. 14-16 spoken by the prophet, not the People. They were being threatened for not doing what is here spoken of, vv. 12, 13. Moreover, v. 15 is spoken by Jeremiah in 14. 19, which is an earlier passage, chronologically.

we: i.e. the prophet to the People.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. 1.

silence. Fig. *Ploke* (Ap. 6), the word being used in a different sense.

water of gall = poppy water; = poisoned water.

sinned. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

hath put us to °silence, and given us °water of gall to drink, because we have °sinned against ¹the LORD.

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15 We looked for peace, but no good *came*; and for a time of health, and behold *trouble*!

16 The snorting of his horses was heard from *Dan*: the whole land trembled at the sound of the neighing of his strong ones; for they are come, and have devoured the land, and all that is in it; the city, and those that dwell therein.

O¹ (p. 1029) 17 "For, *behold*, I will send serpents, *cockatrices*, among you, which *will not be charmed*, and they shall bite you, *saith* the LORD."

N² 18 (When *I* would comfort myself against sorrow, my heart *is faint* in me.)

O² 19 *Behold* the voice of the cry of the daughter of My People because of them that dwell in a far country: *Is not* the LORD in Zion? *is not her king* in her? Why have they *provoked Me* to anger with their *graven images*, and with strange *vanities*?"

N³ P¹ (p. 1030) 20 The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved.

21 For the *hurt* of the daughter of my People am I hurt; I am black; astonishment hath taken hold on me.

22 *Is there* no *balm* in *Gilead*; *is there* no *physician* there? why then is not the health of the daughter of my People recovered?

9 *Oh* that my head were *waters*, and mine eyes a *fountain* of *tears*, that I might weep day and night for the *slain* of the daughter of my People!

2 *Oh* that I had in the wilderness a lodging place of wayfaring men; that I might leave my People, and go from them!

P² d "for they *be* all adulterers, an assembly of treacherous men.

3 And they *bend* their tongues *like* their bow for lies: but they are not valiant for the *truth* upon the earth; for they proceed from *evil* to *evil*, and they know not *Me*, *saith* the LORD.

4 Take ye heed every one of his *neighbour*, and *trust* ye not in any brother: for *every* brother will utterly *supplant*, and every *neighbour* will walk with slanders.

5 And they will deceive every one his *neighbour*, and will not speak the truth: they have taught their tongue to speak lies, and weary themselves to commit *iniquity*.

6 Thine habitation *is* in the midst of deceit; through deceit they refuse to know *Me*, *saith* the LORD.

e 7 Therefore thus *saith* the *LORD* of hosts, *Behold*, I will melt them, and try them; for *how shall I do* for the daughter of My People?

d 8 Their tongue *is as* an arrow *shot* out; it speaketh deceit: *one* speaketh peaceably to his neighbour with his mouth, but in heart he layeth his wait.

e 9 Shall I not visit them for these *things*? *saith* the LORD: shall not *My* soul be *avenged* on such a nation as this?

D f 10 For the mountains will I take up a weeping and wailing, and for the *habitations* of the wilderness a lamentation, because they are burned up, so that none can pass through

15 trouble = terror.

16 Dan. The Assyrians entered the land from the north.

17 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

cockatrices = adders.

will not be charmed. This shows that the People were not penitent, and vv. 14-16 are not their words.

18 I: i.e. the prophet again.

19 provoked . . . vanities. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 21, same word). Cp. 7. 19. See Ap. 92.

graven images. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 7. 5, same word). Ap. 92.

8. 20-9. 9 (N³, p. 1029). THE PROPHET. SORROW. (Division.)

N³ | P¹ | 8. 20-9. 2-. The Prophet's sorrow.

| P² | 9. -2-9. The reasons for it.

22 balm . . . physician. The words of the prophet, showing that healing remedies were employed; thus accounting for the silence respecting them. Cp. Isa. 1. 6. balm = balsam. Cp. 51. 8. Gilead. Cp. 46. 11.

9. 1 Oh that, &c. Fig. *Pathopœia*. Ap. 6.

waters . . . fountain . . . tears. Fig. *Catabasis*. Ap. 6.

slain. Not healed by "balm" or "physician".

-2-9 (P², above). THE REASONS FOR THE PROPHET'S SORROW. (Alternation.)

P² | d | -2-6. Incrimination. Deceit.

| e | 7. Threatening. Trial.

| d | 8. Incrimination. Deceit.

| e | 9. Threatening. Vengeance.

3 bend: or, prepare. truth = veracity.

evil. Heb. *rā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii.

saith the LORD = [is] Jehovah's oracle.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

4 neighbour = friend.

trust ye not = do not confide. Heb. *bāṭaḥ*. Ap. 69. i.

every brother . . . supplant. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 25. 26; 27. 36). Ap. 92.

5 iniquity. Heb. *āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

7 the LORD of hosts. See note on 6. 6 and 1 Sam. 1. 3. how shall = how [else] shall, &c.

for the daughter: or, because of [the wickedness of] the daughter, &c.

8 shot out. Heb. = piercing. But some codices, with two early printed editions, and Syr., read "pointed".

9 My soul = I myself (emphatic). Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

avenged. Cp. 5. 9, 29.

9. 10-26 (D, p. 1026). CALL FOR LAMENTATION. (Extended Alternation.)

D | f | 10. Lamentation.

| g | 11. Threatening. Places.

| h | 12-14. The wise. Call.

| i | 15, 16. Dispersion among the nations.

| f | 17-21. Lamentation.

| g | 22. Threatening. Persons.

| h | 23, 24. The wise. Exhortation.

| i | 25, 26. Dispersion with the nations.

10 habitations = pastures.

11 dragons = jackals.

12 Who . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II.

who . . . ? The Ellipsis is thus correctly supplied.

them; neither can men hear the voice of the cattle; both the fowl of the heavens and the beast are fled; they are gone.

11 And I will make Jerusalem heaps, and a den of dragons; and I will make the cities of Judah desolate, without an inhabitant."

12 Who is the wise man, that may understand this? and who is he to whom the

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mouth of ³the LORD hath spoken, that he may declare it, for what the land perisheth and is burned up like a wilderness, that none passeth through ?

13 And ³the LORD saith, 'Because they have forsaken ^oMy law which I ^oset before them, and have not obeyed My voice, neither walked ^otherein;

14 But have walked after the ^oimagination of their own heart, and after Baalim, which their fathers taught them:

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15 Therefore thus saith ^othe LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; ^oBehold, I will feed them, even this people, with ^owormwood, and give them ^owater of ^ogall to drink.

16 ^oI will scatter them also among the ^oheathen, whom neither they nor their fathers have known: and I will send a sword after them, till I have consumed them.

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17 ^oThus saith ⁷the LORD of hosts, 'Consider ye, and call for the ^omourning women, that they may come; and send for ^ocunning women, that they may come:

18 And let them make haste, and take up a wailing for us, that our eyes may run down with tears, and our eyelids gush out with waters.

19 For a voice of wailing is heard out of Zion, ^oHow are we spoiled! we are greatly confounded, because we have forsaken the land, ^obecause ^oour dwellings have cast us out."

20 ^oYet hear the word of ³the LORD, O ye ^owomen, and let your ear receive the word of His mouth, and teach your daughters wailing, and every one her neighbour lamentation.

21 For death is come up into our windows, and is entered into our palaces, to cut off the ^ochildren from without, and the young men from the ^ostreets.

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22 ^oSpeak, "Thus saith ³the LORD, 'Even the carcases of ^omen shall fall as dung upon the ^oopen field, and as the handful after the harvestman, and ^onone shall gather them.'

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23 ^oThus saith ³the LORD, ^o'Let not the wise man glory in his ^owisdom, neither ^olet the mighty man glory in his ^omight, ^olet not the rich man glory in his ^oriches:

24 But ^olet him that glorieth glory in this, that he understandeth and ^oknoweth Me, that ³am the LORD ^oWhich exercise ^olovingkindness, ^ojudgment, and righteousness, in the earth: for in these things I delight, ³saith ³the LORD.

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25 ¹⁵Behold, the days come, ³saith ³the LORD, that I will punish all them which are ^ocircumcised ^owith the uncircumcised;

26 Egypt, and Judah, and Edom, and the ^ochildren of Ammon, and Moab, and all ^othat are in the utmost corners, that dwell in the wilderness: for all these nations are ^ouncircumcised, and all ^othe house of Israel are uncircumcised in the heart."

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10 Hear ye the word which ^othe LORD speaketh unto you, O ^ohouse of Israel:

13 forsaken. Ref. to Pent. (Dent. 32. 15, 21). Ap. 92. My law. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 20, &c.). Ap. 92. set before them. Ref. to Pent. (Dent. 4. 8, 44). Ap. 92. therein. In the law, not the voice.

14 imagination - stubbornness. Ref. to Pent. (see note on 3. 17). Ap. 92.

15 the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel. See note on 7. 3. Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

wormwood . . . gall. Ref. to Pent. (Dent. 29. 18). Repeated in 23. 15. Occurs also in Lam. 3. 19. Amos 6. 12. water of gall. Cp. 8. 14.

16 I will scatter. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 33. Dent. 28. 64). Ap. 92. heathen = nations.

17 Thus saith, &c. This (vv. 17-20) develops the calamity, for which this chapter gives the reason.

mourning women. A class still hired for the purpose. Cp. 2 Sam. 1. 24. 2 Chron. 35. 25. Eccles. 12. 5. Matt. 9. 23. Mark 5. 38.

cunning - skilful (in this business).

19 How . . . ! Supply *Ellipsis*: "[saying], How is it", &c. because. Some codices, with three early printed editions (one Rabbinic), read "yea, for", or "for indeed". our dwellings, &c.: or, they have cast down our habitations. Cp. Dan. 8. 11. Job 8. 18. Ezek. 19. 12.

20 Yet: or, For, or Yea.

women. These had been largely the instrumental cause; now they share the calamities.

21 children = infant.

streets . . . 22 Speak. This shows that Jerome's Heb. text was unpointed, for he read d-b-r as *deber* = pestilence, instead of *dābār* = word, or *dabbār* = speak. men. Heb. *ādām* (with Art.). Ap. 14. I.

open field. Some codices, with one early printed edition, read "ground".

none shall gather them. Cp. Ps. 79. 3.

23 Thus saith, &c. The lesson which follows is of universal application.

Let not. Note the Fig. *Symplokē*, or *Anaphora* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

wisdom . . . might . . . riches. These are the three things which men boast of, and trust in. This was Jerusalem's sin.

let not. Some codices, with six early printed editions (one in margin), Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "neither let".

24 let him, &c. Quoted in 1 Cor. 1. 31.

knoweth Me. This lies at the foundation of everything: of all trust in God (for One unknown cannot be trusted at all); of all pleasing (Eph. 1. 17. Col. 1. 9, 10. 1 John 5. 20). The want of it led to Gentile corruption (Rom. 1. 28); to Israel's fall (Isa. 1. 3. Luke 19. 42, 44); and all future blessing is wrapt up in it: for Israel (31. 34. Isa. 54. 13); and for creation (Isa. 11. 9). This is why we have the written Word (2 Tim. 3. 15), and the living "Word" (John 1. 18).

Which exercise, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 34. 6). Ap. 92. lovingkindness = favour shown to the unworthy.

judgment = justice to the oppressed. One school of Massorites (Ap. 30) read "and justice", emphasising the statement by the Fig. *Polysyndeton*. Ap. 6.

25 circumcised, &c.: in the flesh, but not in "ears" (6. 10), nor in "heart" (4. 4). Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 41, 42. Deut. 10. 16; 30. 6). Elsewhere only in Ezek. 44. 7, 9.

with the uncircumcised = circumcised in uncircumcision: i.e. "circumcised [externally] who [are yet really] uncircumcised", as explained at the end of the next verse. Hence the contrast with the nations mentioned, which all practised (external) circumcision (Rom. 2. 25-29).

26 children = sons.

that are in the utmost corners: or, all that have the corners of their beard polled. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 19. 27). Ap. 92. Cp. Jer. 49. 32.

uncircumcised. Supply *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), from the next clause: "uncircumcised [in heart], and all", &c. the house of Israel. See note on 2. 4.

10. 1-16 [For Structure see next page].

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

house of Israel. See note on 2. 4.

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2 "Thus saith ¹the LORD, 'Learn not °the way of the °heathen, and be not dismayed at the signs of heaven; for the °heathen are dismayed at them.

3 For the °customs of the °people are °vain: for °one cutteth a tree out of the forest, the work of the hands of the workman, with the axe.

4 They deck it with silver and with gold; they fasten it with nails and with hammers, that it move not.

5 They are °upright as the palm tree, but speak not: they must needs be °borne, because they cannot go. Be not afraid of them; for they cannot do °evil, neither also is it in them to do good."

k (p. 1032) 6 Forasmuch as °there is none like unto Thee, O ¹LORD; Thou art great, and °Thy name is great in might.

7 °Who would not fear Thee, O King of nations? for to Thee doth it appertain: forasmuch as among all the wise men of the nations, and in all their kingdoms, °there is none like unto Thee.

l 8 But they are altogether brutish and foolish: the stock is a doctrine of vanities.

j 9 Silver spread into plates is brought from °Tarshish, and gold from °Uphaz, the work of the workman, and of the hands of the founder: blue and purple is their clothing: they are all the work of cunning men.

k 10 But ¹the LORD is the true °God, He is °the living °God, and an °everlasting king: at His wrath the earth shall tremble, and the nations shall not be able to abide His indignation.

11 °Thus shall ye say unto them, "The gods that have °not made the heavens and the earth, even they °shall perish from the earth, and from under these heavens.

12 He hath made the earth by His power, He hath established the °world by His wisdom, and hath stretched out the heavens by His °discretion.

13 When He uttereth His voice, there is a multitude of waters in the heavens, and He causeth the vapours to ascend from the ends of the earth; He maketh lightnings with rain, and bringeth forth the °wind out of His treasures.

i 14 Every °man is brutish in his knowledge: every founder is °confounded by the graven image: for his molten image is falsehood, and there is no °breath in them.

15 They are °vanity, and the work of °errors: in °the time of their visitation they shall perish.

16 °The Portion of °Jacob is not like them: for He is the °Former of all things; and Israel is the rod of His inheritance: °The ¹LORD of hosts is His name."

B 17 Gather up thy °wares out of the land, O °inhabitant of the °fortress.

18 For thus saith ¹the LORD, "Behold, °I will sling out the inhabitants of the land at this once, and will distress them, that they may °find it so."

19 Woe is °me for my hurt! my wound is

10. 1-16 (C, p. 1026). EXHORTATION. (Extended Alternation.)

C | j | 1-5. Idolatry.
k | 6, 7. Jehovah the true God.
l | 8. Stupidity of idolaters.
j | 9. Idolatry.
k | 10-13. Jehovah the true God.
l | 14-16. Stupidity of idolaters.

2 the way of the heathen. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 18. 3; 20. 23). Ap. 92. heathen = nations.

3 customs = statutes, or ordinances.

people = peoples. vain = a breath, one cutteth a tree = it [is only] a tree which one cutteth. 5 upright = stiff.

borne = carried. evil. Heb. *rā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii.

6 there is none like, &c. See note on Ex. 15. 11.

Thy name. See note on Ps. 20. 1.

7 Who . . . ? Words quoted in "the song of Moses and the Lamb" (Rev. 15. 3, 4).

9 Tarshish. See note on 1 Kings 10. 22.

Uphaz. Probably = Ophir. Cp. 1 Kings 9. 28; 10. 11.

10 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

the living God. Both words in plural, referring to the triune God.

everlasting king = king of the ages, or, of eternity.

11 Thus shall ye say, &c. This verse is in Chaldee, to serve as a confession of their faith in their exile.

not made . . . shall perish. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia*. Ap. 6. Heb. *'abadū ye'badū*.

12 world = the habitable world. Heb. *tēbēl*.

discretion = understanding.

13 wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

14 man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

confounded = put to shame.

breath. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

15 vanity. The common appellative for idols errors = mockeries.

the time of their visitation. See note on 8. 12.

16 The Portion of Jacob. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 18. 20. Deut. 32. 9). Ap. 92.

Jacob. Not Israel, because the natural seed is spoken of as in Deut. 32. 9. See notes on Gen. 32. 28; 43. 6; 45. 26, 28. Former = Framer.

The LORD of hosts. See note on 6. 6.

17 Gather up = Gather in. Occurs only here.

wares = bundle. For that is all they would be able to take with them.

inhabitant = inhabitress. Put for "the daughter of Zion".

fortress. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the city Jerusalem.

18 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

I will sling. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for all that is signified by it. Cp. Isa. 22. 17, 18. find it so = discover the truth of it.

19 me. Zion now speaks in view of the coming deportation; or, Jeremiah voices the calamity.

a grief: or, my affliction. and I = but I.

20 tabernacle = tent, or dwelling.

children = sons.

21 pastors = shepherds, or rulers.

are become. This points to Jehoiaikim's reign.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah* (with *'eth*) = *Jehovah Himself*. Ap. 4. II.

grievous: but I said, "Truly this is °a grief, °and I must bear it."

20 My °tabernacle is spoiled, and all my cords are broken: my °children are gone forth of me, and they are not: there is none to stretch forth my tent any more, and to set up my curtains.

21 For the °pastors °are become brutish, and have not sought °the LORD: therefore they shall not prosper, and all their flocks shall be scattered.

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22 Behold, the °noise of the °bruit is come, and a great commotion out of the °north country, to make the cities of Judah desolate, and a den of °dragons.

23 O °LORD, I know that the way of °man °is not in himself: °it is not in °man that walketh to °direct his steps.

24 O °LORD, correct me, but °with judgment; not in Thine anger, lest Thou bring me to nothing.

25 Pour out Thy fury upon the °heathen that know Thee not, and upon the °families that call not on °Thy name: for they have eaten up °Jacob, and devoured him, and consumed him, and have made his habitation desolate.

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11 The °word that came to Jeremiah from °the LORD, saying,

2 "Hear ye °the words of °this covenant, and speak unto the °men of °Judah, and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem;

3 And say thou unto them, 'Thus saith °the LORD °God of °Israel; °Cursed be the °man that obeyeth not the words of this covenant,

4 Which I commanded your fathers °in the day that I brought them forth out of the land of Egypt, °from the iron furnace, saying, °'Obey My voice, and do °them, according to all which I command you: so shall ye be My People, and °I will be your °God:

5 That I may perform °the oath which I have sworn unto your fathers, to give them °a land flowing with milk and honey, as °it is this day.'" Then answered I, and said, °"So be it, O °LORD."

6 Then °the LORD said unto me, "Proclaim all these words °in the cities of °Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem, saying, 'Hear ye the words of this covenant, and do them.

7 For I earnestly protested unto your fathers °in the day that I brought them up out of the land of Egypt, even unto this day, °rising early and protesting, saying, °'Obey My voice.'

8 Yet they obeyed not, nor inclined their ear, but walked every one in the °imagination of their °evil heart:

n therefore I will bring upon them all the words of this covenant, which I commanded them to do; but they did them not."

m 9 And °the LORD said unto me, "A conspiracy is found among the °men of °Judah, and among the inhabitants of Jerusalem.

10 They are turned back to the °iniquities of their forefathers, which refused to hear My words; and they °went after other gods to serve them: °the house of Israel and °the house of °Judah have broken My covenant which I made with their fathers.

n 11 Therefore thus saith °the LORD, °Behold, I will bring °evil upon them, which they shall not be able to escape; and though they shall cry unto Me, I will not hearken unto them.

12 Then shall the cities of °Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem °go, and cry unto the gods unto whom they offer incense: but they shall not save them at all in the time of their °trouble.

13 For according to the number of thy cities were thy gods, O °Judah; and according to the number of the streets of Jerusalem have ye

22 noise=voice.

bruit=rumour. French *bruit*, a voice, from Breton (Celtic) *bruchellein*, to roar (as a lion). Cp. Gr. *bruchao-mai*. north. Cp. 1. 15; 5. 15; 6. 22, &c.

dragons=jackals.

23 is not in=belongs not to.

it is not. Some codices, with two early printed editions, Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "nor". man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

direct=establish.

24 with=in.

25 families. Some codices read "kingdoms". Cp. Ps. 79. 6.

Thy name=Thee (emphatic). See note on Ps. 20. 1.

11. 1-12. 17 (H, p. 1018). PROPHECIES TO JUDAH AND JERUSALEM. (Alternation.)

H | Q | 11. 1-14. Against the People.

R | 11. 15-17. The beloved People threatened.

Q | 11. 18-12. 6. Against the men of Anathoth.

R | 12. 7-17. The beloved People threatened.

11. 1-14 (Q, above). PROPHECIES AGAINST THE PEOPLE. (Alternation.)

Q | m | 1-8-. Covenant disobeyed.

n | -8. Threatening.

m | 9, 10. Covenant broken.

n | 11-14. Threatening.

Jeremiah's SEVENTH prophecy (p. 1015).

1 word. Sing., indicating this as a special prophecy. the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

2 the words. Pl., indicating the many utterances of "this covenant".

this covenant. The old covenant of Exodus had been specially renewed by Judah in Jeremiah's days, under Josiah, in his eighteenth year (2 Kings 23. 1-3).

men. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

Judah. Emphasised by repeated reference here. Cp.

vv. 2, 6, 9, 10, 12, 13, 17.

3 the LORD God of Israel. This title occurs in Jeremiah fourteen times (11. 3; 13. 12; 21. 4; 23. 2; 24. 5; 25. 15; 30. 2; 32. 36; 33. 4; 34. 2, 13; 37. 7; 42. 9; 45. 2).

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

Israel. Still used of Judah as representing the whole nation. See note on 1 Kings 12. 17.

Cursed be the man, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 27. 26).

4 in the day. See Ap. 18.

from the iron furnace. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 4. 20).

Obey=Hear, with *Beth* (=2=B)=Listen or attend to.

Obey My voice. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 15. 26). Ap. 92.

them: i.e. "the words" of v. 3.

I will be your God. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 3-12).

5 the oath which I have sworn. Ref. to Pent.

(Deut. 7. 12). Ap. 92.

a land flowing with milk and honey. Ref. to Pent.

(Ex. 3. 8, 17; 13. 5; 33. 3. Lev. 20. 24. Num. 13. 27;

14. 8; 16. 13, 14. Deut. 6. 3; 11. 9; 26. 9, 15; 27. 3; 31. 20).

Outside the Pent. it is found only in Josh. 5. 6. Jer.

11. 4; 32. 22; and Ezek. 20. 6, 15; 25. 4). Ap. 92.

So be it, O LORD. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 27. 15-26: the same word). Ap. 92.

6 in the cities, &c. Cp. 2. 28, and 11. 13.

7 rising early, &c. See note on 7. 13.

8 imagination=stubbornness.

evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

10 iniquities. Heb. *'āwāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

went=are gone.

the house of Israel. See note on 2. 4.

the house of Judah. See note on 3. 18.

11 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

12 go, and cry, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 37, 38).

trouble. Same word as evil (vv. 8, 15, 17). So in v. 14.

13 shameful thing. Heb. "shame": put by Fig.

Metonymy (of Effect), Ap. 6, for the idol which was the cause of the shame. Cp. 3. 24.

set up altars to that °shameful thing, even altars to burn incense unto Baal.

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14 Therefore °pray not thou for this People, neither lift up a cry or prayer for them: for I will not hear *them* in the time that they cry unto Me °for their ¹²trouble.

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15 What hath My beloved to do in Mine house, *seeing* she hath wrought lewdness with many, and °the holy flesh °is passed from thee? when thou doest °evil, °then thou rejoicest.

16 ¹ The LORD called thy name, A green °olive tree, fair, and of goodly fruit: with the noise of a great tumult He hath kindled fire upon it, and the branches of it are broken.

17 For °the LORD of hosts, That planted thee, hath pronounced °evil against thee, for the °evil of ¹⁰the house of Israel and of ¹⁰the house of ²Judah, which they have °done against themselves to provoke Me to anger in offering incense unto Baal."

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18 And ¹the LORD °hath given me knowledge of it, and I °know it: then thou shewedst me their doings.

19 But *I* was °like a lamb or an ox that is brought to the slaughter; and I knew not that they had devised devices against me, °saying, "Let us destroy °the tree with the fruit thereof, and let us cut him off °from the land of the living, that his name may be no more remembered."

20 But, O ¹⁷LORD of hosts, That judgest righteously, That °triest the reins and the heart, let me see Thy vengeance on them: for unto Thee have I revealed my cause.

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21 Therefore thus saith ¹the LORD °of the °men of Anathoth, that °seek °thy life, saying, "Prophecy not in the name of ¹the LORD, that thou die not by our °hand:"

22 Therefore thus saith ¹⁷the LORD of hosts, ¹¹ "Behold, I will °punish them: the young men shall die by the sword; their sons and their daughters shall die by famine:

23 And there shall be no remnant of them: for I will bring °evil upon the ²¹men of Anathoth, even °the year of their visitation."

o

12 °Righteous art Thou, O °LORD, when I plead with Thee: yet let me talk with Thee of Thy judgments: °Wherefore doth the way of the °wicked prosper? *wherefore* are all they happy that °deal very treacherously?

2 Thou hast planted them, yea, they have taken root: they grow, yea, they bring forth fruit: Thou art °near in their °mouth, and far from their °reins.

3 But Thou, O ¹LORD, knowest me: Thou hast seen me, and tried mine heart toward Thee: pull them out like sheep for the slaughter, and °prepare them for the day of slaughter.

4 °How long shall the land mourn, and the herbs of every field wither, for the °wickedness of them that dwell therein? the beasts are consumed, and the birds; because they said, "He shall not see our last end."

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5 If thou hast run with the footmen, and they have wearied thee, then how canst thou contend with horses? and *if* in the land of peace, *wherein* thou °trustedst, *they wearied thee*, then how wilt thou do in the °swelling of Jordan?

6 For even thy brethren, and the house of thy father, even they have dealt treacherously with thee; yea, they have °called a multitude after thee: believe them not, though they speak fair words unto thee.

14 pray not, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 32. 10). Cp. 7. 16; 14. 11. Ap. 92.

for. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "in the time of", as in v. 12.

15 the holy flesh: i.e. the sacrifices. Cp. 7. 21. Hag. 2. 12. Sept. reads, "shall vows (or litanies) and holy flesh", &c.

is passed from thee? = taketh away from thee [thy wickedness]? or, removeth thy evil (i.e. calamity)? then thou rejoicest: i.e. if such false worship will remove thy calamity, then thou mayest rejoice; but this was impossible.

16 olive tree. The symbol of Israel's religious privileges. See note on Judg. 9. 8-12.

17 the LORD of hosts. See note on 6. 6. 1 Sam. 1. 3. done = wrought.

11. 18-12. 6 (Q, p. 1033). PROPHECIES AGAINST THE MEN OF ANATHOTH. (Alternation.)

Q | 11. 18-20. The prophet. Prayer.

p | 11. 21-23. Jehovah's answer. Threatening.

o | 12. 1-4. The prophet. Pleading.

p | 12. 5, 6. Jehovah's answer. Threatening.

18 hath given = gave. Jeremiah a type of Messiah. See Ap. 85. know = knew.

19 like a lamb. See Ap. 85. saying. Note the Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), as frequently with this verb. See notes on Pss. 109. 5, 6; 144. 12, &c. the tree with the fruit thereof. Heb. "the dish in his food". Fig. *Hypallage* (Ap. 6), for the food in his dish.

from the land of the living. Jeremiah a type of Christ. See Isa. 53. 8 and Ap. 85.

20 triest the reins and the heart. Cp. 11. 20; 17. 10; 20. 12. Found elsewhere only in Pss. 7. 9; 26. 2. See Ap. 85. 21 of = concerning.

men. Heb. pl. of 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

seek = are seeking.

thy life = thy soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

hand. Some codices, with two early printed editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "hands".

22 punish = visit upon.

23 evil. Heb. *rā'a*. Ap. 44. viii.

the year of their visitation. See note on 8. 12.

12. 1 Righteous, &c. Fig. *Synchorēsis*. Ap. 6.

LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

Wherefore . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

wicked = lawless. Heb. *rāsha'*. Ap. 44. x.

deal very treacherously. Fig. *Polyptōton*. Ap. 6. Heb. are traitors of treachery = are utter traitors.

2 near. Anathoth was a city of priests.

mouth. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the words uttered by it.

reins = kidneys. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for the affections.

3 prepare = separate, or devote.

4 How long . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

wickedness = lawlessness. Heb. *rāsha'*. Ap. 44. x.

5 trustedst = confidedst. Heb. *batah*. Ap. 69. i.

swelling. Heb. pride. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for proud beasts in the undergrowth on the banks of the Jordan. See 49. 19; 50. 44, and cp. Job 41. 34.

6 called = called loudly.

12. 7-17 (R, p. 1033). THE BELOVED PEOPLE THREATENED. (Division.)

R | S¹ | 7-13. The beloved People. Themselves.

S² | 14-17. The beloved People. Their enemies.

7 the dearly beloved. Heb. love. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for one loved.

My soul = I Myself (emphatic). Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

7 I have forsaken Mine house, I have left Mine heritage; I have given °the dearly beloved of °My soul into the hand of her enemies.

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8 Mine heritage ° is unto Me as a lion in the forest : it crieth out against Me : therefore have I hated it.

9 Mine heritage *is* unto Me as a °speckled bird, the birds round about *are* against her ; come ye, assemble all the beasts of the field, come to devour.

10 Many °pastors have destroyed My vineyard, they have trodden ° My portion under foot, they have made My °pleasant portion a desolate wilderness.

11 They have made it desolate, *and being* desolate it mourneth unto Me ; the whole land is made desolate, because no °man layeth *it* to heart.

12 The spoilers are come upon all ° high places through the wilderness : for the sword of ° the LORD shall devour from the *one* end of the land even to the *other* end of the land : no flesh shall have peace.

13 They have sown wheat, but shall reap thorns : they have put themselves to pain, ° *but* shall not profit : and they shall be ashamed of your ° revenues because of the fierce anger of ° the LORD.

S²
(p. 1034)

14 Thus saith ° the LORD against all Mine evil ° neighbours, that touch the inheritance which I have caused My people Israel ° to inherit ; " Behold, I will pluck them out of their land, and pluck out the house of Judah from among them.

15 And it shall come to pass, after that I have plucked them out I will return, and have compassion on them, and will bring ° them again, ° every man to his heritage, and ° every man to his land.

16 And it shall come to pass, if they will diligently learn the ways of My People, to swear by My name, ° The LORD liveth ; ° as they taught My People to swear by Baal ; then shall they be ° built in the midst of My People.

17 But if they will not ° obey, I will utterly pluck up and destroy that nation, ° saith ° the LORD."

G T V¹ W
(p. 1035)

13 Thus saith ° the LORD unto me, " Go and get thee ° a linen girdle, and put it upon thy loins, and put it ° not in water."

2 So I ° got a girdle according to the word of ° the LORD, and put *it* on my loins.

3 And the word of ° the LORD came unto me the second time, saying,

4 " Take the girdle that thou hast got, which *is* upon thy loins, and arise, go to ° Euphrates, and hide it there in a hole of the rock."

5 So I went, and hid it by Euphrates, ° as ° the LORD commanded me.

6 And it came to pass after many days, that ° the LORD said unto me, " Arise, go to Euphrates, and take the girdle from thence, which I commanded thee to hide there."

7 Then I went to Euphrates, and digged, and took the girdle from the place where I had hid it :

X q and, ° behold, the girdle was marred,

r ° it was profitable for nothing.

X q 8 Then the word of ° the LORD came unto me, saying,

9 " Thus saith ° the LORD, After this manner will I ° mar the pride of Judah, and the great pride of Jerusalem.

8 is = is become.

9 speckled bird = a bird of prey.

10 pastors. Used of rulers. See note on 2. 8 ; 3. 15.

My portion. One Codex (Dr. Ginsburg's " G. 1 ") reads " My possession ".

pleasant portion. Heb. portion of desire = my desired portion.

11 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

12 high = eminent.

13 but. Some codices, with three early printed editions, Syr., and Vulg., read " but " in the text. revenues - produce.

14 neighbours. Egypt, Edom, Philistia, Ammon, and Moab.

to inherit. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 32. 13). Ap. 92.

15 them. A.V. 1611 omits this word.

every man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

16 as - according as.

built rebuilt. See note on Num. 13. 22.

17 obey = hearken.

saith the LORD = [is] Jehovah's oracle.

13. 1-17. 18 (G, p. 1018). SYMBOLS.
(Alternation.)

G | T | 13. 1-27. Symbolical. Girdle. Bottles.

U | 14. 1-15. 21. Literal. Drought.

T | 16. 1-21. Symbolical. No wife.

U | 17. 1-18. Literal. Sin of Judah.

13. 1-27 (T, above). SYMBOLS. GIRDLE.
BOTTLES. (Division.)

T | V¹ | 1-11. The Girdle.

V² | 12-14. The Bottles.

V³ | 15-27. The Signification.

13. 1-11 (V¹, above). THE GIRDLE.
(Introversion and Alternation.)

V¹ | W | 1-7-. The Girdle caused to cleave. } Symbol.
X | q | -7-. Girdle marred. }
r | -7. Girdle useless. }
X | q | 8, 9. People marred. } Signification.
r | 10. People useless. }
W | 11. The People caused to cleave. }

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

a linen girdle. Soft girdles, made of silk or linen, still worn by upper classes. Cp. Ezek. 16. 10. Some embroidered (Dan. 10. 5. Rev. 1. 13 ; 15. 6).

not in water. So that the cause of its marring be not mistaken. 2 got = bought.

Jeremiah's Eighth Prophecy (p. 1015).

4 Euphrates. On the road to Babylon, this river would be first met with at Carchemish, then held by the Egyptians (46. 2).

5 as = according as.

7 behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

it was. Some codices, with one early printed edition, read " and it was ".

Jeremiah's Ninth Prophecy (p. 1015).

9 mar the pride, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 19). Ap. 92.

10 evil. Heb. rā'ā'. Ap. 44. viii.

imagination = stubbornness.

11 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

house of Israel. See note on 2. 4.

house of Judah. See note on 3. 18.

saith the LORD = [is] Jehovah's oracle.

that they might be unto Me for a people. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 19. 5). Ap. 92.

10 This ° evil People, which refuse to hear My words, which walk in the ° imagination of their heart, and walk after other gods, to serve them, and to worship them, shall even be as this girdle, which is good for nothing.

11 For ° as the girdle cleaveth to the loins of a ° man, so have I caused to cleave unto Me the whole ° house of Israel and the whole ° house of Judah, ° saith ° the LORD ; ° that

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they might be unto Me for a People, and for a name, and for a praise, and for a glory: but they would not hear.

V² Y¹
(p. 1036)

12 Therefore thou shalt speak unto them this word; 'Thus saith °the °LORD °God of Israel, Every °bottle shall be filled with °wine: and they shall say unto thee, 'Do we not certainly know that every °bottle shall be filled with °wine?'

Y²

13 Then shalt thou say unto them, 'Thus saith °the LORD, °Behold, I will fill all the inhabitants of this land, even the kings that sit upon David's throne, and the priests, and the prophets, and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, with drunkenness.

14 And I will dash them one against another, even the fathers and the sons together, °saith °the LORD: I will not pity, nor spare, nor have mercy, but destroy them."

V³ Z¹ s

15 Hear °ye, and give ear; be not proud: for °the LORD °hath spoken.

16 Give glory to °the LORD your °God, before He cause °darkness, and before your feet stumble upon the dark mountains, and, while ye look for light, He turn it into the shadow of death, and make it gross darkness.

17 But if ye will not hear it, °my soul shall °weep in secret places for your pride; and mine eye shall °weep sore, and °run down with tears,

t because °the LORD'S flock is carried away captive.

s 18 Say unto °the king and to the °queen, "Humble yourselves, sit down: for your °principalities shall come down, even the crown of your glory.

19 The °cities of °the south shall be shut up, and none shall open them: Judah shall be carried away captive all of it, it shall be wholly carried away captive.

t 20 Lift up your eyes, and behold them that come from °the north: where is the flock that was given thee, thy beautiful flock?

Z² u 21 What wilt thou say when He shall punish thee?

v for thou hast taught them to be captains, and as chief over thee: shall not sorrows take thee, °as a woman in travail?

u 22 And if thou say in thine heart, 'Wherefore come these things upon me?'

v For the greatness of thine °iniquity are thy skirts discovered, and thy heels made bare.

23 °Can the Ethiopian change his skin, or the leopard his spots? then may ye also do good, that are °accustomed to do °evil.

24 Therefore will I scatter them as the °stubble that passeth away by the °wind of the wilderness.

25 This is thy lot, the portion of thy measures from Me, °saith °the LORD; because thou hast forgotten Me, and °trusted in falsehood.

26 Therefore will I discover thy skirts upon thy face, that thy shame may appear.

27 I have seen thine adulteries, and thy neighings, the lewdness of thy whoredom, and thine abominations on the hills in the fields.

13. 12-14 (V², p. 1035). THE BOTTLES.

(Division.)

V² | Y¹ | 12. Symbol. Bottles filled.
| Y² | 13, 14. Signification. People filled.

12 the LORD God of Israel. See note on 11. 3. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

bottle - an earthenware jar: not leathern or skin bottles. wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. I.

13. 15-27 (V³, p. 1035). THE SIGNIFICATION.

(Division.)

V³ | Z¹ | 15 20. Pride.
| Z² | 21-27. Punishment.

13. 15-20 (Z¹, above). PRIDE.

(Alternation.)

Z¹ | s | 15-17-. Exhortation.
| t | -17. Jehovah's flock.
| s | 18, 19. Exhortation.
| t | 20. Jehovah's flock.

15 ye. Now addressing all.

hath spoken. Jehovah's words, not Jeremiah's.

16 darkness. Heb. *nesheph*. A Homonym, with two meanings (darkness and daylight). See note on 1 Sam. 30. 17.

17 my soul = Me (emphatic). Heb. *nepshesh*. Ap. 13. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

weep . . . weep sore . . . run down. Fig. *Anabasis*. Ap. 6.

run down, &c. Cp. Matt. 26. 38. Luke 19. 41. See Ap. 85.

18 the king and to the queen. This was Jehoiachin, and the queen-mother. See 2 Kings 24. 12, 15. Jehoiachin was only eighteen, so that the queen-dowager would hold a position of some influence (490, or 489 B. C.). principalities - head-gear.

19 cities. So in Codex "Mugah"; but Codex "Hallel" (both quoted in the *Massorah*) reads "eyes". the south = the Negeb. See note on Ps. 126. 4. Cp. Gen. 12. 9; 13. 3.

20 the north. See notes on 1. 13; 3. 12; 6. 1, &c.

13. 21-27 (Z², above). PUNISHMENT.

(Alternation.)

Z² | u | 21-. Question. "What . . . ?"
| v | -21. Answer. Reason.
| u | 22-. Question. "Wherefore . . . ?"
| v | -22-27. Answer. Reason.

22 iniquity. Heb. *avah*. Ap. 44. iv.

23 Can . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis* and *Parēmia*. Ap. 6.

accustomed = schooled, or trained.

evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

24 stubble - (Heb. *kash*), not crushed straw (Heb. *teben*). wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

25 trusted = confided. Heb. *bāṭah*. Ap. 69. i.

27 when shall it once be? = how long ere it yet be?

14. 1-15. 21 (U, p. 1035). LITERAL DROUGHT.

U | A¹ | 14. 1-6. Mourning of Judah.
| A² | 14. 7-15. 21. Intercession.

Jeremiah's TENTH Prophecy (p. 1015).

1 The word, &c. = That which proved to be the word of Jehovah. Not the usual phrase in the Hebrew.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

the dearth. Heb. "the restraints": the holding back of rain, put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the famine caused by it. One of thirteen recorded famines. See Gen. 12. 10. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 23, 24). Ap. 92. Before the first siege (497 B. C.), or before the third siege (480 B. C.). See Ap. 83.

Woe unto thee, O Jerusalem! wilt thou not be made clean? °when shall it once be?"

14 °The word of °the LORD that came to Jeremiah concerning °the dearth.

U A¹

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2 ° Judah mourneth, and the ° gates thereof languish; they ° are black unto the ground; and the cry of ° Jerusalem is gone up.

3 And their nobles have sent their little ones ° to the waters: they came to the pits, ° and found no water; they returned with their vessels empty; they were ashamed and confounded, and ° covered their heads.

4 Because the ground is ° chapt, for there was no rain in the earth, the plowmen were ° ashamed, they ° covered their heads.

5 ° Yea, the hind also calved in the field, and forsook it, because there was no grass.

6 And the wild asses did stand in the high places, they snuffed up the ° wind like ° dragons; their eyes did fail, because there was no grass.

A² B
(p. 1037)

7 O ° LORD, though our ° iniquities ° testify against us, do Thou it for Thy name's sake: for our backslidings are many; we have ° sinned against Thee.

8 O ° the Hope of Israel, the Saviour thereof in time of trouble, why shouldest Thou be as a ° stranger in the land, and as a wayfaring man that turneth aside to tarry for a night?

9 Why shouldest Thou be as a ° man astonished, as a mighty man that cannot save? yet Thou, O ° LORD, art ° in the midst of us, and ° we are called by Thy name; leave us not.

C

10 Thus saith ° the LORD unto this People, "Thus have they loved to wander, they have not refrained their feet, therefore ° the LORD doth not accept them; He will now remember their ° iniquity, and visit their ° sins."

11 Then said ° the LORD unto me, ° "Pray not for this People for their good."

12 When they fast, ° I will not hear their cry; and when they ° offer burnt offering and an ° oblation, ° I will not accept them: but ° I will consume them by the ° sword, ° and by the ° famine, ° and by the ° pestilence."

D E¹

13 Then said I, "Ah, ° Lord GOD! ° behold, the prophets say unto them, 'Ye shall not see the sword, neither shall ye have famine; but I will give you assured peace in this place.'"

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14 Then ° the LORD said unto me, "The prophets prophesy lies in My name: I ° sent them not, neither have I ° commanded them, neither ° spake unto them: they prophesy unto ° you a false vision and divination, and a thing of nought, and the deceit of their heart."

15 Therefore thus saith ° the LORD concerning the prophets that prophesy in My name, and ° I sent them not, yet they say, 'Sword and famine shall not be in this land;' By sword and famine shall those prophets be consumed.

16 And the People to whom they prophesy shall be cast out in the streets of Jerusalem because of the famine and the sword; and they shall have none to bury them, ° them, their wives, nor their sons, nor their daughters: for I will pour their ° wickedness upon them.

17 Therefore thou shalt say this word unto them; 'Let mine eyes run down with tears night and day, and let them not cease: for the virgin daughter of My People is broken with a great breach, with a very grievous blow.'

18 If I go forth into the field, then behold the slain with the sword! and if I enter into the

2 Judah . . . Jerusalem. Country and city. gates. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the people assembling there.

are black=sit in black. Cp. 8. 21; 13. 18. Job 2. 8, 13. Isa. 3. 26; 15. 3. Ps. 35. 14.

3 to the waters: i.e. to fetch water.

and. Some codices, with two early printed editions, Aram., Sept., and Syr., read this "and" in the text. covered their heads. The symbol of mourning (2 Sam. 15. 30; 19. 4. Est. 6. 12).

4 chapt cleft, cracked, open in slits. From Old Dutch, "koppen", to cut off; "kappen", to cut, or chop (hence Eng. "chops", from Eng. "chapped" and "chip"). Gk. *koptein*, to cut. Heb. here, *hāthath* - to be broken. ashamed. Absence of rain causes to-day great anxiety (Job 29. 23).

5 Yea = For. 6 wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9. dragons=jackals.

14. 7-15. 24 (A², p. 1036). INTERCESSION.

(Extended Alternation.)

A² B | 14. 7-9. Deprecation. Jeremiah.
C | 14. 10-12. Rejection. Jehovah.
D | 14. 13-18. Prophets. (False.)
B | 14. 19-22. Deprecation. Jeremiah.
C | 15. 1-9. Rejection. Jehovah.
D | 15. 10-21. Prophets. (True.)

7 iniquities. Heb. *āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

testify: or, answer. Fig. *Prosopopeia*. Ap. 6. sinned. Heb. *chātā*. Ap. 44. i.

8 the Hope of Israel. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for Jehovah, Who was, or should have been, Israel's hope. See 17. 13; 50. 7; and cp. Gen. 49. 18. 1 Tim. 1. 1.

stranger=sojourner.

9 man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II.

in the midst. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 29. 45. Lev. 26. 11, 12). Ap. 92.

we are called, &c.=Thy name was called upon us.

11 Pray not, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 32. 10). Cp. 7. 16; 11. 14. Ap. 92.

12 I will not, &c. See 7. 16; 11. 14; Ezek. 8. 18. Amos 5. 23. Mic. 3. 4. offer=offer up.

oblation=a gift offering, or donation. Heb. *minchah*. Ap. 43. II. iii.

sword . . . famine . . . pestilence. Often thus conjoined (after this). Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26 and Deut. 28). Ap. 92. Cp. 21. 6, 7, 9; 24. 10, &c. See note on 42. 2. and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), to emphasise each particular.

14. 13-18 (D, above). PROPHETS. (FALSE.)

(Division.)

D | E¹ | 13. Jeremiah's complaint.

E² | 14-18. Jehovah's answer. Threatening.

13 Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. Ap. 4. VIII (2) and II.

behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

14 sent . . . commanded . . . spake. Cp. 7. 22; 23. 21.

you. Some codices, with two early printed editions, read "them".

16 wickedness=calamity. Heb. *rā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii. Not the same word as v. 20.

19 Hast . . . hath . . . ? Fig. *Erolēsis*. Ap. 6.

Thy soul=Thou Thyself (emphatic). Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

we looked. Cp. 8. 15; 15. 1, where it has a stronger refusal.

city, then behold them that are sick with famine! yea, both the prophet and the priest go about into a land that they know not."

19 ° Hast Thou utterly rejected Judah? ° hath ° Thy soul lothed Zion? why hast Thou smitten us, and there is no healing for us? ° we looked

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for peace, and *there is no good*; °and for the time of healing, and behold °trouble!

20 °We acknowledge, O °LORD, our °wickedness, and the °iniquity of our fathers: for we have °sinned against Thee.

21 Do not abhor *us*, for Thy name's sake, °do not disgrace the °throne of Thy glory: remember, break not Thy covenant with us.

22 Are there *any* among the °vanities of the °Gentiles that can cause rain? or can the heavens give showers? *art* not Thou °He, O °LORD our °God? therefore we will °wait upon Thee: for Thou hast made all these *things*.

^C (p. 1037) 15 °Then said °the LORD unto me, "Though °Moses and °Samuel stood before Me, yet °My mind *could* not be toward this People: cast *them* out of My sight, and let them go forth.

2 And it shall come to pass, if they say unto thee, 'Whither shall we go forth?' then thou shalt tell them, 'Thus saith °the LORD; °Such as *are* for death, to death; and such as *are* for the sword, to the sword; and such as *are* for the famine, to the famine; and such as *are* for the captivity, to the captivity.'

3 And °I will appoint over them four kinds, °saith °the LORD: the sword to slay, and the dogs to tear, and the fowls of the heaven, and the beasts of the earth, to devour and destroy.

4 And I will cause them °to be removed into all kingdoms of the earth, °because of Manasseh the son of Hezekiah king of Judah, for *that* which he did in Jerusalem.

5 For who shall have pity upon thee, O Jerusalem? or who shall bemoan thee? or who shall go aside to ask °how thou doest?

6 Thou hast forsaken Me, °saith °the LORD, thou art gone backward: therefore will I stretch out My hand against thee, and destroy thee; I am weary with repenting.

7 And I will fan them with a fan in the °gates of the land; I will bereave *them* of °children, I will destroy My People, *since* they return not from their ways.

8 Their widows are increased to Me °above °the sand of the seas: I have brought upon them against the mother of the °young men a spoiler at noonday: I have caused °*him* to fall upon it suddenly, °and terrors upon the city.

9 She that hath borne °seven languisheth: she hath °given up the ghost; her sun is gone down while *it was* yet day: she hath been ashamed and confounded: and the residue of them will I °deliver to the sword before their enemies, °saith °the LORD."

^D w (p. 1038) 10 Woe is me, my mother, that thou hast borne me a °man of strife and a °man of contention to the whole earth! I have neither °lent on usury, nor °men have lent to me on usury; yet every one of them doth curse me.

^x 11 °The LORD said, "Verily it shall be well with °thy remnant; verily I will cause the enemy to entreat thee *well* in the time of °evil and in the time of affliction.

12 Shall iron break the northern iron and the °steel?

13 Thy substance and thy treasures will I

and. Some codices, with three early printed editions and Sept., omit this "and". trouble = terror. Cp. 8. 15.

20 We acknowledge. These are the prophet's words.

wickedness = lawlessness. Heb. *rāsha'*. Ap. 44. x. Not the same word as in v. 16.

iniquity. Heb. *avōn*. Ap. 44. iv.

21 do not. Some codices, with three early printed editions, Syr., and Vulg., read "neither".

throne of Thy glory. See note on 3. 17.

22 Are there = Exist there. Heb. *yēsh*. See notes on 14. 22. Prov. 8. 21; 18. 24. Luke 7. 25.

vanities = idols. Gentiles = nations.

He. Supply Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), "He [That giveth rain]".

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I. wait upon Thee. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 49. 18, the first occurrence in this sense). Ap. 92.

15. 1 Then: or, And.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

Moses and Samuel. See Ps. 99. 6 and Ezek. 14. 14 (where other names are thus connected).

Moses. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 17. 11; 32. 11. Num. 14. 13). Ap. 92.

Samuel. Cp. 1 Sam. 7. 9; 8. 6; 12. 16-23.

My mind = My soul. Heb. *My nephesh*. Ap. 13. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

2 Such as are for death, &c. See notes on 43. 9-11. 2 Sam. 12. 31; 8. 2. Cp. Rev. 13. 10.

3 I will appoint, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 16).

saith the LORD = [is] Jehovah's oracle.

4 to be removed, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 25, the same word). Ap. 92.

because of Manasseh. See 2 Kings 21. 3, &c.

5 how thou doest? = of thy welfare?

7 gates. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Part), Ap. 6, for cities, or for the outlets of the land.

children = sons.

8 above, &c. Fig. *Hyperbole*. Ap. 6.

the sand of the seas. Fig. *Paræmia*. Ap. 6.

young men: choice ones, or warriors.

him to fall upon it . . . and terrors upon the city = I have let fall upon her (the mother), suddenly, anguish and terror. To this, one MS. (Harley, 5720, Brit. Mus.) adds: "Woe unto us! for the day declineth, for the shadows of the evening are stretched out", as in ch. 6. 4.

9 seven = the seven. Not even these will suffice.

given up the ghost = breathed out her soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. deliver = give.

15. 10-21 (D, p. 1037). PROPHETS. (TBUE.)
(*Alternation.*)

D | w | 10. Complaint of Jeremiah.

x | 11-14. Promise of Jehovah..

w | 15-18. Complaint of Jeremiah.

x | 19-21. Promise of Jehovah.

10 man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II.

lent on usury. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 22. 25). Ap. 92.

11 The LORD said = Jehovah said. This formula, as commencing a sentence, occurs only here and 46. 25. It is adopted only in Luke 11. 39; 12. 42; 18. 6; 22. 31.

thy: i.e. Israel's. evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

12 steel = bronze. 13 sins. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

14 make thee to pass with thine enemies into. Some codices, with Sept. and Syr., read "make thee serve with thine enemies in". Cp. 17. 4.

a fire is kindled, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 22).

give to the spoil without price, and *that* for all thy °sins, even in all thy borders.

14 And I will °make *thee* to pass with thine enemies into a land *which* thou knowest not: for °a fire is kindled in Mine anger, *which* shall burn upon you."

15 O °LORD, Thou knowest: remember me, w

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and visit me, and °revenge me of my persecutors; take me not away in Thy longsuffering: know that for Thy sake I have suffered °rebuke.

16 Thy words were °found, and I did eat them; and Thy word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of mine heart: for °I am called by Thy name, °O °LORD °God of hosts.

17 I sat not in the assembly of the °mockers, nor rejoiced; I sat alone because of Thy °hand: for Thou hast filled me with indignation.

18 Why is my pain perpetual, and my wound incurable, which refuseth to be healed? wilt Thou be altogether unto me as °a liar, and as waters that fail?

19 Therefore thus saith °the LORD, "If thou return, then will I bring thee again, and thou shalt °stand before Me: and if thou °take forth the precious from the vile, thou shalt be as My mouth: let them return unto thee; but return not thou unto them.

20 And °I will make thee unto this People a fenced brasen wall: and they shall fight against thee, but they shall not prevail against thee: for °I am with thee to save thee and to °deliver thee, °saith °the LORD.

21 °And I will deliver thee out of the hand of °the wicked, and I will °redeem thee out of the hand of the terrible."

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16 The word of °the LORD came also unto me, saying,

2 "Thou shalt not take thee a wife, neither shalt thou have sons or daughters in this place.

3 For thus saith °the LORD concerning the sons and concerning the daughters that are born in this place, and concerning their mothers that bare them, and concerning their fathers that begat them in this land;

4 They shall die of grievous deaths; they shall not be lamented; neither shall they be buried; but they shall be as dung upon the face of the °earth: and they shall be consumed by the sword, and by famine; and their carcases shall be meat for the fowls of heaven, and for the beasts of the earth.

5 For thus saith °the LORD, Enter not into the house of mourning, neither go to lament nor bemoan them:

6 for I have °taken away My °peace from this people, °saith °the LORD, even lovingkindness and °mercies.

7 Both the great and the small shall die in this land: they shall not be buried, neither shall men lament for them, nor °cut themselves, nor °make themselves °bald for them:

8 Neither shall °men tear themselves for them in mourning, to comfort them for the dead; neither shall men give them the cup of consolation to drink for their father or for their mother.

9 Thou shalt not also go into the house of feasting, to sit with them to eat and to drink.

10 For thus saith °the °LORD of hosts, the °God of Israel; °Behold, I will cause to cease out of this place in your eyes, and in your days, the voice of mirth, and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of °the bride.

11 And it shall come to pass, when thou shalt shew this People all these words, and they

15 revenge = avenge.

rebuke = reproach.

16 found = discovered. In the eighteenth year of Josiah, 513 B.C. Heb. māzā'. Not used of revelation. Ref. to 2 Kings 22. 8. 2 Chron. 34. 14, 15.

I am called by Thy name = Thy name was called upon me. Only those thus called feed upon Jehovah's words, and suffer reproach (v. 15. Cp. John 17. 14).

O LORD God of hosts. See note on 5. 14, and 1 Sam. 1. 3. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I

17 mockers = merry-makers.

hand. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6, for guidance.

18 a liar = a deceitful [brook]. The Ellipsis (Ap. 6), to be supplied from next clause, as a brook that disappointeth. Cp. Job 6. 20.

19 stand before Me: i.e. as My servant. Cp. 1 Kings 18. 15. 2 Kings 3. 14.

take forth the precious, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 10. 10). Ap. 92.

20 I will make thee, &c. Cp. 1. 18, 19; 6. 27.

deliver = rescue. Not the same word as in v. 9.

21 the wicked = wicked ones. Heb. rā'im (pl.). Ap. 44. viii.

redeem: i.e. by power. Heb. pādāh. Ex. 6. 6 and 13. 13.

16. 1-21 (T, p. 1035). SYMBOLICAL. NO WIFE. (Division.)

T | F¹ | 1-9. Symbol. No wife.

F² | 10-21. Signification.

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16. 1-9 (F¹, above). SYMBOL. NO WIFE. (Repeated Alternation.)

F¹ | y¹ | 1, 2. Prohibition. Not to marry.

z¹ | 3, 4. Reason.

y² | 5-. Prohibition. Not to mourn.

z² | -5-7. Reason.

y³ | 8. Prohibition. Not to feast.

z³ | 9. Reason.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

4 earth = ground, or soil.

5 taken away. Heb. āzaph. A Homonym, with two meanings: (1) to protect, or heal (Num. 12. 14, 15. 2 Kings 5. 6. Ps. 27. 10); (2) to snatch away (Ps. 26. 9. Jer. 16. 5).

peace: or, blessing.

saith the LORD = [is] Jehovah's oracle.

mercies = compassions, or tender mercies.

6 cut themselves . . . make . . . bald. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 19. 28; 21. 5. Deut. 14. 1). Cp. 41. 5; 47. 5.

7 men tear themselves = break [bread]. Heb. pāraš, to break, used of breaking bread, as in Isa. 58. 7. Ezek. 24. 17. Hos. 9. 4, and R.V. The Ellipsis (Ap. 6), is wrongly supplied in A.V. See the margin there.

9 the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel. See note on 7. 3. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

Behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

the bride. Cp. 7. 34; 25. 10; 33. 11.

16. 10-21 (F², above). SIGNIFICATION. (Alternation.)

F² | a | 10-13. Threatening. Expulsion.

b | 14, 15. Promise. Restoration. (Israel.)

a | 16-18. Threatening. Pursuit.

b | 19-21. Promise. Restoration. (Gentiles.)

10 Wherefore . . . ? Fig. Erotēsis. Ap. 6. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 29. 24, 25). Cp. 5. 19.

evil = mischief, or calamity. Heb. rā'ā'. Ap. 44. viii.

iniquity. Heb. āvāh. Ap. 44. iv.

sin. Heb. chātā'. Ap. 44. i.

shall say unto thee, °Wherefore hath °the LORD pronounced all this great °evil against us? or what is our °iniquity? or what is our °sin that we have committed against °the LORD our °God?

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11 Then shalt thou say unto them, 'Because your fathers have forsaken Me, ⁵saith ¹the LORD, and have walked after other gods, and have served them, and have worshipped them, and have forsaken Me, and have ^onot kept My law;

12 And ^{pe} have done worse than your fathers; for, behold, ye walk every one after the ^oimagination of his ^oevil heart, that they may not hearken unto Me:

13 Therefore will I cast ^{you} out of this land into a land that ye know not, *neither* ^{pe} nor your fathers; and there shall ye ^oserve other gods day and night; where I will not shew you favour.

b (p. 1039) 14 Therefore, ⁹behold, the days come, ⁵saith ¹the LORD, that it shall no more be said, ¹⁴The LORD liveth, That brought up the ^ochildren of Israel ^oout of the land of Egypt;

15 But, ¹¹The LORD liveth, That brought up the ¹⁴children of Israel from the land of the ^onorth, and from all the lands whither He had driven them: and I will bring them again into their land that I gave unto their fathers.

a 16 ¹⁴Behold, I will send for ^omany fishers, ⁵saith ¹the LORD, and they shall fish them; and after will I send for many ^ohunters, and they shall hunt them from every mountain, and from every hill, and out of the holes of the rocks.

17 For Mine eyes *are* upon all their ways: they are not hid from My face, neither is their ¹⁰iniquity hid from Mine eyes.

18 And first I will recompense their ¹⁰iniquity and their ¹⁰sin ^odouble; because they have defiled My land, they have filled Mine inheritance with the carcasses of their detestable and abominable things."

b 19 (O ¹LORD, my ^oStrength, and my Fortress, and my Refuge in the day of affliction, the ^oGentiles shall come unto Thee from the ends of the earth, and shall say, Surely our fathers have inherited lies, vanity, and *things* wherein *there* is no profit.)

20 "Shall a ^oman make gods unto himself, and *they are* no gods?

21 Therefore, ⁹behold, I will this once cause them to know, I will cause them to know Mine hand and My might; and they shall know that ^oMy name is ¹The LORD."

U G (p. 1045) 17 The ^osin of Judah *is* written with a pen of iron, *and* with the point of a diamond: *it is* graven upon the table of their heart, and upon the horns of ^oyour altars;

2 Whilst their ^ochildren remember their altars and their ^ogroves by ^othe green trees ^oupon the high hills.

H J 3 O My ^omountain in the field, ^oI will give thy substance *and* all thy treasures to the spoil, *and* thy high places ^ofor ¹sin, throughout all thy borders.

4 And thou, even thyself, shalt discontinue from thine heritage that I gave thee; and I will cause thee to serve thine enemies in the land which thou knowest not: for ye have ^okindled a fire in Mine anger, *which* shall ^oburn ^ofor ever."

11 not kept My law. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 20). Ap. 92.

12 imagination=stubbornness. Ref. to Pent. (see notes on 3. 17; 7. 24; 9. 14; 13. 10). Ap. 92.

evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

13 serve other gods. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 4. 26-28; 28. 36). Ap. 92.

14 children=sons.

out of . . . Egypt. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 12-15). Ap. 92.

15 north. Babylon on the east; but entrance thence into the Land was by the north.

16 many fishers . . . hunters. Ref. to Judah's enemies. Cp. v. 18. Amos 4. 2. Ezek. 12. 13. Hab. 1. 14.

18 double. See note on Isa. 40. 2.

19 Strength=strength (for protection). Heb. *'āzaz*. Gentiles=nations.

20 man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

21 My name. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 3. 15; 15. 3). Ap. 92.

17. 1-18 (U, p. 1035). LITERAL. SIN OF JUDAH. (*Alternation and Introversion.*)

U | G | 1, 2. Incrimination.

H | J | 3, 4. Threatening.

K | 5-8. Trust. False and True.

G | 9, 10. Incrimination.

H | K | 11-14. Trust. False and True.

J | 15-18. Defiance.

1 sin. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

your. One MS. (Harley, 5720, Brit. Mus.), quotes other MSS. as reading "their" (fol. 240b). So in two early printed editions, Syr., and Vulg.

2 children=sons.

groves=*Asherim* (pl.). See Ap. 42.

the green trees. Some codices, with Aram. and Syr., read "by every green tree".

upon. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Aram., and Syr., read "and upon".

3 mountain in the field. Fig. *Periphrasis* (Ap. 6), put for Jerusalem. Cp. "rock of the plain" (21. 13).

I will give. By Fig. *Hyperbaton* (Ap. 6), these words come at the end of the sentence, to call attention to them.

for sin=in sin: i.e. as a punishment for sin.

4 kindled a fire. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 22). Cp. 15. 14. burn. Cp. Isa. 33. 14.

for ever. Heb. *'olām*. See Ap. 150 (Gr. *aion*).

17. 5-8 (K, above). TRUST. FALSE AND TRUE. (*Alternation.*)

K | c | 5. Curse.

d | 6. Comparison. Heath in desert. } False.

c | 7. Blessing.

d | 8. Comparison. Tree in garden. } True.

5 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

Cursed, &c. Note the *Alternation* above.

the man=strong man. Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. IV.

trusteth=confideth. Heb. *bāṭaḥ*. Ap. 69. i.

man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

6 in. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read this word "in" in the text.

7 hope=confidence. Heb. *bāṭaḥ*, as in the preceding line. Not the same word as in vv. 13, 17.

8 as a tree. Ref. to an earlier book (Ps. 1. 1-3).

5 Thus saith ^othe LORD; ^o"Cursed be ^othe man that ^otrusteth in ^oman, and maketh flesh his arm, and whose heart departeth from ^othe LORD.

K c

6 For he shall be like the heath in the desert, and shall not see when good cometh; but shall inhabit the parched places in the wilderness, ^oin a salt land and not inhabited.

d

7 Blessed *is* ⁵the man that ⁵trusteth in ⁵the LORD, and whose ^ohope ⁵the LORD is.

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8 For he shall be ^oas a tree planted by the

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waters, and *that* spreadeth out her roots by the °river, and shall not see when heat cometh, but her leaf shall be green; and shall not be careful in the year of drought, neither shall cease from yielding fruit.

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(p. 1040)

9 The heart *is* °deceitful above all *things*, and °desperately wicked: °who can know it?

10 °*Y* the LORD search the °heart, *I* try the °reins, °even to give every °man according to his °ways, °and according to the °fruit of his doings.

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11 As the partridge sitteth on eggs, and hatcheth them not;

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so he that getteth riches, and not by right, shall leave them in the midst of his °days, and at his end shall be a fool."

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12 A glorious high throne from the beginning *is* the place of our sanctuary.

13 O °LORD, °the Hope of Israel, all that forsake Thee shall be ashamed, and they that depart from Me shall be written in the earth,

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because they have forsaken °the LORD, the Fountain of living waters.

14 Heal me, O °LORD, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved: for °*T*hou art my Praise.

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(p. 1040)

15 °Behold, they say unto me, °"Where *is* the word of °the LORD? let it come now."

16 As for me, I have not hastened from *being* a pastor to follow Thee: neither have I desired the °woeful day; °*T*hou knowest: that which came out of my lips was °right before Thee.

17 °Be not a terror unto me: °*T*hou art my Hope in the day of °evil.

18 Let them be confounded that persecute me, but let not me be confounded: let them be dismayed, but let not me be dismayed: bring upon them the day of °evil, and destroy them with °double destruction.

F g¹
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19 Thus said °the LORD unto me; "Go and stand in °the gate of the °children of the People, whereby the kings of Judah come in, and by the which they go out, and in all the gates of Jerusalem;

20 And say unto them, 'Hear ye the word of the LORD, ye kings of Judah, and all Judah, and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, that enter in by these gates:

21 Thus saith °the LORD; Take heed to °yourselves, and °bear no burden on the sabbath day, nor bring *it* in by the gates of Jerusalem;

22 Neither carry forth a burden out of your houses on the sabbath day, neither do ye any work, but hallow ye the sabbath day, °as I commanded your fathers."

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23 But they °obeyed not, neither inclined their ear, but made their neck stiff, that they might not hear, nor receive instruction.

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24 "And it shall come to pass, if ye diligently hearken unto Me, °saith °the LORD, 'to bring in no burden through the gates of this city on the sabbath day, but hallow the sabbath day, to do no work therein;

25 Then shall there enter into the gates of this city kings and princes sitting upon the throne of David, riding in chariots and on

river=stream. Heb. *yūbal*, from *yābal*, to flow.

9 deceitful=crooked. Referring to the old nature of the natural man.

desperately wicked=sick unto death=it [is] sick unto death: i. e. it [is] incurable.

who can know it? Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

10 °*Y* the LORD. Quoted in Rom. 8. 27. Rev. 2. 23. heart. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the mind, or intellect.

reins. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the thoughts, or affections.

even to give=giving. But some codices, with two early printed editions, Sept. reads, "to give", or "that He may give", and Vulg., "who gives".

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

ways. Heb. text reads "way" (sing.); but some codices, with two early printed editions, Aram., Sept., Syr., and Heb. text marg., read "ways" (pl.).

and. Some codices, with two early printed editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read this "and" in the text. fruit of his doings. Cp. 6. 19; 32. 19.

17. 11-14 (K, p. 1040). TRUST. FALSE AND TRUE. (*Introversion*.)

K | e | 11-. Forsaking. Partridge her eggs.

f | -11. False trust.

f | 12, 13-. True trust.

e | -13, 14. Forsaking. People their God.

11 days=day. But some codices, with one early printed edition, read "days", as A.V. Cp. Luke 12. 20.

13 the Hope of Israel. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for Jehovah, in Whom Israel hoped.

14 °*T*hou art my praise. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 10. 21).

15 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

Where . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

16 woeful. Same word as "desperately wicked" (in v. 9)=incurable. right. Omit.

17 Be not a terror. Cp. 1. 17.

evil=calamity. Heb. *rā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii.

18 double. Cp. 16. 18, and see note on Isa. 40. 2.

17. 19-27 (F, p. 1018). PROPHECIES. (*Repeated Alternation*.)

F | g¹ | 19-22. Jehovah. Command.

h¹ | 23. Disobedience.

g² | 24-26. Jehovah. Promise.

h² | 27-. Disobedience.

g³ | -27. Jehovah. Threatening.

19 the gate, &c. Probably the main entrance to the Courts of the Temple. See plan, Ap. 68, p. 105.

21 yourselves=your souls. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 15.

bear no burden. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 20. 8; 23. 12; 31. 13). Ap. 92. Cp. Neh. 13. 15-19.

22 as=according as.

23 obeyed=hearkened.

25 horses. Some codices read "their horses".

men. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

26 the plain. Called *Shephēlah*=Philistia, between Jerusalem and the Mediterranean Sea.

mountains=the central land.

the south=the Negeb. See notes on Gen. 12. 9; 13. 1. Deut. 1. 7. Ps. 126. 4.

bringing burnt offerings, &c. Ref. to Pent. Lev. 1. 1, 2, &c.

meat=meal. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 2. 1). Ap. 92.

incense=frankincense.

°horses, they, and their princes, the °men of Judah, and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: and this city shall remain for ever.

26 And they shall come from the cities of Judah, and from the places about Jerusalem, and from the land of Benjamin, and from °the plain, and from the °mountains, and from °the south, °bringing burnt offerings, and sacrifices, and °meat offerings, and °incense, and bringing

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sacrifices of praise, unto the house of ⁵the LORD.

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27 But if ye will not hearken unto Me to hallow the sabbath day, and not to bear a burden, even entering in at the gates of Jerusalem on the sabbath day;

g³

then will I °kindle a fire in the gates thereof, and it shall devour the palaces of Jerusalem, and it shall not be quenched.”

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18 The word which came to Jeremiah from °the LORD, saying,

2 “Arise, and go down to °the potter’s house, and there I will cause thee to hear My words.”

3 Then I went down to the potter’s house, and, behold, he °wrought a work on the wheels.

4 And the vessel that he made of clay was marred in the hand of the potter: so he made it again another vessel, as seemed good to the potter to make it.

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5 Then the word of °the LORD came to me, saying,

6 “O °house of Israel, cannot I do with you as this potter? °saith °the LORD. °Behold, as the clay is in the potter’s hand, so are ye in Mine hand, O °house of Israel.

N Q¹ i

7 At what instant I shall speak concerning a nation, and concerning a kingdom, °to pluck up, and to °pull down, and to destroy it;

k

8 If that nation, against whom I have pronounced, turn from their °evil, °I will repent of the °evil that I thought to do unto them.

i

9 And at what instant I shall speak concerning a nation, and concerning a kingdom, °to build and to plant it;

k

10 If it do °evil in My sight, that it obey not My voice, then °I will repent of the good, wherewith I said I would benefit them.

Q² l

11 Now therefore go to, speak to the °men of Judah, and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, saying, ‘Thus saith °the LORD; °Behold, °I frame °evil against you, and devise a device against you: return ye now every one from his °evil way, and make your ways and your doings good.’”

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12 And they said, “There is no hope: but we will walk after our own devices, and we will every one do the °imagination of his °evil heart.”

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13 Therefore thus saith °the LORD; “Ask ye now among the °heathen, who hath heard such things: the virgin of Israel hath done a very horrible thing.

14 °Will a man leave the °snow of Lebanon °which cometh from the rock of the field? or shall the cold flowing waters that come from another place be forsaken?

15 Because My people hath °forgotten Me, they have burned incense to °vanity, and they

27 kindle a fire, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 22). Ap. 92. Cp. 21. 14. Lam. 4. 11.

18. 1–20. 18 (G, p. 1018). SYMBOLS. (Extended Alternation.)

- G L | 18. 1–4. Symbol. Potter’s vessel.
M | 18. 5, 6. Signification. House of Israel.
N | 18. 7–17. Threatening.
O | 18. 18. Enemies. Plot.
P | 18. 19–23. Jeremiah. Prayer.
L | 19. 1–10. Symbol. Potter’s bottle.
M | 19. 11–13. Signification. People and city.
N | 19. 14, 15. Threatening.
O | 20. 1–6. Enemies. Violence.
P | 20. 7–18. Jeremiah. Prayer.

Jeremiah’s TWELFTH Prophecy (p. 1015)

- 1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
2 the potter’s house. Note the lesson, set to Jeremiah there: that Jehovah never *mends* what man has *marred*. He always substitutes something *new*. The *interpretation* belongs to “THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL”, and, that being “marred”, the new “nation” is to be substituted. See Matt. 21. 43. Cp. Rom. 11. 7. Ezek. 36. 25–28. The *application* belongs to: (1) THE COVENANT (Deut. 6. 25), but it was *marred* (Jer. 31. 32): for the *New Covenant*, see Heb. 8. 7–13. (2) ORDINANCES, *marred* (Isa. 1. 11–14); *new* (Heb. 10. 6–9. Col. 2. 14, 17. Gal. 4. 3, 8–11). (3) PRIESTHOOD (Heb. 7. 11–28). (4) KING (2 Sam. 7. 12–16). Cp. Ps. 72. Isa. 9. 6; 11. 1–9; 32. 1–8. Luke 1. 31–33. (5) MAN, *marred* (Gen. 3. Rom. 8. 7. Jer. 17. 9. Ps. 14. 2; 53. 2. John 3. 6); *new* (2 Cor. 5. 17, 18). (6) THE BODY, *marred* (Gen. 3. Heb. 9. 27); the *new* (1 Cor. 15. 35, 44, 46, 47). (7) THE HEAVEN AND EARTH, *marred* (Gen. 3. 2 Pet. 3. 7); the *new* (2 Pet. 3. 13). Ps. 85. 10, 13. Isa. 65. 17, &c. (8) THE CHURCH, *marred* (2 Tim. 1. 15 (cp. Acts 19. 10; 20. 29); 2. 18; 3. 8; 4. 3, 4); *new* (Eph. 2. 20–22; 4. 4).
wrought = was working.

Jeremiah’s THIRTEENTH Prophecy (p. 1015).

- 6 house of Israel. See note on 2. 4.
saith the LORD = [is] Jehovah’s oracle.
Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.
18. 7–17 (N, above). THREATENING. (*Division*).
N | Q¹ | 7–10. Declaration.
Q² | 11–17. Application.

18. 7–10 (Q¹, above). DECLARATION. (Alternation.)

- Q¹ | i | 7. Concerning pulling down.
k | 8. Condition. Repentance.
i | 9. Concerning building up.
k | 10. Condition. Repentance.
7 to pluck up – to declare that it should be plucked up. Heb. idiom. Cp. 1. 10.
pull down. Some codices, with two early printed editions and Syr., read “tear away”. Cp. 1. 10.
8 evil – calamity. Heb. *rā’a’*. Ap. 44. viii.
I will repent. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.
9 to build, &c. = to declare that it should be built and planted.

18. 11–17 (Q², above). APPLICATION. (Introversion.)

- Q² | l | 11. Threatening.
m | 12. Departure.
m | 13–16. Departure.
l | 17. Execution.

11 men. Heb. *’ish*. Ap. 14. II.

3 frame I work (as the potter in v. 3). 12 imagination = stubbornness. 13 heathen = nations.
14 Will a man leave . . . ? Note the Fig. *Erotēsis* and the Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), and render:—

“Will [a man] leave the snow [water] of Lebanon for the rock of the field?
Or shall the cold flowing waters [be forsaken] for strange waters?”

snow: i. e. snow [water], used for mixing with wine; or for washing, as in Job 9. 30. which cometh. Omit, and supply the word “leave” in the second clause from the first clause. 15 forgotten. Showing that the emphasis is on the leaving and forsaking of v. 14. vanity. Used of idols. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6.

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have caused them to stumble in their ways
°from the °ancient paths, to walk in paths, in
°a way not cast up;

16 To make their land desolate, and a perpetual
°hissing; every one that passeth thereby shall be
astonished, and wag his head.

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(p. 1042)

17 I will scatter them °as with an east °wind
before the enemy; I will shew them the back,
and not the face, °in the day of their calamity."

O

18 Then said they, "Come, and let us devise
devices against Jeremiah; for °the law shall
not perish from the priest, nor counsel from
the wise, nor the word from the prophet.
Come, and let us smite him °with the tongue,
and let us not give heed to any of his words."

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(p. 1043)

19 Give heed to me, O °LORD, and hearken
to the voice of them that contend with me.

20 °Shall °evil be recompensed for good? for
they have digged a pit for °my soul. Remember
that I stood before Thee to speak good for
them, and to turn away Thy wrath from them.

O

21 Therefore deliver up their °children to the
famine, and pour out their blood by the force
of the sword; and let their wives be bereaved
of their °children, and be widows; and let their
°men be put to death; let their young men be
slain by the sword in battle.

22 Let a cry be heard from their houses, when
thou shalt bring a °troop suddenly upon them:
for they have digged a pit to take me, and hid
snares for my feet.

n

23 Yet, °LORD, Thou knowest all °their counsel
against me to slay me:

O

°forgive not their °iniquity, neither blot out
their °sin from Thy sight, but let them be
overthrown before Thee; deal thus with them
in the time of Thine anger.

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19 Thus °saith °the LORD, "Go and get
a potter's earthen °bottle, and °take of
the °ancients of the people, and of the °ancients
of the priests;

q

2 And go forth unto the valley of the son of
Hinnom, which is by the entry of °the east
gate, and proclaim there the words that I shall
tell thee,

3 And say, 'Hear ye the word of °the LORD,
O kings of Judah, and inhabitants of Jerusalem;
Thus saith °the °LORD of hosts, the
°God of Israel; °Behold, I will bring °evil
upon this place, the which whosoever heareth,
°his ears shall tingle.

r

4 Because they have °forsaken Me, and have
estranged this place, and have burned incense
in it unto other gods, °whom neither °they nor
their fathers °have known, nor the kings of
Judah, and have filled this place with the
blood of °innocents;

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5 They have built also the high places of
Baal, °to °burn their sons with fire for °burnt
offerings unto Baal, which I commanded not,
nor spake it, neither came it into °My mind:

q

6 Therefore, °behold, the days come, °saith
°the LORD, that this place shall no more be
called °Tophet, nor The valley of the son of
°Hinnom, but °The valley of slaughter.

7 And I will make void the counsel of Judah
and Jerusalem in this place; and I will cause

from. Supply the Ellipsis from vv. 14, 15 thus: "in
that they forsook". ancient. Cp. 6. 16.

a way not cast up: i.e. a causeway. Prov. 15. 19.
Isa. 57. 14; 62. 10.

16 hissing. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6,
for the contempt felt.

17 as. Some codices, with five early printed editions,
read "with", instead of "as".

wind. Heb. *rûach*. Ap. 9.

in the day. See Ap. 18.

18 the law, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 10. 11). Ap. 92.
with the tongue=with hard words. "Tongue" put
by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the hard words
spoken by it.

18. 19-23 (P, p. 1042). JEREMIAH. PRAYER.
(*Alternation.*)

P | n | 19, 20. Complaint.

o | 21, 22. Imprecation.

n | 23-. Complaint.

o | -23. Imprecation.

20 Shall . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

my soul=me (emphatic). Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 18.

21 children=sons.

men. Pl. of *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

22 troop=marauders.

23 their counsel. See Ap. 85.

forgive not. See Ap. 85.

iniquity. Heb. *'āvōn*. Ap. 44. iv.

sin. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

19. 1-10 (L, p. 1042). THE POTTER'S BOTTLE.
(*Introversion.*)

L | p | 1. Bottle taken.

q | 2, 3. Threatening. (General.)

r | 4. Cause.

r | 5. Cause.

q | 6-9. Threatening. (Particular.)

p | 10. Bottle broken.

1 saith the LORD. Some codices, with two early
printed editions, Aram., Sept., and Syr., read "Jehovah
said unto me".

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

bottle=pitcher. Often seen hanging by a well to
this day. Not a leathern wine-skin.

take. The Fig. *Ellipsis* (Absolute), Ap. 6, must be
thus supplied. ancients=elders.

2 the east gate: i.e. the pottery gate. See Ap. 59.
Not from *haras*=east, but from *heres*=a potsherd. See
note on Isa. 19. 19 and Ap. 81.

3 the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel. See note
on 7. 3.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

evil=calamity. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

his ears shall tingle. Ref. to earlier books (1 Sam.
3. 11. 2 Kings 21. 12). Cp. the ref. to Samuel in 15. 1.

4 forsaken Me. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 20; 32. 15).
Cp. Jer. 5. 7, 19. Ap. 92.

whom . . . they . . . have known. Ref. to Pent.
(Deut. 32. 17). Ap. 92.

innocents=people, not merely babes.

5 to burn=consume. Heb. *sāraph*. Ap. 43. I. viii.

burn their sons, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 18. 21).

burnt offerings. Cp. 7. 31.

My mind. Heb. My heart. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*.
Ap. 6. "Mind" put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct),
Ap. 6, for the thoughts.

saith the LORD=[is] Jehovah's oracle.

6 Tophet . . . Hinnom. Cp. 7. 31.

The valley of slaughter. Cp. 7. 32.

7 fall by the sword . . . enemies. Ref. to Pent.
(Lev. 26. 17. Deut. 28. 25). Ap. 92.

lives=souls. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

them to °fall by the sword before their ene-
mies, and by the hands of them that seek their
°lives: and their carcasses will I give to be

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meat for the fowls of the heaven, and for the beasts of the earth.

8 And I will make this city °desolate, and an °hissing; every one that passeth thereby shall be astonished and hiss because of all the plagues thereof.

9 And I will cause them °to eat the flesh of their sons and the flesh of their daughters, and they shall eat every one the flesh of his friend in the siege and straitness, wherewith their enemies, and they that seek their °lives, shall straiten them.'

p 10 Then shalt thou break the °bottle in the sight of the °men that go with thee,

M 11 And shalt say unto them, 'Thus saith °the °LORD of hosts; Even so will I break this People and this city, °as one breaketh a potter's vessel, that cannot be made whole again: and they shall bury them in °Tophet, till there be no place to bury.

12 Thus will I do unto this place, °saith °the LORD, and to the inhabitants thereof, and even make this city as °Tophet:

13 And the houses of Jerusalem, and the houses of the kings of Judah, shall be defiled as the place of °Tophet, because of all the houses °upon whose roofs they have burned incense unto all the host of heaven, and have poured out drink offerings unto other gods.'

N 14 Then came Jeremiah from °Tophet, whether °the LORD had sent him to prophesy; and he stood in the court of °the LORD'S house; and said to all the People,

15 "Thus saith °the °LORD of hosts, the °God of Israel; °Behold, I will bring upon this city and upon all her towns all the °evil that I have pronounced against it, because they have hardened their necks, that they might not hear My words.'

O s 20 Now °Pashur the son of °Immer °the priest, who was also °chief governor in the house of °the LORD, heard that Jeremiah °prophesied these things.

2 Then °Pashur °smote Jeremiah the prophet, and put him in the stocks that were in the °high gate of Benjamin, which was by the house of °the LORD.

3 And it came to pass on the morrow, that °Pashur brought forth Jeremiah out of the stocks.

t Then said Jeremiah unto him, °"The LORD hath °not called thy name °Pashur, but °Magor-missabib.

4 For thus saith °the LORD, °Behold, I will make thee a terror to thyself, and to all thy friends: and they shall fall °by the sword of their enemies, and thine eyes shall behold it: and I will give all Judah into the hand of °the king of Babylon, and he shall carry them captive into Babylon, and shall slay them with the sword.

t 5 Moreover I will deliver all the °strength of this city, and all the labours thereof, and all the precious things thereof, and all the treasures of the kings of Judah will I give into the hand of their enemies, which shall spoil them, and take them, and carry them to Babylon.

s 6 And thou, °Pashur, and all that dwell in

8 desolate . . . hissing. See note on 18. 16.

9 to eat the flesh, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 29. Deut. 28. 53-57). Cp. Lam. 2. 20; 4. 10.

10 men. Heb. pl. of 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

11 the LORD of hosts. See note on 6. 6.

as=according as.

13 upon whose roofs. Cp. 32. 29.

20. 1-6 (O, p. 1042). ENEMIES. VIOLENCE. (Introversion.)

O | s | 1-3-. Pashur's violence.

t | -3, 4. Pashur and Judah: captives.

t | 5. Pashur and Judah: spoils.

s | 6. Pashur's end.

1 Pashur=most noble. The first person named in this book, beside Jeremiah. Not the Pashur of ch. 21. This incident is in the third year of Jehoiakim, just before Nebuchadnezzar comes for the first time. Ch. 21 is in the latter part of Zedekiah's reign, nineteen years later.

Immer. The ancestor of the sixteenth order of priests (1 Chron. 24. 14). the priest: i.e. Immer.

chief governor: i.e. Pashur.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

prophesied=was prophesying.

2 smote. Perhaps according to Deut. 25. 3.

high=upper. Probably north of the Temple, which looked toward the gate of Benjamin.

3 not called thy name Pashur. Pashūr is the foreign Aramaic name, given by his parents. Jeremiah takes this Aramaic name and interprets it in Hebrew (as Isaiah had done in 8. 1, 3). Pash=to stay (or remain on), gūr=to sojourn or wander about in a strange land. Aram. sēhūr=Heb. šābīb. Hence, "Thy name is not staying on, but wandering about." Cp. v. 3 with v. 6. The opposite of Isa. 8. 1, 3.

Magor-missabib. Heb. Māgōr-missābīb=terror-round-about, or fear on every side. Cp. v. 10; 6. 25; 46. 5, &c.

4 Behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

by the sword. Some codices, with two early printed editions, add "at the hand of".

the king of Babylon. This is the first occurrence in Jeremiah.

5 strength=power, or might. Heb. hāsen. Not the same word as in v. 7. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Effect), Ap. 6, for the wealth acquired by strength.

20. 7-18 (P, p. 1042). JEREMIAH. PRAYER. (Introversion.)

P | R | 7-12. Complaint.

S | 13-. Praise to Jehovah.

S | -13. Praise. Reason for it.

R | 14-18. Complaint.

20. 7-12 (R, above). COMPLAINT. (Introversion.)

R | u | 7-. Jehovah. Commission.

v | -7, 8. Jeremiah. Derision of.

w | 9-. Jehovah's word. Resolve made.

w | -9. Jehovah's word. Resolve useless.

v | 10. Jeremiah. Conspiracy against.

u | 11, 12. Jeremiah. Support.

7 deceived=induced, or persuaded. Heb. pāthāh, in a good sense: Gen. 9. 27 ("enlarge"). Prov. 25. 15 ("persuade"). Hos. 2. 14 ("allure"). The adjective pāthāh means persuadable, and generally in a good sense: Ps. 19. 7; and is rendered "simple": (Ps. 19. 7; 116. 6; 119. 130. Prov. 1. 4; 8. 5; 21. 11, &c.)

stronger=stronger (to hold fast). Heb. hazaq. Not the same word as in v. 5.

thine house shall go into captivity: and thou shalt come to Babylon, and there thou shalt die, and shalt be buried there, thou, and all thy friends, to whom thou hast prophesied lies.'

7 O °LORD, Thou hast °deceived me, and I was °deceived: Thou art °stronger than I, and hast prevailed:

P R u

I am in derision daily, every one ° mocketh me.

8 For since I spake, I cried out, I cried violence and spoil; because the word of ° the LORD was made a reproach unto me, and a derision, daily.

9 Then I said, "I will not make mention of Him, nor speak any more in His name."

But His word ° was in mine heart as a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I was weary with forbearing, and I could not stay.

10 For I heard the defaming of many, ° fear on every side. "Report," say they, "and we will report it." All my ° familiars watched for my halting, saying, "Peradventure he will be ° enticed, and we shall prevail against him, and we shall take our revenge on him."

11 But ° the LORD is with me as a mighty terrible One: therefore my persecutors shall stumble, and they shall not prevail: they shall be greatly ashamed; for they shall not prosper: their everlasting confusion shall never be forgotten.

12 But, O ° LORD of hosts, That ° triest ° the righteous, and seest the ° reins and the ° heart, let me see Thy vengeance on them: for unto Thee have I opened my cause.

13 Sing unto ° the LORD, praise ye ° the LORD: for He hath delivered the ° soul of the ° poor from the hand of ° evildoers.

14 Cursed be the day wherein I was born: ° let not the day wherein my mother bare me be blessed.

15 Cursed be the ° man who brought tidings to my father, saying, "A ° man child is born unto thee;" making him very glad.

16 And let that ° man be ° as the cities which ° the LORD overthrew, and repented not: and let him hear the ° cry in the morning, and the ° shouting at noontide;

17 Because he slew me not from the womb; or that my mother might have been my grave, and her womb to be always great with me.

18 ° Wherefore came I forth out of the womb to see labour and sorrow, that my days should be consumed with shame?

21 The word which came unto Jeremiah from ° the LORD, when king Zedekiah ° sent unto him ° Pashur the son of Melchiah, and ° Zephaniah the son of Maaseiah the priest, saying,

2 "Enquire, I pray thee, of ° the LORD for us; for ° Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon maketh war against us; if so be that ° the LORD will deal with us according to all His wondrous works, that he may ° go up from us."

3 Then said Jeremiah unto them, "Thus shall ye say to ° Zedekiah:

4 'Thus saith ° the LORD ° God of Israel; ° Behold, I will turn back the weapons of war that are in your hands, wherewith ye fight against the king of Babylon, and against the Chaldeans, which besiege you without the walls, and I will assemble them into the midst of this city.

5 And I Myself will fight against you with an

mocketh = is laughing at. See Ap. 85.

9 was = became.

10 fear on every side. Heb. *māgōr-miṣṣabīb*, as in v. 3. Cp. 6. 25; 46. 5, &c.

familiars = those whom I am wont to salute. See Ap. 85.

enticed = induced, or persuaded. Heb. *pāthāh*, v. 7.

12 LORD of hosts. See note on 6. 6, and 1 Sam. 1. 3. triest = testest. the righteous = a righteous one.

reins = kidneys. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Subject), Ap. 6, for thoughts.

heart. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Subject), Ap. 6, for the affections. 13 soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

poor = helpless. Heb. *'ebyōn*. See note on Prov. 6. 11. evildoers. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

14 let not the day, &c. Fig. Pleonasm. Ap. 6.

15 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

man child = a son, a male. Cp. Rev. 12. 5.

16 as the cities, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 19. 24).

cry: of the besieged for help. } Cp. Ex. 32.

shouting: of the besiegers for victory. } 17, 18.

18 Wherefore . . . ? Fig. Eroticism. Ap. 6. Cp. Job 3.

21. 1-35. 19 (D, p. 1015). HISTORY, ETC. JEHOIAKIM. (NOT CHRONOLOGICAL.) (Introversion.)

D T | 21. 1-14. Defeat and Captivity proclaimed.

U | 22. 1-23. 8. Promise of THE BRANCH.

V | 23. 9-40. Whirlwind. False Prophets. Rejection.

W | 24. 1-10. Captives. Remnant. (Fig.)

X | 25. 1-11. Time. Seventy years.

Y | 25. 12-38. Nations. The Cup.

Z | 26. 1-24. Proclamation in Temple.

Y | 27. 1-22. Nations. Bonds and Yoke.

X | 28. 1-17. Time. Two years.

W | 29. 1-32. Captives and Remnant. (Fig.)

V | 30. 1-31. 40. Whirlwind. Book. Restoration.

U | 32. 1-33. 26. Promise of THE BRANCH.

T | 34. 1-35. 19. Defeat and Captivity proclaimed.

21. 1-14 (T, above). DEFEAT AND CAPTIVITY PROCLAIMED. (Alternation.)

T | x | 1-7. To the king.

y | 8-10. To the People of the city.

z | 11, 12. To the king's house.

y | 13, 14. To the People in the city.

Jeremiah's FOURTEENTH Prophecy, 21. 1-10, and a new division of the book (see D, p. 1015).

Note the reigns: ch. 21. Zedekiah (the last king of Judah). Ch. 22. His three predecessors, Shallum (or Jehoahaz), Jehoiakim, and Coniah (or Jechoniah, or Jehoiachin). Chs. 25, 26, 27. Jehoiakim. Ch. 28. Zedekiah again, and the last days of Jerusalem. This order is logical, which is more important than chronological, for the severity of ch. 21 is shown to be justified by the chapters which follow. Cp. 25. 3-5, and see Ap. 83.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

sent unto him. Contrast the mission of Hezekiah to Isaiah (2 Kings 19. 2. Isa. 37. 2).

Pashur. Not the Pashur of 20. 1. This prophecy is nineteen years later; the deportation in the reign of Jehoiachin had taken place, and a worse set of men were the rulers. This Pashur was a priest, if Melchiah is the same Melchiah as in 1 Chron. 9. 12.

Zephaniah, &c. He is mentioned again (29. 25; 37. 3; 52. 24). The Heb. accents read "Zephaniah the priest, the son of Maaseiah."

2 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. Nebuchadrezzar. First occurrence in Jeremiah. go up from us: i.e. raise the siege.

3 Zedekiah. The last king of Judah.

4 the LORD God of Israel = Jehovah the Elohim of Israel. See note on 11. 3, and Ap. 4. II and I.

Behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

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479 °outstretched hand and with a °strong arm, even in anger, °and in fury, and in great wrath.

6 And I will smite the inhabitants of this city, both °man and beast: they shall die of a great pestilence.

7 And afterward, °saith 2the LORD, I will deliver Zedekiah king of Judah, and his servants, and the People, and such as are left in this city from the pestilence, °from the sword, and from the famine, into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, °and into the hand of their enemies, °and into the hand of those that seek their °life: °and he shall smite them with the edge of the sword; °he shall not spare them, neither have pity, nor have mercy.

y (p. 1045) 8 And unto this People thou shalt say, Thus saith 2the LORD; °Behold, °I set before you the way of °life, and the way of °death.

9 He that abideth in this city shall die by the sword, and by the famine, and by the pestilence: but °he that goeth out, and °falleth to the Chaldeans that besiege you, °he shall live, and his °life shall °be unto him for a prey.

10 For °I have set My face against this city for °evil, and not for good, saith 2the LORD: °it shall be given into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall burn it with fire.

x 11 And touching the house of the king of Judah, say, Hear ye the word of 2the LORD;

12 O °house of David, thus saith 2the LORD; Execute judgment °in the morning, and deliver him that is spoiled out of the hand of the oppressor, lest My fury go out like fire, and burn that none can quench it, because of the °evil of °your doings.

y 13 Behold, I am against thee, O °inhabitant of the valley, and °rock of the plain, °saith 2the LORD; which say, °Who shall come down against us? or who shall enter into our habitations?

14 But I will punish you according to the fruit of your doings, °saith 2the LORD: and I will °kindle a fire in °the forest thereof, and °it shall devour all things round about it.

U A¹ B a (p. 1046) 22 Thus saith °the LORD; °Go down to the house of the °king of Judah, and speak there this word,

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2 And say, °Hear the word of 1the LORD, O 1king of Judah, that sittest upon the throne of David, thou, and thy servants, and thy People that enter in by these gates:

3 Thus saith 1the LORD; °Execute ye °judgment and righteousness, and deliver the °spoiled out of the hand of the oppressor: and do °no wrong, do °no violence to the °stranger, the °fatherless, °nor the widow, °neither shed °innocent blood in this place.

b 4 For if ye do this thing indeed, then shall there enter in by the gates of this house kings sitting °upon the throne of David, riding in chariots and on horses, he, and his °servants, and his people.

5 But if ye will not hear these words, I swear by Myself, °saith 1the LORD, that this house shall become a desolation.

5 outstretched hand. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 6. 6. Deut. 4. 34). Ap. 92.

strong=strong (for holding fast). Heb. *hazak*. Cp. 20. 5, 7.

and. Note Fig. *Polysyndeton*. Ap. 6.

6 man. Heb. *'adam*. Ap. 14. I.

7 saith the LORD=[is] Jehovah's oracle. from. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "and from", thus forming the Fig. *Polysyndeton*. Ap. 6. life=soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

he shall not spare. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 50).

8 I set before you, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 30. 19). life . . . death. Note the *Introversion* in v. 9, "die . . . live".

9 he that goeth out, &c. Many acted on this promise (39. 9; 52. 15). falleth=shall fall.

he shall live. Some codices, with two early printed editions, read "then (or so) shall he live".

be unto him for a prey: i.e. he shall save his life, but it will be dearly bought. Cp. 38. 2; 39. 18; 45. 6. The phrase occurs only in Jeremiah.

10 I have set, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 17. 10). Ap. 92. Cp. Ezek. 15. 7.

evil=calamity. Heb. *ra'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

12 house of David. Occurs only here in Jeremiah. in the morning=betimes.

evil. Heb. *ra'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

your. Some codices, with seven early printed editions, read "their".

13 inhabitant=inhabitant: i.e. Zion.

rock of the plain. Fig. *Periphrasis* (Ap. 6), for Zion.

14 kindle a fire, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 22). Ap. 92.

the forest thereof=her forest. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the timber from Lebanon used in the buildings. it shall devour. Fulfilled in 52. 13.

22. 1-23. 8 (U, p. 1045). PROMISE OF THE BRANCH. (*Division*.)

U | A¹ | 22. 1-30. Individually.

| A² | 23. 1-8. Collectively.

22. 1-30 (A¹, above). INDIVIDUALLY. (*Alternation*.)

A¹ | B | 1-9. To Jehoiakim.

| C | 10-12. Touching Shallum.

| B | 13-19. To Jehoiakim.

| C | 20-30. Touching Coniah.

22. 1-9 (B, above). TO JEHOIAKIM. (*Alternation*.)

B | a | 1-3. Command.

| b | 4, 5. Consequence.

| a | 6, 7. Address.

| b | 8, 9. Consequence.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

Go down. Cp. 36. 12.

king of Judah: i.e. Jehoiakim.

3 Execute ye, &c. See note on 7. 5.

judgment and righteousness. Fig. *Hendiadys* (Ap. 6)=judgment, yea, righteous judgment. spoiled=robbed.

no . . . nor . . . neither. Note the Fig. *Paradiastolē*. Ap. 6. stranger=sojourner.

fatherless, nor the widow. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), Ap. 6, for all afflicted ones.

innocent blood. See note on 7. 6.

4 upon the throne of David=for David upon his throne.

servants. Heb. text reads "servant", but some codices, with two early printed editions, read pl., as in A. V.

5 saith the LORD=[is] Jehovah's oracle.

6 house of Judah. See note on 3. 18.

6 For thus saith 1the LORD unto the king's °house of Judah; Thou art Gilead unto Me, and the head of Lebanon: yet surely I will make thee a wilderness, and cities which are not inhabited. a

489 7 And I will °prepare destroyers against thee, every one with his weapons: and they shall cut down thy choice °cedars, and cast *them* into the fire.

b (p. 1046) 8 And many nations shall pass by this city, and they shall say °every man to his neighbour, °Wherefore hath ¹the LORD done thus unto this great city?

9 Then they shall answer, 'Because they have forsaken the covenant of ¹the LORD their °God, and worshipped other gods, and served them.'

C 10 Weep ye not for °the dead, neither bemoan °him: *but* °weep sore for him that goeth away: for he shall return no more, nor see his native country.

500 11 For thus saith ¹the LORD touching °Shallum the son of Josiah king of Judah, which reigned instead of Josiah his father, which went forth out of this place; He shall not return thither any more:

12 But he shall °die in the place whither they have led him captive, and shall see this land no more.

B 13 Woe unto him that buildeth his house by unrighteousness, and his °chambers °by wrong; *that* °useth his neighbour's service without wages, and giveth him not for his °work;

14 That saith, 'I will build me a wide house and °large chambers,' and cutteth him out °windows; and *it is* °cieled with cedar, and painted with vermilion.

15 Shalt thou reign, because thou closest *thyself* in cedar? did not thy father eat and drink, and do °judgment and °justice, *and then it was well with him?*

16 °He °judged the cause of the °poor and needy; then *it was well with him*: was not *this* to know Me? °saith ¹the LORD.

17 °But thine eyes and thine heart *are* not but for thy covetousness, and for to °shed innocent blood, and for oppression, and for violence, to do *it*.

500-489 18 Therefore thus saith ¹the LORD concerning Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah; They shall not lament for him, *saying*, 'Ah my brother!' or, 'Ah sister!' they shall not lament for him, *saying*, 'Ah lord!' or, 'Ah his glory!'

19 He shall be °buried with the burial of an ass, °drawn and °cast forth beyond the gates of Jerusalem.

C 20 °Go up to Lebanon, and °cry; and lift up thy voice in Bashan, and cry from °the passages: for all thy °lovers are destroyed.

21 I spake unto thee in thy °prosperity; *but* thou saidst, 'I will not hear.' This *hath been* thy manner from thy youth, that thou °obeyedst not My voice.

22 The °wind shall eat up all thy °pastors, and thy lovers shall go into captivity: surely then shalt thou be ashamed and confounded for all thy °wickedness.

23 °O °inhabitant of °Lebanon, that makest thy nest in the cedars, °how gracious shalt thou be when pangs come upon thee, the pain as of a woman in travail!

489 24 As ³I live, °saith ¹the LORD, though °Coniah the son of Jehoiakim king of Judah

7 prepare = set apart. Cp. 6. 4; 51. 27, 28, cedars. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the houses built of cedar.

8 every man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

Wherefore . . . ? Ref. to Pent. See note on 16. 10.

9 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

10 the dead: i.e. Josiah.

him: i.e. Jehoiachin.

weep sore = weep ye, weep on. Fig. *Polypytoton*. Ap. 6.

11 Shallum the son of Josiah. Josiah had four sons (1 Chron. 3. 15). Shallum had another name—Jehoahaz. Cp. 2 Kings 23. 31, 34. Zedekiah must have been younger than Jehoiakim or Jehoahaz, for he was but twenty-one when he began to reign, and therefore only ten when Jehoiakim began to reign.

12 die in the place, &c., i.e. in Egypt. He was the first king of Israel to do so. 2 Kings 23. 34.

13 chambers = upper chambers.

by wrong = in injustice.

useth his neighbour's service, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 19. 13). Ap. 92.

work. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the wages earned by his labour = giveth him not [wages] for his work.

14 large = airy, or roomy.

windows = its windows.

cieled = panelled.

15 justice = righteousness, as in v. 3.

16 He: i.e. Josiah.

judged the cause. Fig. *Polypytoton*. Ap. 6. Heb. judged the judgment. Fig. *Erotēsis* by *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) = "[Did he not] judge righteous judgment?" Fig. *Hendiadys*, as in v. 3.

poor = wretched. Heb. 'ānūh. See note on "poverty", Prov. 6. 11.

17 But thine eyes: or, Verily, thou hast neither eyes nor heart save for, &c.

19 buried with the burial of an ass. Note the Fig. *Oxymoron* (Ap. 6), which gives the meaning that he was not buried at all (for asses have no funerals). Jehoiakim is the only king of Judah whose burial is not recorded. See note on 2 Kings 24. 6.

drawn, &c.: i.e. the ass, not Jehoiakim (v. 26).

cast forth. Cp. Isa. 26. 19.

20 Go up, &c. Note the Fig. *Eironeia*. Ap. 6.

cry: the cry of distress.

the passages = Abarim: the mountains beyond Jordan, the range of Nebo. Cp. Num. 27. 12; 33. 47, 48. Deut. 32. 49.

lovers: i.e. the neighbouring nations, to whom they looked instead of to God.

21 prosperity. Heb. pl. of majesty = thy great prosperity.

obeyedst not = hearkenedst not to.

22 wind. Heb. rûach. Ap. 9.

pastors. Put for rulers of all kinds. See notes on 2. 8; 3. 15, &c.

wickedness. Heb. rā'ā'. Ap. 44. viii. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the cause of the calamity.

23 O. Fig. *Apostrophe*. Ap. 6.

inhabitant = inhabitress: i.e. Zion.

Lebanon. Fig. *Metalepsis* (Ap. 6): "Lebanon" put for the cedars grown there, then "cedars" put for the houses built of the timber.

how gracious = how greatly to be pitied.

24 Coniah = (by Fig. *Aphaeresis*), Ap. 6, by which the first syllable is cut off. He is called "Jeconiah" (1 Chron. 3. 16), which means "Let Jehovah establish"; but the cutting off of the Divine name "Je" (for Jah or Jehovah) is meant to show the departure of Jehovah from Jeconiah, and that he himself would be cut off.

signet. Cp. Hag. 2. 23.

right hand. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

were the °signet upon My °right hand, yet would I pluck thee thence;

25 And I will give thee into the hand of them

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that seek thy ° life, and into the hand of *them* whose face thou fearest, even into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, and into the hand of the Chaldeans.

26 And I will cast *thee* out, and thy mother that bare thee, into another country, where ye were not born; and there shall ye die.

27 But to the land whereunto *they* ° desire to return, thither shall they not return.

28 *Is* this ° man ²⁴ Coniah a despised broken idol? *is* he a vessel wherein *is* no pleasure? wherefore are they cast out, *he* and his seed, and are cast into a land which they know not?

29 ²⁵ O ° earth, earth, earth, hear the word of ¹ the LORD.

30 Thus saith ¹ the LORD, Write ye this ²⁸ man ° childless, ° a man *that* shall not prosper in his days: for no ²⁸ man of his seed shall prosper, sitting upon the throne of David, and ruling any more in Judah.

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23 Woe be unto ° the pastors that destroy and scatter the sheep of My pasture! ° saith ° the LORD.

2 Therefore thus saith ° the ¹ LORD ° God of Israel against the pastors ° that feed My people; *Ye* have scattered My flock, and driven them away, and have not visited them: ° behold, ° I will visit upon you the ° evil of your doings, ¹ saith ¹ the LORD.

d 3 And ° *I* will gather the remnant of My flock out of all countries whither I have driven them, and will bring them again to their folds; and they shall be fruitful and increase.

c 4 And I will set up shepherds over them which shall feed them; and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall they be lacking, ¹ saith ¹ the LORD.

5 ² Behold, the days come, ¹ saith ¹ the LORD, that I will raise unto David a righteous ° Branch, and a ° King shall reign and prosper, and shall execute ° judgment and justice in the earth.

6 In his days Judah shall be saved, and ° Israel shall dwell safely: and this *is* His name whereby He shall be called, ° THE LORD ° OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS.

d 7 Therefore, ² behold, ° the days come, ¹ saith ¹ the LORD, that they shall no more say, ¹ The LORD liveth, ° Which brought up the ° children of Israel out of the land of Egypt;

8 But, ¹ The LORD liveth, Which brought up and Which led the seed of ° the house of Israel out of the north country, and from all countries whither I had driven them; and they shall dwell in their own ° land."

V e 9 ° Mine heart within me is broken because of the prophets; all my bones shake; I am like a drunken ° man, and like ° a man whom ° wine hath overcome, because of ¹ the LORD, and because of ° the words of His holiness.

10 For the land is full of adulterers; for because of swearing the land mourneth; the pleasant places of the wilderness are dried up, and ° their course is ² evil, and ° their force *is* not right.

11 For both prophet and priest are profane; yea, in My house have I found their ° wickedness, ¹ saith ¹ the LORD.

25 life=soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

27 desire to return=are lifting up their soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

28 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

29 earth, earth, earth. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6), for great emphasis.

30 childless: i.e. as to the throne (see last clause). Not one of his seven sons (1 Chron. 3. 17, 18) sat upon his throne.

a man=a strong man. Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. IV.

23. 1-8 (A², p. 1046). COLLECTIVELY. (*Alternation*.)

A² | c | 1, 2. Shepherds. Woe to false.
d | 3. Restoration. The remnant.
c | 4-6. Shepherd. The true. The BRANCH.
d | 7, 8. Restoration. The Nation.

1 the pastors=rulers. See notes on 2. 8; 3. 15, &c.

saith the LORD=[is] Jehovah's oracle.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 the LORD God of Israel. See note on 11. 3.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

that feed=that are the feeders of. Fig. *Antimereia* (of the Verb). Ap. 6.

behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

I will visit, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 32. 34). Ap. 92.

evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

3 *I* will gather, &c. Cp. 31. 10; 32. 7. Ezek. 34. 13, &c.

5 Branch=Sprout from the root, not from a branch. Cp. Isa. 11. 1; 53. 2. Here, Heb. *zemach*. The name of the brightest star in the Zodiac sign "Virgo". See Ap. 12.

See notes on the Structure of the Four Gospels. Cp. 33. 15. King. See the Structure of the Gospels. Matthew. Cp. Isa. 9. 6, 7. Zech. 6. 12, 13. Ps. 72. 2. Luke 1. 32.

judgment and justice. See note on 22. 3.

6 Israel shall dwell safely. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 25. 18, 19; 26. 5. Deut. 33. 12, 28. Repeated in 32. 37; 33. 16). Ap. 92.

THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS. Heb. *Jehōvah 'idkēnū*. See Ap. 4. II. 7. For the reason of the large type in A.V., see Ap. 48.

OUR. Because the gift of God.

7 the days come. Cp. 16. 14, 15.

Which brought up, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 12-15, &c.). Ap. 92. children=sons.

8 the house of Israel. See note on 2. 4.

land=soil.

23. 9-40 (V, p. 1045). WHIRLWIND. FALSE PROPHETS. REJECTION. (*Alteration*.)

V | e | 9-15. Incrimination.

f | 16-22. Dehortation.

e | 23-29. Incrimination.

f | 30-40. Threatening.

9 Mine heart, &c. Fig. *Pathopœia*. Ap. 6.

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

a man=a strong man. Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. IV.

wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. I.

10 their: i.e. the false prophets.

11 wickedness. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

12 the year of their visitation. See note on 8. 12.

12 Wherefore their way shall be unto them as slippery ways in the darkness: they shall be driven on, and fall therein: for I will bring °evil upon them, *even* ° the year of their visitation, ¹ saith ¹ the LORD.

13 And I have seen folly in the prophets of Samaria; they prophesied in Baal, and caused My People Israel to err.

14 I have seen also in the prophets of Jerusalem an horrible thing: they commit adultery, and walk in lies: they strengthen also the hands of evildoers, that none doth return from

489 his °wickedness: they are all of them unto Me as °Sodom, and the inhabitants thereof as Gomorrah.

15 Therefore thus saith °the LORD of hosts concerning the prophets; °Behold, I will feed them with wormwood, and make them drink the water of gall: for from the prophets of Jerusalem is profaneness gone forth into all the land.

f (p. 1048) 16 Thus saith °the LORD of hosts, °Hearken not unto the words of the prophets that prophesy unto you: they make you vain: they speak a vision of their own heart, and not out of the mouth of °the LORD.

17 °They say still unto them that despise Me, °The LORD hath said, °Ye shall have peace; °and they say unto every one that walketh after the °imagination of his own heart, °No °evil shall come upon you.

18 For °who hath stood in the °counsel of °the LORD, and hath perceived and heard °His word? °who hath marked His word, and °heard it?

19 Behold, a whirlwind of °the LORD °is gone forth in fury, even a grievous whirlwind: it shall °fall grievously upon the head of °the wicked.

20 The anger of °the LORD shall not return, until He have executed, and till He have performed the thoughts of His heart: in °the latter days ye shall consider it °perfectly.

21 °I have not sent these prophets, yet they ran: I have not spoken to them, yet they prophesied.

22 °But if they had stood in My counsel, and had caused My People to hear My words, then they should have turned them from their °evil way, and from the °evil of their doings.

e 23 °Am I a °God at hand, °saith °the LORD, °and not a °God afar off?

24 °Can any hide himself in secret places that I shall not see him? °saith °the LORD. °Do not I °fill heaven and earth? °saith °the LORD.

25 I have heard what the prophets said, that prophesy lies in My name, saying, °I have dreamed, I have dreamed.

26 °How long °shall this be in the heart of the prophets that prophesy lies? yea, they are prophets of the deceit of their own heart;

27 Which think to cause My People to forget My name by their dreams which they tell °every man to his neighbour, °as their fathers have forgotten My name °for Baal.

28 The prophet that hath a dream, let him tell a dream; and °he that hath My word, let him speak My word faithfully. What is the °chaff to the wheat? °saith °the LORD.

29 °Is not My word like as a fire? °saith °the LORD; and like a hammer that breaketh the rock in pieces?

f 30 Therefore, °behold, °I am against the prophets, °saith °the LORD, that steal My °words every one from his neighbour.

31 °Behold, °I am against the prophets, °saith °the LORD, that use their tongues, and °say, °He saith.

32 °Behold, I am against them that prophesy false dreams, °saith °the LORD, and do tell

14 wickedness=lawlessness. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x. Sodom, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 19). Cp. Isa. 1. 10. 15 the LORD of hosts=Jehovah *Zēbaiōth*. See note on 6. 6 and 1 Sam. 1. 3.

17 They say still. Fig. *Polyptōton*. Ap. 6. Heb. -saying they say=keep on saying. imagination=stubbornness.

18 who . . . ° Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Implying that none hath.

counsel=secret council. Cp. Ps. 25. 14.

His. Heb. text, with R.V., reads "My"; but marg. of Heb. text, the Babylonian Codex, with eight early printed editions, Aram., Syr., and Vulg., read "His" with A.V.

heard: or, announced. Cp. v. 22.

19 fall grievously=burst.

the wicked=lawless ones. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

20 the latter days=end of days. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 49. 1, the same word). Ap. 92.

perfectly. Cp. 30. 24.

21 I have not, &c. Cp. v. 32; 14. 14.

22 But if, &c. The Heb. accent requires the rendering: "But, had they stood in My Council: then they would have made My People hear My words, and they would have turned", &c.

23 Am I . . . ° Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

and not, &c. Fig. *Pleonasm* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

24 Can . . . ° . . . Do . . . ° Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. fill. The Heb. accent ("*Tiphchā'*") puts the emphasis on "fill" (not on "earth"), denoting the fulness of the Divine presence which no place can include, or exclude. A fulness of *grace*, of the prophetic word of judgment, and of promise.

25 I have dreamed. Thus catching the people's ears. Note Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6.

26 How long . . . ° Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

shall this be=shall this exist. Heb. *yēsh*. See notes on 31. 6, 16, 17. Prov. 8. 21; 18. 24. and Luke 7. 25.

27 as=according as. for=in, or through.

28 he that hath, &c. Cp. Ezek. 13. 7.

chaff=crushed, or chopped straw. Heb. *teben*.

29 Is not . . . ° Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

30 I am against, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 18. 20). words. Edition of A.V., 1611, read "word".

31 say, He saith=uttered it as an oracle. Heb. *ne'um*. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 22. 16. Num. 14. 28; 24. 3, 4, 15, 16). Frequent in the prophets. Ap. 92.

32 lightness=reckless boasting.

33 What burden? Sept., Vulg., and Rashi, read "Ye yourselves are the burden". Cp. v. 36.

forsake=reject.

36 perverted. See note on 6. 10.

the living God. Both words are plural.

them, and cause My People to err by their lies, and by their °lightness; yet I sent them not, nor commanded them: therefore they shall not profit this People at all, °saith °the LORD.

33 And when this People, or the prophet, or a priest, shall ask thee, saying, °What is the burden of °the LORD? °thou shalt then say unto them, °What burden? °I will even °forsake you, °saith °the LORD.

34 And as for the prophet, and the priest, and the People, that shall say, °The burden of °the LORD, °I will even punish that °man and his house.

35 Thus shall ye say every one to his neighbour, and every one to his brother, °What hath °the LORD answered? °and, °What hath °the LORD spoken?

36 And the burden of °the LORD shall ye mention no more: for every man's word shall be his burden; for ye have °perverted the words of °the living God, of °the LORD of hosts our °God.

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37 Thus shalt thou say to the prophet, 'What hath ¹the LORD answered thee?' and, 'What hath ¹the LORD spoken?'

38 But since ye say, 'The burden of ¹the LORD;' therefore thus saith ¹the LORD; 'Because °ye say this word, 'The burden of ¹the LORD,' and I have sent unto you, saying, 'Ye shall not say, 'The burden of ¹the LORD;''

39 Therefore, behold, I, even I, will utterly forget you, and I will forsake you, and the city that I gave you and your fathers, and cast you out of My presence:

40 And I will bring an °everlasting reproach upon you, and a °perpetual shame, which shall not be forgotten."

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24 °The LORD °shewed me, and, °behold, two °baskets of figs were set before °the temple of °the LORD, after that Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon had carried away captive Jeconiah the son of Jehoiakim king of Judah, and the princes of Judah, with the °carpenters and smiths, from Jerusalem, and had brought them to Babylon.

E g **2** One basket *had* very good figs, *even* like the figs *that are* first ripe:

h and the other basket *had* very °naughty figs, which could not be eaten, they were so bad.

g **3** Then said ¹the LORD unto me, "What seest thou, Jeremiah?" And I said, "Figs; the good figs, very good;

h and the °evil, very °evil, that cannot be eaten, they are so °evil."

D **4** Again the word of ¹the LORD came unto me, saying,

E i **5** "Thus saith °the LORD, the °God of Israel; 'Like these good figs, so will I °acknowledge them that are carried away captive of Judah, whom I have sent out of this place into the land of the Chaldeans °for *their* good.

k **6** °For I will set Mine °eyes upon them for good, and I will bring them again to this land; and I will °build them, and not pull *them* down; and I will °plant them, and not pluck *them* up.

7 And °I will give them an heart to know Me, that ³*am* ¹the LORD: and °they shall be My People, and ³I will be their °God: for they shall return unto Me with their whole heart.

i **8** And as the °evil figs, which cannot be eaten, they are so °evil; surely thus saith ¹the LORD, So will I give Zedekiah the king of Judah, and his princes, and the residue of Jerusalem, that remain in this land, and them that dwell in the land of Egypt:

h **9** And I will deliver them °to °be removed into all the kingdoms of the earth °for *their* hurt, °to be a reproach and a proverb, °a taunt and a curse, in all places whither I shall drive them.

10 And I will send °the sword, °the famine, and the pestilence, among them, till they be consumed from off the °land that I gave unto them and to their fathers."

38 ye say = ye keep on saying. Fig. *Polypytoton*. Ap. 6.
40 everlasting . . . perpetual. Put by Fig. *Syndetoché* (of the Whole), Ap. 6, for a part of time = life long. Limited here by the promised Restoration.

24. 1-10 (W, p. 1045). CAPTIVES. REMNANT. (FIGS.) (*Alternations*.)

W D | 1. Symbol. Two baskets of figs.
E | g | 2-. Good figs.
h | -2. Bad figs.
g | 3-. Good figs.
h | -3. Bad figs.
D | 4. Signification of Symbol.
E | i | 5. Captives. (Good figs.)
k | 6, 7. For their good.
i | 8. Remnant. (Bad figs.)
k | 9, 10. For their evil.

1 The LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. shewed me = made me see.
behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.
baskets. Heb. *dūdīm*. Still used for fruit in Jerusalem.

the temple. See note on 26. 2.
carpenters and smiths = craftsmen (or artificers) and armourers. **2** naughty = worth naught.

3 evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii. Cp. 29. 17.

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5 the LORD, the God of Israel = Jehovah Elohim of Israel. See note on 11. 3 and Ap. 4. II and I.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.
acknowledge = own. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for regard, or care for.
for . . . good. Connect this with "acknowledge", not with "sent out".

6 For I will set Mine eyes = And I will set Mine eye. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "eyes" (pl.) with A.V.

build . . . plant. Cp. 1. 10; 18. 7-9.

7 I will give, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 30. 6).

they shall be My People. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 12).

9 to be removed into - to be tossed to and fro among.

be removed. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 25). Ap. 92.
for their hurt. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii. Cp. 25. 6; 38. 4.

to be a reproach = [I will deliver them to be] a reproach.

a taunt. Ref. to Pent. Some codices, with two early printed editions, Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "and a", thus completing the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6).

10 the sword, the famine, and the pestilence. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 25, 26. Deut. 28. 21-24). Ap. 92.

the famine. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "and famine", thus completing the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6).

land = soil, or ground. Heb. *ādāmāh*.

25. 1-11 (X, p. 1045). TIME. SEVENTY YEARS. (*Introversion*.)

X | n | 1, 2. Time of the prophecy.
o | 3, 4. Messengers from Jehovah.
p | 5-7. Disobedience. The cause.
p | 8. Disobedience. The consequence.
o | 9-11-. Messengers from Babylon.
n | -11. Duration of the prophecy.

Jeremiah's SIXTEENTH Prophecy (see p. 1015).

1 to. Heb. "upon". Some codices, with two early printed editions, Sept., and Vulg., read "unto".

all the People = the People at large.

the fourth year of Jehoiakim. An important date, being the first year of Nebuchadrezzar. See Ap. 83 and 86.

25 The word that came °to Jeremiah concerning °all the People of Judah in °the fourth year of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah

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496 king of Judah, *that was* ° the first year of ° Nebuchadrezzar king of ° Babylon;

2 The which ° Jeremiah the prophet ° spake unto ° all the People of Judah, and ° to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, saying,

o 3 "From the ° thirteenth year of Josiah the son of Amon king of Judah, even unto this day, *that is* ° the three and twentieth year, the word of ° the LORD hath come unto me, and I have spoken unto you, ° rising early and speaking; but ye have not hearkened.

4 And ° the LORD hath sent unto you all His servants the prophets, ° rising early and sending them; but ye have not hearkened, nor inclined your ear to hear.

p 5 They said, 'Turn ye again now every one from his ° evil way, and from the ° evil of your doings, and dwell ° in the land that ° the LORD hath given unto you and to your fathers ° for ever and ever:

6 And go not after other gods to serve them, and to worship them, and provoke Me not to anger with the works of your hands; and I will ° do you no ° hurt.'

7 Yet ye have not hearkened unto Me, ° saith ° the LORD; that ye might ° provoke Me to anger with the works of your hands to your own ° hurt.

p 8 Therefore thus saith ° the LORD of hosts; 'Because ye have not heard My words,

o 9 Behold, I will send and take all the families of the north, ° saith ° the LORD, and Nebuchadrezzar the king of Babylon, ° My servant, and will bring them against this land, ° and against the inhabitants thereof, ° and against all these nations round about, ° and will utterly destroy them, ° and make them an ° astonishment, and an hissing, ° and ° perpetual desolations.

10 Moreover ° I will take from them the voice of mirth, and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride, the sound of the millstones, and the light of the ° candle.

11 And this whole land shall be a desolation, ° and an ° astonishment;

n and these nations shall serve the king of Babylon ° seventy years.

Y q (p. 1051) 12 And it shall come to pass, ° when ° 11 seventy years are accomplished, *that* I will ° punish the king of Babylon, and that nation, ° saith ° the LORD, for their ° iniquity, and the land of the Chaldeans, and will make ° it ° perpetual desolations.

13 And I will bring upon that land all My words which I have pronounced against it, *even* all that is written in this book, which Jeremiah hath prophesied against all the nations.

14 For many nations and great kings shall serve themselves ° of them also: and I will recompense them according to their deeds, and according to the works of their own hands.'

r 15 For thus saith ° the LORD God of Israel unto me; 'Take the ° wine cup of this fury at My hand, and cause all the nations, to whom I send thee, to drink it.

the first year, &c. See Ap. 86.

Nebuchadrezzar. Cp. 21. 2.

Babylon. Assyria not mentioned, for it had already fallen.

2 Jeremiah the prophet spake. This is the first occurrence of the expression. We find "said" later; and "prophet" in 1. 5; 20. 2; 28. 5, 6, 10, 11, 12, 12, 15; 29. 1, 29; 32. 2; 36. 8, &c., 34. 6; 45. 1.

spake. In ch. 36. 2 he is told to "write", because "Israel" (being dispersed), could not be *spoken* to, as Judah was here.

3 thirteenth year of Josiah. Cp. 1. 2.

the three and twentieth year: i.e. of Jeremiah's prophesying: 18 years under Josiah + 3 months under Jehoahaz + 4 years under Jehoiakim.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

rising early and speaking. See note on 7. 13.

5 evil = calamity. Heb. *rā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii.

in the land - on the soil. Heb. *ādāmāh*.

for ever and ever = from age to age. This must be read with "given", and refers to God's counsel. See note on Isa. 44. 7 ("ancient").

6 do you no hurt = bring no calamity upon you.

hurt. Heb. *rā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii. Cp. v. 5.

7 saith the LORD = [is] Jehovah's oracle.

provoke Me to anger, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 21).

8 the LORD of hosts. See note on 6. 6, and 1 Sam. 1. 3.

9 My servant. Cp. Isa. 45. 1.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton*. Ap. 6.

astonishment. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 37). Cp. v. 18; 24. 9. perpetual = age-abiding. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Whole), Ap. 6, for a long time.

10 I will take from them. Quoted in Rev. 18. 23. Cp. 7. 34; 16. 9; 33. 11.

candle = lamp.

11 and. Some codices, with three early printed editions, Syr., and Vulg., read this "and" in the text. seventy years. From 496 to 426. See the special note on p. 615.

25. 12-38 (Y, p. 1045). NATIONS. THE CUP. (Alternation.)

Y q | 12 14. Literal.

r | 15-29. Symbol. The Cup.

q | 30-33. Literal.

r | 34-38. Symbols. Shepherds and Folds.

12 when. No necessary sequence with v. 11. Verse 12 commences a fresh paragraph *re* the seventy years.

punish = visit upon, exactly seventy years later.

iniquity. Heb. *āwāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

t. Heb. masc. = the People rather than the land.

14 of them: i.e. of the Chaldeans.

15 the LORD God of Israel. See note on 11. 3.

wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. I.

16 be moved = reel to and fro.

because of the sword, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 25, 33). Ap. 92.

18 Jerusalem. Comes first (cp. v. 29), because of 1 Pet. 4. 17. Amos 3. 2.

and. So some codices, with five early printed editions, Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg. Others omit this "and". as it is this day. Probably added by Jeremiah when this prophecy had been fulfilled.

16 And they shall drink, and ° be moved, and be mad, ° because of the sword that I will send among them.'

17 Then took I the cup at ° the LORD'S hand, and made all the nations to drink, unto whom ° the LORD had sent me:

18 To wit, ° Jerusalem, and the cities of Judah, and the kings thereof, ° and the princes thereof, to make them a desolation, an ° astonishment, an hissing, and a curse; ° as it is this day;

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19 Pharaoh king of Egypt, and his servants, and his princes, and all his people;

20 And all the mingled people, and all the kings of the land of Uz, and all the kings of the land of the Philistines, and Ashkelon, and Azzah, and Ekron, and the remnant of Ashdod,

21 Edom, and Moab, and the children of Ammon,

22 And all the kings of Tyrus, and all the kings of Zidon, and the kings of the isles which are beyond the sea,

23 Dedan, and Tema, and Buz, and all that are in the utmost corners,

24 And all the kings of Arabia, and all the kings of the mingled people that dwell in the desert,

25 And all the kings of Zimri, and all the kings of Elam, and all the kings of the Medes,

26 And all the kings of the north, far and near, one with another, and all the kingdoms of the world, which are upon the face of the earth: and the king of Sheshach shall drink after them.

27 Therefore thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; 'Drink ye, and be drunken, and spue, and fall, and rise no more, because of the sword which I will send among you.'

28 And it shall be, if they refuse to take the cup at thine hand to drink, then shalt thou say unto them, 'Thus saith the LORD of hosts; 'Ye shall certainly drink.

29 For, lo, I begin to bring evil upon the city which is called by My name, and should ye be utterly unpunished? Ye shall not be unpunished: for I will call for a sword upon all the inhabitants of the earth, saith the LORD of hosts.'

^q 30 Therefore prophesy thou against them all these words, and say unto them, 'The LORD shall roar from on high, and utter His voice from His holy habitation; He shall mightily roar upon His habitation; He shall give a shout, as they that tread the grapes, against all the inhabitants of the earth.'

31 A noise shall come even to the ends of the earth; for the LORD hath a controversy with the nations, He will plead with all flesh; He will give them that are wicked to the sword, saith the LORD.'

32 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, Behold, evil shall go forth from nation to nation, and a great whirlwind shall be raised up from the coasts of the earth.

33 And the slain of the LORD shall be at that day from one end of the earth even unto the other end of the earth: they shall not be lamented, neither gathered, nor buried; they shall be dung upon the ground.

^r 34 Howl, ye shepherds, and cry; and wallow yourselves in the ashes, ye principal of the flock: for the days of your slaughter and of your dispersions are accomplished; and ye shall fall like a pleasant vessel.

35 And the shepherds shall have no way to flee, nor the principal of the flock to escape.

36 A voice of the cry of the shepherds, and an howling of the principal of the flock, shall

20 mingled people. Heb. 'ereb. Cp. 50. 37. Ezek. 30. 5. Dan. 2. 43. Ezra 9. 2. Ps. 106. 35. In the inscription of Sennacherib (Bellino's *Cylinder*, line 18) the *Urbi* are joined with the Arameans (nomad tribes west of the Euphrates). Sennacherib says that Hezekiah had some "Urbi" soldiers with him in Jerusalem.

Uz. Job's country near Idumea (Lam. 4. 2;).

Philistines, &c. Cp. ch. 47.

Ashkelon. Now 'Askalan.

Azzah. Heb. 'Azzāh=Gaza. Now Guzzeh.

Ekron. Now 'Akir. Ashdod. Now 'Esdud.

21 children=sons.

22 and the kings. So in the *Mugah Codex* (quoted in the *Massōrah*); but other codices, with one early printed edition, read "and all the kings".

isles=coast-land, or maritime country.

are. Supply "is", referring to coast-land.

23 Dedan. On the borders of Edom (49. 8. Ezek. 25. 13).

Tema, and Buz. The country of Elihu. See Job 32. 2 and note on p. 666.

that are in the utmost corners=all with their hair clipped at the corners.

25 Zimri. Etymology uncertain. Perhaps the country of Zimran, a son of Abraham by Keturah (Gen. 25. 2).

26 the world. Heb. 'erez (with Art.), the earth.

the earth=the ground, or soil. Heb. 'ādāmāh (with Art.).

Sheshach. The *Massōrah* explains that this word is "Babel", being a cypher by which the last letter of the alphabet is put for the first, and the next to the last for the second, &c., by which Sh. Sh. Ch. becomes B. B. L. "Babel" (cp. 51. 41, where both words are used). There is another example in 51. 1. See note there. Four classes of nations are to drink of this cup of the fury of Jehovah Elohim of Israel (v. 15): (1) Jerusalem and Judah (v. 18); (2) Egypt, &c. (v. 19); (3) the mingled nations (vv. 20-22); and (4) the more distant nations (vv. 23-25). Daniel fills in these "times of the Gentiles", which are not within the scope of Jeremiah and Ezekiel. But the point here is that the final judgment of the nations is yet future: when "Great Babylon" comes into remembrance, it will "drink after them". Cp. 49. 12. For this, "Sheshach" must be rebuilt and restored.

the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel. See note on 7. 3.

29 which is called by My name=upon which My name is called.

unpunished held guiltless. Cp. 1 Pet. 4. 17. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 20. 7; 34. 7. Num. 14. 18). Ap. 92. Cp. 30. 11; 46. 28; 49. 12.

the earth. Heb. *hā'āreṣ*. Same word as "the world" in v. 26.

30 roar. Cp. v. 38, "as a lion".

holy. See Ex. 3. 5.

upon His habitation=against His fold.

the grapes=the winepress. Cp. Isa. 63. 1-6.

31 plead with=judge.

wicked=lawless. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

32 coasts=sides: i. e. uttermost parts.

earth. Heb. 'areṣ. Cp. v. 29.

33 the slain. By the sword. Cp. Isa. 66. 16.

34 shepherds=rulers (of all kinds). Cp. 2. 8; 6. 3. All three had miserable ends: Jehoiaxim (22. 18; 36. 30); Jehoiachin, taken to Babylon; and Zedekiah, after his eyes were put out.

principal=strong ones. of your dispersions: or, when ye are dispersed. So in the *Mugah Codex* (quoted in the *Massōrah*), with three early printed editions.

pleasant=precious (i. e. fair, but fragile).

37 peaceable habitations=pastures of peace. cut down=silenced.

be heard: for the LORD hath spoiled their pasture.

37 And the peaceable habitations are cut down because of the fierce anger of the LORD.

496 38 He hath forsaken His covert, °as the lion: for their land is desolate because of °the fierceness of the oppressor, and because of His fierce anger.'"

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26 °In the beginning of the reign of Jehoia-
kim the son of Josiah king of Judah
came this word from °the LORD, saying,

2 "Thus saith °the LORD; 'Stand °in the
court of °the LORD'S house, and speak unto
all the °cities of Judah, which come to worship
in °the LORD'S house, all the words that I
command thee to speak unto them; °diminish
not a word:

t 3 If so be they will hearken, and turn °every
man from his °evil way,

u that I may °repent Me of the °evil, which I
purpose to do unto them because of the °evil
of their doings.

t 4 And thou shalt say unto them, 'Thus saith
°the LORD; °If ye will not hearken to Me, to
walk in °My law, which I have set before you,

5 To hearken to the words of My servants the
prophets, whom I sent unto you, °both °rising
up early, and sending them, but ye have not
hearkened;

s 6 Then will I make this house like °Shiloh,
and will make this city °a curse to all the
nations of the earth.'"

G H 7 So the priests and the prophets and all the
people heard Jeremiah speaking these words
in the house of °the LORD.

8 Now it came to pass, when Jeremiah had
made an end of speaking all that °the LORD
had commanded him to speak °unto all the
People, that the priests and the prophets and
all the People took him, saying, °"Thou shalt
surely die.

9 Why hast thou prophesied in the name of
°the LORD, saying, 'This house shall be like
°Shiloh, and this city shall be desolate without
an inhabitant?' " And °all the People were
gathered against Jeremiah in the house of °the
LORD.

J 10 When the princes of Judah heard these
things, then they came up from the king's
house unto the house of °the LORD, and sat
down in the entry of the °new gate of °the
LORD'S °house.

11 Then spake the priests and the prophets
unto the princes and to °all the People, saying,
°"This °man is worthy to die; for he hath
prophesied against this city, °as ye have heard
with your ears."

F 12 Then spake Jeremiah unto all the princes
and to all the People, saying, °"The LORD sent
me to prophesy against this house and against
this city all the words that ye have heard.

13 Therefore now amend your ways and your
doings, and °obey the voice of °the LORD your
°God; and °the LORD will °repent Him of the
°evil that He hath pronounced against you.

14 As for me, behold, I am in your hand: do
with me as seemeth good and meet unto you.

15 But know ye for certain, that if ye put me
to death, ye shall surely bring °innocent blood
upon yourselves, and upon this city, and upon

38 as the lion. Fig. *Simile* (Ap. 6). Cp. v. 30.
the fierceness of the oppressor. Some codices, with
one early printed edition, Aram., and Sept., read "the
(Sept. "great") sword of oppressors". Cp. 46. 16; 50. 16.

26. 1-24 (Z, p. 1045). PROCLAMATION IN THE TEMPLE. (*Alternations*.)

Z | F | 1-6. Jeremiah's mission.
G | H | 7-9. Opposition.
J | 10, 11. Defence. Princes.
F | 12-15. Jeremiah's message.
G | H | 16-23. Contention.
J | 24. Defence. Ahikam.

26. 1-6 (F, above). JEREMIAH'S MISSION. (*Introversion*.)

F | s | 1, 2. Jehovah's house. Message.
t | 3-. Obedience.
u | -3. Promise.
t | 4, 5. Disobedience.
s | 6. Jehovah's house. Message.

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1 In the beginning: i.e. before the siege, in the
third year of Jehoia-
kim. See note on 27. 1.
The first edition of the Prophets (Naples, 1485-6), the
first edition of the entire Heb. Bible (Soncino, 1488),
and the second edition (Naples, 1491-3), introduce the
word *hāzī* = *half*, here, to indicate that the second half
of Jeremiah commences here.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 in the court. This was Jeremiah's most public
utterance. Cp. 7. 2.
cities. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for
their inhabitants.

diminish not a word. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 4. 2;
12. 32). Ap. 92. The importance of this is seen from
the note on v. 18.

3 every man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.
evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

repent Me. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

4 If ye will not hearken. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 14.
Deut. 28. 15). Ap. 92.

My law. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 20).

5 both = even. Some codices, with one early printed
edition, Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., omit this "even".
rising up early, &c. See note on 7. 13.

6 Shiloh. See note on 7. 12.

a curse. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6,
for the subject of cursing. Cp. 29. 22.

8 unto. One school of Massorites (Ap. 30) reads
"concerning".

Thou shalt surely die. This was in accordance with
Deut. 18. 20, as they would not believe that Jehovah
could send such a message. A ref. to Pent. (Gen. 2. 17).
Ap. 92. Jeremiah's danger was very real. Cp. v. 20-24.

9 all. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Genus), Ap. 6, for
most of the People.

10 new gate. The Targum takes this to be the east
gate.

house. Some codices, with Aram., Syr., and Vulg.,
read this word "house" in the text.

11 This man is worthy to die = Death's judgment
is for this man: "judgment" being put by Fig.
Metonymy (of the Cause), Ap. 6, for the effect of it: viz.
the sentence of death (idiomatically rendered in A.V.).
Cp. John 3. 19: where *krisis* is put for the act or process
of judging. See Ap. 85.

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

as = according as.

13 obey = listen to.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

15 innocent blood. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 19. 10, 13).
Ap. 92. Cp. Matt. 27. 4, 25. Luke 23. 13-15. See Ap. 85.

the inhabitants thereof: for of a truth °the
LORD hath sent me unto you to speak all these
words in your ears."

G K 16 ° Then said the princes and all the People
(p. 1054) unto the priests and to the prophets; ° "This
498 man is not worthy to die: for he hath spoken
to us in the name of ¹ the LORD our ¹³ God."

17 Then rose up ° certain of the elders of the
land, and spake to all the assembly of the
People, saying,

L v 18 ° "Micah the Morasthite prophesied in the
days of Hezekiah king of Judah, and spake to
all the People of Judah, saying, 'Thus saith
° the LORD of hosts; ° "Zion shall be plowed
like a field, and Jerusalem shall become heaps,
and the mountain of the house ° as the high
places of a forest.'"

w 19 Did Hezekiah king of Judah and all Judah
put him at all to death? did he not fear ° the
LORD, and ° besought ¹ the LORD, and ¹ the LORD
° repented Him of the ° evil which He had
pronounced against them? Thus might we
procure great ° evil against our ° souls.

L v 20 ° And there was also a ¹¹ man that prophe-
sied in the name of ¹ the LORD, ° Urijah the son
of Shemaiah of ° Kirjath-jearim, who prophe-
sied against this city and against this land
according to all the words of Jeremiah:

w 21 And when Jehoiakim the king, with all his
° mighty men, and all the princes, heard his
words, ° the king sought to put him to death:
but when Urijah heard it, he was afraid, and
fled, and went into Egypt;

22 And Jehoiakim the king sent ° men into
Egypt, namely, ° Elnathan the son of Achbor,
and certain ° men with him into Egypt.

23 And they fetched forth Urijah out of Egypt,
and brought him unto Jehoiakim the king; who
° slew him with the sword, and cast his dead
body into the graves of the ° common People."

K 24 Nevertheless the hand of ° Ahikam the son
of ° Shaphan was with Jeremiah, that they
should not give him into the hand of the People
to put him to death.

Y M x 27 ° In the beginning of the reign of Jehoia-
498 kim the son of Josiah king of Judah
° came this word unto Jeremiah from ° the
LORD, saying,

2 "Thus saith ¹ the LORD to me; 'Make thee
bonds and yokes, and ° put them upon thy neck,

3 And send them to the king of Edom, ° and
to the king of Moab, ° and to the king of the
Ammonites, ° and to the king of Tyrus, ° and to
the king of Zidon, by the hand of the messen-
gers ° which come to Jerusalem ° unto Zedekiah
king of Judah;

4 And command them to say unto their masters,
'Thus saith ° the LORD of hosts, the ° God of
Israel; Thus shall ye say unto your masters;

26. 16-24 (G, p. 1053). CONTENTION. (Introversion and Alternation.)

G K | 16, 17. Defenders. Princes.
L | v | 18. Case of Micah. } Favourable.
w | 19. Conduct of Hezekiah. }
L | v | 20. Case of Urijah. } Adverse.
w | 21-23. Conduct of Jehoiakim. }
K | 24. Defender. Ahikam.

16 Then said the princes, &c. In favour of Jere-
miah. Note the Structure "Z", p. 1053; and contrast
"G" (vv. 7-11) with "G" (vv. 16-24).

This man, &c. See Ap. 85.
man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

17 certain = men. Plural of 'enosh. Ap. 14. III.
Some better acquainted with affairs than others.

18 Micah. The prophet whose book is called after
his name. Contemporary with Hosea and Amos in
Israel, and with Isaiah in Judah. See Ap. 77.

the LORD of hosts. See note on 6. 6. 1 Sam. 1. 3.
Zion shall be plowed, &c. See note on Mic. 3. 12.
A prophecy which was wholly fulfilled as to the Jewish
Zion (south of Moriah), but not as to the traditional
Zion, south-west of Jerusalem. See Ap. 68.

as. The edition of A.V., 1611, omits this "as".

19 the LORD. Heb. 'eth Jehovah = Jehovah Himself.
Ap. 4. II.

besought the LORD = appeased the face of Jehovah.
Figs. Pleonasm and Anthropopatheia. Ap. 6.

repented Him. Fig. Anthropopatheia. Ap. 6. Ref.
to Pent. (Ex. 32. 14). Ap. 92.

souls. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13.

20 And = But. Said in reply to the friends of Jere-
miah by his adversaries. See the Structure above.

Urijah. This incident is not recorded in the historical
books, but it illustrates v. 5.

Kirjath-jearim. Now Khan 'Erma, or Kuriet el 'Enab,
four miles west of the hill overlooking Beth-shemesh,
and about twelve miles from Jerusalem.

21 mighty men. Plural of geber. Ap. 14. IV.
the king sought, &c. One of eleven rulers offended
with God's messengers. See note on Ex. 10. 28.

22 men. Heb. pl. of 'enosh. Ap. 14. III.

Elnathan. See 26. 22; 36. 12, 25.

23 slew him with the sword. Cp. Heb. 11. 37.

common People. Heb. sons of the people.

24 Ahikam. The father of Gedaliah, who, when
appointed governor by Nebuchadnezzar, stood as the
friend of Jeremiah. For a son of Ahikam also be-
friending Jeremiah, see 40. 6.

Shaphan. See note on 2 Kings 22. 3. See 36. 10 for
another son; 29. 3 for another son. Also befriending
Jeremiah.

27. 1-22 (Y, p. 1045). NATIONS. BONDS AND YOKES. (Introversion and Alternations.)

Y M | x | 1-7-. Nations to serve Babylon.

y | -7. For a limited time.

N | z¹ | 8. Exhortation. Nations.

a¹ | 9-11. Dehortation.

z² | 12, 13. Exhortation. Zedekiah.

a² | 14, 15. Dehortation.

z³ | 16-. Exhortation. Priests and People.

a³ | -16, 17. Dehortation.

M | x | 18-22-. Remaining vessels to go to Babylon.

y | -22. For a limited time.

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Given in reign of Jehoiakim to Jeremiah. Declared, after thirteen years, in fourth year of Zedekiah:
i.e. in 485. Cp. v. 12. Chs. 27 and 28 were written by Jeremiah, or at his dictation. Cp. "me", 27. 2; 28. 1.
Some codices, with Syr., read "Zedekiah", as in vv. 3 and 12. 1 In the beginning. The Massorah

(Ap. 30) notes the fact that this expression occurs three times at the commencement of a verse (Gen. 1. 1.
Jer. 26. 1; 27. 1). came. At the beginning of the reign of Jehoiakim; but it referred to a future time,
as shown in v. 12. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. 2 put them, &c. This was literally done, as

a prophetic symbol; and at that time prophetic of what was to happen in the reign of Zedekiah, eleven
years later. 3 and. Note the Fig. Polysyndeton (Ap. 6), to emphasise each respectively. which

come = that are coming. Part. Poel, as in Gen. 37. 19; 41. 29, 35. Jer. 4. 16; 6. 22; 7. 32; 9. 25; 16. 14;
23. 5, 7; 31. 27, 31, 38; 32. 7; 33. 5, 14, &c. This was to take place eleven years later. unto Zedekiah.

Then and there we have the fulfilment of this prophecy. 4 the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel.

See note on 7. 3. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

498 5 ° I have made the earth, the ° man and the beast that are upon ° the ° ground, by My ° great power and by My ° outstretched arm, and have given it unto whom it seemed meet unto Me.

6 And now have I given all these lands into the hand of ° Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon, ° My servant; and the beasts of the field have I given him also to serve him.

7 And all nations shall serve ° him, and his son, and his son's son,

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p. 1054) until ° the very time of his land come: and then many nations and ° great kings shall serve themselves of him.

N z¹ 8 And it shall come to pass, that the nation and kingdom which will not serve ° the same ° Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon, and that will not put their neck under the yoke of the king of Babylon, that nation will I punish, ° saith ° the LORD, with the ° sword, ° and with the ° famine, ° and with the ° pestilence, until I have consumed them by his hand.

a¹ 9 Therefore hearken not ye to your prophets, nor to your ° diviners, nor to your dreamers, nor to your ° enchanter, nor to your ° sorcerers, which speak unto you, saying, 'Ye shall not serve the king of Babylon':

10 For they prophesy a lie unto you, to remove you far from your land; and that I should drive you out, and ye should perish.

11 But the nations that bring their neck under the yoke of the king of Babylon, and serve him, those will I let remain still in their own land, ° saith ° the LORD; and they shall till it, and dwell therein.'''''

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485 12 ° I spake also ° to Zedekiah king of Judah according to all these words, saying, "Bring your necks under the yoke of the king of Babylon, and serve him and his people, and live.

13 ° Why will ye die, thou and thy People, by the ° sword, ° by the famine, ° and by the pestilence, ° as ° the LORD hath spoken against the nation that will not serve the king of Babylon?

a² 14 Therefore hearken not unto the words of the prophets that speak unto you, saying, 'Ye shall not serve the king of Babylon: ' for they prophesy a lie unto you.

15 'For I have not sent them,' saith ° the LORD, 'yet they prophesy a lie in My name; that I might drive you out, and that ye might perish, ye, and the prophets that prophesy unto you.'''

z³ 16 Also I spake ° to the priests and to all this People, saying, "Thus saith ° the LORD;

a³ 'Hearken not to the words of your prophets that prophesy unto you, saying, ° Behold, ° the vessels of ° the LORD's house shall now shortly be brought again from Babylon: ' for they prophesy a lie unto you.

17 Hearken not unto them; serve the king of Babylon, and live: ° wherefore should this city be laid waste?

M x 18 But if they be prophets, and if the word of ° the LORD ° be with them, let them now make intercession to ° the LORD of hosts, that the vessels which are left in the house of ° the LORD, and in the house of the king of Judah, and ° at Jerusalem, go not to Babylon.'

19 For thus saith ° the LORD of hosts concerning the pillars, and concerning the sea,

5 I have made, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 1. 1). Ap. 92. man. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.

the ground. Heb. the face of the ground. Fig. Pleonasm. Ap. 6. Some codices read "the face of all the ground". ground - earth. Heb. hā-'āreṣ.

great power . . . outstretched arm. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 6. 6. Deut. 4. 34; 5. 15; 7. 19; 9. 29; 11. 2; 26. 8).

6 Nebuchadnezzar. Some codices spell it "Nebuchadrezzar".

My servant. Cp. 25. 9. See Dan. 2. 37, 38.

7 him, and his son, and his son's son: i.e. Evil Merodach, Nergelissar, and Nabonidus, in whose seventeenth year Babylon was taken by Cyrus. Ap. 57. the very time = the appointed end.

great kings: i.e. the kings of Persia and Media (Dan. 2. 39). 8 the same = him.

saith the LORD = [is] Jehovah's oracle. sword . . . famine . . . pestilence. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 25, 26. Deut. 28. 21-24). Ap. 92.

and. Note the Fig. Polysyndeton. Ap. 6.

9 diviners, &c. These were their heathen guides. enchanter = observers of the clouds.

sorcerers. These were mediums and necromancers.

12 I spake: i.e. thirteen years after this prophecy came to him. See note on v. 1.

to Zedekiah. It is not stated whether he ever addressed the two other kings. Jehoahaz and Zedekiah were the sons of Hamutal; Jehoiaquim was the son of the proud Zebudah (2 Kings 23. 36). Cp. 13. 18.

13 Why . . . ? Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

by. Some codices, with Aram., Syr., and Vulg., read "and by", thus completing the Fig. Polysyndeton. Ap. 6. Cp. v. 8. as = according as.

16 to the priests. Probably in the Temple. Cp. 28. 1. Behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

the vessels: which were taken away by Nebuchadnezzar in the reigns of Jehoiaquim and Jeconiah (2 Kings 24. 13. 2 Chron. 36. 7, 10. Dan. 1. 2).

17 wherefore . . . ? Fig. Erotēsis. Ap. 6.

18 be = exists; or, be and remain. Heb. yēsh. Cp. 31. 6, 16, 17, and see notes on Prov. 8. 21; 18. 24.

the LORD of hosts = Jehovah Z'baōth. See note on 6. 6. 1 Sam. 1. 3.

at. Some codices, with three early printed editions, omit this "at".

19 remain. Probably because they were too heavy and cumbersome.

city. So the reading of Ben-Asher; but Ben-Naphtali reads "land". These were the two rival critics of the Heb. text in the tenth century A.D. who furnished the vowel-points. Ben-Asher's work was done at Tiberias in 827 "from the destruction of Jerusalem", and is now at Aleppo. Of Ben-Naphtali nothing is known beyond official lists which have come down to us.

20 Jeconiah. Cp. 24. 1.

21 in. Some codices, with three early printed editions, read this "in" in the text.

22 then will I bring them up. Fulfilled by Cyrus (Ezra 1. 7; 5. 13, 14).

and concerning the bases, and concerning the residue of the vessels that ° remain in this ° city,

20 Which ° Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon took not, when he carried away captive ° Jeconiah the son of Jehoiaquim king of Judah from Jerusalem to Babylon, and all the nobles of Judah and Jerusalem;

21 Yea, thus saith ° the LORD of hosts, the ° God of Israel, concerning the vessels that remain ° in the house of ° the LORD, and in the house of the king of Judah and of Jerusalem;

22 'They shall be carried to Babylon, and there shall they be until the day that I visit them, ° saith ° the LORD;

° then will I bring them up, and restore them to this place.'''

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28 And it came to pass °the same year, in the beginning of the reign of Zedekiah king of Judah, in the fourth year, and in the fifth month, *that* °Hananiah the son of Azur the prophet, which *was* of °Gibeon, spake unto me °in the house of °the LORD, in the presence of the priests and of all the People, saying,

2 "Thus speaketh °the LORD of hosts, the °God of Israel, saying, °I have broken the yoke of the king of Babylon.

3 Within °two full years will I bring again into this place all the vessels of °the LORD'S house, that °Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon took away from this place, and carried them to Babylon:

4 And I will bring again to this place Jecooniah the son of Jehoiakim king of Judah, with all the °captives of Judah, that went into Babylon, °saith °the LORD: for I will break the yoke of the king of Babylon."

5 Then the prophet °Jeremiah said unto the prophet °Hananiah in the presence of the priests, and in the presence of all the People that stood in the house of °the LORD,

6 Even the prophet Jeremiah said, °"Amen: °the LORD do so: °the LORD perform °thy °words which thou hast prophesied, to bring again the vessels of °the LORD'S house, and all that is carried away captive, from Babylon into this place.

7 Nevertheless hear thou now this word that I speak in thine ears, and in the ears of all the People;

8 The prophets that have been before me and before thee of old prophesied both against many countries, and against great kingdoms, of war, and of °evil, and of pestilence.

9 The prophet which prophesieth of peace, when the word of the prophet °shall come to pass, *then* shall the prophet be known, that °the LORD hath truly sent him."

10 Then Hananiah the prophet took °the yoke °from off the prophet Jeremiah's neck, and brake it.

11 And Hananiah spake in the presence of all the people, saying, "Thus saith °the LORD; 'Even so will I break the yoke of Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon from the neck of all nations within the space of two full years.'" And the prophet Jeremiah °went his way.

12 °Then the word of °the LORD came unto Jeremiah *the prophet*, after that Hananiah the prophet had broken the yoke from off the neck of the prophet Jeremiah, saying,

13 "Go and tell Hananiah, saying, 'Thus saith °the LORD; 'Thou hast broken the yokes of wood; but thou shalt make °for them °yokes of iron.

14 For thus saith °the LORD of hosts, the °God of Israel; °I have put a yoke of iron upon the neck of all these nations, that they may serve Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon; and they shall serve him: and I have given him the beasts of the field also.'"

15 Then said the prophet Jeremiah unto Hananiah the prophet, "Hear now, Hananiah; °The LORD hath °not sent thee; but thou makest this people to °trust in a lie.

16 Therefore thus saith °the LORD; °Be-

28. 1-17 (X, p. 1045). TIME. TWO YEARS. (Alternation.)

X b | 1-4. Hananiah.
c | 5-9. Jeremiah.
b | 10, 11. Hananiah.
c | 12-17. Jeremiah.

1 the same year. As 27. 12, when Jeremiah spoke to Zedekiah; not 27. 1, when he *received* the message which was to be delivered. The same year in which Jeremiah had counselled Zedekiah not to hearken to the false prophets (27. 14).

Hananiah. A false prophet. Cp. 27. 12, 14.

Gibeon. A city of the priests (Josh. 21. 17). Hananiah was therefore probably a priest as Jeremiah was. Now *el Jib*, north of Jerusalem. in the house. Cp. 26. 2. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel. See note on 7. 3. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

I have broken. This was proved to be a false promise. **3** two full years. Heb. two years in days [measured in] days: i.e. complete years. Cp. Gen. 41. 1. 2 Sam. 13. 23. Not years of days (a day for a year).

Nebuchadnezzar. See note on 27. 6.

4 captives. Heb. captivity. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for the people in captivity. saith the LORD = [is] Jehovah's oracle.

5 Jeremiah. Spelt here, and in this chapter only (except 27. 1. Ezra 1. 1. Dan. 9. 2), in an abbreviated form, "*Yirm'yah*" instead of "*Yirm'yāhū*", as elsewhere. This may be to bring the true prophet into stronger contrast with the false "*Hānan'yah*".

6 Amen. Interpreted in the words which follow. thy. Edition of A.V., 1611, reads "the".

words. Some codices, with three early printed editions, Aram., and Sept., read "word" (sing.).

8 evil = calamity. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii. Some codices, with one early printed edition, read "famine". Cp. 27. 8, and 29. 17.

9 shall come to pass. Acc. to the test laid down in Deut. 18. 21, 22 (ref. to Pent.). Ap. 92.

10 the yoke. See 27. 2. Made of wood (v. 13).

from off. So that Jeremiah was still wearing it (27. 2).

11 went his way. Having no further word from Jehovah.

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12 Then = And. Evidently shortly after this.

13 for = instead of.

yokes of iron. These are never used. No stronger symbol could have been given.

14 I have put, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 48, the same words). Ap. 92.

15 not sent thee. The test applied (Deut. 18. 21, 22). trust = confide. Heb. *bāṭah*. Ap. 69. i.

16 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

the earth = the ground, or soil. Heb. *hā'ādāmāh*.

die. According to Deut. 18. 20. Ref. to Pent. Ap. 92. taught = spoken. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 13. 5). Ap. 92.

rebellion, &c. Zedekiah had taken an oath of allegiance to Nebuchadnezzar (2 Kings 24. 17. 2 Chron. 36. 13. Ezek. 17. 15, 18). So it was a double rebellion.

17 seventh month: i.e. two months after, instead of "two years" (v. 3).

29. 1-32 [For the Structure see next page].

1 words: i.e. prophecies, as in 25. 1; 26. 1; 27. 1; 30. 1, &c. letter = writing.

residue of the elders. Cp. Ezek. 8. 1; 14. 1; 20. 1.

earth: this year thou shalt °die, because thou hast °taught °rebellion against °the LORD."

17 So Hananiah the prophet died the same year in the °seventh month.

29 Now these *are* the °words of the °letter that Jeremiah the prophet sent from Jerusalem unto the °residue of the elders

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489 which were carried away captives, and to the priests, and to ° the prophets, and to all the People whom ° Nebuchadnezzar had carried away captive from Jerusalem to Babylon;

2 (After that ° Jeconiah the king, and ° the queen, and the ° eunuchs, the princes of Judah and Jerusalem, and the ° carpenters, and the smiths, were departed from Jerusalem;)

3 By the hand of Elasah the son of ° Shaphan, and Gemariah the son of ° Hilkiyah, (whom ° Zedekiah king of Judah ° sent unto Babylon to ° Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon) saying,

4 "Thus saith ° the LORD of hosts, the ° God of Israel, unto all that are carried away captives, whom I have caused to be carried away from Jerusalem unto Babylon;

5 'Build ye houses, and dwell in them; and plant gardens, and eat the fruit of them;

6 Take ye wives, and beget sons and daughters; and take wives for your sons, and give your daughters to husbands, that they may bear sons and daughters; that ye may be increased there, and not diminished.

7 And ° seek the peace of the city whither I have caused you to be carried away ° captives, and pray unto ° the LORD for it: for in the peace thereof shall ye have peace.'

P d¹ 8 For thus saith ° the LORD of hosts, the ° God of Israel; 'Let not your prophets and your diviners, that be in the midst of you, deceive you, neither hearken to your dreams which ye ° cause to be dreamed.

9 For they prophesy falsely unto you in My name: I have not sent them, ° saith ° the LORD.'

e¹ 10 For thus saith ° the LORD, 'That after ° seventy years be accomplished at Babylon I will visit you, and perform My good word toward you, in causing you to return to this place.

11 For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, ° saith ° the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of ° evil, to give you ° an expected end.

12 Then shall ye call upon Me, and ye shall go and pray unto Me, and I will hearken unto you.

13 And ° ye shall seek Me, and find Me, when ye shall search for Me with all your heart.

14 And I will be found of you, ° saith ° the LORD: and I will turn ° away your ° captivity, and I will gather you from all the nations, and from all the places whither I have driven you, saith ° the LORD; and I will bring you again into the place whence I caused you to be carried away captive.

d² 15 Because ye have said, 'The LORD hath raised us up prophets in Babylon;'

e² 16 Know that thus saith ° the LORD ° of the king that sitteth upon the throne of David, and of all the People that dwelleth in this city, and of your brethren that are not gone forth with you into captivity;

17 Thus saith ° the LORD of hosts; ° 'Behold, ° I will send upon them the sword, ° the famine, and the pestilence, ° and will make them like ° vile figs, that cannot be eaten, they are so ° evil.

29. 1-32 (W, p. 1045). CAPTIVES AND REMNANT. (Introversion and Repeated Alternation.)

W O | 1-7. Letter of Jeremiah to the Captivity.
P d¹ | 8, 9. Dehortation. False prophets.
e¹ | 10-14. Prophecy to captives. Good.
d² | 15. Dehortation. False prophets.
e² | 16-19. Prophecy to residue. Evil.
d³ | 20-29. Dehortation. False prophets.
O | 30-32. Message of Jehovah to the Captivity.

the prophets: i.e. Ezekiel (1. 1); Daniel (1. 6). Nebuchadnezzar. Same spelling as throughout ch. 28 and v. 3 here. Not the same as in v. 21.

2 Jeconiah: i.e. Jehoiachin.

the queen = the queen-mother, Nehushta, the wife of Jehoiakim. Cp. 13. 18. See 2 Kings 24. 12, 15.

eunuchs = chamberlains.

carpenters = artificers, smiths. Cp. 24. 1.

3 Shaphan. See note on 2 Kings 22. 3. Cp. 26. 24.

Hilkiyah. As in 2 Kings 22. 4.

Zedekiah . . . sent. Cp. 51. 59.

4 the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel. See note on 7. 3. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

7 seek the peace = seek the welfare. Cp. Ezra 6. 10. captives. For sixty-three years. From Jehoiachin's captivity to Cyrus (489 - 426 = 63).

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

9 saith the LORD = [is] Jehovah's oracle.

10 seventy years. See special note on p. 615. Cp. 25. 12.

11 evil. Heb. rā'a'. Ap. 44. viii.

an expected end. Fig. Hendiadys. Ap. 6. Heb. "an end and an expectation" = an end, yea, an end which I have caused you to hope for: i.e. a hoped-for end.

13 ye shall seek Me. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 4. 29; 30. 2).

14 away = back.

captivity. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Subject), Ap. 6, for captives.

16 of = concerning.

17 the LORD of hosts. See note on 6. 6. 1 Sam. 1. 3.

Behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

I will send . . . the sword, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 25, 26. Deut. 28. 21-24).

the famine. Some codices, with three early printed editions (one in margin), Aram., Syr., and Vulg., read "and famine", thus completing the Fig. Polysyndeton (Ap. 6).

and. Note the Fig. Polysyndeton in vv. 17, 18 (Ap. 6).

vile figs = worthless figs. See 24. 2, &c.

18 with. Some codices, with one early printed edition, read "and with".

removed. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 25, the same word). Ap. 92. Cp. 24. 9.

19 unto them. Some codices, with four early printed editions, read "unto you".

rising up early, &c. See note on 7. 13.

20 sent. Some codices, with Aram., read "caused to be carried captive". Cp. 24. 5.

18 And I will persecute them with the sword, ° with the famine, and with the pestilence, ° and will deliver them to be ° removed to all the kingdoms of the earth, to be a curse, and an astonishment, and an hissing, and a reproach, among all the nations whither I have driven them:

19 Because they have not hearkened to My words, ° saith ° the LORD, which I sent ° unto them by My servants the prophets, ° rising up early and sending them; but ye would not hear, ° saith ° the LORD.'

20 Hear ye therefore the word of ° the LORD, all ye of the captivity, whom I have ° sent from Jerusalem to Babylon:

21 Thus saith ° the LORD of hosts, the ° God of

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189 Israel, ¹⁶ of °Ahab the son of °Kolaiah, and of °Zedekiah the son of Maaseiah, which prophesy a lie unto you in My name; ¹⁷ Behold, I will deliver them into the hand of °Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon; and he shall slay them before your eyes;

22 And of them shall be taken up °a °curse by all the captivity of Judah which are in Babylon, saying, ⁷ 'The LORD make thee like Zedekiah and like Ahab, whom the king of Babylon °roasted in the fire;'

23 Because they have °committed villany in Israel, and have committed adultery with their neighbours' wives, and have spoken lying words in My name, which I have not commanded them; even I know, and am a witness, °saith °the LORD.'

24 Thus shalt thou also speak to Shemaiah the °Nehelamite, saying,

25 'Thus speaketh °the LORD of hosts, the °God of Israel, saying, 'Because thou hast sent letters in thy name unto all the People that are at Jerusalem, and to Zephaniah the son of Maaseiah the priest, and to all the priests, saying,

26 °The LORD hath made thee priest in the stead of Jehoiada the priest, that ye should be officers in the house of °the LORD, for every °man that is °mad, and °maketh himself a prophet, that thou shouldst put him in prison, and in the stocks.

27 Now therefore why hast thou not reproved Jeremiah of Anathoth, which ²⁶ maketh himself a prophet to you?

28 For therefore he sent unto us in Babylon, saying, 'This captivity is long: build ye houses, and dwell in them; and plant gardens, and eat the fruit of them.'''''

29 And Zephaniah the priest read this letter in the ears of Jeremiah the prophet.

30 Then came the word of °the LORD unto Jeremiah, saying,

31 "Send to all them of the captivity, saying, 'Thus saith °the LORD concerning Shemaiah the °Nehelamite; 'Because that Shemaiah hath prophesied unto you, and I sent him not, and he caused you to °trust in a lie:

32 Therefore thus saith °the LORD; ¹⁷ Behold, I will punish Shemaiah the °Nehelamite, and his seed: he shall not have a °man to dwell among this People; neither shall he behold the good that I will do for My People, °saith °the LORD; because he hath taught °rebellion against °the LORD.'''''

30 The word that came to Jeremiah from °the LORD, saying,

2 "Thus speaketh °the LORD °God of Israel, saying, 'Write thee all the words that I have spoken unto thee °in a book.

3 For, °lo, the days come, °saith °the LORD, that I will bring again the captivity of My people °Israel and Judah, °saith °the LORD: and I will cause them to return to the land that I gave to their fathers, and they shall possess it.'''

4 And °these are the words that °the LORD spake concerning °Israel and concerning Judah.

21 Ahab . . . Zedekiah. These were false prophets whom Nebuchadrezzar treated as stated in v. 22.

21, 22 Kolaiah . . . curse . . . roasted. Note the Fig. Paronomasia (Ap. 6). Heb. *Kōlāyāh* . . . *kelālāh* . . . *kālām*.

Nebuchadrezzar. Some codices read Nebuchadnezzar. Cp. v. 1. 22 a curse = a curse formula.

23 committed villany = vileness: i.e. worshipped idols. See the first occ. Gen. 34. 7.

24 Nehelamite: or, dreamer.

26 man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II.

mad. Cp. John 2. 20; 10. 20, 39. See Ap. 85.

maketh himself a prophet. Cp. Matt. 21. 11. John 8. 53. See Ap. 85.

31 trust = confide. Heb. *batah*. Ap. 69. i.

32 rebellion, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 13. 5). Ap. 92.

30. 1-31. 40 (V, p. 1045). BOOK. RESTORATION. (Alternation and Introversion.)

V | Q | 30. 1-17. Book.

R | S | 30. 18. City. Rebuilding.

T | 30. 19-31. 1. People. Restoration.

Q | 31. 2-26. Vision.

R | T | 31. 27-37. People. Restoration.

S | 31. 38-40. City. Rebuilding.

30. 1-17 (Q, above). BOOK. (Alternation.)

Q | U | 1, 2. Words.

V | 3. Restoration. General.

U | 4. Words.

V | 5-17. Restoration. Particular.

Jeremiah's TWENTIETH Prophecy (p. 1015).

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 the LORD God of Israel. See note on 11. 3.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

in a book. For abiding comfort and hope in the coming times of trouble. Written before the deportation. Cp. 30. 5-11, 12-24. A dark foreground is shown in 31. 37.

3 lo. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

saith the LORD = [is] Jehovah's oracle.

Israel. As well as Judah.

4 these are the words. This is the introduction to the two chapters.

30. 5-17 (V, above). RESTORATION. PARTICULAR. (Extended Alternation.)

V | f | 5-7-. Tribulation.

g | -7-10. Restoration.

h | 11. Jehovah the Saviour.

f | 12-15. Tribulation.

g | 16. Retaliation.

h | 17. Jehovah the Healer.

6 a man = a male. Heb. *zakar*.

man = a strong man. Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. IV.

7 that day. The interpretation here is of the day of Babylon's overthrow. The application is of the yet future Great Tribulation of Matt. 24. This is in contrast with the day of Restoration.

great, &c. = too great to have another like it.

Jacob's. Not Israel's, for it is the natural seed that is here in question, not the spiritual. See notes on Gen. 32. 28; 43. 6; 45. 26, 28.

5 For thus saith °the LORD; "We have heard a voice of trembling, of fear, and not of peace.

6 Ask ye now, and see whether °a man doth travail with child? wherefore do I see every °man with his hands on his loins, as a woman in travail, and all faces are turned into paleness?

7 Alas! for °that day is °great, so that none is like it: it is even the time of °Jacob's trouble;

but he shall be saved out of it.

489 8 For it shall come to pass in that day, ³saith ° the LORD of hosts, *that* I will ° break his yoke from off thy neck, and will burst thy bonds, and strangers shall no more serve themselves of him:

9 But they shall serve ¹ the LORD their ² God, and ° David their king, whom I will raise up unto them.

10 Therefore ° fear thou not, O My servant ⁷ Jacob, ³saith ¹ the LORD; neither be dismayed, O Israel: for, lo, I will save thee from afar, and thy seed from the land of their captivity; and ⁷ Jacob shall return, and ° shall be in rest, and be quiet, and none shall make *him* afraid.

h 11 For *I am* with thee, ³saith ¹ the LORD, to save thee: though I make a full end of all nations whither I have scattered thee, yet will I not make a full end of thee: but I will correct thee ° in measure, and will not leave thee altogether ° unpunished.

f 12 For thus saith ¹ the LORD, 'Thy bruise *is* incurable, and thy wound *is* grievous.

13 *There* is none to plead thy cause, ° that thou mayest be bound up: thou hast no healing medicines.

14 All thy lovers have forgotten thee; they seek thee not; for I have wounded thee with the wound of an enemy, with the chastisement of a cruel one, for the multitude of thine ° iniquity; *because* thy ° sins were increased.

15 Why criest thou for thine affliction? thy sorrow *is* incurable for the multitude of thine ¹⁴ iniquity: *because* thy ¹⁴ sins were increased, I have done these things unto thee.

g 16 Therefore ° all they that devour thee shall be devoured; and all thine adversaries, every one of them, shall go into captivity; and they that spoil thee shall be a spoil, and all that prey upon thee will I give for a prey.

h 17 For I will restore health unto thee, and I will heal thee of thy wounds, ³saith ¹ the LORD; because they called thee an Outcast, *saying*, 'This *is* Zion, whom no man seeketh after.'

RS 18 Thus saith ¹ the LORD; ° 'Behold, I will bring again the captivity of ⁷ Jacob's tents, and have mercy on his dwellingplaces; and the city shall be builded ° upon her own ° heap, and the ° palace shall remain ° after the manner thereof.

Ti 19 And out of ° them shall proceed thanksgiving and the voice of them that make merry: and ° I will multiply them, and they shall not be few; I will also glorify them, and they shall not be ° small.

20 Their ° children also shall be as aforetime, and their congregation shall be established before Me, and I will punish all that ° oppress them.

21 And ° their nobles shall be of themselves, and ° their governor shall proceed from the midst of them; and I will ° cause him to draw near, and he shall approach unto Me: for ° who *is* this that ° engaged his heart to approach unto Me? ³saith ¹ the LORD.

k 22 And ye shall be My People, and *I* will be your ² God.

8 the LORD of hosts = Jehovah Z'baōth. See note on 6. 6.

break his yoke. Reminding us of 28. 10, 11.

9 David their king. This is yet future. Cp. Ezekiel, Jeremiah's contemporary (Ezek. 34. 23, 24; 37. 24, 25. Isa. 55. 3. Hos. 3. 5) for seven years (484-477). See Ap. 77.

10 fear thou not, &c. Taking up Isa. 41. 10, 18; 43. 5; 44. 2. shall be in rest = be [again] in rest.

11 in measure = to the due measure. unpunished = guiltless. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 20. 7; 34. 7. Num. 14. 18). Ap. 92.

13 that thou mayest, &c. = for binding thee up.

14 iniquity. Heb. 'āvāh. Ap. 44. iv.

sins. Heb. chātā'. Ap. 44. i.

16 all they that devour thee, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 23. 22). Ap. 92.

18 Behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

upon her own heap. This cannot have a spiritual application; still less interpretation. It is literally Zion. This was written in the book, before the siege, which had already been foretold (chs. 7; 19; 21. 10; 34. 2; 37. 10).

heap = ruins. palace = fortress. after the manner thereof: or, upon its own site.

30. 19-31. 1 (T, p. 1058). PEOPLE. RESTORATION. (Alternation.)

T i | 30. 19-21. Blessings.

k | 30. 22. People accepted.

i | 30. 23, 24. Judgment.

k | 31. 1. People accepted.

19 them: i.e. the restored cities and palaces.

I will multiply. Note the Alternation:—

| multiply.

| not be few.

| glorify.

| not be despised.

small = small (in number).

20 children = sons.

oppress. First used by God Himself (Ex. 3. 9).

21 their nobles. Heb. his Prince. } i.e. Jacob's. their governor. Heb. his Ruler. }

cause him to draw near. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 16. 5). who is this . . . ? Cp. Isa. 63. 1 (in judgment). Matt. 21. 10 (in grace).

engaged = pledged. 23 continuing whirlwind = a tempest rolling itself upward: i.e. a roaring tempest.

the wicked = lawless ones (pl.). Heb. rāshā'. Ap. 44. x.

24 the latter days = the end of the days. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 49. 1). Cp. 23. 20. Ap. 92.

consider = understand. Cp. 23. 20.

31. 1 At the same time: i.e. in the latter days (30. 24). saith the LORD = [is] Jehovah's oracle.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

of = to. all. Not Judah alone.

they shall be My People. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 12). Ap. 92. Cp. 30. 22; 32. 38, &c.

31. 2-26 [For the Structure see next page].

23 Behold, the whirlwind of ¹ the LORD goeth forth with fury, a ° continuing whirlwind: it shall fall with pain upon the head of ° the wicked.

24 The fierce anger of ¹ the LORD shall not return, until He have done *it*, and until He have performed the intents of His heart: in ° the latter days ye shall ° consider it.

31 ° At the same time, ° saith ° the LORD, ^k will I be the ° God ° of ° all the families of Israel, and ° they shall be My People. 489

2 Thus saith ¹ the LORD, 'The People *which* Q 1'

489 were left of the sword found grace in the wilderness; *even* Israel, °when I went to cause him to rest."

3¹ The LORD hath appeared of old unto me, *saying*, "Yea, I have loved thee with an °everlasting love: therefore with lovingkindness have I drawn thee.

4 °Again I will build thee, and thou shalt be built, O virgin of Israel: thou shalt °again be adorned with thy °tabrets, and shalt go forth in the dances of them that make merry.

5 Thou shalt yet plant °vines upon the °mountains of Samaria: the planters shall plant, and shall °eat *them* as common things.

6 For °there shall be a day, *that* the watchmen upon the °mount Ephraim shall cry, 'Arise ye, and let us go up to Zion unto °the LORD our °God.'

7 For thus saith °the LORD; 'Sing with gladness for °Jacob, and shout among the chief of the nations: publish ye, praise ye, and say, 'O °LORD, °save Thy People, the remnant of Israel.'

m¹ 8 °Behold, I will bring *them* from the north country, and °gather them from the °coasts of the earth, *and* with them the blind and the lame, the woman with child and her that travaileth with child together: a great °company shall return °thither.

n¹ 9 They shall come with weeping, and with supplications will I lead them: I will cause them to walk by the °rivers of waters in a straight way, wherein they shall not stumble: for I am a father to Israel, and °Ephraim is My firstborn."

1² 10 Hear the word of °the LORD, O ye nations, and declare *it* in the °isles afar off, and say, °"He that scattered Israel will gather him, and keep him, as a shepherd *doth* his flock.

11 For °the LORD hath °redeemed °Jacob, and °ransomed him from the hand of *him that was* °stronger than he.

12 Therefore they shall come and sing in the height of Zion, and shall °flow together to the goodness of °the LORD, for wheat, and for °wine, and for oil, and for the young of the flock and of the herd: and their °soul shall be as a watered garden; and they shall not sorrow any more at all.

13 Then shall the virgin rejoice in the dance, both young men and old together: for I will turn their mourning into joy, and will comfort them, and make them rejoice from their sorrow.

14 And I will satiate the °soul of the priests with fatness, and My people shall be satisfied with °My goodness, °saith °the LORD."

m² 15 Thus saith °the LORD; °"A voice was heard °in Ramah, lamentation, *and* bitter weeping; °Rahel weeping for her °children refused to be comforted for her °children, °because they *were* not.

16 Thus saith °the LORD; 'Refrain thy voice from weeping, and thine eyes from tears: for thy work °shall be rewarded, °saith °the LORD; and they shall °come again from the land of the enemy.

17 And °there is hope in thine end, °saith °the LORD, that thy °children shall come again to their own border.

31. 2-26 (Q, p. 1058). VISION.

(Extended and Repeated Alternation.)

Q¹ | 2-7. Joy.
m¹ | 8. Restoration.
n¹ | 9. Sorrow ended.
1² | 10-14. Joy.
m² | 15-17. Restoration.
n² | 18-22. Sorrow ended.
1¹ | 23. Blessing.
m³ | 24. Restoration.
n³ | 25, 26. Sorrow ended.

2 when I went. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 3. Num. 10. 33. Deut. 1. 33). Ap. 92.

3 everlasting love. See notes on Isa. 44. 7.

4 Again . . . again, &c. Ap. 92. Fig. *Anaphora*. Ap. 6. tabrets. See notes on Ex. 15. 20. 1 Sam. 10. 6.

5 vines = vineyards.

mountains. A special reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 34), reads "cities".

eat them as common things. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 19. 23-25. Deut. 20. 6; 28. 30). Cp. Isa. 62. 9. Ap. 92.

6 there shall be = there is. Heb. *yēsh*. See note on Prov. 8. 21, and 18. 24.

mount = hill country.

7 Jacob. Note the frequent use of "Jacob" in these chapters, referring to the natural seed.

save Thy People. Cp. the Heb. *Hosannah*. See Ps. 118. 25, and see note on Matt. 21. 9.

8 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

gather = gather out.

coasts = borders, or extremities.

company = an organized community.

thither = hither.

9 rivers = streams. Heb. *nahal* = a wady.

Ephraim is My firstborn. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 4. 22). Ap. 92. "My firstborn" occ. nowhere else. Cp. Ps. 89. 27. Ephraim is put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap. 6, for all the ten tribes.

10 isles = coastlands, or maritime countries.

He that scattered, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 80. 3).

11 redeemed = liberated, or redeemed (by power). Heb. *pādāh*. See note on Ex. 13. 13.

ransomed = redeemed (by blood) and avenged. Heb. *gā'al*. See note on Ex. 6. 6.

stronger. See note on Ps. 35. 10.

12 flow together. Same word as in 51. 44. Isa. 2. 2. Mic. 4. 1.

wine. Heb. *tirōsh*. Ap. 27. II.

soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

14 My. A.V., 1611, omits this "My".

15 A voice was heard, &c. Quoted in Matt. 2. 18. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 35. 19). Ap. 92.

in Ramah - on the high place. Evidently a "high place" near Bethlehem. A common name in Palestine. The Targum and Vulg. read "in a high place".

Rahel = Rachel. The mother of Joseph and Benjamin (i.e. Ephraim); thus uniting the two kingdoms and the two peoples. Cp. v. 9.

children = sons. because they were not. Now, another weeping, and other comfort given. Cp. vv. 9, 16. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 42. 36). Ap. 92.

16 shall be rewarded = there exists a reward. Heb. *yēsh*. See note on v. 6.

come again: i.e. in resurrection. Cp. v. 15.

17 there is = there exists. Heb. *yēsh*. Cp. v. 6.

18 I have surely heard, &c. Fig. *Prolepsis*. Ap. 6. hast chastised = didst chastise.

was chastised = I have been chastised.

turn Thou me = cause Thou me to return.

18 °I have surely heard °Ephraim bemoaning himself *thus*; 'Thou °hast chastised me, and I °was chastised, as a bullock unaccustomed to the yoke: °turn Thou me, and I shall be turned; °for Thou art °the LORD my °God.

19 Surely after that I was turned, I repented; and after that I was instructed, I smote upon

489 my thigh: I was ashamed, yea, even confounded, because I did bear the reproach of my youth.'

20 Is ⁹ Ephraim My dear son? *is he* a pleasant °child? for since I spake against him, I do earnestly remember him still: therefore °My bowels are troubled for him; I will surely have mercy upon him, ¹saith ¹the LORD.

21 °Set thee up waymarks, °make thee °high heaps: set thine heart toward the highway, even the way *which* thou wentest: turn again, O virgin of Israel, turn again to these thy cities.

22 How long wilt thou °go about, O thou backsliding daughter? for ¹the LORD hath created a °new thing °in the earth, °A woman shall °compass °a man.

1^s (p. 1060) 23 Thus saith °the LORD of hosts, the ¹God of Israel; 'As yet they shall use this speech in the land of Judah and in the cities thereof, when I shall °bring again their captivity; ¹'The LORD bless thee, O habitation of justice, and mountain of holiness.'

m³ 24 And there shall dwell in Judah itself, and in all the cities thereof together, husbandmen, and they *that* go forth with flocks.

n³ 25 For I have satiated the weary ¹²soul, and I have replenished every sorrowful ¹²soul.'"
26 Upon this I awaked, and beheld; and my sleep was sweet unto me.

T W (p. 1061) 27 ⁸"Behold, the days come, ¹saith ¹the LORD, that I will sow °the house of Israel and °the house of Judah with the seed of °man, and with the seed of beast.

X o 28 And it shall come to pass, *that* like as I have °watched over them, to pluck up, °and to break down, and to throw down, and to destroy, and to afflict; so will I watch over them, to build, and to plant, ¹saith the LORD.

P 29 In those days they shall say no more, 'The fathers have eaten a sour grape, and the ¹⁵children's teeth are °set on edge.'

30 But every one shall die for his own °iniquity: every man that eateth the sour grape, his teeth shall be set on edge.

X o 31 °Behold, the days come, ¹saith ¹the LORD, that °I will make a new covenant with ²⁷the house of Israel, and with ²⁷the house of Judah:

32 Not according to the covenant °that I made with their fathers in the day *that* °I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which My covenant they brake, °although ³was an husband unto them, ¹saith ¹the LORD:

33 But this *shall* be the covenant that I will make with °the house of Israel; After those days, ¹saith ¹the LORD, I will put My law in their inward parts, and write it °in their hearts; °and will be their ¹God, and they shall be My People.

p 34 And they shall teach no more °every man his neighbour, and °every man his brother, saying, 'Know ¹the LORD:' for °they shall all °know Me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, ¹saith ¹the LORD: for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their °sin no more.

W 35 Thus saith ¹the LORD, Which °giveth the sun for a light by day, and the °ordinances of

20 child = a young child. Heb. *yālād*.

My bowels are troubled. Fig. *Anthropopathia*. Ap. 6. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 36). Cp. Luke 15. 20.

21 Set thee up = Erect.

make thee = set up. high heaps: i.e. finger posts.

22 go about: i.e. in order to elude by withdrawing. Elsewhere only in Song 5. 6.

new thing. The interpretation must satisfy this condition.

in the earth = in the land. This is another condition.

A woman = A spouse: i.e. Israel shall turn and cleave to the Mighty One. See Gen. 1. 27; 5. 2; 6. 19; 7. 3, 9, 16. Lev. 3. 1, 6; 4. 28; 5. 6, &c. Here, the virgin of Israel.

compass = turn about [so as to return to and seek the favour of] the man. A "new thing" for a woman to become the suitor. See 31. 14 and Deut. 24. 4. Hos. 2. 19.

&c. Heb. *ḡabab*, to turn about, used in Ps. 26. 6, "so will I compass Thine altar", not go round it, but keep close to it. Cp. Ps. 7. 7. (Jonah 2. 5, "closed me round").

Instead of "going about", wandering (first line), the virgin of Israel will seek, and cleave close to the Mighty One, even Jehovah, as a girdle cleaves to a man.

a man = a mighty one. Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. IV.

23 the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel. See note on 7. 3. bring again. This cannot be spiritualised.

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31. 27 37 (T, p. 1058). PEOPLE. RESTORATION (*Introversion and Alternation*.)

T W | 27. Seed. Prophecy.

X | o | 28. Destruction and renovation.

p | 29, 30. Proverb.

X | o | 31-33. Old and New Covenant.

p | 34. Teaching.

W | 35 37. Seed. Fulfilment.

27 the house of Israel. See note on 2. 4.

the house of Judah. See note on 3. 18. Here we have the union of the two houses. Israel is always named first, for this was the name of the whole nation, which Judah was not.

man. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

28 watched. Cp. 1. 12 (same word).

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6).

29 set on edge. A proverb, mentioned here for the first time. Here restated, and corrected in v. 30.

30 iniquity. Heb. *āwāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

31 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6. Quoted in Heb. 8. 8-12; 10. 16, 17. I will make. See Matt. 26. 28.

32 that I made. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 24. 3-8). Ap. 92.

I took them by the hand, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 19. 4. Deut. 1. 31; 32. 11, 12). Ap. 92.

although ³ was an husband unto them. The Heb. *bā'al* is a Homonym with two meanings: (1) to be lord, or master, hence to be a husband; (2) to disdain, or reject.

If it be the latter here, the last clause will read, "and I rejected (or abhorred) them, declareth Jehovah".

So the Syr. and other ancient interpreters. Moreover, it is quoted thus in Heb. 8. 9, "and I regarded them not, saith the Lord".

33 the house of, &c. Some codices, with four early printed editions (one in marg.), read "the sons of": i.e. of the whole nation.

in their hearts = on their hearts. Cp. Ezek. 11. 19; 36. 26. Heb. 10. 16.

and will be their God. Cp. 24. 7; 30. 22; 32. 38.

34 every man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II.

they shall all know Me. See note on 9. 24. know. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for all the effects of knowing Jehovah.

sin. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

35 giveth the sun, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 1. 16). ordinances = statutes. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 8. 22). Cp. 33. 20, 25.

divideth = stirreth up, or exciteth.

The LORD of Hosts. See note on 8. 6, and 1 Sam. 1. 3.

the moon and of the stars for a light by night, Which °divideth the sea when the waves thereof roar; °The LORD of Hosts is His name:

489 36 ° If those ³³ ordinances depart from before Me, ¹ saith ¹ the LORD, 'then ° the seed of Israel also shall cease from being a nation before Me ° for ever.'

37 Thus saith ¹ the LORD; ° If heaven above can be measured, and the foundations of the earth searched out beneath, I will also cast off all the seed of Israel for all that they have done, ¹ saith ¹ the LORD.

S (p. 1058) 38 ⁸ Behold, the days ° come, ¹ saith ¹ the LORD, that the city shall be built to ¹ the LORD from ° the tower of Hananeel ° unto ° the gate of the corner.

39 And the measuring line shall yet go forth over against it ° upon the hill ° Gareb, and shall compass about to ° Goath.

40 And the whole valley of the dead bodies, and of the ashes, and all the ° fields ³⁸ unto the brook of Kidron, unto the corner of the horse gate toward the east, shall be ° holy unto ¹ the LORD; it shall not be plucked up, nor thrown down any more ° for ever.'"

U Y¹ Z¹ (p. 1062) 478 32 ° The word that came to Jeremiah from ° the LORD in ° the tenth year of Zedekiah king of Judah, which was the ° eighteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar.

2 For then the king of Babylon's army ° besieged Jerusalem: and Jeremiah the prophet was shut up in ° the court of the prison, which was in the king of Judah's house.

3 For Zedekiah king of Judah ° had shut him up, saying, "Wherefore dost thou prophesy, and say, 'Thus saith the LORD, 'Behold, I will give this city into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall take it;

4 And Zedekiah king of Judah shall not escape out of the hand of the Chaldeans, but shall surely be delivered into the hand of the king of Babylon, and shall speak with him mouth to mouth, and ° his eyes shall behold his eyes;

5 And he shall lead Zedekiah to Babylon, and there shall he be until I visit him, ° saith ¹ the LORD: 'though ye fight with the Chaldeans, ye shall not prosper.'"

Z² A q 6 And Jeremiah said, "The word of ¹ the LORD came unto me, saying,

7 ° Behold, Hanameel the son of Shallum ° thine uncle shall come unto thee, saying, 'Buy thee ° my field that is in Anathoth: for ° the right of redemption is thine to buy it.'"

r 8 So Hanameel mine uncle's son came to me in the court of the prison according to the word of ¹ the LORD, and said unto me, "Buy my field, I pray thee, that is in Anathoth, which is in the country of Benjamin: for ° the right of inheritance is thine, and the redemption is thine; buy it for thyself."

q Then I knew that this was the word of ¹ the LORD.

r 9 And I bought the field of Hanameel my uncle's son, that was in Anathoth, and weighed him the money, even seventeen ° shekels of silver.

10 And I subscribed ° the evidence, and sealed it, and took witnesses, and weighed him the money in the balances.

36 If those ordinances. So sure is the literal fulfilment of these prophecies concerning the literal restoration of Israel.

the seed. Note the Structure ("W" and "W" on p. 1061). for ever=all the days.

37 If heaven above, &c. Another asseveration as to the literal fulfilment of Israel's restoration.

38 come. This word is not in the Heb. text, but it is in the margin, as well as in some codices, with three early printed editions, Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., which read "Lo, days are coming".

the tower of Hananeel. On the north-east corner. unto=as far as.

the gate of the corner. At the north-west. Cp. 2 Kings 14. 13.

39 upon=over. A special various reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 34), reads "as far as", with some codices, Aram., and Sept. Gareb . . . Goath. Not named elsewhere.

40 fields. Heb. text reads "dry places", but the marg., with some codices and seven early printed editions, A.V. and R.V., read "fields". holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5. for ever=for times age-abiding: for aye.

32. 1-33. 26 (U, p. 1045). PROMISE OF THE BRANCH. (Division.)

U Y¹ 32. 1-44. The first "word". Restoration of the Land. (In prison.) Tenth year of Zedekiah.

Y² 33. 1-26. The second "word". Restoration of the People. (In prison.)

32. 1-44 (Y¹, above). THE FIRST WORD. (Division.)

Y¹ | Z¹ | 1-5. Question of Zedekiah.
Z² | 6-44. Answer of Jeremiah.

The TWENTY-FIRST Prophecy of Jeremiah (p. 1015).

1 The word that came, &c. This chapter commences an historical part of the book, describing the incidents of the two years preceding the capture of Jerusalem by Nebuchadnezzar. See v. 2.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. the tenth . . . eighteenth year. Another contact between Biblical and secular chronology. See Ap. 86.

2 besieged - was besieging. the court of the prison: to which Jeremiah had access. Cp. vv. 8, 12, and 33. 1.

3 had shut him up. One of the eleven rulers who were offended with God's messengers. See note on Ex. 10. 28.

4 his eyes shall behold his eyes: he should go to Babylon (34. 3). Yet Ezekiel (12. 13) declared that he should not "see" Babylon. Both statements were true; for we read that Zedekiah did "see" the king of Babylon at Riblah, but his eyes being put out there (2 Kings 25. 6, 7), he never saw Babylon, though he was led there. See 52. 10, 11.

5 saith the LORD=[is] Jehovah's oracle.

32. 6-44 (Z², above). ANSWER OF JEREMIAH. (Alternation.)

Z² | A | 6-14. Symbol. Purchase of the field.
B | 15. Signification. Repossession.
A | 16-35. Symbol. Purchase of the field.
B | 36-44. Signification. Repossession.

32. 6-14 (A, above). SYMBOL PURCHASE OF THE FIELD. (Alternation.)

A | q | 6, 7. The word of Jehovah. Coming
r | 8-. The field. Request.
q | -8. The word of Jehovah. Known.
r | 9-14. The field. Compliance.

The TWENTY-SECOND Prophecy of Jeremiah (p. 1015).

7 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6. thine uncle: i.e. Shallum, not Hanameel, who was Jeremiah's cousin. See next verse.

my field. Acc. to Num. 35. 5, this would be within 2,000 cubits of Anathoth.

the right, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 25. 24, 25, 32). Ap. 92. Cp. Ruth 4. 6. 9 shekels. See Ap. 51. II. 5.

10 the evidence=the deed.

178 11 So I took ¹⁰ the evidence of the purchase, both that which was sealed ° according to the law and custom, and that which was open :

12 And I gave ¹⁰ the evidence of the purchase unto Baruch the son of Neriah, the son of Maaseiah, in the sight of Hanameel mine ° uncle's son, and in the presence of the witnesses that ° subscribed the book of the purchase, ° before all the Jews that sat in the court of the prison.

13 And I charged Baruch before them, saying, 14 " Thus saith ° the LORD of hosts, the ° God of Israel ; ' Take these evidences, this ¹⁰ evidence of the purchase, both which is sealed, and this evidence which is open ; and put them in an earthen vessel, that they may continue ° many days. '

B 15 For thus saith ¹⁴ the LORD of hosts, the (p. 1062) ° God of Israel ; ' Houses and fields and vineyards shall be possessed again in this land. ' "

A C 16 Now when I had delivered ¹⁰ the evidence (p. 1063) of the purchase unto Baruch the son of Neriah, I prayed unto ¹ the LORD, saying,

17 " Ah ° Lord GOD ! ' behold, ° Thou hast made the heaven and the earth by Thy great power and stretched out arm, and there is ° nothing too hard for Thee :

D s 18 ° Thou shewest ° lovingkindness unto thousands, and recompensest the ° iniquity of the fathers into the bosom of their ° children ° after them : the Great, ° the Mighty ° GOD, ° the LORD of Hosts, is His name,

19 Great in counsel, and mighty in work : for ° Thine eyes are open upon all the ways of the sons of ° men : to give every one according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings :

20 Which hast set ° signs and wonders in the land of Egypt, even unto this day, and in Israel, and among ° other men ; and hast ° made Thee a name, as at this day ;

21 And hast brought forth Thy People Israel out of the land of Egypt with ²⁰ signs, and with wonders, and ° with a strong hand, and with a stretched out arm, and with great terror ;

22 And hast given them this land, which Thou didst swear to their fathers to give them, a land flowing with ° milk and honey ;

23 And they came in, and possessed it ; but they obeyed not Thy voice, neither walked in Thy ° law ; they have done nothing of all that Thou commandedst them to do : therefore Thou hast caused all this ° evil to come upon them :

t 24 ° Behold the ° mounts, they are come unto the city to take it ; and the city is given into the hand of the Chaldeans, that fight against it, because of the sword, and of the famine, and of the pestilence : and what Thou hast spoken is come to pass ; and, ° behold, Thou seest it.

25 And Thou hast said unto me, O ¹⁷ Lord GOD, ' Buy thee the field for money, and take witnesses ; ° for the city is given into the hand of the Chaldeans. ' "

C 26 Then came the word of ¹ the LORD unto ° Jeremiah, saying,

D t 27 ° Behold, I am ¹ the LORD, ° the ¹⁴ God of all flesh : is there any thing too hard for Me ?

11 according to the law. See notes on v. 7.

12 uncle's son. Heb. text reads "uncle". But some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "uncle's son", as in vv. 8, 9.

subscribed. Some codices, with three early printed editions, Aram., Syr., and Vulg., read "who[se names] were written".

before. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "and before".

14 the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel. See note on 7. 3.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

many days : i.e. the seventy years, of which fifty-two years had yet to run (deducting eighteen years from the fourth of Jehoiakim to the tenth of Zedekiah).

32. 16-35 (A, p. 1062). THE SYMBOL (Alternation and Introversion.)

A C | 16, 17. Prayer. Omnipotence.

D | s | 18-23. Past mercies. Remembered.

t | 24, 25. Invasion.

C | 26, 27. Prayer. Answered. Omnipotence.

D | t | 28, 29. Invasion.

s | 30-35. Future judgments. Foretold.

17 Lord GOD = Adonai Jehovah. Ap. 14. VIII (2) and II.

Thou hast made, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 1). Cp. 27. 5. nothing too hard for Thee. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 18. 14). Ap. 92.

18 Thou shewest lovingkindness, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 20. 6 ; 34. 7. Deut. 5. 9, 10). Ap. 92.

lovingkindness = grace. Heb. *hesed*.

iniquity. Heb. *avāh*. Ap. 44. viii.

children = sons. after them. Cp. Ex. 34. 6, 7. the Mighty. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 10. 17). Ap. 92. Cp. Isa. 9. 6.

GOD. Heb. El (with Art.). Ap. 4. IV. Occurs in Jeremiah only here and 51. 56.

the LORD of Hosts. See note on 6. 8 and 1 Sam. 1. 3.

19 Thine eyes. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. men. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

20 signs and wonders. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 7. 3. Deut. 4. 34 ; 6. 22 ; 7. 19 ; 13. 1, 2 ; 26. 8 ; 28. 46 ; 29. 3 ; 34. 11). Ap. 92. Elsewhere only in Ps. 78. 43 ; 105. 27 ; 135. 9 ; and Neh. 9. 10.

other men = mankind. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

made Thee a name. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 9. 16).

21 with a strong hand, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 9. 6). Ap. 92. See note on 27. 5.

22 milk and honey. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 3. 8, 17). See note on 11. 5, and Ap. 92.

23 law. Heb. text has "laws" in marg., with some codices and three early printed editions.

evil. Heb. *rā'a*. Ap. 44. viii.

24 mounts. Erections of earth raised by the enemy to overtop the walls. Cp. 6. 6, and 33. 4.

25 for the city is given, &c. An expression of surprise at the command to buy the field under such circumstances.

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26 Jeremiah. Sept. reads "me" : for Jeremiah's answer to Zedekiah took in not only vv. 16-25, but vv. 27-44.

27 the God of all flesh. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 16. 22). Ap. 92.

29 upon whose roofs, &c. Cp. 19. 13.

28 Therefore thus saith ¹ the LORD ; ° Behold, I will give this city into the hand of the Chaldeans, and into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, and he shall take it :

29 And the Chaldeans, that fight against this city, shall come and set fire on this city, and burn it with the houses, ° upon whose roofs they have offered incense unto Baal, and

478 poured out drink offerings unto other gods, ° to
provoke Me to anger.

s (p. 1063) 30 For the 18 children of Israel and the 18 chil-
dren of Judah have only done ° evil before Me
from their youth: for the 18 children of Israel
have only 29 provoked Me to anger with the
work of their hands, 5 saith 1 the LORD.

31 For this city hath been to Me as a provo-
cation of Mine anger and of My fury from the
day that they built it even unto this day; that
I should remove it from before My face,

32 Because of all the 23 evil of the 18 children of
Israel and of the 18 children of Judah, which
they have done to provoke Me to anger, they,
their kings, their princes, their priests, and
their prophets, and the ° men of Judah, and
the inhabitants of Jerusalem.

33 And they have turned unto Me the back,
and not the face: though I taught them, ° rising
up early and teaching them, yet they have not
hearkened to receive instruction.

34 But they set their abominations in the
house, ° which is called by My name, to defile it.

35 And they built the high places of Baal,
which are in the valley of the son of Hinnom,
to cause their sons and their daughters ° to
pass through the fire unto Molech; which I
commanded them not, neither ° came it into
My mind, that they should do this abomina-
tion, to cause Judah to ° sin.

B u (p. 1064) 36 And now therefore thus saith ° the LORD,
the 14 God of Israel, concerning this city,
whereof ye say, 'It shall be delivered into the
hand of the king of Babylon by the sword,
and by the famine, and by the pestilence;'

v 37 'Behold, ° I will gather them out of all
countries, whither I have driven them in Mine
anger, and in My fury, and in great wrath;
and I will bring them again unto this place,
and ° I will cause them to dwell safely:

38 And they shall be My People, and I will
be their 14 God:

39 And I will give them one heart, and one
way, that they may ° fear Me ° for ever, for
the good of them, and of their 18 children after
them:

40 And I will make an ° everlasting covenant
with them, that I will not turn away from
them, to do them good; but I will put My fear
in their hearts, that they ° shall ° not depart
from Me.

41 Yea, ° I will rejoice over them to do them
good, and I will ° plant them in this land as-
suredly with My whole heart and with My
whole ° soul.'

u 42 For thus saith 1 the LORD; 'Like as I
have brought all this great 30 evil upon this
people, so will I bring upon them all the good
that I have promised them.

v 43 And fields shall be bought in this land,
whereof ye say, 'It is desolate without ° man
or beast; it is given into the hand of the Chal-
deans.'

44 ° Men shall buy fields for money, and sub-
scribe 10 evidences, and seal them, and take
witnesses in the land of Benjamin, and in the
places about Jerusalem, and in the cities of
Judah, and in the cities of the ° mountains,
and in the cities of the valley, and in the cities

to provoke Me to anger. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 4. 25;
9. 18; 31. 29; 32. 21). Ap. 92.

30 evil. Heb. *ra'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

32 men. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

33 rising up early, &c. See note on 7. 13.

34 which is called by My name upon which My
name is called.

35 to pass through the fire. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 18. 21).
came it into My mind. Cp. 7. 31; 19. 5.

sin. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

32. 36-44 (B, p. 1062). SIGNIFICATION. REPOSSESSION. (Alternation.)

B | u | 36. City.

v | 37-41. Its restoration.

u | 42. People.

v | 43, 44. Their repossession.

36 the LORD, the God of Israel. See note on 11. 3.

37 I will gather them out, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut.
30. 3, the same word).

I will cause them to dwell safely. *Hiphil* of *yāshab*
= to settle down. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 23. 43). Ap. 92.

Cp. Ezek. 36. 11, 33. Hos. 11. 11. Zech. 10. 6.

39 fear = revere. for ever = all the days.

40 everlasting covenant. See note on Gen. 9. 16.
Ref. to Pent. (Ap. 92). shall = may.

not depart. This must refer to millennial days: for
Israel *did* depart; and that is why the nation is still
"scattered", and not yet "gathered".

41 I will rejoice, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 30. 9).

plant. Cp. 1. 10.

soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

43 man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

44 Men. Not in Heb. Should be in italic type.

mountains = hill country.

captivity. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6,
for captives.

33. 1-26 (Y², p. 1062). SECOND WORD. RESTORATION. (Division.)

Y² | E¹ | 1-14. The word of Jehovah.

E² | 15-18. The Branch of Jehovah.

E³ | 19-26. The faithfulness of Jehovah.

33. 1-14 (E¹, above). THE WORD OF JEHOVAH. (Extended and Repeated Alternation.)

E¹ | w¹ | 1-5. The desolate houses.

x¹ | 6. Blessings. Health and cure.

y¹ | 7-9. Restoration. "As at the first."

w² | 10. The desolate cities. (Judah.)

x² | 11-. Blessings. Joy and gladness.

y² | -11. Restoration. "As at the first."

w³ | 12-. The desolate cities. (Judah and Benjamin.)

x³ | -12, 13. Blessings. Peace and quietness.

y³ | 14. Restoration.

The TWENTY-FOURTH Prophecy of Jeremiah (p. 1015).

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

the second time. See the Structure "U", p. 1062.

2 the Maker thereof = the doer thereof: i.e. the
accomplisher of His word.

the LORD. This is not found in some codices, nor in
the Sept., Syr., and Vulg.

the LORD is His name. The *Massōrah* states that
this expression occurs only four times (Ex. 15. 3. Jer.
33. 2. Amos 5. 8; 9. 6). Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 15. 3).
Ap. 92.

of the south: for I will cause their ° captivity
to return, ° saith 1 the LORD.'

33 Moreover the word of ° the LORD came
unto Jeremiah ° the second time, while
he was yet shut up in the court of the prison,
saying,

2 "Thus saith 1 the LORD ° the Maker there-
of, ° the LORD That formed it, to establish it;
° the LORD is His name;

Y² E¹ w¹
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478 3 'Call unto Me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and °mighty things, which thou knowest not.'

4 For thus saith °the LORD, the °God of Israel, concerning the houses of this city, and concerning the houses of the kings of Judah, which are °thrown down by the mounts, and by the sword;

5 °'They come to fight °with the Chaldeans, but it is to fill them with the dead bodies of °men, whom I have slain in Mine anger and in My fury, and for all whose °wickedness I have hid My face from this city.

x¹ (p. 1064) 6 °Behold, I will bring it health and cure, and I will cure them, and will reveal unto them the abundance of peace and truth.

y¹ 7 And I will cause the °captivity of Judah and the °captivity of Israel to return, and will build them, as at the first.

8 And °I will cleanse them from all their °iniquity, whereby they have °sinned against Me; and I will pardon all their °iniquities, whereby they have °sinned, and whereby they have °transgressed against Me.

9 And it shall be to Me a name of joy, a praise and an honour before all the nations of the earth, which shall hear all the good that I do unto °them: and they shall fear and tremble for all the goodness and for all the prosperity that I procure unto it.'

w² 10 Thus saith °the LORD; 'Again there shall be heard in this place, which °ye say shall be desolate without °man and without beast, even in the °cities of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem, that are desolate, without °man, and without inhabitant, and without beast,

x² 11 °The voice of joy, and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride, the voice of them that shall say, 'Praise °the LORD of hosts: for °the LORD is good; for His °mercy endureth °for ever; and of °them that shall bring the °sacrifice of praise into the house of °the LORD.

y² For I will cause to return the captivity of the land, °as at the first, °saith °the LORD.'

w³ 12 Thus saith °the LORD of hosts; 'Again in this place, which is desolate without °man and without beast, and in all the °cities thereof,

x³ shall be an habitation of shepherds causing their flocks to lie down.

13 In the cities of the °mountains, in the cities of the vale, and in the cities of the south, and in the land of Benjamin, and in the places about Jerusalem, and in the cities of Judah, shall the flocks pass again under the hands of him that telleth them, °saith °the LORD.

y 14 °Behold, the days come, °saith °the LORD, that I will perform that good thing which I have promised unto the house of Israel and to the house of Judah.

E² a (p. 1065) 15 In those days, and at that time, will I cause °the Branch of righteousness to grow up unto David; and °He shall execute judgment and righteousness in the °land.

3 mighty = inaccessible: i.e. too high for Jeremiah to know, apart from revelation.

4 the LORD, the God of Israel. See note on 11. 3. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

thrown down, &c.: i.e. demolished to serve as a fence against the mounts and the sword.

5 They come: i.e. the demolished houses are coming to be used for defence, &c. For this sense of "come", see Mark 4. 21 (Gr.).

with. Some codices, with two early printed editions and Sept., read "against".

men = mankind. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.

wickedness = lawlessness. Heb. rāsha'. Ap. 44. x.

6 Behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

7 captivity. As in 32. 44.

8 I will cleanse. This is the foundation of all the blessing.

iniquity. Sing. = the principles. Heb. 'āvāh. Ap. 44. iv.

sinned . . . sinned. Heb. chātū'. Ap. 44. i.

iniquities. Pl. = the acts. Heb. 'āvāh. Ap. 44. iv.

transgressed = rebelled. Heb. pāsha'. Ap. 44. ix.

9 them. The Severns Codex (Ap. 34) reads "it".

10 ye say. Jeremiah had been saying this.

man. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.

cities. See the Structure ("w²", "w³"), p. 1064.

11 The voice of joy, &c. Cp. 7. 34; 16. 9; 25. 10.

the LORD of hosts = Jehovah (with 'eth) Zēbaōth. See note on 6. 6, and 1 Sam. 1. 3.

mercy = lovingkindness, or grace. Not the same word as in v. 26.

for ever = age-abiding. Therefore the fulfilment is still future.

them that shall bring. Implying a settled order of worship.

sacrifice of praise = thank-offering, or confession (of praise).

as at the first. Note the Structure ("y¹"), p. 1064.

saith the LORD = [is] Jehovah's Oracle.

13 mountains = hill country.

33. 15-18 (E², p. 1064). THE BRANCH OF JEHOVAH. (Alternation.)

E² a | 15. The Branch raised up.

b | 16. Blessing. Salvation brought.

a | 17. Heir of David not lacking.

b | 18. Blessing. Worship secured.

15 the Branch of righteousness. Cp. 23. 5. Isa. 61. 11.

He shall execute, &c. As David is more than once said to have done. Some codices, with three early printed editions and Syr., read:—

"And a King will reign, and prosper, And will execute", &c.

land. Heb. 'āretz = earth, or land.

16 this is the name, &c.: or, "this is that which shall be proclaimed to her [as her name]."

The LORD our righteousness. The term is here applied to the city, which has been applied to the king in 23. 6.

17 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

18 the priests the Levites. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 17. 9, Num. 25. 10-13). Ap. 92. Mal. 2. 5.

16 In those days shall Judah be saved, and Jerusalem shall dwell safely: and °this is the name wherewith she shall be called, °The °LORD our righteousness.' b

17 For thus saith °the LORD; 'David shall never want a °man to sit upon the throne of the house of Israel; a

18 Neither shall °the priests the Levites want a °man before Me to offer burnt offerings, and to kindle meat offerings, and to do sacrifice continually." b

E³ c¹ 19 And the word of ¹the LORD came unto
(p. 1066) Jeremiah, saying,
478 20 "Thus saith ¹the LORD; 'If ye can break
° My covenant of the day, and My covenant of
the night, and that there should not be day
and night in their season;

d¹ 21 Then may also ° My covenant be broken
with David My servant, that he should not
have a son to reign upon his throne; and with
the Levites ¹⁸the priests, My ministers.

c² 22 As ° the host of heaven cannot be num-
bered, neither ° the sand of the sea measured:

d² so will I multiply the seed of David My serv-
ant, and the Levites that minister unto Me."

c³ 23 Moreover the word of ¹the LORD came to
Jeremiah, saying,

24 "Considerest thou not what this People
have spoken, saying, 'The two families which
¹the LORD hath chosen, He hath even cast
them off'? thus they have despised My People,
that they should be no more a nation before
them.

25 Thus saith ¹the LORD; ° 'If My covenant
be not with day and night, and if I have not
appointed the ordinances of heaven and earth;

d¹ 26 Then will I cast away the seed of Jacob,
and David My servant, so that I will not take
any of his seed to be rulers over the seed of
° Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob: for I will cause
their ⁷captivity to return, and have ° mercy
on them."

T F¹ e 34 ° The word which came unto Jeremiah
(p. 1066) from ° the LORD, when ° Nebuchadnezzar
479 king of Babylon, and all his army, and all
the kingdoms of the earth of his dominion,
and all the people, ° fought against Jerusalem,
and against all the cities thereof, saying,

2 "Thus saith ° the LORD, the ° God of Israel;
'Go and speak to Zedekiah king of Judah, and
tell him, 'Thus saith ¹the LORD; ° Behold,
I will give this city into the hand of the king
of Babylon, and he shall burn it with fire:

f 3 And thou shalt not escape out of his hand,
but shalt surely be taken, and delivered into
his hand; and ° thine eyes shall behold the
eyes of the king of Babylon, and he shall
speak with thee mouth to mouth, and thou
shalt go to Babylon.

f 4 Yet hear the word of ¹the LORD, O Zede-
kiah king of Judah; Thus saith ¹the LORD of
thee, Thou shalt not die by the sword:

5 But thou shalt die in peace: and ° with the
burnings of thy fathers, the former kings
which were before thee, so shall they ° burn
odours for thee; and they will lament thee,
saying, 'Ah lord!' for I have pronounced the
word, ° saith ¹the LORD."

e 6 Then Jeremiah the prophet spake all these
words unto Zedekiah king of Judah in Jerusa-
lem,

7 When the king of Babylon's army ¹fought
against Jerusalem, and against all the cities
of Judah that were left, against ° Lachish, and
against ° Azekah: for these defenced cities re-
mained of the cities of Judah.

G H g 8 This is the word that came unto Jeremiah

33. 19-26 (E³, p. 1064). THE FAITHFULNESS OF JEHOVAH. (Repeated Alternation.)

E³ c¹ | 19, 20. Tokens. Day and night.
d¹ | 21. Covenant with David.
c² | 22-. Tokens. Stars and sand.
d² | -22. Seed of David.
c³ | 23-25. Tokens. Day and night.
d³ | 26. Union of Israel and Judah.

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20 My covenant of the day, &c. Ref. to Pent.
(Gen. 8, 22). Ap. 92. Cp. 31, 35.

21 My covenant . . . with David. Wholly un-
conditional. Cp. 2 Sam. 7, 12, &c. Cp. Pss. 89, 3, 4, 20-37,
and 132, 11, with Jer. 31, 35-37, and 33, 17-26.

22 the host of heaven. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 15, 3;
22, 17). Cp. Jer. 31, 37. Ap. 92.
the sand of the sea. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 13, 19).

The TWENTY-SIXTH Prophecy of Jeremiah (p. 1015).

25 If My covenant, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 8, 22).
26 Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. See note on Gen.
50, 24.

mercy = compassion. Heb. *rāham*. Not the same
word as in v. 11.

34. 1-35. 19 (T, p. 1045). DEFEAT AND CAP- TIVITY OF ZEDEKIAH PROCLAIMED. (Alternations.)

T F¹ | 34, 1-7. Threatening to Zedekiah.
G H | 34, 8-16. Illustration. (Negative.) Cove-
nant of king and princes broken.
J | 34, 17-. Incrimination of People.
F² | 34, -17 22. Threatening to the nation.
G H | 35, 1-11. Illustration. (Positive.) Com-
mand of Jonadab to Rechabites kept.
J | 35, 12-16. Incrimination of people.
F³ | 35, 17-19. Threatening to the nation.

34. 1-7 (F¹, above). THREATENING TO ZEDEKIAH. (Introversion.)

F¹ | e | 1, 2. City and cities given to Nebuchadnezzar.
f | 3. Zedekiah. Captivity.
f | 4, 5. Zedekiah. Death.
e | 6, 7. City and cities besieged by Nebuchadnezzar.

The TWENTY-SEVENTH Prophecy of Jeremiah (p. 1015).

1 The word. This chapter is ch. 32, 1-5, told over
again more fully.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4, II.

Nebuchadnezzar. Not that he was necessarily present.
fought = were fighting, or about to fight.

2 the LORD, the God of Israel. See note on 11, 3.
God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4, I.

Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

3 thine eyes shall behold, &c. See note on 32, 4.

5 with. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg.,
read "like".

burn odours. Cp. 2 Chron. 16, 14, and observe the
word is *sārāph* (Ap. 43, I, viii), not *kātar* (Ap. 43, I, vii).
saith the LORD - [is] Jehovah's oracle.

7 Lachish. Now *Tell el Hesay*, south of Eglon, ten
and a half miles from Eleutheropolis.

Azekah. Now *Tell Zakariya*, in the valley of Elah.

34. 8-16 (H, above). ILLUSTRATION. (NEGA- TIVE). COVENANT OF ZEDEKIAH AND PRINCES. BROKEN. (Alternation.)

H | g | 8-10. Covenant of Zedekiah and princes with
servants.
h | 11. Breach of the covenant by king and princes.
g | 12-15. Covenant of Jehovah with the nation.
h | 16. Breach of the covenant by the nation.

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8 a covenant. Note the illustration of the two
covenants, "g" (vv. 8-10) and "g" (vv. 12-15), and com-
pare with the other illustration in "H" (35, 1-11).

from ¹the LORD, after that the king Zedekiah
had made ° a covenant with all the People

479 which were at Jerusalem, °to proclaim liberty unto them;

9 That °every man should let his manservant, and °every man his maidservant, *being* an Hebrew or an Hebrewess, °go free; that none should °serve himself of them, *to wit*, of a Jew his brother.

10 Now when all the princes, and all the People, which had entered into the covenant, heard that °every one should let his manservant, and °every one his maidservant, go free, that none should serve themselves of them any more, then they obeyed, and let *them* go.

h (p. 1066) 11 But afterward they turned, and caused the servants and the handmaids, whom they had let go free, to return, and brought them into subjection for servants and for handmaids.

g 12 Therefore the word of ¹ the LORD came to Jeremiah from ¹ the LORD, saying,

13 "Thus saith ² the LORD, ² the God of Israel; 'I made a covenant with your fathers °in the day that I brought *them* forth out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of °bondmen, saying,

14 'At the end of seven years let ye go °every man his brother an Hebrew, which hath been sold unto thee; and when he hath served thee six years, thou shalt let him go free from thee:' but your fathers hearkened not unto Me, neither inclined their ear.

15 And ye were now turned, and had done right in My sight, in proclaiming liberty °every man to his neighbour; and ye had made a covenant before Me in the house °which is called by My name:

h 16 But ye turned and °polluted My name, and caused °every man his servant, and °every man his handmaid, whom °he had set at liberty °at their pleasure, to return, and brought *them* into subjection, to be unto you for servants and for handmaids.'

J 17 Therefore thus saith ¹ the LORD; 'Ye have not hearkened unto Me, in proclaiming °liberty, every one to his brother, and °every man to his neighbour:

F² i (p. 1067) 18 behold, I proclaim a °liberty for you, °saith ¹ the LORD, to the sword, °to the pestilence, and to the famine; and I will °make you to be removed into all the kingdoms of the earth.

k 18 And I will give the °men that have °transgressed My covenant, which have not performed the words of the covenant which they had made before Me, when they °cut the calf in twain, and °passed between the parts thereof,

19 The princes of Judah, and the princes of Jerusalem, the eunuchs, and the priests, and all the People of the land, which passed between the parts of the calf;

20 I will even give *them* into the hand of their enemies, and into the hand of them that seek their °life: and their dead bodies shall be for meat unto the fowls of the heaven, and to the beasts of the earth.

k 21 And Zedekiah king of Judah and his princes will I give into the hand of their ene-

to proclaim liberty, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 21. 2. Lev. 25. 10, 39-46. Deut. 15. 12). Ap. 92. Outside the Pent. the word occurs only in Isa. 61. 1, and Ezek. 46. 17.

9 every man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II. go free. See note on v. 8, and cp. vv. 21, 22, which show that this covenant was made during a temporary withdrawal of the besiegers, on account of the Egyptians (37. 5).

serve himself of them = use them as bondservants.

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10 every one = 'ish, as in v. 9.

13 in the day = when. See Ap. 18.

bondmen = slaves.

15 which is called by My name = upon which My name is called.

16 polluted My name. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 19. 12, the same word). Ap. 92. he = every man.

at their pleasure = for their own soul. Heb. *nephesh* (Ap. 13): "soul" being put for the affections of the person.

17 liberty . . . liberty. Fig. *Antanaclassis* (Ap. 6), by which the same word is used in two different senses in the same sentence.

34. -17-22 (F², p. 1066). THREATENING OF THE PEOPLE. (*Introversion*.)

F² i | -17. The people.

k | 18-20. The princes.

k | 21. The king.

i | 22. The people and cities.

-17 to. Some codices, with three early printed editions, Aram., Sept., and Syr., read "and to", completing the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6).

make you to be removed. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 25, 64). Ap. 92. Cp. 24. 9.

18 men. Heb. pl. of 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

transgressed. Heb. 'ābar. Ap. 44. vii.

cut the calf in twain. Cp. Gen. 15. 9, 10.

passed between, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 15. 10-17).

20 life. soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

21 which are gone up from you. See note on v. 9.

22 a desolation, &c.: or, too desolate to have an inhabitant; or, desolate through having no inhabitant.

35. 1-11 (H, p. 1066). ILLUSTRATION. (POSITIVE.) COMMAND OF JONADAB TO HIS SONS.

KEPT. (*Alternation*.)

II | 1, 2. Command of Jehovah to Jeremiah.

m | 3-5. Obedience of Jeremiah.

l | 6, 7. Command of Jonadab to Rechabites.

m | 8-11. Obedience of Rechabites.

The THIRTIETH Prophecy of Jeremiah (p. 1015).

1 came. Jeremiah goes back here to insert a preceding event (see 25. 1; 26. 1), in order to complete the correspondence by introducing the second illustration, as shown in the Structure, "H" (34. 8-16) and "H" (35. 1-11).

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

in the days, &c. Immediately before Nebuchadnezzar's advance, in his fourth year.

mies, and into the hand of them that seek their ²⁰ life, and into the hand of the king of Babylon's army, °which are gone up from you.

22 Behold, I will command, °saith ¹ the LORD, 'and cause them to return to this city; and they shall fight against it, and take it, and burn it with fire: and I will make the cities of Judah °a desolation without an inhabitant.'"

35 The word which °came unto Jeremiah from °the LORD °in the days of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah, saying,

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496 2 "Go unto the ° house of the ° Rechabites, and speak unto them, and bring them into the house of ° the LORD, into ° one of the chambers, and give them ° wine to drink."

m (p. 1067) 3 Then I took Jaazaniah the son of Jeremiah, the son of Habaziniyah, and his brethren, and all his sons, and the whole house of the Rechabites;

4 And I brought them into the house of ° the LORD, into the chamber of the sons of Hanan, the son of ° Igdaliah, ° a man of ° God, which was by the chamber of the princes, which was above the chamber of ° Maaseiah the son of Shallum, the ° keeper of the door:

5 And I set before the sons of the house of the Rechabites ° pots full of ° wine, and cups, and I said unto them, "Drink ye ° wine."

l 6 But they said, "We will drink no ° wine: for Jonadab the son of Rechab our father commanded us, saying, 'Ye shall drink no ° wine, neither ye, nor your sons ° for ever:

7 Neither shall ye ° build house, nor sow seed, nor plant vineyard, nor have any: but all your days ye shall dwell in tents; that ye may ° live many days ° in the land where ye be strangers.'

m 8 Thus have we obeyed the voice of Jonadab the son of Rechab our father in all that he hath charged us, to drink no ° wine all our days, we, our wives, our sons, nor our daughters;

9 Nor to ° build houses for us to dwell in: neither have we vineyard, nor field, nor seed:

10 But we have dwelt in tents, and have obeyed, and done according to all that Jonadab our father commanded us.

11 But it came to pass, ° when Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon came up into the land, that we said, 'Come, and let us go to Jerusalem for fear of the army of the Chaldeans, and for fear of the army of the ° Syrians: ° so we dwell at Jerusalem."

J n¹ (p. 1068) 12 Then came the word of ° the LORD unto Jeremiah, saying,

13 "Thus saith ° the LORD of hosts, the ° God of Israel; ° Go and tell the ° men of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, 'Will ye not receive instruction to hearken to My words? ° saith ° the LORD.

o¹ 14 The words of Jonadab the son of Rechab, that he commanded his sons not to drink wine, are performed; for unto this day they drink none, but obey their father's commandment:

n² notwithstanding I have spoken unto you, ° rising early and speaking;

o² but ye hearkened not unto Me.

n³ 15 I have sent also unto you all My servants the prophets, ° rising up early and sending them, saying, 'Return ye now ° every man from his ° evil way, and amend your doings, and go not after other gods to serve them, and ye shall dwell ° in the land which I have given to you and to your fathers: °

o³ but ye have not inclined your ear, nor hearkened unto Me.

n⁴ 16 ° Because the sons of Jonadab the son of

2 house. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the descendants of Rechab, through Jonadab his son, who became their chieftain and lawgiver. Cp. v. 6.

Rechabites They were descended from Hobab, the brother-in-law of Moses. A Kenite tribe, who migrated with Israel to Canaan. Cp. Num. 10. 29 with Judg. 1. 16; 4. 11-17; 5. 24. 1 Sam. 15. 6. They were proselytes, not idolaters; inhabiting the wilderness south of Judah.

one of the chambers. There were many, for various purposes of the Temple worship. Cp. 36. 10 with 1 Kings 6. 5. 1 Chron. 9. 27. Neh. 13. 4-12.

wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. I.

4 Igdaliah. See note on Ps. 90, Title.

a man of God = the man (Heb. *'ish*, Ap. 14. II) of God (Heb. *Elohim*, Ap. 4. I): i.e. a prophet. See Ap. 49.

Maaseiah, &c. He was the deputy of the High Priest. Cp. 52. 24. 2 Kings 25. 18. Probably the same whose son Zephaniah, after the carrying away of Maaseiah with Jehoiaichin (29. 1), held office under Zedekiah (21. 1; 29. 5; 37. 3).

keeper of the door = keeper of the threshold. There were three. See 2 Kings 25. 18. 2 Chron. 31. 14.

5 pots = bowls.

6 for ever = unto times age-abiding.

7 build. This was as essential as the former injunction.

live many days, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 20. 12). Ap. 92. in the land = on the soil.

11 when, &c. They explain why they did not carry out the latter part of their vow (v. 7).

Syrians. This is the only place where they are mentioned with the Chaldeans. They had been made subject to Assyria long before; (Isa. 9. 12). After the fall of Nineveh they came under the yoke of Babylon.

35. 12-16 (J, p. 1066). INCRIMINATION OF THE PEOPLE. (Repeated Alternation.)

J	n ¹ 12, 13. Incrimination.
	o ¹ 14-. Obedience of the Rechabites.
	n ² 14-. Incrimination.
	o ² 14. Disobedience of the nation.
	n ³ 15-. Incrimination.
	o ³ 15. Disobedience of the nation.
	n ⁴ 16-. Incrimination.
	o ⁴ 16. Disobedience of the nation.

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13 the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel. See note on 7. 3.

men. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

saith the LORD = [is] Jehovah's oracle.

14 rising early and speaking. See note on 7. 13.

15 every man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

evil. Heb. *ra'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

16 Because, &c. They are praised for their obedience, without reference to the nature of the command. Jonadab is not justified by this for imposing his will on all his posterity.

35. 17-19 (F³, p. 1066). THREATENING OF THE NATION. (Alternation.)

F ³	p 17-. Threatening to the nation.
	q 17. Cause. Disobedience to Jehovah.
	p 18-. Blessing of the Rechabites.
	q 18, 19. Cause. Obedience to Jonadab.

17 the LORD God of hosts, the God of Israel = Jehovah *Elohim Z'e'b'a'oth*, *Elohim* of Israel. See Ap. 4. This is the fullest (and therefore the most solemn) use of this Divine title. Occurs in this book only three times (here, 38. 17, and 44. 7).

Rechab have performed the commandment of their father, which he commanded them;

but this People hath not hearkened unto Me: 6⁴

17 Therefore thus saith ° the LORD God of F³ p

496 hosts, the 'God of Israel; °Behold, I will bring upon Judah and upon all the inhabitants of Jerusalem all the °evil that I have pronounced against them:

q because I have spoken unto them, but they have not heard; and I have called unto them, but they have not answered.'""

p 18 And Jeremiah said unto the house of the Rechabites, "Thus saith °the LORD of hosts, the 'God of Israel;

q 'Because ye have obeyed the commandment of Jonadab your father, and kept all his precepts, and done according unto all that he hath commanded you:

19 Therefore thus saith °the LORD of hosts, the 'God of Israel; Jonadab the son of Rechab shall not want a °man to stand before Me °for ever.'"

E K M 36 And it came to pass in °the fourth year of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah, that this word came unto Jeremiah from °the LORD, saying,

2 "Take thee a °roll of a book, and write therein all the °words that I have spoken unto thee against °Israel, and against Judah, and against all the nations, from the day I spake unto thee, °from the days of Josiah, even unto this day.

3 It may be that the house of Judah will hear all the °evil which I purpose to do unto them; that they may return °every man from his °evil way; that I may forgive their °iniquity and their °sin."

N 4 Then Jeremiah called °Baruch the son of Neriah: and Baruch wrote from the mouth of Jeremiah all the words of °the LORD, which He had spoken unto him, upon a roll of a book.

M 5 And Jeremiah commanded Baruch, saying, "I am °shut up; I cannot go into the house of °the LORD:

6 Therefore go thou, and read in the roll, which thou hast written from my mouth, the words of °the LORD in the ears of the People in °the LORD'S house upon °the fasting day: and also thou shalt read them in the ears of all Judah that come out of their cities.

7 It may be they will present their supplication before °the LORD, and will return every one from his °evil way: for great is the anger and the fury that °the LORD hath pronounced against this People."

N 8 And °Baruch the son of Neriah did according to all that Jeremiah the prophet commanded him, reading in the book the words of °the LORD in °the LORD'S house.

495 9 And it came to pass in °the fifth year of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah, in the °ninth month, that °they proclaimed a fast before °the LORD to all the People in Jerusalem, and to all the People that came from the cities of Judah unto Jerusalem.

10 Then read Baruch in the book the words of Jeremiah in the house of °the LORD, in the chamber of °Gemariah the son of °Shaphan °the scribe, in the higher court, at the entry of the new gate of °the LORD'S house, in the ears of all the People.

Behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6. Used to emphasise further what follows.

evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

19 for ever = all the days.

36. 1-32 (E. p. 1015). BARUCH. MISSION TO JEHOIAKIM. (*Introversions and Alternations*.)

E	K	M	1-3. Command of Jehovah.	} The first Scroll.
	N	4. Obedience of Jeremiah.		
M	5-7. Command of Jeremiah.			
N	8-10. Obedience of Baruch.			
	L	r	11-13. Scroll reported to princes.	
		s	14. Roll brought.	
		t	15. Roll read.	
		u	16. Fear.	
		v	17, 18. Jeremiah and Baruch.	
		w	19. Their concealment.	
J	r	20. Scroll reported to the king.		
	s	21-. Roll brought.		
	t	-21-23. Roll destroyed.		
	u	24, 25. No fear.		
	v	26-. Jeremiah and Baruch.		
	w	-26. Their concealment.		
K	O	27, 28. Jeremiah. Command.	} The second Scroll.	
P	29. Jehoiakim. Incrimination.			
P	30, 31. Jehoiakim. Threatening.			
O	32. Jeremiah. Obedience.			

The THIRTY-SECOND Prophecy of Jeremiah (p. 1015).

1 the fourth year of Jehoiakim. This was after Nebuchadnezzar had left Jerusalem with his band of young captives, including Daniel. See Ap. 86. The city had become quieted down again.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 roll = a writing scroll. Heb. *mēgillāh*. Occurs twenty-one times (fourteen times in this chapter. Ps. 40. 7. Ezek. 2. 9; 3. 1, 2, 3. Zech. 5. 1, 2). The name given to the five books called the *mēgilloth* (Song of Solomon, Ruth, Lamentations, Ecclesiastes, and Esther). words. Pl. Cp. "word" (sing.) (v. 1).

Israel. These words were now to be written because Israel had been already in dispersion 114 years, and could not be spoken, as they were when Judah alone was concerned. Cp. 25. 2.

from the days of Josiah. See 1. 1-3. Not only what is recorded in ch. 25, but what Jehovah had spoken to him for the past twenty-three years.

3 evil = calamity. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

every man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

iniquity. Heb. *'āvōn*. Ap. 44. iv.

sin. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

4 Baruch = Blessed. The first mention of him chronologically. Other references to him in 32. 12; 43. 3, 6; 45. 1-5. He was brother to Seraiah. Cp. 32. 12 with 51. 59.

5 shut up. Not in prison (for cp. v. 19), but in hiding, or from some unexplained reason.

6 the fasting day = a fast day. Being in the ninth month (v. 9), it was not that prescribed in the Law, which was in the seventh month (Lev. 16. 29; 23. 27).

9 the fifth year. The reading was deferred for some months.

ninth month. Our December. See Ap. 51. V.

they proclaimed, &c. = all the People of Jerusalem, and all the People who were coming in and out of the cities of Jerusalem, had proclaimed a fast before Jehovah.

10 Gemariah. He was brother of Ahikam (26. 24), and not the Gemariah of 29. 3, who was Hilkiyah's son. Shaphan. See note on 2 Kings 22. 3.

the scribe: i.e. Shaphan (not Gemariah), who was the scribe in Josiah's days. See 2 Kings 22. 3, 8, 9, 10, 12. At the time of this history Elishama was the scribe (unless there were more than one). See vv. 12, 20, 21.

11 of = from.

11 When Michaiah the son of °Gemariah, the son of Shaphan, had heard out °of the book all the words of °the LORD,

L r

495 12 Then he °went down into the king's house, into the scribe's chamber: and, lo, all the princes sat there, *even* Elishama the scribe, and Delaiah the son of Shemaiah, and °Elnathan the son of Achbor, and 10 Gemariah the son of Shaphan, and Zedekiah the son of Hananiah, and all the princes.

13 Then Michaiah declared unto them all the words that he had heard, when °Baruch read °the book in the ears of the People.

s (p. 1069) 14 Therefore all the princes sent Jehudi the son of Nethaniah, the son of Shelemiah, the son of Cushi, unto °Baruch, saying, "Take in thine hand the °roll wherein thou hast read in the ears of the People, and come." So °Baruch the son of Neriah took the °roll in his hand, and came unto them.

t 15 And they said unto him, ° "Sit down now, and read it in our ears." So °Baruch read it in their ears.

u 16 Now it came to pass, when they had heard all °the words, they were afraid both one and other, and said unto °Baruch, ° "We will surely tell the king of all these words."

v 17 And they asked °Baruch, saying, "Tell us now, How didst thou write all these words at his mouth?"

18 Then °Baruch answered them, "He pronounced all these words unto me with his mouth, and I wrote *them* with ink in the book."

w 19 Then said the princes unto Baruch, "Go, hide thee, thou and Jeremiah; and let no °man know where ye be."

L r 20 And they went in to the king into the court, but they laid up the °roll in the chamber of Elishama the scribe, and told all the words in the ears of the king.

s 21 So the king sent Jehudi to fetch the roll: and he took it out of Elishama the scribe's chamber.

t And Jehudi read it in the ears of the king, and in the ears of all the princes which °stood beside the king.

22 Now the king sat in the winterhouse in the °ninth month; and *there was a fire* °on the hearth burning before him.

23 And it came to pass, *that* when Jehudi had read three or four °leaves, °he °cut it with the °penknife, and cast it into the fire that was on the hearth, until all the roll was consumed in the fire that was on the hearth.

u 24 Yet they were °not afraid, nor rent their garments, *neither* the king, nor any of his servants that heard all these words.

25 °Nevertheless 12 Elnathan and Delaiah and 10 Gemariah had °made intercession to the king that he would not burn the roll: but he would not hear them.

n 26 But the king commanded Jerahmeel the son of °Hammelech, and Seraiah the son of Azriel, and Shelemiah the son of Abdeel, to take °Baruch the scribe and Jeremiah the prophet:

wo but 1 the LORD hid them.

K O 27 Then the word of the LORD °came to Jeremiah, after that the king had burned °the

12 went down. Cp. 22. 1.

Elnathan. The king's emissary against Urijah (26. 22). 13 the = in the.

15 Sit down now. Cp. "stood" (v. 21). Showing that these princes were favourable to Jeremiah.

16 the words. Some codices, with two early printed editions, read "these words".

We will surely tell. Showing their earnestness and sincerity in the matter.

19 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

21 stood. See note on v. 15.

22 on the hearth—in the brasier: i.e. the vessel into which the burning charcoal was put from the hearth in houses of the better sort.

23 leaves = columns. he: i.e. the king.

cut it = cut it up into fragments.

penknife = a scribe's knife. The words of Jehovah are cut up to-day, not with a scribe's knife, but with scribe's pens in the hands of the modern critics. Yet they are "not afraid".

24 not afraid. The courtiers were less open to holy fear than the People were. See note on v. 9. Contrast Jehoiakim's father, king Josiah (2 Kings 22. 11). Contrast also the sentence pronounced on them (2 Kings 22. 18-20 with v. 30, below on "him").

25 Nevertheless = Moreover.

made intercession. Showing that Elnathan was less hostile than we might perhaps have concluded from 26. 22 and 2 Kings 24. 8.

26 Hammelech = the king. Cp. 38. 6. 1 Kings 22. 26. 2 Kings 11. 1, 2. Zeph. 1. 8.

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27 came. The word of the LORD was "not bound". Cp. 2 Tim. 2. 9.

the roll, and the words. Note the Fig. *Hendiadys* (Ap. 6) = "the roll, yea, the very words of Jehovah written therein".

28 another roll. See the Structure, "K" and "K" (p. 1069). We are not told what became of this, so it may have got, later, into the hands of Nehemiah, when he visited the Temple ruins.

29 thou shalt say. Not verbally to Jehoiakim, but in the other scroll.

man. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.

30 of = concerning.

none to sit, &c. = none sitting, &c. Heb. *yāshab*, implying permanence. His son Jehoiachin reigned only three months, and then only on sufferance (2 Kings 24. 6-8). See note on 22. 30. See Ap. 99.

31 punish him = visit upon him. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 32. 34). Ap. 92.

roll, and the words which °Baruch wrote at the mouth of Jeremiah, saying,

28 "Take thee again °another roll, and write in it all the former words that were in the first roll, which Jehoiakim the king of Judah hath burned.

29 And °thou shalt say to Jehoiakim king of Judah, 'Thus saith 1 the LORD; 'Thou hast burned this roll, saying, 'Why hast thou written therein, saying, 'The king of Babylon shall certainly come and destroy this land, and shall cause to cease from thence °man and beast?'

30 Therefore thus saith 1 the LORD °of Jehoiakim king of Judah; He shall have °none to sit upon the throne of David: and his dead body shall be cast out in the day to the heat, and in the night to the frost.

31 And I will °punish him and his seed and his servants for their °iniquity; and I will bring upon them, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and upon the 19 men of Judah, all

495 the evil that I have pronounced against them; but they hearkened not.' "

O (p. 1069) 32 Then took Jeremiah ²⁸ another roll, and gave it to 'Baruch the scribe, the son of Neriah; who wrote therein from the mouth of Jeremiah all the words of the book which Jehoiakim king of Judah had burned in the fire: and there were added besides unto them many ^o like words.

DQUX (p. 1071) 478 37 And king Zedekiah the son of Josiah reigned instead of ^o Coniah the son of Jehoiakim, ^o whom Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon made king in the land of Judah.

2 But neither he, nor his servants, nor the People of the land, did hearken unto the ^o words of ^o the LORD, which He spake by the prophet Jeremiah.

Yx 3 And Zedekiah the king sent Jehucal the son of Shelemiah and Zephaniah the son of Maaseiah the priest to the prophet Jeremiah, saying, "Pray now unto ² the LORD our ^o God for us."

y 4 Now Jeremiah came in and went out among the People: for they had not put him into prison.

z 5 Then ^o Pharaoh's army was come forth out of Egypt: and when the Chaldeans that besieged Jerusalem heard tidings of them, they departed from Jerusalem.

X 6 Then came the word of ² the LORD unto the prophet Jeremiah, saying,

7 "Thus saith ^o the ² LORD, the ³ God of Israel; 'Thus shall ye say to the king of Judah, that sent you unto Me to enquire of Me; ^o Behold, ⁵ Pharaoh's army, which is come forth to help you, shall return to Egypt into their own land.

8 And the Chaldeans shall come again, and fight against this city, and take it, and burn it with fire.'

9 Thus saith ² the LORD; 'Deceive not ^o yourselves, saying, 'The Chaldeans shall surely depart from us: ' for they shall not depart.

10 For though ye had smitten the whole army of the Chaldeans that fight against you, and there remained but wounded ^o men among them, yet should they rise up ^o every man in his tent, and burn this city with fire.'

Yz 11 And it came to pass, that when the army of the Chaldeans was broken up from Jerusalem for fear of ⁵ Pharaoh's army,

12 Then Jeremiah went forth out of Jerusalem ^o to go into the land of Benjamin, ^o to separate himself thence ^o in the midst of the People.

13 And when he was in ^o the gate of Benjamin, a captain of the ward was there, whose name was Irijah, the son of Shelemiah, the son of ^o Hananiah; and he took Jeremiah the prophet, saying, "Thou fallest away to the Chaldeans."

14 Then said Jeremiah, "It is false; I fall not away to the Chaldeans." But he hearkened not to him: so Irijah took Jeremiah, and brought him to the ^o princes.

y 15 Wherefore the princes were wroth with Jeremiah, and ^o smote him, and ^o put him ^o in prison in the house of Jonathan the scribe: for they had made that ^o the prison.

x 16 ^o When Jeremiah was entered into the

32 like words = like unto them. They are preserved to us in this book to a large extent.

37. 1-45. 5 (D, p. 1015). HISTORY, ETC. ZEDEKIAH. (*Introversion*.)

D Q | 37. 1-38. 28. Jeremiah. Persecution and deliverance.

R | 39. 1-9. City taken.

R | 39. 10-44. 30. People taken, and left.

Q | 45. 1-5. Jeremiah. Prophecy to Baruch. (Sorrow and assurance.)

37. 1-38. 28 (Q, above). JEREMIAH, ETC. (*Introversion and Alternation*.)

Q S U | 37. 1-20. Public message.

V | 37. 21. In court of the prison.

T | W | 38. 1-6. Accusation. } Persecutors

W | 38. 7-13. Defence. } of Jeremiah.

S U | 38. 14-27. Private conference.

V | 38. 28. In court of the prison.

37. 1-20 (U, above). PUBLIC MESSAGE. (*Alternation and Introversion*.)

U X | 1, 2. Words of Jeremiah. Disobedience.

Y x | 3. Message from Zedekiah to Jeremiah.

y | 4. Jeremiah: not in prison.

z | 5. Departure of Chaldeans.

X | 6-10. Words of Jeremiah. Threatening.

Y | z | 11-14. Departure of Chaldeans.

y | 15. Jeremiah in prison.

x | 16-20. Message from Jeremiah to Zedekiah.

The history in chs. 37 and 38 reverts to the last two years of Zedekiah's reign, and the actual siege of Jerusalem. It is a new and independent section. See D, above.

1 Coniah: i.e. Jeconiah, called also Jehoiachin. whom: i.e. Zedekiah.

2 words = prophecies.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

3 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

5 Pharaoh's: i.e. Pharaoh Hophra's. Cp. 44. 30. The Apries of Herodotus, and fourth successor of Psammetichus on the throne of Egypt. He came to help Zedekiah (Ezek. 17. 15-17), but was defeated by the Chaldeans, and Egypt subdued. Cp. 2 Kings 24. 7. Ezek. 29. 1-16, and chs. 30-33. Also Jer. 43. 9-13. Cp. *Encyclopædia Britannica*, eleventh new Cambridge edition (vol. ii, p. 230).

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7 the LORD, the God of Israel. See note on 11. 3. Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

9 yourselves = your own souls. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

10 men. Heb. pl. of *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

every man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

12 to go, &c. Probably to Anathoth.

to separate himself thence = to assign [himself] his portion there (i.e. at Anathoth, in Benjamin, three and a half miles north-east of Jerusalem), where he drew his living.

in the midst: for safety, and to avoid detection.

13 the gate of Benjamin: i.e. the northern gate, called also "the gate of Ephraim" (2 Kings 14. 13. Neh. 8. 16), leading to Anathoth.

Hananiah. Perhaps the false prophet mentioned in 28. 1-17.

14 princes. Named in 38. 1; none of whom had been favourable to Jeremiah in the days of Jehoiakim (26. 16).

15 smote = scourged.

put him in prison. Note Jeremiah's prison experiences: (1) put in on false charge (37. 11-15); (2) released, but confined in the court of the prison; (3) imprisoned again in Malchiah's miry dungeon (38. 1-6); (4) released again as before (38. 13-28); (5) carried away in chains by Nebuchadnezzar, but released at Ramah (40. 1-4).

in prison = in the house of bonds.

the prison = the house of detention.

16 When, &c. = For Jeremiah [actually] entered, &c.

478 °dungeon, and into the °cabins, and Jeremiah had °remained there many days;

17 Then Zedekiah the king sent, and took him out: and the king asked him secretly in his house, and said, °“Is there any word from °the LORD?” And Jeremiah said, °“There is: for,” said he, “thou shalt be delivered into the hand of the king of Babylon.”

18 Moreover Jeremiah said unto king Zedekiah, “What have I °offended against thee, or against thy servants, or against this people, that ye have put me in °prison?”

19 Where are now °your prophets which prophesied unto you, saying, ‘The king of Babylon shall not come against you, nor against this land?’

20 Therefore hear now, I pray thee, O my lord the king: let my supplication, I pray thee, be accepted before thee; that thou cause me not to return to the house of Jonathan the scribe, lest I die there.”

V (p. 1071) 21 Then Zedekiah the king commanded that they should commit Jeremiah into the court of the °prison, and that they should give him daily a °piece of bread out of the bakers’ street, until all the bread in the city were spent. Thus Jeremiah °remained in the court of the °prison.

T W a (p. 1072) 478 38 Then Shephatiah the son of Mattan, and Gedaliah the son of Pashur, and Jucal the son of Shelemiah, and °Pashur the son of Malchiah, heard the words that Jeremiah had spoken unto all the people, saying, 2 “Thus saith °the LORD, ‘He that remaineth in this city shall die by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence: but he that °goeth forth to the Chaldeans shall live; for he shall have his °life for a prey, and shall live.’

3 Thus saith °the LORD, ‘This city shall surely be given into the hand of the king of Babylon’s army, which shall take it.’”

4 Therefore the princes said unto the king, “We beseech thee, let this °man be put to death: for thus he weakeneth the hands of the °men of war that remain in this city, and the hands of all the People, in speaking such words unto them: for this °man seeketh not the °welfare of this People, but the hurt.”

b 5 Then Zedekiah the king said, “Behold, he is in your hand: for the king is not he that can do any thing against you.”

c 6 Then took they Jeremiah, and cast him into the °dungeon of Malchiah the son of °Hammelech, that was in the court of the °prison: and they let down Jeremiah with cords.

d And in the dungeon there was no water, but mire: so Jeremiah °sunk in the mire.

W a 7 Now when °Ebed-melech the Ethiopian, one of the eunuchs which was in the king’s house, heard that they had put Jeremiah in the °dungeon; the king then sitting in the gate of Benjamin;

8 °Ebed-melech went forth out of the king’s house, and spake to the king, saying,

9 “My lord the king, these °men have done evil in all that they have done to Jeremiah the prophet, whom they have cast into the °dungeon; and he is like to die for hunger in the

dungeon=house of the pit. Heb. *bôr*. See notes on Gen. 21, 19 (“well”). Isa. 14, 19 (“pit”).

cabins=cells.

remained=abode. Note the Fig. *Cycloides* (Ap. 6), marking the refrain, which is repeated in v. 21, and in 38. 13, 28; as shown in the Structure.

17 Is there . . . There is=Does there exist . . . ? . . . There does exist. Heb. *yēsh* . . . *yēsh*. See notes on Prov. 8, 21; 18, 24; and Luke 7, 25.

18 offended=sinned. Heb. *chātā*. Ap. 44, i. prison=the house of detention. See v. 16.

19 your prophets. Not Jehovah’s. From the beginning they had prophesied falsely. See 6, 14; 27, 16; 28, 2.

21 prison=guard-house. Not the same word as in v. 15. piece=a cake. Cp. 52, 6. Three were reckoned as a meal (Luke 11, 5); a soldier’s ration at that time.

38. 1-13 (T, p. 1071). PERSECUTION OF JEREMIAH. (Extended Alternation.)

T W a | 1-4. Jeremiah. Accusation by princes.
b | 5. Zedekiah. Permission for imprisonment.
c | 6-. The dungeon.
d | -6. Sinking in the mire.
W a | 7-9. Jeremiah. Defence by Ebed-melech.
b | 10. Zedekiah. Command for release.
c | 11, 12. The dungeon.
d | 13. Drawing out of the mire.

1 Pashur. See note on 20, 1.

2 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4, II. goeth forth. Some codices add “and falleth”. life=soul. Heb. *nepheš*. Ap. 13.

4 man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14, II. men. Heb. pl. of *enōsh*. Ap. 14, III.

welfare=peace. 6 dungeon. See note on 37, 16.

Hammelech=the king. See note on 36, 26.

prison=house of detention.

sunk in the mire. To be preferred to the moral sinking of Zedekiah in v. 22.

7 Ebed-melech the Ethiopian. See 39, 16; and cp. Acts 8, 27-38.

8 Ebed-melech. Some codices add “the Ethiopian”.

10 thirty. The king knew the danger. No need to suppose that “thirty” is a copyist’s error for “three”!

11 old cast=cast-off clothes.

clouts=patches. Ang.-Sax. *clūt*=a patch.

12 armholes=armpits.

13 remained. See note on 37, 18.

38. 14-27 (U, p. 1071). PRIVATE CONFERENCE. (Introversion.)

U A | 14. Conference.
B | 15. Jeremiah. Stipulation with king.
B | 16. Jeremiah. King’s agreement.
A | 17-27. Conference.

14 Then, &c. This is the last picture of Zedekiah, and of the house of Judah.

place where he is: for there is no more bread in the city.”

10 Then the king commanded °Ebed-melech the Ethiopian, saying, “Take from hence °thirty °men with thee, and take up Jeremiah the prophet out of the °dungeon, before he die.”

11 So Ebed-melech took the °men with him, and went into the house of the king under the treasury, and took thence °old cast °clouts and old rotten rags, and let them down by cords into the dungeon to Jeremiah.

12 And °Ebed-melech the Ethiopian said unto Jeremiah, “Put now these °old cast clouts and rotten rags under thine °armholes under the cords.” And Jeremiah did so.

13 So they drew up Jeremiah with cords, and took him up out of the °dungeon: and Jeremiah °remained in the court of the °prison.

14 °Then Zedekiah the king sent, and took

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Jeremiah the prophet unto him into the ° third entry that *is* in the house of ° the LORD: and the king said unto Jeremiah, “*3* will ask thee a thing; hide nothing from me.”

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15 Then Jeremiah said unto Zedekiah, “If I declare *it* unto thee, wilt thou not surely put me to death? and if I give thee counsel, ° wilt thou not hearken unto me?”

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16 So ° Zedekiah the king sware secretly unto Jeremiah, saying, “As ° the LORD liveth, That made us this ° soul, I will not put thee to death, neither will I give thee into the hand of these ° men that seek thy ° life.”

A e
(p. 1073)

17 Then said Jeremiah unto Zedekiah, “Thus saith ° the ° LORD, ° the ° God of hosts, the ° God of Israel; ‘If thou wilt assuredly go forth unto the king of Babylon’s princes, then thy ° soul shall live, and this city shall not be burned with fire; and thou shalt live, and thine house:’

18 But if thou wilt not go forth to the king of Babylon’s princes, then shall this city be given into the hand of the Chaldeans, and they shall burn it with fire, and thou shalt not escape out of their hand.”

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19 And Zedekiah the king said unto Jeremiah, “*3* am ° afraid of the Jews that are fallen to the Chaldeans, lest they deliver me into their hand, and they mock me.”

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20 But Jeremiah said, “They shall not deliver thee. Obey, I beseech thee, the voice of ° the LORD, which *3* speak unto thee: so it shall be well unto thee, and thy ° soul shall live.

21 But if thou refuse to go forth, this *is* the word that ° the LORD hath shewed me:

22 And, behold, all the women that are left in the king of Judah’s house *shall* be brought forth to the king of Babylon’s ° princes, and those women shall say, ‘Thy friends have ° set thee on, and have prevailed against thee: thy feet are ° sunk in the mire, and they are turned away back.’

23 So they shall bring out all thy wives and thy ° children to the Chaldeans: and thou shalt not escape out of their hand, but shalt be taken by the hand of the king of Babylon: and ° thou shalt cause this city to be burned with fire.”

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24 Then said Zedekiah unto Jeremiah, “Let no ° man know of these words, and thou shalt not die.

25 But if the princes hear that I have talked with thee, and they come unto thee, and say unto thee, ‘Declare unto us now what thou hast said unto the king, hide it not from us, and we will not put thee to death; also what the king said unto thee:’

26 Then thou shalt say unto them, ‘*3* presented my supplication before the king, that he would not cause me to return to Jonathan’s house, to die there.”

27 Then came all the princes unto Jeremiah, and asked him: and ° he told them according to all these words that the king had ° commanded. So they left off speaking with him; for the matter was not perceived.

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28 So Jeremiah ° abode in the court of the ° prison until the day that Jerusalem was taken: and he was *there* when Jerusalem was taken.

14 third entry. Probably the innermost entrance, for secrecy.

15 wilt thou not . . . me? = thou wilt not. This second clause is not a question in the Hebrew text.

16 Zedekiah. Omitted in edition of A.V., 1611.

As the LORD liveth = By the life of Jehovah.

soul. Heb. *nephesh* (Ap. 13): i.e. May He Who gave us both our life, take mine away if I take thine, or give thee, &c.

38. 17-27 (A, p. 1072). CONFERENCE. (Alternation.)

A | e | 17, 18. Alternatives.

f | 19. Fear of the People. Expressed.

e | 20-23. Alternatives.

f | 24-27. Fear of the princes. Implied.

17 the LORD, the God of hosts, the God of Israel.

See note on 35. 17.

the God of hosts. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., omit “God”, and read “Jehovah Z baioth, God of Israel”.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

19 afraid = apprehensive.

22 princes. Showing that Nebuchadnezzar himself was not there. Cp. 39. 1.

set thee on = persuaded thee. See note on 20. 7.

sunk in the mire. The moral sinking of Zedekiah far worse than Jeremiah’s physical sinking.

23 children = sons.

thou shalt cause this city to be burned. Heb. thou wilt burn. Note the idiom by which the *act* is put for the *declaration* that it should be done. Cp. 1. 10.

27 he told them, &c. In Holy Scripture we have an inspired *record* of what was said and done by others, but it does not follow that all that was so said and done was inspired.

commanded. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., add “him”.

28 abode. See the note on 37. 16.

39. 1-9 (R, p. 1071). THE CITY TAKEN. (Alternation.)

R | g | 1. Nebuchadnezzar.

h | 2. Taking of the city.

g | 3. Nebuchadnezzar’s princes.

h | 4-9. Taking of Zedekiah.

1 ninth year. Cp. Ezek. 24. 1, 2.

tenth month. Ch. 52. 4 supplies a further date: viz. “in the tenth day of the month”.

2 broken up. Cp. ch. 52. 6; which explains that provisions had failed before then.

3 Sarsechim. Some codices, with four early printed editions, read “Sar-sechim”. It is the pl. of the Akkadian Sar-sak = king’s son.

Rab-saris = chief of the chamberlains. Cp. 2 Kings 18. 17. Dan. 1. 3, 7.

Nergal-sharezer, Rab-mag = Nergal-sharezer, chief of the physicians (or magi). Only four names of persons in this verse, not six.

4 men. Heb. pl. of *’ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

39 In the ° ninth year of Zedekiah king of Judah, in the ° tenth month, came Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon and all his army against Jerusalem, and they besieged it.

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2 And in the eleventh year of Zedekiah, in the fourth month, the ninth day of the month, the city was ° broken up.

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3 And all the princes of the king of Babylon came in, and sat in the middle gate, *even* Nergal-sharezer, Samgar-nebo, ° Sarsechim, Rab-saris, ° Nergal-sharezer, Rab-mag, with all the residue of the princes of the king of Babylon.

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4 And it came to pass, *that* when Zedekiah the king of Judah saw them, and all the ° men of war, then they fled, and went forth out of

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477 the city by night, by the way of the king's garden, °by the gate betwixt the two walls: and he went out the way of °the plain.

5 But the Chaldeans' army pursued after them, and overtook Zedekiah in the plains of °Jericho: and when they had taken him, they brought him up to Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon to °Riblah in the land of Hamath, where he °gave judgment upon him.

6 Then the king of Babylon slew the sons of Zedekiah in Riblah °before his eyes: also the king of Babylon slew all the nobles of Judah.

7 Moreover he °put out Zedekiah's eyes, and bound him °with chains, °to carry him to Babylon.

8 And °the Chaldeans burned the king's house, and the houses of the People, with fire, and brake down the walls of Jerusalem.

9 Then °Nebuzar-adan the captain of °the guard carried away captive into Babylon the remnant of the People that remained in the city, and those that fell away, that fell to him, with the rest of the People that remained.

R C (p. 1074) 10 But Nebuzar-adan the captain of °the guard left of the °poor of the People, which had nothing, in the land of Judah, and gave them vineyards and fields at the same time.

D 11 Now Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon gave charge concerning Jeremiah °to Nebuzar-adan the captain of °the guard, saying,

12 "Take him, and °look well to him, and do him no harm; but do unto him even as he shall say unto thee."

13 So Nebuzar-adan the captain of °the guard sent, and Nebushasban, °Rab-saris, and °Nergal-sharezer, Rab-mag, and all the king of Babylon's princes;

14 Even they sent, and took Jeremiah out of the court of the °prison, and committed him unto °Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of °Shaphan, that he should °carry him home: °so he dwelt among the People.

E 478 15 Now the word of °the LORD came unto Jeremiah, while he was shut up in the court of the °prison, saying,

16 °"Go and speak to Ebed-melech the Ethiopian, saying, 'Thus saith °the °LORD of hosts, the °God of Israel; °Behold, I will bring My words upon this city for °evil, and not for good; and they shall be accomplished in that day before thee.

17 But I will deliver thee in that day, °saith °the LORD: 'and thou shalt not be given into the hand of the °men of whom thou art afraid.

18 For I will surely deliver thee, and thou shalt not fall by the sword, but thy °life shall be for °a prey unto thee: because thou hast °put thy trust in Me, °saith °the LORD.'"

D 477 40 The word that came to Jeremiah from °the LORD, after that Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard had let him go from Ramah, when he had taken him being bound in °chains among all that were carried away captive of Jerusalem and Judah, which were carried away captive unto Babylon.

2 And the captain of °the guard took Jeremiah, and °said unto him, °"The LORD thy °God hath pronounced this °evil upon this place.

by the gate. On the south corner of Ophel See Ap. 68.

the plain. To avoid the Jordan.

5 Jericho. Thus, Jericho was the scene of Israel's first victory (Josh. 6), and final defeat.

Riblah. Now Riblah, on the east bank of the Orontes, thirty-five miles north-east of Baalbek, the base and head-quarters of Nebuchadnezzar. Some twenty-two years before, Jehoahaz was put in bonds here by Pharaoh-nechoh, to be led captive to Egypt. See 2 Kings 23. 33.

gave judgment = pronounced sentence: i.e. for his perjury. See 2 Chron. 36. 10, 13. Ezek. 17. 15, 18.

6 before his eyes. A specimen of the inhumanity of those days.

7 put out Zedekiah's eyes. So that Ezekiel was quite correct when he said that Zedekiah should be taken to Babylon, though he should not see it (Ezek. 12. 13).

with chains = with two fetters.

to carry him. Ch. 52. 11, and 2 Kings 25. 7, show that this purpose was executed. It was not so with Jehoiakim (2 Chron. 36. 6).

8 the Chaldeans burned, &c. On the tenth day of the fifth month. Cp. 52. 12, 13. The same day as the capture of the city by the Romans in A.D. 69.

9 Nebuzar-adan = the prince favoured by Nebo. the guard = the executioners (2 Kings 25. 8). Cp. Gen. 37. 36; 39. 1.

39. 10-44. 30 (R, p. 1071). THE PEOPLE TAKEN, AND LEFT. (Introversion.)

R C | 39. 10. The poor of the People.

D | 39. 11-14. Jeremiah. Liberation commanded.

E | 39. 15-18. Promise to Ebed-melech.

D | 40. 1-6. Jeremiah. Liberation effected.

C | 40. 7-44. 30. The poor of the People.

10 poor. Heb. *dal*. See note on "poverty", Prov. 6. 11.

11 to = to the hand of, or through.

12 look well to him. Not the first, rejected by the Jews, who was honoured by the Gentiles.

14 prison = house of detention: as in 38. 6, 13, 24.

Gedaliah. See note on Ahikam, 26. 24. Cp. 40. 6.

Shaphan. See note on 2 Kings 22. 3.

carry him home. Some codices, with one early printed edition (Rabbinic), read "out of the [prison] house". From the next chapter we learn that he was taken north to Ramah with other captives, and from that place was set free, and went to Gedaliah to Mizpah (40. 6). This verse (v. 14) is only a brief summary.

so = and.

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15 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

16 Go and speak. Not to interrupt the history, this incident as to Ebed-melech is reserved till now.

the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel. See note on 7. 3. God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

evil = calamity. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

17 saith the LORD = [is] Jehovah's oracle.

18 life = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

a prey: i.e. he should save it. Cp. 21. 9.

put thy trust = confided. Heb. *bāṭaḥ*. Ap. 69. i.

The THIRTY-SIXTH Prophecy of Jeremiah (p. 1015).

40. 1 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

chains = the two fetters, as in 39. 7.

2 the guard. See note on 39. 9.

said. Nebuzar-adan takes all the credit to himself. Cp. 39. 11.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

evil = calamity. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

3 because ye have sinned, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 29. 24, 25). Ap. 92. sinned. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

3 Now °the LORD hath brought it, and done according as He hath said: °because ye have °sinned against °the LORD, and have not

477 obeyed His voice, therefore this thing is come upon you.

4 And now, ° behold, I loose thee this day from the ° chains which were upon thine ° hand. If it seem good unto thee to come with me into Babylon, come; and I will look well unto thee: but if it seem ill unto thee to come with me into Babylon, forbear: ° behold, all the land is before thee: whither it seemeth good and convenient for thee to go, thither go."

5 ° Now while he was not yet gone back, he said, "Go back also to ° Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of ° Shaphan, whom the king of Babylon hath made governor over ° the cities of Judah, and dwell with him among the People: or go wheresoever it seemeth convenient unto thee to go." So the captain of ° the guard gave him victuals and a ° reward, and let him go.

6 Then went Jeremiah unto ° Gedaliah the son of Ahikam to ° Mizpah; and dwelt with him among the People that were left in the land.

C F¹ G (p. 1075) 7 Now when all the captains of the forces which were in the fields, even they and their ° men, heard that the king of Babylon had made ° Gedaliah the son of Ahikam ° governor in the land, and had committed unto him men, and women, and ° children, and of the ° poor of the land, of them that were not carried away captive to Babylon;

H J 8 Then they came to ° Gedaliah to ° Mizpah, even ° Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and Johanan and Jonathan the ° sons of Kareah, and Seraiah the son of Tanhumeth, and the sons of Ephai the ° Netophathite, and Jezaniah the son of a Maachathite, they and their men.

K 9 And ° Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of ° Shaphan sware unto them and to their men, saying, "Fear not to serve the Chaldeans: dwell in the land, and serve the king of Babylon, and it shall be well with you.

10 As for me, ° behold, I will dwell at Mizpah, to serve the Chaldeans, which will come unto us: but ye, gather ye ° wine, and ° summer fruits, and oil, and put them in your vessels, and dwell in your cities that ye have taken."

G 11 Likewise when all the Jews that were in Moab, and among the Ammonites, and in Edom, and that were in all the countries, heard that the king of Babylon had left a remnant of Judah, and that he had set over them ° Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of ° Shaphan;

H K 12 Even all the Jews returned out of all places whither they were driven, and came to the land of Judah, to ° Gedaliah, unto ° Mizpah, and gathered ° wine and ° summer fruits very much.

J L¹ i 13 Moreover Johanan the ° son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces that were in the ° fields, came to ° Gedaliah to ° Mizpah,

14 And said unto him, "Dost thou certainly know that Baalis the king of the Ammonites hath sent Ishmael the son of Nethaniah to ° slay thee?"

k But Gedaliah the son of Ahikam believed them not.

4 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6. hand. Some codices, with eight early printed editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "hands".

5 Now while he was not yet gone back = And ere yet he could make reply.

Gedaliah. See note on 28. 24, and cp. 39. 14.

Shaphan. See note on 2 Kings 22. 3.

the cities. The A.V. edition, 1611, reads "all the cities". reward = present.

6 Mizpah. North of Jerusalem, near Anathoth. Cp. 41. 5-9. Josh. 18. 26. 1 Sam. 7. 16; 10. 17, and 1 Kings 15. 22. The scene of the following events: here had been Asa's fortress (41. 9); here Sennacherib and Nebuchadnezzar and Titus got their first view of Jerusalem.

40. 7-44. 30 (C, p. 1074). THE POOR OF THE PEOPLE. (*Division*.)

C¹ F¹ | 40. 7-41. 15. Under GEDALIAH in the land.

F² | 41. 16-43. 7. Under JOHANAN in the land.

F³ | 43. 8-44. 30. Under JOHANAN in Egypt.

40. 7-41. 15 (F¹, above). UNDER GEDALIAH IN THE LAND. (*Alternation and Introversion*.)

F¹ | G | 40. 7. Gedaliah. Administration.

H | J | 40. 8. Ishmael's visit.

K | 40. 9, 10. Invitation of Gedaliah.

G | 40. 11. Gedaliah. Administration.

H | K | 40. 12. Invitation. Accepted.

J | 40. 13-41. 15. Ishmael's treachery.

7 men. Heb. pl. of 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III. governor. No more attempts to make a king, after Zedekiah's perjury. See Ezek. 17. 15-19. children - young children.

poor. Heb. "poverty", put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for poor people. See Prov. 6. 11.

8 Ishmael. The Massorites (Ap. 30) set their hand to obliterate the Divine names in the case of men who had served to disgrace it. One is 'ēl, in the compound "Ishmael", which means "whom my El heareth". It is used of five different men, and occurs forty-eight times: twenty times of Hagar's son; twenty-three times of Nethaniah's son in this history; and five times of the other three. On account of his horrible treachery, the memory of which is perpetuated by the fast of the seventh month (Zech. 7. 5; 8. 9), the vowel points were changed to obliterate the Divine Name (El): viz. *yishmā'ēl*, instead of *yishmā'el*, which is not observable in the ordinary English spelling.

sons. Some codices, with Aram. and Sept., read "son", as in v. 13.

Netophathite = a man of Netophah, now *Khan Umm Tōbah*, north of Bethlehem (1 Chron. 2. 54. Ezra 2. 22. Neh. 7. 26).

10 wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. I. summer fruits. Heb. "summer". Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the fruits gathered in summer.

40. 13-41. 15 (J, above). ISHMAEL'S TREACHERY. (*Division*.)

J | L¹ | 40. 13-16. Treachery. Discovered.

L² | 41. 1-15. Treachery. Avenged.

40. 13-16 (L¹, above). TREACHERY. DISCOVERED. (*Alternation*.)

L¹ | i | 13, 14-. Johanan reveals the plot to Gedaliah.

k | -14. Gedaliah's disbelief.

i | 15. Johanan's advice to Gedaliah.

k | 16. Gedaliah's disapproval.

13 fields = field (sing.).

14 slay thee = strike thy soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

15 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

15 Then Johanan the son of Kareah spake to Gedaliah in Mizpah secretly, saying, "Let me go, I pray thee, and I will ° slay Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and no ° man shall know it."

477 wherefore should ¹⁴ he slay thee, that all the Jews which are °gathered unto thee should be scattered, and the remnant in Judah perish?"

16 But ⁵ Gedaliah the son of Ahikam said unto Johanan the son of Kareah, "Thou shalt not do this thing: for thou speakest falsely of °Ishmael."

L² 1 41 Now it came to pass in the seventh month, that Ishmael the son of Nethaniah the son of °Elishama, of the seed royal, and the princes of the king, °even ten °men with him, came unto °Gedaliah the son of Ahikam to °Mizpah; and there they did eat bread together in °Mizpah.

2 Then arose °Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and the ten ¹ men that were with him, and smote ¹ Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan with the sword, and slew him, whom the king of Babylon °had made governor over the land.

3 ² Ishmael also slew all the Jews that were with him, even with ¹ Gedaliah, at ¹ Mizpah, and the Chaldeans that were found there, °and the ¹ men of war.

4 And it came to pass the second day after he had slain Gedaliah, and no °man knew it,

5 That there came certain from Shechem, from °Shiloh, and from Samaria, even fourscore ¹ men, having their beards shaven, and their clothes rent, and having cut themselves, with °offerings and incense in their hand, to bring them °to the house of °the LORD.

6 And ² Ishmael the son of Nethaniah went forth from ¹ Mizpah to meet them, °weeping all along as he went: and it came to pass, as he met them, he said unto them, "Come to ¹ Gedaliah the son of Ahikam."

7 And it was so, when they came into the midst of the city, that ² Ishmael the son of Nethaniah slew them, and cast them into the midst of the pit, he, and the ¹ men that were with him.

8 But ten ¹ men were found among them that said unto ² Ishmael, "Slay us not: for we have °treasures in the field, of wheat, and of barley, and of oil, and of honey." So he forbore, and slew them not among their brethren.

9 Now °the pit wherein ² Ishmael had cast all the dead bodies of the ¹ men, whom he had slain °because of Gedaliah, °was it which Asa the king had made for fear of Baasha king of Israel: and ² Ishmael the son of Nethaniah filled it with them that were slain.

m 10 Then ² Ishmael carried away captive all the residue of the People that were in ¹ Mizpah, even °the king's daughters, and all the People that remained in ¹ Mizpah, whom °Nebuzar-adan the captain of °the guard had committed to ¹ Gedaliah the son of Ahikam: and Ishmael the son of Nethaniah carried them away captive,

n and departed to go over to the Ammonites.

l 11 But when Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces that were with him, heard of all the °evil that ² Ishmael the son of Nethaniah had done,

12 Then they took all the ¹ men, and went to fight with ² Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and

gathered = gathered out.

41. 1-15 (L², p. 1075). TREACHERY. AVENGED. (Extended Alternation.)

L² | 1 | 1-9. Ishmael's treachery.
m | 10-. Captives taken.
n | -10. Ammonites.
l | 11, 12. Ishmael's treachery.
m | 13, 14. Captives rescued.
n | 15. Ammonites.

1 Elishama. A seal has been found with his name on it. even = and.

men. Heb. pl. of 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

Gedaliah. See note on 26. 24; and cp. 39. 14, and 40. 6. Mizpah. See note on 40. 6.

2 Ishmael. See note on 40. 8. had made. Cp. 40. 5.

3 and. Some codices, with Vulg. and three early printed editions, read this "and" in the text.

4 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

5 Shiloh. The last of five references to Shiloh in Jeremiah. Cp. 7. 12, 14; 26. 6, 9.

offerings. These would be meal-offerings, according to Lev. 2. 1. Flesh sacrifices were now impossible. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 2. 1). Probably for the feast of the fifteenth (Lev. 23. 23, 34. Num. 29. 12. Deut. 16. 13). to the house, &c. Still recognised as the place which Jehovah had chosen.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

6 weeping all along as he went = going on and on weeping.

8 treasures = hidden [treasures, or stores].

9 the pit: or, cistern. Not mentioned elsewhere, but see 1 Kings 15. 22 and 2 Chron. 16. 6.

because of = besides.

was it. By regrouping the letters, this reads "[was] a large pit which", &c.

10 the king's daughters. See note on 43. 7.

Nebuzar-adan. See note on 39. 9.

the guard = the executioners (2 Kings 25. 8). Cp. Gen. 37. 36; 39. 1.

11 evil = calamity. Heb. rā'ā'. Ap. 44. viii.

12 Gibeon. Now el Jib, about five miles north of Jerusalem, where Joab treacherously slew Amasa (2 Sam. 20. 8, 10). 14 cast about = turned round.

15 eight. Two had been slain in the encounter above.

41. 16-43. 7 (F², p. 1075). UNDER JOHANAN IN THE LAND. (Introversion and Alternation.)

F² | M | 41. 16-18. Intention to go to Egypt.
N | O | 42. 1-3. Supplication to Jeremiah.
P | 42. 4. Jeremiah. Answer promised.
N | O | 42. 5, 6. Supplication to Jeremiah.
P | 42. 7-22. Jeremiah. Answer given.
M | 43. 1-7. Intention carried out.

found him by the great waters that are in °Gibeon.

13 Now it came to pass, that when all the People which were with Ishmael saw Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces that were with him, then they were glad.

14 So all the People that ² Ishmael had carried away captive from ¹ Mizpah °cast about and returned, and went unto Johanan the son of Kareah.

15 But ² Ishmael the son of Nethaniah escaped from Johanan with °eight ¹ men, and went to the Ammonites.

16 Then took Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces that were with him, all the remnant of the People whom he had recovered from ² Ishmael the son of

477 **Nethaniah**, from ¹ Mizpah, after *that* he had slain ¹ Gedaliah the son of Ahikam, *even* mighty ¹ men of war, and the women, and the ^o children, and the eunuchs, ^o whom he had brought again from ¹² Gibeon:

17 And they departed, and dwelt in the ^o habitation of Chimham, which is by Beth-lehem, to go to enter into Egypt,

18 Because of the Chaldeans: for they were afraid of them, because ² Ishmael the son of Nethaniah had slain ¹ Gedaliah the son of Ahikam, ^o whom the king of Babylon made governor in the land.

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42 Then all the captains of the forces, and Johanan the son of Kareah, and ^o Jezaniah the son of Hoshaiah, and all the People from the least even unto the greatest, came near,

2 And said unto Jeremiah the prophet, "Let, we beseech thee, our supplication be accepted before thee, and pray for us unto ^o the LORD ^o thy ^o God, *even* for all this remnant; (for we are left *but* ^o a few of many, ^o as thine eyes do behold us:)"

3 That ² the LORD ^o thy ² God may shew us the way wherein we may walk, and the thing that we may do."

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4 Then Jeremiah the prophet said unto them, "I have heard *you*; ^o behold, I will pray unto ² the LORD your ² God according to your words; and it shall come to pass, *that* whatsoever thing ² the LORD shall answer *you*, I will declare *it* unto you; I will keep nothing back from you."

N O

5 Then they said to Jeremiah, ² "The LORD be a true and faithful Witness between us, if we do not even according to all things for the which ² the LORD thy ² God shall send thee to us.

6 Whether *it* be good, or whether *it* be ^o evil, we will obey the voice of ² the LORD our ² God, to Whom we send thee; ^o that it may be well with us, when we obey the voice of ² the LORD our ² God."

P Q
(p. 1077)

7 And it came to pass after ten days, that the word of ² the LORD came unto Jeremiah.

8 Then called he Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces which *were* with him, and all the people from the least even to the greatest,

9 And said unto them, "Thus saith ^o the ² LORD, the ² God of Israel, unto Whom ye sent me to present your supplication before Him;

R n

10 "If ye will still abide in this land, then will I ^o build *you*, and not ^o pull *you* down, and I will ^o plant *you*, and not ^o pluck *you* up: for ^o I repent Me of the ^o evil that I have done unto you.

o

11 Be not afraid of the king of Babylon, of whom *ye* are afraid; be not afraid of him, ^o saith ² the LORD: for ^o *I* am with you to save *you*, and to deliver *you* from his hand.

12 And I will shew mercies unto you, that he may have mercy upon *you*, and cause *you* to return to your own ^o land.

R n

13 But if *ye* say, 'We will not dwell in this land, neither obey the voice of ² the LORD your ² God,'

16 children = young children.

17 habitation = *Khan*, or inn. Heb. *gērūth*. Occurs only here. Probably erected by Barzillai (2 Sam. 19. 31-40). Near here was the inn where Joseph and Mary could find no room (Luke 2. 7). whom, &c. See 40. 5.

42. 1 As ch. 41 records the infamous treachery of Ishmael, so ch. 42 records the obstinate disobedience of Johanan. These incidents are recorded (instead of many others) because they show us something of the moral character of the People; and thus furnish us with the reasons for the calamities which overtook them.

Jezaniah. In 43. 2 he has a second name, "Azariah". The Sept. reads this name here.

2 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

thy. A special various reading, called *Sevir* (Ap. 34), reads "our", as in v. 20.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

a few. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 22). Ap. 92.

as = according as.

3 thy. See note on v. 2; but here the reading "our" is supported by several codices and one early printed edition. **4 behold.** Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

evil = ill. Heb. *rā'a*. Ap. 44. viii.

that it may be well, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 6. 3).

42. 7-22 (P. p. 1076). JEREMIAH. ANSWER GIVEN. (*Introversion*.)

P Q | 7-9. Supplication made.

R | n | 10. Abiding.

o | 11, 12. Promise.

R | n | 13, 14. Departing.

o | 15-18. Warning.

Q | 19-22. Supplication answered.

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9 the LORD, the God of Israel. See note on 11. 3.

10 build . . . pull you down . . . plant . . . pluck you up. Cp. 1. 10.

I repent Me. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 6. 6. Deut. 32. 36).

11 saith the LORD = [is] Jehovah's oracle.

I am with you. See the Structure "o", above.

12 land = soil.

14 hunger of bread. Which they had experienced.

15 And now = Now.

the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel. See note on

7. 3. The same in v. 18.

wholly set your faces. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 17. 16).

16 afraid = apprehensive.

there. The 1611 edition of the A.V. does not read this word.

17 men. Pl. of *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

14 Saying, 'No; but we will go into the land of Egypt, where we shall see no war, nor hear the sound of the trumpet, nor have ^o hunger of bread; and there will we dwell:'

15 ^o And now therefore hear the word of ² the LORD, ye remnant of Judah; Thus saith ^o the ² LORD of hosts, the ² God of Israel; If *ye* ^o wholly set your faces to enter into Egypt, and go to sojourn there;

16 Then it shall come to pass, *that* the sword, which *ye* feared, shall overtake *you* there in the land of Egypt, and the famine, whereof *ye* were ^o afraid, shall follow close after you ^o there in Egypt; and there ye shall die.

17 So shall it be with all the ^o men that set their faces to go into Egypt to sojourn there; they shall die by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence: and none of them shall remain or escape from the ^o evil that *I* will bring upon them.'

18 For thus saith ¹⁵ the ² LORD of hosts, the ² God of Israel; 'As Mine anger and My fury hath been poured forth upon the inhabitants

477 of Jerusalem; so shall My fury be poured forth upon you, when ye shall enter into Egypt: and ye shall be an execration, and an astonishment, and a curse, and a reproach; and ye shall see this place no more."

Q p 19² The LORD hath said concerning you, "O ye remnant of Judah; °Go ye not into Egypt:"

Q know certainly that I have °admonished you²¹ this day.

r 20 For °ye dissembled in your °hearts, when ye sent me unto² the LORD your °God, saying, "Pray for us unto² the LORD our °God; and according unto all that² the LORD our °God shall say, so declare unto us, and we will do it."

Q 21 And now I have °this day declared it to you; but ye have not obeyed the voice of² the LORD your °God, nor any thing for the which He hath sent me unto you.

p 22 Now therefore know certainly that ye shall die °by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence, in the place whither ye desire to go and to sojourn.

M s 477 **43** And it came to pass, that when Jeremiah had made an end of speaking unto °all the People all the words of °the LORD their °God, for which °the LORD their °God had sent him to them, even all these words, 2 Then spake Azariah the son of Hoshaiah, and Johanan the son of Kareah, and °all the proud °men, saying unto Jeremiah, "Thou speakest falsely: °the LORD our °God hath not sent thee to say, 'Go not into Egypt to sojourn there:'"

3 But °Baruch the son of Neriah setteth thee on against us, for to deliver us into the hand of the Chaldeans, that they might put us to death, °and carry us away captives into Babylon."

t 4 So Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces, and °all the People, obeyed not the voice of °the LORD, to dwell in the land of Judah.

s 5 But Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces, took °all the remnant of Judah, that were returned from °all nations, °whither they had been driven, to dwell in the land of Judah;

6 Even °men, and women, and °children, and the king's daughters, and every °person that Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard had left with °Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan, and Jeremiah the prophet, and Baruch the son of Neriah.

t 7 So they came into the land of Egypt: for they obeyed not the voice of °the LORD: thus came they even to °Tahpanhes.

F³ S U 8 °Then came the word of °the LORD unto Jeremiah in °Tahpanhes, saying,

9 "Take great stones in thine hand, and hide them in the clay in °the brickkiln, which is at the entry of Pharaoh's house in °Tahpanhes, in the sight of the °men of Judah;

10 And say unto them, 'Thus saith °the °LORD of hosts, the °God of Israel; °Behold, I will send and take °Nebuchadrezzar the king

42. 19-22 (Q, p. 1077). SUPPLICATION. ANSWERED. (Introversion.)

Q p | 19-. Prohibition.

q | -19. Admonition.

r | 20. Incrimination.

q | 21. Declaration.

p | 22. Threatening.

19 Go ye not into Egypt. This had ever been a standing command for Israel (Deut. 17. 16. Isa. 31. 1. Ezek. 17. 15). admonished = testified against.

20 ye dissembled, &c. None but Jehovah could know this. Cp. 41. 17. Ps. 139. 2. John 1. 48; 2. 24, 25. hearts = souls. Heb. *nepshesh*. Ap. 13.

21 this day declared = declared this day. See note on Deut. 4. 26.

22 by the sword, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 6, 25, 33, 36. Deut. 28. 22). Ap. 92.

43. 1-7 (M, p. 1076). INTENTION CARRIED OUT. (Alternation.)

M | s | 1-3. Johanan. Contradiction. Words.

t | 4. The People. Disobedience.

s | 5, 6. Johanan. Disobedience. Action.

t | 7. The People. Disobedience.

1 all. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Whole), Ap. 6, for the greater part, not all without exception.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

2 men. Pl. of °*enosh*. Ap. 14. III.

3 Baruch. A man of noble family (32. 12) suspected here. The reason may be found in 45. 1-5.

5 whither, &c. Cp. 40. 12.

6 men. Heb. pl. of *geber*. Ap. 14. IV.

children = young children.

person = soul. Heb. *nepshesh*. Ap. 13.

Gedaliah. See note on 41. 1.

7 Tahpanhes. An Egyptian fortress on the eastern or Syrian frontier of Lower Egypt (cp. 2. 16), where the Pharaoh had his palace. See v. 9. Now Tell *Defneh*; where Petrie discovered (in 1886) a ruin called *Kasr el Bint Yehudi* = the palace of the daughter of Judah, assigned doubtless to the daughters of king Zedekiah. See v. 6, above; and 41. 10. See Ap. 87.

43. 8-44. 30 (F³, p. 1075). UNDER JOHANAN IN EGYPT. (Introversion and Alternations.)

F³ S | U | 43. 8-10. Sign. Great stones.

V | 43. 11-13. Threatening.

T | W | 44. 1-14-. Idolatry. Declaration.

X | 44. -14. Escape of remnant.

T | W | 44. 15-27. Idolatry. Discussion.

X | 44. 28. Escape of remnant.

S | U | 44. 29. Sign. Punishment.

V | 44. 30. Threatening.

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8 Then = And. The Structure shows that a new member commences here.

9 the brickkiln = the brick pavement before the royal palace. Laid bare in 1886 by Flinders Petrie. See note on 2 Sam. 12. 31. There could be no "brick-kiln" close to the entrance of the palace. But such a platform is seen to-day outside all great, and most small, houses in Egypt. It is called *mustaba*, and is kept clean, and swept. Often made of beaten clay, edged with bricks. For this particular brickwork pavement, see Ap. 87. See note on v. 7.

10 the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel. See note on 7. 3. The longer title is used to show the solemnity of the utterance.

Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

Nebuchadrezzar . . . will set, &c. This was fulfilled to the letter. Josephus records it (*Ant.* x. 9, 10), but Egyptian history is naturally silent. It took place five years after his destruction of Jerusalem.

of Babylon, My servant, and will set his throne upon these stones that I have hid; and he shall spread his royal pavilion over them.

V u (p. 1079) 477 11 And when he cometh, he shall smite the land of Egypt, *and deliver* °such as are for death to death; and such as are for captivity to captivity; and such as are for the sword to the sword.

v 12 And I will kindle a fire in the houses of the gods of Egypt; and he shall burn them, and carry them away captives:

u and he shall array himself with the land of Egypt, °as a shepherd putteth on his garment; and he shall go forth from thence in peace.

v 13 He shall break also the °images of °Beth-shemesh, °that is in the land of Egypt; and the houses of the gods of the Egyptians shall he burn with fire.'''

T W Y¹ 477 44 The word that came to Jeremiah concerning all the Jews °which dwell in the land of Egypt, which dwell at °Migdol, and at °Tahpanhes, and at °Noph, and in the country of °Pathros, saying,

2 "Thus saith °the LORD of hosts, the °God of Israel; 'Ye have seen all the °evil that I have brought upon Jerusalem, and upon all the cities of Judah; and, behold, this day they are a desolation, and no man dwelleth therein,

Z w 3 Because of their °wickedness which they have committed to provoke Me to anger, in that they went to burn incense, *and* to °serve other gods, whom they knew not, *neither* they, ye, nor your fathers.

x 4 Howbeit I sent unto you all My servants the prophets, °rising early and sending *them*, saying, 'Oh, do not this abominable thing that I hate.'

y 5 But they hearkened not, nor inclined their ear to turn from their °wickedness, to burn no incense unto other gods.

Y² 6 Wherefore My fury and Mine anger was poured forth, and was kindled in the cities of Judah and in the streets of Jerusalem; and they are wasted *and* desolate, as at this day.'

7 Therefore now thus saith °the °LORD, the °God of hosts, the °God of Israel;

Z w 'Wherefore commit ye *this* great °evil °against your °souls, to cut off from you °man and woman, °child and suckling, °out of Judah, to leave you none to remain;

8 In that ye provoke Me unto wrath with the °works of your hands, burning incense unto other gods in the land of Egypt, whither ye be °gone to °dwell, that ye might cut yourselves off, and that ye might be a curse and a reproach °among all the nations of the earth?

x 9 Have ye forgotten the °wickedness of your fathers, and the °wickedness of the kings of Judah, and the °wickedness of °their wives, and your own °wickedness, and the °wickedness of your wives, which they have committed in the land of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem?

y 10 They are not °humbled *even* unto this day, neither have they feared, nor walked in My law, nor in My statutes, that I set before you and before your fathers.'

43. 11-13 (V, p. 1078). THREATENING. (Alternation.)

V u | 11. Land of Egypt.
v | 12-. Gods of Egypt.
u | -12. Land of Egypt.
v | 13. Gods of Egypt.

11 such as are, &c. See note on 2 Sam. 12. 31.

12 as = according as.

13 images = standing images, or obelisks. Probably *Asherim*. See Ap. 42.

Beth-shemesh. Heb. = House (or Temple) of the Sun; Greek, "Heliopolis"; Egyptian, "On"; about ten miles north-east of Cairo.

that is in the land of Egypt. This is to distinguish it from the Beth-shemesh of Josh. 15. 10. Judg. 1. 33. 1 Sam. 6. 9, 19. See note on Isa. 19. 19; and Ap. 81.

44. 1-14- (W, p. 1078). IDOLATRY. DECLARATION. (Repeated and Extended Alternation.)

W Y¹ | 1, 2. Infliction. Past. Jehovah, &c.
Z w | 3. Provocation. Incense.
x | 4. Remonstrance.
y | 5. Disregard.
Y² | 6, 7-. Infliction. Past. Jehovah, &c.
Z w | -7, 8. Provocation. Incense.
x | 9. Remonstrance.
y | 10. Disregard.
Y³ | 11-14. Infliction. Future.

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This was Jeremiah's THIRTY-NINTH and latest prophecy (p. 1015) relating to Israel. Chs. 46-51 relate to the Gentiles.

1 which dwell, &c. See longer note on p. 1096.

Migdol. See note on Ex. 14. 2.

Tahpanhes. See note on 43. 7.

Noph. A contraction of the Egyptian *Manuf* = the abode of the good. Heb. *Moph* in Hos. 9. 6; afterward = Memphis; now *Abu Sir*. Cp. 2. 16; 46. 14, 19.

Pathros. A part of Upper Egypt, south of Memphis. Cp. Isa. 11. 11. Ezek. 29. 14; 30. 14.

2 the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel. See note on 7. 3.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

evil = calamity. Heb. *rā'a*. Ap. 44. viii.

3 wickedness. Heb. *rā'a*. Ap. 44. viii.

serve other gods. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 13. 6; 32. 17).

4 rising early, &c. See note on 7. 13.

7 the LORD, the God of hosts, the God of Israel.

See note on 35. 17.

God. Some codices, with two early printed editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., omit "the God".

against your souls. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 16. 38).

souls. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II. child = little one.

out of Judah = out of the midst of Judah.

8 works. Some codices, with five early printed editions (one, marg.), and Syr., read "work" (sing.).

gone = come. dwell = sojourn.

among. Some codices, with three early printed editions, Sept., and Vulg., read "to".

9 wickedness = wickednesses, or wicked ways. Heb. *rā'a*. Ap. 44. viii. Note the Fig. *Repetitio* (Ap. 6), used for great emphasis. their wives. See v. 15.

10 humbled = contrite.

11 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

I will set My face, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 17. 10; 20. 3, 5, 6). Ap. 92.

evil. Heb. *rā'a*. Ap. 44. viii.

11 Therefore thus saith °the LORD of hosts, the °God of Israel; °Behold, °I will set My face against you for °evil, and to cut off all Judah.

12 And I will take the remnant of Judah, that have set their faces to go into the land of

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Egypt to sojourn there, and they shall all be consumed, *and* fall in the land of Egypt; they shall *even* be consumed ° by the sword *and* by the famine: they shall die, from the least even unto the greatest, by the sword and by the famine: and they shall be an execration, *and* an astonishment, and a curse, and a reproach.

13 For I will punish them that dwell in the land of Egypt, ° as I have punished Jerusalem, ¹² by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence:

14 So that none of the remnant of Judah, which are gone into the land of Egypt to sojourn there, shall escape or remain, that they should return into the land of Judah, to the which they ° have a desire to return to dwell there:

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for none shall return but such as shall escape.”

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15 Then ° all the ° men which knew that ° their wives had burned incense unto other gods, and all the women that stood by, a great ° multitude, even all the People that ° dwelt in the land of Egypt, in Pathros, answered Jeremiah, saying,

16 “As for the word that thou hast spoken unto us in the name of ° the LORD, we will not hearken unto thee.

17 But we will certainly do ° whatsoever thing goeth forth out of our own mouth, to burn incense unto the queen of heaven, and to pour out drink offerings unto her, as we have done, we, and our fathers, our kings, and our princes, in the cities of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem:

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for then had we plenty of ° victuals, and were well, and saw no ° evil.

18 But since we left off to burn incense to the queen of heaven, and to pour out drink offerings unto her, we have wanted all *things*, and have been consumed ¹² by the sword and by the famine.

19 And when we burned incense to the queen of heaven, and poured out drink offerings unto her, did we make her cakes to worship her, and pour out drink offerings unto her, without our ¹⁵ men?”

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20 Then Jeremiah said unto ¹⁵ all the People, to the ° men, and to the women, and to ¹⁵ all the People which had given him *that* answer, saying,

21 “The incense that ye burned in the cities of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem, ye, and your fathers, your kings, and your princes, and the People of the land, did not ° the LORD remember ° them, and came ° it *not* ° into His mind?

22 So that ° the LORD could no longer ° bear, because of the ° evil of your doings, *and* because of the abominations which ye have committed; therefore is your land a desolation, and an astonishment, and a curse, without an inhabitant, as at this day.

23 Because ye have burned incense, and because ye have ° sinned against ° the LORD, and have not obeyed the voice of ° the LORD, nor walked in His law, nor in His statutes, nor in His testimonies; therefore this ° evil is happened unto you, as at this day.”

24 Moreover Jeremiah said unto all the People, and to all the women, “Hear the word of

12 by the sword, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 6, 25, 33, 36. Deut. 28. 22). Ap. 92. Cp. 42. 22.

13 as=according as.

14 have a desire=lift up their soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

44. 15-27 (W, p. 1078). IDOLATRY. DISCUSSION. (Alternation.)

W | a | 15-17-. Answer of the People.

b | -17-19. Reason.

a | 20-25. Answer. Jeremiah's reply.

b | 26, 27. Reason.

15 all. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Whole), Ap. 6, for the specified part.

men. Heb. pl. of *ʿēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III: i.e. the husbands. multitude=assembly.

17 whatsoever thing goeth forth, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 30. 12. Deut. 23. 23). Ap. 92. victuals. Heb. “bread”. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap. 6, for all kinds of food.

20 men. Heb. pl. of *geber*. Ap. 14. IV.

21 them: i.e. your fathers.

it: i.e. the incense.

into His mind=upon His heart. Fig. *Anthropopathia*. Ap. 6.

22 bear=forbear.

23 sinned. Heb. *chāṭaʾ*. Ap. 44. i.

26 I have sworn, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 22. 16). saith the LORD=[is] Jehovah's oracle.

The Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. Ap. 4. VIII (2) and II.

28 shall return, &c. So that the king's daughters either returned to Judah or remained in Egypt.

° the LORD, all Judah that *are* in the land of Egypt:

25 Thus saith ° the LORD of hosts, the ° God of Israel, saying; “Ye and your wives have both spoken with your mouths, and fulfilled with your hand, saying, ‘We will surely perform our vows that we have vowed, ° to burn incense to the queen of heaven, and to pour out drink offerings unto her:’ ye will surely accomplish your vows, and surely perform your vows.”

26 Therefore hear ye the word of ° the LORD, ¹⁵ all Judah that dwell in the land of Egypt; b

° Behold, ° I have sworn by My great name, ° saith ° the LORD, that My name shall no more be named in the mouth of any ° man of Judah in all the land of Egypt, saying, ° ‘The Lord GOD liveth.’

27 ° Behold, ° I will watch over them for ° evil, and not for good: and all the ° men of Judah that *are* in the land of Egypt shall be consumed ¹² by the sword and by the famine, until there be an end of them.

28 Yet a small number that escape the sword ° shall return out of the land of Egypt into the land of Judah, and all the remnant of Judah, that are gone into the land of Egypt to sojourn there, shall know whose words shall stand, Mine, or theirs.

29 And this *shall* be a sign unto you, ° saith ° the LORD, that ° I will punish you in this place, that ye may know that My words shall surely stand against you for ° evil:’

30 Thus saith ° the LORD; ° Behold, I will give Pharaoh-hophra king of Egypt into the

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° them that seek his ° life; ° as I gave Zedekiah
king of Judah into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar
king of Babylon, his enemy, and that sought
his ° life.'"

Q c¹ 45 The word that Jeremiah the prophet
(p. 1081) spake unto ° Baruch the son of Neriah,
496 when he had ° written these words in a book
at the mouth of Jeremiah, in ° the fourth year
of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah,
saying,

2 "Thus saith ° the LORD, the ° God of Israel,
unto thee, O ° Baruch;

d¹ 3 'Thou didst say, 'Woe is me now! for ° the
LORD hath added grief to my sorrow; I fainted
in my sighing, and I find no rest.'

c² 4 Thus shalt thou say unto him, ° 'The LORD
saith thus; ° 'Behold, *that* which I have ° built
will I ° break down, and that which I have
° planted I will ° pluck up, even this whole land.

d² 5 ° And seekest thou great things for thyself?
seek *them* not:

c³ for, behold, I will bring ° evil upon all flesh,
° saith ° the LORD: but thy ° life will I give unto
thee ° for a prey in all places whither thou
goest.'"

C A E 46 The word of ° the LORD ° which came
to Jeremiah the prophet ° against ° the
° Gentiles;

2 ° Against ° Egypt, against the army of
Pharaoh-necho king of Egypt, which was by
the river Euphrates in ° Carchemish, which
Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon smote in ° the
496 fourth year of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah
king of Judah.

F e 3 ° "Order ye the buckler and shield, and draw
near to battle.

4 Harness the horses; and get up, ye horse-
men, and stand forth with *your* helmets; fur-
nish the spears, and put on the ° brigandines.

f 5 Wherefore have I seen them dismayed and
turned away back? and their mighty ones are
° beaten down, and are ° fled apace, and look
not back: for ° fear was round about, ° saith
1 the LORD.

against = concerning. Cp. 49. 1. the. Some codices, with six early printed editions (one Rabbinic), read
"all the". Gentiles = nations. 2 Egypt. Comes first because most important in connection with
Judah, as well as coming second to Babylon at that time (with which it corresponds in position in the
Structure above). Judah was indeed, then subject to Egypt. The policy of Judah's rulers was to lean on
Egypt instead of heeding Jeremiah. These prophecies are designed to assure the nation that it could
not rely on Gentile powers to thwart God's word by Jeremiah. Carchemish. Cp. 2 Chron. 35. 20-24.
The Gargamish of the Inscriptions, now known as Jerablūs, or Membij, &c. the fourth year of
Jehoiakim. A critical era in the history of Egypt, Babylon, Judah, and the world. See Ap. 86. Four
years before, Pharaoh-necho, on his way to Carchemish, had defeated and slain Josiah at Megiddo, and
afterward taken his son Shallum as a vassal to Egypt, and set up Jehoiakim (2 Kings 23. 29-35).

46. 3-12 (F, above). EGYPT. ITS OVERTHROW.

(Extended Alternation.)

F | e | 3, 4. Call to battle.
f | 5, 6. Dismay of Egypt.
g | 7, 8. Boast of Egypt.
e | 9. Call to battle.
f | 10. Vengeance of Jehovah.
g | 11, 12. Fall of Egypt.

3 Order ye = Prepare ye, or Put in order. 4 brigandines = coats of mail. 5 beaten down = crushed.
fled apace. Fig. Polyptōton (Ap. 6). Heb. fled a flight. Well rendered "fled apace". fear was round
about. Heb. māgōr miššabīb - terror round about. See note on 6. 25. saith, &c. See note on 45. 5.

them. Not Nebuchadnezzar; but, as the monuments
now tell us, the soldiers who revolted against Hophra.
He was delivered into their hands, as Zedekiah had
already been delivered into the hands of Nebuchad-
nezzar. life = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

as = according as.

45. 1-5 (Q, p. 1071). BARUCH.

(Repeated Alternation.)

Q | c¹ | 1, 2. Word of Jehovah to Baruch.
d¹ | 3. What Baruch had said.
c² | 4. Word of Jehovah to Baruch.
d² | 5. What Baruch sought.
c³ | -5. Word of Jehovah to Baruch.

The FORTIETH Prophecy of Jeremiah (p. 1015).

1 Baruch. He was the grandson of Maaseiah, governor
of Jerusalem in Josiah's reign (2 Chron. 34. 8), and
brother of Seraiah, chief chamberlain (51. 59).

written these words, &c. See ch. 36.

the fourth year, &c. See Ap. 86.

2 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

the LORD, the God of Israel. See note on 11. 3.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

4 Behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

built . . . break down . . . planted . . . pluck up.
See note on 1. 10.

5 And seekest, &c. = Wouldst thou seek to secure
great things for thyself?

evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

saith the LORD = [is] Jehovah's oracle.

life = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

for a prey. Cp. 39. 18.

The FORTY-FIRST Prophecy of Jeremiah (p. 1015).

46. 1-51. 64- (C, p. 1015). PROPHECIES ADDRESSED TO GENTILES. (Introversion.)

C | A | 46. 1-28. Egypt. South.

B | 47. 1-7. Philistines. West.

C | 48. 1-49. 6. Moab and Ammon. East and
South.

D | 49. 7-22. Edom. South.

D | 49. 23-27. Damascus. North.

C | 49. 28-33. Kedar and Hazor. North.

B | 49. 34-39. Elam. East.

A | 50. 1-51. 64-. Babylon. East.

46. 1-28 (A, above). EGYPT. (Introversion.)

A | E | 1, 2. Egypt. Proclamation.

F | 3-12. Its overthrow.

F | 13-26. Means employed.

E | 27, 28. Israel. Encouragement.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
which came. For the most part in the fourth year
of Jehoiakim (see Ap. 86), and may have been included
in the roll of ch. 36. This section may be compared
with Isaiah's "burdens" and "woes" (cp. p. 980), and
Ezekiel (25-32), and Amos (1. 1, 2).

496 6 Let not the swift flee away, nor the °mighty man escape; they shall stumble, and fall toward the north by the river Euphrates.

g (p. 1081) 7 Who is this *that* cometh up °as a flood, whose waters are moved as the rivers?

8 °Egypt riseth up like a flood, and *his* waters are moved like the rivers; and he saith, °I will go up, *and* will cover the earth; I will destroy the city and the inhabitants thereof.

9 °Come up, ye horses; and rage, ye chariots; and let the °mighty men come forth; °the Ethiopians and °the Libyans, that handle the shield; and °the Lydians, that handle *and* bend the bow.

f 10 For this *is* the day of °the Lord GOD of hosts, °a day of vengeance, that He may avenge Him of His adversaries: and the sword shall devour, and it shall be satiate and °made drunk with their blood: for °the Lord GOD of hosts °hath a sacrifice in the north country by the river Euphrates.

g 11 °Go up into °Gilead, and °take balm, O virgin, the daughter of Egypt: in vain shalt thou use many medicines; °for thou shalt not be cured.

12 The nations have heard of thy shame, and thy cry hath filled the °land: for the °mighty man hath stumbled against the mighty, *and* they are fallen both together.

FG (p. 1082) 13 The word that °the LORD spake to Jeremiah the prophet, how Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon should come *and* smite the land of °Egypt.

14 "Declare ye in Egypt, and publish in °Migdol, and publish in °Noph and in °Tahpanhes: say ye, 'Stand fast, and prepare thee; for the sword shall devour round about thee.'

H 15 Why are thy °valiant *men* °swept away? °they stood not, because °the LORD °did drive °them.

16 He made many to °fall, yea, °one fell upon another: and they said, 'Arise, and let us go again to our own people, and to the land of our nativity, from the oppressing sword.'

17 They did cry there, 'Pharaoh king of Egypt *is* but a °noise; he hath °passed the time appointed.'

G 18 As °I live, °saith the King, Whose name *is* °the °LORD of hosts, "Surely as Tabor *is* among the mountains, and as Carmel by the sea, so shall he come.

19 O thou daughter °dwelling in °Egypt, °furnish thyself to go into captivity: for °Noph shall be waste and desolate without an inhabitant.

H h 20 °Egypt *is* like a very fair °heifer, *but* °destruction cometh; it °cometh out of °the north.

i 21 Also her hired men *are* in the midst of her like fatted bullocks; for they also are turned back, *and* are fled away together: °they did not stand, because the day of their calamity was come upon them, *and* the time of their visitation.

k 22 The voice thereof shall go like a serpent; for they shall march with an army, and come against her with axes, as hewers of wood.

23 They shall cut down her forest, °saith °the

6 mighty man. Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. iv.

7 as a flood = as the river: i.e. the Nile, in flood.

8 I will go up. Egypt at this time was so strong that Jeremiah's prophecy seemed most unlikely to come to pass.

9 Come up, &c. Fig. *Eironeia*. Ap. 6. Cp. v. 11. the Ethiopians = Cush. Mercenaries, forming the chief part of the Egyptian forces.

the Libyans. Heb. Phut. Cp. Ezek. 27. 10; 30. 5; and Acts 2. 10.

the Lydians. Not those in Western Asia (Gen. 10. 22). All belonging to Africa.

10 the Lord GOD of hosts. Heb. Adonai Jehovah Z baöth. Ap. 4. VIII (2) and II. See note on 2. 19.

a day of vengeance. On the Egyptians. made drunk = bathed. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 42).

hath a sacrifice. Cp. Isa. 54. 6. Ezek. 39. 17.

11 Go up, &c. Fig. *Eironeia* (Ap. 6), as shown by the rest of the verse.

Gilead. Cp. 8. 22.

for thou shalt not be cured = healing there is none for thee. Cp. 8. 22; 51. 8.

12 land = earth.

46. 13-26 (F, p. 1081). MEANS EMPLOYED. (Alternation.)

F | G | 13, 14. Proclamation. Prepare.

H | 15-17. Fall.

G | 18, 19. Proclamation. Prepare.

H | 20-26. Fall.

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14 Migdol . . . Noph . . . Tahpanhes. See note on 44. 1.

15 valiant men. Some codices, with two early printed editions, Sept., and Vulg., read "one" (sing.), perhaps referring to *Apis* their sacred bull.

swept away = laid prostrate (sing.). Cp. 1 Sam. 5. 3. they stood not = he made no stand.

did drive them = had driven him back.

them = him.

16 fall = be stumbling.

one . . . upon another. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 37).

17 noise = sound.

passed = let pass over. Cp. 2 Sam. 20. 5.

18 saith the King = [is] the King's oracle. Cp. 48. 15.

the LORD of hosts. See note on 6. 6.

19 dwelling in = inhabitress of. Probably = the Jews, as in Ezek. 12. 2. Jer. 48. 18.

furnish thyself to go into captivity = baggage for captivity prepare thee.

46. 20-26 (H, above). FALL OF EGYPT. (Extended Alternation.)

H | h | 20. The north.

i | 21. Mercenaries.

k | 22, 23. Enemies.

h | 24. The North.

i | 25. Multitudes.

k | 26. Enemies.

20 heifer. Probably an allusion to *Apis*, the sacred bull.

destruction = piercing. Heb. *kereç*. Occurs only here. R.V. margin suggests gadfly. If it be so, the attack is on the heifer.

cometh. Some codices, with two early printed editions, Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "attacketh her".

the north. Though Babylon was on the east, the entry through Palestine was from the north, as Abraham entered it.

21 they did not stand = they made no stand. Some codices, with two early printed editions, Syr., and Vulg., read, "and they have made", &c.

23 searched = reconnoitred.

grasshoppers = locusts.

LORD, though it cannot be °searched; because they are more than the °grasshoppers, and *are* innumerable.

^h (p. 1082) 24 The daughter of ² Egypt shall be confounded; she shall be delivered into the hand of the people of the north."

ⁱ 25 ° The ¹ LORD of hosts, the ° God of Israel, saith; ° "Behold, I will punish the ° multitude of No, and Pharaoh, and ² Egypt, with their gods, and their kings; even Pharaoh, and *all* them that ° trust in him:

^k 26 And I will deliver them into the hand of those that seek their ° lives, and into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, and into the hand of his servants: and afterward it shall be inhabited, as in the days of old, ° saith ¹ the LORD.

^E 1 (p. 1083) 27 But fear not thou, O My servant ° Jacob, and be not dismayed, O Israel:

^m for, ²⁵ behold, I will save thee from afar off, and thy seed from the land of their captivity; and ° Jacob shall return, and be in rest and at ease, and none shall make *him* afraid.

^l 28 ° Fear thou not, O ²⁷ Jacob My servant, ° saith ¹ the LORD:

^m for *I am* with thee; for I will make ° a full end of all the nations whither I have driven thee: but I will not make ° a full end of thee, but correct thee in measure; yet will I ° not leave thee wholly unpunished."

^B ^J 47 The word of ° the LORD that came to Jeremiah the prophet ° against the Philistines, ° before that ° Pharaoh smote ° Gaza.

^K ¹ ⁿ 2 Thus saith ¹ the LORD; ° "Behold, ° waters rise up out of ° the north, and shall be an overflowing flood, and shall overflow the land, and all that is therein; the city, and them that dwell therein:

^o then the ° men shall cry, and all the inhabitants of the land shall howl.

^K ² ⁿ 3 At the noise of the stamping of the hoofs of his ° strong horses, at the ° rushing of his chariots, and at the rumbling of his wheels,

^o the fathers shall not look back to *their* ° children for feebleness of hands;

^K ³ ⁿ 4 Because of ° the day that cometh to spoil all the Philistines, and to cut off from ° Tyrus and Zidon every helper that remaineth: for ¹ the LORD will spoil the Philistines, the remnant of ° the country of ° Caphtor.

^o 5 ° Baldness is come upon ¹ Gaza;

^J ° Ashkelon is cut off with the remnant of ° their valley: how long wilt thou cut thyself?"

6 O thou ° sword of ¹ the LORD, how long wilt it be ere thou be quiet? put up thyself into thy scabbard, rest, and be still.

7 ° How can it be quiet, seeing ¹ the LORD hath given it a charge against Ashkelon, and against the sea shore? there hath He appointed it.

^C ^L ^M 48 ° Against ° Moab ° thus saith ° the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel;

25 The LORD of hosts, the God of Israel. See note on 7. 3.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

Behold. Fig. Asterismos (Ap. 6), to add to the emphasis of the Divine title employed.

multitude of No: or Amōn of Thebes (an Egyptian idol). trust=confide. Heb. *bāṭah*. Ap. 69. I.

26 lives=souls. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

46. 27, 28 (E, p. 1081). ISRAEL. ENCOURAGEMENT. (Alternation.)

^E | 1 | 27-. Encouragement.

^m | -27. Reason.

^l | 28-. Encouragement.

^m | -28. Reason.

27 Jacob. Referring to the natural seed; i.e. the whole nation. See notes on Gen. 32, 28; 43. 6; 45. 26, 28.

28 Fear thou not. Cp. 30. 10, 11. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 26. 24. Cp. Deut. 31. 8). Ap. 92.

a full end. Cp. 10. 24; 30. 11.

not leave thee wholly unpunished=not hold thee guiltless. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 20. 7; 34. 7. Num. 14. 18).

47. 1-7 (B, p. 1081). THE PHILISTINES.

(Introversion and Repeated Alternation.)

^B ^J | 1. The word of the LORD against the Philistines.

^K ¹ | ⁿ ¹ | 2-. Invasion.

^o ¹ | -2. Effect. Mourning.

^K ² | ⁿ ² | 3-. Invasion.

^o ² | -3. Effect. Feebleness.

^K ³ | ⁿ ³ | 4. Invasion.

^o ³ | 5-. Effect. Mourning.

^J | -5-7. The word of the LORD against the Philistines.

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1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

against=concerning. Cp. 48. 1; 49. 1, 7, 23.

before. To show that this prophecy was not the anticipation of human foresight.

Pharaoh. Pharaoh-necho, after his victory over Josiah (2 Kings 23. 29. 2 Chron. 35. 20).

Gaza. Heb. *'azzāh* (with *'eth*). Now *Ghūzzeh*. Still standing at the time of this prophecy (the fourth year of Jehoiakim). Not Carchemish, for cp. 2 Kings 24. 7.

2 Behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

waters. The symbol of the Chaldean armies.

the north. Cp. 46. 20.

men. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

3 strong horses. Cp. 8. 16.

rushing=rattling. children=sons.

4 the day that cometh. Cp. 46. 10.

Tyrus and Zidon. The same origin as the Philistines. the country—the sea coast.

Caphtor. Not identified. Perhaps Crete, whence the Philistines emigrated (Gen. 10. 14. Deut. 2. 23. Amos 9. 7).

5 Baldness=the sign of mourning. Cp. 16. 6.

Ashkelon. Now *'Askālān*.

their valley. Sept. reads "Anakim" instead of *'inkām*.

6 sword of the LORD. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 41).

7 How . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

48. 1-49. 6 (C, p. 1081). MOAB AND AMMON. (Division.)

^C | ^L ¹ | 48. 1-47. Moab. } The sons of Lot.

^L ² | 49. 1-6. Ammon. }

48. 1-47 (^L ¹, above). MOAB. (Introversion.)

^L ¹ | ^M | 1-. Introduction.

^N | -1-46. The present state.

^N | 47-. The latter state.

^M | -47. Conclusion.

The Forty-fourth Prophecy of Jeremiah (p. 1015, note †).

1 Against=concerning.

Moab. Always hostile to Israel. Cp. Judg. 3. 12, 28. 1 Sam. 14. 47. 2 Sam. 8. 2. 2 Kings 1. 1; 3. 4-27; 13. 20. In the reign of Jehoiakim they joined with the Chaldeans. thus saith. As in Num. 21. 28, 29; 24. 17 (cp. vv. 45, 46), and Amos 2. 2 (cp. vv. 24, 41, p. 1085) and Zeph. 2. 8, 9 (cp. vv. 26, 42, p. 1085).

the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel. See note on 7. 3.

Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

the LORD.

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"Woe unto °Nebo! for it is spoiled: °Kiriathaim is confounded and taken: °Misgab is confounded and dismayed.

2 *There shall be no more praise of °Moab: in °Heshbon they have °devised °evil against it; come, and let us cut it off from being a nation. Also thou shalt °be cut down, O °Madmen; the sword shall pursue thee.*

3 A voice of crying *shall be from °Horonaim, spoiling and great destruction.*

4 °Moab is destroyed; her little ones have caused a cry to be heard.

5 For in the going up of °Luhith continual weeping shall go up; for in the going down of °Horonaim the enemies have heard a cry of destruction.

q 6 Flee, save your °lives, and be like °the heath in the wilderness.

7 For because thou hast trusted in thy works and in thy treasures, °thou shalt also be taken: and °Chemosh shall go forth into captivity with his priests and his princes together.

8 And the spoiler shall come upon every city, and no city shall escape: the valley also shall perish, and the plain shall be destroyed, as °the LORD hath spoken.

9 Give wings unto Moab, that it may flee and get away: for the cities thereof shall be desolate, without any to dwell therein.

10 Cursed be he that doeth the work of °the LORD °deceitfully, and cursed be he that keepeth back his sword from blood.

P Q 11 Moab °hath been at ease from his youth, and he hath settled on his lees, and hath not been emptied from vessel to vessel, neither hath he gone into captivity: therefore his taste °remained in him, and his scent is not changed.

R T 12 Therefore, °behold, the days come, °saith °the LORD, that I will send unto him °wanderers, that shall cause him to wander, and shall empty his vessels, and break their bottles. 13 And °Moab shall be ashamed of °Chemosh, °as °the house of Israel was ashamed of °Beth-el their confidence.

U r 14 How say ye, 'Ye are mighty and strong °men for the war?'

s 15 °Moab is spoiled, and °gone up out of her cities, and his chosen young men are gone down to the slaughter, °saith the King, Whose name is °the °LORD of hosts.

16 "The calamity of °Moab is near to come, and his affliction °hasteth fast.

t 17 All ye that are about him, bemoan him; and all ye that know his name, say, 'How is the strong staff broken, and the beautiful rod!'

18 Thou daughter that dost inhabit °Dibon, come down from thy glory, and sit in thirst; for the spoiler of °Moab shall come upon thee, and he shall destroy thy strong holds.

r 19 O °inhabitant of °Aroer, stand by the way, and espy; ask him that fleeth, and her that escapeth, and say, 'What is done?'

s 20 °Moab is confounded; for it is broken down:

t howl and cry; tell ye it in °Arnon, that °Moab is spoiled,

48. -1-46 (N, p. 1083). MOAB'S (THEN) PRESENT STATE. (*Introversion and Alternation.*)

N O | p | -1-5. Threatening.
q | 6-10. Flight.
P | 11-28. Condition.
P | 29-39. Character.
O | p | 40-43. Threatening.
q | 44-46. Flight.

Nebo. Not the mountain, but formerly a Reubenite possession (Num. 32. 37, 38), now belonging to Moab.

Kiriathaim. Now probably *el Kureiyāt*, between Medeba and Dibon.

Misgab. Probably = the high fort.

2 Heshbon. Now *Heshbān*. The capital of Sihon king of the Amorites. Rebuilt by Reubenites (Num. 32. 37. Cp. Josh. 13. 17).

devised = counselled. Note Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). *Heshbōn, hāshbū*.

evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

be cut down = be reduced to silence.

Madmen. Now *Umm Deineh*, a town in Moab twelve miles N.E. of Dibon.

3 Horonaim. Probably near Zoar. Cp. Isa. 15. 5.

5 Luhith. Now *Tal'at el Heith*, one mile west of Mount Nebo. 6 lives = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

the heath = naked trees. Cp. 17. 6.

7 thou shalt also = thou too shalt.

Chemosh shall go forth into captivity. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 21. 29). Ap. 92. See Ap. 54, and cp. Judg. 11. 24. 1 Kings 11. 7. 2 Kings 23. 13.

10 deceitfully = negligently: i.e. this work of judgment.

48. 11-28 (P, above), 29-39 (P, above). MOAB'S CONDITION AND CHARACTER. (*Extended Alternation and Introversion.*)

P Q | 11. At ease.
R T | 12, 13. Places.
U | 14-25. Judgments.
S | 26-28. Consequences
P Q | 29. In pride.
R U | 30, 31. Judgments.
T | 32-36. Places.
S | 37-39. Consequences.

11 hath been at ease. Since Moab had driven out the Emims (Deut. 2. 10). remained = stood.

12 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

saith the LORD = [is] Jehovah's oracle.

wanderers, that shall cause him to wander = tilters that shall tilt him. Keeping up the symbol of a wine-jar (v. 11). 13 as = according as.

the house of Israel. See note on 2. 4. The last occurrence in Jeremiah.

Beth-el. Ref. to the calves of Jeroboam (1 Kings 12. 29. Hos. 10. 5).

48. 14-25 (U, above). JUDGMENTS. (*Extended Alternation.*)

U r | 14. Question.
s | 15, 16. Answer.
t | 17, 18. Lamentation.
r | 19. Question.
s | 20-. Answer.
t | -20-25. Lamentation.

14 men. Heb. pl. of *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

15 gone up . . . her cities - her cities have gone up, or ascended in burning.

saith the King = [is] the King's oracle. Cp. 46. 18.

the LORD of hosts. See note on 6. 6.

16 hasteth fast. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 35). Ap. 92.

18 Dibon. Now *Dhibān*. Ruins north of the river Arnon. Cp. v. 22.

19 inhabitant = inhabitress. Ref. to "daughter" (v. 18).

Aroer. Now *'Ar'air*, on the north bank of *Wādī Mōjib* (Arnon).

20 Arnon. Now *Wādī Mōjib*, on the east side of the Dead Sea.

21 And judgment is come upon the plain country; upon °Holon, and upon °Jahazah, and upon °Mephaath,

22 And upon °Dibon, and upon °Nebo, and upon °Beth-diblathaim,

23 And upon °Kiriathaim, and upon °Beth-gamul, and upon °Beth-meon,

24 And upon °Kerioth, and upon °Bozrah, and upon all the cities of the land of °Moab, far or near.

25 The horn of °Moab is cut off, and his arm is broken, °saith °the LORD.

S (p. 1084) 26 Make ye him drunken: for he magnified himself against °the LORD: °Moab also shall °wallow in his vomit, and he also shall be in derision.

27 For was not Israel a derision unto thee? was he found among thieves? for °since thou spakest of him, thou °skippedst for joy.

28 O ye that dwell in °Moab, leave the cities, and dwell in the rock, and be like the dove that maketh her nest in the sides of the hole's mouth.

PQ 29 We have heard the °pride of °Moab, (he is exceeding proud) his loftiness, and his arrogancy, and his pride, and the haughtiness of his heart.

R U 30 I know his wrath, °saith °the LORD; but it shall not be so; his lies shall not so effect it.

31 Therefore will I howl for °Moab, and I will cry out for all °Moab; °mine heart shall mourn for the °men of °Kir-heres.

T 32 O vine of °Sibmah, I will weep for thee with the weeping of °Jazer: thy °plants are gone °over the sea, they reach even to the sea of °Jazer: the spoiler is fallen upon thy summer fruits and upon thy vintage.

33 And joy and gladness is taken from the plentiful field, and from the land of °Moab; and I have caused °wine to fail from the wine-presses: none shall tread with shouting; their shouting shall be no shouting.

34 °From the cry of °Heshbon even unto °Elealeh, and even unto °Jahaz, have they uttered their voice, from °Zoar even unto °Horonaim, °as an heifer of three years old: for the waters also of °Nimrim shall be desolate.

35 Moreover I will cause to cease in Moab, °saith °the LORD, him that offereth in the °high places, and him that burneth incense to his gods.

36 Therefore Mine heart shall sound for Moab °like pipes, and Mine heart shall sound °like pipes for the °men of °Kir-heres: because the riches that he hath gotten °are perished.

S 37 For °every head shall be °bald, and every beard clipped: upon all the hands shall be cuttings, and °upon the loins sackcloth.

38 There shall be lamentation generally upon all °the housetops of °Moab, and in the °streets thereof: for I have broken °Moab like a vessel wherein is no pleasure, °saith °the LORD.

39 They shall howl, saying, 'How is it broken down! how hath °Moab turned the back with shame!' so shall °Moab be a derision and a dismaying to all them about him.

21 Holon. Now probably °Aleiyān (not Holon or Hilen in Judah).

Jahazah . . . Mephaath. Not yet identified. Cp. Isa. 15. 4.

22 Dibon. See v. 18.

Beth-diblathaim. Also Almon-diblathaim (Num. 33. 46, 47). Now probably *Khan Deleyāt* = house of the two disks, mentioned on the Moabite stone. Ap. 54.

23 Beth-gamul. Now *Khan Jemal*, east of Dibon.

Beth-meon. Now *Tell M'ain*. Cp. Josh. 13. 17.

24 Kerioth. Probably the same as Kiriathaim (v. 1). Bozrah. Now *el Buseirah*, in Edom, south-east of the Dead Sea.

26 wallow in = stagger or splash into.

27 since - as often as, or whenever.

skippedst for joy - didst shake thyself in excitement, or wag thy head.

29 pride = arrogance. Note the Fig. *Synonymia* (Ap. 6): six expressions, for the sake of emphasis.

31 mine heart shall mourn = must one mourn. So the St. Petersburg Codex (A. D. 916), with note that the Eastern Massorites read "I shall mourn".

Kir-heres. Now *Kerak*, the fortified town east of southern end of the Dead Sea.

32 Sibmah. Now probably *Sūmia*, east of Jordan. Cp. Num. 32. 38.

Jazer. Now *Beit Zer'ah*, east of Jordan. Cp. 1 Chron. 26. 31.

plants - branches.

over the sea. Probably the Dead Sea.

33 wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. I.

34 From the cry, &c. Or, on hearing Heshbon's

mournful cry.

Elealeh. Now *el 'Al*, a ruin near Heshbon.

Jahaz. A town in Reuben. Not yet identified.

Zoar. Now *Tell esh Shughūr*, on the south side of *Wādy Heshbān*. Originally "Bela".

as an heifer of three years old: or, the third Eglath (to distinguish it from two other Eglaths), or Eglath-Shelishiyah.

Nimrim. Now *Wādy Nimrīm*, near the south end of the Dead Sea.

35 high places. See note on 1 Kings 3. 3.

36 like pipes. Used in mourning at funerals. Cp. Matt. 9. 23.

are. The 1611 edition of the A. V. reads "is".

37 every head. Some codices, with four early printed editions (one marg.), read "For upon every head".

bald = baldness. The symbol of mourning. Cp. 47. 5. upon the loins. Some codices, with three early printed editions, Sept., and Vulg., read "and upon all loins".

38 the housetops. Where they prayed to their gods. Cp. 19. 13. streets = broadways.

40 he = one (not named): Nebuchadnezzar understood. shall fly. Codex Oriental, 2091 (British Museum), reads "shall ascend"; but the *Massōrah* (Ap. 30) has a note, saying "according to other codices, it is fly" (fol. 167a).

as an eagle. Ref. to Pent. (Dent. 28. 49). Ap. 92.

41 mighty men's. Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. IV.

43 Fear - Terror.

Fear, and the pit, and the snare. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). Heb. *pahad, vāpāṭh, vāpāḥ*. and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton*. Ap. 6.

40 For thus saith °the LORD; °Behold, °he °shall fly °as an eagle, and shall spread his wings over °Moab. O p

41 °Kerioth is taken, and the strong holds are surprised, and the °mighty men's hearts in Moab at that day shall be as the heart of a woman in her pangs.

42 And °Moab shall be destroyed from being a people, because he hath magnified himself against °the LORD.

43 °Fear, °and the pit, and the snare, shall be upon thee, O inhabitant of °Moab, °saith °the LORD.

7 (p. 1084) 44 He that fleeth from °the fear shall fall into °the pit; and he that getteth up out of °the pit shall be taken °in the snare: for I will bring upon it, even upon °Moab, °the year of their visitation, °saith °the LORD.

45 "They that fled °stood under the shadow of °Heshbon because of the force: but °a fire shall come forth out of °Heshbon, and a flame from the midst of Sihon, and shall °devour the °corner of Moab, and the crown of the head of the °tumultuous ones.

46 °Woe be unto thee, O °Moab! °the people of Chemosh °perisheth: for thy sons are taken °captives, and thy daughters °captives.

N (p. 1083) 47 Yet will I °bring again the captivity of Moab in °the latter days, °saith °the LORD."

M Thus far is the judgment of °Moab.

L² V¹ W u (p. 1086) 49 °Concerning the °Ammonites, thus saith °the LORD; "Hath Israel no sons? hath he no heir? why then doth their king inherit °Gad, and his people dwell in his cities?"

v 2 Therefore, °behold, the days come, °saith °the LORD, that I will cause an alarm of war to be heard in °Rabbah of the Ammonites; and it shall be a desolate °heap, and her °daughters shall be burned with fire: then shall Israel be heir unto them that were his heirs, °saith °the LORD.

X 3 Howl, O °Heshbon, for °Ai is spoiled: °cry, ye daughters of °Rabbah, gird you with sackcloth; lament, and run to and fro by the °hedges; for their king shall go into captivity, and his priests and his princes together.

W u 4 °Wherefore gloriest thou in the valleys, °thy flowing valley, O backsliding daughter? that °trusted in her treasures, °saying, °'Who shall come unto me?'

v 5 °Behold, I will bring a fear upon thee, °saith °the Lord GOD of hosts, from all those that be about thee; and ye shall be driven out °every man right forth; and none shall gather up him that wandereth.

V² 6 And afterward I will °bring again the captivity of the °children of °Ammon, °saith °the LORD."

D w 7 °Concerning °Edom, thus saith °the °LORD of hosts; "Is °wisdom no more in °Teman? is counsel perished from the prudent? °is their wisdom vanished?"

x 8 Flee ye, turn back, °dwell deep, O inhabitants of °Dedan; for I will bring the calamity of Esau upon him, the time that I will visit him.

9 If °grapegatherers come to thee, would they not leave some gleanings? if thieves by night, they will destroy till they have enough.

10 °But I have made Esau bare, I have uncovered his secret places, and he shall not be able to hide himself: his seed is spoiled, and his brethren, and his neighbours, and he is not.

25. 12-14; and Obadiah. the LORD of hosts. See note on 6. 6. Is...? is...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. wisdom... Teman? A grandson of Esau. See notes on p. 666. Teman. A town in Edom. Not yet identified. Cp. Job 2. 11. Amos 1. 12. Obad. 9. Hab. 3. 3. 8 dwell deep: i.e. in out of the way recesses. Dedan. Not identified. He was a grandson of Abraham (Gen. 25. 1-3). Cp. Isa. 21. 13. Ezek. 25. 13. A tribe descended from Abraham by Keturah (Gen. 25. 3). 9 grapegatherers. Cp. Obad. 5. 10 But. Supply the Ellipsis thus: But [not so I], for I have laid Esau bare, &c.

44 the fear... the pit... the pit... in the snare. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). Heb. *happahad... happahath... happahath... b'pah*. the year of their visitation. See note on 8. 12.

45 stood... because of the force=stood strengthless; or, halted.

a fire shall come forth out of Heshbon, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 21. 28). Ap. 92.

devour. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 24. 17). Ap. 92. corner: or, flank.

tumultuous ones=sons of tumult.

46 Woe, &c. Fig. *Maledictio*. Ap. 6.

the people of Chemosh. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 21. 29). perisheth. Same word as "undone" in Num. 21. 29. captives=in the captivity (masc.). captives. Fem.

47 bring again the captivity. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). Heb. *v'shabti 'eth-sh'buth*. the latter days=in the end, or afterpart of the days.

49. 1-6 (L², p. 1088). AMMON. (Division.)

L² V¹ | 1-5. The former state.
V² | 6. The latter state.

49. 1-5 (V¹, above). THE FORMER STATE. (Introversion and Alternation.)

V¹ | W | u | 1. Question. Incrimination.
v | 2. Answer. Threatening.
X | 3. Lamentation.
W | u | 4. Question. Incrimination.
v | 5. Answer. Threatening.

The FORTY-FIFTH Prophecy of Jeremiah (p. 1015).

1 Concerning, &c. Supply the Ellipsis, from 47. 1. Ammonites=sons of Ammon, north of Moab. When the tribes east of Jordan were carried away by Tiglath-pileser (2 Kings 15. 29), Ammon supplanted Gad. This is the sin dealt with here.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. Gad. The 1611 edition of the A.V. reads "God".

2 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6. saith the LORD=[is] Jehovah's oracle.

Rabbah. Now 'Ammān, on the highlands of Gilead. A large Roman city was built there four centuries later, called "Philadelphia". Its ruins yet remain.

heap=tel. daughters: i.e. villages, or smaller dependent towns.

3 Heshbon. Cp. 48. 2.

Ai. An Ammonite town, not yet identified. cry=cry sadly. hedges=fences.

4 Wherefore...? Who...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. thy flowing valley=thy valley flowing [with blood].

trusted=confided. Heb. *bāfah*. Ap. 69. i. saying. Some codices, with three early printed editions, read "she who is saying in her heart".

5 the Lord GOD of hosts. See note on 2. 19. every man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

6 bring again, &c. See note on 48. 47. children=sons. Not the same word as v. 11.

49. 7-22 (D, p. 1081). EDOM. (Extended Alternation.)

D | w | 7. The procuring cause. Wisdom.
x | 8-13. Desolation.
y | 14, 15. Instrumentality.
w | 16. The procuring cause. Pride.
x | 17, 18. Desolation.
y | 19-22. Instrumentality.

The FORTY-SIXTH Prophecy of Jeremiah (p. 1015).

7 Edom. From Esau. Judgment for his unbrotherly conduct to Israel. Cp. Ps. 137. 7. Isa. 63. 1. Ezek.

Is...? is...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Is...? is...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

8 dwell deep: i.e. in out of the way recesses. Dedan. Not identified. He was a grandson of Abraham (Gen. 25. 1-3). Cp. Isa. 21. 13. Ezek. 25. 13. A tribe descended from Abraham by Keturah (Gen. 25. 3).

9 grapegatherers. Cp. Obad. 5. 10 But. Supply the Ellipsis thus: But [not so I], for I have laid Esau bare, &c.

11 Leave thy fatherless ° children, I will preserve *them* alive; and let thy widows ° trust in Me."

12 For thus saith ¹ the LORD; ² "Behold, they whose judgment *was* not to drink of ° the cup have assuredly drunken; and *art* thou *he* *that* shall altogether go unpunished? thou shalt not go unpunished, but thou shalt surely drink of it.

13 For ° I have sworn by Myself, ² saith ¹ the LORD, that ° Bozrah shall become a desolation, a reproach, a waste, and a curse; and all the cities thereof shall be perpetual wastes."

y (p. 1086) 14 I have heard a rumour from ¹ the LORD, and an ambassador is sent unto the ° heathen, saying, "Gather ° ye together, and come against her, and rise up to the battle."

15 For, lo, I will make thee small among the ¹⁴ heathen, and despised among ° men.

" 16 Thy ° terribleness hath deceived thee, and the ° pride of thine heart, O thou that dwellest in the clefts of ° the rock, that holdest the height of the hill: though thou shouldst make thy ° nest as high as the ° eagle, I will bring thee down from thence, ² saith ¹ the LORD.

x 17 Also Edom shall be ° a desolation: every one that goeth by it shall be astonished, and shall hiss at all the plagues thereof.

18 As in ° the overthrow of Sodom and Gomorrah and the neighbour cities thereof, ² saith ¹ the LORD, no ° man shall abide there, neither shall a son of ¹⁵ man dwell in it.

y 19 ² Behold, ° he shall come up ° like a lion from the ° swelling of Jordan against the habitation of ° the strong: ° but I will suddenly make ° him run away ° from her: and who is ° a chosen man, *that* I may appoint ° over her? for ° who is like Me? and who will ° appoint Me the time? and who is that ° shepherd that will stand before Me?

20 Therefore hear the ° counsel of ¹ the LORD, that He hath ° taken against Edom; and His purposes, that He hath purposed against the inhabitants of ° Teman: Surely the least of the flock shall ° draw them out: surely He shall make their ° habitations desolate with them.

21 The earth is moved at the noise of their fall, at the ° cry ° the noise thereof was heard ° in the Red sea.

22 Behold, he shall come up and ° fly as the ¹⁶ eagle, and spread his wings over ¹¹ Bozrah: and at that day shall the heart of the ° mighty men of ° Edom be as the heart of a woman in her pangs."

p a (p. 1087) 23 ¹ Concerning ° Damascus. ° "Hamath is confounded, and ° Arpad: for they have heard ° evil tidings: they are fainthearted; *there is* ° sorrow on the sea; it cannot ° be quiet.

24 Damascus is waxed feeble, and turneth herself to flee, and fear hath seized on *her*: anguish and ° sorrows have taken her, as a woman in travail.

b 25 How is the city of praise ° not left, b the city of my joy!

a 26 Therefore her young men shall fall in her streets, and all the ° men of war shall be cut off in that day, ² saith ⁷ the LORD of hosts.

11 children—young children. Not the same word as in v. 6.

trust = confide. Heb. *bāṭaḥ*. Ap. 69. I.

12 the cup. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for its contents. See 25. 15.

13 I have sworn. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 22. 16). Ap. 92. Bozrah. Now *el Buseirah*, south-east of the Dead Sea. Not the Bozrah of 48. 24.

14 heathen = nations.

ye together = yourselves out [to war].

15 men. Heb. *ādām* (with Art.). Ap. 14. I.

16 terribleness = monstrous thing: i.e. an Edomite *Asherah*. Ap. 42. pride = insolence.

the rock. Probably *Sela*.

nest. Cp. Obad. 4.

eagle = vulture.

17 a desolation = an astonishment.

18 the overthrow, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 19. 25. Deut. 29. 23). Ap. 92. A word almost restricted to that event. man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II.

19 he. Nebuchadnezzar. See note on 48. 40.

like a lion. Fig. *Simile*. Ap. 6. Contrast 4. 7, where the assault is against Zion and the feelings are more deeply stirred.

swelling. Heb. *pride*. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the proud beasts in the undergrowth of its banks. See 12. 5; 50. 44. Cp. Job ch. 41.

the strong = a strong one.

but—for.

him: i.e. Edom.

from her: i.e. from Idumea.

a chosen man: i.e. Nebuchadnezzar.

over her = over the pasturage.

who is like Me? Cp. note on Ex. 15. 11.

appoint Me the time? i.e. who will summon or arraign Me? shepherd = ruler.

20 counsel. Referring to Teman's wisdom. Cp. v. 7. taken = counselled. Fig. *Polyptoton*. Ap. 6.

draw them out. As a dog drags away and tears a dead body. habitations: or, folds.

21 the noise thereof. Heb. = its sound. Some codices, with eight early printed editions and Aram., read "at their noise" (pl.). in = at.

22 fly as the eagle. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 49). Ap. 92. Cp. Jer. 48. 40.

mighty men. Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. IV.

49. 23-27 (D, p. 1081). DAMASCUS.

(Introversion.)

D a | 23, 24. Dismay.

b | 25-. City of praise.

b | -25. City of joy.

a | 26, 27. Destruction.

} Exclamation.

The FORTY-SEVENTH Prophecy of Jeremiah (p. 1015).

23 Damascus. The prophecy concerns Syria generally, of which Damascus was the principal city.

Hamath. Now *Hama*, in the valley of the Orontes, north of Damascus.

Arpad. Now *Tell Erfād*, thirteen miles north of Aleppo. Cp. 2 Kings 18. 34; 19. 13. Isa. 10. 9; 36. 19; 37. 13.

evil tidings - calamitous report. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

sorrow = anxiety, or trouble. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii. Not the same word as in v. 24.

be quiet = rest.

24 sorrows = pangs. Heb. *hēbel*, as in 13. 21.

25 not left = not restored, strengthened, or fortified. A *Homonym*. Here the meaning is as in Neh. 3. 8. See notes on Ex. 23. 5. Deut. 32. 36. 1 Kings 14. 10. 2 Kings 14. 26. Jer. 49. 25. Not its other meaning, to leave or forsake, as in Gen. 2. 24; 39. 6. Neh. 5. 10. Ps. 49. 10. Mal. 4. 1 (Heb. = ch. 3. 19).

26 men. Heb. pl. of *ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

27 Ben-hadad. Three kings of Damascus bore this official name. See 1 Kings 15. 18. 2 Kings 13. 3, 25.

27 And I will kindle a fire in the wall of ²³ Damascus, and it shall consume the palaces of ° Ben-hadad."

C Y c
(p. 1088)

28 ¹Concerning °Kedar, and concerning the kingdoms of °Hazor, which Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon shall smite, thus saith ¹the LORD; "Arise ye, go up to °Kedar, and spoil the °men of the east.

d 29 Their tents and their flocks shall they take away: they shall take to themselves their curtains, and all their vessels, and their camels; and they shall cry unto them, °Fear is on every side."

Z 30 Flee, get you far off, ⁸dwell deep, O ye inhabitants of Hazor, ²saith ¹the LORD;

Z for Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon hath ²⁰taken ²⁰counsel against you, and hath °conceived a purpose against you.

Y c 31 Arise, get you up unto the wealthy nation, that dwelleth without care, ²saith ¹the LORD, "which have neither gates nor bars, °which dwell alone.

d 32 And their camels shall be a booty, and the multitude of their cattle a spoil: and I will scatter into °all °winds them that are °in the utmost corners; and I will bring their calamity from all sides thereof, ²saith ¹the LORD.

33 And ²⁸Hazor shall be a dwelling for °dragons, and a desolation for ever: there shall no ¹⁸man abide there, nor any son of ¹⁵man dwell in it."

B A¹ e 487 34 The word of ¹the LORD that came to Jeremiah the prophet against °Elam in the beginning of the reign of Zedekiah king of Judah, saying,

35 "Thus saith ⁷the LORD of hosts; 'Behold, I will break the bow of Elam, the chief of their might.

f 36 And upon Elam will I bring the °four ³²winds from the °four quarters of heaven, and will scatter them toward all those ³²winds; and there shall be no nation whither the outcasts of ³⁴Elam shall not come.

c 37 For I will cause ³⁴Elam to be dismayed before their enemies, and before them that seek their °life: and I will bring ²³evil upon them, even My fierce anger, ²saith ¹the LORD; and I will send the sword after them, till I have consumed them:

f 38 And I will set My throne in Elam, and will destroy from thence the king and the princes, ²saith ¹the LORD.

A² 39 But it shall come to pass in °the latter days, that I will °bring again the captivity of ³⁴Elam, ²saith ¹the LORD."

A B 50 The word that °the LORD spake against Babylon °and against the land of the Chaldeans °by Jeremiah the prophet.

C¹ D¹ 2 "Declare ye among the nations, and °publish, and °set up a standard; °publish, and °conceal not: say, °Babylon is taken, °Bel is confounded, °Merodach is broken in pieces; her idols are confounded, her °images are broken in pieces.

Bel. Contracted from the Aramaic form of Ba'al, the national god of Babylon. See Isa. 46. 1. Merodach. Another name for Bel (= Bael), Babylon's god. images=manufactured gods. Cp. Lev. 26. 30.

49. 28-33 (C, p. 1081). KEDAR AND HAZOR. (Introversion and Alternation.)

C Y c | c | 28. Command. Invasion.
d | 29. Property. Tents, &c.
Z | 30-. Advice.
Z | -30. Reason.
Y c | c | 31. Command. Invasion.
d | 32, 33. Property. Camels, &c.

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28 Kedar. Name of the Bedouin dwelling in tents (2. 10), east of Palestine.

Hazor. Near the Euphrates and the Persian Gulf. men=sons.

29 Fear is on every side. Heb. māgōr miššabīb. Cp. 6. 25; 20. 3, 10; 46. 5. Lam. 2. 22.

30 conceived a purpose=devised a device. Fig. Polyptōton. Ap. 6.

31 which dwell alone. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 23. 9. Deut. 33. 28). Ap. 92.

32 all winds=all quarters. winds. Heb. rāach. Ap. 9. in the utmost corners=have the corners of their hair or beards polled. Cp. 9. 26.

33 dragons=jackals.

49. 34-39 (B, p. 1081). ELAM. (Division.)

B | A¹ | 34-38. The former state.
| A² | 39. The latter state.

49. 34-38 (A¹, above). THE FORMER STATE. (Alternation.)

A¹ | e | 34, 35. Debilitation.
f | 36. Dispersion.
e | 37. Dismay.
f | 38. Destruction.

The FORTY-NINTH Prophecy of Jeremiah (p. 1015).

34 Elam. The country east of the Tigris. Cp. Dan. 8. 1, 2. Its subjugation by Nebuchadnezzar (25. 25). Cp. Hab. 2. 8.

36 four. The number connected with the earth (Ap. 10). 37 life=soul. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13.

39 the latter days. The end or afterpart of the days. bring again, &c. See note on 48. 47. Cp. Deut. 30. 3.

50. 1-51. 64- (A, p. 1081). BABYLON. (Introversion and Alternations.)

A B | 50. 1. The word of Jehovah to Jeremiah. Declaration.

C¹ | D¹ | 50. 2, 3. Babylon.

E¹ | 50. 4-7. Israel and Judah.

C² | D² | 50. 8-16. Babylon.

E² | 50. 17-20. Israel.

C³ | D³ | 50. 21-32. Babylon.

E³ | 50. 33, 34. Israel and Judah.

C⁴ | D⁴ | 50. 35-51. 4. Babylon.

E⁴ | 51. 5. Israel and Judah.

C⁵ | D⁵ | 51. 6-18. Babylon.

E⁵ | 51. 19. Judah. (Portion.)

C⁶ | D⁶ | 51. 20-33. Babylon.

E⁶ | 51. 34-58. Zion and Jerusalem.

B | 51. 59-64-. The Word of Jeremiah to Seraiah. Ratification.

The FIFTIETH Prophecy of Jeremiah (p. 1015).

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. and. Some codices, with three early printed editions, Aram., Syr., and Vulg., read this "and" in the text. by. Heb. idiom=by the hand of; "hand" being put by Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the instrumentality or agency, especially in the inspiration of the written words. See note on Zech. 7. 12.

2 publish... conceal not. Not now using symbols as in 25. 15. Cp. 4. 5, 6; 46. 14. set up=lift up.

Babylon is taken. Cp. Rev. 14. 8; 18. 6, 10, 21: showing that this prophecy is still future.

images=manufactured gods. Cp. Lev. 26. 30.

496 ? 3 For out of °the north there cometh up a nation against her, which shall make her land desolate, and °none shall dwell therein: they shall remove, they shall depart, both °man and beast.'

C¹ E¹ g (p. 1089) 4 °In those days, and in that time, °saith °the LORD, the °children of Israel shall come, they and the °children of Judah °together, °going and °weeping: they shall go, and seek °the LORD their °God.

h 5 They shall ask the way to Zion with their faces °thitherward, saying, 'Come, and let us join ourselves to °the LORD in a °perpetual covenant *that* shall not be forgotten.'

i 6 My People hath been °lost sheep: their °shepherds have caused them to go astray, °they have turned them away on the mountains: they have gone from mountain to hill, they have forgotten their restingplace.

7 All that found them have devoured them: and their adversaries said, °'We °offend not, because they have °sinned against °the LORD, the °Habitation of °justice, even °the LORD, °the Hope of their fathers.'

D² F 8 Remove out of the midst of Babylon, and °go forth out of the land of the Chaldeans, and be as the he goats before the flocks.

G j 9 For, lo, I will raise and cause to come up against Babylon an °assembly of °great nations from °the north country: and they shall set themselves in array against her; from thence she shall be taken: their arrows *shall* be as of a °mighty °expert man; none shall return in vain.

10 And Chaldea shall be a spoil: all that spoil her °shall be satisfied, °saith °the LORD.

k 11 Because ye were glad, because ye rejoiced, O °ye destroyers of Mine heritage, because ye are grown fat as the heifer at grass, and bellow as bulls;

12 Your mother shall be sore confounded; she that bare you shall be ashamed: °behold, °the hindermost of the nations *shall* be a wilderness, a dry land, and a desert.

13 Because of the wrath of °the LORD it shall °not be inhabited, but it shall be wholly desolate: every one that goeth by Babylon shall be astonished, and hiss at all her plagues.

G j 14 Put yourselves in array against Babylon round about: all ye that bend the bow, shoot at her, spare no arrows: for she hath °sinned against °the LORD.

15 Shout against her round about: she hath °given her hand: her foundations are fallen, her walls are thrown down:

k for it is the vengeance of °the LORD: take vengeance upon her; °as she hath done, do unto her.

F 16 Cut off the sower from Babylon, and him that handleth the sickle in the time of harvest: for fear of the oppressing sword they shall turn °every one to his people, and they shall flee °every one to his own land.

C² E² i 17 °Israel is a scattered sheep; the lions have driven *him* away: first the king of Assyria hath devoured him; and °last this Nebu-

3 the north. Referring to Medo-Persia, which was on the north-west of Chaldea. But a future enemy is foretold.

none shall dwell therein. Showing that the fulfilment is still future.

man. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.

50. 4-7 (E¹, p. 1088), 17-20 (E², p. 1088). ISRAEL AND JUDAH. (*Introversion.*)

C¹ E¹ g | 4. Repentance.

h | 5. Return.

i | 6, 7. Sheep. Lost.

D² | 8-16. Babylon. [See below.]

C² E² | i | 17, 18. Sheep. Scattered.

h | 19. Restoration.

g | 20. Pardon.

4 In those days. This prophecy awaits its fulfilment. The conquest by Medo-Persia did not exhaust it.

saith the LORD=[is] Jehovah's oracle.

children=sons.

together. Another proof that this prophecy refers to the future. Never yet fulfilled.

going and weeping. Heb.=weeping as they travel, so shall they journey on.

weeping. For their past sins. Cp. 31. 9, 18. Joel 2.

12. Zech. 12. 10-14. Rev. 1. 7.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah (with 'eth). Ap. 4. II.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

5 thitherward. Heb.=hitherward. Jeremiah was therefore not in Babylon, but in Egypt.

perpetual. Another evidence that this prophecy refers to the future covenant. Cp. 3. 18-4. 2; 11. 1-6; 31. 31.

6 lost sheep. Cp. Matt. 10. 6; 15. 24.

shepherds: i.e. rulers.

they have turned them away on the mountains = on the mountains they seduced them: i.e. by the idolatrous worship practised there.

7 We offend not, &c. Cp. vv. 15, 23, 29; 2. 3; 25. 14, 15;

51. 11, 24, 56. Isa. 10. 5-7, 12, &c.; 54. 15-17. Zech. 1. 14-16.

offend. Heb. 'āshām. Ap. 44. ii.

sinned. Heb. chātā. Ap. 44. i.

Habitation=pasturage. Cp. 31. 23.

justice=righteousness. In ch. 31. 23 this is applied to Jerusalem. Here Jehovah Himself is the pasturage in which His People find rest.

the Hope of their fathers. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, by which "hope" is put for the God in Whom their fathers hoped. Cp. 1 Tim. 1. 1.

50. 8-16 (D², p. 1088). BABYLON.

(*Introversion and Alternation.*)

D² F | 8. Removal.

G | j | 9, 10. Invasion.

k | 11-13. Cause.

G | j | 14, 15-. Invasion.

k | -15. Cause.

F | 16. Flight.

8 go forth. Heb. text reads "they will go forth"; but margin, with some codices and two early printed editions, reads "go ye forth". Cp. 51. 4, 6. Rev. 18. 4.

9 assembly=a gathered host, or convocation.

great nations. Cp. Isa. 13. 3, 4.

mighty... man. Heb. gibbōr. Ap. 14. IV.

expert=successful. Cp. 10. 21; 23. 6.

10 shall be satisfied. Cp. 49. 9.

11 destroyers=spoilers, or plunderers.

12 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

the hindermost=the last. Cp. v. 17; 25. 26.

13 not be inhabited. Not yet fulfilled. Cp. 1 Pet. 5. 13.

15 given her hand. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for what is done by it. Here the token of submission. Cp. Lam. 5. 6. Ezek. 17. 18.

as=according as. Cp. Rev. 18. 6, 7.

16 every one. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

17 Israel. Now a united nation. See note on v. 4. last. See note on "hindermost", v. 12.

496? chadrezzar king of Babylon hath broken his bones."

18 Therefore thus saith °the ¹ LORD of hosts, the °God of Israel; ¹² "Behold, I will punish the king of Babylon and his land, as I have punished the king of Assyria.

^h (p. 1089) 19 And I will bring Israel again to his habitation, and he shall feed on Carmel and Bashan, and his °soul shall be satisfied upon °mount Ephraim and Gilead.

^g 20 "In those days, and in that time, °saith ¹ the LORD, the °iniquity of ¹⁷ Israel shall be sought for, and *there shall be none*; and the °sins of Judah, and they shall not be found: for I will pardon them whom I reserve.

^{D^s 1} (p. 1090) 21 Go up against the land of °Merathaim, even against it, and against the inhabitants of °Pekod: waste and utterly °destroy after them, °saith ¹ the LORD, and do according to all that I have commanded thee.

22 A sound of battle is in the land, and of great °destruction.

23 How is the hammer of the whole earth cut asunder and broken! how is Babylon become a desolation among the nations!

24 I have laid a snare for thee, and thou art also taken, O Babylon, and thou wast not aware: thou art found, and also caught, because thou hast striven against ¹ the LORD.

25 ¹ The LORD hath opened °His armoury, and hath brought forth the weapons of His indignation: for *this is the work of °the Lord GOD of hosts in the land of the Chaldeans.*

26 Come against her °from the utmost border, open her storehouses: cast her up as heaps, and ²¹ destroy her utterly: let nothing of her be left.

27 Slay all her bullocks; let them go down to the slaughter: woe unto them!

^m for their day is come, the time of their °visitation.

^l 28 The voice of them that flee and escape out of the land of Babylon, to declare in Zion the vengeance of ¹ the LORD our °God, the °vengeance of His temple.

29 Call together the archers against Babylon: all ye that bend the bow, camp against it round about; let none thereof escape: °recompense her according to her work; °according to all that she hath done, do unto her: for she hath been proud against ¹ the LORD, against °the Holy One of Israel.

30 Therefore shall her young men fall in the streets, and all her °men of war shall be cut off in that day, °saith ¹ the LORD.

^m 31 ¹² Behold, I *am* against thee, O *thou* most proud, °saith ²⁵ the Lord GOD of hosts: for thy day is come, the time *that* I will visit thee.

32 And the most proud shall stumble and fall, and none shall raise him up: and I will kindle a fire in his cities, and it shall devour all round about him."

^{E³} (p. 1088) 33 Thus saith °the ¹ LORD of hosts; "The °children of Israel and the °children of Judah were oppressed °together: and all that took them captives held them fast; they refused to let them go.

18 the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel. See note on 7. 3.

19 soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

mount=the hill country of.

20 iniquity. Heb. *āwāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

50. 21-32 (D^s, p. 1088). BABYLON. (Alternation.)

D³ | 1 | 21-27-. Invasion.

m | -27. Day of visitation.

l | 28-30. Invasion.

m | 31, 32. Day of visitation.

21 Merathaim=double rebellion. So called, here, because the empire was founded in a double rebellion. See Prideaux, *Connection*, vol. i, p. 1. A symbolic name for Babylon, as Pekod is also (below) and Sheshach (25. 26; 51. 41).

Pekod=Visitation: i. e. in judgment.

destroy=devote to extermination. Heb. *kāram*. The same word as v. 26; not the same as vv. 11, 22.

22 destruction=smash; or, breaking down. Heb. *shābar*. Not the same word as in vv. 11, 21, 26.

25 His armoury. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. the Lord GOD of hosts. Heb. Adonai Jehovah of hosts. See note on 2. 19.

26 from the utmost border=from the farthest parts, or every quarter.

27 visitation. See note on "Pekod", v. 21.

28 vengeance=avenging. So 51. 11. Cp. Dan. 5. 3.

29 recompense her. See Rev. 18. 6.

according to. See note on "as", v. 15. Cp. Rev. 18. 6. the Holy One of Israel. See note on Ps. 71. 22.

30 men. Heb. pl. of *enōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

33 the LORD of hosts. See note on 6. 6. 1 Sam. 1. 3.

34 Redeemer=Kinsman-Redeemer. Heb. *gā'al*. See notes on Isa. 60. 16, and Ex. 6. 6.

strong=strong (to hold fast). Heb. *hāzak*. Not the same word as in v. 44.

50. 35-51. 4 (D⁴, p. 1088). BABYLON. (Introversion.)

D⁴ | n | 50. 35-38. Sword and drought.

o | 50. 39, 40. Depopulation.

p | 50. 41-43. Invasion. Behold.

p | 50. 44. Invasion. Behold.

o | 50. 45, 46. Desolation.

n | 51. 1-4. Wind and winnowers.

35 A sword. Note the Fig. *Anaphora* (Ap. 6) in five successive sentences.

36 liars=praters.

dote=be shown to be foolish.

37 the mingled people=the rabble.

38 idols=horrors.

34 Their °Redeemer *is* °strong; ³³ the ¹ LORD of hosts *is* His name: He shall thoroughly plead their cause, that He may give rest to the land, and disquiet the inhabitants of Babylon.

35 °A sword *is* upon the Chaldeans, °saith ¹ the LORD, and upon the inhabitants of Babylon, and upon her princes, and upon her wise men.

36 °A sword *is* upon the °liars; and they shall °dote: ³⁵ a sword *is* upon her °mighty men; and they shall be dismayed.

37 ³⁵ A sword *is* upon their horses, and upon their chariots, and upon all °the mingled people that *are* in the midst of her; and they shall become as women: ³⁵ a sword *is* upon her treasures; and they shall be robbed.

38 A drought *is* upon her waters; and they shall be dried up: for *it is* the land of graven images, and they are mad upon *their* °idols.

39 Therefore the wild beasts of the desert °

D⁴ n
(p. 1090)

496 ? with the wild beasts of the islands shall dwell *there*, and the owls shall dwell therein: and it shall be °no more inhabited for ever; neither shall it be dwelt in from generation to generation.

40 As °God °overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah and the neighbour *cities* thereof, °saith °the LORD; so shall no °man abide there, neither shall any son of °man dwell therein.

p (p. 1090) 41 °Behold, a people shall come from the north, and °a great nation, and many kings shall be raised up from the °coasts of the earth.

42 They shall hold the bow and the lance: they *are* cruel, and will not shew mercy: their voice shall roar like the sea, and they shall ride upon horses, *every one* put in array, like a °man to the battle, against thee, O daughter of Babylon.

43 The king of Babylon hath heard the report of them, and °his hands waxed feeble: anguish took hold of him, and pangs as of a woman in travail.

p 44 Behold, he shall come up °like a lion from the swelling of Jordan unto the habitation of the strong: but I will make them suddenly run away from her: and who *is* a chosen *man*, that I may appoint over her? for who *is* like Me? and who will appoint Me the time? and who *is* that shepherd that will stand before Me?

o 45 Therefore hear ye the counsel of °the LORD, that He hath °taken against Babylon; and His purposes, that He hath purposed against the °land of the Chaldeans: Surely the least of the flock shall draw them out: surely He shall make *their* habitation desolate with them.

46 At the noise of the taking of Babylon the earth is moved, and the cry is heard among the nations."

n 51 Thus saith °the LORD; °"Behold, I will raise up against Babylon, and against them that dwell in the midst of them that rise up against °Me, a °destroying °wind;

2 And will send unto Babylon °fanners, that shall °fan her, and shall empty her land: for in the day of trouble they shall be against her round about.

3 °Against *him* that bendeth let the archer bend his bow, and against *him* that lifteth himself up in his °brigandine: and spare ye not her young men; °destroy ye utterly all her host.

4 Thus the slain shall fall in the land of the Chaldeans, and *they that are* thrust through in her streets.

E4 (p. 1088) 5 For °Israel hath not been forsaken, nor °Judah of his °God, of °the °LORD of Hosts; though their land was filled with °sin against °the Holy One of Israel.

D5 H (p. 1091) 6 Flee out of the midst of Babylon, and deliver °every man his °soul: be not cut off in her °iniquity; for *this is* the time of °the LORD'S vengeance; °he will render unto her a recompence.

J q 7 Babylon hath been a golden cup in °the LORD'S hand, that °made all the earth drunken: the nations have drunken of her °wine; therefore the nations are mad.

39 no more inhabited, &c. Therefore the fulfilment is still future.

40 overthrew, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 19. 25). Ap. 92. Cp. 49. 18. man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

41 a great nation: i.e. Medo-Persia. coasts=sides: i.e. remote parts.

43 his hands, &c. See fulfilment in Dan. 5. 6.

44 like a lion, &c. See note on 49. 19 for this verse and v. 45, there spoken of Edom.

45 taken=counselled.

land. Some codices, with three early printed editions and Aram., read "inhabitants of the land".

51. 1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. Behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

Me. A Massoretic note (Ap. 30) says that this is a cryptogram (Heb. "Casdim"), meaning "the Chaldees". See note on v. 41; 25. 26.

destroying=laying waste. Heb. shahath. The same word as in vv. 11, 20, 25. Not the same as in vv. 3, 8, 54, 55. wind. Heb. ruach. Ap. 9.

2 fanners . . . fan=winnowers . . . winnow. Fig. Polyphton. Ap. 6.

3 Against him that bendeth, &c. The Massorah (Ap. 30), instead of cancelling the repeated word "against . . . and against" (el), directs the substitution of 'al, "not . . . and not". The verse will then read, "Let not the archer bend his bow, nor let him lift himself up in his coat of mail" (i.e. in defence of Babylon). This is so read in two early printed editions, Chald., Syr., Vulg., and R.V.

brigandine=coat of mail.

destroy=break down. Heb. haram. Same word as v. 54. Not the same as vv. 1, 8, 11, 20, 25, 25, 54, 55.

5 Israel . . . Judah. Now one People again. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

the LORD of Hosts. See note on 6. 6, and 1 Sam. 1. 3. sin. Heb. chatu. Ap. 44. i.

the Holy One of Israel. See note on Ps. 71. 22.

51. 6-18 (D5, p. 1088). BABYLON. (Alternation and Introversion.)

D5 H | 6. Injunction to flee from her.

J | q | 7. Idolatry. (Symbolic.)

r | 8, 9-. Fall.

H | -9, 10. Injunction to forsake her.

J | r | 11-16. Fall.

q | 17, 18. Idolatry. (Literal.)

6 every man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

soul. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13.

iniquity. Heb. 'avah. Ap. 44. iv. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the judgment brought down by it. Cp. Rev. 18. 4.

7 made all the earth drunken. Cp. Rev. 17. 4. wine. Heb. yayin. Ap. 27. I.

8 is suddenly, &c. This must refer to a future fulfilment, for the present condition came gradually. See Isa. 21. 9; 47. 9, 11. Cp. Rev. 14. 8; 18. 8, 10, 17, 19.

destroyed=broken down. Heb. shabar. Not the same as in vv. 1, 3, 11, 20, 25, 25, 55.

take balm=fetch balsam. Cp. 8. 22; 46. 11.

9 We. Note this remarkable pronoun.

every one. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

is lifted up=mounteth.

8 Babylon °is suddenly fallen and °destroyed: r howl for her; °take balm for her pain, if so be she may be healed.

9 °We would have healed Babylon, but she is not healed: forsake her, and let us go °every one into his own country:

for her judgment reacheth unto heaven, and °is lifted up even to the skies. H

10 °The LORD hath brought forth our righteousness: come, and let us declare in Zion the work of °the LORD our °God.

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11 Make bright the arrows; gather the shields: ¹the LORD hath raised up the ^ospirit of the kings of ^othe Medes: for His device is against Babylon, to ¹destroy it; because it is the ^ovengeance of ¹the LORD, the ^ovengeance of His temple.

12 Set up the standard upon the walls of Babylon, ^omake the watch strong, set up the ^owatchmen, prepare the ambushes: for ¹the LORD hath both devised and done that which He spake against the inhabitants of Babylon.

13 O thou that dwellest ^oupon many waters, abundant in treasures, thine end is come, and the measure of thy ^ocovetousness.

14 ⁵The ¹LORD of hosts hath sworn ^oby Himself, saying, "Surely I will fill thee with men, as with ^ocaterpillars; and ^othey shall lift up a shout against thee."

15 He hath ^omade the earth by His power, He hath established the world by His wisdom, and hath stretched out the heaven by His understanding.

16 When He uttereth his voice, there is a ^omultitude of waters in the heavens; and He causeth the vapours to ascend from the ends of the earth: He maketh ^olightnings with rain, and bringeth forth the ¹wind out of His treasures.

q 17 Every man ^ois brutish by his knowledge; every founder is ^oconfounded by the graven image: for his molten image is falsehood, and there is no ^obreath in them.

18 They are vanity, the work of errors: in ^othe time of their visitation they shall perish.

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19 ^oThe Portion of Jacob is not like them; for ⁵He is the ^oFormer of all things: and ^oIsrael is the rod of his inheritance: ⁵the ¹LORD of hosts is His name.

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(p. 1092)

20 "Thou art ^oMy battle axe and weapons of war: for ^owith thee will I break in pieces the nations, and ^owith thee will I destroy kingdoms;

21 And ²⁰with thee will I break in pieces the horse and his rider; and ²⁰with thee will I break in pieces the chariot and his rider;

22 ²⁰With thee also will I break in pieces ^oman and woman; and ²⁰with thee will I break in pieces old and young; and ²⁰with thee will I break in pieces the young man and the maid;

23 I will also break in pieces ²⁰with thee the shepherd and his flock; and ²⁰with thee will I break in pieces the husbandman and his yoke of oxen; and ²⁰with thee will I break in pieces captains and rulers.

24 And I will render unto Babylon and to all the inhabitants of Chaldea all their ^oevil that they have done in Zion in your sight, ^osaith ¹the LORD.

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25 ¹Behold, I am against thee, O ¹destroying mountain, ²⁴saith ¹the LORD, which ¹destroyest all the earth: and I will stretch out Mine hand upon thee, and roll thee down from the rocks, and will make thee a burnt mountain.

26 And they shall ^onot take of thee a stone for a corner, nor a stone for foundations; but thou shalt be desolate ^ofor ever, ²⁴saith ¹the LORD."

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27 Set ye up a standard in the land, blow the

11 spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

the Medes. In the person of Cyrus and others (Ap. 57). Here the then immediate calamity is referred to.

vengeance = avengement.

12 make the watch, &c. Cp. Isa. 21. 5, 6.

watchmen. The 1611 edition of the A.V. reads "watchman".

13 upon many waters. Cp. v. 42, and 50. 38; also Rev. 17. 1, 15.

covetousness = dishonest or unrighteous gain.

14 by Himself = by His soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

caterpillars locusts. Cp. Joel 2. 2. Nah. 3. 15.

they: i.e. the assailants.

15 made the earth, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 1). Ap. 92. Cp. 10. 12, &c. vv. 15-19 are repeated from 10. 12-14.

16 multitude = noise.

lightnings, &c. Cp. 10. 13.

17 is brutish by, &c. = is become too brutish to know. confounded - put to shame.

breath. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

18 the time of their visitation. See note on 8. 12.

19 The Portion of Jacob, &c. Note the *Alternation* in v. 19:—

| Not such as these is Jacob's Portion: (Deut. 32. 9. Ps. 16. 6).

| For [the] Former of all things is He:

| And the Sceptre of his (Israel's) inheritance:

| The Lord of hosts is His Name (Deut. 10. 9).

51. 20-33 (D⁶, p. 1088). BABYLON.

(Repeated Alternation.)

D⁶ s¹ | 20-24. Invasion. Battle-axe.

t¹ | 25, 26. Desolation.

s² | 27-29-. Invasion. Standard.

t² | -29. Desolation.

s³ | 30-32. Invasion. Unassisted.

t³ | 33. Desolation.

20 My battle axe: or, My hammer, i.e. Cyrus. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

with thee will I break in pieces - with thee will I beat down. Note the Fig. *Anaphora* (Ap. 6), by which ten successive sentences commence with these words. This is for special emphasis.

22 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

24 evil. Heb. *rā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii.

saith the LORD - [is] Jehovah's oracle.

26 not take of thee . . . for ever. This again must refer to a future fulfilment. The two destructions are intertwined. Cp. v. 62.

for ever. See Ap. 151.

27 prepare = set apart, or sanctify.

Minni. Frequently mentioned in the inscriptions, the Assyrians having been compelled to quell revolts there.

captain = muster-master or marshal, like the Assyrian *dupsarru*, or tablet-writer. Heb. *ṭiphsar*. Occurs only here and Nah. 3. 17.

the horses. The 1611 edition of the A.V. reads "her horses".

28 the Some codices, with three early printed editions, read "and the".

29 without an inhabitant. This must be yet future.

trumpet among the nations, ^oprepare the nations against her, call together against her the kingdoms of Ararat, ^oMinni, and Ashchenaz; appoint a ^ocaptain against her; cause ^othe horses to come up as the rough ¹⁴caterpillars.

28 Prepare against her the nations with the kings of ¹¹the Medes, ^othe captains thereof, and all the rulers thereof, and all the land of his dominion.

29 And the land shall tremble and sorrow: for every purpose of ¹the LORD shall be performed against Babylon,

to make the land of Babylon a desolation ^owithout an inhabitant. t²

^s 30 ° The mighty men of Babylon have forborn to fight, they have remained in *their* holds: their might hath failed; they became as women: they have burned ° her dwellingplaces; her bars are broken.

31 One ° post shall run to meet another, and one messenger to meet another, to shew the king of Babylon that his city is taken ° at one end,

32 And that the ° passages are ° stopped, and the reeds they have burned with fire, and the ° men of war are affrighted.

^t 33 For thus saith ° the ° LORD of hosts, the ° God of Israel; "The daughter of Babylon is like a threshingfloor, *it is* time to thresh her: yet a little while, and the time of her harvest shall come."

^E K 34 "Nebuchadrezzar the king of Babylon hath devoured me, he hath crushed ° me, he hath made me an empty vessel, he hath swallowed me up like a dragon, he hath filled his belly with my delicates, he hath cast me out.

35 The violence done to ° me and to my flesh be upon Babylon," shall the ° inhabitant of Zion say; "and my blood ° upon the inhabitants of Chaldea," shall Jerusalem say.

^L 36 Therefore thus saith ° the LORD; "Behold, I will plead thy cause, and take vengeance for thee; and I will ° dry up her ° sea, and make her springs dry.

37 And Babylon shall become heaps, a dwellingplace for ° dragons, an astonishment, and an hissing, ° without an inhabitant.

38 They shall roar together like lions: they shall ° yell as lions' whelps.

^M 39 In their heat I will make their ° feasts, and I will make them drunken, that they may rejoice, and sleep a perpetual sleep, and not wake, ° saith ° the LORD.

^N 40 I will bring them down like lambs to the slaughter, like rams with he goats.

41 How is ° Sheshach taken! and how is the praise of the whole earth surprised! how is Babylon become an astonishment among the nations!

42 The sea is come up upon Babylon: she is covered with the multitude of the waves thereof.

43 Her cities are a desolation, a dry land, and a wilderness, a land wherein ° no ° man dwelleth, neither doth *any* son of ° man pass thereby.

^K 44 And I will punish ° Bel in Babylon, and I will bring forth out of his mouth that which he hath swallowed up: and the nations shall not flow together any more unto him: yea, ° the wall of Babylon shall fall.

^L u 45 My People, go ye out of the midst of her, and deliver ye ° every man his ° soul from the fierce anger of ° the LORD.

46 And lest your heart faint, and ye fear for the rumour that shall be heard in the land; a rumour shall both come one year, and after that in *another* year shall come a rumour, and violence in the land, ruler against ruler.

^v 47 Therefore, ° behold, the days come, that I will ° do judgment upon the graven images

30 The mighty men. Heb. pl. of *gibbôr*. Ap. 14. IV. her. The 1611 edition of the A. V. reads "their".

31 post = runner.

at one end. Supply the *Ellipsis* by the word "each", instead of "one" = "at [each] end". This will accord with the history; for Herodotus says the Babylonians retired to the city, and "remained in their holds", Cyrus, having turned the waters of the Euphrates, entered the city, by the bed of the river, *at each end* (see Herod. 1. § 191). Cp. Dan. 5. 3, 4, 23, 30. The R. V., "on every quarter", quite misses the point. This passage, therefore, belongs to the past fulfilment; while others still await a future fulfilment.

32 passages = fords. stopped = seized. men. Heb. pl. of *ênôsh*. Ap. 14. III.

33 the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel. See note on 7. s.

51. 34-58 (^E p. 1088). ZION AND JERUSALEM. (*Extended Alternation.*)

^E K | 34, 35. Babylon. Zion's incrimination of.

L | 36-38. Zion. Jehovah's advocacy of.

M | 39. Babylon made drunk.

N | 40-43. Inundation.

K | 44. Babylon. Jehovah's judgment of.

L | 45-56. Zion. Jehovah's avengement of.

M | 57. Babylon made drunk.

N | 58. Conflagration.

34 me. Here, and in v. 35, the Heb. text reads "us"; but the margin, and some codices, with two early printed editions, read "me", which is followed by the A. V.

35 inhabitant = inhabitress.

upon. Heb. text reads "against", but a special various reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 34) has "upon", with some codices, one early printed edition, Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., which are followed by A. V.

36 dry up. Referring to the act of Cyrus (by Gobryas). Cp. v. 31, above.

sea = the river Euphrates. So called from its breadth.

37 dragons = jackals.

without an inhabitant. This carries us on to the future again. Cp. 1 Pet. 5. 13.

38 yell: or, shake themselves.

39 feasts = banquets.

41 Sheshach. See note on 25. 26.

43 no man dwelleth. Still future.

man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

44 the wall of Babylon. Now recently laid bare by excavations.

51. 45-56 (^L above). ZION. JEHOVAH'S AVENGEMENT OF. (*Alternation.*)

^L u | 45, 46. Command to go forth from Babylon.

v | 47-49. Judgments on images.

u | 50, 51. Command to go forth from Babylon.

v | 52-56. Judgments on images.

45 soul. Heb. *nephes*. Ap. 13.

47 do judgment upon = visit upon.

48 the heaven . . . shall sing. Fig. *Pæanismos* and *Prosopopæia* (Ap. 6).

all that is therein. Cp. Rev. 19. 1-3.

49 all the earth. Cp. Isa. 14. 16, 17.

of Babylon: and her whole land shall be confounded, and all her slain shall fall in the midst of her.

48 Then ° the heaven and the earth, and ° all that is therein, ° shall sing for Babylon: for the spoilers shall come unto her from the north," ° saith ° the LORD.

49 As Babylon hath caused the slain of Israel to fall, so at Babylon shall fall the slain of ° all the earth.

50 Ye that have escaped the sword, go away, u

496 ? stand not still : remember ° the LORD afar off, and let Jerusalem come into your mind."

51 We are confounded, because we have heard reproach: shame hath covered our faces: for strangers are come into the sanctuaries of ° the LORD'S house.

v (p. 1093) 52 "Wherefore, ° behold, the days come, ° saith ° the LORD, that I will ° do judgment upon her graven images: and through all her land the wounded shall groan.

53 Though Babylon should ° mount up to heaven, and though she should fortify the height of her strength, yet from Me shall spoilers come unto her, ° saith ° the LORD."

54 A sound of a cry cometh from Babylon, and great ° destruction from the land of the Chaldeans:

55 Because ° the LORD hath spoiled Babylon, and ° destroyed out of her the great voice; when her waves do roar like great waters, a noise of their voice is uttered:

56 Because the spoiler is come upon her, even upon Babylon, and her ° mighty men are taken, every one of their bows is broken: for ° the LORD ° GOD of recompences shall surely requite.

M 57 "And I will make drunk her princes, and her wise men, her captains, and her rulers, and her ° mighty men: and they shall sleep a perpetual sleep, and not wake, ° saith the King, Whose name is ° the ° LORD of hosts.

N 58 Thus saith ° the ° LORD of hosts; "The broad ° walls of Babylon shall be utterly broken, and her high gates shall be burned with fire; and the ° people shall labour in vain, and the folk in the fire, and they shall ° be weary."

B w (p. 1094) 484 59 The word which Jeremiah the prophet commanded ° Seraiah the son of Neriah, the son of Maaseiah, ° when he went with Zedekiah the king of Judah into Babylon in the fourth year of his reign. And this Seraiah was a ° quiet prince.

60 So Jeremiah ° wrote in a book all the ° evil that should come upon Babylon, even all these words that are written against Babylon.

x 61 And Jeremiah said to ° Seraiah, "When thou comest to Babylon, ° and shalt see and shalt read all these words;

y 62 Then shalt thou say, 'O ° LORD, Thou hast spoken against this place, to cut it off, that none shall remain in it, neither man nor beast, but that it shall be ° desolate ° for ever.'

x 63 And it shall be, when thou hast made an end of reading this book,

w that thou shalt bind a stone to it, and cast it into the midst of Euphrates:

64 And thou shalt say, 'Thus shall Babylon sink, and shall not rise from the ° evil that ° will bring upon her: and they shall be weary.'

B Thus far are the words of Jeremiah.

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A O (p. 1094) 488-477 52 ° Zedekiah was one and twenty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned eleven years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Hamutal the daughter of Jeremiah of Libnah.

50 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah (with 'eth). Ap. 4. II.

53 mount up, &c. Cp. Isa. 14. 12-15.

55 destroyed = caused to perish. Heb. 'abar. Not the same as in vv. 1, 3, 8, 11, 20, 25, 54.

56 GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV. The Heb. reads "El of recompences, Jehovah".

58 walls. Some codices, with two early printed editions, Sept., and Vulg., read "wall". people = peoples. be weary = faint.

51. 59-64- (B, p. 1088). WORD OF JEREMIAH TO SERAIAH. (RATIFICATION.) (Introversion.)

B | w | 59, 60. The book sent.

x | 61. Reading begun.

y | 62. Words spoken.

x | 63-. Reading ended.

w | -63, 64-. The book sunk.

The FIFTY-FIRST Prophecy of Jeremiah (p. 1015).

59 Seraiah. The brother of Baruch (32. 12. Cp. 45. 1). when he went, &c. Probably to renew his oath of allegiance. Cp. 27. 1; 28. 1.

quiet prince. Probably chief chamberlain. R.V. marg., "quartermaster." Heb. = quiet resting-place (Isa. 32. 18). Probably his office was to prepare the night's camping place during the journey to Babylon.

60 wrote in a book - wrote in one scroll.

evil = calamity. Heb. rā'a'. Ap. 44. viii.

61 and shalt see, &c. = then shalt thou look out and read.

62 desolate for ever = age-abiding desolations, showing that this prophecy must wait a future fulfilment.

64 evil. Heb. rā'a'. Ap. 44. viii.

52. 1-34 (A, p. 1015). APPENDIX.

(Introversion.)

A | O | 1-3. Zedekiah and Nebuchadnezzar.

P | 4-27. Captivity. The great one.

P | 28-30. Captivities. The three lesser.

O | 31-34. Jehoiakim and Evil-Merodach.

Similar to ch. 39, but with additional details.

1 Zedekiah. Cp. 2 Kings 24. 18-20. Reigned from 489 to 477 B.C. 2 evil. Heb. rā'a'. Ap. 44. viii.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

52. 4-27 (P, above). CAPTIVITY: THE GREAT. (Alternations and Introversion.)

P | Q | a | 4, 5. Jerusalem besieged.

b | c. Consequence. Famine.

a | 7-. Jerusalem taken.

b | -7. Consequence. Flight.

R | 8-11. Executions at Riblah.

Q | c | 12-14. The Temple burned.

d | 15. The poor taken.

d | 16. The poor left.

c | 17-23. The Temple spoiled.

R | 24-27. Executions at Riblah.

4 ninth year. Cp. 2 Kings 25. 1-21.

2 And he did that which was ° evil in the eyes of ° the LORD, according to all that Jehoiakim had done.

3 For through the anger of ° the LORD it came to pass in Jerusalem and Judah, till He had cast them out from His presence, that Zedekiah rebelled against the king of Babylon.

4 And it came to pass in the ° ninth year of his reign, in the tenth month, in the tenth day of the month, that Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came, he and all his army, against Jerusalem, and pitched against it, and built forts against it round about.

5 So the city was besieged unto the eleventh year of king Zedekiah.

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^b 6 And in the fourth month, in the ninth day
477 of the month, °the famine was sore in the city,
so that there was no bread for the People of
the land.

^a 7 Then the city was broken up,
(p. 1094) ^b and all the °men of war °fled, and went forth
out of the city by night by the way of the gate
°between the two walls, which was by °the
king's garden; (now the Chaldeans were by
the city round about:) and they went by the
way of the plain.

^R 8 But the army of the Chaldeans pursued
after the king, and overtook Zedekiah in the
plains of Jericho; and all his army was scat-
tered from him.

9 Then they took the king, and carried him
up unto the king of Babylon to °Riblah in the
land of Hamath; where he gave judgment
upon him.

10 And the king of Babylon slew the sons of
Zedekiah before his eyes: he slew also all the
princes of Judah in °Riblah.

11 Then he °put out the eyes of Zedekiah;
and the king of Babylon bound him in chains,
and carried him to Babylon, and put him in
prison till the day of his death.

^Q ^c 12 Now in the fifth month, in the °tenth day
of the month, which was the nineteenth year
of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, came Ne-
buzar-adan, captain of the guard, which served
the king of Babylon, °into Jerusalem,

13 And burned the house of °the LORD, and
the king's house; and all the houses of Jeru-
salem, and all the houses of the great men,
burned he with fire:

14 And all the army of the Chaldeans, that
were with the captain of the guard, brake
down all the walls of Jerusalem round about.

^d 15 Then Nebuzar-adan the captain of the
guard carried away captive certain of °the
poor of the People, and the residue of the Peo-
ple that remained in the city, and those that
fell away, that fell to the king of Babylon, and
the rest of the multitude.

^d 16 But Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard
left certain of °the poor of the land for vine-
dressers and for husbandmen.

^c 17 Also the °pillars of brass that were in the
house of °the LORD, and the bases, and the
brassen sea that was in the house of °the LORD,
the Chaldeans brake, and carried all the brass
of them to Babylon.

18 The caldrons also, and °the shovels, and
the snuffers, and the °bowls, and the spoons,
and all the vessels of brass wherewith they
ministered, took they away.

19 And the basons, and the °firepans, and
the bowls, and the caldrons, and the °candle-
sticks, and the spoons, and the cups; that
which was of gold in gold, and that which was
of silver in silver, took the captain of the
guard away.

20 The two pillars, one sea, and twelve brassen
bulls that were °under the bases, which king
Solomon had made in the house of °the
LORD: the brass of all these vessels was with-
out weight.

6 the famine. Described in the Lamentations of
Jeremiah. See note on Gen. 12. 10.

7 men. Heb. pl. of 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

fled, &c. Cp. 2 Kings 25. 4.

between the two walls . . . king's garden. See
Ap. 68.

9 Riblah. Now Riblah. On the east bank of the
Orontes, thirty-five miles north-east of Baalbek.

11 put out the eyes. See note on 32. 4. Cp. 2 Kings
25. 6, 7. Ezek. 12. 13. Hence, Zedekiah never saw
Babylon, though he was taken thither.

12 tenth day. In 2 Kings 25. 8 it says "seventh
day", but that was "[to] Jerusalem". This is "into
Jerusalem". into=in.

15 the poor of the people. This is supplemental
to 2 Kings 25. 12. Heb. dal=impoverished. See note
on "poverty", Prov. 6. 11. Cp. Neh. 1. 3.

17 pillars of brass. Cp. 27. 19.

18 the shovels, &c. Rel. to Pent. (Ex. 27. 3, &c.).
bowls=bowls for sprinkling.

19 firepans=censers. candlesticks=lamps.

20 under=beneath.

21 pillars. Cp. 1 Kings 7. 15. 2 Kings 25. 17.

cubits. See Ap. 51. III. 2 (1).

22 chapter=capital.

23 ninety and six. There were 100 "round about";
Cp. 2 Chron. 3. 16; 4. 13; with 1 Kings 7. 20.

on a side. Heb. rūach. See Ap. 9. ix= towards the air,
or open air. The other four being behind, out of sight.

24 Seraiah. See 2 Kings 25. 18. 1 Chron. 6. 14. Cp.
51. 59. door=threshold.

25 seven. In 2 Kings 25. 19 "five"; but the greater
includes the lesser. men. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

27 land=soil.

28 the seventh year. This was at the beginning of
Nebuchadrezzar's second siege, the year before Je-
hoiachin's captivity, 490 B.C.

21 And concerning the °pillars, the height of
one pillar was eighteen °cubits; and a fillet of
twelve °cubits did compass it; and the thick-
ness thereof was four fingers: it was hollow.

22 And a °chapter of brass was upon it;
and the height of one chapter was five cu-
bits, with network and pomegranates upon
the chapters round about, all of brass. The
second pillar also and the pomegranates were
like unto these.

23 And there were °ninety and six pomegra-
nates °on a side; and all the pomegranates
upon the network were an hundred round
about.

24 And the captain of the guard took °Se-
raiah the chief priest, and Zephaniah the
second priest, and the three keepers of the
°door:

25 He took also out of the city an eunuch,
which had the charge of the °men of war; and
°seven °men of them that were near the king's
person, which were found in the city; and the
principal scribe of the host, who mustered the
People of the land; and threescore °men of
the People of the land, that were found in the
midst of the city.

26 So Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard
took them, and brought them to the king of
Babylon to Riblah.

27 And the king of Babylon smote them, and
put them to death in °Riblah in the land of
Hamath. Thus Judah was carried away cap-
tive out of his own °land.

28 This is the people whom Nebuchadrezzar
carried away captive: in °the seventh year
three thousand Jews and three and twenty:

478 29 In °the eighteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar he carried away captive from Jerusalem eight hundred thirty and two °persons:

478 30 In the °three and twentieth year of Nebuchadrezzar Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard carried away captive of the Jews seven hundred forty and five °persons: all the °persons were four thousand and six hundred.

0 (p. 1094) 452 31 And it came to pass in the °seven and thirtieth year of the captivity of °Jehoiachin king of Judah, in the twelfth month, in the °five and twentieth day of the month, that °Evil-merodach king of Babylon in the first year of his reign °lifted up the head of °Jehoiachin king of Judah, and brought him forth out of prison,

32 And spake °kindly unto him, and set his throne above the throne of the kings that were with him in Babylon,

33 And changed his prison garments: and he did continually eat °bread before him all the days of his life.

34 And for his diet, there was a continual

29 the eighteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar was the second year of his third and last siege, or 478 B. C. persons=souls. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

30 three and twentieth year. Four years after the fall of Jerusalem. Another contact of Bible and secular chronology, 473 B. C. See Ap. 86.

31 seven and thirtieth year. Cp. 2 Kings 25. 27-30. See Ap. 50, pp. 60, 67, and throughout.

Jehoiachin. Elsewhere in this book called "Jehoiachin" (24. 1; 29. 2), or "Coniah" (22. 24, 28).

five and twentieth. The order given then, but probably not carried out till the "seven and twentieth", according to 2 Kings 25. 27.

Evil-merodach. The son of Nebuchadnezzar. lifted up the head. Heb. idiom for releasing. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 40. 13, 20). Ap. 92.

32 kindly unto him=good things with him.

33 bread. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap. 6, for all kinds of food.

34 until, &c. Note the items above, which are supplemental to 2 Kings 25.

diet given him of the king of Babylon, every day a portion °until the day of his death, all the days of his life.

LONGER NOTE ON JEREMIAH 42-44.

"THE JEWS WHICH DWELL IN THE LAND OF EGYPT" (Jer. 44. 1).

As the end of the kingdom of Judah drew near, many of the Jews were determined to go into Egypt; and this in spite of the warning given by Jehovah through Jeremiah.

In Jer. 44 we have the latest prophecy concerning those who had gone thither; which declared that they should not escape, but should be consumed there (44. 27, &c.). This prophecy must have been fulfilled concerning that generation; but their successors, or others that subsequently followed, continued there a little longer, until the time came for Egypt itself to fall into the hands of Babylon.

Recent discoveries of *Papyri* in the ruins of *Elephantine* (an island in the Nile, opposite Assuan), dating from the fifth century B. C., bear witness to two great facts:—

(1) That Jews were then dwelling there (in 424-405 B. C.).

(2) That they were observing the Feast of the Passover, "as it is written in the law of Moses".

The importance of these *Papyri* lies in the fact that modern critics confidently assert and assume that the greater part of the Pentateuch was not written till after the Exile; and even then neither collectively as a whole, nor separately in its distinctive books.

In Ap. 92 it is shown that all through the prophets (who lived at the time of the kings in whose reigns they prophesied) there is a constant reference to the books of the Pentateuch, which conclusively proves that their contents were well known both to the prophets themselves and those whom they addressed.

The Pentateuch, being full of legal expressions, technical ceremonial terms, and distinctive phraseology, affords abundant evidence of the above fact, and makes it easy to call continuous attention to it in the notes of *The Companion Bible*.

But there is further evidence found in the *Papyri* now discovered in the ruins at *Elephantine* in Upper Egypt.

They show that the Jews who dwelt there had a temple of their own and offered up sacrifices therein. That once, when this their temple was destroyed by the Egyptians, they appealed to the Persian governor of Judah, asking permission to restore it (*Papyrus I*).

There is a list preserved, registering the contributions towards the upkeep of the temple (containing the names of many ladies).

But the most interesting and important of these *Papyri* is one dated in the year 419 B. C., which is a Passover "announcement" of the approaching feast, such as were made from the earliest times to the present day (see Neh. 8. 15), containing a brief epitome of its laws and requirements. This particular announcement shows that the following passages were well known: Ex. 12. 16. Lev. 23. 7, 8. Num. 9. 1-14. Deut. 16. 6.

This *Papyrus* has been recently published by Professor Edward Sachau, of Berlin: *Aramäische Papyrus und Ostraka aus einer jüdischen Militärkolonie zu Elephantine. Altorientalische Sprachdenkmäler des 5. Jahrhunderts vor Chr., mit 75 Lichtdrucktafeln*. Leipzig, 1911. A small edition (texts only) by Professor Ungnad, of Jena, is published also under the title of *Aramäische Papyrus aus Elephantine*.

Nearly 2,400 years, since this announcement by Hananiah to the Jews in Egypt, have gone by. Elephantine is now a heap of ruins. The colony of Jews has passed away (unless the "Falashas" of Abyssinia are their descendants), but the Jewish nation still exists, and continues to keep the Passover, a standing witness to their truth of holy Scripture.

THE LAMENTATIONS OF JEREMIAH.

THE STRUCTURE OF THE BOOK AS A WHOLE.

(Extended Alternations and Introversion.)

A¹	A¹ 1. 1-7. JUDGMENTS. (<i>Aleph</i> (א=A) to <i>Zayin</i> (ז=Z).)
	B¹ D¹ 1. 8-11. ZION. CONFESSION. (<i>Cheth</i> (ח=H) to <i>Kaph</i> (כ=K).)
	E¹ 1. 12, 13. APPEAL TO PASSERS BY. (<i>Lamed</i> (ל=L) to <i>Mem</i> (מ=M).)
	D² 1. 14-18-. ZION. CONFESSION. (<i>Nun</i> (נ=N) to <i>Tzaddi</i> (צ=Z).)
	E² 1. -18, 19. APPEAL TO PASSERS BY. (<i>Koph</i> (פ=K).)
	C¹ 1. 20-22. PRAYER. (<i>Resh</i> (ר=R) to <i>Tau</i> (ת=T).)
A²	A² 2. 1-13. THE JUDGE. (<i>Aleph</i> (א=A) to <i>Mem</i> (מ=M).)
	B² D³ 2. 14. ZION. SIN UNCONFESED. (<i>Nun</i> (נ=N).)
	E³ 2. 15-17. RECRIMINATION OF PASSERS BY. (<i>Samech</i> (ס=S) to <i>Pe</i> (פ=P).)
	C² 2. 18-22. PRAYER. (<i>Tzaddi</i> (צ=Z) to <i>Tau</i> (ת=T).)
A³	A³ 3. 1-21. THE JUDGE. (<i>Aleph</i> (א=A) to <i>Zayin</i> (ז=Z).)
	B³ E⁴ 3. 22-36. REMEMBRANCE OF JEHOVAH'S MERCIES. (<i>Cheth</i> (ח=H) to <i>Lamed</i> (ל=L).)
	D⁴ 3. 37-51. ZION. SIN CONFESSED. (<i>Mem</i> (מ=M) to <i>Pe</i> (פ=P).)
	C³ 3. 52-66. PRAYER. (<i>Tzaddi</i> (צ=Z) to <i>Tau</i> (ת=T).)
A⁴	A⁴ 4. 1-12. JUDGMENTS. (<i>Aleph</i> (א=A) to <i>Lamed</i> (ל=L).)
	B⁴ D⁵ 4. 13-20. ZION. CONFESSION. (<i>Mem</i> (מ=M) to <i>Resh</i> (ר=R).)
	E⁵ 4. 21, 22. RETRIBUTION OF JEHOVAH. (<i>Shin</i> (ש=S) to <i>Tau</i> (ת=T).)
	C⁴ 5. 1-22. PRAYER.

For the place of Lamentations in the Hebrew Canon, see Ap. 1, where it is found to be the central book of the five *Megilloth* (or scrolls).

The book consists of five Elegies on the destruction of Jerusalem; and not, as Josephus supposed, on the death of Josiah (*Ant. Jud.* L. x, c. 5, § 1), basing his opinion on 2 Chron. 35. 25.

This book is appropriately read on the Fast of the ninth day of the fifth month (Ab, our August. See Ap. 51. V). For on that day are still commemorated the five great calamities which befell the nation, viz. :—

1. The return of the twelve spies, and the decree of the forty years' wanderings in consequence of the rebellion of the People.
2. The destruction of the first Temple by Nebuchadnezzar.
3. The destruction of the second Temple by the Romans under Titus.
4. The taking of Bether by the Romans under Hadrian, when 580,000 were slain.
5. The ploughing of Zion like a field, in fulfilment of Jer. 26. 18, &c. and Micah 3. 12.

The five Elegies are arranged in a remarkable manner :—

The *first two* (chapters 1 and 2) consist of twenty-two long verses of three lines each, each verse respectively commencing with the successive letters of the alphabet.

The *third* (chap. 3) consists of sixty-six verses (3 × 22), each triad of verses commencing with the same letter : e.g. the first three lines commence with א (*Aleph*), the next three with ב (*Beth*), and so on through the twenty-two letters of the alphabet.

The *fourth* (chap. 4) is arranged in twenty-two long verses of two lines each, also arranged acrostically.

The *fifth* (chap. 5) Lamentation is resolved into a prayer, and the acrostic arrangement gives way before the outburst of emotion. The only connection with the alphabet is that the number of the verses corresponds with the number of letters (twenty-two).

The Septuagint (followed by the Arabic and Vulgate versions) prefaces its version with these words : "It came to pass that, after Israel was taken captive and Jerusalem was made desolate, Jeremiah sat weeping, and lamented with this lamentation over Jerusalem, and said . . ."

The Arabic *Targum* begins its paraphrase thus : "Jeremiah the prophet, and great priest, said . . ."

THE ° LAMENTATIONS OF JEREMIAH.

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1 (N) ° How doth the city sit ° solitary, *that* was full of people! *how* is she become as a widow! she *that* was great among the nations, *and* princess among the provinces, *how* is she become tributary!

2 (J) She ° weepeth sore in the night, and her tears *are* on her cheeks: among all her ° lovers she hath none to comfort *her*: all her friends have dealt treacherously with her, they are become her ° enemies.

3 (J) Judah is gone into captivity because of affliction, and because of great servitude: she dwelleth ° among the ° heathen, she findeth no rest: all her ° persecutors overtook her ° between the straits.

4 (7) ° The ways of Zion do ° mourn, because none come to the ° solemn feasts: all her gates are desolate: her priests sigh, her virgins are afflicted, and *she* is in ° bitterness.

5 (7) Her adversaries ° are the chief, her enemies prosper; for ° the LORD hath afflicted her for the multitude of her ° transgressions: her ° children are gone into captivity before the enemy.

6 (7) And from the daughter of Zion all her beauty is departed: her princes are become ° like harts *that* find no pasture, and they are gone without strength before the pursuer.

7 (7) Jerusalem remembered in the days of her affliction and of her miseries all her ° pleasant things that she had in the days of old, when her People fell into the hand of the enemy, and none did help her: the adversaries saw her, *and* did mock at her ° sabbaths.

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8 (7) Jerusalem hath ° grievously ° sinned; therefore she ° is removed: all that honoured her despise her, because they have seen her nakedness: yea, *she* sigheth, and turneth backward.

9 (7) Her filthiness *is* in her skirts; she ° remembereth not her ° last end; therefore she came down ° wonderfully: she had no comforter. O ° LORD, ° behold my affliction: for the enemy hath magnified *himself*.

10 (7) The adversary hath spread out his hand upon all her ° pleasant things: for she hath seen *that* the heathen ° entered into her sanctuary, whom Thou didst command *that* they should not enter into Thy ° congregation.

11 (7) All her People sigh, they seek bread; they have given their ° pleasant things for meat to relieve the ° soul: see, O ° LORD, and consider; for I am become vile.

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12 (7) *Is it* nothing to you, all ye that pass by? ° behold, and see if there ° be any ° sorrow like unto my sorrow, which is ° done unto me, wherewith ° the LORD hath afflicted *me* in the day of His fierce anger.

13 (7) From above hath He sent fire into my bones, and it prevaileth against them: He hath spread a net for my feet, He hath turned

TITLE. In the Hebrew text the name of the book is its first word, 'Ēykah = ALAS! The Talmud (Tract, *Baba Bathra*, fol. 14b) calls it *Kinōth* = dirges or elegies. The Sept. has *Thrēnoi*, with the same meaning. The Vulg. has *Threni*, i.e. *Lamentationes* and *Lamenta*.

1 How = Alas! or, O how! Heb. 'ēykah = an exclamation of pain and grief, a wailing cry (preserved in Eng. "jackal"). The *Massōrah* (Ap. 30) points out that this exclamation is used by three prophets, concerning Israel: (1) by Moses in her multiplication (Deut. 1. 12. Cp. v. 11); (2) by Isaiah in her dissipation (Isa. 1. 21); (3) by Jeremiah in her desolation (Lam. 1. 1). This word "How" is to be supplied at the beginning of vv. 2 and 3 by Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6). Cp. also 2. 1; 4. 1; and Isa. 14. 12.

solitary: i.e. empty; referring to the houses and streets.

2 weepeth sore. Note Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6). The Heb. = a weeping she weepeth. Thus well rendered. See note on Gen. 26. 28; and note the Fig. *Prosopopœia* (Ap. 6).

lovers: i.e. allies, whom she had preferred to Jehovah. See Jer. 2. 17, 27, 36, 37; 4. 30; 22. 22. Ezek. 23; and 29. 6, 7, 16.

enemies. Especially the Edomites and Ammonites. Cp. Jer. 12. 14.

3 among the heathen. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 64, 65). heathen = nations.

persecutors = pursuers.

between the straits. Like a hunted animal driven where there is no escape. Same word as in Pss. 116. 3; 118. 5. Occurs only in these three places. Cp. v. 6.

4 The ways. Not streets in the city, but the roads leading thereto.

mourn. Fig. *Prosopopœia*. Ap. 6.

solemn feasts = appointed feasts. See note on Ps. 74. 8 (same word).

bitterness = bitter for her. Instead of festal joy. Cp. Jer. 7. 34; 16. 9; 25. 10; 31. 13; 33. 11.

5 are the chief = are the head. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 13, 44), the same word. Ap. 92.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

transgressions = rebellions. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix. children = young children, as in 2. 11, 19, 20; and 4. 4. Not "sons".

6 like harts. See note on v. 3.

7 pleasant things. Heb. = things of desire. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the things she used to enjoy.

sabbaths: or, sabbath-keepings; which she had herself profaned. See Jer. 17. 21-23. Ezek. 22. 8, 26; 23. 38.

8 grievously sinned. Note the Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6). Heb. = sinned a sin. Thus well rendered. See note on "weepeth sore" (v. 2).

sinned. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

is removed = separated as unclean.

9 remembereth = remembered.

last end = hereafter.

wonderfully. Heb. pl. "wonders" = a great wonder. behold = see, behold. Same word as in vv. 18, 20. Not the same word as in v. 12.

10 entered into her sanctuary. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 3), a technical expression. Ap. 92.

congregation = convocation, or assembly.

11 soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

12 behold = look attentively. Not the same word as in vv. 9, 18, 20. be = exists. Heb. *yēsh*. See Gen. 18. 24. Prov. 8. 21; 18. 24, &c. sorrow = pain.

done unto me. Cp. v. 22; 3. 15.

me back: He hath made me desolate and faint all the day.

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14 (j) °The yoke of my ⁵transgressions is bound by His hand: they are °wreathed, and come up upon my neck: °He hath made my strength to °fall, °the LORD* hath delivered me into *their* hands, *from whom* I am not able to rise up.

15 (D) ¹⁴The LORD* hath trodden under foot all my °mighty men in the midst of me: He hath °called °an assembly against me to crush my young men: ¹⁴the LORD* hath trodden the virgin, the daughter of Judah, as in a °winepress.

16 (y) For these *things* I ²weep; °mine eye, mine eye runneth down with water, because the comforter that should °relieve my ¹¹soul is far from me: my °children are desolate, because the enemy prevailed.

17 (S) Zion spreadeth forth her hands, and *there is* none to comfort her: °the LORD hath commanded concerning °Jacob, *that* his adversaries *should be* round about him: Jerusalem is as a menstruous woman among them.

18 (y) °The LORD °is righteous; for I have rebelled against His commandment:

E² hear, I pray you, all °people, and °behold my ¹²sorrow: my virgins and my young men are gone into captivity.

19 (p) I ¹⁵called for my ²lovers, *but* they deceived me: my priests and mine elders °gave up the ghost in the city, while they sought their meat to relieve their ¹¹souls.

C¹ 20 (r) °Behold, O °LORD; for I *am* in distress: my bowels are troubled; mine heart is turned within me; for I have grievously rebelled: °abroad the sword bereaveth, at home *there is* as death.

21 (v) They have heard that I sigh: *there is* none to comfort me: all mine enemies have heard of my trouble; they are glad that Thou hast done *it*: Thou wilt bring °the day *that* Thou hast ¹⁵called, and they shall be like unto me.

22 (r) °Let all their °wickedness come before Thee; and do unto them, °as Thou hast ¹²done unto me for all my °transgressions: for my sighs *are* many, and my heart *is* faint.

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2 (N) How hath °the LORD* covered the daughter of Zion with a cloud in His anger, and cast down from heaven unto the earth °the beauty of °Israel, and remembered not °His footstool in the day of His anger!

2 (j) ¹The LORD* hath °swallowed up all the °habitations of Jacob, and hath not pitied: He hath thrown down in His wrath the strong holds of the daughter of Judah; He hath brought *them* down to the ground: He hath polluted the kingdom and the princes thereof.

3 (j) He hath cut off in *His* fierce anger all the °horn of Israel: He hath drawn back His °right hand from before the enemy, and He burned against Jacob like a flaming fire, *which* devoureth round about.

4 (r) He hath bent °His bow like an enemy: He stood with His right hand as an adversary, and slew °all *that were* pleasant to the °eye in the °tabernacle of the daughter of °Zion: He poured out His fury like fire.

5 (r) ¹The LORD* was as an enemy: He hath

14 The yoke, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 48), the same words. Ap. 92. wreathed = intertwined.

He: or, It: i.e. the yoke. fall = stumble. the LORD*. One of the 134 places where the *Sopherim* say they changed Jehovah to Adonai. See Ap. 32.

15 mighty men = valiant ones. Heb. 'adiv. Not the same word as in 3. 1, 27, 35, 39.

called = proclaimed. Same word as in vv. 19, 21.

an assembly = a festal gathering. Now that Israel's feasts had ceased, there was another of a different nature and with a different object.

winepress. Heb. *gath*, where the grapes were trodden. Not the vat (*yekeb*) into which the juice was received.

16 mine eye, mine eye. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. It is not repeated in the Sept.

relieve my soul = bring me back to life. Cp. v. 19. children = sons. Not the same word as in 2. 11, 19, 20 and 4. 4.

17 Jacob. Referring to the natural seed. See notes on Gen. 32. 28; 43. 6; 45. 26, 28. Cp. 2. 1.

18 is. Heb. = *he* [is]. people = peoples.

19 gave up the ghost = expired, or breathed their last.

20 Behold. Here begins the prayer. See the Structure C¹, on p. 1097.

abroad the sword. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 25).

21 the day: i.e. the day of vengeance of Jer. 25. 17-26.

22 Let all, &c. This prayer is in accordance with that Dispensation. Not with this. See Ap. 63. IX.

wickedness. Heb. *ra'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

as = according as.

transgressions = rebellions. Heb. *pasha'*. Ap. 44. ix. Cp. 3. 42.

2. 1 the LORD*. One of the 134 places where the *Sopherim* say they altered "Jehovah" of the primitive text to "Adonai". See Ap. 32.

the beauty of Israel. Probably referring to the Temple (Isa. 64. 11), or the heroic defenders of Jerusalem (2 Sam. 1. 19).

Israel. Referring to the spiritual seed. See note on 1. 17. His footstool. Probably referring to the ark of the covenant (1 Chron. 28. 2), or the sanctuary (Pss. 99. 5; 132. 7. Isa. 60. 13).

2 swallowed up: i.e. as by an earthquake.

habitations - the open villages of the shepherds, in contrast with the strongholds of the next lines.

3 horn. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the self-protection afforded by it.

right hand. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

4 His bow. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

all that were pleasant to the eye. Heb. = all the desires of the eye; "eye" being put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of the Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the things desired by it.

eye. Transfer here the colon which is wrongly placed after Zion.

tabernacle = tent. Heb. *ohel*. Ap. 40. 3.

Zion: place this colon after "eye" in preceding line, and connect Zion with the verb which follows.

5 her. Ginsburg thinks it should be "His". mourning and lamentation. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). Heb. *ta'niyyah va'niyyah*.

6 tabernacle = dwelling, or pavilion. Heb. *sok*. Occurs only here.

as if it were of a garden: or, as [a booth in] a garden [is destroyed]. See note on Isa. 1. 8. Sept. reads "like a vine". Ginsburg thinks "like a thief".

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

solemn feasts = appointed seasons.

swallowed up Israel, He hath swallowed up all °her palaces: He hath destroyed His strong holds, and hath increased in the daughter of Judah °mourning and lamentation.

6 (i) And He hath violently taken away His °tabernacle, °as if it were of a garden: He hath destroyed His places of the assembly: °the LORD hath caused the °solemn feasts and

sabbaths to be forgotten in Zion, and hath despised in the indignation of His anger the king and the priest.

7 (†) ¹ The LORD* hath cast off His altar, He hath abhorred His sanctuary, He hath given up into the hand of the enemy the walls of her palaces; they have made a noise in the house of ⁶ the LORD, as in the day of a ⁶ solemn feast.

8 (†) ⁶ The LORD hath purposed to destroy the wall of the daughter of Zion: He hath stretched out a line, He hath not withdrawn His hand from [°] destroying: therefore He made the rampart and the wall to lament; they languished together.

9 (†) Her gates are sunk into the [°] ground; He hath destroyed and broken her bars: [°] her king and her princes *are* among the [°] Gentiles: [°] the law *is* no more; her prophets also find no vision from ⁶ the LORD.

10 (†) The elders of the daughter of Zion sit upon the [°] ground, and keep silence: they have cast up dust upon their heads; they have [°] girded themselves [°] with sackcloth: the virgins of Jerusalem hang down their heads to the ground.

11 (†) Mine eyes do fail with tears, my bowels are [°] troubled, my [°] liver is poured upon the earth, for the destruction of the daughter of my People; because the [°] children and the sucklings swoon in the streets of the city.

12 (†) They say to their mothers, "Where is corn and [°] wine?" when they swooned as the wounded in the streets of the city, when their [°] soul was poured out into their mothers' bosom.

13 (†) What thing shall I take to witness for thee? what thing shall I liken to thee, O daughter of Jerusalem? what shall I equal to thee, that I may comfort thee, O virgin daughter of Zion? for thy breach *is* great like the sea: who can heal thee?

B² D³ (p. 1097) 14 (†) Thy [°] prophets have seen vain and foolish things for thee: and they have not discovered thine [°] iniquity, to [°] turn away thy captivity; but have seen for thee false [°] burdens and [°] causes of banishment.

E³ 15 (†) All that [°] pass by clap *their* hands at thee; they hiss and wag their head at the daughter of Jerusalem, [°] saying, "Is this the city that *men* call The perfection of beauty, The joy of the whole earth?"

16 (†) [°] All thine enemies have opened their mouth against thee: they hiss and gnash the teeth: they say, "We have swallowed *her* up: certainly this *is* the day that we looked for; we have found, we have seen *it*."

17 (†) ⁶ The LORD hath done *that* which He had [°] devised; He hath fulfilled His word that He had commanded in the days of old: He hath thrown down, and hath not pitied: and He hath caused *thine* enemy to rejoice over thee, He hath set up the horn of thine adversaries.

C² 18 (†) Their heart [°] cried unto ¹ the LORD*, O wall of the daughter of Zion, let tears run down like a river day and night: give thyself no rest; let not the apple of thine eye cease.

19 (†) Arise, cry out in the night: in the beginning of the watches pour out thine heart

⁸ destroying = swallowing up.

⁹ ground = earth.

her king, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 36). Ap. 92. Gentiles = nations.

the law is no more: i.e. is no longer known and obeyed. Cp. Neh. 13. 1, and Esdras 14. 20, 21.

¹⁰ girded . . . with sackcloth. The outward symbol of mourning.

¹¹ troubled = moved, or in ferment.

liver. Fig. for the seat of the emotions. Cp. Job 16. 13. children = babes.

¹² wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. I.

soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

¹⁴ prophets, &c. Cp. Ezek. 12. 24; 13. 1-16, 23; 21. 29; 22. 28. iniquity. Heb. *avah*. Ap. 44. iv.

turn away thy captivity = cause thy captives to return. See note on Deut. 30. 3.

burdens = oracles.

causes of banishment. Here, the Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6, is translated. Heb. = expulsions, which is put for the effect of listening to those who brought about the expulsion (Jer. 2. 8; 5. 31; 14. 14; 23. 16).

¹⁵ pass by = pass by the way.

saying. Note the *Ellipsis* of this verb, which is very frequent in Hebrew. See Pss. 109. 5; 144. 12, &c.

Is . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

¹⁶ All, &c. In some Codices, with Syr., vv. 16 and 17 are transposed to bring the letters *Ayin* (y = ') and *Pe* (p = P) into alphabetical order. The Sept. leaves the verses, but transposes the letters. This is done because it is supposed to be a mistake. But it cannot be, because the same order appears in chs. 3 and 4, and in the former case it occurs three times, although the subject-matter allows no such break. It is easier to believe that the outward artificial form is sacrificed to call our attention to the greater importance of the utterance. In v. 16 we learn what the enemy thought and said; but, as the *Ayin* (y) really precedes the *Pe* (p), so we are reminded that this was only owing to Jehovah's purpose which had been revealed centuries before. See note on v. 17.

¹⁷ For the transposition of the Hebrew alphabet here, see note on v. 16, above.

devised. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 16, 17. Deut. 28. 15).

¹⁸ cried = cried (distressfully).

¹⁹ the LORD*. This is the reading in some Codices, with one early printed edition.

life - soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

²⁰ consider. Put a colon after "consider", and an " ? " after "this".

Shall . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 29. Deut. 28. 53). Ap. 92.

span. See Ap. 51. III. 2 (4).

²² solemn day = day of assembly.

terrors round about. Cp. Jer. 6. 25; 20. 3, 10; 48. 5; 49. 29.

like water before the face of [°] the ¹ LORD*: lift up thy hands toward Him for the [°] life of thy young ¹¹ children, that faint for hunger in the top of every street.

20 (†) Behold, O ⁶ LORD, and [°] consider to whom Thou hast done this. [°] Shall the women eat their fruit, and ¹¹ children of a [°] span long? shall the priest and the prophet be slain in the sanctuary of ¹ the LORD*?

21 (†) The young and the old lie on the ground in the streets: my virgins and my young men are fallen by the sword; Thou hast slain *them* in the day of Thine anger; Thou hast killed, and not pitied.

22 (†) Thou hast called as in a [°] solemn day my [°] terrors round about, so that in the day of ⁶ the LORD'S anger none escaped nor remained: those that I have swaddled and brought up hath mine enemy consumed.

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3 (N) ° I am the ° man that hath seen ° affliction by the rod of His wrath.

2 (N) He hath led me, and brought me into darkness, but not into light.

3 (N) Surely against me is He turned; He turneth his hand against me all the day.

4 (N) My flesh and my skin hath He made old; He hath broken my bones.

5 (N) He hath ° builded against me, and compassed me with ° gall and ° travel.

6 (N) He hath ° set me in dark places, ° as they that be dead of old.

7 (N) He hath hedged me about, that I cannot get out: He hath made my ° chain heavy.

8 (N) Also when I cry and shout, He shutteth out my prayer.

9 (N) He hath inclosed my ways with hewn stone, He hath made my paths ° crooked.

10 (N) He was unto me as a bear lying in wait, and ° as a lion in secret places.

11 (N) He hath turned aside my ways, and pulled me in pieces: He hath made me desolate.

12 (N) He hath bent ° His bow, and set me as a mark for the arrow.

13 (N) He hath caused the ° arrows of His quiver to enter into my reins.

14 (N) I was a ° derision to ° all my People; and their ° song all the day.

15 (N) He hath filled me with bitterness, He hath made me drunken with wormwood.

16 (N) He hath also broken my teeth with gravel stones, He hath covered me with ashes.

17 (N) And Thou hast removed my ° soul far off from peace: I forgot prosperity.

18 (N) And I said, "My ° strength and my hope is perished from ° the LORD:"

19 (N) ° Remembering mine affliction and my misery, the wormwood and the gall.

20 (N) ° My ° soul hath them still in remembrance, and is humbled in me.

21 (N) This I recall to my ° mind, therefore have I ° hope.

B³ E⁴ 22 (N) It is of ° the LORD'S ° mercies that we are not consumed, ° because His compassions fail not.

23 (N) They are ° new ° every morning: great is Thy faithfulness.

24 (N) ° "The LORD is my portion," saith my ° soul; "therefore will I hope in Him."

25 (N) ° The LORD is good unto them that ° wait for Him, to the ° soul that seeketh Him.

26 (N) It is good that a man should both hope and ° quietly wait for the salvation of ° the LORD.

27 (N) It is good for a ° man that he bear the yoke in his youth.

28 (N) He sitteth alone and keepeth silence, because he hath borne it upon him.

29 (N) He putteth his mouth in the dust; if so be there may ° be hope.

30 (N) He ° giveth his cheek to him that smiteth him: he is filled full with reproach.

31 (N) For ° the LORD* will not cast off for ever:

32 (N) But though He cause grief, yet will He have compassion according to the multitude of His ° mercies.

33 (N) For He doth not afflict ° willingly nor grieve the ° children of ° men.

3. 1 This chapter contains twenty-two verses: each verse having three lines: each line beginning with the same letter: and so, onward to the end of the alphabet.

I am the man. The prophet is representative of the nation, and speaks in the name of the whole. He is also typical and prophetic of Another, Who, in after years, took on Himself and bore the nation's sin. Ap. 85. The chapter must be read in connection with the Passion Psalms (Pss. 22, 69, 88). The Fig. is *Prosopopoeia* (Ap. 6), by which the nation speaks as one man.

man = strong man. Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. IV.

affliction: or, humiliation.

5 builded against = built up against.

gall. Cp. v. 19, and Ps. 69. 21, with Matt. 27. 34.

travel = travail, or labour. This line probably is put for the fortifications and the trench.

6 set me = made me to dwell.

as they, &c. = like the age-long dead.

7 chain = iron, or bronze. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the fetters made of it. Cp. Judg. 16. 21 and 2 Kings 25. 7. 2 Chron. 33. 11; 36. 6. Jer. 39. 7; all of distinguished men.

9 crooked = to turn or wind back.

10 as a lion. See note on Ps. 22. 16.

12 His bow. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

13 arrows = sons. Fig. *Hypocatastasis*. Ap. 6. As "sparks" are called "sons of the flame".

14 derision. Cp. Jer. 20. 8.

all my People. A special various reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 34), with some codices, and Syr., read "all peoples". song = mocking-song. Cp. v. 63 and Ps. 69. 12.

17 soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

18 strength = strength (for endurance). Heb. *nēzah*. See notes on Isa. 40. 9, 10, 26, 29, 31.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

19 Remembering = Remember.

20 My soul. The primitive reading was "Thy soul", which the *Sopherim* have recorded, and state that they altered it to "My soul" (see Ap. 33), considering it an offensive *anthropomorphism*. By so doing they destroyed the logical sequence and deep pathos of the primitive text. The three verses (19, 20, 21) retranslated will show this:—

19 "Remember my humiliation and my misery,
The wormwood and the gall.

20 Yea, verily, Thou wilt remember,
And Thy soul will mourn over me.

21 This I bring back to my heart,
Therefore I shall have hope."

21 mind = heart.

hope = expectation.

22 mercies = lovingkindnesses.

because = verily.

23 new = fresh.

every morning. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap. 6, for always and continually.

25 wait for Him. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 49. 18, same word).

26 quietly wait = wait, and be silent.

29 &c. See note on 1. 12.

30 giveth his cheek. Cp. Isa. 50. 6.

31 the LORD*. One of the 134 places where the *Sopherim* say they altered "Jehovah" of the primitive text to "Adonai". See Ap. 32. Here some codices, with two early printed editions, also read "Jehovah".

33 willingly = from His heart.

children = sons.

men. Heb. *'ish* (sing.). Ap. 14. II.

35 turn aside, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 16. 19; 24. 17; 27. 19, same word). Ap. 92.

the MOST HIGH. Heb. *'Elyōn*. Ap. 4. VI.

36 man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

34 (N) To crush under His feet all the prisoners of the earth,

35 (N) To ° turn aside the right of a ° man before the face of ° the MOST HIGH,

36 (N) To subvert a ° man in his cause, ° the LORD* approveth not.

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37 (2) Who is he that saith, and it cometh to pass, when ³¹the LORD* commandeth it not?
38 (2) Out of the mouth of ³⁵the MOST HIGH proceedeth not °evil and good?

39 (2) Wherefore doth a living ³⁶man complain, a ¹man for the punishment of his °sins?

40 (3) Let us search and try our ways, and turn again to ¹⁸the LORD.

41 (3) Let us lift up our heart with our hands unto °GOD in °the heavens.

42 (3) We have °transgressed and have rebelled: Thou hast not pardoned.

43 (3) Thou hast covered with anger, and °persecuted us: Thou hast slain, Thou hast not pitied.

44 (3) Thou hast covered thyself with a cloud, that our prayer should not pass through.

45 (3) Thou hast made us as the offscouring and refuse in the midst of the °people.

46 (3) °All our enemies have °opened their mouths against us.

47 (3) °Fear and a snare is come upon us, desolation and destruction.

48 (3) °Mine °eye runneth down with rivers of water for the destruction of the daughter of my people.

49 (3) Mine eye trickleth down, and ceaseth not, without any intermission,

50 (3) Till ¹⁸the LORD look down, and behold from heaven.

51 (3) Mine eye affecteth °mine heart because of all the daughters of my city.

C³ 52 (3) Mine enemies chased me sore, like a bird, without cause.

53 (3) They have cut off my life in the °dungeon, and cast a stone upon me.

54 (3) Waters flowed °over mine head; then I said, °“I am cut off.”

55 (3) I called upon °Thy name, O ¹⁸LORD, out of the low ⁵³dungeon.

56 (3) Thou hast heard my voice: hide not Thine ear °at my breathing, °at my cry.

57 (3) Thou drewest near in the day that I called upon Thee: Thou saidst, “Fear not.”

58 (3) O ³¹LORD*, Thou hast pleaded the causes of ²⁰my soul; Thou hast °redeemed my life.

59 (3) O ¹⁸LORD, Thou hast seen my wrong: judge Thou my cause.

60 (3) Thou hast seen all their vengeance and all their imaginations against me.

61 (3) Thou hast heard their reproach, O ¹⁸LORD, and all their imaginations against me;

62 (3) The °lips of those that rose up against me, and their °device against me all the day.

63 (3) Behold their sitting down, and their rising up; I am °their musick.

64 (3) °Render unto them a recompence, O ¹⁸LORD, according to the work of their hands.

65 (3) °Give them °sorrow of heart, Thy curse unto them.

66 (3) ⁴³Persecute and destroy them in anger from under the heavens of ¹⁸the LORD.

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4 (3) How is the °gold °become dim! how is the °most fine gold °changed! the stones of the sanctuary are °poured out in the top of every street.

2 (3) The precious sons of Zion, comparable to °fine gold, how are they esteemed °as

38 evil. Heb. *vā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

39 sins. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

41 GOD. Heb. *El*. Ap. 4. IV.

the heavens. Supply the *Ellipsis* thus: “the heavens [saying], We have”, &c.

42 transgressed=revolted. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix. Cp. 1. 22.

43 persecuted=pursued. Cp. Ps. 35. 6.

45 people=peoples.

46 All our enemies, &c. Here again, as in 2. 16 and 17, the letters *Pe* (P=P) and *Ayin* (Y) are transposed; not from any “mistake” or “forgetfulness”, but to call our attention to the truth which might otherwise have been overlooked: viz. the sorrow, on account of the destructive work of the enemies (vv. 46-48), which would have been averted by true sorrow for the sins which caused it (vv. 49-51).

opened their mouths. Cp. Ps. 22. 13.

45 people=peoples.

47 Fear and a snare. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). Heb. *pāchad vāpachath*. Cp. Isa. 24. 17. Jer. 48. 43. In English, “Scare and snare”.

48 Mine eye runneth down. Cp. Luke 19. 41. Ap. 85. eye=tears: “eye” being put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the tears which flow from it.

51 mine heart=my soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

53 dungeon=pit. Cp. Jer. 38. 6; and Ps. 88. 6.

54 over mine head. Cp. Ps. 69. 2.

I am cut off. Cp. Ps. 88. 5.

55 Thy name—Thee, or Thy attributes. See note on Ps. 20. 1.

56 at my breathing. See note on Mal. 3. 16.

at my cry. Some codices, with Vulg., read “and at my cry” (or outcry).

58 redeemed. Heb. *gā'al*. See note on Ex. 6. 6.

62 lips. Cp. Ps. 22. 7. Ap. 85.

device=meditation. Heb. *Higyon*. See Ap. 66. I.

63 their musick=their mocking song, as in v. 14.

64 Render, &c. Cp. Ps. 69. 22.

65 Give them sorrow of heart=Thou wilt suffer them a veiling (or obstinacy) of heart. See Isa. 6. 9, 10. sorrow=covering, or veiling.

4. 1 This chapter, like chs. 1 and 2, is an acrostic: the twenty-two verses commencing successively with the twenty-two letters of the Hebrew alphabet.

gold . . . most fine gold . . . fine gold. Fig. *Anabasis* (Ap. 6), which is lost in A.V. rendering, which should be “gold . . . fine gold . . . pure gold”.

become dim . . . changed . . . poured out. Note the Fig. *Catabasis* (Ap. 6).

2 fine gold—pure gold. See note above.

as earthen pitchers. The comparison is both in the material and in the workmanship. Cp. Jer. 18. 1-6; 19. 1-10.

3 sea monsters. R.V.=jackals (Jer. 9. 11).

ostriches. Cp. Job 39. 13-17.

5 embrace. Cp. Job 24. 8.

6 For=And. punishment of the iniquity. This is the full translation of the Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6: the “iniquity” being put for its consequent punishment. iniquity. Heb. *āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

earthen pitchers, the work of the hands of the potter!

3 (3) Even the °sea monsters draw out the breast, they give suck to their young ones: the daughter of My people is become cruel, like the °ostriches in the wilderness.

4 (3) The tongue of the sucking child cleaveth to the roof of his mouth for thirst: the young children ask bread, and no man breaketh it unto them.

5 (3) They that did feed delicately are desolate in the streets: they that were brought up in scarlet °embrace dunghills.

6 (3) °For the °punishment of the °iniquity of

the daughter of my People is greater than the
°punishment of the sin of Sodom, that was
°overthrown as in a moment, and no hands
°stayed on her.

7 (f) Her Nazarites were purer than snow,
they were whiter than milk, they were more
ruddy in body than rubies, their polishing was
of sapphire:

8 (f) Their visage is blacker than a coal;
they are not °known in the streets: their skin
°cleaveth to their bones; it is withered, it is
become like a stick.

9 (b) *They that be slain with the sword* °are
better than *they that be slain with hunger*: for
these pine away, stricken through for want of
the fruits of the field.

10 (f) The hands of the °pitiful women °have
sodden their own °children: they were their
meat in the destruction of the daughter of my
People.

11 (b) °The LORD hath accomplished His
fury; He hath poured out His fierce anger,
and hath °kindled a fire in Zion, and it hath
devoured the foundations thereof.

12 (b) The kings of the earth, and all the in-
habitants of the world, would not have be-
lieved that the adversary and the enemy
should have entered into the gates of Jerusalem.

13 (b) For the °sins of her prophets, and the
°iniquities of her priests, that have shed the
blood of the °just in the midst of her,

14 (b) They have wandered as blind men in
the streets, they have °polluted themselves
°with blood, so that men could not touch their
garments.

15 (b) They cried unto them, °“Depart ye; it
is unclean; depart, depart, touch not:” when
they fled away and wandered, they said among
the °heathen, “They shall no more sojourn
there.”

16 (b) The °anger of °the LORD hath divided
them; He will no more regard them: they
respected not the °persons of the priests, they
favoured not the elders.

17 (b) As for us, our eyes as yet failed for our
vain help: in our watching we have watched
for a nation that could not save us.

18 (b) They hunt our steps, that we cannot go
in our streets: our end is near, our days are
fulfilled; for our end is come.

19 (b) Our °persecutors are °swifter than the
eagles of the heaven: they pursued us upon
the mountains, they laid wait for us in the
wilderness.

20 (b) The °breath of our nostrils, °the an-
ointed of °the LORD, was taken in their °pits,
of whom we said, “Under his shadow we
shall live among the °heathen.”

21 (b) Rejoice and be glad, O daughter of
Edom, that dwellest in °the land of Uz; the cup
also shall pass through unto thee: thou shalt
be drunken, and shalt make thyself °naked.

22 (b) The °punishment of thine °iniquity is
°accomplished, O daughter of Zion; He will
no more carry thee away into captivity: He
will °visit thine °iniquity, O daughter of Edom;
He will discover thy °sins.

5 Remember, O °LORD, what is come upon
us: consider, and behold our reproach.

punishment of the sin. This is the full translation
of the Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6, the Heb. *chāṭā'*
(sin) being put for the consequent punishment.

overthrown, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 19. 25). Ap. 92.
stayed = travailed on her: i.e. brought it about; for
the overthrow was direct from God.

8 known = recognised.

cleaveth. Heb. occurs only here.

9 are = have proved.

10 pitiful = tender-hearted.

have sodden, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 56, 57).

Ap. 92. Cp. 2 Kings 6. 29. children = babes.

11 The LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

kindled a fire. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 22). Ap. 92.

13 just = righteous ones. Cp. Matt. 23. 31, 37.

14 polluted . . . with blood. Ref. to Pent. (Num.
19. 11, 16). Ap. 92.

15 Depart ye, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 18. 45). Ap. 92.
heathen = nations.

16 anger = face. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect),
Ap. 6, as manifesting the anger felt.

persons = face. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part),
Ap. 6, for the whole person.

19 persecutors = pursuers.

swifter than the eagles. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 49).

20 breath. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

the anointed: i.e. Zedekiah was still Jehovah's
“anointed”, even as Saul was (1 Sam. 26. 9, 11, 16, 23.
2 Sam. 1. 14, 16).

pits = toils. Occurs only here and Ps. 107. 20. Heb.
shichith. Cp. Jer. 2. 6; 18. 20, 22.

21 Rejoice, &c. Said in solemn irony.

the land of Uz. See notes on p. 666, and Ap. 62.

naked. Between vv. 21 and 22 lies the whole of this
present Dispensation. See Ap. 63. IX and 72.

22 accomplished = completed.

visit = punish, as in v. 6. See note there.

5. 1 The acrostic gives way before the outburst of
emotion in prayer. The only connection with it is the
number of the verses (twenty-two, corresponding with
the letters of the Hebrew alphabet).

LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 inheritance: i.e. Canaan.

5 Our necks are under persecution = Our pursuers
are upon our necks. persecution = pursuers.

and. Some codices, with two early printed editions
and Syr., read this “and” in the text.

have no rest = no respite was granted us.

6 given the hand. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of the
Adjunct), Ap. 6, for voluntary submission.

7 sinned. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

borne. As a burden. The same word as in Isa. 53.
4, 11. iniquities. Heb. *āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

9 We gat our bread = We brought home our bread.
lives = souls. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. Some codices,
with one early printed edition, read “souls”.

sword of the wilderness. “The sword” is put, by
Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the raids and
fightings of the inhabitants of the wilderness.

2 Our °inheritance is turned to strangers, our
houses to aliens.

3 We are orphans and fatherless, our mothers
are as widows.

4 We have drunken our water for money;
our wood is sold unto us.

5 °Our necks are under °persecution: we la-
bour, °and °have no rest.

6 We have °given the hand to the Egyptians,
and to the Assyrians, to be satisfied with bread.

7 Our fathers have °sinned, and are not;
and we have °borne their °iniquities.

8 Servants have ruled over us: there is none
that doth deliver us out of their hand.

9 °We gat our bread with the peril of our
°lives because of the °sword of the wilderness.

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10 Our °skin was black like an oven because of the terrible famine.

11 They ravished the °women in Zion, and the maids in the cities of Judah.

12 Princes are hanged up by their hand: the °faces of elders were not honoured.

13 They took the young men °to grind, and the °children °fell °under the wood.

14 The elders have ceased from the gate, the young men from their musick.

15 The joy of our heart is ceased; our dance is turned into mourning.

16 The crown is fallen *from* our head: woe unto us, that we have °sinned!

17 For °this our heart is faint; for °these *things* our eyes are dim.

18 Because of the mountain of Zion, which is desolate, the °foxes walk upon it.

19 Thou, O °LORD, °remainest for ever; Thy throne from generation to generation.

20 Wherefore °dost Thou forget us for ever, and forsake us so long time?

21 °Turn Thou us °unto Thee, O °LORD, and we shall be turned; renew our days as of old.

11 women = wives.

12 faces. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap 6, for the whole person.

13 to grind: i.e. to do women's work.

children = young children, youths.

fell = staggered.

under the wood: i.e. under [the weight or load] of the wood (they were compelled as bond-slaves to carry).

17 this: i.e. this sin.

these things: i.e. loss of king, country, possessions, and liberties.

18 foxes = jackals.

19 remainest = sittest: i.e. as king.

20 dost = wilt.

21 Turn Thou us. National repentance was the one abiding condition of national blessing, and this must be Jehovah's own work.

unto Thee = unto Thyself.

22 art = hast been.

In the public reading of the Hebrew text *v.* 21 is repeated after *v.* 22, so that the book may end with comfort. The same is the case with Ecclesiastes, Isaiah, and Malachi. The synagogue use appoints this book to be read on the Fast of Ab, which commemorates the destruction of Jerusalem.

22 But Thou hast utterly rejected us; Thou °art very wroth against us.

THE BOOK OF THE PROPHET

EZEKIEL.

THE STRUCTURE OF THE BOOK AS A WHOLE.

(Introversion and Extended Alternation.)

A | 1. 1—12. 28. THE DESOLATION.

B | 13. 1—23. PROPHETS AND PROPHETESSES.

C | **D** | 14. 1—11. ELDERS.

E | 14. 12—15. 8. THE LAND AND CITY. (JUDGMENTS.)

F | 16. 1—63. JERUSALEM. (DESERTED INFANT.)

G | 17. 1—24. BABYLONIAN WAR. (PARABLE.)

H | 18. 1—32. THE PEOPLE. PROVERB. (SOUR GRAPES.)

J | 19. 1—14. THE PRINCES OF ISRAEL.

C | **D** | 20. 1—44. ELDERS.

E | 20. 45—22. 31. THE LAND AND CITY. (JUDGMENTS.)

F | 23. 1—49. JERUSALEM. (TWO SISTERS.)

G | 24. 1—32. 32. BABYLONIAN WAR. (PARABLE.)

H | 33. 1—22. THE PEOPLE. SIGN. (WATCHMAN.)

J | 33. 23—33. THE INHABITANT OF THE WASTES.

B | 34. 1—31. SHEPHERDS AND FLOCK.

A | 35. 1—48. 35. THE RESTORATION.

NOTES ON THE STRUCTURE OF THE BOOK OF EZEKIEL (p. 1104).

For the CANONICAL order and place of the Prophets, see Ap. 1 and p. 1206.

For the CHRONOLOGICAL order of the Prophets, see Ap. 77.

For the Inter-relation of the Prophetical Books, see Ap. 78.

For the Formulæ of Prophetic utterances, see Ap. 82.

For the CHRONOLOGICAL order of Ezekiel's prophecy, see below.

For the References to the Pentateuch in the Prophetical Books, see Ap. 92.

For the Plan of Ezekiel's temple, see Ap. 88.

The Canonical order of Ezekiel's prophecies is *Logical*, but not strictly *Chronological*. Later utterances and visions are recorded in their logical connections rather than in their historical sequence. This latter is noted, so that we may make no mistake. When this fact is observed, and the records discriminated, the meaning becomes perfectly clear. See the table below.

They may be set out as follows :—

THE DATED YEARS IN EZEKIEL.

These are *thirteen* in number, and cover a period of twenty-one years (a period of three sevens) : viz. from 484-3 to 463-2 B. C.

Arranged chronologically, the *seventh* stands in the centre, with six on either side.

Reckoning the three in the 11th year as one year, and the three in the 12th year as one year, we have *nine* several years : viz. the 5th, 6th, 7th, 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th (*seven*) : and then, after a break of thirteen years, we have *two* : viz. the 25th and 27th.

	Year of the Captivity of Jehoiachin.	Month.	Day.	Chapters.	B. C.
All these prophecies were uttered before the fall of Jerusalem.	5th	4th Thammuz (July)	5th	1. 1, 2	484
	5th	4th Thammuz (July)	12th	3. 16	484
	6th	6th Elul (Sept.)	5th	8. 1	483
	7th	5th Ab (Aug.)	10th	20. 1	482
	9th	10th Tebeth (Jan.)	10th	24. 1	480
	10th	10th Tebeth (Jan.)	12th	29. 1	479
	11th	1st Abib, or Nisan (April) ¹	1st	26. 1	478
	11th	1st Abib, or Nisan (April)	7th	30. 20	
These prophecies were uttered at and after the fall of Jerusalem.	11th	3rd Sivan (June)	1st	31. 1	477
	12th	12th Adar (March)	1st	32. 1	
	12th	12th Adar (March) ²	15th	32. 17	
	12th	10th Tebeth (Jan.)	5th	33. 21	
	25th	1st Abib, or Nisan (April)	10th	40. 1	465
	27th	1st Abib, or Nisan (April)	1st	29. 17	463

The 30th year of 1. 1, 2 cannot be in succession to the 27th year of ch. 29. 17-21, because the visions of chs. 1 and 10 had already been seen, and the one recorded in ch. 10 is said to have been similar to that already seen in ch. 1. Moreover, if it be in succession to the 27th year, why is it brought into the very beginning of the book without any reason being assigned, or hint given?

The 30th year of 1. 1 cannot have anything to do with Ezekiel's age, or with the commencement of his service as a priest; for this is to misread Num. 4. 3, which states that "all that enter into the host, to do the work in the tabernacle", were taken after the end of the 29th year, "from thirty years old and upward, even until fifty years". Moreover, this thirty years' rule was abrogated by Divine direction to David in 1 Chron. 23. 24-27 (cp. 2 Chron. 31. 17), and changed to "twenty years old and upward".

The 30th year cannot be fitted into any sequence of dates commencing with the fifth year of Jehoiachin's captivity (1. 2), which, in 33. 21 and 40. 1, he speaks of as "our captivity".

It must therefore be a cross-date to some unnamed *terminus à quo*, thirty years before the 5th year of the Captivity. This fixes it as being that epoch-making year 513 B. C., which was the year of Josiah's great Passover, and of the finding the Book of the Law in the 18th year of King Josiah. From 513 B. C. to 484 B. C. is exactly twenty-nine complete years. So also reckons the learned Prideaux (*Connection*, vol. i, p. 71, McCaul's ed., 1845)

¹ No month is named; but, by comparing 30. 20, it must be the 1st month.

² No month is named; but it was probably the same as in v. 1.

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°EZEKIEL.

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1 °Now it came to pass in the °thirtieth year, in the °fourth month, in the °fifth day of the month, as **3** was among the °captives by the river of °Chebar, that the heavens were opened, and I saw visions ° of God.

2 In the °fifth day of the month, which was the °fifth year of king °Jehoiachin's captivity,

3 The word of °the LORD came °expressly unto °Ezekiel the priest, the son of Buzi, in the land of the Chaldeans by the river °Chebar; and °the hand of °the LORD °was there upon him.

4 And I looked, and, °behold, a °whirlwind came °out of the north, a great cloud, and a fire °infoling itself, and a brightness was about it, and out of the midst thereof as the °colour of °amber, °out of the midst of the fire.

5 Also out of the midst thereof came the likeness of °four living creatures. And this was their appearance; they had the likeness of a man.

6 And every one had four faces, and every one had four wings.

7 And their feet were °straight feet; and the sole of their feet was like the sole of a calf's foot: and they sparkled like the colour of burnished brass.

8 And they had the °hands of a man under their wings on their four sides; and they four had their faces and their wings.

9 Their wings were joined one to another; they turned not when they went; they went every one straight forward.

10 As for the likeness of their °faces, they four had the face of a °man, and the face of a lion, on the right side: and they four had the face of an ox on the left side; they four also had the face of an eagle.

Ezekiel. In Heb. Y *hezē'el* - *hēzazek-ēl* - El is strong, or El strengthens (cp. Isra-el, Gen. 32. 28).

Of the four greater prophets, Ezekiel and Daniel (who prophesied in Babylonia) are compounded with "El" (Ap. 4. IV); while Isaiah and Jeremiah (who prophesied in the land) are compounded with "Jah".

Ezekiel was a priest (1. 3), carried away eleven years before the destruction of the city and temple (1. 2; 33. 21. 2 Kings 24. 14). He dwelt in his own house (8. 1. Cp. Jer. 29. 5). He was married; and his wife died in the year when the siege of Jerusalem began.

1. 1-12. 28 (A, p. 1104). THE DESOLATION.
(*Alternation.*)

A | A | 1. 1-3. 27. First Vision (by Chebar).
| B | 4. 1-7. 27. Signs.
| A | 8. 1-11. 24. Second Vision (at Jerusalem).
| B | 12. 1-28. Signs.

1. 1-3. 27 (A, above). FIRST VISION (AT CHEBAR).
(*Extended Alternation.*)

A | C | 1. 1-28-. The Cherubim.
| D | 1. -28. Prostration of Ezekiel.
| E | 2. 1, 2. Raised by the Spirit.
| F | 2. 3-3. 9. Mission of Ezekiel.
| C | 3. 10-23-. The Cherubim.
| D | 3. 23. Prostration of Ezekiel.
| E | 3. 24-. Raised by the Spirit.
| F | 3. -24-27. Mission of Ezekiel.

1. 1-28- (C, above). THE CHERUBIM (FIRST VISION). (*Introversion and Alternation.*)

C | G | 1-3. Visions of God.
| H | a | 4. The cloud.
| | b | 5-21. The living creatures.
| H | a | 22. The firmament.
| | b | 23-28-. The living creatures.
| G | -28-. Glory of Jehovah.

1 Now=And. This is a link in the prophetic chain. Cp. 1 Pet. 1. 10-12. 2 Pet. 1. 21. Ezekiel had doubtless received and seen the letter sent by Jeremiah (Jer. 29. 1-32). thirtieth . . . fourth. See notes on p. 1105.

fifth day. Dates in Ezekiel are always of the month, not of the week (1. 1; 8. 1; 20. 1; 24. 1; 26. 1; 29. 1;

30. 20; 31. 1; 32. 1; 40. 1). captives. Heb. captivity. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for "captives", as translated. Cp. 3. 15. Chebar. Now Khabour. Probably the same as Chebor or Habor (2 Kings 17. 6; 18. 11. 1 Chron. 5. 26), falling into the Euphrates about forty-five miles north of Babylon. On the Inscription it is called *nār Kabari* - great river, or "Grand Canal", cut between the Tigris and the Euphrates. In ch. 3. 15, it is not the same "Chebar" as in 1. 1, but the Chebar to which Ezekiel was sent ("go, get thee", 3. 4). The "Chebar" of 1. 1 was where he dwelt; that of 3. 15 where he was sent. of= from. Gen. of Origin or Efficient Cause. Ap. 17. 2. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. **2** fifth year. a.c. 484. Cp. 2 Kings 24. 12, 15. Jehoiachin. Called also Jeconiah, and Coniah. Cp. 2 Kings 24. 17-20; 25. 1-21. **3** the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. expressly = in very deed, or in reality. Ezekiel. See the Title. the priest: and called, as Jeremiah was, to the office of prophet as well. the hand. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. was = became. Cp. Elijah (1 Kings 18. 46); Elisha (2 Kings 3. 15); Daniel (Dan. 10. 10, 18); and John (Rev. 1. 17). **4** behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6. whirlwind. Heb. *rūach* = spirit, but it came to be rendered "storm or whirlwind". Note the three symbols of Jehovah's glory, Storm, Cloud, and Fire. Cp. Nah. 1. 3. Rev. 4. 5. out of the north. See note on Ps. 75. 6, and Isa. 14. 13. infolding itself = taking hold of itself. R.V. marg., "flashing continually". Human and finite language is unable to find words to express infinite realities. It may mean spontaneous ignition: i.e. without the application of external fire. Cp. Ex. 9. 24. colour. Heb. "eye". Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for colour. amber: or, glowing metal. out of: or, in. **5** four living creatures. These are "the Cherubim". See Ap. 41. The *zōa* of Rev. 4. 6. **7** straight: i.e. unjoined. The living creatures did not move by walking. **8** hands. Heb. text reads "hand". Some codices, with two early printed editions and Heb. text marg., read "hands" (pl.), followed by A.V. and R.V. The sing. is to be preferred, and is so rendered in 10. 7. Why not here? **10** faces. See Ap. 41. man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

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11 Thus *were* their faces: and their wings *were* °stretched upward; two *wings* of every one *were* joined one to another, and two covered their bodies.

12 And they went every one straight forward: whither the °spirit was to go, they went; and they turned not when they went.

13 As for the likeness of the living creatures, their appearance *was* like burning coals of fire, and like the appearance of °lamps: it went up and down among the living creatures; and the fire *was* bright, and out of the fire °went forth lightning.

14 And the °living creatures °ran and returned as the appearance of a flash of lightning.

15 Now as I beheld the living creatures, °behold one wheel upon the earth by the living creatures, with his four faces.

16 °The appearance of the wheels and their work *was* like unto the colour of a beryl: and they four had one likeness: and their appearance and their work *was* as it were a wheel in the middle of a wheel.

17 When they went, they went upon their four sides: and they °turned not when they went.

18 As for their rings, they were so °high that they were dreadful; and their rings *were* full of eyes round about them four.

19 And when °the living creatures went, the wheels went by them: and when °the living creatures were lifted up from the earth, the wheels were lifted up.

20 Whithersoever the °spirit was to go, they went, thither *was* their °spirit to go; and the wheels were lifted up over against them: for the °spirit of °the living creature *was* in the wheels.

21 When those went, *these* went; and when those stood, *these* stood; and when those were lifted up from the earth, the wheels were lifted up over against them: for the °spirit of °the living creature *was* in the wheels.

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22 And the likeness of the °firmament upon the heads of the living creature *was* as the colour of the terrible crystal, °stretched forth over their heads °above.

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23 And under the °firmament *were* their wings °straight, the one toward the other: every one had two, which covered on this side, and every one had two, which covered on that side, their bodies.

24 And when they went, I heard the °noise of their wings, like the noise of great waters, as the °voice of °THE ALMIGHTY, the °voice of speech, as the noise of an host: when they stood, they let down their wings.

25 And there was a °voice from the °firmament that *was* over their heads, when they stood, and had let down their wings.

26 And above the °firmament that *was* over their heads *was* the likeness of a throne, as the appearance of a sapphire stone: and upon the likeness of the throne *was* the likeness as the appearance of a °man above upon it.

27 And I saw as the colour of °amber, as the appearance of fire round about within it, from the appearance of his loins even upward, and from the appearance of his loins even downward, I saw as it were the appearance of fire, and it had brightness round about.

11 stretched upward = divided or spread out from above.

12 spirit. Heb. *rûach*. Ap. 9.

13 lamps = the lamp; or, torch (sing.).

went forth = kept going forth.

14 ran and returned: or kept running and returning. The Heb. is Inf. by *Heterosis* (of Mood), Ap. 6.

15 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

16 The. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "And the".

17 turned. The 1611 edition of the A.V. reads "returned". 18 high. In the sense of sublimity.

19 the living creatures = the living ones. Cp. vv. 21, 22; 9. 3; 10. 15, 20. The four were one.

22 firmament = expanse, as in Gen. 1. 6.

stretched forth = spread out.

above = upward.

23 straight = level.

24 noise. Heb. "voice", as in the next clause = any noise. Articulate speech not mentioned till v. 28 and 2. 1.

voice = noise, as above.

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voice of speech = noise of tumult.

26 man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I. Cp. Dan. 7. 13.

28 the bow . . . in the cloud. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 9. 16). Ap. 92. The only allusion to it in O.T. after Genesis. In N.T. cp. Rev. 4. 3; 10. 1.

the glory, &c. Cp. 3. 12, 23; 8. 4; 9. 3; 10. 4, 18, 19; 11. 22, 23; 43. 2, 4, 5; 44. 4.

I fell upon my face. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 14. 5; 16. 4, 22, 45). Ap. 92.

2. 1 He said. See 1. 28: i.e. He Who *was* enthroned (v. 26).

Son of man = son of Adam. Heb. *ben 'ādām*. Ap. 14. I. Used of Ezekiel (exactly one hundred times) by Jehovah, always without the Article. In N.T. used by Christ (of Himself) eighty-six times in A.V. (eighty-three times in R.V., omitting Matt. 18. 11; 25. 13. Luke 9. 56). Used by others of Christ twice (John 12. 34), making the A.V. total eighty-eight, and the R.V. total eighty-five. Always with the Article in N.T. See notes on Ps. 8. 4, Matt. 8. 20, and Rev. 14. 14. Without the Article it denotes a human being, a natural descendant of Adam. In Ezekiel it is used in contrast with the celestial living creatures (ch. 1). With the Article (as used of Christ) it denotes "the second Man", "the last Adam", taking the place, dispensationally, which "the first man" had forfeited, and succeeding, therefore, to the universal dominion over the earth which had been committed to Adam (Gen. 1. 26. Ps. 8. 4-8). In the N.T., outside the Four Gospels, it is used only in Acts 7. 56. Heb. 2. 6. Rev. 1. 13; 14. 14. And, beside Ezekiel, it is used in O.T. only of Daniel (Dan. 8. 17). stand, &c. Cp. Dan. 10. 11. Rev. 1. 17. Reminding us that he was not a false prophet, or self-called and sent. Such spake "out of their own heart" (13. 2, 3). Cp. Jer. 23. 16.

2 the spirit entered . . . He spake. Entered with the word. Cp. Gen. 1. 2, 3. The Divine summons is accompanied by Divine preparation. Cp. 3. 24. Rev. 1. 17. spirit. Heb. *rûach*. Ap. 9.

I heard. This is ever the Divine qualification.

28 As the appearance of °the bow that is in the cloud in the day of rain, so *was* the appearance of the brightness round about.

This *was* the appearance of the likeness of °the glory of °the LORD.

And when I saw it, °I fell upon my face, and I heard a °voice of One That spake.

2 And °He said unto me, °"Son of man, °stand upon thy feet, and I will speak unto thee."

2 And °the °spirit entered into me when He spake unto me, and set me upon my feet, that °I heard Him That spake unto me.

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3 And He said unto me, ¹“Son of man, ²send thee to the ³children of Israel, to a ⁴rebellious ⁵nation that hath ⁶rebelled against Me: they and their fathers have ⁷transgressed against Me, *even* unto this very day.

4 For *they are* ⁸impudent ⁹children and ¹⁰stiffhearted. ¹¹I do send thee unto them; and thou shalt say unto them, ‘Thus saith ¹²the Lord GOD.’

d 5 And *they*, ¹³whether they will hear, or whether they will ¹⁴forbear, (for *they are* a ¹⁵rebellious house,) yet shall know that there hath been a prophet among them.

e 6 And thou, ¹⁶son of man, be not afraid of them, neither be afraid of their words, though ¹⁷briers and thorns be with thee, and thou dost dwell among ¹⁸scorpions: be not afraid of their words, nor be dismayed at their looks, though *they be* a ¹⁹rebellious house.

7 And thou shalt speak ²⁰My words unto them, ²¹whether they will hear, or ²²whether they will forbear: for *they are* most ²³rebellious.

8 But thou, ²⁴son of man, hear what ²⁵I say unto thee; Be not thou ²⁶rebellious like that ²⁷rebellious house:

K open thy mouth, and ²⁸eat that ²⁹I give thee.”

L 9 And when I looked, ³⁰behold, an hand was sent unto me; and, ³¹lo, ³²a roll of a book was therein;

L 10 And He spread it before me; and *it was* written ³³within and without: and *there was* written therein ³⁴lamentations, and mourning, and woe.

K 3 Moreover He said unto me, ³⁵“Son of man, ³⁶eat that thou findest; eat this roll, and go speak unto ³⁷the ³⁸house of Israel.”

2 So I opened my mouth, and He caused me to eat that roll.

3 And He said unto me, ³⁹“Son of man, cause thy belly to eat, and fill thy bowels with this roll that ⁴⁰I give thee.” ⁴¹Then did I eat *it*; and it was in my mouth ⁴²as honey for sweetness.

J c 4 And He said unto me, ⁴³“Son of man, go, get thee unto ⁴⁴the house of Israel, and ⁴⁵speak with My words unto them.

5 For *thou art* not sent to a people of a strange speech and of an hard language, *but* to ⁴⁶the house of Israel;

6 Not to many ⁴⁷people of a strange speech and of an hard language, whose words thou canst not understand. Surely, had I sent thee to them, *they* would have hearkened unto thee.

d 7 But ⁴⁸the house of Israel will not ⁴⁹hearken unto thee; for they ⁵⁰will not hearken unto Me: for all ⁵¹the house of Israel ⁵²are ⁵³impudent and hardhearted.

e 8 ⁵⁴Behold, I have made thy face ⁵⁵strong against their faces, and thy forehead ⁵⁶strong against their foreheads.

9 As an adamant ⁵⁷harder than flint have I made thy forehead: fear *them* not, neither be dismayed at their looks, though *they be* ⁵⁸a rebellious house.”

2. 3—3. 9 (F, p. 1106). MISSION OF EZEKIEL. (Introversion and Extended Alternation.)

F	J	c		2. 3, 4. People. Their character.	} Mission.
		d		2. 5. Reception.	
		e		2. 6-8-. Encouragement.	
		K		2 -8. Command to eat.	} Mission.
		L		2. 9. The Roll. Sent.	
		L		2. 10. The Roll. Contents.	
		K		3. 1-3. Command to eat.	} Mission.
J	c		3. 4-6. People. Their language.		
		d		3. 7. Reception.	
		e		3. 8, 9. Encouragement.	

3 ⁵⁹I send=⁶⁰I am sending. ⁶¹children=sons. rebellious . . . rebelled=revolting (against lawful authority), contumacious. Heb. *marad*. Not the same word as in vv. 5, 6, 7, 8. Occurs again in 17. 15; 20. 38. nation=nations (pl. of Majesty)=the whole nation, Israel and Judah. Hence, the great rebellious nation like the heathen.

transgressed=revolted. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix. 4 impudent . . . stiffhearted. Ref. to Pent. A reproach brought against Israel eight times in Exodus and Deuteronomy (Ex. 32. 9; 33. 3, 5; 34. 9. Deut. 9. 6, 13; 10. 16; 31. 27). Ap. 92. Cp. Judg. 2. 19, and Isa. 48. 4. impudent=hard of face. Heb. *qāshah*.

stiffhearted=stubborn of heart. Heb. *hazak*. the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. Ap. 4. VIII (2), and II. This title is characteristic of the prophecies of Ezekiel, being used 214 times. Very rarely in the other prophets. Ezekiel is in exile. This title is to remind him that Jehovah is still the sovereign Lord over all the earth, though Israel be “Lo-ammi”=not My People.

5 whether they will hear, or . . . forbear. The latter is evidently assumed, and to be expected; as in 2 Tim. 4. 3. But no alternative is given. “My words” correspond with “preach the word” (2 Tim. 4. 2).

forbear=abstain, or refuse to hear. a rebellious house. Heb. a house of rebellion. Not the same word as in v. 3. Heb. *mēri*, from *mārāh*, to be bitter, perverse, refractory. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 17. 10. Deut. 31. 27). Elsewhere only in 1 Sam. 15. 23. Neh. 9. 17. Job 24. 13. Prov. 17. 11. Isa. 30. 9). The Verb occurs forty-three times in O.T. The Noun occurs sixteen times in Ezekiel (2. 5, 6, 7, 8, 8; 3. 9, 26, 27; 12. 2, 2, 3, 9, 25; 17. 12; 24. 3; 44. 6).

6 briers and thorns . . . scorpions. Put by Fig. *Hypocatastasis* (Ap. 6), for the rebellious.

7 My words. Nothing less, nothing more, nothing different. Cp. Gen. 3. 2, 3, and 2 Tim. 4. 2, under a similar warning in the following verse. Cp. v. 5, note.

8 eat. See 3. 1-3. Cp. Rev. 10. 9, 10.

9 behold . . . lo. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6. a roll of a book=a scroll. Cp. Jer. 36. 2. Ps. 40. 7.

10 within and without. Contrary to the usual custom (within only), to show the abundance and completeness of his prophecies. Cp. Rev. 5. 1.

lamentations. Aram. and Sept. read “lamentation” (sing.).

3. 1 Son of man. See note on 2. 1. eat. Cp. v. 10. Also Job 23. 12, Ps. 119. 103, and Jer. 15. 16. the house of Israel. See note on Ex. 16. 31.

house. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Syr., and Vulg., read “sons”.

3 Then did I eat. Cp. Rev. 10. 10. as honey, &c. Cp. Ps. 19. 10; 119. 103. Jer. 15. 16.

4 speak with My words. This is inspiration. See note on 2. 5, 7. Ezekiel's voice and pen, but Jehovah's words.

6 people=peoples.

7 hearken=be willing to hearken. will not hearken=are not willing to hearken. are=*they* [are].

impudent, &c. Ref. to Pent. See note on 2. 4. 8 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

strong=strong, or hard (for endurance). Heb. *hazak*. Same as “harder” (v. 9). Cp. the name Ezekiel in Title.

9 harder. Same as “strong” (vv. 8, 14). rebellious house. See note on 2. 5.

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10 Moreover He said unto me, ¹“Son of man, °all My words that I shall speak unto thee receive in thine heart, and hear with thine ears. 11 And go, get thee to them of the °captivity, °unto the °children of thy People, and speak unto them, and tell them, ‘Thus saith °the LORD GOD;’ °whether they will hear, or whether they will forbear.”

g 12 Then the °spirit °took me up, and I heard °behind me a °voice of a great rushing, °saying, “Blessed be the glory of °the LORD from His place.”

13 I heard also the noise of the wings of the living creatures that touched one another, and the noise of the wheels over against them, and a noise of a great rushing.

14 So the ¹²spirit °lifted me up, and took me away, and I went in bitterness, in the heat of my ¹²spirit; but the hand of ¹²the LORD was °strong upon me.

N 15 Then I came to them of the captivity at Tel-abib, that dwelt by the river of °Chebar, and I °sat where they °sat, and remained there astonished among them seven days.

12th 16 And it came to pass at the end of seven
Tham- days, that the word of ¹²the LORD came unto
muz me, saying,

17 ¹“Son of man, I have °made thee a °watchman unto ¹the house of Israel: therefore hear the word at My mouth, and °give them warning from Me.

18 When I say unto the °wicked, ‘Thou °shalt surely die;’ and thou givest him not warning, nor speakest to warn the °wicked from his °wicked way, to save °his life; the same °wicked man shall die in his °iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand.

19 Yet if thou warn the ¹⁸wicked, and he turn not from his ¹⁸wickedness, nor from his ¹⁸wicked way, he shall die in his ¹⁸iniquity; but thou hast delivered °thy soul.

20 Again, When a righteous man doth turn from his °righteousness, and commit ¹⁸iniquity, and I lay a stumblingblock before him, he shall die: because thou hast not given him warning, he shall die in his °sin, and his righteousness which he hath done shall not be remembered; but his blood will I require at thine hand.

21 Nevertheless if thou warn the righteous man, that the righteous ²⁰sin not, and he doth not ²⁰sin, he °shall surely live, because he °is warned; also thou hast delivered ¹⁹thy soul.”

M g 22 And the hand of ¹²the LORD was there upon me; and He said unto me,

f “Arise, go forth into the °plain, and I will there talk with thee.”

N 23 Then I arose, and went forth into the ²²plain: and, °behold, °the glory of ¹²the LORD stood there, as the glory which I saw by the river of ¹⁵Chebar:

D and I fell on my face.

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E 24 Then the ¹²Spirit entered into me, and set me upon my feet, and spake with me, and said unto me,

F “Go, shut thyself within thine house.

3. 10-23- (C, p. 1106). THE CHERUBIM. (Alternation and Introversion.)

C M | f | 10, 11. Command.
| g | 12-14. The hand of Jehovah.
N | 15-21. Obedience.
M | g | 22-. The hand of Jehovah.
| f | -22. Command.
N | 23-. Obedience.

10 all My words. See note on 2. 7.

11 captivity. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for captives.
unto the children of. The 1611 edition of the A.V. omits these words.

children=sons.
the LORD GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. Ap. 4. VIII (2) and II.

whether, &c. See note on 2. 7.

12 spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9. See notes on 8. 3.

took me up=laid hold of me.

behind me. Therefore the prophet must have been facing south, as the glory appeared from the north (1. 4).

voice=sound.

saying, &c. By reading *bē'rum* (arose) instead of *barūk* (Blessed), Ginsburg thinks the meaning should be “[when] the glory of Jehovah arose (or was lifted up) from its place” (cp. 10. 4, 17, 19): i.e. when the vision was withdrawn.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

14 lifted me up, &c. Cp. Acts 8. 39, 40. 2 Cor. 12. 4.

Rev. 1. 10. Cp. Obadiah's fear (1 Kings 18. 12).

15 Chebar. Not the Chebar of 1. 3. That was where he dwelt. This was the Chebar whither he was sent. See note on 1. 3; the modern *Khabour*, a tributary of the Euphrates, forty-five miles from Babylon.

sat=dwelt; as in the preceding clause.

17 made=given. God's prophets and ministers were His “gifts” (Eph. 4. 11).

watchman=one who looks out or views from a height, with the object of warning. Heb. *zāphah*. Cp. 33. 2, 6, 7. Isa. 52. 8; 56. 10. Jer. 6. 17. Not *shāmar*, to keep in view with the object of guarding, as in Song 3. 3; 5. 7. Isa. 21. 11; 62. 6. These are the two spheres of the pastoral office.

give them warning. Heb. *zāhar*, to give a signal by a beacon or other fire (Jer. 6. 1). Occurs fourteen times in Ezekiel in connection with the prophet's or pastor's care. Cp. vv. 18, 18, 19, 20, 21; 33. 3, 4, 5, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 9.

18 wicked=lawless. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

shalt surely die. Note the Fig. *Polyptoton*, Ap. 6 (Inf. with Fut.), for emphasis. Heb. “dying, thou wilt die”. See notes on Gen. 2. 17; 26. 28.

his life=himself alive.

iniquity. Heb. *āval*. Ap. 44. vi.

19 thy soul=thysself. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

20 righteousness. Heb. is plural in marg., but some codices, with one early printed edition, read “righteous deeds” (pl.) in text and marg.

sin. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

21 shall surely live. See note on “shall surely die” (v. 18).

is warned=took warning.

22 plain=valley.

23 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

the glory, &c. See note on 1. 28.

26 a reprover=a man of reproof.

25 But thou, O ¹son of man, ²³behold, they shall put bands upon thee, and shall bind thee with them, and thou shalt not go out among them:

26 And I will make thy tongue cleave to the roof of thy mouth, that thou shalt be dumb, and shalt not be to them °a reprover: for they are a °rebellious house.

27 But when I speak with thee, I will open

484 °thy mouth, and thou shalt say unto them, 'Thus saith ¹¹the Lord GOD; He that °hear-eth, °let him hear; and he that °forbear-eth, °let him forbear: 'for they are a °rebellious house.

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4 Thou also, °son of man, take thee a °tile, and °lay it before thee, and °pourtray upon it the city, *even* Jerusalem:

2 And ¹lay siege against it, and build a °fort against it, and cast a °mount against it; set the camp also against it, and set *battering* rams against it round about.

3 Moreover take thou unto thee an iron °pan, and set it *for* a wall of iron between thee and the city: and °set thy face against it, and it shall be besieged, and thou shalt lay siege against it. *This shall be* a sign to °the house of Israel.

R h **4** Lie thou also upon thy left side, and °lay the °iniquity of ³the house of Israel upon it: °ac-*cording* to the number of the days that thou shalt lie upon it thou shalt °bear their °iniquity.

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844-454 **5** For ³I have ¹laid upon thee the years of their °iniquity, according to the number of the days, °three hundred and ninety days: so shalt thou °bear the °iniquity of ³the house of Israel.

R h **6** And when thou hast accomplished them, lie °again on thy right side,

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495-4 and thou shalt °bear the °iniquity of the house
455-4 of Judah °forty days: I have °appointed thee each day for a year.

Q **7** Therefore thou shalt set thy face toward °the siege of Jerusalem, and thine arm *shall* be uncovered, and thou shalt prophesy against it.

8 And, °behold, I will ¹lay bands upon thee, and thou shalt not turn thee from one side to another, till thou hast ended the days of thy siege.

P j **9** Take thou also unto thee wheat, and barley, and beans, and lentiles, and millet, and °fitches, and put them in one vessel, and make thee bread thereof, *according* to the number of the

27 thy mouth. Cp. 24. 27; 29. 21; 33. 22.

heareth = is minded to hear.

let him = will.

forbear-eth = is minded to forbear.

4. 1-7. 27 (B, p. 1106). SIGNS. (*Introversion*.)

B O | 4. 1-8. The city.

P | 4. 9-17. Food.

P | 5. 1-17. Hair.

O | 6. 1-7. 27. The mountains.

4. 1-8 (O, above). THE CITY. THE SIEGE. (*Introversion and Alternation*.)

O | Q | 1-3. The city. Siege.

R | h | 4. Sign. Left side.

i | 5. Signification.

R | h | 6-. Sign. Right side.

i | -6. Signification.

Q | 7, 8. The city. Siege.

1 son of man. See note on 2. 1.

tile: or, brick. A Babylonian brick, as used for inscription, was about 14 inches by 12.

lay = give, or take, as in *vv.* 1, 2, 5, 8; not *v.* 4. Heb. *nāthan*, rendered "appointed" in *v.* 6.

pourtray = grave.

2 fort = a siege tower, or bulwark.

mount = embankment.

3 pan - a flat plate, as used for baking.

set thy face. Ref. to Pent. (*Lev.* 17. 10; 20. 3, 5, 6; 26. 17). Ap. 92. Cp. *Jer.* 21. 10; 44. 11.

the house of Israel. See note on *Ex.* 16. 31. To be carefully distinguished here from Judah.

4 lay = set, or place. Heb. *sūm*. See note on *v.* 1.

according to the number, &c. Ref. to Pent. (*Num.* 14. 34). This is no evidence that in prophetic scriptures there is a "year-day" theory. These exceptions prove the opposite rule. In all of them "day" means "day",

and "year" means "year".

bear their iniquity. A technical expression belonging to the Pentateuch = to endure the punishment due to iniquity, or sin. See *Ex.* 28. 38, 43. *Lev.* 5. 1, 17;

7. 18; 10. 17; 16. 22; 17. 16; 19. 8; 20. 17, 19, 20 (sin); 22. 9 (sin), 16; 24. 15 (sin). *Num.* 5. 31; 9. 13 (sin); 14. 33 (whoredoms), 34; 18. 1, 1, 22 (sin), 23, 32 (sin); 30. 15.

Outside the Pentateuch, only in *Ezek.* 4. 4, 5, 6; 16. 54 (shame); 18. 19, 20, 29; 23. 49 (sin); 32. 24 (shame), 25 (shame), 30 (shame); 44. 10, 12; and in *Isa.* 53. 4, 11, 12,

where the verb is *sabal* (not *nāsā*, as in Pentateuch), and *Lam.* 5. 7.

iniquity. Heb. *avōn*. Ap. 44. iii. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the punishment brought about in consequence of it.

5 three hundred and ninety days. These were to be literal "days" to Ezekiel, and were to represent 390 literal "years". The date of the command is not material to the understanding of this prophecy. The meaning of the expression "bear their iniquity" (see note on *v.* 4) determines the interpretation as referring to the duration of the punishment, and not to the period of the iniquity which brought it down. The 390 days stand for 390 years, and the 40 days for 40 years, the duration of the punishment of Israel and Judah respectively. As this has to do with the city Jerusalem (*vv.* 1-3), the periods must necessarily be contemporaneous with something that affects the ending of its punishment. This was effected solely by the decree for the restoration and rebuilding of Jerusalem in 454 B.C. (Ap. 50, p. 60). Three hundred and ninety years take us back to the sixteenth year of Asa, when Baasha made war on Judah (844 B.C. 2 *Chron.* 16. 1. Ap. 50, p. 57); which was followed by the solemn announcement by the prophet Jehu against Baasha of the quickly coming punishment of Israel (1 *Kings* 16. 1, &c.). The punishment of Judah, in like manner, began forty years before (455-4 B.C.): viz. in 495-4 B.C.; 495 (his fifth year), being the year of Jehoiakim's burning of the roll. The prophecy of this punishment was given in his fourth year (*Jer.* 25. 1, 9-11), and the execution of it speedily followed. This symbolical action of Ezekiel shows us how long Jerusalem's punishment lasted, and when it ended.

6 again = a second time, showing that they are not necessarily consecutive or continuous, but are contemporaneous, though not commencing at the same time. **forty days.** See note on *v.* 4. appointed = given. Same word as "lay", *vv.* 1, 2, 5, 8.

7 the siege of Jerusalem. This is the point which determines the interpretation, as do *vv.* 1-3.

8 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

4. 9-17 (P, above). FOOD. (*Alternation*.)

P | j | 9-12. Sign. Food.

k | 13. Signification.

j | 14, 15. Sign. Food.

k | 16, 17. Signification.

9 fitches, in English, is another spelling of *vetches*, a plant having tendrils. But the Heb. = *krasemeth* is defined as *triticum spelta*, or spelt, a kind of corn, always distinguished from wheat, barley, &c. Cp. *Ex.* 9. 32. *Isa.* 28. 25. Here, in plural.

484 days that thou shalt lie upon thy side, three hundred and ninety days shalt thou eat thereof.
10 And thy meat which thou shalt eat *shall* be by weight, twenty °shekels a day: from time to time shalt thou eat it.

11 Thou shalt drink also water by measure, the sixth part of an °hin: from time to time shalt thou drink.

12 And thou shalt eat it as barley cakes, and thou shalt °bake it with dung that cometh out of °man, in their sight."

k (p. 1110) 13 And °the LORD said, "Even thus shall the °children of Israel eat their defiled bread among the °Gentiles, whither I will drive them."

j 14 Then said I, "Ah °Lord GOD! °behold, my °soul hath not been polluted: for from my youth up even till now have I not eaten of °that which dieth of itself, or is torn in pieces; neither came there °abominable flesh into my mouth."

15 Then He said unto me, °"Lo, I have °given thee cow's dung for man's dung, and thou shalt prepare thy bread °therewith."

k 16 Moreover He said unto me, °"Son of man, °behold, °I will break the staff of bread in Jerusalem: and they shall eat bread by weight, and with care; and they shall drink water by measure, and with astonishment:

17 That they may want bread and water, and be astonished one with another, and °consume away for their °iniquity.

PS I 5 And thou, °son of man, take thee a sharp °knife, °take thee a barber's razor, and cause it to pass upon thine head and upon thy beard: then take °thee balances to weigh, and divide the hair.

m 2 Thou shalt burn with fire a third part °in the midst of the city, when the days of the siege are °fulfilled: and thou shalt take a third part, and smite about it with °a °knife: and a third part thou shalt scatter °in the °wind; and I will °draw out a °sword after them.

n 3 Thou shalt also take thereof a few in number, and bind them in thy skirts.

4 Then take of them again, and cast them into the midst of the fire, and burn them in the fire; for thereof shall a fire come forth into all °the house of Israel."

SI 5 Thus saith °the Lord GOD; °"This is Jerusalem: I have set it in the midst of the nations and countries that are round about her.

6 And she hath °changed My judgments into °wickedness more than the nations, and My statutes more than the countries that are round about her: for °they have refused My judgments and My statutes, °they have not walked in them."

7 Therefore thus saith °the Lord GOD; "Because ye °multiplied more than the nations that are round about you, and have not walked in My °statutes, °neither have kept My judgments, °neither have done according to the judgments of the nations that are round about you;

8 Therefore" thus saith °the Lord GOD; °"Be-

10 shekels. See Ap. 51. II. 5.

11 hin. See Ap. 51. III. 3 (8).

12 bake it with = bake it upon. Cp. v. 15. man. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.

13 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. children = sons.

14 Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See Ap. 4. VIII (2) and II.

soul. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13.

that which dieth of itself. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 22. 31. Lev. 11. 39, 40; 17. 15). Ap. 92.

abominable flesh. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 7. 18; 19. 7). Elsewhere, only in Isa. 65. 3. Ap. 92.

15 Lo. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

given. Same word as "appointed", v. 6.

therewith: or, thereupon. Cp. v. 12.

16 I will break. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 26). Occurring again in 5. 16; 14. 13; but nowhere else in O.T.

17 consume away, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 39). Cp. 24. 23; 33. 10 ("pine away"). Ap. 92.

5. 1-17 (P, p. 1110). HAIR. (Extended Alternation.)

P	S	1	1. Shaving. (The fourth sign.)	} The sign.
	m	2	Third part. Burning, &c.	
	n	3, 4	Binding in skirts.	
S	l	5-11	Judgments.	} Signification.
	m	12	Third part. Death, &c.	
	n	13-17	Anger accomplished.	

1 son of man. See note on 2. 1.

knife = sword, as in v. 12, and 11. 8, 10.

take thee a barber's razor = as a barber's razor shalt thou take it. This is the sign of the Assyrian army (Isa. 7. 20).

thee. The 1611 edition of the A.V. reads "the".

2 in the midst of the city. Which he had graven on the brick. See the signification in v. 12.

fulfilled = completed. Cp. 4. 8.

a = the. Cp. v. 1.

in = to.

wind. Heb. rūach. Ap. 9.

draw out a sword, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 33).

sword. Same word as "knife" (v. 1). Ap. 92.

4 the house of Israel. As in 4. 3.

5 the Lord GOD = Adonai Jehovah. As in 2. 4.

This is Jerusalem. Cp. 4. 1.

6 changed = rejected, or rebelled against. Cp. 20. 8, 13, 21. Num. 20. 24; 27. 14. Heb. marah. Occurs forty-two times in O.T., and rendered "changed" only here. See notes on 2. 3, 5.

wickedness. Heb. rāshā'. Ap. 44. x.

they: i.e. the nations and the countries.

7 multiplied = rebelled.

statutes. See notes on Gen. 26. 5. Deut. 4. 1.

neither have kept - and have not kept.

neither have done, &c.: or, "and according to the statutes of the nations which are round about you have not done". Some codices, with two early printed editions and Syr., omit this "not". Cp. 11. 12.

8 Behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

10 the fathers shall eat, &c. = fathers shall eat, &c. (no Art.). Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 29. Deut. 28. 53).

11 as I live. Figs. Deśis and Anthropopatheia. Ap. 6.

saith the LORD = [is] Jehovah's oracle.

hold, I, even I, am against thee, and will execute judgments in the midst of thee in the sight of the nations.

9 And I will do in thee that which I have not done, and whereunto I will not do any more the like, because of all thine abominations.

10 Therefore °the fathers shall eat the sons in the midst of thee, and the sons shall eat their fathers; and I will execute judgments in thee, and the whole remnant of thee will I scatter into all the °winds.

11 Wherefore, °as I live, °saith °the Lord

484 GOD; Surely, because thou ° hast defiled My sanctuary with all thy detestable things, and with all thine abominations, therefore will I also ° diminish thee; neither shall ° Mine eye spare, neither will I have any pity.

m (p. IIII) 12 ° A third part of thee shall die with the ° pestilence, and with famine shall they be consumed in the midst of thee: and a third part shall fall by the ° sword round about thee; and I will scatter a third part into ° all the ° winds, and I will ° draw out a ° sword after them.

n 13 Thus shall Mine anger be accomplished, ° and I will cause My fury to rest upon them, ° and ° I will be comforted: and they shall know that I ° the LORD have spoken it in My ° zeal, when I have accomplished My fury in them.

14 Moreover ° I will make thee waste, and a reproach among the nations that are round about thee, in the sight of all that pass by.

15 So it shall ° be a reproach and a taunt, an instruction and an astonishment ° unto the nations that are round about thee, when I shall execute judgments in thee in anger and in fury and in furious rebukes. I ° the LORD have spoken it.

16 When ° I shall send upon them the evil arrows of famine, ° which shall be for their destruction, and which I will send to destroy you: and I will increase the famine upon you, and will ° break your staff of bread:

17 ° So will I send upon you famine and evil beasts, and they shall bereave thee; and pestilence and blood shall pass through thee; and ° I will bring the sword upon thee. I ° the LORD have spoken it."

O T O (p. IIII) 6 And the word of ° the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 ° "Son of man, set thy face toward ° the mountains of Israel, and prophesy against them,

3 And say, 'Ye mountains of Israel, hear the word of ° the Lord GOD; Thus saith ° the Lord GOD to the mountains, and to the hills, to the ° rivers, and to the valleys; ° Behold, I, even I, will ° bring a sword upon you, and I will ° destroy your high places.

4 And your altars shall be desolate, and your ° images shall be broken; and I will cast down your slain men before your ° idols.

5 And I will lay the dead carcasses of the ° children of Israel before ° their ° idols; and I will scatter your bones round about your altars.

6 In all your dwellingplaces the cities shall be laid ° waste, and the high places shall be desolate; that your altars may be laid waste and made desolate, and your ° idols may be broken and cease, and your images may be cut down, and your works may be abolished.

7 And ° the slain shall fall in the midst of you, and ° ye shall know that I am ° the LORD.

P 8 Yet will I leave a remnant, that ° ye may have some that shall escape the sword among the nations, when ye shall be scattered through the countries.

9 And they that escape of you shall remember Me among the nations whither they shall be carried captives, because ° I am broken with their ° whorish heart, which hath departed

hast defiled. This charge is substantiated in ch. 8. diminish thee. So the Western codices. Heb. 'egra' (with Resh = r). But the Eastern codices read 'egda' (with Daleth = d) = "I shall cut off", with the former reading in margin. But some codices, with two early printed editions, read "cut off" in the text.

Mine eye, &c. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 18. 8). Cp. 7. 4; 8. 18; 9. 10. Ap. 92.

12 A third part, &c. This is the signification of the sign (vv. 1-4).

pestilence, and with famine. Cp. Josephus, *Ant.* x. 8. i.

all the winds = all quarters. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6.

13 and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6).

I will be comforted. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 36). Cp. Isa. 1. 24. Ap. 92.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

zeal = jealousy.

14 I will make thee waste. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 31, 32). Ap. 92.

15 be a reproach and a taunt, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 37: the words being different). Ap. 92.

unto. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Sept., and Vulg., read "in", or "among".

16 I shall send, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 23, 24). which: or, who.

break your staff of bread, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 26). Ap. 92. Cp. 4. 16.

17 So will I send, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 22. Deut. 32. 24).

I will bring the sword, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 25). Ap. 92. Cp. 6. 3; 11. 8; 14. 17; 29. 8; 33. 2. Not used elsewhere in O.T.

6. 1-7. 27 (O, p. 1110). THE MOUNTAINS. (Extended Alternation.)

O	T		o		6. 1-7. The mountains of Israel.
			p		6. 8-10. The remnant.
			q		6. 11-. Sign. Smiting.
			r		6. -11-14. Signification.
T			o		7. 1-15. The Land of Israel.
			p		7. 16-22. The remnant.
			q		7. 23-. Sign. A chain.
			r		-7. 23-27. Signification.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 Son of man. See note on 2. 1.

the mountains. Specially defiled by the high places. Cp. v. 13.

3 the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See note on 2. 4.

rivers: or, ravines. Cp. 36. 4, 6. Heb. *aphikim*. See note on "channels", 2 Sam. 22. 16.

Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

bring a sword. See note on 5. 17.

destroy your high places. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 30).

4 images = sun-images. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 30).

Ap. 92. Cp. 2 Chron. 14. 5; 34. 4, 7. Isa. 17. 8; 27. 9.

idols = manufactured gods. 5 children = sons.

their. Some codices, with Vulg., read "your".

6 waste. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 31). Ap. 92.

7 the slain = a slain one.

ye shall know that I am the LORD. This formula occurs twenty-one times in Ezekiel: five times at the beginning of a verse (6. 13; 11. 12; 20. 42, 44; 37. 13); five times in the middle of a verse (7. 9; 15. 7; 17. 21; 22. 22; 37. 14); and eleven times at the end of the verse (6. 7; 7. 4; 11. 10; 12. 20; 13. 14; 14. 8; 20. 38; 25. 5; 35. 9; 36. 11; 37. 6). In two instances, which are thus safeguarded (see Ap. 93), the verb is fem. (13. 21, 23). Outside Ezekiel it occurs only twice (Ex. 10. 2. 1 Kings 20. 28). See Ginsburg's *Massorah*, vol. i, pp. 467, 468, §§ 122, 123. For another formula, see note on v. 10; and 13. 9.

8 ye. The 1611 edition of the A.V. reads "he": i.e. Israel.

9 I am broken with. Aram., Syr., and Vulg. read "I have broken".

whorish: i.e. idolatrous.

484 from Me, and with their eyes, which go a whoring after their ⁴idols: and they shall lothe themselves for the ^oevils which they have committed in all their abominations.

10 And ^othey shall know that \Im am ¹the LORD, and *that* I have not said in vain that I would do this ^oevil unto them.

q (p. 1112) 11 Thus saith ³the Lord GOD; 'Smite with thine hand, and stamp with thy foot, and say,

r 'Alas for all the ¹⁰evil abominations of ^othe house of Israel! for they shall fall by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence.

12 He that is far off shall die of the pestilence; and he that is near shall fall by the sword; and he that remaineth and is besieged shall die by the famine: thus will I accomplish My fury upon them.

13 Then shall ⁷ye know that \Im am ¹the LORD, when their slain *men* shall be among their ⁴idols round about their altars, upon every high hill, in all the tops of the mountains, and under every green tree, and under every thick oak, the place where they did offer ^osweet savour to all their idols.

14 ^oSo will I ^ostretch out My hand upon them, and make the land desolate, yea, more desolate than the wilderness toward ^oDiblah, in all their habitations: and ¹⁰they shall know that \Im am ¹the LORD.''''

T o 7 Moreover the word of ^othe LORD came unto me, saying,

2 "Also, thou ^oson of man, thus saith ^othe Lord GOD unto ^othe land of Israel; ^o'An end, ^othe end is come upon the four corners of ^othe land.

3 Now *is* ^othe end *come* upon thee, and I will send Mine anger upon thee, and will judge thee according to thy ways, and will recompense upon thee all thine abominations.

4 And ^oMine eye shall not spare thee, neither will I have pity: but I will recompense thy ways upon thee, and thine abominations shall be in the midst of thee: and ^oye shall know that \Im am ¹the LORD.'

5 Thus saith ²the Lord GOD; ^o'An ^oevil, ^oan ^oonly ^oevil, ^obehold, is come.

6 ^oAn end is come, ^othe end is come: ^oit watcheth for thee; ⁵behold, ^oit is come.

7 ^oThe morning is come unto thee, O thou that dwellest in ²the land: the time is come, the day of trouble *is* near, and not the ^osounding again of the mountains.

8 Now will I shortly pour out My fury upon thee, and accomplish Mine anger upon thee: and I will judge thee according to thy ways, and will recompense thee for all thine abominations.

9 And ⁴Mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have pity: I will recompense thee according to thy ways and thine abominations *that* are in the midst of thee; and ⁴ye shall know that \Im am ¹the LORD That smiteth.

10 ⁵Behold the day, ⁵behold, it is come: ⁷the morning is gone forth; ^othe rod hath blossomed, ^opride hath budded.

11 Violence is risen up into ^oa rod of ^owickedness: none of them *shall remain*, nor of their multitude, nor of any of theirs: ^oneither *shall there* be wailing for them.

evils. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

10 they shall know that \Im am the LORD. This expression occurs again in v. 14; 12. 15; 20. 26; 30. 8; 32. 15. Other similar passages outside Ezekiel are, first, Ex. 7. 5. Lev. 23. 43 (ref. to Pent.); then 1 Sam. 17. 46, 47. 1 Kings 8. 43; 18. 37. 2 Chron. 6. 33. Pss. 59. 13; 83. 18; 109. 27. Isa. 19. 12; 41. 20; 45. 6. Jer. 31. 34. See Ginsburg's *Massōrah*, vol. i, §§ 118, 134, 135, 137.

11 the house of Israel. See note on Ex. 16. 31.

13 sweet savour=savour of appeasement, or, rest.

14 So will I: or, And I will.

stretch out My hand. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 7. 5, &c.). Diblah=Diblathaim (Num. 33. 46. Jer. 48. 22). A Massoretic note records the fact that some MSS. read "Riblah"; but many codices, with ten early printed editions, Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "Diblah".

7. 1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 son of man. See note on 2. 1.

the Lord GOD=Adonai Jehovah. See note on 2. 4. the land of Israel=the soil or ground of Israel. 'Admath Israel, not 'eret, as in the next clause. See note on 11. 17.

An end... the end... the end. The Fig. *Repetitio* for emphasis. Cp. vv. 2, 3. See Ap. 6.

the land. Heb. 'eret.

4 Mine eye. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

ye shall know, &c. See note on 6. 7.

5 An evil, an only evil. Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6.

evil=calamity. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii. only=sole. Some codices, with four early printed editions and Aram., read "calamity after calamity", reading 'ahar (after) instead of 'ahad (i.e. 7=2 for 7=D).

behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

6 An end... the end... it watcheth. Fig. *Paronomasia*. Ap. 6. Heb. *kēz... ha'kēz... hekez*.

it=she. Note the sudden change of gender, referring to "the morning" of v. 7.

7 The morning is come=The turn (or circle) hath come round.

sounding again. Occurs only here.

10 the rod hath blossomed: i.e. Nebuchadnezzar's sceptre is ready.

pride=insolence, or presumption: i.e. Israel's sin, which has called for the judgment.

11 a rod of wickedness: i.e. a rod to punish the wickedness. Genitive of Relation. Ap. 17. 5.

wickedness=lawlessness. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x. neither shall there be wailing for them. Some codices, with four early printed editions, Syr., and Vulg., read "no rest for them".

13 to that: i.e. to the possession.

although they were yet alive: i.e. at the time of the redemption, when, at the jubilee, the property sold would come back to the seller. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 25). Ap. 92.

the vision: or, indignation, if *chārān* is read for *chazān*, "wrath"; i.e. 7=2 for 7=D, as in vv. 12 and 14. strengthen himself in the iniquity of his life: or, no man by his iniquity shall strengthen his life.

iniquity. Heb. 'āvāh. Ap. 44. iv.

14 They have blown. Some codices, with Sept., and Vulg., read "Blow ye".

12 The time is come, the day draweth near: let not the buyer rejoice, nor the seller mourn: for wrath *is* upon all the multitude thereof.

13 For the seller shall not return ^oto that which is sold, ^oalthough they were yet alive: for ^othe vision *is* touching the whole multitude thereof, *which* shall not return; neither shall any ^ostrengthen himself in the ^oiniquity of his life.

14 ^oThey have blown the trumpet, even to make all ready; but none goeth to the battle: for My wrath *is* upon all the multitude thereof.

15 ° The sword is without, and the pestilence and the famine within: he that is in the field shall die with the sword; and he that is in the city, famine and pestilence shall devour him.

16 But they that escape of them shall escape, and shall be on the mountains like doves of the valleys, all of them mourning, every one for his ° iniquity.

17 All hands shall be feeble, and all knees shall be weak as water.

18 They shall also gird themselves with sackcloth, and horror shall cover them; and shame shall be upon all faces, and ° baldness upon all their heads.

19 They shall cast their silver in the streets, and their gold shall be removed: their silver and their gold shall not be able to ° deliver them in the day of the wrath of ° the LORD: they shall not satisfy their ° souls, neither fill their bowels: because it is the stumblingblock of their ° iniquity.

20 As for the beauty of His ornament, He set ° it in majesty: but they made the images of their abominations ° and of their detestable things therein: therefore have I set it far from them.

21 And I will give it into the hands of the ° strangers for a prey, and to the ° wicked of the earth for a spoil; and they shall ° pollute it.

22 My face will I turn also from them, and they shall ° pollute My secret place: for the robbers shall enter into it, and defile it.

23 ° Make a chain:

for the land is full of ° bloody crimes, and the city is full of violence.

24 Wherefore I will bring the worst of the ° heathen, and they shall possess their houses: I will also make the pomp of ° the strong to cease; and their ° holy places shall be defiled.

25 ° Destruction cometh; and they shall seek peace, and there shall be none.

26 ° Mischief ° shall come upon ° mischief, and ° rumour shall be ° upon ° rumour; then shall ° they seek a vision of the prophet; but ° the law shall perish from the priest, and counsel from the ° ancients.

27 The king shall mourn, and the prince shall be clothed with ° desolation, and the hands of the People of the land shall be troubled: I will do unto them after their way, and according to their ° deserts will I judge them; and ° they shall know that I am ° the LORD."

8 And it came to pass in ° the sixth year, in the sixth month, in the ° fifth day of the month, as I sat in mine house, and ° the elders of Judah sat before me, that ° the hand of ° the Lord GOD fell there upon me.

2 Then I beheld, and ° lo a likeness as the appearance of ° fire: from the appearance of His loins even downward, fire; and from His loins even upward, as the appearance of brightness, as the colour of amber.

3 And He put forth the form of an hand, and took me by a lock of mine head; and ° the spirit lifted ° me up between the earth and the heaven, and brought ° me in ° the visions of ° God ° to Jerusalem, to the ° door of the inner

15 The sword. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for war.

The sword is without. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 25).

16 iniquity. As in v. 13: but here is put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6, for the judgment which was the consequence of it.

18 baldness. A sign of mourning.

19 deliver = rescue.

souls = cravings of their animal nature. Heb. *nephesesh*. Ap. 13.

20 it: i.e. His Sanctuary, or His holy city Jerusalem. and. Some codices, with Syr. and Vulg., read this "and" in the text = "and their".

21 strangers = foreigners.

wicked = lawless. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

pollute = profane.

23 Make a chain. The sign of captivity, answering to the other sign in v. 11- ("q").

bloody crimes = crimes of bloodshed: i.e. capital crimes.

24 heathen = nations.

the strong. The Sept. evidently read 'uzzam, instead of 'uzzim ("the fierce ones"). Cp. 24. 21.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

25 Destruction: or, Cutting off.

26 Mischief = Calamity. Heb. *chavah*.

shall come. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 23).

rumour = hearing. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for what is heard.

upon = after; but a special reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 84), reads "upon". This is followed by A.V. and R.V.

they seek. But in vain. See v. 25.

the law. This was the special province of the priest (Deut. 17. 8-13; 33. 10), as the vision was that of the prophet, and counsel that of elders. Cp. Jer. 18. 18.

ancients = elders.

27 desolation. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for rent garments, which were the outward expression of inward grief.

deserts = judgments. Cp. v. 23.

they shall know, &c. See note on 6. 10.

8. 1-11. 24 (A, p. 1106). SECOND VISION. IN JERUSALEM. (*Introversion and Alternation*.)

A | U | 8. 1-4. The beginning of the Vision.

V | W | 8. 5-9. 11. Sins and Punishments.

X | 10. 1-22. Cherubim.

V | W | 11. 1-21. Sins and Punishments.

X | 11. 22-23. Cherubim.

U | 11. 24, 25. The end of the Vision.

8. 1-4 (U, above). THE BEGINNING OF THE VISION. (*Alternation*.)

U | s | 1. Place. "Mine house."

t | 2. Vision.

s | 3. Place. Jerusalem.

t | 4. Vision.

1 the sixth year, &c. See table on p. 1105.

fifth. Some codices read "first".

the elders of Judah: i.e. of the Jewish colony at Tel-Abib (3. 15).

the hand. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See note on 2. 4.

2 lo. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

fire = a man. So the Sept., reading 'ish (Ap. 14. II) instead of 'esh = fire.

3 the spirit. Probably an angel. See below. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

me. Emph.: i.e. Ezekiel himself, as Philip. Cp. 1 Kings 18. 12. 2 Kings 2. 16. Acts 8. 39. 2 Cor. 12. 2, 4.

Rev. 1. 10; 4. 2; 17. 3; 21. 10. Cp. 11. 24, 25; 40. 2, 3.

the visions of God: i.e. the visions given him by God. The Gen. of Origin (Ap. 17. 2).

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

to Jerusalem: i.e. to the actual city itself, not a vision of it.

door = entrance.

488 gate that looketh toward the north; where was the seat of the image of ° jealousy, which ° provoketh to ° jealousy.

t 4 And, ° behold, ° the glory of ° the ° God of Israel was there, according to the vision that I ° saw in the plain.

VY¹ Z¹ u¹ (p. 1115) 5 Then said He unto me, ° “Son of man, lift up thine eyes now the way toward the north.” So I lifted up mine eyes the way toward the north,

v¹ and ° behold northward at the gate of the altar this image of ° jealousy in the entry.

w¹ 6 He said furthermore unto me, ° “Son of man, ° seest thou what they do? even the great ° abominations that ° the house of Israel committeth here, that ° I should go far off from My sanctuary?

x¹ but turn thee yet again, and thou shalt see greater ° abominations.”

Z² u² 7 And He brought me to the ° door of the court; and when I looked, behold ° a hole in the wall.

v² 8 Then said He unto me, ° “Son of man, dig now in the wall:” and when I had digged in the wall, behold ° a ° door.

9 And He said unto me, “Go in, and behold the wicked ° abominations that they do here.”

10 So I went in and saw; and ° behold every form of creeping things, and ° abominable ° beasts, and all the ° idols of ° the house of Israel, pourtrayed upon the wall round about.

11 And there stood before them ° seventy ° men of the ° ancients of ° the house of Israel, and in the midst of them stood ° Jaazaniah the son of Shaphan, with every man his censor in his hand; and a thick cloud of incense went up.

w² 12 Then said He unto me, ° “Son of man, hast thou seen what the ° ancients of the house of Israel do ° in the dark, every man in the chambers of his imagery? for they say, ° “The LORD seeth us not; ° the LORD hath forsaken the earth.”

x² 13 He said also unto me, “Turn thee yet again, and thou shalt see greater ° abominations that they do.”

Z³ u³ 14 Then He brought me to the ° door of the gate of ° the LORD'S house which was toward the north;

v³ and, ° behold, there sat women weeping for ° Tammuz.

w³ 15 Then said He unto me, “Hast thou ° seen this, O ° son of man?

x³ turn thee yet again, and thou shalt see greater ° abominations than these.”

Z⁴ u⁴ 16 And He brought me into the inner court of ° the LORD'S house, and, ° behold, at the ° door of the temple of ° the LORD, ° between the porch and the altar,

v⁴ were about ° five and twenty men, with ° their backs toward the temple of ° the LORD, and their faces toward the east; and they ° worshipped the sun toward the east.

jealousy. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6, for the effect produced by it, as explained in the next clause. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 4. 16). Ap. 92. Elsewhere only in 2 Chron. 33. 7, 15.

provoketh to jealousy. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 20. 5. Deut. 32. 16). Ap. 92.

4 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

the glory, &c. See note on 1. 28.

the God of Israel. See note on Isa. 29. 23.

plain=valley.

8. 5—9. 11 (W, p. 1114). SINS AND PUNISHMENTS. (*Division*.)

W | Y¹ | 8. 5—17. The Sins of the People.

| Y² | 8. 18—9. 11. The Punishments.

8. 5—17 (Y¹, above). THE SINS OF THE PEOPLE. (*Extended and Repeated Alternations*. Like their sins.)

Y¹ | Z¹ | u¹ | 5—6. Place. The North.

v¹ | 5. Abomination. Image of Jealousy.

w¹ | 6—7. Appeal to Ezekiel.

x¹ | 6. Announcement of greater.

Z² | u² | 7. Place. Entrance of the Court.

v² | 8—11. Abomination. Chamber of Imagery.

w² | 12. Appeal to Ezekiel.

x² | 13. Announcement of greater.

Z³ | u³ | 14—15. Place. Entrance of North Gate.

v³ | 14. Abomination. Women weeping for Tammuz.

w³ | 15—16. Appeal to Ezekiel.

x³ | 15. Announcement of greater.

Z⁴ | u⁴ | 16—17. Place. The Inner Court.

v⁴ | 16. Abomination. Worshipping the Sun.

w⁴ | 17—18. Appeal to Ezekiel.

x⁴ | 17. Announcement of greatest.

5 Son of man. See note on 2. 1.

6 seest thou...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

abominations. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the idols and the sin of idolatry which Jehovah abominated.

the house of Israel. See note on Ex. 16. 31.

I should go far off. Lit. to a removal far away: i.e. that they (or I) should remove, &c.

7 a=one: i.e. a single, or certain; as though it were mysterious or remarkable.

10 abominable. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 7 and 11). Elsewhere only in Isa. 66. 17. Ap. 92.

beasts. This animal-worship was part of Egyptian idolatry. idols=manufactured gods.

11 seventy. The number of the elders. See Num. 11. 16. 2 Chron. 19. 8. Jer. 26. 17.

men. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

ancients=elders. Contrast Ex. 24. 1, &c.

Jaazaniah. His father, Shaphan, had taken part in Josiah's reformation (2 Kings 22. 8, &c.). Two of his sons were friendly to Jeremiah (*Ahikam*, Jer. 26. 24; and *Gemariah*, 36. 10, 25). Another Jaazaniah is mentioned in 11. 1.

12 in the dark. This was a special feature of this animal idolatry.

The LORD seeth us not: or, there is no Jehovah seeing us. Cp. 9. 9. the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

14 Tammuz. With Art. An idol personifying vegetable and animal life, worshipped in Phœnicia and Babylonia.

16 between the porch and the altar. The place appointed for the priests.

five and twenty. The number of the heads of the twenty-four courses of the priests.

their backs toward the temple. Because their faces were toward the sun-rising.

worshipped the sun. This form of idolatry seen as early as Job 31. 26, 27; and foreseen in Deut. 4. 19; adopted as early as Asa (2 Chron. 14. 5); abolished by Josiah (2 Kings 23. 5, 11).

17 Then He said unto me, “Hast thou ° seen this, O ° son of man? Is it a light thing to the

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483 house of Judah that they commit ° the ° abominations which they commit here ?

x^t for they have filled the land with violence, and
(p. 1115) have returned to ° provoke Me to anger : and, ° lo, they put ° the branch to ° their nose.

Y² A C 18 Therefore will I also deal in fury : ° Mine
(p. 1116) eye shall not spare, neither will I have pity : and though they cry in ° Mine ears with a loud voice, yet will I not hear them."

D E y 9 ° He cried also in mine ears with a loud
voice, saying, "Cause them that have charge over the city to draw near, even ° every man with his ° destroying ° weapon in his hand."

2 And, ° behold, ° six ° men came from the way of the higher gate, which lieth toward the north, and ° every man a slaughter ° weapon in his hand ;

z and one ° man among them was clothed with linen, with a ° writer's inkhorn by his side : and they went in, and stood beside the brasen altar.

z 3 And ° the glory of ° the ° God of Israel was gone up from the ° cherub, whereupon ° He was, to the threshold of ° the house. And He called to ° the ° man clothed with linen, which had the ° writer's inkhorn by his side ;

4 And ° the LORD said unto him, "Go through the midst of the city, through the midst of Jerusalem, and ° set a ° mark upon the foreheads of ° the men that sigh and that cry for all the abominations that be done in the midst thereof."

y 5 And to the others He said in mine hearing, "Go ye after him through the city, and smite : let not your eye ° spare, neither have ye pity :

6 Slay utterly old and young, both maids, and little children, and women : but come not near any ° man upon whom is the mark ; and ° begin at My sanctuary."

F Then they began at the ° ancient ° men which were before the house.

E 7 And He said unto them, "Defile the house, and fill the courts with the slain : go ye forth."

F And they went forth, and slew in the city.

B 8 And it came to pass, while they were slaying them, and I was left, that ° I fell upon my face, and cried, and said, ° "Ah ° Lord GOD ! wilt Thou destroy all the residue of Israel in Thy pouring out of Thy fury upon Jerusalem?"

A C 9 Then said He unto me, "The ° iniquity of the house of Israel and Judah is ° exceeding great, and the land is full of blood, and the city full of perverseness : for they say, "The LORD ° hath forsaken the earth, and ° the LORD seeth not."

10 And as for Me also, ° Mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have pity, but I will recompense their way upon their head."

D 11 And, ° behold, the ° man clothed with linen, which had the ° inkhorn by his side, reported the matter, saying, "I have done ° as Thou hast commanded me."

17 the. Some codices, with three early printed editions, read "all the".

10. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

the branch = the Asherah (Ap. 42), represented by a branch cut to a certain shape.

their. This is one of the eighteen emendations of the *Sopherim* (Ap. 33), by which they record their change of ° *aphphi* (My nostrils) of the primitive text, to ° *aphphām* (their nostrils), in order to remove what was thought to be an indelicate and derogatory *Anthropomorphism*.

18 Mine eye . . . Mine ears. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 13. 8). Ap. 92. See 5. 11 ; 7. 4, 9 ; 9. 5 ; and cp. Jer. 21. 7. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

8. 18—9. 11 (Y², p. 1115). THE PUNISHMENTS. (*Introversion and Alternation*.)

Y ²	A	C		8. 18. Jehovah. Threatening.
				D 9. 1-7. Punishment. Commanded.
				B 9. 8. Ezekiel. Deprecation.
	A	C		9. 9, 10. Jehovah. Threatening.
				D 9. 11. Punishment executed.

9. 1-7 (D, above). PUNISHMENT COMMANDED. (*Alternation*.)

D	E		1-6-. Command to slay. (The Agents.)
	F		-6. Obedience.
	E		7-. Command to defile. (The Agents.)
	F		-7. Obedience.

9. 1-6- (E, above). COMMAND TO SLAY. (THE AGENTS.) (*Introversion*.)

E	y		1, 2-. Six men.
	z		-2. One man.
	z		3, 4. One man.
	y		5, 6. The others.

1 He cried, &c. Contrast "though they cry", &c. (8. 18).

every man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

destroying = dashing (in pieces).

weapon. A various reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 34), with some codices, four early printed editions, Sept., and Syr., reads "weapons" (pl.).

2 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

six men. Evidently supernatural. Angels are often called "men".

men. Heb. pl. of 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

weapon. A various reading called *Sevir*, with some codices, one early printed edition, and Syr., reads weapons (pl.).

a writer's inkhorn. See v. 11. Seen in use in the East to this day.

3 the glory, &c. See note on 1. 28.

the God of Israel. See note on Isa. 29. 23.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

cherub. Sing., as in 1. 20. He: or, It.

the house: i.e. the Temple building.

the man clothed with linen. Cp. Dan. 10. 5, 6. Rev. 1. 13.

4 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

set a mark. Cp. Rev. 7. 3 ; 9. 4 ; 13. 16, 17 ; 20. 4.

mark. Heb. Occurs elsewhere only in Job 31. 35.

5 spare = shield.

6 begin at My sanctuary. Cp. Isa. 10. 12. Jer. 25. 29 ; 49. 12. Mal. 3. 5. 1 Pet. 4. 17.

ancient = elders.

8 I fell upon my face. See note on 1. 28.

Ah. Fig. *Ecpfhōnēsis*. Ap. 6.

Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. Ap. 4. VIII (2. and II. See note on 2. 4.

9 iniquity. Heb. 'āvāh. Ap. 44. iv.

exceeding great. Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6. Heb. = "great, by degree, degree".

hath forsaken. See 8. 12.

10 Mine eye, &c. See note on 5. 11 ; 7. 4 ; 8. 18.

11 as = according as. Some codices, with three early printed editions, read "according to all which".

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10 Then I looked, and, °behold, in the °firmament that was above the head of the cherubims there appeared over them as it were °a sapphire stone, as the appearance of the likeness of a throne.

b **2** And He spake unto the °man clothed with linen, and said, "Go in °between °the wheels, even under the cherub, and fill thine hand with coals of fire from between the cherubims, and °scatter them over the city." And he went in in my sight.

I **3** Now the cherubims stood on the right side of the house, when the ²man went in; and °the cloud filled the inner court.

4 Then °the glory of °the LORD went up from the cherub, and stood over the threshold of the house; and the house was °filled with the cloud, and the court was full of the brightness of °the LORD's glory.

5 And the °sound of the cherubims' wings was heard even to the outer court, as the voice of the °ALMIGHTY GOD when He speaketh.

H b **6** And it came to pass, that when He had commanded the ²man clothed with linen, saying, "Take fire from between ²the wheels, from between the cherubims;" then he went in, and stood beside °the wheels.

7 And °one cherub stretched forth his hand from between the cherubims unto the fire that was between the cherubims, and took thereof, and put it into the hands of him that was clothed with linen: who took it, and went out.

a **8** And there appeared in the cherubims the form of a °man's hand under their wings.

9 And when I looked, °behold the four °wheels by the cherubims, one °wheel by one cherub, and another °wheel by another cherub: and the appearance of the °wheels was as the colour of a °beryl stone.

10 And as for their appearances, they four had one likeness, as if a °wheel had been in the midst of a °wheel.

11 When they went, they went upon their four sides; they turned not as they went, but to the place whither °the head looked they followed it; they turned not as they went.

12 And their whole body, and their backs, and their hands, and their wings, and the °wheels, were full of eyes round about, °even the °wheels that they four had.

13 As for the °wheels, it was cried unto them in my hearing, °"O °wheel."

14 And every one had four faces: the first face was the face of °a cherub, and the second face was the face of a °man, and the third the face of a lion, and the fourth the face of an eagle.

15 And the °cherubims were °lifted up. This is the °living creature that I saw by the river of Chebar.

16 And when the ¹⁵cherubims went, the °wheels went by them: and when the cherubims lifted up their wings to mount up from the earth, the same °wheels also turned not from beside them.

17 When they stood, these stood; and when they were lifted up, these ¹⁵lifted up themselves also: for the °spirit of the ¹⁵living creature was in them.

I **18** Then the glory of °the LORD °departed

10. 1-22 (X, p. 1114). THE CHERUBIM. (Division.)

X | G¹ | 1-19. Particular.
| G² | 20-22. General.

10. 1-19 (G¹, above). PARTICULAR. (Alternation and Introversion.)

G¹ | H | a | 1. Appearance of the Throne.
| b | 2. Fire. Ignition. Command.
| I | 3-5. Position of the Glory.
H | b | 6, 7. Fire. Ignition. Obedience.
| a | 8-17. Appearance of the Cherubim.
| I | 18, 19. Position of the Glory.

1 behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.
firmament = expanse. Cp. 1. 22.
a sapphire stone. Cp. 1. 26. Ex. 24. 10.
2 man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II. Not the same word as in vv. 8, 14, 21. 'Tsh is used of the man clothed with linen. between = amid.
the wheels = the whirling [wheels]. The word here and in vv. 6-, 13 is galgal. Not the same word as in vv. -6, 9, 10, 12, 13-, 16, 19, and chs. 1. 15 and 11. 22. In these it is 'ophan, from 'aphan, to turn round: as in Ex. 14. 25, &c. Galgal occurs in Pss. 77. 18 (in the heaven); 83. 13. Ecc. 12. 6. Isa. 5. 28; 17. 13. Jer. 47. 3; and Ezek. 23. 24; 26. 10. Dan. 7. 9 (Chaldean). scatter = toss.
3 the cloud, &c. It was here as in Ex. 19. 9; 24. 15, 16, 18. Num. 9. 19; 12. 10. 1 Kings 8. 10.
4 the glory, &c. See note on 1. 28.
the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
filled, &c. As in 1 Kings 8. 10, 11.
5 sound: i.e. their movement, as though about to depart in flight. Cp. v. 18.
ALMIGHTY GOD. Heb. 'El Shaddai. Ap. 4. VII.
6 the wheels - the wheel. Heb. 'ophan. See note on v. 2. **7** one: or, the.
8 man's = human. Heb. 'adam. Ap. 14. I. The same word as in vv. 14, 21. Not the same as in vv. 2, 3, 6.
9 beryl stone = stone of Tarshish.
11 the head = one head (sing.).
12 even the wheels, &c.: or, to the four of them belonged their wheels.
13 O wheel: or, Roll, roll; as implying urgency and celerity for the accomplishment of all that was symbolized by the imagery of this chapter. Same word as in v. 2. See note.
14 a cherub = the cherub, identifying it with that of v. 7.
15 cherubims. Heb. sherubim, pl.; Eng. pl. = cherubs. lifted up. To bear away the symbol of the Divine presence. living creature. Singular.
17 spirit. Heb. ruach. Ap. 9.
18 departed. This is what is signified by this chapter. In 43. 1-7, &c., it is seen to return when Israel shall again be restored. The latter will be as literal as the former.
off = over.
19 every one: or [the whole].
the God of Israel. See note on Isa. 29. 23.
God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.
20 the cherubims: i.e. which he had seen in ch. 1.

from °off the threshold of the house, and stood over the ¹⁵cherubims.

19 And the ¹⁵cherubims lifted up their wings, and mounted up from the earth in my sight: when they went out, the °wheels also were beside them, and every one stood at the door of the east gate of °the LORD'S house; and °the glory of °the °God of Israel was over them above.

20 This is the ¹⁵living creature that I saw under °the °God of Israel by the river of Chebar; and I knew that they were °the cherubims.

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483 21 Every one had four faces apiece, and every one four wings; and the likeness of the hands of a man was under their wings.

22 And the likeness of their faces was the same faces which I saw by the river of Chebar, their appearances and themselves: they went every one straight forward.

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11 Moreover the spirit lifted me up, and brought me unto the east gate of the LORD'S house, which looketh eastward: and behold at the door of the gate five and twenty men; among whom I saw Jaazaniah the son of Azur, and Pelatiah the son of Benaiah, princes of the people.

2 Then said He unto me, "Son of man, these are the men that devise mischief, and give wicked counsel in this city:

3 Which say, 'It is not near; let us build houses: this city is the caldron, and we be the flesh.'

K c 4 Therefore prophesy against them, O prophesy, O son of man."

d 5 And the Spirit of the LORD fell upon me, and said unto me, "Speak; Thus saith the LORD; 'Thus have ye said, O house of Israel: for I know the things that come into your mind, every one of them.

6 Ye have multiplied your slain in this city, and ye have filled the streets thereof with the slain.'

7 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; 'Your slain whom ye have laid in the midst of it, they are the flesh, and this city is the caldron: but I will bring you forth out of the midst of it.

8 Ye have feared the sword; and I will bring a sword upon you, saith the Lord GOD.

9 And I will bring you out of the midst thereof, and deliver you into the hands of strangers, and will execute judgments among you.

10 Ye shall fall by the sword; I will judge you in the border of Israel; and ye shall know that I am the LORD.

11 This city shall not be your caldron, neither shall we be the flesh in the midst thereof; but I will judge you in the border of Israel:

12 And ye shall know that I am the LORD: for ye have not walked in My statutes, neither executed My judgments, but have done after the manners of the heathen that are round about you."

c 13 And it came to pass, when I prophesied, that Pelatiah the son of Benaiah died.

d Then fell I down upon my face, and cried with a loud voice, and said, "Ah Lord GOD! wilt thou make a full end of the remnant of Israel?"

J 14 Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

15 "Son of man, thy brethren, even thy brethren, the men of thy kindred, and all the house of Israel wholly, are they unto whom the inhabitants of Jerusalem have said, 'Get you far from the LORD: unto us is this land given in possession.'

22 every one. Heb. 'ish (Ap. 14. II), as in vv. 2, 3, 6.

11. 1-21 (W, p. 1114). SINS AND PUNISHMENTS. (Alternation.)

W J | 1-3. Sin. Security.

K | 4-13. Prophecy. Judgment.

J | 14, 15. Sin. Security.

K | 16-21. Promise. Restoration.

1 spirit. As in 2. 2. Heb. rūach. Ap. 9. See note on 8. 3.

the east gate. Cp. 43. 1.

the LORD'S. Heb. Jehovah's. Ap. 4. II.

door=entrance.

five and twenty men. These are not the same as in 8. 16, but were princes of the People, a title never given to priests, who were called "princes of the sanctuary" (Isa. 43. 28). They were probably those referred to in Jer. 38. 4.

men. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

Jaazaniah. Not the same as in 8. 11.

2 Son of man. See note on 2. 1.

men. Pl. of Heb. 'enōsh. Ap. 14. III.

mischief=vanity. Heb. 'āven. Ap. 44. iii.

wicked=evil. Heb. rā'a'. Ap. 44. viii.

3 this city=it (or she), as in vv. 7, 11.

11. 4-13 (K, above). PROPHECY. (Alternation.)

K c | 4. Prophecy. Command.

d | 5-12. Threatening.

c | 13-. Prophecy. Event.

d | -13. Deprecation.

4 prophesy . . . prophesy. Fig. Epizeuxis (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

5 mind=spirit. Heb. rūach. Ap. 9.

7 the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See note on 2. 4.

but I will bring you forth. A special various reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 34), with some codices and two early printed editions (one Rabbinic), read "when I take you".

8 Ye have feared, &c. Cp. Jer. 42. 16.

I will bring a sword, &c. See note on 5. 17.

saith the LORD=[is] Adonai Jehovah's oracle.

9 strangers=foreigners.

10 in the border of Israel: i.e. at Riblah, in the extreme north of the land (2 Kings 25. 18-21. Jer. 52. 24-27). Cp. v. 11.

ye shall know, &c. See note on 6. 7.

12 statutes . . . judgments. See note on Deut. 4. 1.

have done after the manners, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 18. 3, 4. Deut. 12. 30, 31). Ap. 92.

heathen=nations.

13 fell I down, &c. See note on 1. 28.

Ah. Fig. Ecphōnesis. Ap. 6.

a full end. Cp. Jer. 4. 27; 5. 10, 18.

the remnant of Israel. Cp. 9. 8.

15 thy brethren . . . thy brethren. Fig. Epizeuxis.

Ap. 6. kindred=redemption.

11. 16-21 (K, above). PROMISE. (Alternation.)

K e | 16, 17. Restoration.

f | 18. Evil. Removal.

e | 19, 20. Conversion.

f | 21. Evil. Recompense.

16 I have scattered, &c. Cp. Jer. 30. 11; 31. 10, &c. will I be=I will become.

as a little sanctuary=a sanctuary for a little while.

sanctuary=as a holy place, or asylum, as in Isa. 8. 14.

16 Therefore say, 'Thus saith the Lord GOD; 'Although I have cast them far off among the heathen, and although I have scattered them among the countries, yet will I be to them as a little sanctuary in the countries where they shall come.'

17 Therefore say, 'Thus saith the Lord GOD;

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483 °I will even gather you from the °people, and assemble you out of the countries where ye have been scattered, and I will give you °the land of Israel.

f 18 And they shall come thither, and they shall take away all the detestable things thereof and all the abominations thereof from thence.

e 19 And °I will give them one heart, and I will put a new °spirit within you; and I will take the stony heart out of their flesh, and will give them an heart of flesh:

20 °That they may walk in My statutes, and keep Mine ordinances, and do them: and they shall be My People, and I will be their °God.

f 21 But as for them whose heart walketh after the heart of their detestable things and their abominations, I will recompense their way upon their own heads, °saith °the Lord GOD.

X 22 Then did the cherubims lift up their wings, and the wheels beside them; and °the glory of °the °God of Israel was over them above.

23 And °the glory of °the LORD went up from the midst of the city, and stood upon the mountain which is on the east side of the city.

U 24 Afterwards the °spirit took me up, and brought me in a vision by the °Spirit of °God into Chaldea, to them of the captivity. So the vision that I had seen went up from me.

25 Then I spake unto them of the captivity all the things that °the LORD had shewed me.

B L g 12 The word of °the LORD also came unto me, saying,

2 °“Son of man, thou dwellest in the midst of a °rebellious house, which have eyes to see, and see not; they have ears to hear, and hear not: for they are a °rebellious house.

3 Therefore, thou °son of man, prepare thee °stuff for °removing, and remove by day in their sight; and thou shalt remove from thy place to another place in their sight: it may be they will consider, though they be a °rebellious house.

4 Then shalt thou bring forth thy °stuff by day in their sight, as °stuff for removing: and thou shalt go forth °at even in their sight, as they that go forth into captivity.

5 °Dig thou through the wall in their sight, and carry out thereby.

6 In their sight shalt thou bear it upon thy shoulders, and carry it forth in the °twilight: thou shalt °cover thy face, that thou see not °the ground: for I have set thee for °a sign unto the house of Israel.”

7 And I did so °as I was commanded: I brought forth my °stuff by day, as °stuff for °captivity, and in the even I °dugged through the wall with mine hand; I brought it forth in the °twilight, and I bare it upon my shoulder in their sight.

h 8 And in the morning came the word of °the LORD unto me, saying,

9 °“Son of man, hath not the house of Israel, the °rebellious house, said unto thee, ‘What doest thou?’

10 Say thou unto them, ‘Thus saith °the Lord GOD; ‘This °burden concerneth the prince in

17 I will even gather you. Cp. Jer. 31. 10. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 30. 3). Ap. 92. people=peoples.

the land of Israel. Here, “the land”, in Heb. is ‘*admath*’ (‘*ādāmāh*’)=the soil of Israel. This expression occurs seventeen times in Ezekiel (11. 17; 12. 19, 22; 13. 9; 18. 2; 20. 38, 42; 21. 3 (Heb.=v. 8); 25. 3, 6; 33. 24; 36. 6; 37. 12; 38. 18, 19; “unto the land” (with 5), 7. 2; 21. 3 (Heb. v. 8). The three occurrences of the expression, with ‘*eretz*’ instead of ‘*admath*’, are thus safeguarded by the *Massōrah*: viz. 27. 17; 40. 2; 47. 18. (See Ginsburg’s *Massōrah*, vol. i, p. 107, § 1100) and Ap. 93.

19 I will give, &c. Cp. 36. 25-27; and Jer. 32. 39.

20 That they may walk, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 12. 30, 31). Ap. 92.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

22 the God of Israel. See note on Isa. 29. 23.

12. 1-28 (B, p. 1106). SIGNS. (Alternation.)

B	L	g	1-7. Signs. Removal.
		h	8-16. Signification.
		g	17, 18. Sign. Eating and drinking.
		h	19, 20. Signification.
L	i		21, 22. Proverb.
	k		23-25. Explanation.
	i		26, 27. Saying.
	k		28. Explanation.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 Son of man. See note on 2. 1.

rebellious=perverse. See note on 2. 3.

3 stuff=vessels, or baggage.

removing: i.e. for captivity.

4 at even. The sign (v. 11) that the prince (Zedekiah) would try to escape by night (2 Kings 25. 4. Jer. 39. 4).

5 Dig thou through the wall. The sign (v. 11) that Zedekiah would do this “betwixt the walls” (2 Kings 25. 4. Jer. 39. 4).

6 cover thy face. The sign (v. 11) that Zedekiah would disguise himself.

the ground=the land: i.e. the land Zedekiah was going forth from and would never see again. Heb. ‘*eth hā-ērez*’.

a sign. Heb. ‘*ōth*’. Cp. Gen. 1. 14. Divine portents as to things that were to come.

7 as=according as.

captivity. See notes on v. 3.

10 the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See note on 2. 4.

burden concerneth the prince (i.e. Zedekiah). Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. Heb. *hannasī’ hammassā’*. Eng. “this grief [concerneth] the chief”.

13 My net, &c.: i.e. the Chaldean army which overtook Zedekiah.

not see it. The Fig. *Amphibologia*, or *Ænigma* (Ap. 6), as in Jer. 34. 3. The explanation is given in 2 Kings 25. 7, and Jer. 39. 7; 52. 11. Zedekiah was taken to Babylon, but he never saw it, though he died there.

14 wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

Jerusalem, and all the house of Israel that are among them.”

11 Say, ‘I am your °sign: like as I have done, so shall it be done unto them: they shall remove and go into captivity.

12 And the prince that is among them shall bear upon his shoulder in the °twilight, and shall go forth: they shall dig through the wall to carry out thereby: he shall °cover his face, that he see not °the ground with his eyes.

13 °My net also will I spread upon him, and he shall be taken in My snare: and I will bring him to Babylon to °the land of the Chaldeans; yet shall he °not see it, though he shall die there.

14 And I will scatter toward every °wind all that are about him to help him, and all his

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bands; and I will °draw out the sword after them.

15 And °they shall know that I am °the LORD, when °I shall scatter them among the nations, and disperse them in the countries.

16 But °I will leave a few °men of them from the sword, °from the famine, and from the pestilence; that they may declare all their abominations among the °heathen whither they come; and °they shall know that I am °the LORD."

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17 Moreover the word of °the LORD came to me, saying,

18 "Son of man, eat thy bread with quaking, and drink thy water with trembling and with carefulness;

19 And say unto the People of °the land, 'Thus saith °the LORD GOD °of the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and of °the land of Israel; 'They shall eat their bread with carefulness, and drink their water with astonishment, that °her °land may be desolate from all that is therein, because of the violence of °all them that dwell therein.

20 And °the cities that are inhabited °shall be laid waste, and °the land shall be desolate; and °ye shall know that I am °the LORD."

21 And the word of °the LORD came unto me, saying,

22 "Son of man, °what is that °proverb that ye have in °the land of Israel, saying, 'The days are °prolonged, and every vision faileth?'

23 Tell them therefore, 'Thus saith °the LORD GOD; 'I will make this proverb to cease, and they shall no more use it as a proverb in Israel; but say unto them, 'The days °are at hand, and the °effect of every vision.'

24 For there shall be no more any °vain vision nor flattering divination within the °house of Israel.

25 For I am °the LORD: I will speak, and the word that I shall speak shall come to pass; it shall be no more °prolonged: for in your days, O °rebellious house, will I say the word, and will perform it, °saith °the LORD GOD."

26 Again the word of °the LORD came to me, saying,

27 "Son of man, °behold, they of the house of Israel say, 'The vision that he seeth is for many days to come, and he prophesieth of the times that are far off.'

28 Therefore say unto them, 'Thus saith °the LORD GOD; 'There shall none of My words be °prolonged any more, but the word which I have spoken shall be done, °saith °the LORD GOD."

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13 And the word of °the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 "Son of man, prophesy °against °the prophets of Israel that prophesy, and say thou unto them that prophesy out of their own hearts,

N O 'Hear ye the word of °the LORD;

3 Thus saith °the LORD GOD; 'Woe unto the °foolish prophets, that follow °their own °spirit, and have seen nothing!

4 O Israel, thy prophets are like the °foxes in the °deserts.

5 Ye have not gone up into the °gaps, neither

draw out the sword, &c. See note on 5, 2, 17.

15 they shall know. See note on 6, 10.

I shall scatter them. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 33. Deut. 4. 27; 28. 64). Ap. 92.

16 I will leave, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 4. 27).

men. Heb. pl. of 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

from. Some codices, with four early printed editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "and from", which emphasises the Fig. Polysyndeton (Ap. 6), to enhance the completeness of the enumeration.

heathen = nations.

19 of the inhabitants = to the inhabitants.

the land, &c. = concerning the land, &c. Heb. 'ādmath. See note on 11. 17.

her. Some codices, with one early printed edition, read "their".

all. The 1611 edition of the A. V. omitted this "all".

20 the cities . . . shall be laid waste. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 31). Ap. 92.

ye shall know, &c. See note on 6. 7.

22 what . . . ? Fig. Erotēsis. Ap. 6.

proverb. See the Structure, "i", on p. 1119.

prolonged: i.e. protracted, or postponed.

23 are at hand. The fulfilment took place five years later.

effect = word: i.e. the [fulfilled] word, meaning, or purpose. 24 vain vision. Cp. Lam. 2. 14.

house. Some codices, with one early printed edition (Rabbinic in marg.), Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "sons". 25 prolonged: i.e. delayed, or deferred.

saith the LORD = [is] Adonai Jehovah's oracle.

27 behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

13. 1-23 (B, p. 1104). PROPHETS AND PROPHETESSES. (Alternation and Introversion.)

B	M	1, 2-7. Prophets.
		N O -2-7. Lies.
	P	8, 9. Divine hostility.
	Q	10-16. Symbols.
	M	17. Prophetesses.
	N	Q 18, 19. Symbols.
	P	20, 21. Divine hostility.
	O	22, 23. Lies.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 Son of man. See note on 2. 1.

against = concerning. Some codices, and the special reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 34), with Aram., Sept., and Syr., read "against".

the prophets. See the Structure, "M", above. The ref. is to the false prophets of Israel. Cp. Jer. 5. 30, 31; 23. 9-32; 27. 14; 29. 8, 9, 22, 23.

3 the LORD GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See note on 2. 4. foolish. Heb. nāḇel. See note on Prov. 1. 7.

their own spirit. Not the Holy Spirit.

spirit. Heb. rūach. Ap. 9. 4 foxes = jackals.

deserts = ruins. 5 gaps = breaches.

hedge = fence or wall of a vineyard (Num. 22. 24. Ps. 80. 12. Isa. 5. 5).

saying, 'The LORD saith' = saying [it] is Jehovah's oracle.

they would confirm the word = their word would be confirmed.

7 saith it; albeit, &c. A solemn warning as to some of the changes made in the Vulgate versions. Cp. 2. 5-7. Jer. 23. 21.

made up the °hedge for the house of Israel to stand in the battle in the day of °the LORD.

6 They have seen vanity and lying divination, °saying, 'The LORD saith:' and °the LORD hath not sent them: and they have made others to hope that °they would confirm the word.

7 Have ye not seen a vain vision, and have ye not spoken a lying divination, whereas ye say, 'The °LORD °saith it;' albeit I have not spoken?

P 8 Therefore thus saith ° the Lord GOD; 'Be-
(p. 1120) cause ye have spoken vanity, and seen lies,
488 therefore, behold, I am against you, °saith °the
Lord GOD.

9 'And Mine hand shall be upon the pro-
phets that see vanity, and that divine lies:
they shall not be in the °assembly of My Peo-
ple, neither shall they be written in the °writing
of the house of Israel, neither shall they enter
into the °land of Israel; and °ye shall know
that I am °the Lord GOD.

Q R 10 °Because, even because they have seduced
My People, saying, 'Peace; ' and there was no
peace;

S and °one built up °a wall, and, °lo, °others
°daubed it with °untempered mortar:

T I 11 Say unto them which °daub it with °un-
tempered mortar, that it shall fall: there shall
be an overflowing °shower; and ye, O great hail-
stones, shall fall; and a stormy °wind shall rend it.

m 12 °Lo, when the wall is fallen, shall it not
be said unto you, 'Where is the °daubing
wherewith ye have °daubed it?'

T I 13 Therefore thus saith °the Lord GOD; 'I
will even rend it with a stormy wind in
My fury; and there shall be an overflowing
°shower in Mine anger, and great hailstones
in My fury to consume it.

m 14 So will I break down the °wall that ye
have °daubed with °untempered mortar, and
bring it down to the ground, so that the foun-
dation thereof shall be discovered, and °it shall
fall, and ye shall be consumed in the midst there-
of: and °ye shall know that I am °the LORD.

S 15 Thus will I accomplish My wrath upon
the wall, and upon them that have °daubed it
with °untempered mortar, and will say unto
you, 'The wall is no more, neither they that
°daubed it;

R 16 To wit, the prophets of Israel which pro-
phesy concerning Jerusalem, and which see
°visions of °peace for her, and there is no
°peace, °saith °the Lord GOD.

M 17 Likewise, thou °son of man, °set thy face
against the daughters of thy People, which
prophecy out of °their own heart; and pro-
phesy thou against them,

N Q 18 And say, 'Thus saith °the Lord GOD;
Woe to the women that °sew °pillows to all
°armholes, and °make °kerchiefs upon the
head of every °stature to °hunt °souls! °Will
ye °hunt the °souls of My People, and will ye
save the °souls alive that come unto you?

19 And will ye pollute Me among My People
for handfuls of barley and for pieces of bread,
°to slay the °souls that should not die, and
°to save the °souls alive that should not live,
by °your lying to My People that hear your lies?

P 20 Wherefore thus saith °the Lord GOD;
°Behold, I am against your °pillows, where-
with ye there hunt the °souls to make them
°fly, and °I will tear them from your arms, and
will let the °souls go, even the °souls that ye
°hunt to make them °fly.

21 °Your °kerchiefs also will °I tear, and
deliver My People out of your hand, and they
shall be no more in °your hand to be °hunted;
and °ye shall know that I am °the LORD.

8 saith the Lord GOD=[is] Adonai Jehovah's oracle.

9 assembly=secret council. writing=register.
land=soil. Heb. 'admath. See note on 11. 17.

ye shall know, &c. This formula occurs only here,
23. 49; and 24. 24 (not the same as v. 14; 6. 7, &c.)

13. 10-16 (Q, p. 1120). SYMBOLS.
(Introversion and Alternation.)

Q R | 10-. False peace.
S | -10. Wall.
T | 1 | 11. Storm.
m | 12. Fall.
T | 1 | 13. Storm.
m | 14. Fall.
S | 15. Wall.
R | 16. False peace.

10 Because, even because. Fig. Epizeuxis. Ap. 6.
one built=he: i.e. one=a false prophet.

a wall=the outer wall of a house.

lo. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

others: i.e. the false prophets. Cp. v. 16.

daubed=coated.

untempered mortar=whitewash. Cp. Matt. 23. 29.

Acts 23. 3. 11 shower=rain. Cp. Matt. 7. 25, 27.

wind. Heb. rûach. Ap. 9.

14 it. Fem. referring to ruach (the wind in v. 11).

ye shall know, &c. See note on 6. 7.

16 visions=a vision.

peace. Ref. to meaning of the word Jerusalem.

17 set thy face against, &c. This required Divine
courage on the part of Ezekiel. Cp. 14. 8; 20. 46; 21. 2;
29. 2; 38. 2.

their own heart. Cp. vv. 2, 3, and a similar transition
from men to women in Isa. 3. 16, 17.

18 sew pillows to all armholes=sew together
coverings upon all the joints of My hands: i.e. hide
from the People the hands of Jehovah lifted up and
stretched forth in judgment (Isa. 26. 11; 52. 10).

pillows=coverings for purposes of concealment. Heb.
kêṣāthōth (occurs only here and in v. 20), from kâṣāh, to
conceal, to hide. First occ. (of kâṣāh) Gen. 7. 19, 20; 9. 23;
18. 17; 24. 65; 37. 26; 38. 14, 15, &c. The object is shown
in Isa. 26. 11.

armholes=My hands; referring to the judgments
they were to execute (14. 9, 13). Cp. vv. 9, 21, 22, 23.
The Sept. renders it proskephalaia=for the head.

make kerchiefs upon the head of every stature
=make mantles to cover the heads (and therefore the
eyes) of those on whom the judgments of God's hand
were about to fall, lest they should see.

kerchiefs=wraps that cleave close round the head.
Heb. miṣpāhōth (occurs only here), from ṣaphah, to join,
or cleave closely. Ṣaphah occurs 1 Sam. 2. 36 (put=
attach); 26. 19 (abiding=cleaving). Job 30. 7 (gathered
together). Isa. 14. 1 (cleave). Hab. 2. 15 (puttest=holdest).
The object being to cover the head so that God's hand
may not be seen (Isa. 26. 11).

stature=tall figure. Heb. kōmāh=height. First occ.
Gen. 6. 15. Cp. 1 Sam. 16. 7 (his stature); 28. 20, &c.
Put, here, for every man of high or lofty station: i.e. for
the princes or rulers in Jerusalem, whose eyes were
blinded by these false prophetesses.

hunt=harry, or ensnare.

souls. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13. Put here by Fig. Synec-
doche (of the Part), Ap. 6, for the People.

Will ye . . . ? This is not a question, but a statement.

19 to slay, &c.=to prophesy (falsely) that they should
be slain. Fig. Metonymy (of Subject), Ap. 6.

to save, &c.=to promise life to those who should not
live. Fig. Metonymy (of Subject), Ap. 6.

your. Masc. suffix, indicating unwomanly character.

20 Behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6. fly=escape.
I will tear. So that these wraps could be torn away.

21 your. Fem. suffix.

22 the righteous - a righteous one.

22 Because with lies ye have made the heart
of °the righteous sad, whom I have not made

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sad; and strengthened the hands of °the wicked, that he should not return from °his wicked way, °by promising him °life:

23 Therefore ye shall see no more vanity, nor divine divinations: for I will deliver My People out of your hand: and 14 ye shall know that I am °the LORD.'''

D U
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14 °Then came certain of °the elders of °Israel unto me, and sat before me.

2 And the word of °the LORD came unto me, saying,

3 °"Son of man, these °men have set up their °idols in their heart, and put the stumblingblock of their °iniquity °before their face: should I be enquired of at all by them?

4 Therefore speak unto them, and say unto them, 'Thus saith °the Lord GOD; °Every man of the house of Israel that setteth up his °idols in his heart, and putteth the stumblingblock of his °iniquity °before his face, and cometh to the prophet;

V I 2 the LORD °will answer him that cometh according to the multitude of his idols;

W 5 That I may take the house of Israel in their own heart, because they are all estranged from Me through their °idols.'''

U 6 Therefore say unto the house of Israel, 'Thus saith °the Lord GOD; 'Repent, and °turn yourselves from your °idols; and turn away your faces from all your abominations.

7 For °every one of the house of Israel, or of the stranger that sojourneth in Israel, which separateth himself from Me, and setteth up his °idols in his heart, and putteth the stumblingblock of his °iniquity °before his face, and cometh to a prophet to enquire of him concerning Me;

V I 2 the LORD °will answer him by Myself:

8 And °I will set My face against that °man, and °will make him a sign and a proverb, and °I will cut him off from the midst of My people; and °ye shall know that I am °the LORD.

9 And if the prophet be deceived when he hath spoken a thing, I 2 the LORD °have deceived that prophet, and °I will stretch out My hand upon him, and will destroy him from the midst of My people Israel.

10 And °they shall bear the punishment of their °iniquity: the punishment of the prophet shall be even as the punishment of him that seeketh unto him;

W 11 That the house of Israel may go no more astray from Me, neither be polluted any more with all their °transgressions; but that they may be My people, and I may be their °God, °saith °the Lord GOD.'''

E X¹ n¹

12 The word of °the LORD came again to me, saying,

13 °Son of man, when °the land °sinneth against Me by °trespassing grievously, then will °I stretch out Mine hand upon it, and will

the wicked = a lawless one. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x. his wicked way = his wrong way. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

by . . . life. Here the Figures in v. 20 are translated. life. Continuance in life: i.e. escape from the judgments announced by Jehovah.

14. 1-11 (D, p. 1097). ELDERS.

(Extended Alternation.)

D U | 1-4-. Sin. Idolaters seeking the Prophet.

V | -4. Answer of Jehovah.

W | 5. Purpose of His answer.

U | 6, 7-. Sin. Idolaters seeking the Prophet.

V | -7-10. Answer of Jehovah.

W | 11. Purpose of His answer.

1 Then came certain of the elders of Israel. These are to be distinguished from the elders of Judah (8. 1). They had no knowledge (probably) of what was transpiring in Judaea. They had travelled from Tel-abib. the elders. See the Structure (p. 1097).

Israel. See 8. 11, 12; 9. 6. In 8. 1 we have Judah's elders. 2 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

3 Son of man. See note on 2. 1.

men. Heb. pl. of *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

idols = manufactured idols.

iniquity = perversity. Heb. *'āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

before their face. Instead of God's law, according to Deut. 6. 8; 11. 18; and Prov. 8. 21-23.

4 the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See note on 2. 4. Every man. Heb. *'ish*, *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

before = in front of, or right before.

will answer, &c. = have been replied to for him; he hath come amid [the] multitude of his idols: i.e. he hath answered My claims by classing his idols with Me. The form is *Niphal* which in all its three occ. is rendered Passive, except here and v. 7. See Job 11. 2; 19. 7, and Prov. 21. 13. 6 turn yourselves = turn ye.

7 will answer, &c. = and being replied to for him in Myself: i.e. by his comparing his idols with Me. See note on v. 4.

8 I will set My face, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 17. 10; 26. 17). Ap. 92. man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

will make him, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 26. 10. Deut. 28. 37). Some codices, with eight early printed editions, read "will make him desolate, for a sign and a proverb".

I will cut him off, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 17. 14. Ex. 12. 15, 19; 30. 33, 38. Lev. 7. 20, 21, 25, 27; 17. 4, 9; 19. 8; 23. 29. Num. 9. 13, &c.). Ap. 92.

ye shall know, &c. See note on 6. 7.

9 have deceived. Heb. idiom = have permitted him to be deceived: i.e. as a judicial punishment for his own deception of the People.

I will stretch out, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 3. 20, &c.).

10 they shall bear the punishment, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 28. 38. Lev. 5. 1, 17. Num. 14. 34, &c.).

11 transgressions = rebellions. Heb. *pāshā'*. Ap. 44. ix. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

saith the Lord GOD = [is] Adonai Jehovah's oracle.

14. 12-15. 8 (E, p. 1097). THE LAND AND CITY. (JUDGMENTS.) (Division.)

E | X¹ | 14. 12-23. Literal.

X² | 15. 1-8. Symbolical.

14. 12-23 (X¹, above). LITERAL.

(Repeated Alternation.)

X¹ | n¹ | 12, 13. Famine.

o¹ | 14. Noah, Daniel, and Job.

n² | 15. Beasts.

o² | 16. The three men.

n³ | 17. Sword.

o³ | 18. The three men.

n⁴ | 19. Pestilence.

o⁴ | 20. Noah, Daniel, and Job.

n⁵ | 21. The four sore judgments.

o⁵ | 22, 23. A remnant.

13 the land = a land. sinneth. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i. trespassing. Heb. *mā'al*. Ap. 44. xi. Note the Fig. *Polypiston* (Ap. 6). Heb. to trespass a trespass: i.e. to trespass exceedingly. See note on Gen. 26. 28. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 5. 15; 6. 2; 26. 40. Num. 5. 6, 12, 27). Ap. 92.

483 ° break the staff ° of the bread thereof, and will send famine upon it, and will ° cut off ° man and beast from it :

o¹ (p. 1122) 14 Though these ° three ° men, ° Noah, ° Daniel, and ° Job, were in it, they should deliver but their own ° souls by their righteousness, ° saith ° the Lord GOD.

n² 15 ° “ If I cause ° noisome beasts to pass through the land, and they spoil it, so that it be desolate, that no man may pass through because of the beasts :

o³ 16 Though these ° three ° men were in it, as I live, ° saith ° the Lord GOD, they shall deliver neither sons nor daughters ; they only shall be delivered, but the land shall be desolate.

n³ 17 Or ° if I bring a sword upon that land, and say, ‘ Sword, go through the land ; ’ so that I ° cut off ° man and beast from it :

o³ 18 Though these ° three ° men were in it, as I live, ° saith ° the Lord GOD, they shall deliver neither sons nor daughters, but they only shall be delivered themselves.

n⁴ 19 Or ° if I send a pestilence into that land, and pour out My fury upon it in blood, to ° cut off from it ° man and beast :

o⁴ 20 Though ° Noah, Daniel, and Job, were in it, as I live, ° saith ° the Lord GOD, they shall deliver neither son nor daughter ; they shall but deliver their own ° souls by their righteousness.

n⁵ 21 For ° thus saith ° the Lord GOD, ° “ How much more when I send My four sore judgments upon Jerusalem, the sword, and the famine, and the ° noisome beast, and the pestilence, to ° cut off from it ° man and beast ?

o⁵ 22 Yet, ° behold, therein shall be left ° a remnant that shall be brought forth, both sons and daughters : ° behold, they shall come forth unto you, and ye shall see ° their way and their doings ; and ye shall be comforted concerning the ° evil that I have brought upon Jerusalem, even concerning all that I have brought upon it.

23 And ° they shall comfort you, when ye see their ways and their doings : and ° ye shall know that I have not done without cause all that I have done in it, ° saith ° the Lord GOD.”

X² p (p. 1123) 15 And the word of ° the LORD came unto me, saying,
2 ° “ Son of man, What is the vine tree more than any tree, or ° than a branch which ° is among the trees of the forest ?

3 Shall wood be taken thereof to do any work ? or will men take a ° pin of it to hang any vessel thereon ?

4 ° Behold, it is ° cast into the fire for fuel ; the fire devoureth both the ends of it, and the midst of it is burned. ° Is it meet for any work ?

q 5 ° Behold, when it was whole, it was meet for no work : how much less shall it be meet yet for any work, when the fire hath devoured it, and it is burned ?

p 6 Therefore thus saith ° the Lord GOD ; ‘ As the vine tree among the trees of the forest, which I have given to the fire for fuel, ° so will I give the inhabitants of Jerusalem.

break the staff of the bread. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 26, &c.). Ap. 92.

of = that is to say. Gen. of Apposition. Ap. 17. 4. man. Heb. ‘*ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

14 three men. In Jer. 15. 1, we have two men, “Moses and Samuel”, as intercessors. See note there. Here we have “three men”, also as intercessors. All three prevailed in saving others. Noah (1 Pet. 3. 20). Daniel (2. 5, 48, 49). Job (42. 8-10).

Noah, Daniel, and Job. This order is determined by the Structure, which is an *Introversion*, in order to separate the true Israelite (of the nation of Israel) from the two who lived before the nation was formed (which is the subject of the book of Exodus).

| NOAH. Earlier than Job, but before Israel was a nation.

| DANIEL. A true Israelite.

| JOB. Later than Noah, but before Israel was a nation.

Noah prevailed in saving others (the whole human race). Gen. 6-9.

Daniel prevailed in saving his fellow wise men (Dan. 2. 24). He is mentioned again in 28. 3. While Ezekiel bears witness to Daniel (already fourteen years in Babylon), Daniel bears witness to Jeremiah (Dan. 9. 2). souls = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

15 If I cause noisome beasts, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 22). Ap. 92.

noisome = annoying, hurtful.

17 if I bring a sword, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 25). See Ezek. 5. 17.

21 How much more, &c. National judgments are thus sent for national sins. Cp. v. 13.

22 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6. a remnant. This is always used in a good sense. their way, &c. : i.e. their good way and doings. evil. Heb. *rā’ā’*. Ap. 44. viii.

23 they : i.e. the remnant of v. 22.

15. 1-8 (X², p. 1122). SYMBOLICAL. (VINE.) (*Alternation*.)

X² | p | 1-4. Vine. Fit only for fuel. } Symbol.
q | 5. Devoured by fire.
p | 6. Inhabitants of Jerusalem. } Signification.
q | 7, 8. Devoured by another fire.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 Son of man. See note on 2. 1.

than a. Supply the *Ellipsis* [What is a vine] branch ?” is - hath come to be.

3 pin = peg. 4 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6. cast into the fire. Cp. John 15. 6.

Is it meet . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

6 the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See note on 2. 4.

so will I give. Fulfilled in 2 Kings 25. 9.

7 I will set My face. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 17. 10).

ye shall know, &c. See note on 6. 7.

8 committed a trespass. Fig. *Polypitōton*. Ap. 6. Heb. “trespassed a trespass” for emphasis = committed a great trespass, as in 14. 13.

trespass. Heb. *mā’al*. Ap. 44. xi.

saith the Lord GOD = [is] Adonai Jehovah's oracle.

16. 1-63 [For Structure see next page].

16. 1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

7 And ° I will set My face against them ; they shall go out from one fire, and another fire shall devour them ; and ° ye shall know that I am ° the LORD, when ° I set My face against them.

8 And I will make the land desolate, because they have ° committed a ° trespass, ° saith ° the Lord GOD.”

16 Again the word of ° the LORD came unto me, saying,

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2 "Son of man, cause °Jerusalem to know her abominations,

3 And say, 'Thus saith °the Lord GOD unto Jerusalem; 'Thy °birth and thy nativity is of the land of Canaan; °thy father was an Amorite, and thy mother an Hittite.

4 And as for thy nativity, in the day thou wast born thy navel was not cut, neither wast thou washed in water °to supple thee; thou wast not °salted at all, nor swaddled at all.

5 None eye pitied thee, to do any of these unto thee, to have compassion upon thee; but thou wast cast out in the open field, to the lothing of thy °person, °in the day that thou wast born.

6 And °when I passed by thee, and saw thee °polluted in thine own blood, I said unto thee °when thou wast in thy blood, 'Live; yea, I said unto thee °when thou wast in thy blood, 'Live.'

7 I have caused thee to multiply as the bud of the field, and thou °hast increased and waxen great, and thou art come to excellent ornaments: thy breasts are °fashioned, and thine hair is grown, whereas thou wast naked and bare.

8 Now when I passed by thee, and looked upon thee, °behold, °thy time was the time of love; and °I spread My skirt over °thee, and covered thy nakedness: yea, I swore unto °thee, and entered into a covenant with °thee, °saith °the Lord GOD, and thou becamest Mine.

9 Then washed I thee with water; yea, I thoroughly washed away thy blood from thee, and I anointed thee with oil.

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10 I clothed thee also with broidered work, and shod thee with °badgers' skin, and I girded thee about with fine linen, and I covered thee with silk.

11 I decked thee also with ornaments, and I put bracelets upon thy hands, and a chain on thy neck.

12 And I put a jewel °on thy forehead, and earrings in thine ears, and a beautiful crown upon thine head.

13 Thus wast thou decked with gold and silver; and thy raiment was of fine linen, and silk, and broidered work;

s thou didst eat °fine flour, and honey, and oil: and thou wast °exceeding beautiful, and thou didst prosper into °a kingdom.

C 14 And thy renown went forth among the °heathen for thy beauty: for it was perfect through My comeliness, which I had put upon thee, °saith °the Lord GOD.

C 15 But thou didst °trust in thine own beauty, and °playedst the harlot because of thy renown, and pouredst out thy °fornications on every one that passed by; his it was.

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16 And of thy garments thou didst take, and deckedst thy high places with divers colours, and °playedst the harlot thereupon: °the like things shall not come, neither shall it be so.

17 Thou hast also taken thy fair jewels of My gold and of My silver, which I had given thee, and madest to thyself images °of men, and didst commit °whoredom with them,

18 And tookest thy broidered garments, and

16. 1-63 (F, p. 1104). JERUSALEM. (DESERTED INFANT.) (Alternation.)

F Y | 1-22. Birth and Education.
Z | 23-43. Sins.
Y | 44-46. Birth and Sisterhood.
Z | 47-63. Sins.

16. 1-22 (Y, above). BIRTH AND EDUCATION. (Introversion and Alternation.)

Y A | 1-9. Birth. Pollution.
B | r | 10-13-. Garments.
s | -13. Food.
C | 14. Beauty. Renowned.
C | 15. Beauty. Misused.
B | r | 16-18. Garments.
s | 19-21. Food.
A | 22. Birth. Pollution.

2 Son of man. See note on 2. 1.

Jerusalem is the subject of this chapter by interpretation. Note the Fig. *Prosopographia* (Ap. 6). Not the nation as such. By application, the reader may, by grace, refer it to himself.

3 the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See note on 2. 4.

birth, &c.=excisions and kinships. Cp. Isa. 51. 1. Only other occurrences, 21. 30; 29. 14.

thy father, &c.: i.e. thy founder. This refers to the first builders of Jebus; not to Abraham and his seed. Jebus was a Canaanite city. See Ap. 68. Thus Satan occupied in advance both land and capital as soon as the promise to Abraham was known. See Ap. 23 and 25.

4 to supple=to cleanse.

salted: i.e. rubbed, or washed with salt. This is the custom in the Land to-day.

5 person=soul. Heb. *nepheesh*. Ap. 13.

in the day. See Ap. 18.

6 when. This word is not in the Hebrew text.

polluted=trodden under foot. Referring to the city, of course.

when thou . . . blood, &c. Note the Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. Canaanite cities were founded in blood, as proved to-day by human sacrifices discovered on the foundations. See note on 1 Kings 9. 15-17.

7 hast increased=didst increase. This does not refer to the increase in Egypt, but to the city. All the tenses in this verse should be past tenses.

fashioned=developed.

8 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

thy . . . thee: i.e. the city. Not the nation at Sinai. thy time, &c. Of this covenant nothing has been recorded. The secret is here first revealed.

I spread My skirt, &c. The symbolic act to-day, signifying the taking under one's protection. Common in the East for marrying. Cp. Ruth 3. 9.

saith the Lord GOD=[is] Adonai Jehovah's oracle.

10 badgers' skin. Similarly so used to present day. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 25. 5; 26. 14. Num. 4. 6). Ap. 92. Occurs elsewhere, only here. No reference to the tabernacle.

12 on thy forehead=in thy nose. Referring to the decorations, &c., of the city after being occupied by David.

13 fine flour, &c. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap. 6, for all kinds of delicacies.

exceeding beautiful. Heb. *m'od m'od*. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6), thus well rendered.

a kingdom. Hence the expression, "Judah and Jerusalem", the latter being reckoned as a separate kingdom.

14 heathen=nations.

15 trust=confide. Heb. *batah*. Ap. 69. I.

playedst the harlot. All these expressions that follow are to be interpreted of idolatry, and not to sins of the flesh, to which they are likened.

fornications: i.e. idolatrous acts.

16 the like things. Supply the *Ellipsis* better thus: "thereupon: [saying] they (the curses) come not, and it (the threatened judgment) will not be."

17 of men=of the male: i.e. the *Phallus*, referring to the *Asherah*. See Ap. 42. whoredom=idolatry.

483 coveredst ° them: and thou hast set Mine oil and Mine incense before ° them.

s (p. 1124) 19 My ° meat also which I gave thee, ¹³ fine flour, and oil, and honey, *wherewith* I fed thee, thou hast even set it before them ° for a sweet savour: and ° *thus* it was, ¹⁴ saith ° the Lord GOD.

20 Moreover thou hast taken thy sons and thy daughters, whom thou hast borne unto Me, and these hast thou ° sacrificed unto them to be devoured. *Is this* of thy ° whoredoms a small matter,

21 That thou hast ° slain My ° children, and delivered them to cause them to pass through the fire for them?

A 22 And in all thine ° abominations and thy ²⁰ whoredoms thou hast not remembered the days of thy youth, when thou wast naked and bare, and wast ° polluted in thy blood.

Z D t (p. 1125) 23 And it came to pass after all thy ° wickedness, ° (woe, woe unto thee! ¹⁴ saith ° the Lord GOD;)

24 'That thou hast also built unto thee an ° eminent place, and hast made thee an high place in every street.

25 Thou hast built thy high place at every head of the way, and hast made thy beauty to be abhorred, and hast opened thy feet to every one that passed by, and multiplied thy ²⁰ whoredoms.

u 26 Thou hast also committed ¹⁵ fornication with the Egyptians thy neighbours, ° great of flesh; and hast increased thy ²⁰ whoredoms, to provoke Me to anger.

E 27 ° Behold, therefore ° I have stretched out My hand ° over thee, and have diminished thine ° ordinary food, and delivered thee unto the ° will of them that hate thee, the daughters of the Philistines, which are ashamed of thy lewd way.

D u 28 Thou hast ¹⁵ played the whore also with the Assyrians, because thou wast unsatiable; yea, thou hast ¹⁵ played the harlot with them, and yet couldst not be satisfied.

29 Thou hast moreover multiplied thy ¹⁵ fornication in the land of Canaan ° unto Chaldea; and yet thou wast not satisfied herewith.

t 30 How weak is thine heart, ¹⁴ saith ° the Lord GOD, seeing thou doest all these things, the work of an ° imperious whorish ° woman;

31 In that thou buildest thine ²⁴ eminent place in the head of every way, and makest thine high place in every street; and hast not been as an harlot, in that thou scornest ° hire;

32 ° But as a wife that committeth adultery, which taketh strangers instead of her husband!

33 They ° give gifts to all whores: but thou givest thy ° gifts to all thy lovers, and ° hirest them, that they may come unto thee on every side for thy ²⁰ whoredom.

34 And the contrary is in thee from other women in thy ²⁰ whoredoms, whereas none followeth thee to commit whoredoms: and in that thou givest a ° reward, and no ° reward is given unto thee, therefore thou art contrary.

A 35 Wherefore, O ° harlot, hear the word of ° the LORD: °

36 Thus saith ° the Lord GOD; 'Because thy

them = i. e. these images.

19 meat. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap. 6, for all kinds of food.

for a sweet savour. Ref. to Pent. A legal phrase, found only in Ezekiel outside the Pentateuch. But in Ezekiel four times: viz. 6. 13; 16. 19; 20. 28, 41. See notes on Gen. 8. 21. Lev. 1. 9. Ap. 92.

thus it was = [so] it became.

20 sacrificed, &c. As offerings to idols. Cp. v. 36; 20. 28, 31; 23. 39. 2 Kings 16. 3. Ps. 106. 37, 38. Isa. 57. 5. Jer. 7. 31; 32. 35, &c.

whoredoms = idolatries. See notes on v. 15.

21 slain My children. See note on v. 20, above. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 18. 21). Ap. 92. children = sons.

22 abominations. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for that which Jehovah abominated. polluted = wallowing, or weltering.

16. 23-43 (Z, p. 1124). SINS.

(Alternation and Introversion.)

Z D t | t | 23-25. Whoredoms. (Idolatries.)

u | 26. Egyptians.

E | 27. Threatenings.

D | u | 28, 29. Assyrians.

| t | 30-34. Whoredoms. (Idolatries.)

E | 35-43. Threatenings.

23 wickedness. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

woe, woe. Note the Figs. *Cataploce* and *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

24 eminent place = brothel house. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for the idol's temple.

26 great of flesh = lustful. Referring to their idolatries.

27 I have stretched out My hand, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 7. 19, &c.). Ap. 92. over = against.

ordinary food = allowance. Referring to food as measured out to captives or slaves.

will = desire. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

29 unto Chaldea = Assyrian idolatry as well as Egyptian (v. 26). See the Structure, above.

30 imperious = headstrong, or without shame.

woman = wife. Cp. v. 32.

31 hire. See note on "reward", v. 34.

32 But as - [Thou hast been].

33 give gifts = give fees. gifts = presents.

hirest = bribest.

34 reward = hire. Used especially for the hire of fornication. Heb. *'ethnan*. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 23. 18). Ap. 92. Used outside the Pentateuch only in 16. 31

(hire), 33, 41. Isa. 23. 17 (hire), 18 (hire). Hos. 9. 1 (reward). Mic. 1. 7 (hire).

35 harlot = idolatress.

36 filthiness. Heb. = brass. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for money's worth: i. e. the money of the brothel. See v. 31.

idols = manufactured gods.

and by = even as. 37 gather = gather out.

38 as = with the judgments meted out to: i. e. by death (Lev. 20. 20. Deut. 22. 22. John 8. 5). Cp. Gen. 38. 24.

° filthiness was poured out, and thy nakedness discovered through thy ²⁰ whoredoms with thy lovers, and with all the ° idols of thy ²² abominations, ° and by the blood of thy ²¹ children, which thou didst give unto them;

37 ° Behold, therefore I will ° gather all thy lovers, with whom thou hast taken pleasure, and all them that thou hast loved, with all them that thou hast hated; I will even ° gather them round about against thee, and will discover thy nakedness unto ¹⁸ them, that they may see all thy nakedness.

38 And I will judge thee, ° as women that break wedlock and shed blood are judged; and I will give thee blood in fury and jealousy.

39 And I will also give thee into their hand, and they shall throw down thine ²⁴ eminent

488 place, and shall break down thy high places: they shall strip thee also of thy clothes, and shall take thy fair jewels, and leave thee naked and bare.

40 They shall also bring up ° a company against thee, and they shall stone thee with stones, and thrust thee through with their swords.

41 And they shall burn thine houses with fire, and execute judgments upon thee in the sight of many ° women: and I will cause thee to cease from ¹⁶ playing the harlot, and thou also shalt give no ³¹ hire any more.

42 So will I make My fury toward thee to rest, and My jealousy shall depart from thee, and I will be quiet, and will be no more angry.

43 Because thou hast not remembered the days of thy youth, but hast ° fretted Me in all these things; ° behold, therefore I also will recompense thy way upon *thine* head, ¹⁴ saith ° the Lord GOD: and ° thou shalt not commit this lewdness above all thine ²² abominations.

Y F (p. 1126) 44 ° Behold, every one that useth proverbs shall use *this* ° proverb against thee, saying, 'As is the mother, so is her daughter.'

G 45 Thou *art* thy mother's daughter, that lotheth her husband and her ²¹ children;

F and thou *art* the sister of thy sisters, which lothed their husbands and their ²¹ children: your ³ mother was an Hittite, and your father an Amorite.

G H 46 And ° thine elder sister

J v is Samaria, she and her ° daughters

w that dwell at thy left hand:

H and thy ° younger sister,

J w that dwelleth at thy right hand,

v is Sodom and her ° daughters.

Z K M x 47 Yet hast thou not walked after their ways, nor done after their abominations: but, ° as if that were ° a very little thing, thou wast corrupted more than they in all thy ways.

y 48 As I live, ¹⁴ saith ° the Lord GOD, Sodom thy sister hath not done, she nor her ⁴⁶ daughters, ° as thou hast done, thou and thy daughters.

z 49 ° Behold, this ° was the ° iniquity of thy sister Sodom, pride, fulness of bread, and ° abundance of idleness was in her and in her daughters, neither did she strengthen the hand of the poor and needy.

50 And they were haughty, and committed abomination before Me: therefore I took them away ° as I saw good.

y 51 Neither hath Samaria committed half of thy ° sins;

a but thou hast multiplied thine abominations more than ° they, and hast justified thy sisters in all thine ²² abominations which thou hast done.

52 Thou also, which hast judged thy sisters, bear thine own shame for thy ⁵¹ sins that thou hast committed more abominable than they: they ° are ° more righteous than thou: yea, be thou confounded also, and bear thy shame, in that thou hast justified thy ° sisters.

N 53 ° When I shall ° bring again their captivity,

40 a company = a military host.

41 women: i.e. idolaters, or idolatrous cities.

43 fretted Me = chafed at Me: i.e. at my laws. Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg. read "enraged Me". thou shalt not, &c.: i.e. I will not allow this greatest evil by suffering it to go unpunished, and thus conniving at it (referring to Lev. 19. 29). Ap. 92.

16. 44-46 (Y, p. 1124). BIRTH AND SISTERHOOD. (Alternation.)

Y F | 44. Relations. Mother and daughter.

G | 45-. Application.

F | -45. Relations. Mother and sisters.

G | 46. Application.

44 proverb = derisive proverb. Fig. *Parœmia*. Ap. 6.

16. 46 (G, above). APPLICATION.

(Alternation and Introversion.)

G H | And thine elder sister

J | v | is Samaria, and her daughters

w | who dwelleth at thy left hand:

H | and thy younger sister,

J | w | who dwelleth at thy right hand,

v | is Sodom and her daughters.

46 thine elder: or, thy greater.

daughters. Put by Fig. *Prosopopœia* (Ap. 6), for villages or neighbouring towns. younger: or, lesser.

16. 47-63 (Z, p. 1124). SINS.

(Alternation and Introversion.)

Z K | M | 47-52. Jerusalem's sins.

N | 53. Restoration.

L | 54. Jehovah's purpose.

K | N | 55. Restoration.

M | 56-62. Jerusalem's sins.

L | 63. Jehovah's purpose.

16. 47-52 (M, above). JERUSALEM'S SINS.

(Introversion.)

M | x | 47. Collectively.

y | 48. More than Sodom.

z | 49, 50. Sins of Sodom. } Severally.

y | 51-. More than Samaria.

x | -51, 52. Collectively.

47 as if that were . . . thing. The *Ellipsis* is wrongly supplied. See further note.

a very little = a very little time, or quickly. See note on "almost" (Prov. 5. 14).

48 as thou hast done. Sodom does not mean Jerusalem here, but it refers to the Sodom of Gen. 19. Sodom had not Jerusalem's privileges: hence her transgression was less. Cp. v. 46, and Matt. 11. 20-24.

49 was = came to be. abundance of = luxurious: i.e. security of ease. Cp. Deut. 11. 21.

50 as I saw good. Some codices read "when I saw it", with marg. "as thou sawest". Better to omit "good". Cp. Gen. 18. 21. as = according to what.

51 sins. Heb. *chātā*. Ap. 44. i.

they: i.e. Samaria and Sodom.

52 are = will prove.

more righteous. See note on v. 48.

sisters. Samaria and Sodom.

53 When I: or, When therefore I.

bring again their captivity = restore them; referring not to any return of captives, but to a restoration of prosperity. See notes on Deut. 30. 3. Job 42. 10. Ps. 126. 1. Sodom. If the waters of the Dead Sea are to be healed, there is no reason why there should not be a restoration as here stated. Cp. 47. 8. Zech. 14. 8.

will I bring again. Aram., Sept., and Vulg. read these words in the text.

the captivity of ° Sodom and her ⁴⁶ daughters, and the captivity of Samaria and her ⁴⁶ daughters, then ° will I bring again the captivity of thy captives in the midst of them:

L 54 That thou mayest bear thine own shame,
(p. 1126) and mayest be confounded in all that thou
468 hast done, in that thou art a comfort unto
them.

K N 55 When thy sisters,⁵³ Sodom and her ⁴⁶ daughters,
shall return to their former estate, and
Samaria and her daughters shall return to
their former estate, then thou and thy ⁴⁶ daughters
shall return to your former estate.

M a 56 For thy sister ⁵³ Sodom was not mentioned
(p. 1127) by thy mouth in the day of thy pride,

57 Before thy ²³ wickedness was °discovered,
°as at the time of thy reproach of the daughters
of °Syria, and all that are round about
her, the daughters of the Philistines, which
despise thee round about.

58 Thou hast borne thy lewdness and thine
abominations, ¹⁴saith °the LORD.

59 For thus saith °the Lord GOD; 'I will even
deal with thee ⁶⁰as thou hast done, which hast
despised the °oath in breaking the °covenant.

b 60 Nevertheless I will remember My covenant
with thee in the days of thy youth, and I will
establish unto thee an °everlasting covenant.

a 61 Then thou shalt remember thy ways, and
be ashamed, when thou shalt receive thy
⁴⁶sisters, thine elder and thy younger: and I
will give them unto thee for ⁴⁶daughters, but
not by thy covenant.

b 62 And I will establish My covenant with
thee; and thou shalt know that I am °the
LORD:

L 63 That thou mayest remember, and be con-
(p. 1126) founded, and never open thy mouth any more
because of thy shame, when I °am pacified to-
ward thee for all that thou hast done, ¹⁴saith
°the Lord GOD."

G O' P' 17 And the word of °the LORD came unto
(p. 1127) me, saying,

2 °"Son of man, put forth a °riddle, and speak
a °parable unto the house of Israel;

3 And say, 'Thus saith °the Lord GOD; °A
great eagle with great wings, °longwinged,
full of °feathers, which had divers colours,
came unto Lebanon, and took °the highest
branch of the cedar:

4 He cropped off the °top of his young twigs,
and carried it into a land of °traffick; he set it
in a city of merchants.

Q' 5 He took also of °the seed of the land, and
planted it in a fruitful field; he placed it by
great waters, and set it as a willow tree.

6 And it grew, and became a spreading vine
of low stature, whose branches °turned toward
him, and the roots thereof were under him: so
it became a vine, and brought forth branches,
and shot forth sprigs.

R' 7 There was also °another great eagle with
great wings and many feathers: and, behold,
this vine did °bend her roots toward him, and
shot forth her branches toward him, that he
might °water it by the furrows of her plantation.

8 It was planted in a good °soil by great
waters, that it might bring forth branches, and
that it might bear fruit, that it might be a goodly
vine."

16. 56-62 (M, p. 1126). JERUSALEM'S SINS. (Alternation.)

M a | 56-59. Jerusalem's sins.
b | 60. Jehovah's covenant remembered.
a | 61. Jerusalem's sins.
b | 62. Jehovah's covenant established.

57 discovered=unveiled.

as at the time of thy. Sept. and Vulg. read "as
now [thou] art". Cp. 23. 43.

Syria. Heb. 'aram. Some codices, with two early
printed editions, read "'ādām"=men (γ Daleth=D,
being read for γ Resh=R).

58 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. Some
codices, with three early printed editions, read "Adonai".
Ap. 4. VIII (2).

59 oath . . . covenant. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 29. 12,
14). These words are thus found together here, and
in 17. 13, 16, 18, 19; but nowhere else in Scripture.

60 everlasting covenant. See notes on Gen. 9. 16
and Isa. 44. 7.

63 am pacified toward thee=have accepted a propi-
tiatory covering for thee.

17. 1-24 (G, p. 1104). BABYLONIAN WAR. PARABLE. (Repeated and Extended Alternation.)

G	O ¹	P ¹	1-4. Great Eagle. "Topmost branch".	The Parable.
	Q ¹		5, 6. Planting of seed.	
	R ¹		7, 8. Another Eagle. (E- gypt.)	
	S ¹		9, 10. "Shall it pros- per?"	
	O ²	P ²	11, 12. King of Babylon.	The Solution.
	Q ²		13, 14. Planting of seed. (King's.)	
	R ²		15-. Another kingdom. (Egypt.)	
	S ²		15-21. "Shall he prosper?"	
	O ³	P ³	22-. Adonai Jehovah.	Future Solution.
	Q ³		22, 23-. Planting of Mes- siah.	
	R ³		23. His increase.	
	S ³		24. "It shall pros- per."	

This chapter, under a parable, concerns Zedekiah's
perfidy and punishment.

1 The LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 Son of man. See note on 2. 1.
riddle=enigma. Heb. *chidāh*=a difficult or per-
plexing problem put forth for solution. Occ. in Judg. 14.
12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 (riddle). Num. 12. 8. 1 Kings
10. 5. 2 Chron. 9. 1 (=dark sayings). Ps. 49. 4. Prov.
1. 6, &c. Distinct from a "parable". Cp. Ps. 78. 2
(=dark sayings). Dan. 8. 23. Hab. 2. 6 (= "proverb").
parable=the comparing of one thing with another.
Not the same as "riddle" (enigma).

3 the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See note
on 2. 4.

A great eagle. The king of Babylon.
longwinged=long-pinioned, as in v. 7.
feathers=plumage.

the highest branch. Jehoiachin (i.e. Jeconiah, or
Coniah). See v. 12; and Jer. 22. 23, 24.

4 top=topmost. traffick. Babylon.

5 the seed of the land. Zedekiah. See vv. 6 and 13.
Nebuchadnezzar did not set up a Chaldean king over
Judah, but nourished Zedekiah, as vv. 5, 6 show.

6 turned toward him. Zedekiah being dependent
upon Nebuchadnezzar.

7 another great eagle. Pharaoh Hophra, king of
Egypt.

bend her roots: i.e. looked for succour to Egypt.
Cp. vv. 5, 8.

water it. From the Nile.

8 soil=field.

S¹ 9 Say thou, 'Thus saith ³the Lord GOD;
(p. 1127) °Shall it prosper? shall He not pull up the
483 roots thereof, and cut off the fruit thereof, that
it wither? it shall wither in all the leaves of
her °spring, even without great power or many
people to pluck it up by the roots thereof.

10 Yea, °behold, *being* planted, °shall it prosper? shall °it not utterly wither, when the east
°wind toucheth °it? °it shall wither in the furrows where it grew.'"

O³ P² 11 Moreover the word of ¹the LORD came unto me, saying,

12 "Say now to the °rebellious house, 'Know ye not what these *things* mean?' tell them, °Behold, the king of Babylon is come to Jerusalem, and hath taken the king thereof, and the princes thereof, and led them with him to Babylon;

Q² 13 And hath °taken of the king's seed, and made a °covenant with him, and hath °taken an °oath of him: he hath also taken the mighty of the land:

14 That the kingdom might be °base, that it might not lift itself up, *but* that by keeping of his covenant it might stand.

R² 15 But °he rebelled against him in sending his ambassadors into Egypt, that they might give him horses and much people.

S² c (p. 1128) °Shall he prosper? shall he escape that doeth such *things*? or shall he break the covenant, and be delivered?

16 As I live, °saith ³the Lord GOD, 'surely in the place *where* the king *dwelleth* that made him king, whose ¹³oath he despised, and whose ¹³covenant he brake, *even* with him °in the midst of Babylon he shall die.

d 17 Neither shall Pharaoh with *his* mighty army and great °company °make for him in the war, by casting up mounts, and building forts, to cut off many °persons:

d 18 Seeing he despised the ¹³oath by breaking the ¹³covenant, when, °lo, he had °given his hand, and hath done all these *things*, he shall not escape.

c 19 Therefore thus saith ³the Lord GOD; As I live, surely Mine oath that he hath despised, and My ¹³covenant that he hath broken, even it will I recompense upon his own head.

20 And I will °spread My net upon him, and he shall be taken in My snare, and I will bring him to Babylon, and will °plead with him there for his °trespass that he hath °trespassed against Me.

21 And °all his fugitives with all his bands shall fall by the sword, and they that remain shall be scattered toward all winds: and °ye shall know that I °the LORD have spoken *it*.'

O³ P³ (p. 1127) 22 Thus saith ³the Lord GOD; 'I will also take of °the highest °branch of the high cedar, and will set *it*; I will crop off from the top of his young twigs °a tender one,

Q³ and will plant *it* upon an high mountain and eminent:

23 °In the mountain of the height of Israel will I plant *it*: and it shall °bring forth boughs, and bear fruit, and be a goodly cedar:

R³ and under it shall dwell all fowl of every wing;

9 Shall it prosper? &c. This is Jehovah's sentence on the perfidy of Zedekiah in breaking his oath to Nebuchadnezzar. Cp. v. 13 and the Structure (S¹, S², S³). Those who interpret this enigma of Zedekiah's daughters are hereby warned that their interpretation shall not prosper. See notes on vv. 22 and 24.
spring=sproutings.

10 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

it: i.e. the vine. wind. Heb. *rûach*. Ap. 9.

12 rebellious house. See note on 2. 6.

13 taken, &c. Cp. 2 Kings 24. 17.

covenant . . . oath. See note on 16. 59.

taken an oath. See 2 Chron. 36. 13.

14 base=low.

15 he rebelled, &c. See 2 Kings 24. 20. 2 Chron. 36. 13.

17. -15-21 (S², p. 1127). "SHALL HE PROSPER?"
(Introversion.)

S² c | -15, 16. Zedekiah's oath broken. "Yet death in Babylon."

d | 17. No escape through the king of Egypt.

d | 18. No escape from the king of Babylon.

c | 19-21. Jehovah's oath sure. Death in Babylon.

16 saith the Lord GOD = [is] Adonai Jehovah's oracle. in the midst of Babylon, &c. Cp. 12. 13.

17 company=gathered force.

make for him=help him.

persons=souls. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

18 lo. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

given his hand. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for making a covenant (2 Kings 10. 15. Ezra 10. 19. Jer. 50. 15).

20 spread My net upon him. Cp. 12. 13; 32. 3.

plead=reckon. Cp. 20. 38; 38. 22.

trespass that he hath trespassed. See note on 15. 8.

21 all his fugitives. Cp. 12. 14.

ye shall know, &c. See note on 6. 7.

22 the highest branch. Sets forth the restoration of the kingdom in the Messiah.

branch. Cp. Jer. 23. 5, 6; 33. 15. Zech. 3. 8; 6. 12; and Isa. 4. 2.

a tender one. Cp. Isa. 11. 1; 53. 1, 2. The Chaldee Targum interprets this of the Messiah. Those who interpret this of Zedekiah's "younger daughter" are guilty of substituting her for the Messiah Himself; Whose future kingdom is to be "in the mountain of the height of Israel", and not in any other country; or, during the present dispensation. See notes on vv. 23, 24.

23 In the mountain, &c. Cp. Isa. 2. 2, 3; 54. 1-17; 62. 1-7. bring forth boughs=exalt its branch.

24 I the LORD, &c. He will prosper His work. This is in contrast with vv. 9, 10 (S¹), and vv. -15-21 (S²), which would not prosper.

18. 1-32 [For Structure see next page].

1 The word=And the word.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

2 the land=the soil. Heb. *admah*. See note on 11. 17. The fathers, &c. Cp. Jer. 31. 29, 30.

children's=sons'.

in the shadow of the branches thereof shall they dwell.

24 And all the trees of the field shall know that I °the LORD have brought down the high tree, have exalted the low tree, have dried up the green tree, and have made the dry tree to flourish: °I °the LORD have spoken and have done *it*.'"

18 °The word of °the LORD came unto me again, saying,

2 "What mean ye, that ye use this proverb concerning °the land of Israel, saying, °The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the °children's teeth are set on edge?"

H T¹
(p. 1129)

U¹ 3 As I live, °saith °the Lord GOD, ye shall
(p. 1129) not have occasion °any more to use this proverb
488 in Israel.

T² 4 °Behold, all °souls are Mine; as the °soul
of the father, so also the °soul of the son is
Mine: the °soul that °sinneth, it shall °die.

U² c 5 But if a °man be just, and do that which is
lawful and right,

6 And hath not °eaten upon the mountains,
neither °hath lifted up his eyes to the idols
of the house of Israel, neither hath °defiled his
neighbour's wife, neither hath °come near to
a menstruous woman,

7 And °hath not oppressed any, but °hath
restored to the debtor his pledge, hath spoiled
none by violence, °hath given his bread to the
hungry, and hath covered the naked with a
garment;

8 He that °hath not given forth upon usury,
neither hath taken any increase, that hath
withdrawn his hand from °iniquity, °hath exe-
cuted true judgment between °man and °man,

9 °Hath walked in My statutes, and hath
kept My judgments, to deal truly; he is just,
°he shall surely °live, °saith °the Lord GOD.

d 10 If he beget a son that is °a robber, °a
shedder of blood, and that doeth the like to
any one of these things,

11 And that doeth not any of those duties, but
even hath °eaten upon the mountains, and
°defiled his neighbour's wife,

12 °Hath oppressed the poor and needy, hath
spoiled by violence, °hath not restored the
pledge, and hath lifted up his eyes to the idols,
hath committed abomination,

13 °Hath given forth upon usury, and hath
taken increase: shall he then °live? he shall not
live: he hath done all these abominations; °he
shall surely die; °his blood shall be upon him.

c 14 Now, lo, if he beget a son, that seeth all
his father's °sins which he hath done, and con-
sidereth, and doeth not such like,

15 That hath not °eaten upon the mountains,
neither hath lifted up his eyes to the idols of
the house of Israel, °hath not defiled his neigh-
bour's wife,

16 Neither °hath oppressed any, °hath not
withholden the pledge, neither °hath spoiled by
violence, but °hath given his bread to the hungry,
and hath covered the naked with a garment,

17 That hath taken off his hand from °the
poor, that °hath not received usury nor increase,
hath executed My judgments, °hath walked in
My statutes; he shall not °die for the °iniquity
of his father, °he shall surely live.

d 18 As for his father, because he cruelly
°oppressed, spoiled his brother by violence,
and did that which is not good among his
°people, lo, even he shall °die in his °iniquity.

T³ 19 Yet say ye, 'Why? doth not the son bear
the °iniquity of the father?'

U³ When the son hath done that which is lawful
and right, and hath kept all My statutes, and
hath done them, he shall surely °live.

20 The °soul that °sinneth, it shall °die. °The
son shall not bear the °iniquity of the father,
neither shall the father bear the °iniquity of
the son: the righteousness of °the righteous

18. 1-32 (H, p. 1104). PEOPLE. PROVERB.
(SOUR GRAPES.) (Repeated Alternation.)

H T¹ | 1, 2. Proverb.
U¹ | 3. Recrimination.
T² | 4. Proverb.
U² | 5-18. Discrimination.
T³ | 19-. Proverb.
U³ | -19-24. Discrimination.
T⁴ | 25-. Proverb.
U⁴ | -25-28. Discrimination.
T⁵ | 29-. Proverb.
U⁵ | -29-32. Discrimination.

3 saith the Lord GOD = [is] Adonai Jehovah's oracle.
the Lord GOD. See note on 2. 4.
any more. This refers to a future time, which has
not yet come (Jer. 31. 29, 30). Till then it is otherwise
(21. 3. Lam. 5. 7), and has been since Gen. 3. Cp. Rom.
5. 12-21.

4 Behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.
souls = persons. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.
sinneth. Descendants were not punished for the
sins of their ancestors, unless they persevered in their
ancestors' sins. Cp. Ex. 20. 5. Matt. 23. 30-32. Here
Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.
die. Die and live in this chapter are used in the
sense of 3. 18.

5 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

18. 5-18 (U², above). DISCRIMINATION.
(Alternation.)

U ²	c 5-9. The righteous.	} All in the Singular Number.
	d 10-13. The wicked.	
	c 14-17. The righteous.	
	d 18. The wicked.	

6 eaten, &c. Implies sacrificing and partaking of
the idolatrous feast. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 12. 2 compared
with vv. 11, 15). Ap. 92.

hath lifted up his eyes, &c. Put by Fig. Metonymy
(of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for worship.

defiled, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 18. 20; 20. 10).

come near. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 18. 19; 20. 18).

7 hath not oppressed, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 22. 21.
Lev. 25. 14. Deut. 23. 16). Ap. 92.

hath restored, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 22. 26. Deut.
24. 6, 10, 12, 13). Ap. 92.

hath given his bread, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 15. 7, 8).

8 hath not given forth, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 22. 25.
Lev. 25. 36, 37. Deut. 23. 19). Ap. 92.

iniquity = trickery. Heb. *'āval*. Ap. 44. vi. Not the
same word as in vv. 17, 18, 19, 20, 30.

hath executed, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 19. 15, 35.
Deut. 1. 16, 17; 16. 18-20). Ap. 92.

9 Hath walked, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 18. 5. Deut.
4. 1; 5. 1; 6. 1, 2; 10. 12, 13; 11. 1).

he shall surely live. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 18. 5).

live. See note on Lev. 18. 5.

10 a robber. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 22. 2. Lev. 19. 13).

a shedder of blood. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 9. 6. Ex.

21. 12. Num. 35. 31). Ap. 92.

13 his blood shall be upon him. Ref. to Pent.
(Lev. 20. 9, 11, 12, 13, 16, 27). Ap. 92.

15 hath not, &c. Some codices, with two early
printed editions, Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read

"and hath not", &c.

17 the poor = the oppressed. The Sept. reads "in-
justice", as in v. 8.

iniquity. Heb. *'āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv. Not the same
word as in vv. 8, 24, 26.

18 people = peoples.

20 The son, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 24. 26). Ap. 92.

the righteous = a righteous one.

wickedness . . . the wicked. Heb. *rāsha'*. Ap. 44. x.
the wicked = a lawless one. Heb. text marg., with
some codices and three early printed editions, read

"lawless ones".

shall be upon him, and the °wickedness of °the
wicked shall be upon him.

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21 But if ²⁰the wicked will turn from ^oall his ⁴sins that he hath committed, and keep all My statutes, and do that which is lawful and right, he shall surely ⁹live, ^ohe shall not ⁴die.

22 All his ^otransgressions that he hath committed, they shall not be ^omentioned unto him: in his righteousness that he hath done he shall ⁹live.

23 ^oHave I any pleasure at all that ²⁰the wicked should die? ^osaith ³the Lord GOD: and not that he should return from his ^oways, and live?

24 But when ²⁰the righteous turneth away from his righteousness, and committeth ⁸iniquity, and doeth according to all the abominations that ²⁰the wicked man doeth, shall he ⁹live? All his ^orighteousness that he hath done shall not be ²²mentioned: in his ^otrespass that he hath ^otrespassed, and in his ⁴sin that he hath ⁴sinned, in them shall he die.

T⁴ (p. 1129) 25 Yet ye say, 'The way of ^othe LORD* is not ^oequal.'

U⁴ Hear now, O house of Israel; Is not My way ^oequal? are not your ways ^ounequal?

26 When a righteous man turneth away from his righteousness, and committeth ⁸iniquity, and dieth in them; for his ⁸iniquity that he hath done shall he die.

27 Again, when ²⁰the wicked man turneth away from his ²⁰wickedness that he hath committed, and doeth that which is lawful and right, he shall save his ⁴soul alive.

28 Because he considereth, and turneth away from all his ²²transgressions that he hath committed, he ⁹shall surely live, ²¹he shall not die.

T⁵ 29 Yet saith the house of Israel, 'The way of ²⁵the LORD* is not ²⁵equal.'

U⁵ O house of Israel, are not My ways ²⁵equal? are not your ways ²⁵unequal?

30 Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways, ²³saith ³the Lord GOD. Repent, and turn *yourselves* from all your ²²transgressions; so ¹⁷iniquity shall not be your ruin.

31 Cast away from you all your ²²transgressions, ^owhereby ye have ²²transgressed; and make you a new ^oheart and a new ^ospirit: for why will ye die, O house of Israel?

32 For ^oI have no pleasure in the death of him that dieth, ²³saith ³the Lord GOD: wherefore turn *yourselves*, and live ye.

J V (p. 1130) 19 Moreover take thou up a lamentation for the ^oprinces of ^oIsrael,

W e 2 And say, 'What *is* ^othy mother? A lioness: she lay down among lions, she nourished her whelps among young lions.

3 And she brought up ^oone of her whelps: it became a young lion, and it learned to ^ocatch the prey; it devoured ^omen.

f 4 The nations also heard of him; he was ^otaken in their pit, and ^othey brought him with chains unto the land of Egypt.

e 5 Now when she saw that she had waited, and her hope was lost, then she took ^oanother of her whelps, and made him a young lion.

6 And he went up and down among the lions,

21 all his sins. Heb. text reads "any sin of his"; but the marg., some codices, and two early printed editions, read "all his sins".

he shall not die. Note the Fig. *Pleonasm* (Ap. 6), here. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "and not die".

22 transgressions. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix. mentioned unto = remembered against. No "purgatory" here.

23 Have I any pleasure . . . ? Answered in v. 32. ways. Many codices, with eight early printed editions, read plural; but others, with Aram., Sept., and Syr., read "way" (sing.).

saith the Lord GOD = [is] Adonai Jehovah's oracle.

24 righteousness. So Heb. text; but marg., with some codices and one early printed edition, read pl. = "none of his righteous acts". The Heb. verb is pl.

trespass . . . trespassed. Heb. *mā'al*. Ap. 44. xi.

25 the LORD*. This is one of the 134 places where the *Sopherim* say that they changed "Jehovah" of the primitive text to "Adonai". See Ap. 32.

equal. See note on "pondereth", Prov. 21. 2.

unequal. Note the Fig. *Anticategoria* (Ap. 6).

31 whereby, &c. The Sept. reads "which ye have committed against Me".

heart . . . spirit. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for all that is of the spirit, and not of the flesh. Cp. Luke 1. 46, 47. John 4. 24. "The flesh profiteth nothing" (John 6. 63).

spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

32 I have no pleasure. This is the answer to the question in v. 23.

19. 1-14 (J, p. 1104). THE PRINCE OF ISRAEL. (*Introversion and Alternation*.)

J V | 1. Lamentation.

W e | 2, 3. Young lion.

f | 4. Taken.

e | 5-7. Another young lion.

f | 8, 9. Taken.

W g | 10, 11. Vine (planted by waters).

h | 12. Plucked up.

g | 13. Vine (planted in desert).

h | 14-. Devoured.

V | -14. Lamentation.

1 princes. Sept. reads "prince" (sing.). Here refers to Zedekiah.

Israel. Put here for Judah. See note on 1 Kings 12. 17.

2 thy mother. Probably Hamutal, one of the wives of Josiah, the mother of Shallum (or Jehoahaz) and Zedekiah (2 Kings 23. 31 and 24. 18). The other son of Josiah (Jehoiakim) had a different mother (Zebudah). See 2 Kings 23. 36.

3 one of her whelps. Probably Jehoahaz (i.e. Shallum), the youngest son of Josiah, is intended (1 Chron. 3. 15). catch = rend.

men. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

4 taken in their pit. As a lion is taken (Pss. 35. 7; 94. 13).

they: i.e. Pharaoh-necho (2 Kings 23. 30-34. 2 Chron. 36. 1-4). Jeremiah laments his fate. See Jer. 22. 10-12.

5 another of her whelps. Probably Jehoiakim, another son of Josiah (2 Kings 23. 36. 2 Chron. 36. 5). Hardly Jehoiachin, who reigned only three months (2 Kings 24. 8). But Jehoiakim reigned eleven years, and his character corresponds with vv. 7, 8, here. See 2 Kings 23. 36; 24. 1-6. Jer. 22. 11-19.

7 knew their desolate palaces. Aram. and Sept. read "injured or defiled his widows".

knew - knew carnally. See 2 Chron. 36. 8.

he became a young lion, and learned to catch the prey, and devoured ³men.

7 And he ^oknew their desolate palaces, and he laid waste their cities; and the land was desolate, and the fulness thereof, by the noise of his roaring.

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483 8 Then the nations set against him on every side from the provinces, and spread their net over him: he was 'taken in their pit.

9 And they put him °in ward in chains, and brought him to the °king of Babylon: they brought him into holds, that his voice should no more be heard upon the mountains of Israel.

W g 10 °Thy mother is like a vine °in thy blood, planted by the °waters: she was fruitful and full of branches by reason of many °waters.

11 And she had strong rods for the sceptres of them that bare rule, and her stature was exalted among the thick branches, and she appeared in her height with the multitude of her branches.

h 12 But she was plucked up in fury, she was cast down to the ground, and the east °wind dried up her fruit: her strong rods were broken and withered; the fire consumed them.

g 13 And °now she is planted in the wilderness, in a dry and thirsty ground.

h 14 And fire is gone out °of a rod of her branches, which hath devoured her fruit, so that she hath no strong rod to be a sceptre to rule.

V This is a lamentation, and shall be for a lamentation.'''

D X (p. 1131) 20 And it came to pass in °the seventh year, in the fifth month, the tenth day of the month, that certain of the elders of Israel came to enquire of °the LORD, and sat before me.

2 Then came the word of °the LORD unto me, saying,

3 °"Son of man, speak °unto °the elders of Israel, and say unto them, 'Thus saith °the Lord GOD; 'Are ye come to enquire of Me? As I live, °saith °the Lord GOD, I will not be enquired of by you.'"

4 °Wilt thou judge them, °son of man, °wilt thou judge them? cause them to know the abominations of their fathers:

Y Z¹ i¹ 5 And say unto them, 'Thus saith °the Lord GOD; 'In the day °when I chose Israel, and °lifted up Mine hand unto the seed of the house of Jacob, and °made Myself known unto them in the land of °Egypt, when I °lifted up Mine hand unto them, saying, 'I am °the LORD your °God;'

6 In °the day that I °lifted up Mine hand unto them, to °bring them forth of the land of °Egypt into a land that I had °espied for them, °flowing with milk and honey, which is °the glory of all lands:

7 Then said I unto them, 'Cast ye away °every man the °abominations of his eyes, and °defile not yourselves with the °idols of °Egypt: I am °the LORD your °God.'

16. 13, 14. Deut. 6. 3; 11. 9; 26. 9, 15; 27. 3; 31. 20). Beside these passages it is found only in 20. 6, 15.

Josh. 5. 6. Jer. 11. 5; 32. 22.

for "beauty". Cp. v. 15. Ps. 48. 2.

Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6, for that which Jehovah abominated.

Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 18. 3). Ap. 92.

the glory = the gazelle. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Subject), Ap. 6,

7 every man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

abominations. defile not yourselves, &c.

idols=manufactured gods.

9 in ward in chains = in a cage with hooks (or hoops), as lions are represented on the monuments. See 2 Chron. 36. 5-7, and Jer. 22. 13-19.

king. Some codices read "land".

10 Thy mother. Another Simile. See the Structure (W, p. 1130).

in thy blood: or, in thy vineyard (acc. to Dr. C. D. Ginsburg).

waters. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 8. 7). Ap. 92.

12 wind. Heb. rûach. Ap. 9.

13 now, &c. Referring to Jeconiah and Ezekiel's own days (1. 3; and 2 Kings 24. 12-16).

14 of a rod: or, of the rod: i.e. Zedekiah, who by his perjury brought about the destruction of Jerusalem by fire.

20. 1-44 (D, p. 1104). ELDERS. (Introversion.)

D X | 1-4. The Elders of Israel.

Y | 5-22. Rebellions and Causes.

Y | 23-26. Punishments and Reasons.

X | 27-44. The house of Israel.

1 the seventh year. See the table on p. 1105.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah, with 'eth (= Jehovah Himself). Ap. 4. II.

2 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

3 Son of man. See note on 2. 1.

unto=with. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Aram., Sept., and Vulg., read "unto".

the elders of Israel. In the Captivity; who were being deceived by false prophets who predicted a speedy return.

saith the Lord GOD - [is] Adonai Jehovah's oracle. See note on 2. 4.

4 Wilt thou . . . wilt thou . . . ? Note the Fig. Epizeuxis (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

20. 5-22 (Y, above). REBELLIONS AND CAUSES. (Repeated and Extended Alternations.)

The Structure is made to correspond with the repeated and extended rebellions.

Y Z¹ | i¹ | 5-7. Commands.

k¹ | 8-. Rebellion.

l¹ | -8. Threatening.

m¹ | 9, 10. Forbearance.

Z² | i² | 11, 12. Statutes.

k² | 13-. Rebellion.

l² | -13. Threatening.

m² | 14-17. Forbearance.

Z³ | i³ | 18-20. Commands.

k³ | 21-. Rebellions.

l³ | -21. Threatening.

m³ | 22. Forbearance.

5 when I chose Israel, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 6. 7; 20. 2. Deut. 7. 6). Ap. 92.

lifted up Mine hand. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for "I swear". Cp. vv. 6, 15, 23, 28, 42, Gen. 14. 22. Deut. 32. 40. Used seven times in ch. 20.

made Myself known, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 6. 3). Egypt. Ezekiel speaks about Israel in Egypt more than any other prophet. See 23. 8. In this chapter he mentions it seven times (vv. 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10).

the LORD your God = Jehovah (Ap. 4. II) your Elohim.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

6 the=that.

bring them forth, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 3. 8, 17. Deut. 8. 7, 8, 9). Ap. 92.

espied - looked, or spied out.

flowing with milk and honey. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 3. 8, 17; 13. 5; 33. 3. Lev. 20. 24. Num. 13. 27; 14. 8;

the glory = the gazelle. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Subject), Ap. 6,

7 every man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

abominations. defile not yourselves, &c.

idols=manufactured gods.

^{k1} 8 But they ° rebelled against Me, and would
(p. 1131) not hearken unto Me: they did not ° every man
482 cast away the ° abominations of their eyes,
neither did they forsake ° the idols of ° Egypt:

^{l1} then I said, 'I will ° pour out My fury upon
them, to accomplish My anger against them
in the midst of the land of ° Egypt.'

^{m1} 9 But ° I wrought for My name's sake, that it
should not be polluted before the ° heathen,
among whom they were, in whose sight I made
Myself known unto them, in bringing them
forth out of the land of ° Egypt.

10 Wherefore ° I caused them to go forth out
of the land of ° Egypt, and brought them into
the wilderness.

^{Z2 i2} 11 And I gave them My ° statutes, and shewed
them My ° judgments, ° which if a ° man ° do, ° he
shall even ° live in them.

12 Moreover also ° I gave them My sabbaths,
to be a sign between Me and them, ° that they
might know that I am ° the LORD that sanctify
them.

^{k2} 13 But the house of Israel ° rebelled against
Me in the wilderness: they walked not in My
° statutes, and they despised My ° judgments,
° which if a ° man ° do, ° he shall even live
in them; and My sabbaths they greatly pol-
luted:

^{l2} ° then I said, I would pour out My fury upon
them in the wilderness, to consume them.

^{m2} 14 But ° I wrought for My name's sake, that
it should not be polluted before the ° heathen,
in whose sight I brought them out.

15 Yet also I ° lifted up My hand unto them
in the wilderness, that ° I would not bring
them into the land which I had given ° them,
° flowing with milk and honey, which is ° the
glory of all lands;

16 Because they despised My ° judgments,
and walked not in My ° statutes, but polluted
My sabbaths: for ° their heart went after their
° idols.

17 Nevertheless Mine eye spared them from
destroying them, neither did I make an end of
them in the wilderness.

^{Z3 i3} 18 But ° I said unto their ° children in the
wilderness, 'Walk ye not in the ° statutes of
your fathers, neither observe their ° judgments,
nor ° defile yourselves with their ° idols:

19 I am ° the LORD your ° God; walk in My
statutes, and keep My judgments, and do them;

20 And hallow My sabbaths; and they shall
be a sign between Me and you, that ° ye may
know that I am ° the LORD your God.'

^{k3} 21 Notwithstanding the ° children ° rebelled
against Me: they walked not in My ° statutes,
neither kept My ° judgments to do them, ° which
if a ° man ° do, ° he shall even live in them;
° they polluted My sabbaths:

^{l3} then I said, I would ° pour out My fury upon
them, to accomplish My anger against them in
the wilderness.

^{m3} 22 Nevertheless I ° withdrew Mine hand, and
° wrought for My name's sake, that it should
not be polluted in the sight of the ° heathen, in
whose sight I brought them forth.

8 rebelled. See note on 2. 5.

pour out My fury, &c. Repeated in vv. 13, 21, 33, 34.
See the Structure, p. 1131.

9 I wrought, &c. Repeated in vv. 14, 22, 44. Ref.
to Pent. (Ex. 32. 12. Num. 14. 13, &c.). Ap. 92.

heathen = nations.

10 I caused, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 13, &c.). Ap. 92.

11 I gave them, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 4. 8).

statutes . . . judgments. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 4. 1).

which if a man do, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 18. 5).

man. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. 1.

do = do [them].

he shall . . . live. See note on Lev. 18. 5.

12 I gave them, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 20. 8; 31. 13).

that they might know. Cp. note on 6. 10.

13 then I said, I would, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Num.

14. 22, 23, 29; 26. 65). Ap. 92.

15 I would not bring them into, &c. Ref. to Pent.

(Num. 14. 24-30). Ap. 92. Cp. Ps. 95. 11.

them. Sept., Syr., and Vulg. read "to them" in the
text.

16 their heart went, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 32. 23).

18 I said, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 14. 32, 33; 32. 13-

15. Deut. 4. 3-6). Ap. 92.

children = sons.

statutes . . . judgments. Like those of Omri (Mic.

6. 16). Cp. Jer. 16. 13.

20 ye may know. See note on 6. 7.

21 rebelled. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 25. 1, 2. Deut. 9. 23,

24; 31. 27). Ap. 92.

they polluted My sabbaths. Some codices, with
four early printed editions, add "even My sabbaths".

22 withdrew, &c. Idiom for a relaxing of anger or
refraining from punishment.

20. 23-26 (Y, p. 1131). PUNISHMENTS AND REASONS. (*Introversions and Alternation.*)

Y A | 23. Punishments.

B | C | n | 24-. Judgments.

o | 24-. Statutes.

D | 24. Pollution by People.

B | C | o | 25-. Statutes.

n | 25. Judgments.

D | 26-. Pollution by Jehovah.)

A | 26. Punishment.

Reasons.

23 I. Some codices, with three early printed editions,
read "Yet even (or, also) I", as in v. 15.

that I would scatter, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 33.
Deut. 28. 64). Ap. 92. Cp. 12. 15.

25 I gave them also statutes, &c. In Heb. idiom
= I suffered others to give them statutes, &c.: i.e. in
their captivity. Active verbs in Hebrew were used to
express not only the doing of the thing, but the per-
mission of the thing which the agent is said to do. The
verb *nāthan*, to give, is therefore often rendered to *suffer*
in this sense. See Gen. 31. 7. Judg. 15. 1. 1 Sam. 24. 7.
2 Sam. 21. 10. Where not so actually rendered it means
permission. Cp. 14. 9. Ex. 4. 21; 5. 22. Ps. 16. 10. Jer.
4. 10. The same idiom is used in N.T. (Matt. 6. 13; 11.
25; 13. 11. Rom. 9. 18; 11. 7, 8. 2 Thess. 2. 11).

23 I lifted up Mine hand unto them also in
the wilderness, ° that I would scatter them among
the ° heathen, and disperse them through the
countries;

24 Because they had not executed My ° judg-
ments,

but had despised My ° statutes,

and had polluted My sabbaths, and their eyes
were after their fathers' idols.

25 Wherefore ° I gave them also statutes *that*
were not good,

and judgments whereby they should not live;

Y A
(p. 1132)

B C n

o

D

B C o

n

D 26 And ° I polluted them in their own gifts, in
(p. 1132) that they caused to ° pass through the fire all
482 that openeth the womb,

A that I might make them desolate, to the end
12 that they might know that I am ° the LORD."

X p 27 Therefore, ° son of man, speak unto the
(p. 1133) house of Israel, and say unto them, 'Thus saith
° the Lord GOD; 'Yet in this your fathers have
blasphemed Me, in that they have ° committed
a ° trespass against Me.

28 For when I had brought them into the
land, for the which I ° lifted up Mine hand to
give it to them, then they saw every high hill,
and all the thick trees, and they offered there
their sacrifices, and there they presented the
provocation of their offering: there also they
made their sweet savour, and poured out there
their drink offerings.

29 Then I said unto them, ° 'What is the
high place whereunto ye go?' And the name
thereof is called Bamah unto this day."

30 Wherefore say unto the house of Israel,
'Thus saith ° the Lord GOD; ° 'Are ye polluted
after the manner of your fathers? and commit
ye whoredom after their ° abominations?

31 For when ye offer your gifts, when ye
make ° your sons to ° pass through the fire, ye
pollute yourselves with all your ° idols, even
unto this day: and shall I be enquired of by
you, O house of Israel? As I live, ° saith ° the
Lord GOD, I will not be enquired of by you.

32 And that which cometh into your ° mind
shall not be at all, that ye say, 'We will be as
the ° heathen, as the families of the countries,
to serve wood and stone.'

q 33 As I live, ° saith ° the Lord GOD, surely
° with a mighty hand, and with a stretched
out arm, and with fury poured out, ° will I rule
over you:

34 And I will bring you out from the ° people,
and will gather you out of the countries where-
in ye are scattered, ° with a mighty hand, and
with a stretched out arm, and with fury poured
out.

35 And I will bring you into ° the wilderness
of the ° people, and there will I plead with you
face to face.

36 ° Like as I pleaded with your fathers in
the wilderness of the land of Egypt, so will
I plead with you, ° saith ° the Lord GOD.

37 And I will cause you to ° pass under the
rod, and I will bring you into the ° bond of the
covenant:

38 And I will purge out from among you the
rebels, and them that ° transgress against Me:
I will bring them forth out of the country where
they sojourn, and they shall not enter ° into
the land of Israel: and ° ye shall know that I
am ° the LORD.

p 39 As for you, O house of Israel, ° thus saith
° the Lord GOD; ° 'Go ye, serve ye ° every one
his idols, and hereafter also, if ye will not
hearken unto Me: ° but pollute ye My ° holy
name no more with your gifts, and with your
° idols.

q 40 For in Mine ° holy mountain, ° in the
mountain of the height of Israel, ° saith ° the
Lord GOD, there shall all the house of Israel,
all of them in the land, serve Me: there will

26 I polluted them, &c. See note on v. 25. The con-
trast is with their pollution of God's gifts (v. 16).
pass through: or, pass over. The firstborn were to
be passed over to Jehovah (Ex. 13. 12); but they passed
them (through the fire) over to Moloch (Lev. 18. 21.
Deut. 18. 10). Note the refs. to Pent. here. Ap. 92.

20. 27-44 (X, p. 1131). THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL.
(Alternation.)

X | p | 27-32. Incrimination.

q | 33-38. Threatening.

p | 39. Incrimination.

q | 40-44. Restoration.

27 committed a trespass = trespassed a trespass.
Fig. *Polypōton* (Ap. 6), for emphasis = committed a great
trespass.

trespass = treachery. Heb. *mā'al*. Ap. 44. xi. As in
14. 13 and 15. 8.

29 What is the high place . . . ? Note the Fig. *Paro-
nomasia* (Ap. 6). Heb. *māh habbāmāh*, for emphasis, to
mark the contrast between this idolatrous high place
and Zion the true high and holy mountain (v. 40).

30 Are ye . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

31 your sons. Some codices, with two early printed
editions, read "your sons and your daughters".

32 mind = spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

33 with a mighty hand, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut.
4. 34, &c.). will I rule = will I become king.

34 people = peoples.

35 the wilderness of the people. Probably another
country which would be to them another wilderness in
which they were tested as to whether they would hear.

36 Like as I pleaded, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 14.
21-23, 28, 29). Ap. 92. See also vv. 13 and 38.

37 pass under the rod. This was the manner of
counting the sheep, which were numbered as they passed
under the shepherd's club: implying here that none
should be lost (Amos 9. 9), and that the restored nation
should be holy to Jehovah (cp. v. 40). Ref. to Pent.
(Lev. 27. 32). Occurs elsewhere only in Jer. 33. 13).

bond = binding obligation. Occurs only here.

38 transgress. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix.
into the land of Israel = on the soil of Israel. Thus
illustrating v. 36. Heb. *'admath*. See note on 11. 17.

ye shall know, &c. See note on 6. 7.

39 Go ye, &c. Fig. *Eironēia*. Ap. 6. Divine irony.
every one = every man, as in vv. 7, 8.

but: or, yet. holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

40 in the mountain: i.e. Moriah and Zion. See Ap.
68. Cp. Isa. 2. 2; 54. 1-7; 62. 1-9; 65. 17-25; 66. 20-23.

require = seek.
offerings = heave offerings. Heb. *t'rūmāh*. Ap. 43. II.
viii.

firstfruits of your oblations: i.e. firstfruit gifts or
presents. Heb. *mas'eth*. Not the same word as in
chs. 44, 45, and 48, which is *t'rūmāh* = heave offering.

43 ye shall lothe yourselves. Cp. 16. 61-63.
evils. Same word as "wicked", v. 44.

I accept them, and there will I ° require your
° offerings, and the ° firstfruits of your obla-
tions, with all your ° holy things.

41 I will accept you with your sweet savour,
when I bring you out from the ° people, and
gather you out of the countries wherein ye
have been scattered; and I will be sanctified
in you before the heathen.

42 And ° ye shall know that I am ° the LORD,
when I shall bring you ° into the land of Israel,
into the country for the which I ° lifted up
Mine hand to give it to your fathers.

43 And there shall ye remember your ways,
and all your doings, wherein ye have been
defiled; and ° ye shall lothe yourselves in your
own sight for all your ° evils that ye have
committed.

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44 And ³⁸ye shall know that \Im am ²the LORD, when ⁹I have wrought with you for My name's sake, not according to your ^owicked ways, nor according to your corrupt doings, O ye house of Israel, ³saith ³the Lord GOD."

EG¹ Hr
(p. 1134)

45 Moreover the word of ²the LORD came unto me, saying,

46 ³"Son of man, set thy face toward ^othe south, and drop *thy word* toward ^othe south, and prophesy ^oagainst the forest of ^othe south field;

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47 And say to the forest of ⁴⁶the south, 'Hear the word of ²the LORD; Thus saith ³the Lord GOD; ^o'Behold, I will kindle a fire in thee, and it shall devour every green tree in thee, and every dry tree: the flaming flame shall not be quenched, and all faces from the south to the north shall be burned therein.

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48 ^oAnd all ^oflesh shall see that \Im ²the LORD have kindled it: it shall not be quenched.'"

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49 Then said I, "Ah ³Lord GOD! they say of me, 'Doth he not speak ^oparables?'"

H r

21 And the word of ^othe LORD came unto me, saying,

2 ^o"Son of man, set thy face toward Jerusalem, and drop *thy word* toward the ^oholy places, and prophesy against ^othe land of Israel,

s

3 And say to ²the land of Israel, 'Thus saith ¹the LORD; ^o'Behold, I am against thee, and will ^odraw forth My sword out of his sheath, and will cut off from thee ^othe righteous and ^othe wicked.

4 Seeing then that I will cut off from thee ³the righteous and ³the wicked, therefore shall My sword go forth out of his sheath against all flesh from the south to the north:

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5 That all flesh may know that \Im ¹the LORD have ³drawn forth My sword out of his sheath: ^oit shall not return any more.'

G² J

6 Sigh therefore, thou ²son of man, with the breaking of *thy* loins; and with bitterness sigh before their eyes.

7 And it shall be, when they say unto thee, 'Wherefore sighest thou?' that thou shalt answer, 'For the tidings; because it cometh: and every heart shall melt, and all hands shall be feeble, and every ^ospirit shall faint, and all knees shall be weak as water: ³behold, it cometh, and shall be brought to pass, ^osaith the Lord GOD.'"

K L

8 Again the word of ¹the LORD came unto me, saying,

9 ²"Son of man, prophesy, and say, 'Thus saith ^othe LORD; Say, ^o'A sword, a sword is sharpened, and also furbished:

10 It is sharpened to ^omake a sore slaughter; it is furbished that it may ^oglitter: ^oshould we then make mirth?

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^oit contemneth the ^orod of My son, as every tree.

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11 And He hath given it to be furbished, that it may be handled: this sword is sharpened, and it is furbished, to give it into the hand of ^othe slayer.'

44 wicked. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

20. 45—21. 32 (E, p. 1104). THE LAND AND THE CITY. (JUDGMENTS.) (*Division*.)

E | G¹ | 20. 45—21. 5. Parable and its Interpretation.
| G² | 21. 6—32. Signs and their Signification.

20. 45—21. 5 (G¹, above). PARABLE AND ITS INTERPRETATION.

(*Introversion and Extended Alternation*.)

G¹ | H | r | 20. 45, 46. Subject. Forest of the South.
| s | 20. 47. Fire. Devouring.
| t | 20. 48. All flesh shall see.
| I | 20. 49. Ezekiel. Complaint.
H | r | 21. 1, 2. Subject. Jerusalem and the Land.
| s | 21. 3, 4. Sword. Cutting off.
| t | 21. 5. All flesh shall know.

20. 45—22. 31 (E, p. 1104). THE LAND AND THE CITY. (*Alternation*.)

I | E | 20. 45—21. 32. Parables and signs.
| F | 22. 1—16. The City defiled.
| E | 22. 17—22. Symbol. Dross.
| F | 22. 23—31. The Land not cleansed.

46 the south = the *Negeb*. See note on Ps. 126. 4. against: or, unto. Some codices read "toward". the south field: i.e. Judah and Jerusalem.

47 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

48 And all flesh shall see. See the Structure above. flesh. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap. 6, for the whole person. All flesh = all people, every one.

49 parables. Thus intended to have the same purpose as the Lord's parables. See Matt. 13. 11.

21. 1 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

2 Son of man. See note on 2. 1.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

the land of Israel = the soil of Israel. Heb. *'admath Israel*. See note on 11. 17.

3 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

draw forth My sword. See note on 5. 2, 17, and 12. 14. the righteous, &c. Therefore 18. 2, 3, is not yet fulfilled, but corresponds with the green tree and the dry of 20. 47. the righteous = a righteous one.

the wicked = a lawless one. Heb. *rāsha'*. Ap. 44. x.

5 it shall not return, &c.: i.e. until it has executed its mission.

21. 6—32 (G², above). SIGNS AND THEIR SIGNIFICATION. (*Alternation*.)

G² | J | 6, 7. Ezekiel. First sign. Sighing.
| K | 8—13. Signification of first sign.
| J | 14—17. Ezekiel. Second sign. Smiting.
| K | 18—32. Signification of second sign.

7 spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

saith the Lord GOD = [is] Adonai *Jehovah's* oracle. See note on 2. 4.

21. 8—13 (K, above). SIGNIFICATION OF FIRST SIGN. (*Alternation*.)

K | L | 8—10. The sword of *Jehovah*.
| M | -10. Its contempt for the sceptre of Judah.
| L | 11, 12. The sword of *Jehovah*.
| M | 13. Its contempt for the sceptre of Judah.

9 the LORD = *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II. Some codices, with three early printed editions (one Rabbinic in marg.), read *Adonai*. Ap. 4. VIII (2).

A sword, a sword. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis = a great or sharp sword.

10 make a sore slaughter. Fig. *Polyptoton* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. Heb. to slay a slaughter.

glitter = flash as lightning. should we then make mirth? or, "should we flourish [the sceptre of My son (i.e. of Judah)]?"

it, &c.: i.e. "Jehovah's sword despiseth the [wooden] sceptre of My son (i.e. Judah), as [it despiseth] every tree". The Ellipsis is to be thus supplied.

rod = sceptre.

11 the slayer: i.e. the king of Babylon.

482 12 Cry and howl, ²son of man: for °it shall °be upon My People, it shall be upon all the °princes of Israel: °terrors by reason of the sword shall be upon My People: °smite therefore upon thy thigh.

M 13 Because °it is a trial, °and what if the sword contemn even the ¹⁰rod? °it shall be no more, ⁷saith ⁷the Lord GOD.

J 14 Thou therefore, ²son of man, prophesy, and °smite thine hands together, and let the sword be doubled the third time, the sword of the slain: it is the sword of the great men that are slain, which entereth into their privy chambers.

15 I have set the point of the sword against all their gates, that their heart may faint, and °their ruins be multiplied: ah! it is made °bright, it is °wrapped up for the slaughter.

16 °Go °thee one way or other, either on the right hand, or on the left, whithersoever °thy face is set.

17 °I will also smite Mine hands together, and I will cause My fury to rest: I ¹the LORD have said it."

K N 18 The word of ¹the LORD came unto me again, saying,

19 "Also, thou ²son of man, appoint thee two ways, °that the sword of the king of Babylon may come: °both twain shall come forth out of one land: and °choose thou a place, choose it at the head of the way to the city.

O u 20 Appoint a way, that the sword may come to Rabbath of the Ammonites,

v and to Judah in Jerusalem the defenced.

N 21 For the king of Babylon °stood at the parting of the way, at the head of the two ways, °to use divination: he °made his arrows bright, he consulted with °images, he °looked in the liver.

22 At his right hand was the divination for Jerusalem, to °appoint captains, to open °the mouth in the slaughter, to lift up the voice with °shouting, to appoint battering rams against the gates, to cast a mount, °and to build °a fort.

23 And it shall be unto °them as a false divination in their sight, to °them that have °sworn oaths: but he will call to remembrance the °iniquity, that they may be taken."

24 Therefore thus saith ⁷the Lord GOD; "Because ye have made your ²³iniquity to be remembered, in that your °transgressions are discovered, so that in all your doings your °sins do appear; because, I say, that ye are come to remembrance, ye shall be °taken with the hand.

O v 25 And thou, °profane °wicked prince of Israel, whose day is come, when °iniquity shall have °an end,"

26 Thus saith ⁷the Lord GOD; "Remove the diadem, and take off the crown: this shall not °be the same: exalt him that is low, and abase him that is high.

one. Zedekiah a type of the future Antichrist. Ap. 44. x. iniquity . . . an end. Fig. Hypallage. Ap. 6. Heb. 'āvāh, as in v. 23. abase, but Jehovah would not recognise it.

12 it: i.e. the sword of Jehovah, the king of Babylon. princes=leaders.

be=come.

terrors by, &c.=who shall be delivered to the sword with My People.

smite therefore, &c. This was the symbol of grief in man, as beating the breast was in woman.

13 it is a trial=it (Jehovah's sword) has been tried (or proved).

and what, &c.=and what [will happen or be the result] if [Jehovah's sword shall not despise] the [wooden] sceptre?

it shall be no more=it will not [despise it].

saith the Lord GOD=[is] Adonai Jehovah's oracle.

14 smite thine hands together, &c. A sign of disappointment or grief in men. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 24. 10).

15 their ruins=the overthrown. So the Sept. and Syr. Cp. Jer. 18. 23.

bright=bright as lightning.

wrapped up=keen, or sharp.

16 Go thee. Fig. Apostrophe. Ap. 6. Addressed to the sword.

thee: i.e. the sword. Not Ezekiel. It is fem., not masc. :=Go to the right, turn to the left: or, One stroke to the right, another to the left, &c.

thy face=thine edge.

17 I will also smite, &c. Fig. Anthropopatheia. Ap. 6.

21. 18-32 (K, p. 1134). SIGNIFICATION OF SECOND SIGN. (Alternation and Introversion.)

K N | 18-20-. The two ways.

O | u | -20-. The Ammonites.

| v | -20. Judah and Jerusalem.

N | 21-24. The two ways.

O | v | 25-27. The wicked prince of Israel.

| u | 28-32. The Ammonites.

19 that the sword . . . may come=for the sword . . . to come.

both twain=the two ways.

choose thou a place=grave a hand: i.e. set up a sign-post.

21 stood=hath come to a stand.

to use divination=to divine a divination.

made his arrows bright=hath shaken his arrows.

This was one of the modes of divination by which the arrow (marked like a lot), gave the decision.

images=teraphim.

looked in, &c.=inspected the liver; another mode of divination. If healthy or double and the lobes inclined inward, the omen was favourable; but if diseased or too dry, or without a lobe or a band between the parts, the omen was unfavourable.

22 appoint captains=set up battering-rams. Cp. 4. 2.

the mouth in the slaughter=a hole by a breach.

shouting=a war-shout.

and. Some codices, with four early printed editions (one Rabbinic in marg.), Aram., Sept., and Syr., read this "and" in the text.

a fort=a siege wall.

23 them: i.e. Zedekiah and the rulers in Jerusalem. sworn oaths. Referring to Zedekiah's treacherous breach of faith with the king of Babylon. See 17. 11-21.

iniquity=treachery. Heb. 'āvāh. Ap. 44. iv.

24 transgressions=rebellion (pl. of Majesty)=great rebellion. Heb. pāshā'. Ap. 44. ix.

sins. Heb. ḥāṭā'. Ap. 44. i. Pl. of Majesty=great sin.

taken with the hand=captured, or made captives.

25 profane=pierced through: i.e. deadly wounded Cp. Rev. 13. 3. wicked=lawless. Heb. rāshā'.

26 be the same: or, endure. They might exalt and

27 I will °overturn, overturn, overturn, it: and it shall be no *more*, °until He come Whose right it is; and I will give it *Him*."

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28 And thou, ²son of man, prophesy and say, "Thus saith ⁷the Lord GOD concerning the Ammonites, and concerning °their reproach; even say thou, 'The °sword, the sword is drawn: for the slaughter *it is* furnished, °to consume because of the glittering:

29 Whiles they see vanity unto thee, whiles they divine a lie unto thee, to bring thee upon the necks of *them that are slain*, of °the wicked, whose day is come, when °their ²³iniquity *shall have* an end.

30 Shall I cause *it* to return into his sheath? I will judge thee in the place where thou wast created, in the land of thy nativity.

31 And I will pour out Mine indignation upon thee, I will blow against thee in the fire of My wrath, and deliver thee into the hand of brutish °men, and skilful to destroy.

32 Thou shalt be for fuel to the fire; thy blood shall be in the midst of the land; thou shalt be no *more* remembered: for ³the LORD have spoken *it*."

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22 Moreover the word of °the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 "Now, thou °son of man, wilt thou °judge, wilt thou judge the °bloody city?

x¹ yea, thou shalt shew her all her °abominations.

3 Then say thou, 'Thus saith °the Lord GOD, 'The city sheddeth blood in the midst of it, that her time may come, and maketh °idols against herself to defile herself.

4 Thou art become guilty in thy °blood that thou hast shed; and hast defiled thyself in thine °idols which thou hast made; and thou hast caused thy °days to draw near, and art °come *even* unto thy years:

w² therefore °have I made thee a reproach unto the °heathen, and a mocking to all countries.

5 °Those *that be* near, and *those that be* far from thee, shall mock thee, *which art* infamous and °much vexed.

x² 6 °Behold, the °princes of Israel, every one were in thee °to their power to shed blood.

7 In thee have they °set light by father and mother: in the midst of thee have they °dealt by oppression with the stranger: in thee have they °vexed the fatherless and the widow.

8 Thou hast despised Mine °holy things, and hast °profaned My sabbaths.

9 In thee are °men that °carry tales to shed blood: and in thee they eat upon the mountains: in the midst of thee they commit lewdness.

10 In thee have they °discovered their fathers' nakedness: in thee have they humbled her that was °set apart for pollution.

11 And one hath °committed abomination with his neighbour's wife; and another hath °lewdly defiled his daughter in law; and another in thee hath °humbled his sister, his father's daughter.

12 In thee have they °taken gifts to shed blood; thou hast °taken usury and increase, and thou hast greedily gained of thy neighbours by extortion, and °hast forgotten Me, °saith °the Lord GOD.

27 overturn, &c. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6), for great emphasis.

until He come: i.e. the promised Messiah Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 49. 10). Ap. 92. See Isa. 9. 6, 7; 42. 1. Jer. 23. 5; 33. 17. Zech. 6. 12, 13, &c.

28 their reproach. Brought against Jerusalem. See Jer. 49. 1. Zeph. 2. 8.

to consume = that when it beginneth it may flash like lightning. 29 the wicked = wicked ones (pl.). their. Refers to "them" (v. 23).

31 men. Heb. pl. of 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

22. 1-16 (F, p. 1134). THE CITY DEFILED. (Repeated Alternation.)

F w¹ | 1, 2-. Judgment. Determined.

x¹ | -2-4-. Abominations. General.

w² | -4, 5. Judgment. Declared.

x² | 6-12. Abominations. Particular.

w³ | 13-16. Judgment. Detailed.

1 the LORD Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 son of man. See note on 2. 1.

judge = pronounce judgment on. See 20. 4; 23. 36.

bloody city = city of bloods: bloods (pl. of Majesty) = much blood. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for great bloodshed: referring to those put to death for the truth's sake by the wicked rulers. So in vv. 3, 4, 6, 12, 27. abominations = idolatries.

3 the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See note on 2. 4. idols = manufactured gods.

4 days. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the judgment inflicted in them.

come even unto. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "hast entered the time of".

have I made thee a reproach . . . mocking. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 37). These words occur nowhere else. Ap. 92. heathen = nations.

5 those: i.e. those cities.

much vexed = full of confusion.

6 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

princes = leaders. to their = according to their.

7 set light by, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 27. 16).

dealt by oppression . . . vexed, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 22. 21, 22). Ap. 92.

8 holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

profaned My sabbaths, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 19. 30).

9 men. Heb. pl. of 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III. Heb. men of slander.

carry tales, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 19. 16). Ap. 92.

eat upon the mountains: i.e. the idolatries practised on the mountains. Cp. 18. 6.

10 discovered, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 18. 7, 8, 9; 20. 11, 17). Ap. 92.

set apart, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 18. 19). Ap. 92.

11 committed abomination, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 18. 20; 20. 10. Deut. 22. 22). Ap. 92. Cp. 18. 11.

lewdly defiled, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 18. 15; 20. 12).

humbled his sister. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 18. 9; 20. 17).

12 taken gifts, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 23. 8. Deut. 16. 19; 27. 25).

taken usury, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 22. 25. Lev. 25. 36. Deut. 23. 19). Ap. 92. Cp. 18. 8.

hast forgotten Me. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 18).

saith the Lord GOD = [is] Adonai Jehovah's oracle.

13 I have smitten Mine hand. See note on 21. 17.

14 have spoken it. Cp. 21. 17; and Num. 23. 19.

15 I will scatter, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 4. 27; 28. 25, 64). Ap. 92. Cp. 12. 14, 15.

13 'Behold, therefore °I have smitten Mine hand at thy dishonest gain which thou hast made, and at thy blood which hath been in the midst of thee.

14 Can thine heart endure, or can thine hands be strong, in the days that ³I shall deal with thee? ³I the LORD °have spoken *it*, and will do *it*.

15 And °I will scatter thee among the heathen,

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482 and disperse thee in the countries, and will consume thy filthiness out of thee.

16 And thou shalt take thine inheritance in thyself in the sight of the 'heathen, and thou shalt know that I am the LORD.'"

E P (p. 1137) 17 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

18 "Son of man, the house of Israel is to Me become dross: all they are brass, and tin, and iron, and lead, in the midst of the furnace; they are even the dross of silver.

Q 19 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; 'Because ye are all become dross, behold, therefore I will gather you into the midst of Jerusalem.

R 20 As they gather silver, and brass, and iron, and lead, and tin, into the midst of the furnace, to blow the fire upon it, to melt it; so will I gather you in Mine anger and in My fury, and I will leave you there, and melt you.

Q 21 Yea, I will gather you, and blow upon you in the fire of My wrath, and ye shall be melted in the midst thereof.

P 22 As silver is melted in the midst of the furnace, so shall ye be melted in the midst thereof; and ye shall know that I the LORD have poured out My fury upon you.'"

F S 23 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

T 24 "Son of man, say unto her, 'Thou art the land that is not cleansed, nor rained upon in the day of indignation.'

U y 25 There is a conspiracy of her prophets in the midst thereof, like a roaring lion ravening the prey; they have devoured souls; they have taken the treasure and precious things; they have made her many widows in the midst thereof.

z 26 Her priests have violated My law, and have profaned Mine holy things: they have put no difference between the holy and profane, neither have they shewed difference between the unclean and the clean, and have hid their eyes from My sabbaths, and I am profaned among them.

V 27 Her princes in the midst thereof are like wolves ravening the prey, to shed blood, and to destroy souls, to get dishonest gain.

U y 28 And her prophets have daubed them with untempered mortar, seeing vanity, and divining lies unto them, saying, 'Thus saith the Lord GOD,' when the LORD hath not spoken.

s 29 The People of the land have used oppression, and exercised robbery, and have vexed the poor and needy: yea, they have oppressed the stranger wrongfully.

T 30 And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before Me for the land, that I should not destroy it: but I found none.

S 31 Therefore have I poured out Mine indignation upon them; I have consumed them with the fire of My wrath: their own way have I recompensed upon their heads, saith the Lord GOD.

F W 23 The word of the LORD came again unto me, saying,

2 "Son of man, there were two women, the daughters of one mother:

3 And they committed whoredoms in Egypt;

16 shalt take thine inheritance=shalt be profaned in thyself (or on thine own account).

22. 17-22 (E, p. 1134). SYMBOL, DROSS. (Introversion.)

E P | 17, 18. Incrimination.

Q | 19. Gathering.

R | 20. Comparison.

Q | 21. Gathering.

P | 22. Incrimination.

18 brass=copper, or bronze.

furnace: or crucible.

dross. Lead put into the crucible with gold or silver causes the baser metals to retire, or form *scoriae* or dross at the sides of the crucible, leaving the pure gold or silver in the middle. But here the silver itself becomes the dross. Cp. v. 19.

20 I will leave you there. The letter p (*Pe*=P) in *v'hippihtā*, in being transferred from the ancient Hebrew into the modern square character, was probably mistaken for the j (*Nun*=N), being much alike. If so, "I will blow" became "I will leave"; and the words "you there" had to be necessarily supplied. By this change the correspondence of the two verses (20, 21) is restored:—v. 20. Gather ... blow ... melt: v. 21. Gather ... blow ... melt.

22. 23-31 (F, p. 1134). LAND NOT CLEANSED. (Introversion and Alternation.)

F S | 23. Jehovah. His word.

T | 24. The Land. Not cleansed.

U | y | 25. The prophets. Conspiracy.

z | 26. The priests. Violated the Law.

V | 27. The princes. Like wolves.

U | y | 28. The prophets. Daubed.

s | 29. The People. Violated the Law.

T | 30. The Land. No intercessor.

S | 31. Jehovah. His judgment.

24 not cleansed=not to be rained upon.

nor rained upon=not to receive fruitful showers.

25 prophets. Note the four classes here enumerated.

See the Structure above; and vv. 26, 28, 29.

souls. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 18.

26 put no difference, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 10. 10; 11. 47; 22. 22). Ap. 92.

29 have vexed ... have oppressed, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 22. 21; 23. 9. Lev. 19. 33, &c.). Ap. 92.

poor. Heb. *'ani*. See note on Prov. 6. 11.

30 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

I found none. Cp. 13. 6, and Jer. 5. 1.

23. 1-49 (F, p. 1104). JERUSALEM. (TWO SISTERS.) (Introversion.)

F W | 1-4. Aholah and Aholibah.

X | 5-10. Aholah=Samaria (Israel).

X | 11-35. Aholibah=Jerusalem (Judah).

W | 36-49. Aholah and Aholibah.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 Son of man. See note on 2. 1.

two women. Two sisters, representing respectively Samaria and Jerusalem.

3 whoredoms=idolatries. Egypt. Cp. 20. 7, 8.

pressed=handled, as in vv. 8, 21.

bruised=squeezed (in natural use).

4 Aholah. Heb. *'ahālāh*= [She has] her own tent.

So named probably because Israel set up her own worship as distinct from Jehovah's.

elder. Refers not to age, but to extent.

Aholibah. Heb. *'ahālibāh*=My tent [is] in her.

they committed whoredoms in their youth: there were their breasts pressed, and there they bruised the teats of their virginity.

4 And the names of them were Aholah the elder, and Aholibah her sister: and they were Mine, and they bare sons and daughters. Thus were their names; Samaria is Aholah, and Jerusalem Aholibah.

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5 And ⁴Aholah played the harlot when she was Mine;

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B and she doted on her lovers, on the Assyrians her neighbours,

6 Which were clothed with blue, captains and rulers, all of them desirable young men, horsemen riding upon horses.

C

7 Thus she committed her ³whoredoms with them, with all them *that were* ^othe chosen men of Assyria, and with all on whom she doted: with all their idols she defiled herself.

D

8 Neither left she her ³whoredoms brought from Egypt: for in her youth they lay with her, and they ³bruised the breasts of her virginity, and poured their ³whoredom upon her.

E

9 Wherefore I have delivered her into the hand of her lovers, into the hand of the Assyrians, upon whom she doted.

10 These discovered her nakedness: they took her sons and her daughters, and slew her with the sword: and she became ^ofamous among women; for they had executed judgment upon her.

Y A

11 And when her sister ⁴Aholibah saw *this*, she was more corrupt in her inordinate love than she, and in her ³whoredoms more than her sister in *her* whoredoms.

B

12 She doted upon the Assyrians *her* neighbours, captains and rulers clothed most gorgeously, horsemen riding upon horses, all of them desirable young men.

C

13 Then I saw that she was defiled, *that* they took both one way,

14 And *that* she increased her ³whoredoms: for when she saw ^omen pourtrayed upon the wall, the images of the Chaldeans pourtrayed with vermilion,

15 Girded with girdles upon their loins, exceeding in dyed attire upon their heads, all of them princes to look to, after the manner of the Babylonians of Chaldea, the land of their nativity:

16 And as soon as she saw them with her eyes, she doted upon them, and sent messengers unto them into Chaldea.

17 And the Babylonians came to her into the bed of love, and they defiled her with their ³whoredom, and she was polluted with them, and her ^omind was alienated from them.

18 So she discovered her ³whoredoms, and discovered her nakedness: then ^oMy ¹⁷mind was alienated from her, ^olike as ^oMy ¹⁷mind was alienated from her sister.

D

19 Yet she multiplied her ³whoredoms, in ^ocalling to remembrance the days of her youth, wherein she had played the ^oharlot ^oin the land of ³Egypt.

20 For she doted upon their paramours, whose flesh is *as* the flesh of asses, and whose issue is *like* the issue of horses.

21 Thus thou ¹⁹calledst to remembrance the lewdness of thy youth, in ^obruising thy teats by the ³Egyptians for the paps of thy youth.

E a

22 Therefore, O ⁴Aholibah, thus saith ^othe Lord GOD; ^oBehold, I will raise up thy lovers against thee, from whom thy ¹⁷mind is alien-

23. 5-35 (X, p. 1137). AHOLAH AND AHOLIBAH.
(Extended Alternation.)

X Y

A | 5-. AHOLAH. (Samaria.)

B | -5, 6. Doting on the Assyrians.

C | 7. Her idolatry with them.

D | 8. Her perseverance.

E | 9, 10. Judgment executed.

Y A | 11. AHOLIBAH. (Jerusalem.)

B | 12. Doting on the Assyrians.

C | 13-18. Her idolatry with them.

D | 19-21. Her perseverance.

E | 22-35. Judgment threatened.

7 the chosen, &c.=the choice of Asshur's sons.
So vv. 9, 12.

10 famous = a name: i. e. infamous.

14 men. Heb. pl. of 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

17 mind=soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

18 My mind. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

like as=according as.

19 calling to remembrance. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of the Cause), Ap. 6, for the desiring of her former idolatries.

harlot. Put for idolatress.

in. Some codices read "from", as in vv. 8 and 27.

21 bruising. Aram. and Syr. read "handling", as in v. 3.

23. 22-35 (E, above). JUDGMENT THREATENED.
(Alternation.)

E a | 22-26. Enemies.

b | 27. Purpose. (Negative.)

a | 28-34. Enemies.

b | 35. Purpose. (Positive.)

22 the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See note on 2. 4.

Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

23 Pekod... Shoa... Koa. These Eastern peoples are all named in the inscriptions.

24 wagons=chariots.

an assembly—a gathered host. people=peoples.

ated, and I will bring them against thee on every side;

23 The Babylonians, and all the Chaldeans, ^oPekod, and ^oShoa, and ^oKoa, and all the Assyrians with them: all of them desirable young men, captains and rulers, great lords and renowned, all of them riding upon horses.

24 And they shall come against thee with chariots, ^owagons, and wheels, and with ^oan assembly of ^opeople, *which* shall set against thee buckler and shield and helmet round about: and I will set judgment before them, and they shall judge thee according to their judgments.

25 And I will set My jealousy against thee, and they shall deal furiously with thee: they shall take away thy nose and thine ears; and thy remnant shall fall by the sword: they shall take thy sons and thy daughters; and thy residue shall be devoured by the fire.

26 They shall also strip thee out of thy clothes, and take away thy fair jewels.

27 Thus will I make thy lewdness to cease from thee, and thy ³whoredom brought from the land of ³Egypt: so that thou shalt not lift up thine eyes unto them, nor remember ³Egypt any more.

28 For thus saith ²²the Lord GOD; ²²Behold, I will deliver thee into the hand of *them* whom thou hatest, into the hand of *them* from whom thy ¹⁷mind is alienated:

482 29 And they shall deal with thee hatefully, and shall take away all thy °labour, and shall leave thee naked and bare: and the nakedness of thy °whoredoms shall be discovered, both thy lewdness and thy °whoredoms.

30 I will do these things unto thee, because thou hast gone a °whoring after the °heathen, and because thou art polluted with their °idols.

31 Thou hast walked in the way of thy sister; therefore will I give her °cup into thine hand.

32 Thus saith °the Lord GOD; 'Thou shalt drink of thy sister's °cup deep and large: thou shalt be laughed to scorn and had in derision; it containeth much.

33 Thou shalt be filled with drunkenness and sorrow, with the °cup of astonishment and desolation, with the °cup of thy sister Samaria.

34 Thou shalt even drink it and suck it out, and thou shalt °break the sherds thereof, and °pluck off thine own breasts: for I have spoken it, °saith °the Lord GOD.

b (p. 1138) 35 Therefore thus saith °the Lord GOD; 'Because thou hast forgotten Me, and cast Me behind thy back, therefore bear thou also thy °lewdness and thy °whoredoms.'

W c (p. 1139) 36 °The LORD said moreover unto me; °"Son of man, wilt thou judge °Aholah and °Aholibah? yea, declare unto them their abominations;

37 That they have committed °adultery, and blood is in their hands, and with their °idols have they committed °adultery, and have also °caused their sons, whom they bare unto Me, °to pass for °them through the fire, to devour them.

d 38 Moreover this they have done unto Me: they have °defiled My sanctuary in the same day, and have °profaned My sabbaths.

39 For when they had slain their °children to their °idols, then they came the same day into My sanctuary to profane it; and, °lo, thus have they done in the midst of Mine house.

40 And furthermore, that ye have sent for °men to come from far, unto whom a messenger was sent; and, °lo, they came: for whom thou didst °wash thyself, °paintedst thy eyes, and deckedst thyself with ornaments,

41 And satest upon °a stately bed, and a table prepared before it, whereupon thou hast set Mine incense and Mine oil.

42 And a voice of a °multitude being at ease was °with her: and with the °men of °the common sort were brought °Sabeans from the wilderness, which put bracelets upon their hands, and beautiful crowns upon their heads.

43 Then said I unto her that was old in °adulteries, 'Will they now commit °whoredoms with her, °and she with them?'

44 Yet °they went in unto her, as they go in unto a woman that playeth the harlot: so went they in unto °Aholah and unto °Aholibah, the lewd women.

c 45 And °the righteous °men, they °shall judge them after the manner of adulteresses, and after the manner of women that shed blood; because they are adulteresses, and blood is in their hands.

d 46 For thus saith °the Lord GOD; 'I will

29 labour. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of the Cause), Ap. 6, for the product of the labour.

30 heathen = nations.
idols = manufactured gods.

31 cup. Cp. Isa. 51. 17. Rev. 14. 9, 10.

34 break: or, gnaw, lest a drop should be lost.
pluck off = tear out: i. e. destroy the occasions of their idolatry.

saith the Lord GOD = [is] Adonai Jehovah's oracle.

35 lewdness . . . whoredoms. Put here by Fig. *Metonymy* (of the Cause), Ap. 6, for the punishment due to the idolatry.

23. 36-49 (W, p. 1137). AHOLAH AND AHOLIBAH.
(*Alternation.*)

W c | 36, 37. Judgment.

d | 38-44. Incrimination.

c | 45. Judgment.

d | 46-49. Threatening.

37 adultery. Put (like whoredom) for all idolatry, as being unfaithfulness to Jehovah. See note on 16. 16. caused = set apart.

to pass, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 18. 21; 20. 2-4).

them. "Them" is masc., and refers to the idols, in the first clause; and so, many codices, with six early printed editions (one Rabbinic). But some codices read fem. = themselves.

38 defiled . . . profaned. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 19. 31). Ap. 92. Cp. 22. 8.

39 children = sons. lo. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

40 men. Pl. of 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

wash thyself. Cp. Ruth 3. 3.

paintedst, &c. Cp. 2 Kings 9. 30. Jer. 4. 30.

41 a stately bed. Cp. Prov. 7. 16-18. Isa. 57. 8, 9.

42 multitude, &c. = a careless throng.

with her: or, in her: i. e. in Jerusalem.

men of the common sort = men out of the mass of mankind. men. Heb. pl. of 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

the common sort. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.

Sabeans. Heb. text reads "drunkards". But marg., and some codices, with three early printed editions, read "Sabeans".

43 and she = even hers. Ginsburg thinks it should read "but so it was". Cp. 16. 15, 19.

44 they went. Heb. text reads "came he". A special various reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 84), with some codices, Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "came they".

45 the righteous . . . shall judge. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 20. 10). Ap. 92.

46 company = a gathered host.

49 sins. Heb. *chātā*. Ap. 44. i.

ye shall know, &c. Occurs only here, 13. 9; and 24. 24. Cp. note on 6. 7.

24. 1-32. 33 [For Structure see next page].

1 the ninth year. Of Jehoiachin's captivity. See the table, p. 1105. Cp. 1. 2.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

bring up a °company upon them, and will give them to be removed and spoiled.

47 And the °company shall stone them with stones, and dispatch them with their swords; they shall slay their sons and their daughters, and burn up their houses with fire.

48 Thus will I cause lewdness to cease out of the land, that all women may be taught not to do after your lewdness.

49 And they shall recompense your lewdness upon you, and ye shall bear the °sins of your °idols: and °ye shall know that I am °the Lord GOD."

24 Again in °the ninth year, in the tenth month, in the tenth day of the month, the word of °the LORD came unto me, saying,

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2 ° "Son of man, write thee the name of the day, *even* of °this same day: the king of Babylon set himself against Jerusalem this same day.

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3 And utter a parable unto the rebellious house, and say unto them, 'Thus saith °the Lord GOD; 'Set on a °pot, set *it* on, and also pour water into it:

4 Gather the pieces thereof into it, *even* every good piece, the thigh, and the shoulder; fill *it* with the choice bones.

5 Take the choice of the flock, and °burn also the °bones under it, *and* make it boil well, and let °them seethe the bones of it therein.'

J¹ 6 Wherefore thus saith °the Lord GOD; 'Woe to °the bloody city, to the °pot whose °scum is therein, and whose °scum is not gone out of it! bring it out piece by piece; °let no lot fall upon it.

7 For her blood is in the midst of her; she set it upon the top of a rock; she poured it °not upon the ground, °to cover it with dust;

8 That it might cause fury to come up to take vengeance; I have set her blood upon the top of a rock, that it should not be covered.'

9 Therefore thus saith °the Lord GOD; 'Woe to °the bloody city! °I will even make the pile for fire great.

H² 10 Heap on wood, kindle the fire, consume the flesh, and °spice it well, and let the bones be burned.

11 Then set it empty upon the coals thereof, that the °brass of it may be °hot, and may burn, and *that* the filthiness of it may be molten in it, *that* the °scum of it may be consumed.

J² 12 She hath wearied *herself* with lies, and her great °scum went not forth out of her: her scum °*shall be* in the fire.

13 In thy filthiness is lewdness: because I have purged thee, and thou wast not purged, thou shalt not be purged from thy filthiness any more, till I have caused My fury to rest upon thee.

14 °I the LORD have spoken *it*: it shall come to pass, and I will do *it*; I will not go back, neither will I spare, neither will I repent; according to thy ways, and according to thy doings, shall they judge thee, °saith °the Lord GOD."

H³ 15 Also the word of °the LORD came unto me, saying,

16 ° "Son of man, behold, I take away from thee °the desire of thine eyes with a °stroke: yet neither shalt thou mourn nor weep, neither shall thy tears run down.

17 Forbear to cry, make no mourning for the dead, °bind the tire of thine head upon thee, and put on thy shoes upon thy feet, and °cover not *thy* lips, and eat not °the bread of °men."

18 So I spake unto the People in the morning: and at even my wife died; and I did in the morning °as I was commanded.

J³ 19 And the People said unto me, "Wilt thou not tell us what these *things* are to us, that thou doest *so*?"

20 Then I answered them, "The word of °the LORD came unto me, saying,

24. 1-32. 33 (G, p. 1104). THE BABYLONIAN WAR. PARABLE. (*Division*.)

G¹ F¹ | 24. 1-27. Jerusalem.
F² | 25. 1-17. Ammonites and others.
F³ | 26. 1-28. 26. Tyre and Sidon.
F⁴ | 29. 1-32. 32. Egypt.

24. 1-27 (F¹, above). JERUSALEM.
(*Division*.)

F¹ | G¹ | 1, 2. Literal.
G² | 3-27. Symbolical.

2 Son of man. See note on 2. 1.
this same day. Cp. 2 Kings 25. 1. Jer. 39. 1; 52. 4.
The captives of Israel thus knew what was going on in Jerusalem.

24. 3-27 (G², above). SYMBOLICAL.
(*Repeated Alternation*.)

G² | H¹ | 3-5. Symbol. A Pot.
J¹ | 6-9. Signification.
H² | 10, 11. Symbol. A Fire.
J² | 12-14. Signification.
H³ | 15-18. Symbol. Ezekiel.
J³ | 19-27. Signification.

3 the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See note on 2. 4.

pot: or, caldron, using the words of the scoffers in 11. 3, and cp. Jer. 1. 13.

5 burn=pile up.
bones. Ginsburg thinks we should read "wood".
them. The 1611 edition of the A.V. reads "him".

6 the bloody city. See note on 22. 2.
scum=verdigris. Occurs only in this chapter.

let no lot fall, &c. Signifying that the city was to be destroyed, not lotted out to or by the conquerors.

7 not. The 1611 edition of the A.V. omitted this "not".
to cover it with dust. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 17. 13).

10 spice it well, &c.: or, boil it down till only the bones are left.

11 brass=copper. hot=scorched.

12 shall be in the fire. Ginsburg thinks it should read "with a stench".

14 saith the Lord GOD=[is] Adonai Jehovah's oracle.
16 the desire of thine eyes. Put by the Fig. *Periphrasis* (Ap. 6): for Ezekiel's wife. A symbol of Jerusalem.

See v. 21. stroke: or plague.

17 bind, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 10. 6; 13. 45; 21. 10).
cover not thy lips. Cp. Mic. 3. 7.

the bread of men: i.e. the bread or food brought to the house of mourners. Cp. Jer. 16. 5-7. Hos. 9. 4.

men. Heb. pl. of 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

18 as=according as.

21 desire . . . pitieth. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6), to call attention to the emphasis. Heb. *maḥmad*

. . . *maḥmal*.

soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

left=left behind.

23 ye shall not. Some codices read "yet shall ye neither".

mourn=moan.

iniquities. Heb. 'āvāh. Ap. 44. iv.

21 'Speak unto the house of Israel, 'Thus saith °the Lord GOD; 'Behold, I will profane My sanctuary, the excellency of your strength, the °desire of your eyes, and that which your °soul °pitieth; and your sons and your daughters whom ye have °left shall fall by the sword.

22 And ye shall do as I have done: ye shall not cover *your* lips, nor eat °the bread of °men.

23 And your tires *shall be* upon your heads, and your shoes upon your feet: °ye shall not °mourn nor weep; but ye shall pine away for your °iniquities, and °mourn one toward another.

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24 Thus Ezekiel is unto you a sign: according to all that he hath done shall ye do: and when this cometh, ye shall know that I am the Lord GOD."

25 "Also, thou son of man, shall it not be in the day when I take from them their strength, the joy of their glory, the desire of their eyes, and that whereupon they set their minds, their sons and their daughters,

26 That he that escapeth in that day shall come unto thee, to cause thee to hear it with thine ears?

27 In that day shall thy mouth be opened to him which is escaped, and thou shalt speak, and be no more dumb: and thou shalt be a sign unto them; and they shall know that I am the LORD."

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25 The word of the LORD came again unto me, saying,

2 "Son of man, set thy face against the Ammonites, and prophesy against them;

3 And say unto the Ammonites, 'Hear the word of the Lord GOD; Thus saith the Lord GOD; 'Because thou saidst, 'Aha,' against My sanctuary, when it was profaned; and against the land of Israel, when it was desolate; and against the house of Judah, when they went into captivity;

f¹ 4 "Behold, therefore I will deliver thee to the men of the east for a possession, and they shall set their palaces in thee, and make their dwellings in thee: they shall eat thy fruit, and they shall drink thy milk.

5 And I will make Rabbah a stable for camels, and the Ammonites a couchingplace for flocks: and ye shall know that I am the LORD.'

c² 6 For thus saith the Lord GOD; 'Because thou hast clapped thine hands, and stamped with the feet, and rejoiced in heart with all thy despite against the land of Israel;

f² 7 "Behold, therefore I will stretch out Mine hand upon thee, and will deliver thee for a spoil to the heathen; and I will cut thee off from the people, and I will cause thee to perish out of the countries: I will destroy thee; and thou shalt know that I am the LORD.'

e³ 8 Thus saith the Lord GOD; 'Because that Moab and Seir do say, "Behold, the house of Judah is like unto all the heathen";

f³ 9 Therefore, behold, I will open the side of Moab from the cities, from his cities which are on his frontiers, the glory of the country, Beth-jeshimoth, Baal-meon, and Kiriathaim,

10 Unto the men of the east with the Ammonites, and will give them in possession, that the Ammonites may not be remembered among the nations.

11 And I will execute judgments upon Moab; and they shall know that I am the LORD.'

e⁴ 12 Thus saith the Lord GOD; 'Because that Edom hath dealt against the house of Judah by taking vengeance, and hath greatly offended, and revenged himself upon them;

f⁴ 13 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; 'I will also stretch out Mine hand upon Edom, and will cut off man and beast from it; and I

25 in the day. See Ap. 18. desire=delight. minds=souls. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

26 he that escapeth. This we find exactly fulfilled in ch. 33. 21, by the flight, on the fifth day of the tenth month, in the twelfth year.

27 no more dumb: i.e. as regards his nation and his testimony to it. In the interval his prophecies are concerning other nations (chs. 25-32). they shall know, &c. See note on 6. 10.

25. 1-17 (F², p. 1140). AMMONITES AND OTHER NATIONS. (Repeated Alternation.)

F ² e ¹	1-3. Incrimination.	} Ammon.
f ¹	4, 5. Threatening.	
e ²	6. Incrimination.	} Moab and Seir.
f ²	7. Threatening.	
e ³	8. Incrimination.	} Edom.
f ³	9-11. Threatening.	
e ⁴	12. Incrimination.	} Philistines.
f ⁴	13, 14. Threatening.	
e ⁵	15. Incrimination.	
f ⁵	16, 17. Threatening.	

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 Son of man. See note on 2. 1.

3 Ammonites. See 21. 28. Ammon was a party to the plot against Gedaliah, the governor whom Nebuchadnezzar appointed after the destruction of Jerusalem. See Jer. 40. 14; 41. 10, 15.

the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See note on 2. 4. the land of Israel=the soil of Israel. Heb. *admath*. See note on 11. 17.

4 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

I will deliver. Josephus (*Ant.* x. 9. 7) tells us that Nebuchadnezzar subdued the Ammonites and Moabites in the fifth year after the destruction of Jerusalem. Cp. Jer. 49. 28.

the men of the east: i.e. the Babylonians. See 21. 19, 20. Jer. 25. 21. men=sons.

palaces. Heb. rows: i.e. of tents=encampments.

5 Rabbah. See Deut. 3. 11.

ye shall know, &c. See note on 6. 7.

6 heart. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

7 upon. A special various reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 34) reads "against".

heathen=nations. people=peoples.

thou shalt know, &c. So in 16. 22; 22. 16; 25. 7; 35. 4.

8 Moab. Descended from Lot, like the Ammonites (Gen. 19. 37). Usually hostile to Israel.

9 Beth-jeshimoth. Now *Ain Surveimeh*, near the north-east corner of the Dead Sea (Num. 33. 49. Josh. 12. 3; 13. 20).

Baal-meon. Now *Tell M'ain* (Num. 32. 38. 1 Chron. 5. 8), two miles south of Heshbon.

Kiriathaim. Now *el Kureiyat*, between Dibon and Medeba (Jer. 48. 1, 23).

11 they shall know, &c. See note on 6. 10.

12 Edom. Descended from Esau (Gen. 36. 1, 43). For their unbrotherly spirit, see Ps. 137. 7. Lam. 4. 21, 22; and Obad. 10-16.

13 man. Heb. *'adam*. Ap. 14. I.

Teman. A grandson of Esau (Gen. 36. 11). A town or city in Edom, not yet identified.

14 by the hand, &c. See Num. 24. 17-19.

saith the Lord GOD=[is] Adonai Jehovah's oracle.

will make it desolate from Teman; and they of Dedan shall fall by the sword.

14 And I will lay My vengeance upon Edom by the hand of My People Israel: and they shall do in Edom according to Mine anger and according to My fury; and they shall know My vengeance, saith the Lord GOD.

15 Thus saith the Lord GOD; 'Because the Philistines have dealt by revenge, and have taken vengeance with a despiteful heart, to destroy it for the old hatred;

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^f 16 Therefore' thus saith ³the Lord GOD; ^(p. 1141) 480 "Behold, I will stretch out Mine hand upon ^othe Philistines, and I will ^ocut off the ^oCherethims, and destroy the remnant of the sea coast.

17 And I will execute great ^ovengeance upon them with furious rebukes; and ^othey shall know that ³am ¹the LORD, when I shall lay My ^ovengeance upon them."

^F ^M ¹ ^N 26 And it came to pass in ^othe eleventh ^(p. 1142) 478 year, in the first day of the month, that the word of ^othe LORD came unto me, saying,

2 "Son of man, because that ^oTyrus hath said against Jerusalem, 'Aha, she is broken that was the gates of the ^opeople: ^oshe is turned unto me: I shall be replenished, now she is laid waste:'

^O ^g 3 Therefore thus saith ^othe Lord GOD; ^o"Behold, I am against thee, O ²Tyrus, and will cause many nations to come up against thee, as the sea causeth his waves to come up.

^h 4 And they shall destroy the walls of ²Tyrus, and break down her towers: I will also scrape her dust from her,

ⁱ and make her like ^othe top of a rock.

5 It shall be a place for the spreading of nets in ^othe midst of the sea: for ³I have spoken it, ^osaith ³the Lord GOD: and it shall become a spoil to the nations.

6 And her ^odaughters which are in the field shall be slain by the sword; and they shall know that ³am ¹the LORD.'

^O ^g 7 For thus saith ³the Lord GOD; ³"Behold, I will bring upon Tyrus ^oNebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, a king of kings, from the north, with horses, and with chariots, and with horsemen, and ^ocompanies, and much people.

8 He shall slay with the sword thy ⁶daughters in the field: and he shall make a fort against thee, and cast a mount against thee, and lift up the buckler against thee.

^h 9 And he shall set ^oengines of war against thy walls, and with his ^oaxes he shall break down thy towers.

10 By reason of the abundance of his horses their dust shall cover thee: thy walls shall shake at the noise of the horsemen, and of the wheels, and of the chariots, when he shall enter into thy gates, as men enter into a city wherein is made a breach.

11 With the hoofs of his horses shall he tread down all thy streets: he shall slay thy people by the sword, and thy strong ^ogarrisons shall go down to the ground.

12 And they shall make a spoil of thy riches, and make a prey of thy merchandise: and they shall break down thy walls, and destroy thy pleasant houses: and they shall lay thy stones and thy timber and thy dust in the midst of the water.

13 And I will cause the noise of thy songs to cease; and the sound of thy harps shall be no more heard.

ⁱ 14 And I will make thee like ⁴the top of a rock: ^othou shalt be a place to spread nets upon;

16 the Philistines. Cp. Ps. 60. 8, 9; 108. 9, 10. Isa. 11. 14.

cut off the Cherethims. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. Heb. *hikratti k'rethim*; in Eng. I will cut off the cutters off.

Cherethims. A tribe of the Philistines (1 Sam. 30. 14. Zeph. 2. 5). David's body-guard, drawn partly from them.

17 vengeance. Heb. pl. = great vengeance. they shall know, &c. See note on 6. 10.

26. 1-28. 26 (^F³, p. 1140). TYRE AND ZIDON. (*Division.*)

^F³ | ^K¹ | 26. 1-28. 19. Tyre.
| ^K² | 28. 20-26. Zidon.

26. 1-28. 19 (^K¹, above). TYRE. (*Division.*)

^K¹ | ^L¹ | 26. 1-27. 36. The City of Tyre.
| ^L² | 28. 1-19. The "Prince" and "King" of Tyre.

26. 1-27. 36 (^L¹, above). THE CITY OF TYRE. (*Division.*)

^L¹ | ^M¹ | 26. 1-21. The Destruction of Tyre.
| ^M² | 27. 1-36. The Lamentation of Tyre.

26. 1-21 (^M¹, above). THE DESTRUCTION OF TYRE. (*Introversion and Extended Alternation.*)

^M¹ | ^N | 1, 2. Tyre rejoices at Jerusalem's fall.
| ^O | ^g | 3. Invasion by many nations.
| | ^h | 4-. Breaking down.
| | ⁱ | -4-6. Likeness to top of a rock.
| ^O | ^g | 7, 8. Invasion by Babylon.
| | ^h | 9-13. Breaking down.
| | ⁱ | 14. Likeness to top of a rock.
| ^N | 15-21. Nations lament at Tyre's fall.

1 the eleventh year. The month not given; but see Jer. 39. 1-7; 52. 4-14. See note on 30. 20. Jerusalem fell probably in the fifth month, after the fall but before the destruction in that year of the Temple (2 Kings 25. 8). Cp. v. 2. This prophecy began to be fulfilled then, and Tyre was taken by Nebuchadnezzar after a thirteen years' siege (see Isa. 23. 1, and Josephus (*Ant.* x. 11. 1; *cont. Apion*, i. 20); but not completely fulfilled till later. Jehovah sees the end from the beginning, and speaks of it by way of prophetic foreshortening. "The day of Jehovah" (30. 3) looks forward to the end. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 Son of man. See note on 2. 1.

Tyrus = Tyre, the city. Now, *es Sur*. Heb. *tzur* = a rock.

people = peoples.

she is turned: i.e. the tide of her traffic.

3 the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See note on 2. 4.

Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

4 the top of a rock = a bare rock.

5 the midst of the sea. Tyre was on a promontory spreading out into the sea.

saith the Lord GOD = [is] Adonai Jehovah's oracle.

6 daughters which are in the field = her daughter cities and towns inland.

7 Nebuchadrezzar. Occurs thus spelt four times in this book (here; 29. 18, 19; and 30. 10). See note on Dan. 1. 1.

companies = a gathered host.

9 engines of war = battering rams. Occurs only here. axes = weapons.

11 garrisons: or, pillars. Seen in vast numbers in the ruins to-day.

14 thou. The 1611 edition of the A.V. reads "they". be built no more. Zidon's fate has been different. Its extinction was not prophesied. See 28. 20-26.

the LORD. The Syr. and Vulg., with some codices, and two early printed editions, omit "Jehovah" here.

thou shalt ^obe built no more: for I ^othe LORD have spoken it, ⁵saith ³the Lord GOD.'

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15 Thus saith ³the Lord GOD to ²Tyrus; 'Shall not the °isles shake at the sound of thy fall, when the wounded cry, when the slaughter is made in the midst of thee?

16 Then all the princes of the sea shall come down from their thrones, and lay away their robes, and put off their brodered garments: they shall clothe themselves with °trembling; they shall sit upon the ground, and shall tremble at every moment, and be astonished at thee.

17 And they shall °take up °a lamentation for thee, and say to thee, 'How art thou destroyed, °that wast inhabited of seafaring men, the renowned city, which wast strong in the sea, she and her inhabitants, which cause their terror to be on all that haunt it!'

18 Now shall the ¹⁵isles tremble in the day of thy fall; yea, the ¹⁵isles that are in the sea shall be troubled at thy departure.

19 For 'thus saith ³the Lord GOD; 'When I shall make thee a desolate city, like the cities that are not inhabited; when I shall bring up the deep upon thee, and great waters shall cover thee;

20 When I shall bring thee down with them that °descend into the pit, with the people of old time, and shall set thee in the low parts of the earth, in places desolate of old, with them that go down to the pit, that thou be not inhabited; °and I shall set glory °in the land of the living;

21 I will make thee a terror, and thou shalt be no more: though thou be sought for, yet shalt thou never be found again, °saith ³the Lord GOD."

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27 The word of °the LORD came again unto me, saying,

2 "Now, thou °son of man, take up a lamentation for °Tyrus;

3 And say unto ²Tyrus, 'O thou that art situate at °the entry of the sea, which art a merchant of the °people for many °isles, Thus saith °the Lord GOD; 'O ²Tyrus, thou hast said, 'I am of perfect beauty.'

4 Thy borders are in the midst of the seas, thy °builders have perfected thy beauty.

5 They have made all thy °ship boards of °fir trees of °Senir: they have taken cedars from Lebanon to make masts for thee.

6 Of the oaks of Bashan have they made thine oars; °the company of the Ashurites have made thy benches of ivory, brought out of the isles of °Chittim.

7 Fine linen with brodered work from Egypt was that which thou spreadest forth to be thy sail; blue and purple from the isles of °Elishah was that which covered thee.

8 The inhabitants of Zidon and °Arvad were thy °mariners: thy wise men, O Tyrus, °that were in thee, were thy pilots.

9 The °ancients of °Geba and the wise men thereof were in thee thy calkers: all the ships of the sea with their mariners were in thee to °occupy thy merchandise.

10 They of Persia and of °Lud and of °Phut were in thine army, thy °men of war: they hanged the shield and helmet in thee; they set forth thy comeliness.

15 isles = coastlands, or maritime countries.

16 trembling. Heb. pl. = a great trembling.

17 take up = raise.

a lamentation = a dirge.

that wast inhabited of seafaring men: or, that wast an abode from the seas. The Syr. *kataluō* means to lodge, and is the rendering of Heb. *yāshab* in Num. 25. 1.

20 descend into the pit. The people of Tyre are meant, as joining those who were dead and buried.

and I shall set glory. This is either a parenthetical contrast referring to Jerusalem (with which the prophecy begins, v. 2), or we may read, with Sept., "nor yet arise", &c., completing the end of Tyre, as in v. 21.

in the land of the living. This expression occurs eight times without the Article ("the" living): here; 32. 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 32; and Ps. 27. 13. It occurs three times with the Article ("the living"). See note on Isa. 38. 11. In each case it refers to the condition of life, in contrast with "*Sheōl*", which is the condition of death.

27. 1-36 (M², p. 1142). THE LAMENTATION OF TYRE. (Extended Alternation.)

M² | j | 1-25. Opulence. Influx.
k | 26, 27. Ruin.
l | 28-32. Commiseration.
j | 33. Opulence. Efflux.
k | 34. Ruin.
l | 35, 36. Astonishment.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 son of man. See note on 2. 1.

Tyrus. See note on 26. 2.

3 the entry, &c. Denoting the insular Tyre. people = peoples.

isles = coast, or maritime lands.

the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See note on 2. 4.

4 builders = sons. Cp. Isa. 62. 5.

5 ship boards = planks.

fir = cypress.

Senir = Mount Hermon (Deut. 3. 9).

6 the company of the Ashurites, &c. = a daughter (or branch) of the Ashurites, &c. Ginsburg thinks this clause should read, "they have made thy benches with ivory [and] box-wood (or cypress)"; reading *bith'ashshurim* instead of *bath-'ashshurim* (= a daughter, or branch of the Ashurites), dividing and pointing the words differently. See note on 31. 3; and cp. Isa. 41. 19; 60. 13.

Chittim. Probably Cyprus.

7 Elishah. Probably the Greek Æolis: i.e. the coasts of Peloponnesus. Mentioned in Gen. 10. 4 with Javan (Ionia).

8 Arvad. Now the island *Er Ruad*. Mentioned in 1 Macc. 15. 23.

mariners = rowers. that were = they [were].

9 ancients = elders.

Geba. Now *Jebeil*, on the coast between Beirūt and Tripolis.

occupy = barter, or trade.

10 Lud . . . Phut. Cp. Gen. 10. 6, 13.

men. Heb. pl. of 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

11 men = sons.

Gammadims: or, valiant men.

12 Tarshish. See note on 1 Kings 10. 22.

fairs. Occurs only in this chapter, and here, seven times: vv. 12, 14, 16, 19, 22, 27, 33 ("wares").

11 The °men of °Arvad with thine army were upon thy walls round about, and the °Gammadims were in thy towers: they hanged their shields upon thy walls round about; they have made thy beauty perfect.

12 °Tarshish was thy merchant by reason of the multitude of all kind of riches; with silver, iron, tin, and lead, they traded in thy °fairs.

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13 °Javan, Tubal, and Meshech, they were thy merchants: they traded the °persons of °men and vessels of brass in thy market.

14 They of the °house of °Togarmah traded in thy °fairs with horses and horsemen and mules.

15 The °men of Dedan were thy merchants; many °isles were the merchandise of thine hand: they brought thee for a present horns of ivory and ebony.

16 Syria was thy merchant by reason of the multitude of the wares of thy making: they °occupied in thy °fairs with emeralds, purple, and brodered work, and fine linen, and coral, and agate.

17 Judah, and °the land of Israel, they were thy merchants: they traded in thy market wheat of °Minnith, and °Pannag, and honey, and oil, and balm.

18 Damascus was thy merchant in the multitude of the wares of thy making, for the multitude of all riches; in the °wine of °Helbon, and white wool.

19 °Dan also and °Javan °going to and fro °occupied in thy °fairs: bright iron, cassia, and calamus, were in thy market.

20 Dedan was thy merchant in precious clothes for chariots.

21 Arabia, and all the princes of Kedar, they °occupied with thee in lambs, and rams, and goats: in these were they merchants.

22 The merchants of Sheba and Raamah, they were thy merchants: they °occupied in thy °fairs with chief of all spices, and with all precious stones, and gold.

23 °Haran, and °Canneh, and °Eden, the merchants of Sheba, °Asshur, and °Chilmad, were thy merchants.

24 These were thy merchants in all sorts of things, in blue clothes, and brodered work, and in chests of rich apparel, bound with cords, and made of cedar, among thy merchandise.

25 The ships of °Tarshish did sing of thee in thy market: and thou wast replenished, and made very glorious in the midst of the seas.

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26 °Thy rowers have brought thee into great waters: the east °wind hath broken thee in the midst of the seas.

27 Thy riches, and thy °fairs, thy merchandise, thy mariners, and thy pilots, thy calkers, and the °occupiers of thy merchandise, and all thy °men of war, that are in thee, and °in all thy °company which is in the midst of thee, shall fall into the midst of the seas in the day of thy ruin.

1 28 The °suburbs shall shake at the sound of the cry of thy pilots.

29 And all that handle the oar, the mariners, and all the pilots of the sea, shall come down from their ships, they shall stand upon the land;

30 And shall cause their voice to be heard against thee, and shall cry bitterly, and shall cast up dust upon their heads, they shall wallow themselves in the ashes:

31 And they shall make themselves utterly bald for thee, and gird them with sackcloth, and they shall weep for thee with bitterness of °heart and bitter wailing.

32 And in their wailing °they shall take up a lamentation for thee, and lament over thee,

13 Javan = Ionia. Cp. Gen. 10. 4. These are named together in Gen. 10. 2.

persons = souls. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. Referring to the slave trade. See Rev. 18. 13.

men = mankind. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

14 house. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for descendants.

Togarmah (Gen. 10. 3). Probably Armenia.

15 men = sons.

16 occupied = traded. Cp. "occupy" in Luke 19. 13.

17 the land of Israel. Heb. *eret̄ Israel*. One of three occurrences of this expression in this book with Heb. *eret̄* (27. 17; 40. 2; 47. 18), instead of *admath*, which occurs seventeen times. See note on 11. 17.

Minnith. An Ammonite town not yet identified. Minyeh, south of Nebo, is suggested by Conder. Cp. Judg. 11. 33.

Pannag. Some article of merchandise, or name of place, not now known.

18 wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. I.

Helbon. Now *Helbōn*, in the mountains, thirteen miles north of Damascus.

19 Dan. Heb. *Vedan*, or *Wedan*.

going to and fro. Heb. *Me'ūzzāl*. Marg. *Me'ūzzāl* = from Uzal. Cp. Gen. 10. 27.

21 occupied = were the merchants of thy hand. Cp. v. 15.

23 Haran. Now *Harran*, between the Euphrates and the Khabour (Gen. 11. 35).

Canneh. Probably now *Calneh*, a Babylonian city (Gen. 10. 10).

Eden. In Mesopotamia (2 Kings 19. 12. Isa. 37. 12. Amos 1. 5). Mentioned in the Inscriptions. Some suggest *Aden*, in Arabia. Asshur = Assyria.

Chilmad. Now *Kalwādhā*, near Baghdad.

26 Thy rowers. Continuing the symbol of a ship, used of Tyre in this chapter.

wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

27 occupiers = barterers, or traders.

in. A special various reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 34), with four early printed editions, Aram., Sept., and Syr., omit this word "in".

company = gathered host.

28 suburbs. The root *garash* = to drive out or about. When used of a city it = suburbs; but, when used of the sea, it = the driving and casting about of the waves. Cp. Isa. 57. 20. It means here that the waves of the sea lash themselves at the wailing of the pilots.

31 heart = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

32 they. Some codices, with two early printed editions, Sept., and Syr., read "their sons".

the destroyed: or, the silent one.

33 wares. See note on "fairs", v. 12.

34 In the time when thou shalt be broken: or, "Now thou art wrecked", with Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg.

36 be = become.

any more = for ever. Cp. 26. 21.

saying, 'What city is like °Tyrus, like °the destroyed in the midst of the sea?'

33 When thy °wares went forth out of the seas, thou filledst many °people; thou didst enrich the kings of the earth with the multitude of thy riches and of thy merchandise.

34 °In the time when thou shalt be broken by the seas in the depths of the waters thy merchandise and all thy °company in the midst of thee shall fall.

35 All the inhabitants of the °isles shall be astonished at thee, and their kings shall be sore afraid, they shall be troubled in their countenance.

36 The merchants among the people shall hiss at thee; thou shalt °be a terror, and never shalt be °any more.''''

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28 The word of °the LORD came again unto me, saying,
2 °“Son of man, say unto °the prince of °Tyrus, ‘Thus saith °the Lord GOD;

‘Because °thine heart *is* lifted up, and thou hast said, ‘*3* *am* °a GOD, I sit *in* the seat °of God, in the °midst of the seas;’ yet thou *art* °a man, and °not GOD,

though thou set thine heart as the heart of °God:

3 °Behold, thou *art* °wiser than °Daniel; there is no secret that they can hide from thee:

4 With thy wisdom and with thine understanding thou hast gotten thee riches,

and hast gotten gold and silver into thy treasures:

5 By thy great wisdom

and by thy traffick hast thou increased thy riches,

and thine heart is lifted up because of thy riches:

6 Therefore °thus saith °the Lord GOD; ‘Because thou hast set thine heart as the heart °of God;

7 °Behold, therefore I will bring °strangers upon thee, the terrible of the nations: and they shall draw their swords against the beauty of thy wisdom, and they shall °defile thy °brightness.
8 They shall bring thee down to the °pit,

and thou shalt die the deaths of *them that are* °slain in the °midst of the seas.

9 Wilt thou yet say before Him That slayeth thee, ‘*3* *am* °God?’

but °thou *shalt be* °a man, and no °GOD, in the hand of Him That °slayeth thee.

10 Thou shalt °die the °deaths of the °uncircumcised

by the hand of °strangers: for *3* have spoken *it*, °saith °the Lord GOD.”

11 Moreover the word of °the LORD came unto me, saying,

12 °“Son of man, take up a lamentation upon °the king of °Tyrus, and say unto him, ‘Thus saith °the Lord GOD;

°Thou sealest up the sum, full of wisdom, and perfect in beauty.

7 strangers = aliens, or foreigners: the Babylonians were noted for their barbarity. Cp. 30. 11; 31. 12. Isa. 1. 7; 25. 2). defile = profane. brightness = splendour: occurs only here, and v. 17. See note on Gen. 3. 1 and Ap. 19. **8** pit = corruption. Heb. *shahath*. slain = wounded. **9** God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. thou shalt be = thou [art]. **10** die ... uncircumcised: i.e. come to the miserable end of the ungodly. Cp. 31. 18; 32. 19, 21, 25, 32. The word being used in its moral, not physical sense. deaths. Pl. = the great, or awful death. saith the Lord GOD = [is] Adonai Jehovah's oracle. **12** the king of Tyrus. Here we have a supernatural being addressed: He of whom the “prince of Tyre” was only a type; He who was using that “prince” as one of his agents to secure the world-power. He is not a mere “man” as “the prince of Tyre” (see v. 9). His description (see the Structure, vv. -12-17-, below) is superterrestrial, and superhuman, and can refer to no other than Satan himself.

28. -12-17- (R, above). DESCRIPTION OF “THE KING”. (THE ANTITYPE.) (Introversion.)

R | t | -12, 13. His “wisdom” and “beauty”.
 u | 14, 15-. The covering Cherub.
 v | -15. His iniquity.
 v | 16-. His sin.
 u | -16. The covering Cherub.
 t | 17-. His “wisdom” and “beauty”.

-12 Thou sealest up the sum = Thou art the finished pattern. Heb. *toknith* = pattern. Occurs only here, and 43. 10.

28. 1-19 (L², p. 1142). “THE PRINCE” AND “THE KING” OF TYRE. (Extended Alternation.)

L² P Q | 1, 2-. “The PRINCE of Tyre.” Commission to speak.

R | -2-6. Description. Type. A mere man (vv. 1, 9).

S | 7-10. Destruction of “the Prince”.

P Q | 11, 12-. “The KING of Tyre.” Commission to speak.

R | -12-17-. Description. Antitype. Satan.
 S | -17-19. Destruction of “the King”.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 Son of man. See note on 2. 1.

the prince of Tyrus. The prince (Heb. *nāgīd*) is to be distinguished as the type (vv. 1-10) from the king (*melek*) of Tyre, the antitype (vv. 11-19). See the Structure above. He is a mere man, as shown in v. 9, where note the emphasis marked by the Fig. *Pleonasm* (Ap. 6). He was Ithobalus II. Heb. *Ethbaal*. See Josephus (cont. *Apion*. § 21).

Tyrus - Tyre (the city), as in 26. 2.

the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See note on 2. 4.

28. -2-6 (R, above). DESCRIPTION OF THE PRINCE. (THE TYPE.) (Introversion and Alternation.)

R | T | m | -2-. Thine heart is lifted up.

n | -2. As the heart of God.

U | o | 3, 4-. Thy wisdom.

p | -4. Thy riches. Gotten.

U | o | 5-. Thy wisdom.

p | -5-. Thy riches. Increased.

T | m | -5. Thine heart is lifted up.

n | 6. As the heart of God.

-2 thine heart. Note the Fig. *Polyptoton* (Ap. 6), by which the word heart is repeated in different inflections for emphasis. “Thine heart . . . in the heart (midst) . . . thine heart . . . the heart.”

GOD. Heb. *El* (sing.). Ap. 4. IV.

of God. Heb. Elohim (pl.). Ap. 4. I.

midst = heart (as in ch. 27 throughout).

a man. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

a man, and not GOD (*El*). Note the Fig. *Pleonasm* (Ap. 6), by which the same thing is put in two ways (first pos. and then neg.) to emphasise the fact that the “prince” here spoken to (vv. 2-10) is purely human (*ādām*), and therefore not “the king” spoken to in vv. 11-19. not GOD = not *El*. Ap. 4. IV.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

3 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6), to attract our attention. wiser. In thine own eyes.

Daniel. Here an example of wisdom; as of righteousness in 14. 14, 20. Cp. Dan. 1. 17.

28. 7-10 (S, above). DESTRUCTION OF “THE PRINCE”. (Introversion.)

S | q | 7, 8-. Judgment executed by strangers.

r | -8. Thou shalt die the deaths, &c.

s | 9-. I am Elohim.

s | -9. Thou art a man.

r | 10-. Thou shalt die the deaths, &c.

q | -10. Judgment executed by strangers.

478 13 Thou ° hast been ° in Eden ° the garden of ° God; every ° precious stone was thy covering, the sardius, topaz, and the diamond, the beryl, the onyx, and the jasper, the sapphire, the emerald, and the carbuncle, and gold: the workmanship of thy ° tabrets and of thy pipes was prepared in thee ° in the day that ° thou wast created.

u (p. 1145) 14 Thou ° art ° the anointed cherub that covereth; ° and I have set thee so: thou wast upon ° the holy mountain of ° God; thou ° hast walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire.

15 Thou wast ° perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast ° created,

v till ° iniquity was found in thee.

v 16 By the multitude of thy ° merchandise they have filled the midst of thee with violence, and thou ° hast ° sinned:

u therefore ° I will cast thee as profane out of ° the mountain of ° God: and I will destroy thee, O ° covering cherub, ° from the midst of the stones of fire.

t 17 Thine heart was lifted up because of thy beauty, thou ° hast corrupted thy wisdom by reason of thy ° brightness:

S V W (p. 1146) ° I will cast thee to the ° ground, I will lay thee before kings,

x that they may behold thee.

W 18 Thou ° hast defiled thy ° sanctuaries by the ° multitude of thine ° iniquities, by the ° iniquity of thy traffick;

W therefore will I bring forth a fire from the midst of thee, ° it shall devour thee,

V w and I will bring thee to ashes upon the earth x in the sight of all them that behold thee.

19 All they that know thee among the ° people shall be astonished at thee: thou shalt ° be a terror, and never shalt thou be ° any more.'''

K² y 20 Again the word of ° the LORD came unto me, saying,

21 ° "Son of man, set thy face against ° Zidon, and prophesy against it,

z 22 And say, 'Thus saith ° the Lord GOD; ° Behold, I am against thee, O ° Zidon; and ° I will be glorified in the midst of thee: and ° they shall know that I am ° the LORD, when I shall have executed judgments in her, and shall be sanctified in her.

23 For I will send into her pestilence, and blood into her streets; and the wounded shall

13 hast been = wast.

in Eden. Here is no evidence of a "legend", but a reality. Satan, the *Nachash* or shining one, was there. See notes on Gen. 3. 1, and Ap. 19. Eve was smitten with his beauty as "an angel of light" (2 Cor. 11. 14); and deferred to him as one possessing this "wisdom", and believed his power to make good his promise. Ref. to Pent. No mention of Eden since Gen. 4. 16. Isa. 51. 3, till here; and none after till 31. 9, 16, 18; 36. 35. Isa. 51. 3. Joel 2. 3. Ap. 92.

the garden of God. This is added to leave us in no doubt as to what is meant by Eden, and to show that it was no mere "summer residence" of the "prince" of Tyre, but the "garden" of Gen. 2. 8-15.

precious stone. Referring to Gen. 2. 11, 12. tabrets = drums. See note on "timbrel" (Ex. 15. 20), and cp. note on 1 Sam. 10. 5.

in the day. See Ap. 18.

thou wast created. Not begotten by man, or born of woman. This can refer only to Satan.

14 art = wast, as in the other verses here.

the anointed cherub that covereth. Cherub can be used only of a supernatural being, overshadowing and protecting "the world that then was" (2 Pet. 3. 6), or the "garden" of v. 13.

and I have set thee so, &c.: or, when I appointed thee . . . thou wast.

the holy mountain, &c. See note on v. 16, below; and cp. Isa. 14. 12-14.

hast walked up and down = didst walk to and fro, &c.; referring to facts concerning which nothing further is revealed.

15 perfect . . . created. Referring to the period before Satan's fall. See Ap. 19.

iniquity = perversity. Heb. *'āwāl* Ap. 44. vi.

16 merchandise = traffic, or going about, as in v. 18. Hence it meant calumniator (slanderer), in a moral sense. hast sinned = didst sin.

sinned. Heb. *chātā*. Ap. 44. i.

I will cast, &c. - I cast thee as profane. Lit. I profaned thee.

the mountain of God. This Hebrew expression (*har ha'ēlohim*) occurs seven times (28. 16. Ex. 3. 1; 4. 27; 18. 5; 24. 13. 1 Kings 19. 8. Ps. 68. 15). The *Massōrah* gives these to distinguish it from *har Jehovah*, which also occurs seven times (Gen. 22. 14. Num. 10. 33. Ps. 24. 3. Isa. 2. 3; 30. 29. Mic. 4. 2. Zech. 8. 3).

covering cherub. See note on v. 14.

from. Contrast this "from" with "in" in v. 14; and see the Structure on p. 1145.

17 hast corrupted = didst corrupt. When this took place we are not told. It was before Gen. 3. 1: and the only time seems to have been between vv. 1 and 2 of Gen. 1, and may have been the cause of the overthrow: i.e. the *katabolē kosmou*. See note on Matt. 13. 35.

28. -17-19 (S, p. 1145). DESTRUCTION OF "THE KING". (*Introversion and Alternation*.)

S V | w | -17-. Cast to the earth.

x | -17. They that behold thee.

W | -18-. His fall: the cause of it.

W | -18-. His fall: the consequence of it.

V | w | -18-. Brought to ashes on the earth.

x | -18, 19. They that behold thee.

-17 I will cast thee = I did cast thee.

ground = earth. Heb. *'eret* (with Art.). 18 hast defiled = didst defile. sanctuaries. Some codices, with six early printed editions, Aram., Syr., and Vulg., read "sanctuary" (sing.).

multitude = abounding. iniquities. Some codices, with three early printed editions, with Aram. and Syr., read "iniquity" (sing.). Heb. *'āwāh*. Ap. 44. iv. it shall devour thee. See Rev. 20. 10.

19 people = peoples. be = become. any more = for ever.

28. 20-26 (K², p. 1142). ZIDON. (*Introversion*.)

K² y | 20, 21. Prophecy of evil for Zidon.

z | 22, 23. Jehovah known by His judgment on Zidon.

z | 24. Jehovah known by His removal of Zidon.

y | 25, 26. Prophecy of good for Israel.

21 Son of man. See note on 2. 1.

Zidon. Was not threatened with extinction, as Tyre was. See note on 26. 2.

22 I will be glorified, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 14. 4, 17). Ap. 92. they shall

know, &c. See note on 6. 10.

478 be judged in the midst of her by the sword upon her on every side; and ²²they shall know that ³am ¹the LORD.

²⁴ And there shall be no more ° a pricking brier unto ° the house of Israel, nor any grieving thorn of all *that are* round about them, that despised them; and ²²they shall know that ³am ²the Lord GOD."

²⁵ Thus saith ²⁴the Lord GOD; "When I shall have ° gathered ²⁴the house of Israel from the ¹⁹people among whom they are scattered, and shall be ° sanctified in them in the sight of the ° heathen, ° then shall they dwell ° in their land that I have ° given to My servant Jacob.

²⁶ And ° they shall dwell ° safely therein, and shall ° build houses, and plant vineyards; yea, they shall dwell with confidence, ° when I have executed judgments upon all those that despise them round about them; and ²²they shall know that ³am ¹the LORD their ²God."

F⁴ X A a ²⁹ ° In the tenth year, in the tenth month, in the twelfth day of the month, the word of ° the LORD came unto me, saying,

² ° "Son of man, set thy face against ° Pharaoh king of Egypt, and prophesy against him, and against all Egypt:

³ Speak, and say, "Thus saith ° the Lord GOD; "Behold, I *am* against thee, Pharaoh king of Egypt, ° the great dragon that lieth in the midst of his rivers, which hath said, ° "My river is mine own, and ° ³I have made *it* for myself."

⁴ But I will put hooks in thy jaws, and I will cause the ° fish of thy rivers to stick unto thy scales, and I will bring thee up out of the midst of thy rivers, and all the fish of thy rivers shall stick unto thy scales.

⁵ And I will leave thee *thrown* into the wilderness, *thee* and all the fish of thy rivers: thou shalt fall upon the open fields; thou shalt not be brought together, nor gathered: I have given thee for meat to the beasts of the field and to the fowls of the heaven.

⁶ And all the inhabitants of Egypt ° shall know that ³am ¹the LORD, because they have been ° a staff of reed to ° the house of Israel.

⁷ (When they took hold of thee by thy hand, thou didst break, and rend all their shoulder: and when they leaned upon thee, thou brakest, and madest all their loins ° to be at a stand)."

⁸ Therefore thus saith ³the Lord GOD; ³ "Behold, ° I will bring a sword upon thee, and cut off ° man and beast out of thee.

⁹ And the land of Egypt shall be desolate and waste; and they ° shall know that ³am ¹the LORD: because he hath said, "The river is mine, and ³I have made *it*."

¹⁰ Behold, therefore I *am* against thee, and against thy rivers, and I will make the land of Egypt utterly waste and desolate, ° from ° the tower ° of Syene even unto the border of Ethiopia.

⁷ to be at a stand = to come to a stand, or to halt. bring a sword. This phrase is peculiar to Ezekiel. it is: "I will draw out the sword after you". Cp. Lev. 26. 33.

¹⁰ from the tower of Syene = from Migdol to Syene. Cp. 30. 6. on Ex. 14. 2 for "Migdol", and cp. Jer. 44. 1. In the north of Egypt. S⁴vēnēh. Now Assouan, in the south.

²⁴ a pricking brier. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 33. 55). the house of Israel. See note on Ex. 16. 31.

²⁵ gathered. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 30. 3, 4). See also 11. 17; 20. 41; 34. 13; 36. 24; 37. 21; 39. 27. Lev. 26. 44, 45. Ps. 106. 47. Isa. 11. 11, 12, 13; 27. 12, 13. Jer. 30. 18; 31. 8-10; 32. 37. Hos. 1. 11. Joel 3. 7. Amos 9. 14, 15. Obad. 17-21. Zeph. 3. 19, 20. Ap. 92. sanctified. Cp. v. 22; 36. 23; 38. 23. Isa. 5. 16. heathen = nations.

then shall, &c. Cp. 36. 28; 37. 25. Jer. 23. 8; 27. 11. in their land = on their soil.

given, &c. See Gen. 28. 13; and cp. note on Gen. 50. 24.

²⁶ they shall dwell. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 25. 18, 19. Deut. 12. 10; 33. 28). Ap. 92. See also 34. 25-28; 38. 8. Jer. 23. 6-8; 33. 16. Hos. 2. 18. Zech. 2. 4, 5.

safely = with confidence. Cp. 38. 11. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 33. 28). Ap. 92.

build, &c. Cp. Isa. 65. 21, 22. Jer. 29. 5, 6, 28; 31. 4, 5; 32. 15. Amos 9. 13, 14.

when I, &c. Cp. v. 24; chs. 25-32; 35. Isa. 13-21. Jer. 46-51. Zech. 1. 17.

29. 1-32. 32 (F⁴, p. 1140). EGYPT. (Alternation.)

F⁴ X | 29. 1-30. 26. Destruction.

Y | 31. 1-18. Perdition.

X | 32. 1-16. Destruction.

Y | 32. 17-32. Perdition.

29. 1-30. 26 (X, above). DESTRUCTION. (Alternation.)

X | A | 29. 1-16. Egypt. Pharaoh.

B | 29. 17-21. Nebuchadnezzar. Wages promised.

A | 30. 1-19. Egypt. Allies.

B | 30. 20-26. Nebuchadnezzar. Wages paid.

29. 1-16 (A, above). EGYPT. PHARAOH. (Extended Alternation.)

A | a | 1-3. Incrimination. The River.

b | 4, 5. Threatening.

c | 6, 7. Purpose.

a | 8, 9. Incrimination. The River.

b | 10-12. Threatening.

c | 13-16. Purpose.

¹ In the tenth year, &c. : i.e. a year and two days after the siege of Jerusalem began (Jer. 39. 1), and six months, less three days, before its fall. See notes on p. 1105. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

² Son of man. See note on 2. 1.

Pharaoh. Namely, Pharaoh Hophra, called Apries by the Greeks. Cp. Jer. 44. 30. He besieged and captured Gaza (Jer. 47. 1); attacked Zidon and encountered the prince of Tyre on the sea (Herodotus, ii. 161: cp. 2 Kings 24. 7. Jer. 46. 2); and said, "no god could deprive him of his kingdom" (Herodotus, ii. 169). Zedekiah relied on him. See Jer. 37. 5-8. Egypt was thus the cause of Jerusalem's destruction. See Jer. 44. 30; and cp. Jer. 46. 25, 26.

³ the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See note on 2. 4. Behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

the great dragon - the great crocodile, to which Egypt was likened on Roman coins. Cp. Isa. 51. 9, where "Rahab" is used of Egypt (Isa. 30. 7).

My river = the Nile.

³ have made it. Referring probably to the artificial system of canals and water-ways.

⁴ fish. Symbols of Pharaoh's subjects.

⁶ shall know. See note on 6. 7.

a staff of reed. This was by inciting Israel to resist and rebel against Assyria by promises of help which failed. See 2 Kings 18. 21. Isa. 20. 5, 6; 30. 6, 7; 31. 3. Jer. 2. 36; 37. 7.

the house of Israel. See note on Ex. 16. 31.

Ginsburg thinks, "to shake" (Ps. 69. 23). ⁸ I will

See 5. 17; 6. 3; 11. 8; 14. 17; 29. 8; 33. 2. In Leviticus man. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. 1.

the tower = Migdol. See note of Syene = to Syene. Heb.

479 11 No foot of ^oman shall pass through it, nor foot of beast shall pass through it, neither shall it be inhabited forty years.

12 And I will make the land of Egypt desolate in the midst of the countries *that are* desolate, and her cities among the cities *that are* laid waste shall be desolate forty years: and I will scatter the Egyptians among the nations, and will disperse them through the countries.

c (p. 1147) 13 Yet thus saith ^othe Lord GOD; 'At the end of forty years ^owill I gather the Egyptians from the ^opeople whither they were scattered:

14 And I will ^obring again ^othe captivity of Egypt, and will cause them to return *into* the land of ^oPathros, into the land of their ^ohabitation; and they shall be there a ^obase kingdom.

15 It shall be the ^obasest of the kingdoms; neither shall it exalt itself any more above the nations: for I will diminish them, that they shall no more rule over the nations.

16 And it shall be no more the confidence of ^othe house of Israel, which bringeth *their* ^oiniquity to remembrance, when they shall look after them: but they ^oshall know that ^oI am ^othe Lord GOD."

B 17 And it came to pass in ^othe seven and 463 twentieth year, in the first *month*, in the first *day* of the month, the word of ^othe LORD came unto me, saying,

18 ^o"Son of man, ^oNebuchadrezzar king of Babylon ^ocaused his army to serve a great service against Tyros: every ^ohead was made bald, and every ^oshoulder was peeled: yet had he no wages, nor his army, for Tyros, for the service that he had served against it:

19 Therefore thus saith ^othe Lord GOD; ^o"Behold, ^oI will give the land of Egypt unto ^oNebuchadrezzar king of Babylon; and he shall take her multitude, and take her spoil, and take her prey; and ^oit shall be the wages for his army.

20 I have given him the land of Egypt *for* his labour wherewith he served against it, because they wrought for Me, ^osaith ^othe Lord GOD.

21 In that day will I cause the horn of the house of Israel to bud forth, and I will give thee the opening of the mouth ^oin the midst of them; and they ^oshall know that ^oI am ^othe LORD."

A d (p. 1148) 30 The word of ^othe LORD came again unto me, saying,

2 ^o"Son of man, prophesy and say, 'Thus saith ^othe Lord GOD; 'Howl ye, Woe ^oworth the day!

3 For the day *is* near, even ^othe day of ^othe LORD *is* near, a cloudy day; it shall be ^othe time of the ^oheathen.

4 And the sword shall come upon Egypt, and great pain shall be in ^oEthiopia, when the slain shall fall in Egypt, and they shall take away her multitude, and her foundations shall be broken down.

c 5 ^oEthiopia, and ^oLibya, and ^oLydia, and all the ^omingled people, and ^oChub, and the ^omen

13 will I gather. Therefore they could not be the people known as gipsies. ^opeople = peoples.

14 bring again, &c. = turn the fortunes, &c. See note on Deut. 30. 3.

the captivity of Egypt: or, the Egyptian captives. Note the discrimination shown in these prophecies. Some were never to be restored; others were to be resuscitated.

Pathros = Upper, or Southern Egypt.

habitation = nativity.

base = low.

15 basest = lowest.

16 iniquity. Heb. 'āvāh. Ap. 44. iv.

they shall know, &c. See note on 6. 10.

17 the seven and twentieth year. See the table, p. 1105.

18 Nebuchadrezzar . . . caused his army, &c. That this was fulfilled is shown by Prof. Sayce, *The Egypt of the Hebrews* (1896), p. 130, who quotes an inscription which describes this campaign, which took place (it says) in the thirty-seventh year of his reign. He defeated Pharaoh Amasis. For this spelling ("Nebuchadrezzar") see note on 26. 7.

head was made bald. Probably from the helmet worn in so long a war.

shoulder was peeled. From bearing arms so long.

19 I will give. See note on v. 18, above.

it shall be the wages. See the Structure on p. 1147.

20 saith the Lord GOD = [is] Adonai Jehovah's oracle.

21 in the midst. Cp. 3. 26, 27; 24. 27.

30. 1-19 (A, p. 1147). EGYPT AND HER ALLIES.

(Alternation.)

A d | 1-4. The Sword.

e | 5-9. The Allies.

d | 10-12. The Sword.

e | 13-19. The Allies.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 Son of man. See note on 2. 1.

the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See note on 2. 4.

worth. This is the past tense (*weorth*) of Anglo-Saxon *weorthan*, to become. It means Woe be to the day! Heb. - Alas for the day!

3 the day of the LORD. See notes on Isa. 2. 12; 13. 6; and Rev. 1. 10.

the time of, &c.: i.e. the season in which their power shall be judged and broken. heathen = nations.

4 Ethiopia. Heb. Cush, allied with Egypt. Cp. v. 9; and Jer. 46. 9. Also resorted to for help by Israel.

5 Libya . . . Lydia. Heb. *Phut* . . . *Lud*. Cp. 27. 10. Gen. 10. 6. These were an African people. Cp. Jer. 46. 9. Nah. 3. 9.

mingled people = mixed multitude: i.e. the allies of Babylon. Cp. Jer. 25. 20.

Chub. Perhaps *Caba*, in Mauretania, or *Cobē*, in Ethiopia. men = sons.

6 the tower, &c. See note on 29. 10.

saith the Lord GOD = [is] Adonai Jehovah's oracle.

9 from Me = from before Me.

of the land that is in league, shall fall with them by the sword."

6 Thus saith ^othe LORD; 'They also that uphold Egypt shall fall; and the pride of her power shall come down: from ^othe tower of Syene shall they fall in it by the sword, ^osaith ^othe Lord GOD.

7 And they shall be desolate in the midst of the countries *that are* desolate, and her cities shall be in the midst of the cities *that are* wasted.

8 And they shall know that ^oI am ^othe LORD, when I have set a fire in Egypt, and *when* all her helpers shall be destroyed.

9 In that day shall messengers go forth ^ofrom

483 Me ° in ships to make the careless Ethiopians afraid, and great pain shall come upon them, ° as in the day of Egypt: for, ° lo, it cometh.'

(p. 1147) 10 Thus saith ° the Lord GOD; 'I will also make the multitude of Egypt to cease by the hand of ° Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon.

11 He and his people with him, the terrible of the nations, shall be brought to destroy the land: and they shall draw their swords against Egypt, and fill the land with the slain.

12 And I will make the rivers dry, and sell the land into the hand of the ° wicked: and I will make the land waste, and all that is therein, by the hand of strangers: ¶ the LORD have spoken it.'

13 Thus saith ° the Lord GOD; 'I will also destroy the ° idols, and I will cause their ° images to cease out of ° Noph; and there shall be no more a prince of the land of Egypt: and I will put a fear in the land of Egypt.

14 And I will make ° Pathros desolate, and will set fire in ° Zoan, and will execute judgments in ° No.

15 And I will pour My fury upon ° Sin, the strength of Egypt; and I will cut off ° the multitude of ° No.

16 And I will set fire in Egypt: Sin shall have great pain, and No shall be rent asunder, and ° Noph shall have distresses daily.

17 The young men of ° Aven and of ° Pi-beseth shall fall by the sword: and these cities shall go into captivity.

18 At ° Tehaphnehes also the day shall be darkened, when I shall break there ° the yokes of Egypt: and the pomp of her strength shall cease in her: as for her, a cloud shall cover her, and her daughters shall go into captivity.

19 Thus will I execute judgments in Egypt: and they shall know that I am ° the LORD.'

B f (p. 1149) 20 And it came to pass in ° the eleventh year, 478 in the first month, in the seventh day of the month, that the word of ° the LORD came unto me, saying,

21 ° "Son of man, I have broken the arm of Pharaoh king of Egypt; and, ° lo, it shall not be bound up to be healed, to put ° a roller to bind it, to make it strong to hold the sword.

22 Therefore thus saith ° the Lord GOD; 'Behold, I am against Pharaoh king of Egypt, and will break his arms, the strong, and that which was broken; and I will cause the sword to fall out of his hand.

g 23 And I will scatter the Egyptians among the nations, and will disperse them through the countries.

f 24 And I will strengthen the arms of the king of Babylon, and put My sword in his hand: but I will break Pharaoh's arms, and he shall groan before him with the groanings of a deadly wounded man.

25 But I will strengthen the arms of the king of Babylon, and the arms of Pharaoh shall fall down; and ° they shall know that ¶ am ° the LORD, when I shall put My sword into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall stretch it out upon the land of Egypt.

g 26 And I will scatter the Egyptians among the nations, and disperse them among the coun-

tries; and ° they shall know that ¶ am ° the LORD.'

as in the day. Many codices (including the Hillel Codex, A.D. 600, quoted in the *Massōrah*), with three early printed editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "in the day". Other codices, with seven early printed editions and Aram., read "as (or like, or about the time of) the day".

10. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

10 Nebuchadrezzar. See notes on 26. 7, and 29. 18.

12 wicked. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

13 idols = manufactured gods.

images = things of nought.

Noph = Memphis. Now *Abu Sir*.

14 Pathros. Upper, or Southern Egypt.

Zoan = Tanis: now *San*; an ancient Egyptian city in Lower Egypt (Num. 13. 22. Ps. 78. 12). See note on Isa. 30. 4.

No. No Ammon. Now Thebes (Nah. 3. 8). Cp. Jer. 46. 25.

15 Sin = Pelusium, in the Egyptian delta. See 29. 10. the multitude of No. Heb. *Hamon-No*. Cp. v. 14.

17 Aven = On, or Heliopolis (Beth-shemesh, city or house of the Sun), north of Memphis.

Pi-beseth. In some codices written as one word; in others as two words: *Pi* being "the" in Coptic, and *Pasht* = the Egyptian goddess *Artemis*. Now *Tel Basta*, in the Delta, north of Memphis.

18 Tehaphnehes. See note on Jer. 43. 7. Greek name *Daphne*. Now *Tel Defenneh*. See Ap. 87.

the yokes of Egypt. The yokes imposed by Egypt on other peoples. Gen. of Origin. See Ap. 17. 2; and cp. 34. 27.

30. 20-26 (B, p. 1147): NEBUCHADNEZZAR. WAGES PAID. (Alternation.)

B | f | 20-22. Arms of Pharaoh broken.

g | 23. Dispersion.

f | 24, 25. Arms of Nebuchadnezzar strengthened.

g | 26. Dispersion.

20 the eleventh year. About four months before the fall of Jerusalem. See table on p. 1105.

21 a roller = a bandage.

22 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

25 they shall know, &c. See note on 6. 10.

31. 1-18 (Y, p. 1147). PERDITION. (Introversion and Extended Alternation.)

Y | C | 1. Introduction.

D | 2. Question. Likeness, &c.

E | h | 3-5. Exaltation.

i | 6. Shelter.

k | 7-9. Envy.

E | h | 10-12. Excision.

i | 13, 14. Shelter.

k | 15-17. Mourning.

D | 18-. Question. Likeness.

C | -18. Conclusion.

1 the eleventh year. See note on 30. 20, and p. 1105. the third month. About two months before the fall of Jerusalem.

the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

2 Son of man. See note on 2. 1.

tries; and ° they shall know that ¶ am ° the LORD.'

31 And it came to pass in ° the eleventh year, in ° the third month, in the first day of the month, that the word of ° the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 ° "Son of man, speak unto Pharaoh king of Egypt, and to his multitude; Whom art thou like in thy greatness?

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E h (p. 1149) 478 3 °Behold, °the Assyrian was a cedar in Lebanon with fair branches, and with a shadowing °shroud, and of an high stature; and his top was among the thick boughs.

4 The °waters made him great, the °deep set him up on high with her rivers running round about his plants, and sent out her little rivers unto all the trees of the field.

5 Therefore his height was exalted above all the trees of the field, and his boughs were multiplied, and his °branches became long because of the multitude of waters, when he shot forth.

i 6 All the fowls of heaven made their nests in his °boughs, and under his branches did all the beasts of the field bring forth their young, and under his shadow dwelt all great nations.

k 7 Thus was he fair in his greatness, in the length of his branches: for his root was by great waters.

8 The cedars in °the garden of °God could not hide him: the fir trees were not like his °boughs, and the chesnut trees were not like his branches; nor any tree in °the garden of °God was like unto him in his beauty.

9 I have made him fair by the multitude of his branches: so that all the trees of °Eden, that were in °the garden of °God, envied him.

E h 10 Therefore °thus saith °the Lord GOD; 'Because °thou hast lifted up thyself in height, and °he hath shot up his top among the thick boughs, and his heart is lifted up in his height;

11 I have therefore delivered him into the hand of the mighty one of the °heathen; he shall surely deal with him: I have driven him out °for his wickedness.

12 And °strangers, the terrible of the nations, have cut him off, and have left him: upon the mountains and in all the valleys his branches are fallen, and his boughs are broken by all the °rivers of the land; and all the people of the earth are gone down from his shadow, and have left him.

i 13 Upon his ruin shall all the fowls of the heaven remain, and all the beasts of the field shall be upon his branches:

14 To the end that none of all the trees by the waters exalt themselves for their height, neither shoot up their top among the thick boughs, neither their trees stand up in their height, °all that drink water: for they are all delivered unto death, to the nether parts of the earth, in the midst of the °children of °men, with them that go down to the pit.'

15 10 Thus saith 10 the Lord GOD; 'In the day when he went down to °the grave I caused a mourning: I covered the deep for him, and I restrained the floods thereof, and the great waters were stayed: and I caused Lebanon to mourn for him, and all the trees of the field fainted for him.

16 I made the nations to shake at the sound of his fall, when °I cast him down to °hell with them that descend into °the pit: and all the trees of °Eden, the choice and best of Lebanon, all that drink water, shall be comforted in the nether parts of the earth.

17 They also went down into 16 hell with him unto them that be slain with the sword; °and

3 Behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

the Assyrian. Ginsburg thinks this should read *t'ashshur* (= a box-tree) instead of *'ashshūr* (= an Assyrian). There is no article; and Egypt is the subject here, not Assyria. See note on 27. 6, and cp. Isa. 41. 19; 60. 13. The subject is the proud exaltation of Egypt, which is likened to a box or cypress, exalting itself into a cedar of Lebanon. shroud = foliage.

4 waters . . . deep: i. e. the water-ways, and the Nile. Cp. v. 15.

5 branches. Heb. text reads "branch" (sing.); but margin, with some codices and four early printed editions, read "branches" (pl.). Occurs only in Ezekiel.

6 boughs = arms. Occurs only here and in v. 8.

8 the garden of God. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 2. 8).

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

9 Eden. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 2). Cp. 28. 13. Ap. 92.

10 thus saith, &c. See note on 44. 9.

the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See note on 2. 4. thou. Pharaoh. he. Ashur.

11 heathen = nations.

for. Many codices, with five early printed editions, Syr., and Vulg., read "according to", as our text does. Other codices, with four early printed editions and Aram., read "in".

wickedness = lawlessness. Heb. *rāsha'*. Ap. 44. x.

12 strangers = foreigners.

rivers = torrents. Heb. *'aphikim*. See note on "channels", 2 Sam. 22. 16.

14 all. All the trees. So in v. 16. children = sons. men. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

15 the grave. Heb. Sheöl. Ap. 35.

16 I cast him down = I caused him to descend.

hell = Sheöl. Same word as "the grave" in v. 15.

the pit. Heb. *bōr*. Showing the sense in which Sheöl is used in vv. 15 and 16. See notes on "well", Gen. 21. 19; and "pit", Isa. 14. 19.

17 and they that were his arm. Sept. and Syr. read "and his seed".

18 saith the Lord GOD = [is] Adonai Jehovah's oracle.

32. 1-16 (X, p. 1147). DESTRUCTION.

(Introversions and Alternation.)

X	F	1, 2-. Lamentation.		
	G	H	1	-2. Beast. Waters troubled.
			m	3. Net.
	G	H	J	4-10. Destruction.
			m	11, 12. Sword.
			l	13. Beasts. Waters troubled no more.
			J	14, 15. Desolation.
F	16. Lamentation.			

1 the twelfth year. See the table on p. 1105.

twelfth month. About one year and a half after the fall of Jerusalem.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 Son of man. See note on 2. 1.

they that were his arm, that dwelt under his shadow in the midst of the 11 heathen.

18 To whom art thou thus like in glory and in greatness among the trees of °Eden? yet shalt thou be brought down with the trees of °Eden unto the nether parts of the earth: thou shalt lie in the midst of the uncircumcised with them that be slain by the sword.

This is Pharaoh and all his multitude, °saith 10 the Lord GOD."

32 And it came to pass in °the twelfth year, in the °twelfth month, in the first day of the month, that the word of °the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 °"Son of man, take up a lamentation for Pharaoh king of Egypt, and say unto him,

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°Thou art like a young lion of the nations, and thou art as a °whale in the °seas: and thou camest forth with thy °rivers, and troubledst the waters with thy feet, and fouledst their °rivers.'

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3 Thus saith °the Lord GOD; 'I will therefore spread out My net over thee with a °company of °many °people; and they shall bring thee up in My net.

J

4 Then will I leave thee upon the land, I will cast thee forth upon the open field, and will cause all the fowls of the heaven to remain upon thee, and I will °fill the beasts of the whole earth with thee.

5 And I will lay thy flesh upon the mountains, and fill the valleys with thy °height.

6 I will also water with thy blood the land °wherein thou swimmest, even to the mountains; and the °rivers shall be full of thee.

7 And when I shall °put thee out, °I will cover the heaven, and make the stars thereof dark; I will cover the sun with a cloud, and the moon shall not give her light.

8 All the °bright lights of heaven will I make dark over thee, and set darkness upon thy land, °saith °the Lord GOD.

9 °I will also vex the hearts of many °people, when I shall bring thy destruction among the nations, into the countries which thou hast not known.

10 Yea, I will make many °people amazed at thee, and their kings shall be horribly afraid for thee, when I shall brandish My sword before them; and they shall tremble at every moment, °every man for his own °life, in the day of thy fall.

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11 For' thus saith °the Lord GOD; 'The sword of the king of Babylon shall come upon thee.

12 By the swords of the mighty will I cause thy multitude to fall, the terrible of the nations, all of them: and they shall spoil the pomp of Egypt, and all the multitude thereof shall be destroyed.

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13 I will destroy also all the beasts thereof from beside the great waters; neither shall the foot of °man trouble them any more, nor the hoofs of beasts trouble them.

J

14 Then will I make their waters °deep, and cause their rivers to run like oil, °saith °the Lord GOD.

15 When I shall make the land of Egypt desolate, and the country shall be destitute of that whereof it was full, when I shall smite all them that dwell therein, then shall they know that I am °the LORD.

F

16 This is the lamentation wherewith they shall lament her: the daughters of the nations shall lament her: they shall lament for her, even for Egypt, and for all her multitude, °saith °the Lord GOD."

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17 It came to pass also in °the twelfth year, in the fifteenth day of °the month, that the word of °the LORD came unto me, saying,

18 "Son of man, wail for the multitude of Egypt, and °cast them down, even her, and the daughters of the famous nations, unto the

Thou art like=Thou hast been likened to. and thou art=yet art thou. The contrast is between what was noble and less noble.

whale=crocodile.

seas=a collection of waters, like the branches of the Nile. Cp. Isa. 27. 1.

rivers. Heb. *nahar*. Not the same word as in v. 8.

3 the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See note on 2. 4.

company=gathered host. Cp. 16. 40.

many: or, mighty.

people=peoples.

4 fill=satisfy.

5 height=thy high heap: i.e. of thy slain.

6 wherein thou swimmest: or, of thy overflowing. rivers=torrents, or ravines. Heb. *'aphikim*. See note on 2 Sam. 22. 16. Not the same word as in v. 2.

7 put thee out=extinguish thee.

I will cover, &c. Cp. Isa. 13. 10; 14. 12. Joel 2. 10;

8. 15. Amos 8. 9. Rev. 6. 12-14.

8 bright lights=light-bearers. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 1. 14). Ap. 92. Heb. *mā'ōr*.

saith the Lord GOD=[is] Adonai Jehovah's oracle.

10 every man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

life=soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

13 man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

14 deep=subside.

32. 17-32 (Y, p. 1147). PERDITION.

(Alternation and Introversion.)

Y K | 17-20. Fellowship in Sheōl.

L | n | 21. Pharaoh.

o | 22-27. Other Kings and nations.

K | 28. Fellowship in Sheōl.

L | o | 29, 30. Other Kings and nations.

n | 31, 32. Pharaoh.

17 the month: i.e. the twelfth month. See v. 1.

18 cast them down=cause them to descend: i.e. by Heb. idiom=declare (by the dirge) that they shall descend. See note on 14. 8, 9; 20. 26.

nether=lower.

the pit. Heb. *bōr*=a grave dug in the earth. See note on 31. 16, showing the meaning of Sheōl in v. 21.

19 the uncircumcised. This word is repeated ten times in this chapter, and always in connection with an ignominious death (vv. 19, 21, 24-30, 32). Cp. Jer. 9. 25, 26.

20 slain by the sword. Note the Fig. *Cycloides* (Ap. 6), by which these words occur as a refrain twelve times in the following verses (twelve being the number of governmental perfection or completion. See Ap. 10).

draw her=drag her away: i.e. to the grave.

21 The strong=The strongest, or chiefest. shall speak, &c. Note the Fig. *Prosopopœia* (Ap. 6), by which dead people are represented as speaking.

hell=the grave. Heb. Sheōl. Ap. 35.

22 Asshur: i.e. the great empire of Assyria.

graves. Heb. *keber*=burying-places, or sepulchres. See Ap. 35. Same word as in vv. 23, 26, 26.

°nether parts of the earth, with them that go down into °the pit.

19 Whom dost thou pass in beauty? go down, and be thou laid with °the uncircumcised.

20 They shall fall in the midst of them that are °slain by the sword: she is delivered to the sword: °draw her and all her multitudes.

21 °The strong among the mighty °shall speak to him out of the midst of °hell with them that help him: they are gone down, they lie uncircumcised, °slain by the sword. L n

22 °Asshur is there and all her company: °his °graves are about him: all of them °slain, fallen by the sword: o

23 Whose °graves are set in the sides of °the

477 pit, and her °company is round about her ²³grave: all of them ²⁰slain, fallen by the sword, which caused terror °in the land of the living.

24 There *is* Elam and all her multitude round about her ²²grave, all of them ²⁰slain, fallen by the sword, which are gone down ¹⁹uncircumcised into the ¹⁸nether parts of the earth, which caused their terror ²³in the land of the living; yet have they borne their shame with them that go down to ¹⁸the pit.

25 They have set her a bed in the midst of the slain with all her °multitude: her ²²graves are round about him: all of them ¹⁹uncircumcised, ²⁰slain by the sword: though their terror was caused ²³in the land of the living, yet have they borne their shame with them that go down to ¹⁸the pit: he is put in the midst of them that be slain.

26 There *is* Meshech, Tubal, and all her multitude: her ²²graves are round about him: all of them ¹⁹uncircumcised, ²⁰slain by the sword, though they caused their terror ²³in the land of the living.

27 And they shall not lie with the mighty that are fallen of the ¹⁹uncircumcised, which are gone down to ²¹hell °with their weapons of war: and they have laid their swords under their heads, but their °iniquities shall be upon their bones, though they were the terror of the mighty ²³in the land of the living.

K 28 Yea, thou shalt be °broken in the midst of
1151) the ¹⁹uncircumcised, and shalt lie with them that are ²⁰slain with the sword.

L o 29 There *is* Edom, her kings, and all her princes, which with their might are laid by them that were ²⁰slain by the sword: they shall lie with the ¹⁹uncircumcised, and with them that go down to ¹⁸the pit.

30 There be the princes of the north, all of them, and all the Zidonians, which are gone down with the slain; with their terror they are ashamed of their might; and they lie ¹⁹uncircumcised with them that be ²⁰slain by the sword, and bear their shame with them that go down to ¹⁸the pit.

" 31 Pharaoh shall see them, and shall be comforted over all his multitude, even Pharaoh and all his army ²⁰slain by the sword, °saith °the Lord GOD.

32 For I have °caused °My terror ²³in the land of the living: and he shall be laid in the midst of the ¹⁹uncircumcised with them that are ²⁰slain with the sword, even Pharaoh and all his multitude, °saith °the Lord GOD."

M¹ N 33 Again the word of °the LORD came
1152) unto me, saying,

2 °"Son of man, speak to the °children of thy People, and say unto them, 'When I bring the sword upon a land, if the people of the land take °a °man of their °coasts, and set him for their watchman:

O p 3 If when he seeth °the sword come upon the land, he blow the trumpet, and warn the people;

4 Then whosoever heareth the sound of the trumpet, and taketh not warning; if the sword

23 company=gathered host.

in the land of the living. Used here as the opposite of the land of the dead. See note on 26. 20. The expression occurs six times in this chapter.

25 multitude. The 1611 edition of the A.V. reads "multitudes" (pl.).

27 with their weapons of war. This determines the nature of the place here described as "the grave", "the pit", and "Sheöl".

iniquities. Heb. 'āvāh. Ap. 44. iv.

28 broken: or, overthrown.

32 caused. Heb. nathan=given: as distinct from their terror. See note on 20. 25.

My. Heb. text has "His"; marg. "My".

33. 1-22 (H, p. 1104). PEOPLE. SIGN. (WATCHMAN.) (Division.)

H | M¹ | 1-9. Signification.
M² | 10-20. Application.
M³ | 21, 22. Fulfilment.

33. 1-9 (M¹, above). SIGNIFICATION.
(Alternation and Introversion.)

M¹ | N | 1, 2. Sign. The watchman.
O | p | 3-5. Warning. Positive.
q | 6. Warning. Negative.
N | 7. Sign. Signification. (Ezekiel.)
O | q | 8. Warning. Negative.
p | 9. Warning. Positive.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 Son of man. See note on 2. 1.

children=sons.

a=one.

man. Heb. 'īsh. Ap. 14. II.

coasts=borders: i.e. one man out from within the borders of their land.

3 the sword=judgment. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of the Effect), Ap. 6, for that which executes the judgment.

4 his own head=himself: "head" being put by Fig. Synecdoche (of the Part), Ap. 6, for the whole person.

5 soul. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13.

6 person=soul. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13.

iniquity. Heb. 'āvāh. Ap. 44. iv. Not the same as in vv. 13, 15, 18.

8 wicked=lawless. Heb. rāsha'. Ap. 44. x.

iniquity. Heb. 'āvāh. Ap. 44. iv.

9 in: or, for.

come, and take him away, his blood shall be upon °his own head.

5 He heard the sound of the trumpet, and took not warning; his blood shall be upon him. But he that taketh warning shall deliver his °soul.

6 But if the watchman see the sword come, and blow not the trumpet, and the people be not warned; if the sword come, and take any °person from among them, he is taken away in his °iniquity; but his blood will I require at the watchman's hand.

7 So thou, O °son of man, I have set thee a watchman unto the house of Israel; therefore thou shalt hear the word at My mouth, and warn them from Me.

8 When I say unto the °wicked, 'O °wicked man, thou shalt surely die;' if thou dost not speak to warn the °wicked from his way, that °wicked man shall die in his °iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand.

9 Nevertheless, if thou warn the °wicked of his way to turn from it; if he do not turn from his way, he shall die °in his °iniquity; but thou hast delivered thy °soul.

M² r¹ 10 Therefore, O thou ²son of man, speak unto
(p. 1158) the house of Israel; 'Thus ye speak, saying,
477 'If our °transgressions and our °sins be upon
us, and we °pine away in them, how should we
then live?'

11 Say unto them, °As I live, °saith °the
Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of
the °wicked; but that the °wicked turn from
his way and live: turn ye, °turn ye from your
°evil ways; for °why will ye die, O house of
Israel?'

s¹ 12 Therefore, thou ²son of man, say unto the
²children of thy People, 'The righteousness of
the righteous shall not deliver him in the day
of his ¹⁰transgression: as for the °wickedness
of the °wicked, he shall not fall °thereby °in
the day that he turneth from his °wicked-
ness; neither shall the righteous be able to
live °for his righteousness °in the day that he
°sinneth.

13 When I shall say to the righteous, *that* he
shall surely live; if he °trust to his own right-
eousness, and commit °iniquity, all his °right-
eousnesses shall not be remembered; but °for
his °iniquity that he hath committed, he shall
die °for it.

14 Again, when I say unto the °wicked,
'Thou shalt surely die; if he turn from his ¹⁰sin,
and do °that which is lawful and °right;

15 If the °wicked °restore the pledge, °give
again that he had robbed, walk in the statutes
of life, without committing ¹³iniquity; °he shall
surely live, °he shall not die.

16 None of his °sins that he hath committed
shall be mentioned unto him: he hath done
that which is lawful and right; he shall surely
live.'

r² 17 Yet the ²children of thy People say, 'The
way of °the LORD* is not °equal: but as for
them, their way is not °equal.

s² 18 When the righteous turneth from his right-
eousness, and committeth ¹³iniquity, he shall
even die °thereby.

19 But if the °wicked turn from his °wicked-
ness, and do ¹⁴that which is lawful and ¹⁴right,
he shall live ¹⁸thereby.

r³ 20 Yet ye say, 'The way of °the Lord is not
¹⁷equal.' O ye house of Israel, I will judge you
every one after his ways."

M³ 21 And it came to pass in °the twelfth year of
(p. 1152) our captivity, in the °tenth month, in the °fifth
day of the month, *that* one that had escaped
out of Jerusalem °came unto me, saying, "The
city is smitten."

22 Now the hand of ¹the LORD was upon
me in °the evening, afore °he that was
escaped came; and had opened my mouth,
until he came to me in the morning; and
°my mouth was opened, and I was °no more
dumb.

J P 23 Then the word of ¹the LORD came unto
(p. 1153) me, saying,

24 "Son of man, they that inhabit those
°wastes of °the land of Israel speak, saying,
'Abraham was one, and he inherited the land:
but we are many; the land is given us for
inheritance.'

Q 25 Wherefore say unto them, 'Thus saith

33. 10-20 (M², p. 1152). APPLICATION. (Repeated Alternation.)

M² r¹ | 10, 11. The way of Jehovah.
s¹ | 12-16. The righteous and the wicked.
r- | 17. The way of Jehovah.
s² | 18, 19. The righteous and the wicked.
r³ | 20. The way of Jehovah.

10 transgressions. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix.
sins. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.
pine away, &c. Ref. to Pent. See notes on 4. 17 and
24. 23.

11 As I live, &c. Fig. *Deisis*. Ap. 6.
saith the Lord GOD = [is] Adonai Jehovah's oracle.
See note on 2. 4.

turn ye. Note the Fig. *Epizeuxis*. Ap. 6.

evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

why will ye die . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

12 thereby: or, therein.

in the day = when. See Ap. 18.

for his righteousness = thereby, or therein, in the
day, &c. sinneth. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

13 trust = confide. Heb. *batāh*. Ap. 69. I.
righteousnesses = righteous deeds. In Hebrew text
it is sing. ("righteousness"); but the margin, with four
early printed editions, reads "righteousnesses" (pl.).

for: or, in. Cp. v. 9.

iniquity. Heb. *āval*. Ap. 44. vi. Not the same
word as in v. 8, but same as in vv. 15, 18.

for it = thereby, or therein, as in v. 12.

14 that which is . . . right = judgment and right-
eousness.

15 restore the pledge, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 22. 26.
Lev. 6. 2, 4, 5. Deut. 24. 6, 10-13, 17).

give again. Note the Fig. *Asyndeton* (Ap. 6), hurrying
on to the climax at end of verse.

he shall surely live. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 18. 5).

he shall not die. Note the Fig. *Pleonasm* (Ap. 6), for
emphasis.

16 sins. Heb. text reads "sin"; but marg., some
codices, and four early printed editions, read "sins" (pl.).
17 the LORD*. One of the emendations of the
Sopherim, by which they say they changed Jehovah
of the primitive text to Adonai. See Ap. 32.

equal. See note on "pondereth", Prov. 21. 2.

18 thereby: or, in them: i.e. in those deeds.

20 the Lord. Heb. Adonai. Ap. 4. VIII (2).

21 the twelfth year . . . tenth month . . . fifth
day. This is the date of the taking of Jerusalem by
Nebuchadnezzar. See 40. 1. The event in the twenty-
fifth year is said to be the fourteenth year from the
twelfth (i.e. from the tenth month of the twelfth year
to the first month of the twenty-fifth). The prophecies
of the preceding chapters were given to Ezekiel in the
Land before this twelfth year. See the table on p. 1105,
and Ap. 50, p. 60). This was the eleventh year of Zede-
kiah, in the fourth month and ninth day (Jer. 39. 1, 2.
2 Kings 25. 1-4).

came unto me. While still in the Land, probably
in hiding.

22 the evening. Doubtless, of the same day of his
escape. he that was escaped. As foretold in 24. 26.
my mouth was opened. Cp. 24. 27; 29. 21: i.e. in
prophecy.

no more dumb: i.e. silent from prophesying. Note
the Fig. *Pleonasm* (Ap. 6), to emphasise the fact.

33. 23-33 (J, p. 1104). INHABITANTS OF THE WASTES. (Extended Alternation.)

J P | 23, 24. The saying of the People.

Q | 25-28. Threatening.

R | 29. Purpose. "Then shall they know."

P | 30-32. The saying of the People.

Q | 33-. Threatening.

R | -33. Purpose. "Then shall they know."

24 wastes = ruins.
the land of Israel = the soil of Israel. Heb. *'admath*.
Not the same word as in v. 28, which is *'eret*. See note
on 11. 17.

477 ¹¹ the LORD GOD; ° ‘Ye eat with the blood, and lift up your eyes toward your ° idols, and shed blood: and ° shall ye possess the land?’

²⁶ ° Ye stand upon your sword, ° ye work abomination, and ye defile every one his neighbour's wife: and ²⁵ shall ye possess the land?’

²⁷ Say thou thus unto them, ‘Thus saith ¹¹ the LORD GOD; ¹¹ ‘As I live, surely they that are in the ²⁴ wastes shall fall by the sword, and him that is in the open field will I give to the beasts to be devoured, and they that be in the forts and in the caves shall die of the pestilence.

²⁸ For I will lay ° the land most desolate, and the pomp of her strength shall cease; and the mountains of Israel shall be desolate, that none shall pass through.

R ²⁹ Then ° shall they know that I am ¹⁷ the LORD*, when I have laid ²⁸ the land most desolate because of all their abominations which they have committed.’

P ³⁰ Also, thou: ² son of man, the ² children of thy People still are talking ° against thee by the walls and in the ° doors of the houses, and speak one to another, every one ° to his brother, saying, ‘Come, I pray you, and hear what is the word that cometh forth from ¹ the LORD.’

³¹ And they come unto thee ° as the People cometh, and they sit before thee as My People, and they hear thy words, but they will not do them: for with their mouth they ° shew much love, but their heart goeth after their covetousness.

³² And, ° lo, thou art unto them as ° a very lovely song of one that hath a pleasant voice, and can play well on an instrument: for they hear thy words, but they do them not.

Q ³³ And when this cometh to pass, (³² lo, it will come,)

R then ²⁹ shall they know that a prophet hath been among them.’

B S U ³⁴ And the word of ° the LORD came unto me, saying,

² ° ‘Son of man, prophesy against the ° shepherds of Israel, prophesy, and say unto them, ‘Thus saith ° the LORD GOD unto the ° shepherds; ‘Woe be to the ° shepherds of Israel that do feed themselves! should not the ° shepherds feed the flocks?’

³ Ye eat the fat, and ye clothe you with the wool, ye ° kill ° them that are fed: but ye feed not the ° flock.

V t ⁴ The diseased have ye not strengthened, ° neither have ye healed that which was sick, ° neither have ye bound up that which was broken, ° neither have ye brought again that which was driven away, ° neither have ye sought that which was lost; but with force and with ° cruelty have ye ruled them.

u ⁵ And they were scattered, ° because there is no ² shepherd: and they became meat to all the beasts of the field, when they were scattered.

⁶ My sheep wandered through all the mountains, and upon every high hill: yea, My ³ flock was scattered upon all the face of the earth, and none did search or seek after them.

U ⁷ Therefore, ye ² shepherds, hear the word of ¹ the LORD;

Ye eat with the blood = eat over (‘al) the blood: i.e. over or near (as the heathen in their necromancy). Ref. to Pent. (not to Deut. 12. 16 (where it is *Vo* = not), but to Lev. 19. 26 (where it is ‘al = over), as here, and where it is connected with the idolatrous practices of the heathen.

idols = manufactured gods.

shall ye . . . ? Note the Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6).

²⁶ Ye: i.e. Ye [men]. The verb is masculine.

Ye stand upon your sword = Ye take your stand (first occurrence Gen. 18. 8, 22), [leaning] upon, &c. The posture assumed by necromancers waiting for the rites. ye work, &c.: i.e. ye [women] work, &c. The verb is feminine.

²⁸ the land. Heb. ‘eret. Not the same word as in v. 24.

²⁹ shall they know, &c. See note on 6. 10.

³⁰ against = about. doors = entrances.

to = with.

³¹ as the People cometh: or, according as an assembly cometh together.

shew much love: or, counterfeit lovers. Heb.

‘agābim. See note on next verse.

³² lo. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

a very lovely song. Heb. ‘agābim – a song for the pipes. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6), with ‘lovers’, in v. 31.

34. 1-31 (B, p. 1104). SHEPHERDS AND FLOCK.
(Alternation.)

B | S | 1-16. False Shepherds.

T | 17-22. The Flock. False.

S | 23-30. True Shepherds.

T | 31. The Flock. True.

34. 1-16 (S, above). FALSE SHEPHERDS.

(Alternation and Introversion.)

S | U | 1-3. The False Shepherds.

V | t | 4. Their neglect.

u | 5, 6. Consequent scattering of Flock.

U | 7-10. The False Shepherds.

V | u | 11-16-. Subsequent gathering of Flock.

t | -16. Their punishment.

¹ the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. 11.

² Son of man. See note on 2. 1.

shepherds = rulers.

the LORD GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See note on 2. 4.

³ kill = kill for sacrifice, and eating. Heb. *zabach*. Ap. 48. I. iv.

them that are fed = the fat ewe.

⁴ neither. Note the Fig. *Paradiastole* (Ap. 6), emphasising the five counts.

cruelty = rigour. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 1. 13, 14. Lev. 25. 46, 53, its only other occurrences).

⁵ because there is no shepherd: or, without a shepherd.

⁸ As I live. Fig. *Deisis*. Ap. 6.

saith the LORD God = [is] Adonai Jehovah's oracle.

⁹ Therefore = Therefore [I repeat] O ye, &c.

¹⁰ Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

⁸ ° As I live, ° saith ² the LORD GOD, surely because My ³ flock became a prey, and My flock became meat to every beast of the field, ° because there was no ² shepherd, neither did My ² shepherds search for My flock, but the ² shepherds fed themselves, and fed not My flock;

⁹ ° Therefore, O ye ² shepherds, hear the word of ¹ the LORD;

¹⁰ Thus saith ² the LORD GOD; ° ‘Behold, I am against the ² shepherds; and I will require My ³ flock at their hand, and cause them to cease from feeding the flock; neither shall the ² shepherds feed themselves any more; for I will deliver My flock from their mouth, that they may not be meat for them.

V u (p. 1154) 477 11 For' thus saith ² the Lord GOD; ¹⁰ 'Behold, ^o I, even ³, will both search My sheep, and seek them out.

12 As a shepherd seeketh out his flock ^o in the day that he is among his sheep *that are scattered*; so will I seek out My sheep, and will deliver them out of all places where they have been scattered in the cloudy and dark day.

13 And I will bring them out from the ^o people, and gather them from the countries, and will bring them to their own ^o land, and feed them upon the mountains of Israel by the ^o rivers, and in all the inhabited places of the country.

14 I will feed them in a good pasture, and upon the high mountains of Israel shall their fold be: there shall they lie in a good fold, and in a fat pasture shall they feed upon the mountains of Israel.

15 ³ will feed My ³ flock, and ³ will cause them to lie down, ⁸ saith ² the Lord GOD.

16 I will seek that which was lost, and bring again that which was driven away, and will bind up *that which was broken*, and will strengthen that which was sick:

but I will ^o destroy the fat and the strong; I will feed them with judgment.

T v¹ (p. 1155) 17 And as for you, O My ³ flock, thus saith ² the Lord GOD; ¹⁰ 'Behold, I judge between ^o cattle and cattle, between the rams and the he goats.

w¹ 18 *Seemeth it* a small thing unto ^o you to have eaten up the good pasture, but ye must tread down with your feet the residue of your pastures? and to have drunk of the deep waters, but ye must foul the residue with your feet?

19 And as for My ³ flock, they eat that which ye have trodden with ^o your feet; and they drink that which ye have fouled with ^o your feet.

v² 20 Therefore' thus saith ² the Lord GOD unto them; 'Behold, ¹¹ I, even ³, will judge between the fat cattle and between the lean cattle.

w² 21 Because ye have thrust with side and with shoulder, and pushed all the diseased with your horns, till ye have scattered them abroad; 22 Therefore will I ^o save My ³ flock, and they shall no more be a prey;

v³ and I will judge between ¹⁷ cattle and cattle.

S W x 23 And I will set up ^o one shepherd over them, and he shall feed them, *even* ^o My servant ^o David; he shall feed them, and he shall be their shepherd.

24 And ³ ¹ the LORD will be their ^o God, and ²³ My servant David a ^o prince among them; ³ ¹ the LORD have spoken *it*.

y 25 And I will make with them ^o a covenant of peace, and will cause the evil beasts to cease out of the land: and they shall dwell safely in the ^o wilderness, and sleep in the woods.

X a 26 And I will make them and the places round about My hill a blessing; and I will cause the shower to come down in his season; there shall be showers of blessing.

27 And the tree of the field shall yield her fruit, and the earth shall yield her increase, and ^o they shall be ^o safe ^o in their ¹³ land,

11 I, even ³. Note the Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

12 in the day. See Ap. 18.

13 people = nations.

land = soil.

rivers = ravines. Heb. 'āphikim. See note on "channels", 2 Sam. 22. 16.

16 destroy: or, "watch", reading ⁷ (=R) for ⁷ (D).

34. 17-22 (T, p. 1154). THE FLOCK (Repeated Alternation.)

T | v¹ | 17. "I judge".
w¹ | 18, 19. Destructiveness.
v² | 20. "I will judge".
w² | 21, 22-. Voracity.
v³ | -22. "I will judge".

17 cattle and cattle: i.e. between the sheep and the goats: rams being the sheep, while the he-goats are set in contrast

18 Seemeth it: or, supply "Is it".

you: i.e. ye goats. The verse goes on to describe the evil work of the goats in fouling the pastures of the sheep. There is a solemn application of this to the churches and congregations in the present day.

your: i.e. the goats.

22 save - bring salvation or deliverance to.

34. 23-30 (S, p. 1154). TRUE SHEPHERD. (Alternations and Introversion.)

S | W | x | 23, 24. The true Shepherd.
y | 25. Security.
X | a | 26, 27-. Prosperity. (Positive).
b | -27. Purpose.
W | y | 28. Security.
x | 29-. The plant of renown.
X | a | -29. Prosperity. (Negative).
b | 30. Purpose.

23 one shepherd = one ruler. Cp. Isa. 40. 11. John 10. 11.

My servant David. Occurs only here, v. 24; 37. 24. 1 Kings 11. 32, 34, and 14. 8. Cp. Jer. 30. 9. Hos. 3. 5. David. Either David the king, or Messiah, of Whom he was the type.

24 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

prince = a leader. Cp. Isa. 9. 6, 7; 55. 4.

25 a covenant of peace. Cp. 37. 26.

wilderness = a place of pasture. Cp. Ps. 65. 12. Not a barren place or desert, unless so stated or implied.

27 they . . . shall know. See note on 6. 10.

safe = confident. in = on.

when I have broken: or, by My breaking.

those, &c.: i.e. the false rulers.

28 heathen = nations.

beast. The 1611 edition of the A.V. reads "beasts". land: or, earth.

29 plant. Referring to Messiah, as in vv. 23, 24.

of renown: for fame.

consumed = pinched [with hunger].

and ^o shall know that ³ am ¹ the LORD, ^o when I have broken the bands of their yoke, and delivered them out of the hand of ^o those that served themselves of them.

28 And they shall no more be a prey to the ^o heathen, neither shall the ^o beast of the ^o land devour them; but they shall dwell safely, and none shall make *them* afraid.

29 And I will raise up for them a ^o plant ^o of renown,

and they shall be no more ^o consumed with hunger in the land, neither bear the shame of the ²⁸ heathen any more.

^b 30 Thus ° shall they know that § ¹ the LORD
(p. 1155) their ²⁴ God *am* with them, and *that* they, *even*
477 the house of Israel, *are* My People, ⁸ saith ² the
LORD GOD.

^T 31 And ^{pe} My ° flock, the ³ flock of My pas-
(p. 1154) ture, ° *are* ° men, and § *am* ° your ²⁴ God, ⁸ saith
² the LORD GOD."

^{A Y c¹} 35 Moreover the word of ° the LORD came
(p. 1156) unto me, saying,

2 ° "Son of man, set thy face against ° mount
Seir, and prophesy against it,

3 And say unto it, 'Thus saith ° the Lord
GOD; ° Behold, O ² mount Seir, I *am* against
thee, and I will stretch out Mine hand against
thee, and I will make thee most desolate.

4 I will lay thy cities waste, and thou shalt be
desolate, and ° thou shalt know that § *am* ¹ the
LORD.

^{d¹} 5 Because thou hast had ° a perpetual hatred,
and hast shed *the blood* of the ° children of
Israel ° by the force of the sword in the time
of their calamity, in the time ° *that their* ° ini-
quity *had* an end:

^{c²} 6 Therefore, ° *as* § live, ° saith ³ the Lord GOD,
'I will prepare thee unto blood, and blood shall
pursue thee: ° sith thou hast not hated blood,
even blood shall pursue thee.

7 Thus will I make ² mount Seir most desolate,
and cut off from it him that passeth out and
him that returneth.

8 And ° I will fill his mountains with his slain
men: in thy hills, and in thy valleys, and in
all thy rivers, shall they fall that are slain
with the sword.

9 I will make thee perpetual desolations, and
thy cities shall not ° return: and ° ye shall
know that § *am* ¹ the LORD.

^{d²} 10 Because ° thou hast said, 'These ° two na-
tions and these ° two countries shall be mine,
and we will possess ° it; ° whereas ¹ the LORD
° was there:

^{c³} 11 Therefore, ° *as* § live, ° saith ³ the Lord GOD,
'I will even ° do according to thine anger, and
according to thine envy which thou hast used
out of thy hatred against them; and I will
make Myself known among them, when I have
judged thee.

12 And ° thou shalt know that § *am* ¹ the
LORD, and *that* I have heard all thy blas-
phemies which thou hast spoken against the
mountains of Israel, saying, 'They are laid
desolate, they are given us to consume.'

13 Thus with your mouth ye have boasted
against Me, and have multiplied your words
against Me: § have heard *them*.'

14 Thus saith ³ the Lord GOD; 'When the
whole earth rejoiceth, I will make thee deso-
late.

15 As thou didst rejoice at the inheritance of
° the house of Israel, because it was desolate, so
will I do unto thee: thou shalt be desolate, O
² mount Seir, and all ° Idumea, *even* all of it;
and ° they shall know that § *am* ¹ the LORD.'"

^{Z A¹ B e} 36 Also, thou ° son of man, prophesy unto
the ° mountains of Israel, and say, "Ye
mountains of Israel, hear the word of ° the
LORD:

30 shall they know. See note on 6. 10. Some
codices, with three early printed editions, read "shall
the nations know".

31 flock. The 1611 edition of the A.V. omitted these
two words "flock, the". ^{are} = ^{pe} [are]
men. Heb. *'ādam*, Ap. 14. I: i.e. human beings, not
"sheep", as spoken of in this chapter.
your God. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg.,
read "Jehovah your Elohim".

35. 1-48. 35 (A, p. 1104). THE RESTORATION.
(*Alternation.*)

A | Y | 35. 1-15. Judgments on enemies.
Z | 36. 1-37. 38. Restoration of Israel.
Y | 38. 1-39. 29. Judgments on nations.
Z | 40. 1-48. 35. Restoration of Israel.

35. 1-15 (Y, above). JUDGMENTS ON ENEMIES.
(SEIR.) (*Repeated Alternation.*)

Y | c¹ | 1-4. Threatening. Desolation.
d¹ | 5. Reason. Hatred.
c² | 6-9. Threatening. Desolation.
d² | 10. Reason. Covetousness.
c³ | 11-15. Threatening. Desolation.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 Son of man. See note on 2. 1.

3 the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See note
on 2. 4. Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.
4 thou shalt know. See note on 6. 7.

5 a perpetual hatred = a hatred of old.
children - sons.

by the force = by the hands of: "hands" being put
by Fig. *Metonymy* (of the Effect), Ap. 6, for the slaughter
wrought by them.

that their iniquity had an end: or, in the time of
the final punishment for their iniquity.

iniquity. Heb. *'āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

6 as § live. Fig. *Deisis*. Ap. 6.

saith the Lord GOD = [is] Adonai Jehovah's oracle.

sith = since. 8 I will fill. Cp. Isa. 34. 1-15.

9 return = be rebuilt, or inhabited.

ye shall know, &c. See note on 6. 7.

10 thou hast said. Cp. Ps. 83. 4, 12.

two: i.e. Israel and Judah.

it. Can this refer to the blessing which Esau sought?

whereas: or, though.

was there. Cp. 36. 2, 5, and 48. 35.

11 do = deal.

12 the house of Israel. See note on Ex. 16. 31.

Idumea = Edom.

they shall know. See note on 6. 10.

36. 1-37. 38 (Z, above). RESTORATION OF
ISRAEL. (*Division.*)

Z | A¹ | 36. 1-38. Literal.
A² | 37. 1-28. Symbolical.

36. 1-38 (A¹, above). RESTORATION. LITERAL.
(*Introversion.*)

A¹ | B | 1-15. The Land.
C | 16-29. The People. Israel.
B | -29-38. The Land.

36. 1-15 (B, above). THE LAND.
(*Alternation.*)

B | e | 1-3. What the enemy said.
f | 4-12. What Jehovah purposed.
e | 13. What the enemy said.
f | 14, 15. What Jehovah purposed.

What now follows refers to the yet future Restoration
of the People and Land of Israel and Judah, as shown
in the Structure above.

1 son of man. See note on 2. 1.
mountains of Israel. See 6. 1-7; 36. 1.
the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

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2 Thus saith °the Lord GOD; 'Because °the enemy °hath said against you, 'Aha, even °the ancient high places are ours in possession:'

3 Therefore prophesy and say, "Thus saith °the Lord GOD; °Because they have made you desolate, and °swallowed you up on every side, that ye might be a possession unto the residue of the heathen, and ye °are taken up in the lips of talkers, and are an °infamy of the people:

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4 Therefore, ye °mountains of Israel, °hear the word of °the Lord GOD; Thus saith °the Lord GOD °to the °mountains, and to the hills, to the °rivers, and to the valleys, to the desolate wastes, and to the cities that are forsaken, which became a prey and derision to the residue of the heathen that are round about;

5 Therefore thus saith °the Lord GOD; Surely in the °fire of My jealousy have I spoken against the residue of the °heathen, and against all °Idumea, which have appointed My land into their possession with the joy of all their heart, with despiteful °minds, to cast it out for a prey.'

6 Prophecy therefore concerning °the land of Israel, and say unto the °mountains, and to the hills, to the rivers, and to the valleys, 'Thus saith °the Lord GOD; °Behold, I have spoken in My jealousy and in My fury, because ye have borne the shame of the heathen:'

7 Therefore thus saith °the Lord GOD; 'I have °lifted up Mine hand, Surely the °heathen °that are about you, they shall bear their shame.

8 But ye, O °mountains of Israel, ye shall shoot forth your branches, and yield your fruit to My People of Israel; for they are at hand to come.

9 For, °behold, I am for you, and I will turn unto you, and ye shall be tilled and sown:

10 And I will multiply °men upon you, all the house of Israel, even all of it: and the cities shall be inhabited, and the wastes shall be builded:

11 And I will multiply upon you °man and beast; and they shall increase and bring fruit: and I will settle you after your °old estates, and will do better unto you than at your beginnings: and °ye shall know that I am °the LORD.

12 Yea, I will cause °men to walk upon you, even My People Israel; and they shall possess thee, and thou shalt be their inheritance, and thou shalt no more henceforth °bereave them of men.'

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13 Thus saith °the Lord GOD; 'Because they say unto you, °'Thou land devourest up °men, and hast °bereaved thy nations;'

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14 Therefore thou shalt devour °men no more, neither °bereave thy nations any more,' °saith °the Lord GOD.

15 'Neither will I cause men to hear in thee the shame of the °heathen any more, neither shalt thou bear the reproach of °the people any more, neither shalt thou cause °thy nations to fall any more, °saith °the Lord GOD.'

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16 Moreover the word of °the LORD came unto me, saying,

17 "Son of man, when the house of Israel

2 the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See note on 2. 4. the enemy. Note the Structure above. hath said. The 1611 edition of the A.V. reads "had said".

the ancient high places = the everlasting hills, promised to Israel (Gen. 49. 26. Deut. 13. 13; 33. 15).

3 Because = Because, even because. Fig. Epizeuxis. Ap. 6.

swallowed you up. Like a beast of prey. Cp. Job 5. 5. Pss. 56. 1, 2; 57. 3. Eccles. 10. 12.

are = have been. infamy = evil report.

4 hear. Fig. Apostrophe. Ap. 6.

to the mountains, &c. Note the Fig. Merismos (Ap. 6). rivers = torrents, or ravines. Heb. 'āphikim. See note on "channels", 2 Sam. 22. 16.

5 fire of My jealousy. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 4. 24).

heathen = nations. Idumea = Edom.

minds = souls. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13.

6 the land of Israel = the soil of Israel. See note on 11. 17. Behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

7 lifted up Mine hand = sworn. Heb. idiom. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 6. 8. Num. 14. 30. Deut. 32. 40). Cp. Dan. 12. 7. Elsewhere only in Pentateuch. See Gen. 14. 22, and Ezek. 20. 5. heathen = nations.

that are = which are yours; referring to "ours" in v. 2.

10 men. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.

11 old = former.

ye shall know, &c. See note on 6. 7.

12 bereave, &c. = make childless.

13 Thou land devourest, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 13. 32). Ap. 92.

14 bereave. Heb. text reads "cause to fall"; but marg. reads "make childless". Some codices, with three early printed editions, Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "make childless" (text and marg.).

saith the Lord GOD = [is] Adonai Jehovah's oracle.

15 the people = peoples.

thy. The 1611 edition of the A.V. reads "the".

36. 16-29-. (C, p. 1156). THE PEOPLE. ISRAEL
(Introversion and Alternation.)

C D | 16, 17. Israel's uncleanness.

E | 18, 19. "I scattered".

F | 20. "They profaned".

G | g | 21-. Jehovah's Name's sake.

h | -21. Which Israel had profaned.

G | g | 22-. Jehovah's Name's sake.

h | -22. Which Israel had profaned.

F | 23. "I will sanctify".

E | 24. "I will bring".

D | 25-29. Israel's cleansing.

17 land = soil.

they defiled it, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 15. 19; 18. 25, 27, 30. Num. 35. 33, 34). Ap. 92.

as the uncleanness, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 15. 19; 18. 19, &c.).

18 I poured, &c. See 7. 8; 14. 19; 21. 31. Cp. 2 Chron. 34. 21, 25. Jer. 7. 20; 44. 6, &c.

idols = dirty idols.

19 I scattered, &c. See 5. 12; 22. 15. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 33. Deut. 28. 64). Ap. 92.

according to their way. See 7. 3, 8; 18. 30; 22. 31; 39. 24.

dwelt in their own °land, °they defiled it by their own way and by their doings: their way was before Me °as the uncleanness of a removed woman.

18 Wherefore °I poured My fury upon them for the blood that they had shed upon the land, and for their °idols wherewith they had polluted it:

19 And °I scattered them among the °heathen, and they were dispersed through the countries: °according to their way and according to their doings I judged them.

E

F (p. 1157) 20 And when °they entered unto the °heathen, whither they went, they °profaned My °holy °name, when °they said to them, 'These are the People of °the LORD, and are °gone forth out of His land.'

G g 21 But °I had pity for Mine °holy name,

h which the house of Israel had °profaned among the °heathen, whither they went.

G g 22 Therefore say unto the house of Israel, 'Thus saith °the LORD GOD; 'I do °not *this* for your sakes, O house of Israel, but for Mine °holy °name's sake,

h which ye have °profaned among the °heathen, whither ye went.

F 23 And °I will sanctify My great °name, which was °profaned among the °heathen, which ye have profaned in the midst of them; and the °heathen °shall know that I am °the LORD,' °saith °the LORD GOD, when I shall be sanctified °in you before °their eyes.

E 24 For I will take you from among the °heathen, and gather you out of all countries, and °will bring you °into your own land.

D 25 °Then will I °sprinkle clean °water upon °you, and °ye shall be clean: from all °your filthiness, and from all your °idols, will I cleanse you.

26 A °new heart also will I give °you, and a new °spirit will I put within °you: and I will take away the stony heart out of °your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh.

27 And I will put My °spirit within °you, and cause °you to walk in My °statutes, and °ye shall keep My °judgments, and do *them*.

28 And °ye shall dwell in the °land that I gave to °your fathers; and °ye shall °be My People, and I will °be °your °God.

29 I will also save °you from all your uncleannesses:

B H (p. 1158) and I will call for °the corn, and will increase it, and lay no famine upon °you.

30 And I will multiply the fruit of the tree, and the increase of the field, that ye shall receive no more °reproach of famine among the °heathen.

J 31 °Then °shall ye remember your own °evil ways, and your doings that *were* not good, and shall lothe yourselves in your own sight for your °iniquities and for your °abominations.

H 32 °Not for your sakes do I *this*, °saith °the LORD GOD, 'be it known unto you: °be ashamed and confounded for your own ways, O house of Israel.

33 Thus saith °the LORD GOD; °'In the day that I shall have cleansed you from all your °iniquities I will also °cause you to dwell in the cities, and the wastes shall be builded.

34 And the desolate land shall be tilled, whereas it lay desolate in the sight of all that passed by.

35 And they shall say, 'This land that was desolate is become °like the garden of Eden; and the waste and desolate and ruined cities are become °fenced, and are inhabited.'

J 36 Then the °heathen that are left round

20 they. Heb. text reads "he", or "it". A special various reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 34), and some codices, with Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "they". profaned, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 19. 12, &c.). Ap. 92. holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

name. See note on Ps. 20. 1.

they said to them: i.e. men said of Israel.

gone = come.

21 I had pity, &c. See 20. 9, 14, 22.

22 not . . . for your sakes, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 7. 7, 8; 9. 5-7). Ap. 92. Cp. Pss. 106. 8; 115. 1, 2.

23 I will sanctify, &c. The opposite of the profanation of v. 20.

shall know. See note on 6. 10.

in you. So in the Babylonian Codex; but some codices, with Codex Hillel and three early printed editions (one in marg.), read "in them".

their. The Babylonian Codex, Codex Hillel, and other codices, with nine early printed editions (one Rabbinic, in marg.), read "your".

24 will bring you, &c. Cp. 11. 17; 34. 13; 37. 21, 25; 39. 27, 28, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 30. 3-5). Ap. 92.

into your own land = on to your own soil. Heb. *'adāmāh*. Not the same word as in v. 28.

25 Then. Note the time for the fulfilment of this prophecy. Not now, among the Gentiles; not now, in the Church of God; but, when Israel shall be brought back "into their own land" (vv. 16-24). Note the "you . . . ye . . . your", &c., of vv. 25-29. Observe the importance of this word "Then" in other passages. See notes on Ex. 17. 8. Mal. 3. 4, 16. Matt. 25. 1. 1 Thess. 4. 17, &c.

sprinkle = throw. See Lev. 1. 5.

water. See Isa. 44. 3.

you . . . ye . . . your. The same People referred to in vv. 25-29 as in vv. 16, 17. See the Structure, p. 1157.

26 new heart. Not the old heart improved, but a new heart created and "given". The old one "taken away".

spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

27 statutes . . . judgments. Ref. to Pent. See note on Deut. 4. 1. Ap. 92.

28 land. Heb. *'eret*. Not the same word as in v. 24.

ye: i.e. the People who are the subject of these verses. See note on "Then", v. 25.

be My People = become to Me a people. } Ref. to
be your God = become to you a God. } Pent. (Lev.
God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. } 26. 12).

36. -29-38 (B, p. 1156). THE LAND. (Alternation.)

B H | -29, 30. Its Restoration.

J | 31. The Purpose. (Negative.)

H | 32-35. Its Restoration.

J | 36-38. The Purpose. (Positive.)

29 the corn, &c. Pointing to the physical blessings.

30 reproach, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 29. 23-28). Ap. 92. Cp. Joel 2. 17, 26.

31 shall ye remember. See 6. 9; 16. 61-63; 20. 43. evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

iniquities. Heb. *'āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

abominations: i.e. idolatries.

32 be ashamed. Cp. 16. 63.

33 In the day that = When. See Ap. 18.

cause you to dwell, &c. - cause the cities to be inhabited.

35 like the garden of Eden. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 2. 8-15). See note on 28. 13. fenced = fortified.

37 yet . . . be enquired of: i.e. the time shall come when they will ask for what they had in the past despaired.

about you °shall know that I °the LORD build the ruined *places*, and plant that that was desolate: I °the LORD have spoken *it*, and I will do *it*.'

37 Thus saith °the LORD GOD; 'I will °yet for this °be enquired of by the house of Israel,

477 to do it for them; I will increase them with¹⁰ men like a flock.

38 ° As the holy flock, as the flock of Jerusalem in her ° solemn feasts; so shall the waste cities be filled with flocks of¹⁰ men; and they²³ shall know that I am¹ the LORD.' "

A² K¹ L N
(p. 1159)

37 The hand of °the LORD was upon me, and carried me out °in the °spirit of °the LORD, and set me down in the midst of the °valley which was full of bones,
2 And caused me to pass by them °round about: and, °behold, there were very many in the open valley; and, °lo, they were very dry.

O 3 And he said unto me, °“Son of man, can these bones live?” And I answered, “O °Lord GOD, Thou knowest.”

M 4 Again he said unto me, “Prophecy °upon these bones, and say unto them, ‘O ye dry bones, hear the word of¹ the LORD.

m 5 Thus saith °the Lord GOD unto these bones; °“Behold, I will cause °breath to enter into you, and ye shall live:

6 And I will lay sinews upon you, and will bring up flesh upon you, and cover you with skin, and °put °breath in you, and ye shall live; and °ye shall know that I am¹ the LORD.' "

n 7 So I prophesied °as I was commanded:

o and as I prophesied, there was a °noise, and °behold a °shaking, and the bones came together, bone to his bone.

8 And when I beheld, °lo, the sinews and the flesh came up upon them, and the skin covered them above: but there was no °breath in them.

M 9 Then said He unto me, “Prophecy °unto the °wind, prophecy, °son of man, and say to the °wind,

m ‘Thus saith the °Lord GOD; ‘Come from the four °winds, O °breath, and °breathe upon these °slain, that they may live.' "

n 10 So I prophesied °as He commanded me,

o and the °breath came into them, and they lived, and stood up upon their feet, an exceeding great army.

L N 11 Then He said unto me, °“Son of man, these bones °are °the whole house of Israel: °behold, they say, ‘Our bones are dried, and our hope is lost: °we are cut off for our parts.’

O P 12 Therefore prophecy and say unto them, ‘Thus saith the °Lord GOD;

Q P °“Behold, O My People, I will open your °graves, and cause you to come up out of your °graves,

q and bring you °into the land of Israel.

r 13 And °ye shall know that I am¹ the LORD,

Q P °when I have opened your °graves, O My People, °and brought you up out of your °graves,

into the land of Israel=upon the soil of Israel.
have opened=by My opening.

38 As the holy flock = Like a flock of holy offerings.
solemn feasts = appointed seasons.

37. 1-28 (A², p. 1156). RESTORATION. SYMBOLICAL. (Division.)

A² | K¹ | 1-14. The Dry Bones.
K² | 15-28. The Two Sticks.

37. 1-14 (K¹, above). THE DRY BONES.

(Alternations: Simple and Extended.)

K¹ | L | N | 1, 2. The Vision shown.
O | 3. The Question. Answer of prophet.
M | 1 | 4. Command to prophesy over ('al).
m | 5, 6. Words of the prophecy.
n | 7-. Obedience of the prophet.
o | -7, 8. Result.
M | 1 | 9-. Command to prophesy unto ('el).
m | -9. Words of the prophecy.
n | 10-. Obedience of the prophet.
o | -10. Result.
L | N | 11. The Vision explained.
O | 12-14. The Question. Answer of Jehovah.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
in the spirit = by the spirit. Cp. 1. 1, 3; 8. 3; 11. 24, 25;
40. 2, 3. These expressions show the meaning of Rev. 1. 10.
spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

valley = plain. Same word as in 3. 22, 23; and 8. 4.
2 round about = on every side. Heb. *gābīb gābīb* = on this side and on that side. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

behold . . . lo. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6), calling special attention to that which was seen.

3 Son of man. See note on 2. 1.

Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See note on 2. 4.

4 upon = over. Heb. 'al.

5 breath = spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

6 put breath, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 2. 7). Ap. 92.
ye shall know, &c. See note on 6. 7.

7 as = according as.

noise = voice.

shaking = commotion.

9 unto. Heb. 'el. Cp. v. 4, and see the Structure above.

wind = spirit. Same as "breath" in v. 5.

breathe = blow. Heb. *naphah*.

slain = dead (by violent death). Sept. renders it *tous nekrous* = corpses, as distinct from *nekrous*, which (without the Article) refers to the dead as having been once alive (cp. Matt. 22. 31. Luke 24. 5. 1 Cor. 15. 29 (first and third words), 35, 42, 52); while, with the Article it denotes corpses. See Deut. 14. 1. Matt. 22. 32. Mark 9. 10. Luke 16. 30, 31; 24. 46. Acts 23. 6; 24. 15; 26. 8. Rom. 6. 13; 10. 7; 11. 15. Heb. 11. 19; 13. 20. 1 Cor. 15. 12, 13, 15, 16, 20, 21, 29 (second word), 32. Especially cp. 1 Pet. 4. 6. See Ap. 139.

11 are = they [are]. Fig. *Metaphor*. Ap. 6.

the whole house. As distinct from "the house",

we are cut off for our parts = as for us, we are quite cut off, or clean cut off.

37. 12-14 (O, above). THE QUESTION.

ANSWERED BY JEHOVAH.

(Introversion and Extended Alternation.)

O | P | 12-. "Thus saith Jehovah".
Q | p | -12-. "I will open your graves".
q | -12. "And bring you into the land".
r | 13-. "And ye shall know", &c.
Q | p | -13. "When I have opened your graves".
q | 14-. "And I shall place you in your own land".
r | -14-. "Then shall ye know", &c.
P | -14. "Saith Jehovah".

12 graves = sepulchres, or burying-places. Heb. *keber*, not Sheol. See Ap. 35. The repetition of this must include resurrection as well as restoration.

Heb. 'admath. See note on 11. 17.

13 when I and brought you up = by My causing you to come up.

q (p. 1159) 14 And shall ⁶put My ^ospirit in you, and ye shall live, and I shall ^oplace you ^oin your own land:

477 r then shall ⁶ye know that ³I ¹the LORD have spoken *it*, and performed *it*,

P ^osaith ¹the LORD.' "

K² R¹ S s 15 The word of ¹the LORD came again unto me, saying,

(p. 1160) 16 "Moreover, thou ³son of man, take thee one ^ostick, and write upon it, For Judah, and for the ^ochildren of Israel his ^ocompanions:

t then take another ^ostick, and write upon it, For ^oJoseph, the ^ostick of Ephraim, and for all the house of Israel ^ohis companions:

T 17 And join them one to another into one stick; and they shall become one in thine ^ohand.

S t 18 And when the ¹⁶children of thy People shall speak unto thee, saying, 'Wilt thou not shew us what thou *meanest* by these?'

19 Say unto them, 'Thus saith the ³Lord GOD; ²'Behold, ³I will take the stick of Joseph, which is in the hand of Ephraim, and the tribes of Israel his ^ofellows, and will put them with ^ohim,

s even with the stick of Judah,

T and make them one stick, and they shall be one in Mine hand.'

R³ U¹ u¹ 20 And the ¹⁶sticks whereon thou writest shall be in thine hand before their eyes.

21 And say unto them, 'Thus saith the ³Lord GOD; ^o'Behold, ³I will take the ¹⁶children of Israel from among the ^oheathen, whither they be gone, ^oand will gather them on every side, and bring them ¹²into their own ^oland:

v¹ 22 And I will make them one nation in the ²¹land ^oupon the ^omountains of Israel; and one king shall be king to them all: and they shall be no more two nations, neither shall they be divided into two kingdoms any more at all:

w¹ 23 Neither shall they defile themselves any more with their ^oidols, nor with their ^odetestable things, nor with any of their ^otransgressions:

U³ u² but I will save them out of all their ^odwellings-places, ^owherein they have ^osinned, and will cleanse them: so shall they be ^oMy People, and ³I will be ^otheir ^oGod.

v² 24 And ^oDavid My servant *shall be* king over them; and they all shall have one ^oshepherd:

w² they shall also walk in My ^ojudgments, and observe My ^ostatutes, and do them.

U³ u³ 25 ^oAnd they shall dwell in the ¹²land that I have ^ogiven unto Jacob My servant, wherein your fathers have dwelt; ^oand they shall dwell therein, *even* then, and their ¹⁶children, and their ¹⁶children's ¹⁶children for ever:

v³ and ^oMy servant David *shall be* their prince for ever.

25 And they shall dwell. Repeated in middle of the verse by the Fig. *Mesarchia* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. given unto Jacob. And not any other land. My servant David. Here, it is (in Heb.) "David My servant".

14 spirit. Heb. *ruach*. Ap. 9. Same word as "breath" and "wind" above. place = settle. in your own land = upon your own soil. Heb. *'ādāmāh*. Cp. v. 21, and see note on v. 12. saith the Lord GOD = [is] Adonai Jehovah's oracle.

37. 15-28 (K², p. 1159). THE TWO STICKS (Division.)

K² | R¹ | 15-19. The Sign.
R² | 20-28. The Signification.

37. 15-19 (R¹, above). THE SIGN. (Alternation and Introversion.)

R¹ | S | s | 15, 16-. The stick for Judah.
t | -16. The stick for Ephraim.
T | 17. Union.
S | t | 18, 19-. The stick for Ephraim.
s | -19-. The stick for Judah.
T | -19. Union.

16 stick. Heb. "wood": put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for anything made of it.

children = sons.

companions: i.e. Benjamin and Levi. Heb. text reads "companion" (sing.); but marg., with some codices and one early printed edition, reads "companions" (pl.).

Joseph. Who held the primogeniture of the other tribes (1 Chron. 5. 1), forfeited by Reuben; and was represented by Ephraim, the head of the ten tribes. Cp. 1 Kings 11. 26. Isa. 11. 13. Jer. 31. 6. Hos. 5. 3, 6. his companions: i.e. the other tribes.

17 hand. Some codices, with three early printed editions, read "hands" (pl.).

19 fellows. Same word as "companions" in v. 16, and same note as to the readings. him: or, it.

37. 20-28 (R², above). THE SIGNIFICATION. (Repeated and Extended Alternation.)

R² | U¹ | u¹ | 20, 21. Restoration.
v¹ | 22. One Nation.
w¹ | 23-. Conversion.
U² | u² | -23. Restoration.
v² | 24-. One King.
w² | -24. Conversion.
U³ | u³ | 25-. Restoration.
v³ | -25. One King.
w³ | 26-28. Sanctification.

21 Behold... heathen; and... land. These words were chosen for the legend on the Zionist medal commemorating the National Federation (of 1896), which is a landmark in the history of the Jewish nation.

³=³ even ³. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6).

heathen = nations.

land. Heb. *'eret*. Not the same word as in vv. 12, 14, 21.

22 upon = among. mountains. A special various reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 34) reads "cities".

23 idols = dirty gods.

detestable = abominable. Referring to idolatry, and its accompaniments.

transgressions = rebellions. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix. dwellingplaces. Sept. reads "lawlessnesses". Cp. Jer. 2. 19; 3. 22; 5. 6. So Houbigant, Bishops Newcombe and Horsley, with Ginsburg.

wherein = whereby.

sinned. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

My People = to Me a People.

their God = to them a God.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

24 David My servant = Heb. My servant David. Occurs five times (34. 23, 24; 37. 24. 1 Kings 11. 32; 14. 8). In v. 25 and 2 Sam. 3. 18 t is (in Heb.) "David My servant" (though the A.V. there renders it "My servant David").

shepherd = ruler. judgments... statutes. See note on Deut. 4. 1.

w³ (p. 1160) 477 26 Moreover I will make a °covenant of peace with them; it shall be an °everlasting covenant with them: and I will ¹⁴place them, and multiply them, and will set My sanctuary in the midst of them for evermore.

27 My °tabernacle also shall be with them: yea, I will be ²³their ²³God, and they shall be ²³My People.

28 And the ²¹heathen °shall know that ³the LORD do sanctify Israel, °when My sanctuary shall be in the midst of them °for evermore.'''

Y V (p. 1161) 38 And the word of °the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 °“Son of man, set thy face against °Gog, °the land of Magog, °the chief prince of °Meshech and Tubal, and prophesy against him,

3 And say, ‘Thus saith °the Lord GOD; °Behold, I am against thee, O ²Gog, °the chief prince of °Meshech and Tubal:

W 4 And I will °turn thee back, and °put hooks into thy jaws, and I will bring thee forth, and all thine °army, horses and horsemen, all of them clothed with all sorts of armour, even a great °company with bucklers and shields, all of them handling swords:

5 Persia, °Ethiopia, and °Libya with them; all of them with shield and helmet:

6 °Gomer, and all his bands; the house of °Togarmah of the north quarters, and all his °bands: and many °people with thee.

7 Be thou prepared, and prepare for thyself, thou, and all thy °company that are assembled unto thee, and °be thou a guard unto them.

X x 8 °After many days thou shalt be visited: in °the latter years thou shalt come into the land that is brought back from the sword, and is gathered out of many °people, against the mountains of Israel, which have been always waste: but it is brought forth out of the nations, and they shall dwell °safely all of them.

9 Thou shalt ascend and come like a storm, thou shalt be like a cloud to cover the land, thou, and all thy °bands, and many °people with thee.’

10 Thus saith °the Lord GOD; ‘It shall also come to pass, that at the same time shall °things come into thy mind, and thou shalt °think an °evil thought:

11 And thou shalt say, ‘I will go up to the land of °unwalled villages; I will go to them that are at rest, that dwell °safely, all of them dwelling without walls, and having neither bars nor gates,

12 °To take a spoil, and to take a prey;’ to turn thine hand upon the desolate places that

26 covenant of peace. Cp. 34. 25. everlasting covenant. See notes on Gen. 9. 16, and Isa. 44. 7.

27 tabernacle. Heb. *mishkân*. See Ap. 42. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 11, 12). Ap. 92.

28 shall know. See note on 6. 10. when, &c.=by the existence of My sanctuary in, &c.

for evermore. Therefore this prophecy yet awaits its fulfilment.

38. 1—39. 29 (Y, p. 1156). JUDGMENTS ON ENEMIES. (GOG.) (Alternations.)

Y V | 38. 1-3. Gog.

W | 38. 4-7. Repulsed.

X | x | 38. 8-16-. Invasion.

y | 38. -16. Purpose.

z | 38. 17-22. Invasion.

y | 38. 23. Purpose.

V | 39. 1. Gog.

W | 39. 2, 3. Repulse.

X | z | 39. 4-6. Fall.

a | 39. 7. Purpose.

z | 39. 8-21. Spoliation.

a | 39. 22-29. Purpose.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 Son of man. See note on 2. 1.

Gog. A symbolical name for the nations north and east of Palestine, or the nations as a whole. That the prophecies of chs. 38 and 39 are still future is clear from 38. 8, 14, 16; 39. 9, 25, 26; as Israel will have then already been “gathered”, and complete restoration enjoyed immediately following the destruction of Gog: “Now will I bring again the captivity of Israel”. It must therefore precede the Millennium; and on that account must be distinguished from Rev. 20. 8, 10; and may therefore perhaps be identified with Rev. 16. 14; 17. 14; 19. 17-21. Cp. Matt. 24. 14-30. Zech. 12. 1-4. It marks the climax of Satan’s effort to destroy Israel from being a People, and clearly belongs to the close of a yet future kingdom age. See 38. 8, &c., above). The name is connected with “Og” (Deut. 3. 1-13), and “Agag” (Num. 24. 7), where the Samaritan Pent. reads “Agog”, and the Sept. reads “Gog”. Here the Arabic reads “Agag”. The historical interpretation of this prophecy is confessedly impossible.

the land of Magog=of the land of the Magog. If “Gog” denotes and symbolises all that is powerful, gigantic, and proud, then “Magog” is symbolical of the same lands and peoples. Magog was a son of Japheth.

the chief prince=the head, or leader of *Rosh*. Heb. *Rosh*, which may point to Russia.

Meshech and Tubal. The Sept. renders these *Mesoch* and *Thobel*: i.e. the *Moschi* and *Tibareni*, occupying regions about the Caucasus. All these are nations distant from Palestine: not near nations, or nations connected by consanguinity. They were also descended from Japheth (Gen. 10. 2).

3 the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See note on 2. 4.

Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

4 turn thee back: or, lead thee away enticingly. Cp. Isa. 47. 10 (perverted). Jer. 50. 6. See the Oxford *Gesenius*.

army. Heb. “power”; put by Fig. *Metonymy*

company=gathered host. Cp. 16. 40.

5 Ethiopia

Libya=Phut. Cp. 27. 10; 30. 5. These were descended from Ham (Gen. 10. 6).

6 Gomer.

North of Asia Minor; also descended from Japheth (Gen. 10. 3).

Togarmah=Armenia. Cp. 27. 14.

Also descended from Japheth (Gen. 10. 3).

bands=hordes. people=peoples.

company. So (sing.) in many codices and seven early printed editions; but some codices, with three early

printed editions, read pl. See note on v. 4.

be thou a guard, &c. Sept. reads “thou wilt be for

Me a guard.” 8 After many days. Pointing to a then, and yet future time, when Israel shall

have been recently “gathered”, and before the Restoration is perfected. the latter years.

See notes above and on v. 2. safely=confidently. 10 things=words, or matters.

think an evil thought=devise a mischievous device. Cp. Dan. 11. 44, 45. evil. Heb. *rā’ā’*.

Ap. 44. viii. 11 unwalled villages=mere hamlets. 12 To take a spoil, &c. The Heb.

exhibits the Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6) = “To spoil a spoil and to prey a prey”. Cp. Ps. 83. 4, &c.

put hooks, &c. Cp. Isa. 37. 29. Heb. “curbs”.

(of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for army, as translated.

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477 are now inhabited, and °upon the °People that are gathered out of the nations, which have gotten cattle and goods, that dwell in the °midst of the °land.

13 °Sheba, and Dedan, and the merchants of Tarshish, with all the young lions thereof, shall say unto thee, 'Art thou come to take a spoil? hast thou gathered thy °company to take a prey? to carry away silver and gold, to take away cattle and goods, to take a great spoil?'

14 Therefore, °son of man, prophesy and say unto °Gog, 'Thus saith °the Lord GOD; 'In that day when My °People of Israel dwelleth °safely, °shalt thou not know it?

15 And thou shalt come from thy place out of the north parts, thou, and many °people with thee, all of them riding upon horses, a great °company, and a mighty army;

16 And thou shalt come up against My °People of Israel, as a cloud to cover the land; it shall be °in the latter days, and I will bring thee against My land,

y that °the °heathen may know Me, °when I shall be sanctified in thee, O °Gog, before their eyes.

17 Thus saith °the Lord GOD; 'Art thou he of whom I have spoken in old time by My servants the prophets of Israel, which prophesied in those days many years that I would bring thee against them?

18 And it shall come to pass at °the same time when °Gog shall come against °the land of Israel, °saith °the Lord GOD, that My fury shall come up in My face.

19 For in My jealousy and in the fire of My wrath have I spoken, Surely in that day there shall be a great °shaking in °the land of Israel;

20 So that the fishes of the sea, and the fowls of the heaven, and the beasts of the field, and all creeping things that creep upon the earth, and all the men that are upon the face of the earth, shall °shake at My presence, and the mountains shall be thrown down, and the steep places shall °fall, and every wall shall fall to the ground.

21 And I will call for a sword against him throughout all My mountains, °saith °the Lord GOD: °every man's sword shall be against his brother.

22 And I will plead against him with pestilence and with blood; and I will rain upon him, and upon his bands, and upon the many °people that are with him, an overflowing rain, and °great hailstones, fire, and brimstone.

y 23 Thus will I magnify Myself, and sanctify Myself; and I will be known in the eyes of many nations, and °they shall know that I am °the LORD.'

y 39 °Therefore, thou °son of man, prophesy against °Gog, and say, 'Thus saith °the Lord GOD; °Behold, I am against thee, O °Gog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal:

w 2 And I will °turn thee back, and °leave but the sixth part of thee, and will cause thee to

upon=against. A special various reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 34) reads "over".

People: i.e. Israel, as in 39. 13; not in vv. 6, 8, 9, 15, 22. midst. Heb.=navel. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the middle.

land=earth. Heb. *'eret*. Cp. v. 18. Of which Palestine is in the centre, politically and morally, if not exactly geographically.

13 Sheba, &c. These are some who protest.

14 shalt thou not know it? The Sept. reads "wilt thou not rouse thyself?"

16 in the latter days=in the end of days. Still future. See notes on vv. 2 and 8.

the heathen may know, &c. See note on 6. 10.

heathen=nations.

when I shall be sanctified, &c.: or, by My hallowing Myself, &c.

18 the same time=that day.

the land of Israel=on the soil of Israel. Heb. *'admath*. See note on 11. 17.

saith the Lord GOD=[is] Adonai Jehovah's oracle.

19 shaking=trembling. 20 fall=sink down.

21 every man's. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

22 great hailstones. As in Josh. 10. 11.

23 they shall know, &c. See note on 6. 10.

39. 1 Therefore, &c. See the Structure, p. 1161. son of man. See note on 2. 1.

Gog, &c. See note on 38. 2.

the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See note on 2. 4. Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

2 turn thee back. See note on 38. 4.

leave but the sixth part of thee=and will lead thee on. This being from the root *shasha*=to lead; not *shesh*=six.

upon the mountains of Israel. The others will be smitten in their own lands.

4 people=peoples. Some codices, with Aram. and Syr., read "many peoples". Cp. 38. 22.

5 saith the Lord GOD=[is] Adonai Jehovah's oracle.

6 isles=coasts, or maritime lands.

they shall know, &c. See note on 6. 10.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

7 holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

name. See note on Ps. 20. 1.

pollute=profane. heathen=nations.

shall know, &c. See note on 6. 10.

come up from the north parts, and will bring thee °upon the mountains of Israel:

3 And I will smite thy bow out of thy left hand, and will cause thine arrows to fall out of thy right hand.

4 Thou shalt fall °upon the mountains of Israel, thou, and all thy bands, and the °people that is with thee: I will give thee unto the ravenous birds of every sort, and to the beasts of the field to be devoured.

5 Thou shalt fall upon the open field: for I have spoken it, °saith °the Lord GOD.

6 And I will send a fire on Magog, and among them that dwell carelessly in the °isles: and °they shall know that I am °the LORD.

7 So will I make My °holy °name known in the midst of My People Israel; and I will not let them °pollute My °holy name any more: and the °heathen °shall know that I am °the LORD, the °Holy One in Israel.

8 Behold, it is come, and it is done, °saith °the Lord GOD; this is the day whereof I have spoken.

9 And they that dwell in the cities of Israel shall go forth, and shall set on fire and burn the weapons, both the shields and the buck-

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lers, the bows and the arrows, and the hand-staves, and the spears, and they shall burn them with fire seven years:

10 So that they shall take no wood out of the field, neither cut down *any* out of the forests; for they shall burn the weapons with fire: and they shall spoil those that spoiled them, and °rob those that robbed them, °saith °the Lord GOD.

11 And it shall come to pass °in that day, that I will give unto °Gog a place there of °graves in Israel, the valley of the passengers on the east of the sea: and it °shall stop the noses of the passengers: and there shall they bury °Gog and all his multitude: and they shall call it The valley of °Hamon-gog.

12 And seven months shall the house of Israel be burying of them, that they may cleanse the land.

13 Yea, all the People of the land shall bury them; and it shall be to them a renown the day that I shall be glorified, °saith °the Lord GOD.

14 And they shall sever out °men of continual employment, passing through the land to bury with the passengers those that remain upon the face of the earth, to cleanse it: after the end of seven months shall they search.

15 And the passengers that pass through the land, when *any* seeth a °man's bone, then shall he set up a sign by it, till the buriers have buried it in the valley of °Hamon-gog.

16 And also the name of the city shall be °Hamonah. Thus shall they cleanse the land."

17 And, thou °son of man, thus saith °the Lord GOD; "Speak unto every feathered fowl, and to every beast of the field, Assemble yourselves, and come; gather yourselves on every side to My sacrifice that I do sacrifice for you, even a great sacrifice °upon the mountains of Israel, that ye may eat flesh, and drink blood.

18 Ye shall eat the flesh of the mighty, and drink the blood of the °princes of the earth, of rams, of lambs, and of goats, of bullocks, all of them fatlings of Bashan.

19 And ye shall eat fat till ye be full, and drink blood till ye be drunken, of My sacrifice which I have sacrificed for you.

20 Thus ye shall be filled at My table with horses and chariots, with mighty men, and with all men of war, °saith °the Lord GOD.

21 And I will set My glory among the °heathen, and all the °heathen shall see My judgment that I have executed, and My hand that I have laid upon them.

22 So the house of Israel shall know that I am °the LORD their °God from that day and forward.

23 And the °heathen shall know that the house of Israel went into captivity for their °iniquity: because they °trespassed against Me, therefore hid I My face from them, and gave them into the hand of their enemies: so fell they all by the sword.

24 According to their uncleanness and according to their °transgressions have I done unto them, and hid My face from them.

25 Therefore' thus saith °the Lord GOD; "Now will I bring again the captivity of Jacob, and have mercy upon the whole house of Israel, and will be jealous for My °holy °name;

10 rob = make a prey.

11 in. The 1611 edition of the A.V. reads "at". graves = sepulture. Sept. and Vulg. read "memorial for burial".

shall stop . . . passengers = obstructeth, or arresteth, the passengers. Probably on account of its depth.

Hamon-gog = the multitude of Gog.

14 men of continual employment = constantly.

men. Heb. pl. of 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

15 man's. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.

16 Hamonah = "to the multitude".

18 princes = leaders.

22 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

23 iniquity. Heb. 'āvāh. Ap. 44. iv.

trespassed = committed treachery. Heb. mā'al. Ap. 44. xi.

24 transgressions = rebellions. Heb. pāsha'. Ap. 44. ix.

25 Now: i.e. after the destruction of Gog; i.e. after the "gathering" but before the final "Restoration", and therefore before the Millennium. See note on 38. 2.

26 After, &c. Another note of time, determining the fulfilment of the prophecy concerning Gog.

trespasses = treachery. Heb. mā'al, as in v. 23.

safely = confidently.

in their land — on their soil.

27 When. Another mark of time.

29 Neither . . . any more. Another mark of time. poured out, &c. See Joel 2. 28. Another mark of time.

spirit. Heb. rūach. Ap. 9.

40. 1—48. 35 (Z, p. 1156). THE RESTORATION. (Alternation.)

Z	A		40. 1—44. 31. The House.
	B		45. 1—46. 18. The Land.
	A		46. 19—24. The House.
	B		47. 1—48. 35. The Land.

40. 1—44. 31 (A, above). THE HOUSE. (Repeated and Extended Alternation.)

A	C ¹	D ¹		40. 1-3. Visions of God.
		E ¹		40. 4. Injunctions.
		F ¹		40. 5—42. 20. The House. Itself.
	C ²	D ²		43. 1-6. The Glory. Returning.
		E ²		43. 7-12. Injunctions.
		F ²		43. 13-27. The House. Its altar.
	C ³	D ³		44. 1-4. The Glory. Abiding.
		E ³		44. 5-8. Injunctions.
		F ³		44. 9-31. The House. Its Ministers.

1 the five and twentieth year. See table on p. 1105. the beginning. Probably Abib or Nisan.

26 °After that they have borne their shame, and all their °trespasses whereby they have °trespassed against Me, when they dwelt °safely °in their land, and none made them afraid.

27 °When I have brought them again from the °people, and gathered them out of their enemies' lands, and am sanctified in them in the sight of many nations;

28 Then °shall they know that I am °the LORD their °God, which caused them to be led into captivity among the °heathen: but I have gathered them unto their own land, and have left none of them any more there.

29 °Neither will I hide My face °any more from them: for I have °poured out My °spirit upon the house of Israel, °saith °the Lord GOD."

40 In °the five and twentieth year of our captivity, in °the beginning of the year, in the tenth day of the month, in the

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fourteenth year after that ° the city was smitten, in the selfsame day ° the hand of ° the LORD was upon me, and brought me thither.

2 In the °visions of ° God brought He me into ° the land of Israel, and set me ° upon a very high mountain, ° by which was as the ° frame of a city on the south.

3 And He brought me thither, and, ° behold, there was a ° man, whose appearance was like the appearance of brass, with a line of flax in his hand, and a measuring ° reed; and he stood in the gate.

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4 And the ° man said unto me, ° “Son of man, behold with thine eyes, and hear with thine ears, and set thine heart upon all that I shall shew thee; for to the intent that I might shew them unto thee art thou brought hither: declare all that thou seest to the house of Israel.”

F¹ G K¹

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5 And ° behold a wall ° on the outside of ° the house round about, and in the ° man's hand a measuring reed of six ° cubits long by the ° cubit and an hand breadth: so ° he measured the breadth of the ° building, one ° reed; and the height, one ° reed.

6 Then came he unto the gate which looketh toward the east, and went up the stairs thereof, and measured the threshold of the gate, which was one ° reed broad; and ° the other threshold of the gate, which was one ° reed broad.

7 And every ° little chamber was one ° reed long, and one ° reed broad; and between the little chambers were five cubits; and the threshold of the gate by the porch of the gate ° within was one ° reed.

8 ° He measured also the porch of the gate within, one ° reed.

9 Then measured he the porch of the gate, eight ° cubits; and the ° posts thereof, two ° cubits; and the porch of the gate was ° inward.

10 And the ° little chambers of the gate eastward were three on this side, and three on that side; they three were of one measure: and the ° posts had one measure on this side and on that side.

11 And he measured the breadth of the ° entry of the gate, ten ° cubits; and the ° length of the gate, thirteen ° cubits.

12 The ° space also before the ° little chambers was one ° cubit on this side, and the space was one ° cubit on that side: and the ° little chambers were six ° cubits on this side, and six ° cubits on that side.

13 He measured then the gate from the roof of one ° little chamber to the roof of another: the breadth was five and twenty ° cubits, ° door against ° door.

14 He ° made also ° posts of threescore ° cubits, even unto the ° post of the court round about the gate.

15 And from the ° face of the gate of the entrance unto the face of the porch of the inner gate were fifty ° cubits.

16 And there were ° narrow windows to the ° little chambers, and to their ° posts within the gate round about, and likewise to the ° arches: and windows were round about ° inward: and ° upon each ° post were ° palm trees.

K² L¹ b¹

17 Then brought he me into the outward

the city was smitten. The fall of Jerusalem is thus fixed as happening in the eleventh year of the captivity. See the table on p. 1105.

the hand. Cp. 3. 14.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II

2 visions of God. Cp. 1. 1; 8. 3; 43. 3.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

the land of Israel. One of the three occurrences in Ezekiel with 'eret^s instead of 'admath. See notes on 27. 17; and cp. note on 11. 17.

upon a very high mountain. Cp. 17. 22, 23. Isa. 2. 2.

by: or, upon. frame = fabric, or structure.

3 behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

reed. See Ap. 51. III. 2 (2).

4 Son of man. See note on 2. 1.

40. 5-42. 20 (F¹, p. 1163). THE HOUSE ITSELF. (Extended Alternation.)

F¹ | G | 40. 5-43. The Inclosures.

H | 40. 44-46. The Priests' rooms.

J | 40. 47. The Court. Its size and shape.

G | 40. 48-41. 26. The Inner House, or Temple.

H | 42. 1-14. The Priests' rooms.

J | 42. 15-20. The outer place. Its size and shape.

40. 5-43 (G, above). THE INCLOSURES. (Division.)

G | K¹ | 5-16. The Outer Wall and Gates.

K² | 17-43. The Outer and Inner Courts.

5 behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

on the: or, went on.

the house: i.e. the Temple.

cubits. See Ap. 51. III. 2 (1).

he measured. In all the measurements the unit is one-seventh longer than Solomon's Temple, pointing to the eighth, the day of God. Seven speaks of completion. Eight speaks of a new beginning (see Ap. 10). In "the day of God" all things will be new.

building: i.e. the wall and its contents.

6 the other: viz. that mentioned in v. 7.

7 little. This word may well be omitted.

within. R.V. = toward the house.

8 He measured, &c. Verse 8 is not found in the Sept., Syr., or Vulg. It may be the latter clause of v. 7 copied again through human infirmity.

9 posts: or projections, coigns or small turrets.

inward = toward [the house].

11 entry = entrance, or doorway.

length = extent, or way.

12 space = barrier, border, or parapet.

13 door = entrance.

14 made: or, measured.

15 face = front.

16 narrow = latticed. Cp. 41. 16, 26. 1 Kings 6. 4.

arches = projections, or porches.

inward: or, within. upon = against.

palm trees. Artificial. Cp. 41. 18.

40. 17-43 (K², above). THE OUTER AND INNER COURT. (Repeated and Extended Alternation.)

K ²	L ¹	b ¹ 17-22-. North Gate.	The Outer Court.
		c ¹ -22. Seven steps.	
		d ¹ 23. Opposite Inner Gate.	
L ²	b ² 24, 25. South Gate.	c ² 26. Seven steps.	The Inner Court.
		d ² 27. Opposite Inner Gate.	
		c ³ 29, 30. Chambers, &c.	
L ³	b ³ 28. South Gate.	d ³ 31. Porches. Eight steps.	The Inner Court.
		c ⁴ 32. East Gate.	
		d ⁴ 33. Chambers, &c.	
L ⁴	b ⁴ 32. East Gate.	c ⁵ 34. Porches. Eight steps.	The Inner Court.
		d ⁵ 35. North Gate.	
		c ⁶ 36. Chambers, &c.	
L ⁵	b ⁵ 35. North Gate.	d ⁶ 37-43. Porches. Eight steps.	The Inner Court.
		c ⁷ 38. Chambers, &c.	
		d ⁷ 39. Porches. Eight steps.	

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court, and, ^olo, *there were* ^ochambers, and a ^opavement made for the court round about: ^othirty ^ochambers *were upon the* ^opavement.

18 And the ¹⁷pavement by the ^oside of the gates ^oover against the length of the gates *was the lower pavement.*

19 Then he measured the breadth from the forefront of the lower gate unto the forefront of the inner court ^owithout, an hundred ⁵cubits eastward and northward.

20 And the gate of the outward court that looked toward the north, he measured the length thereof, and the breadth thereof.

21 And the ⁷little chambers thereof *were three on this side and three on that side; and the* ⁹posts thereof and the ¹⁶arches thereof *were after the measure of the first gate: the length thereof was fifty* ⁵cubits, and the breadth five and twenty ⁵cubits.

22 And their windows, and their ¹⁶arches, and their ¹⁶palm trees, *were after the measure of the gate that looketh toward the east;*

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c¹ and they went up unto it by ^oseven steps; and the ¹⁶arches thereof *were before them.*

d¹

23 And the gate of the inner court *was over against the gate toward the north, and toward the east; and he measured from gate to gate an hundred* ⁵cubits.

L³ b³

24 After that he brought me toward the south, and behold a gate toward the south: and he measured the ⁹posts thereof and the ¹⁶arches thereof according to ^othese measures.

25 And *there were* windows in it and in the arches thereof round about, like those windows: the length *was fifty* ⁵cubits, and the breadth five and twenty ⁵cubits.

c³

26 And *there were* ²²seven steps to go up to it, and the arches thereof *were before them; and it had* ¹⁶palm trees, one on this side, and another on that side, upon the ⁹posts thereof.

d³

27 And *there was* a gate in the inner court toward the south: and he measured from gate to gate toward the south an hundred ⁵cubits.

L³ b³

28 And he brought me to the inner court by the south gate: and he measured the south gate according to ²⁴these measures;

c³

29 And the ⁷little chambers thereof, and the posts thereof, and the ¹⁶arches thereof, according to ²⁴these measures: and *there were* windows in it and in the ¹⁶arches thereof round about: *it was fifty* ⁵cubits long, and five and twenty ⁵cubits broad.

d³

31 And the ¹⁶arches thereof *were toward the* ^outter court; and ¹⁶palm trees *were upon the* ⁹posts thereof: and the ^ogoing up to it *had* ^oeight steps.

L⁴ b⁴

32 And he brought me into the inner court toward the east: and he measured the gate according to ²⁴these measures.

c⁴

33 And the ⁷little chambers thereof, and the ⁹posts thereof, and the ¹⁶arches thereof, *were according to* ²⁴these measures: and *there were* windows therein and in the ¹⁶arches thereof

17 lo. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

chambers=attachments. Always rendered "chambers", except 1 Sam. 9. 22, where it is "parlour". These chambers or storerooms are for the priests and Levites, and for the tithes and offerings. Not the same word as in vv. 7, 10, 12, 12, 13, 16, 21, 29, 33, 36; but the same as vv. 38, 44, 45, 46. See note on 41. 5.

pavement. Stones ranged artificially. Probably tessellated. Cp. John 19. 13.

thirty. Probably ten on each of the three sides of the court, in clusters of five on each of the sides of the three gates.

18 side=shoulder. over against. Or, all along.

19 without=from without.

22 seven steps. These are the steps to the outer gates, and distinct from the "eight" of the inner court. Neither have anything to do with the fifteen steps of the "Songs of the Degrees". See Ap. 67.

24 these measures. This phrase is repeated in vv. 28, 29, 32, 33, 35: showing the conformity of the whole plan.

31 utter=outer. going up=ascent.

eight steps. These were in the inner court. See note on "seven", v. 22.

38 washed. Or, took out the entrails of. burnt offering. See Ap. 43. II. ii. See note on "ordinances", 43. 18.

39 sin offering. See Ap. 43. II. v.

trespass offering. See Ap. 43. II. vi.

41 they slew, &c.=their slaying [was done].

42 hewn stone. The other eight (v. 41) were probably of wood.

43 hooks=the ranges.

round about: *it was fifty* ⁵cubits long, and five and twenty ⁵cubits broad.

34 And the ¹⁶arches thereof *were toward the* outward court; and ¹⁶palm trees *were upon the* ⁹posts thereof, on this side, and on that side: and the going up to it *had* ³¹eight steps.

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35 And he brought me to the north gate, and measured *it* according to ²⁴these measures;

L⁵ b⁵

36 The ⁷little chambers thereof, the posts thereof, and the ¹⁶arches thereof, and the windows to it round about: the length *was fifty* ⁵cubits, and the breadth five and twenty ⁵cubits.

c⁵

37 And the ⁹posts thereof *were toward the* utter court; and ¹⁶palm trees *were upon the* ⁹posts thereof, on this side, and on that side: and the going up to it *had* ³¹eight steps.

d⁵

38 And the ¹⁷chambers and the entries thereof *were by the* ⁹posts of the gates, where they ^owashed the ^oburnt offering.

39 And in the porch of the gate *were two* tables on this side, and two tables on that side, to slay thereon the ³⁸burnt offering and the ^osin offering and the ^otrespass offering.

40 And at the side without, as one goeth up to the entry of the north gate, *were two* tables; and on the other side, which *was at the porch of the gate, were two* tables.

41 Four tables *were on this side, and four* tables on that side, by the side of the gate; eight tables, whereupon ^othey slew *their sacrifices.*

42 And the four tables *were of* ^ohewn stone for the ³⁸burnt offering, of a ⁵cubit and an half long, and a ⁵cubit and an half broad, and one ⁵cubit high: whereupon also they laid the instruments wherewith they slew the ³⁸burnt offering and the sacrifice.

43 And within *were* ^ohooks, an hand broad,

465 fastened round about: and upon the tables was the flesh of the °offering.

H e (p. 1166) 44 And without the inner gate were the 17 chambers of the singers in the inner court, which was at the 18 side of the north gate; and their prospect was toward the south:

f one at the side of the east gate having the prospect toward the north.

e 45 And he said unto me, "This 17 chamber, whose prospect is toward the south, is for the priests, the keepers of the charge of the house.

f 46 And the 17 chamber whose prospect is toward the north is for the priests, the keepers of the charge of the altar: these are the sons of °Zadok among the sons of Levi, which come near to 1 the LORD to minister unto Him."

J (p. 1164) 47 So he measured the court, an hundred 5 cubits long, and an hundred 5 cubits broad, °foursquare; and the altar that was before the house.

G M g (p. 1166) 48 And he brought me to the °porch of the house, and measured each 9 post of the porch, five 5 cubits on this side, and five 5 cubits on that side: and the breadth of the gate was three 5 cubits on this side, and three 5 cubits on that side.

49 The length of the porch was twenty 5 cubits, and the breadth eleven 5 cubits; and he brought me by the steps whereby they went up to it: and there were pillars by the 9 posts, one on this side, and another on that side.

h 41 Afterward he brought me to the °temple, and measured the °posts, six °cubits broad on the one side, and six °cubits broad on the other side, °which was the breadth of the °tabernacle.

2 And the breadth of the °door was ten 1 cubits; and the °sides of the °door were five 1 cubits on the one side, and five 1 cubits on the other side: and he measured the length thereof, forty 1 cubits: and the breadth, twenty 1 cubits.

3 Then went he inward, and measured the 1 post of the door, two 1 cubits; and the 2 door, six 1 cubits; and the breadth of the 2 door, seven 1 cubits.

N 4 So he measured the length thereof, twenty 1 cubits; and the breadth, twenty 1 cubits, before the 1 temple: and he said unto me, "This is °the most holy place."

M g 5 After he measured the wall of the house, six 1 cubits; and the breadth of every °side chamber, four 1 cubits, round about the house on every side.

6 And the 5 side chambers were three, one over another, and thirty in order; and they entered into the wall which was of the house for the 5 side chambers round about, that they might have hold, but they had not hold in the wall of the house.

7 And there was °an enlarging, and a winding about still upward to the 5 side chambers: for the winding about of the house went still upward round about the house: therefore the breadth of the house was still upward, and so

offering = corban.

40. 44 46 (H, p. 1164). THE PRIESTS' ROOMS. (Alternation.)

H e | 44-. South Prospect. } Situation.
f | -44. North Prospect. }
e | 45. South Prospect. } Use.
f | 46. North Prospect. }

46 Zadok among = Zadok: those from.

47 foursquare. Cp. 48. 20 and Rev. 21. 16.

40. 48-41. 26 (G, p. 1164). THE INNER HOUSE. (Alternations.)

G M | g | 40. 48, 49. The Porch.
h | 41. 1-3. The Temple.
N | 41. 4. The Most Holy Place.
M | g | 41. 5-11. The Porch.
h | 41. 12-15. The Temple.
N | 41. 16-26. The Most Holy Place.

48 porch = vestibule.

41. 1 temple = palace. Heb. *heykāl*.

posts = projections. The Sept. reads "post." cubits. See Ap. 51. III. 2 (1).

which was. Omit these words, and commence v. 2 with the clause which follows.

tabernacle = tent. Heb. *'ohel*. See Ap. 40. 3.

2 door = entrance. sides = shoulders.

4 the most holy place = the Holy of Holies.

5 side chamber. Not the same word for "chamber" as in v. 10 and ch. 40. 7, 7, 10, 12, 12, 13, 16, 21, 29, 33, 36 (which is *tā'*); or in 40. 17, 17, 38, 44, 45, 46; or in 42. 1, 4, 5, 7, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 13, 13; or in 44. 19; 45. 5; 46. 15 (which is *lishkāh* = a storeroom).

7 an enlarging = a broadening.

8 the height of the house = that the house had an elevation or platform. reed. See Ap. 51. III. 2 (3).

10 chambers = storerooms. Heb. *lishkāh*. See note on v. 5.

15 galleries. Heb. *'attik*. Occurs only here, v. 16, and 42. 3, 5. Probably from *natak*, to cut away, but in what sense is obscure. Perhaps balconies.

increased from the lowest chamber to the highest by the midst.

8 I saw also °the height of the house round about: the foundations of the 5 side chambers were a full °reed of six great 1 cubits.

9 The thickness of the wall, which was for the 5 side chamber without, was five 1 cubits: and that which was left was the place of the 5 side chambers that were within.

10 And between the °chambers was the wideness of twenty 1 cubits round about the house on every side.

11 And the 2 doors of the 5 side chambers were toward the place that was left, one door toward the north, and another 2 door toward the south: and the breadth of the place that was left was five 1 cubits round about.

12 Now the building that was before the separate place at the end toward the west was seventy 1 cubits broad; and the wall of the building was five 1 cubits thick round about, and the length thereof ninety 1 cubits.

13 So he measured the house, an hundred 1 cubits long; and the separate place, and the building, with the walls thereof, an hundred 1 cubits long;

14 Also the breadth of the face of the house, and of the separate place toward the east, an hundred 1 cubits.

15 And he measured the length of the building over against the separate place which was behind it, and the °galleries thereof on the one

467 side and on the other side, an hundred ¹ cubits, with the inner temple, and the porches of the court;

N O i 16 The ° door posts, and the ° narrow win-
(p. 1167) dows, and the ¹⁵ galleries round about on their three stories, over against the ² door, ° ciele with wood round about, and from the ground up to the windows, and the windows were covered;

17 To that above the ² door, even unto the inner house, and without, and by all the wall round about within and without, ° by measure.

k 18 And it was made with ° cherubims and ° palm trees, so that a ° palm tree was between a cherub and a cherub; and every cherub had two faces;

19 So that the face of a ° man was toward the palm tree on the one side, and the face of a young lion toward the palm tree on the other side: it was made through all the house round about.

20 From the ground unto above the ² door were cherubims and palm trees made, ° and on the wall of ° the temple.

21 The ° posts of ²⁰ the temple were squared, and the face of the sanctuary; the appearance of the one as the appearance of the other.

P 22 The altar of wood was three ¹ cubits high, and the length thereof two ¹ cubits; and the corners thereof, and the length thereof, and the walls thereof, were of wood: and he said unto me, "This is the table that is before ° the LORD."

O i 23 And the temple and the sanctuary had two doors.

24 And the doors had two leaves *apiece*, two turning leaves; two leaves for the one door, and two leaves for the other door.

k 25 And there were made on them, on the doors of the temple, ¹⁸ cherubims and ¹⁸ palm trees, like as were made upon the walls; and there were thick planks upon the face of the porch without.

26 And there were ¹⁶ narrow windows and palm trees on the one side and on the other side, on the ² sides of the porch, and upon the ⁵ side chambers of the house, and thick planks.

H Q¹ 42 Then he brought me forth into the ° utter court, the way toward the north: and he brought me into the ° chamber that was over against the separate place, and which was before the building toward the north.

2 Before the length of an hundred ° cubits was the north ° door, and the breadth was fifty ° cubits.

3 Over against the twenty cubits which were for the inner court, and over against the ° pavement which was for the ¹ utter court, was ° gallery against ° gallery in three stories.

4 And before the ¹ chambers was a walk of ten ² cubits breadth inward, a way of one ² cubit; and their doors toward the north.

5 Now the upper ¹ chambers were shorter: for the ³ galleries ° were higher than these, than the lower, and than the middlemost of the building.

6 For they were in three stories, but had not

41. 16-26 (N, p. 1166). THE MOST HOLY PLACE.
(Introversion and Alternation.)

N O i | i | 16, 17. Walls.
k | 18-21. Cherubim.
P | 22. Altar of Wood.
O i | i | 23, 24. Doors.
k | 25, 26. Cherubim.

16 door posts = thresholds.

narrow = latticed. See note on 40. 16.

ciele = overlaid, panelled, or wainscoted.

17 by measure. Showing that every detail, however small, is important.

18 cherubims. See Ap. 41.

palm trees: i. e. artificial palm trees.

19 man. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.

20 and on the wall of the temple. Render: And as for the wall of the temple, the door-posts were squared; and, as for the face of the sanctuary, the appearance, &c. (as in v. 20).

the temple. This word has the extraordinary points (Ap. 31), the dots indicating that the word is repeated by mistake from v. 20.

21 posts = post. Sing. Only here and 1 Sam. 1. 9.

22 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

42. 1-14 (H, p. 1164). THE PRIESTS' ROOMS.
(Division.)

H | Q¹ | 1-12. The Rooms.
Q² | 13, 14. Their Uses.

1 utter = outer.

chamber = storeroom. Heb. *lishkāh*. See note on 40. 17.

2 cubits. See Ap. 51. III. 2 (1).

door = entrance.

3 pavement. See note on 40. 17.

gallery. See note on 41. 15.

5 were higher than = took away from.

8 lo. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

before the temple = towards the holy place.

9 from under these chambers = underneath were these chambers.

was the entry = the entrance [was].

11 fashions. Place a full stop here, and begin: "And according", &c.

pillars as the pillars of the courts: therefore the building was straitened more than the lowest and the middlemost from the ground.

7 And the wall that was without over against the ¹ chambers, toward the utter court on the forepart of the ¹ chambers, the length thereof was fifty ² cubits.

8 For the length of the ¹ chambers that were in the ¹ utter court was fifty ² cubits: and, ° lo, ° before the temple were an hundred ² cubits.

9 And ° from under these ¹ chambers ° was the entry on the east side, as one goeth into them from the ¹ utter court.

10 The ¹ chambers were in the thickness of the wall of the court toward the east, over against the separate place, and over against the building.

11 And the way before them was like the appearance of the ¹ chambers which were toward the north, as long as they, and as broad as they: and all their goings out were both according to their ° fashions, and according to their ² doors.

12 And according to the doors of the ¹ chambers that were toward the south was a ² door in the head of the way, even the way directly before the wall toward the east, as one entereth into them.

13 Then said he unto me, "The north ¹ chambers and the south ¹ chambers, which are

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465 before the separate place, they be ° holy ¹ chambers, ° where the priests that approach unto ° the LORD shall eat the most ° holy things: there shall they lay the most ° holy things, and the ° meat offering, and the ° sin offering, and the trespass offering; for the place is ° holy.

14 When the priests enter therein, then shall they not go out of the ¹³ holy place into the ¹ utter court, but there they shall lay their garments wherein they minister; for they are ¹³ holy; and shall put on other garments, and shall approach to those things which are for the people."

J 1 (p. 1168) 15 Now when he had made an end of measuring the inner house, he brought me forth toward the gate whose prospect is toward the east, and measured it round about.

m 16 He measured the east ° side with the measuring ° reed, five hundred ° reeds, with the measuring ° reed round about.

n 17 He measured the north ¹⁶ side, five hundred ¹⁶ reeds, with ° the measuring ¹⁶ reed round about.

n 18 He measured the south ¹⁶ side, five hundred reeds, with the measuring ¹⁶ reed.

m 19 He turned about to the ° west ¹⁶ side, and measured five hundred ¹⁶ reeds with the measuring ¹⁶ reed.

l 20 He measured it by the four ¹⁶ sides: it had a wall round about, five hundred reeds long, and five hundred broad, to make a separation between the sanctuary and the profane place.

C² D² (p. 1163) 43 Afterward he brought me to the gate, even the gate that looketh toward the east:

2 And, behold, ° the glory of ° the ° God of Israel came from the way of the east: and His voice was like a noise of many waters: and the earth shined with His glory.

3 And it was according to the appearance of the vision which I saw, even according to the vision ° that I saw when I came ° to destroy the city: and the visions were like the vision that I saw by the river Chebar; and I fell upon my face.

4 And the glory of ° the LORD came into ° the house by the way of ° the gate whose prospect is toward the east.

5 So the ° spirit took me up, and brought me into the inner court; and, behold, ² the glory of ° the LORD filled ° the house.

6 And I heard Him speaking unto me out of the house; and ° the man ° stood by me.

E² 7 And He said unto me, ° "Son of man, ° the place of My throne, and the place of the soles of My feet, ° where ° I will dwell in the midst of the ° children of Israel ° for ever; and My ° holy name, shall the house of Israel ° no more defile, neither they, nor their kings, by their ° whoredom, nor ° by the carcasses of their kings ° in their high places.

8 In their ° setting of their threshold by My thresholds, and their post ° by My posts, ° and the wall between Me and them, they have even defiled My ° holy name by their ° abominations that they have committed: wherefore I have consumed them in Mine anger.

13 holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

holy chambers = the chambers of the holy place. where, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 6. 16, 26; 24. 9). Ap. 92. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. meat offering = the gift offering. Heb. *minchah*. Ap. 43. II. iii. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 2. 3, &c.). Ap. 92. sin offering. Heb. *chattath*. Ap. 43. II. v.

42. 15-20 (J, p. 1164). THE OUTER PLACE. (Introversion.)

J | 1 | 15. The circumference.
m | 16. East side.
n | 17. North side.
n | 18. South side.
m | 19. West side.
l | 20. The circumference.

16 side = wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

reeds. See Ap. 51. III. 2 (3).

19 west. Heb. "sea", put for the "side" on which the sea was: i.e. the west.

43. 2 the glory. In 11. 23 he had seen this glory quitting the Temple.

the God of Israel. See note on Isa. 29. 23.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

3 that I saw. See 1. 28; 3. 23.

to destroy. Heb. idiom, by which the doer is said to do what he declares shall be done. See 9. 1, 5; note on Jer. 14. 8, 9; 20. 25.

4 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

the house. Not Solomon's Temple, but the Temple which he had been shown in vision (chs. 41 and 42).

the gate. Not the present gate on the east side of the Temple area, but that of the yet future Temple (40. 6; 42. 15; 44. 1; 46. 1).

5 spirit. See note on 8. 3. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

6 the man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

stood = was standing.

7 Son of man. See note on 2. 1.

the place of My throne. The *Ellipsis* must be thus supplied: "[This is] the place", &c. Not the ark, as in Solomon's Temple. There is no ark here.

where I will dwell, &c. See v. 9; 37. 26, 28; 48. 35. Pss. 68. 18; 132. 14. Joel 3. 17.

I will dwell, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 29. 45).

children = sons.

for ever. Showing that this prophecy yet waits for its fulfilment. holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

no more defile. Cp. 20. 39; 23. 38, 39; 39. 7. Hos. 14. 8. Zech. 13. 2; 14. 20, 21.

whoredom. Always put for idolatry, by the Fig. Metonymy (of the Subject), Ap. 6.

by the carcasses, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 30).

in their high places: or, in their death.

8 setting, &c. Cp. 5. 11; 8. 3-16; 23. 39; 44. 7. 2 Kings 16. 14, 15; 21. 4-7; 23. 11, 12. 2 Chron. 33. 4, 7.

by = close by, alongside of.

and the wall: or, "For [there was but a] wall".

abominations = idolatries.

10 Thou. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "Thou therefore". This is yet future, and involves the fulfilment of ch. 37, for Ezekiel and for the whole nation.

shew the house . . . let them measure. This will be the evidence, to the new nation, that all this prophecy, and Ezekiel's part in it, is of Jehovah.

iniquities. Heb. *'avah*. Ap. 44. iv.

pattern: or, plan, or arrangement.

9 Now let them put away their ° whoredom, and the carcasses of their kings, far from Me, and I will dwell in the midst of them for ever.

10 ° Thou son of man, ° shew the house to the house of Israel, that they may be ashamed of their ° iniquities: and ° let them measure the ° pattern.

11 And if they be ashamed of all that they have done, ¹⁰ shew them the form of the house,

465 and the fashion thereof, and the °goings out thereof, and the °comings in thereof, and all the °forms thereof, and all the ordinances thereof, and all the °forms thereof, and all the °laws thereof: and write *it* in their sight, that they may keep the whole form thereof, and all the ordinances thereof, and do them.

12 This °is the law of the house; °Upon the top of the mountain the whole limit thereof round about *shall be* °most °holy. °Behold, this °is the law of the house.

F² R¹
(p. 1169)

13 And these *are* the measures of °the altar after the °cubits: The °cubit *is* a °cubit and an hand breadth; even the bottom *shall be* a °cubit, and the breadth a °cubit, and the border thereof by the edge thereof round about *shall be* a span; and this *shall be* the °higher place of °the altar.

14 And from the °bottom *upon* the ground *even* to the lower °settle *shall be* two ¹³ cubits, and the breadth one ¹³ cubit; and from the lesser °settle *even* to the greater °settle *shall be* four ¹³ cubits, and the breadth one ¹³ cubit.

15 So °the altar *shall be* four ¹³ cubits; and from °the altar and upward *shall be* four horns.

16 And ¹⁵ the altar *shall be* twelve cubits long, twelve broad, square in the four squares thereof.

17 And the ¹⁴ settle *shall be* fourteen cubits long and fourteen broad in the four squares thereof; and the border about it *shall be* half a ¹³ cubit; and the bottom thereof *shall be* a ¹³ cubit about; and his °stairs shall look toward the east."

R² o 18 And he said unto me, "Son of man, °thus saith °the Lord GOD; 'These *are* °the ordinances of the altar °in the day when they shall make it, to offer °burnt offerings thereon, and to °sprinkle blood thereon.

19 And °thou shalt give to °the priests the Levites that be of the seed of Zadok, which approach unto Me, to minister unto Me, °saith ¹⁵ the Lord GOD, a young °bullock for a °sin offering.

20 And thou shalt take of the blood thereof, and put *it* on the four horns of it, and on the four corners of the ¹⁴ settle, and upon the border round about: thus shalt thou cleanse and purge it.

21 Thou shalt take the bullock also of the ¹⁹ sin offering, and °he shall burn it in the appointed place of the house, without the sanctuary.

p 22 And on the second day thou shalt offer a kid of the goats without blemish for a ¹⁹ sin offering; and they shall cleanse the altar, as they did cleanse *it* with the bullock.

23 When thou hast made an end of cleansing *it*, thou shalt offer a young bullock without blemish, and a ram out of the flock without blemish.

24 And thou shalt offer them before °the LORD, and the priests shall °cast salt upon them, and they shall offer them up for a burnt offering unto °the LORD.

o 25 Seven days shalt thou prepare every day a goat for a ¹⁹ sin offering: they shall also pre-

goings out = the exits.

comings in = the entrances.

forms = models, or visible forms. The word is found only in this verse. Heb. text written "form"; but marg. "forms".

laws. Heb. text written "law"; but marg. "laws". Some codices, with four early printed editions, read "laws" both in text and margin.

12 is. Supply "will be".

Upon, &c. Cp. 40. 2; 42. 20. Ps. 93. 5. Joel 3. 17. Zech. 14. 20, 21. Rev. 21. 27.

most holy = the holy of holies.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

Behold. Fig. Asterismos (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

43. 13-27 (F², p. 1163). THE ALTAR, ETC. (Division.)

F² | R¹ | 13-17. The Altar. Itself.

| R² | 18-27. The Altar. Its ordinances.

13 the altar. Heb. *mizbeach*. Same word as in v. 18; not the same as in vv. 15, 16.

cubits. See Ap. 51. III. 2 (1).

higher place = the pit: i.e. the ash-pit. Heb. *gab* = anything curved or convex, from *gabab* = hollow, hollowed out.

14 bottom = hollow.

settle = ledge. The Heb. word in this sense occurs only here, vv. 17, 20, and 45. 19. The altar will be thus narrowed at the top (twelve cubits square). The height and breadth will be the same as Solomon's, except that this will have these ledges for the priests to walk round.

15 the altar = the hearth. Heb. *ha har'el* = the mount of El. Not the same word as in v. 13.

17 stairs. Steps were forbidden in Ex. 20. 26: but may be permitted here.

43. 18-27 (R², above). THE ALTAR. ITS ORDINANCES. (Alternation.)

R ²	o 18-21. First day.	} Separate.
	p 22-24. Second day.	
	o 25, 26. Seven days.	} Collective.
	p 27. Eighth day.	

18 thus saith, &c. See note on 44. 9.

the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See note on 2. 4.

the ordinances of the altar. Compared with the Mosaic tabernacle, the ritual began with the consecration of the priests (Lev. 8. 1-10); here, they are already consecrated (vv. 19, 26). In Lev. 8. 11, the altar was anointed with the holy oil; here no anointing, and the priests are only from Zadok's line (cp. 40. 46; 44. 15). In Ex. 29. 36, a bullock offered on seven successive days; here only once, and on the other days a kid of the goats. The offerings here (vv. 18-27) are *National and Priestly* (the Priest representing the Nation); not *individual*, for there will be no day of atonement. The sacrifices will not therefore be as when under the law.

in the day. See Ap. 18. This day is yet future. burnt offerings. See Ap. 43. II. ii.

sprinkle, &c. = dash, or throw. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 1. 5). This expression is exclusively technical. Ap. 92. For the exceptions see 2 Chron. 34. 4. Job 2. 12. Isa. 28. 5. Cp. Ezek. 10. 2 and Hos. 7. 9.

19 thou. Testifying to the share of Ezekiel "in the day when", &c.

the priests the Levites. Referring to the distinction between the Levitical priests and all other priests (heathen, Israelitish, or tribal). See note on Deut. 17. 9.

saith the Lord GOD = [is] Jehovah's oracle.

bullock. See note on "ordinances", v. 18.

sin offering. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 29. 14). Ap. 92.

21 he shall burn it. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 29. 14).

24 cast salt. This was not done in this case under the Mosaic law. Cp. Lev. 2. 13. See Ap. 92.

465 pare a young bullock, and a ram out of the flock, without blemish.

26 Seven days shall they °purge the altar and purify it; and they shall °consecrate °themselves.

P (p. 1169) 27 And when these days are expired, it shall be, *that* upon the eighth day, and so forward, the priests shall make °your burnt offerings upon the altar, and your peace offerings; and °I will accept *you*, ¹⁹saith ¹⁸the Lord GOD."

C³ D³ (p. 1163) 44 Then he brought me back the way of °the gate of the outward sanctuary which looketh toward the east; and it was shut.

2 Then said °the LORD unto me; "This gate shall be shut, it shall not be opened, and no °man shall enter in by it; because °the LORD, °the °God of Israel, hath entered in by it, therefore it shall be shut.

3 °It is for °the prince; the prince, *he* shall sit in it to eat bread before ²the LORD; he shall enter by the way of the porch of *that* gate, and shall go out by the way of the same."

4 Then brought he me the way of the north gate before the house: and I looked, and, °behold, the glory of ²the LORD filled the house of ²the LORD: and I fell upon my face.

E³ 5 And ²the LORD said unto me, °"Son of man, °mark well, and behold with thine eyes, and hear with thine ears all that ³I say unto thee concerning all the °ordinances of the house of ²the LORD, and all the °laws thereof; and °mark well the °entering in of the house, with every °going forth of the sanctuary.

6 And thou shalt say to the °rebellious, *even* to the house of Israel, 'Thus saith °the Lord GOD; 'O ye house of Israel, let it suffice you of all your abominations,

7 In that ye have brought *into My sanctuary* °strangers, °uncircumcised in heart, and uncircumcised in flesh, to be in My sanctuary, to °pollute it, *even* My house, when ye °offer My bread, °the fat and the blood, and °they have broken My covenant because of all your abominations.

8 And °ye have not kept the charge of Mine °holy things: but ye have set keepers of My charge in My sanctuary for °yourselves.'

F³ S¹ T q (p. 1170) 9 °Thus saith °the Lord GOD; 'No °stranger, ⁷uncircumcised in heart, nor uncircumcised in flesh, shall enter into My sanctuary, of any °stranger that *is* among the °children of Israel.

10 And °the Levites that °are gone away far from Me, when Israel went astray, which went astray away from Me after their °idols; they shall even bear their °iniquity.

I 11 °Yet they shall be ministers in My sanctuary, *having* charge at the gates of the house, and ministering to the house: *they* shall slay the burnt offering and the sacrifice °for the People, and °*they* shall stand before them to minister unto them.

U 12 Because they ministered unto *them* before their ¹⁰idols, and °caused the house of Israel to fall into ¹⁰iniquity; therefore have I lifted up

26 purge=atone for.

consecrate. See note on Ex. 28. 41. Lev. 9. 17. themselves=it.

27 your . . . you: i.e. nationally, not individually. See note on "ordinance", &c., v. 18.

I will accept you. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 22. 27. Deut. 33. 11). Ap. 92.

44. 1 the gate of the outward sanctuary=the outer gate of the sanctuary.

2 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II. Therefore the prince of v. 3 is more than man: either the risen David, or the Messiah Himself.

the God of Israel. See note on Isa. 29. 23.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

3 It is for the prince; the prince. Heb. The Prince! as prince: i.e. the risen David, the Vice-regent of the Messiah (34. 23, 24; 37. 24, 25); or, the Messiah Himself. See note on "man", v. 2.

4 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

5 Son of man. See note on 2. 1.

mark well=set thine heart.

ordinances=statutes.

laws. Heb. text "law"; but marg. and some codices, with four early printed editions, read "laws".

entering in=entrance. going forth=outgoings.

6 rebellious. Heb. rebellion, put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for rebellious people.

the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See note on 2. 4.

7 strangers=aliens. Heb. "sons of the foreigner".

uncircumcised in heart. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 41. Deut. 10. 16). Ap. 92. Cp. Jer. 9. 25, 26.

pollute=profane. offer=bring near.

the fat and the blood. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 3. 16, 17).

they. Most of the ancient versions read "ye".

8 ye have not kept, &c. See 40. 46, &c.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

yourselves: i.e. your own pleasure.

44. 9-31 (F³, p. 1163). THE HOUSE. ITS ORDINANCES. (*Division*.)

F³ S¹ | 9-14. The Levites.
S² | 15-31. The Priests.

44. 9-14 (S¹, above). THE LEVITES. (*Introversion and Alternation*.)

S¹ | T | q | 9, 10. Prohibitions. (Negative.)
r | 11. Ministry. (Positive.)
U | 12. Reason.
T | q | 13. Prohibitions. (Negative.)
r | 14. Ministry. (Positive.)

9 Thus saith, &c. This emphatic commencement is repeated in 45. 9, 18; 46. 1, 16; 47. 13. Cp. 31. 10, 15; 43. 18. stranger=foreigner. children=sons.

10 the Levites. These are distinguished here from the priests (15-27); see S¹ and S², above and consult note on 43. 19; and Deut. 17. 9.

are gone away=went astray.

idols=dirty idols.

iniquity. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the punishment due to it. Heb. 'āvāh. Ap. 44. iv.

11 Yet. Refers to the portion of service reserved for these Levites.

for the People: i.e. the Nation. See note on "ordinances", 43. 18.

they shall stand. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 10. 8). Ap. 92. Cp. v. 15 and Num. 16. 9.

12 caused, &c.—were to the house of Israel for a stumblingblock of iniquity.

saith the Lord GOD —[is] Adonai Jehovah's oracle.

13 not come near unto Me. This is to be the punishment in the coming future order.

Mine hand against them, °saith °the Lord GOD, and they shall bear their ¹⁰iniquity.

13 And they shall °not come near unto Me, T q

465 to do the office of a °priest unto Me, nor to come near to any of My °holy things, in the °most holy place: but they shall bear their shame, and their abominations which they have committed.

r 14 But I will make them keepers of the charge of the house, for all the service thereof, and for all that shall be done therein.

S² V s 15 But ¹³the priests the Levites, the sons of Zadok, that kept the charge of My sanctuary when the °children of Israel went astray from Me, they shall come near to Me to minister unto Me, and ¹¹they shall stand before Me to °offer unto Me °the fat and the blood, ¹²saith °the Lord GOD:

16 They shall enter into My sanctuary, and they shall come near to My table, to minister unto Me, and they shall keep My charge.

t 17 And it shall come to pass, that when they enter in at the gates of the inner court, °they shall be clothed with linen garments; and no wool shall come upon them, whiles they minister in the gates of the inner court, and °within.

18 They shall have linen °bonnets upon their heads, and shall have linen breeches upon their loins; °they shall not gird themselves °with any thing that causeth sweat.

19 And when they go forth into the °utter court, even into the °utter court to the People, they shall put off their garments wherein they ministered, and lay them in the °holy °chambers, °and they shall put on other garments; and they shall not sanctify the People with their garments.

20 °Neither shall they shave their heads, nor suffer their locks to grow long; they shall °only poll their heads.

21 °Neither shall any priest drink °wine, °when they enter into the inner court.

22 °Neither shall they take for their wives a widow, nor her that is put away: but they shall take maidens of the seed of the house of Israel, or a widow that had a priest before.

W 23 °And they shall teach My People the difference between the °holy and °profane, and cause °them to discern between the unclean and the clean.

24 °And in °controversy they shall stand in judgment; and they shall judge it according to My judgments: and they shall keep My laws and My statutes in all Mine °assemblies; and °they shall hallow My sabbaths.

V t 25 °And they shall come at no dead °person to defile themselves: but for father, or for mother, or for son, or for daughter, °for brother, or for sister that hath had no husband, they may defile themselves.

s 26 °And after he is cleansed, they shall reckon unto him seven days.

27 And °in the day that he goeth into the sanctuary, unto the inner court, to minister in the sanctuary, he shall °offer his °sin offering, ¹²saith °the Lord GOD.

W 28 And it shall be unto them for an inheritance: °I am their inheritance: and ye shall give them no possession in Israel: I am their possession.

a priest. See note on 43. 19.
most holy place = holy of holies.

44. 15-31 (S², p. 1170). THE PRIESTS. (*Alternation and Introversion.*)

S ²	V	s	15, 16. Public.	} Ceremonial.
			t 17-22. Personal.	
V	t	s	W 23, 24. Moral.	} Ceremonial.
			t 25. Personal.	
			s 26, 27. Public.	
			W 28-31. Moral.	

17 they shall be clothed, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 28. 42). Ap. 92.

within = toward [the house].

18 bonnets = head-dresses, or turbans. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 39. 28). Ap. 92. Cp. 24. 17. Isa. 61. 10.

they. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., and Vulg., read "and they".

with, &c. Heb. = "with sweat"; sweat being put by Fig. Metonymy (of Effect), Ap. 6, for that which causes sweat.

19 utter = outer.

chambers = storerooms. Heb. *lishkāh*. See note on 40. 17. Same word as 41 10; but not elsewhere in ch. 41.

and they shall. Heb. text of some codices reads "they shall"; and marg. "and shall". Cp. 42. 14.

20 Neither shall they, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 21. 5). Ap. 92.

only poll = surely clip.

21 Neither shall any, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 10. 9). wine. Heb. *yayin*. See Ap. 27. I.

when, &c. They might do so at other times.

22 Neither shall they, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 21. 14). Ap. 92.

23 And they shall teach, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 10. 11). Ap. 92. profane = common.

them. The 1611 edition of the A. V. reads "men".

24 And in controversy, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 17. 9). Ap. 92. controversy = strife.

assemblies = appointed seasons.

they shall hallow, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 19. 30).

25 And they shall come, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 21. 1). Ap. 92.

person = human being. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

for brother. Some codices, with one early printed edition, read "or for", completing the Fig. *Paradiastole* (Ap. 6).

26 And after he is cleansed . . . seven days. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 6. 10, "on the eighth day"). Ap. 92.

27 in the day. See Ap. 18.

sin offering. Ap. 43. II. v.

28 I am their inheritance. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 18. 20. Deut. 10. 9; 18. 1, 2). Ap. 92.

29 every dedicated thing, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 18. 14). A verbal reference. Ap. 92.

30 first of all, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 13. 2; 22. 29, 30; 23. 19. Num. 3. 13; 18. 12, 13).

oblation = heave offering. Heb. *terūmah*. See note on Ex. 29. 27. The word is often repeated here. See 45. 6, 7, 13, 16; 48. 8-10, 12, 18, 20, 21.

the first of your dough. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 15. 20).

31 dead of itself, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 22. 8).

29 They shall eat the meat offering, and the sin offering, and the trespass offering; and °every dedicated thing in Israel shall be their's.

30 And the °first of all the firstfruits of all things, and every °oblation of all, of every sort of your °oblations, shall be the priest's: ye shall also give unto the priest °the first of your dough, that he may cause the blessing to rest in thine house.

31 The priests shall not eat of any thing that is °dead of itself, or torn, whether it be fowl or beast.

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45 Moreover, when ye shall divide by lot the land for inheritance, ye shall °offer an °oblation unto °the LORD, an °holy portion of the land: the length *shall be* the length of five and twenty thousand *reeds*, and the breadth *shall be* ten thousand. This *shall be* °holy in all the borders thereof round about.

v¹ 2 Of this there shall be °for the sanctuary five hundred *in length*, with five hundred *in breadth*, square round about; and fifty °cubits round about for the °suburbs thereof.

u² 3 And of this measure shalt thou measure the length of °five and twenty thousand, and the breadth of ten thousand:

v² and in it shall be the sanctuary *and* the °most holy place.

u³ 4 The ¹holy portion of the land °shall be for the priests the ministers of the sanctuary, which shall come near to minister unto °the LORD: and it shall be a place for their houses,

v³ and an ¹holy place for the sanctuary.

Y² 5 And the five and twenty thousand of length, and the ten thousand of breadth, shall also the Levites, the ministers of the house, have for themselves, °for a possession °for twenty chambers.

Y³ 6 And ye shall appoint the possession of the city five thousand broad, and ³five and twenty thousand long, over against the ¹oblation of the ¹holy portion: it shall be for °the whole house of Israel.

X¹ A w 7 And a portion shall be for the prince on the one side and on the other side of the ¹oblation of the ¹holy portion, and of the possession of the city, °before the ¹oblation of the ¹holy portion, and before the possession of the city, from the west side westward, and from the east side eastward: and the length *shall be* over against one of the portions, from the west border unto the east border.

8 In the land shall be his possession in Israel:
x and My princes shall no more oppress My People;

w and *the rest of* the land shall they give to the house of Israel according to their tribes.

z 9 °Thus saith °the Lord GOD; 'Let it suffice you, O princes of Israel: remove violence and spoil, °and execute judgment and justice, take away your °exactions from My People, °saith °the Lord GOD.

10 °Ye shall have just balances, and a just °ephah, and a just °bath.

11 The ¹⁰ephah and the ¹⁰bath shall be of one measure, that the bath may contain °the tenth part of an °homer, and the ephah the tenth part of an °homer: the measure thereof shall be after the °homer.

12 °And the °shekel *shall be* twenty °gerahs: twenty °shekels, five and twenty °shekels, fifteen °shekels, shall be your °maneh.

B C¹ 13 This *is* the ¹oblation that ye shall °offer; the sixth part of an ¹⁰ephah of an ¹¹homer of wheat, and ye shall give the sixth part of an ¹⁰ephah of an ¹¹homer of barley:

45. 1—46. 18 (B, p. 1163). RESTORATION. THE LAND. (*Division.*)

B | X¹ | 45. 1-6. The Oblation.
| X² | 45. 7—46. 18. The Prince's Portion.

45. 1-6 (X¹, above). THE OBLATION. (*Division.*)

X¹ | Y¹ | 1-4. The Holy Portion. } Persons.
| Y² | 6. The Portion of the Levites. }
| Y³ | 6. The Portion of the City. Place.

45. 1-4 (Y¹, above). THE HOLY PORTION. (*Repeated Alternation.*)

Y¹ | u¹ | 1. The Holy Portion.
| v¹ | 2. The Sanctuary.
| u² | 3-. The Holy Portion.
| v² | -3. The Sanctuary.
| u³ | 4-. The Holy Portion.
| v³ | -4. The Sanctuary.

1 offer = heave up. See next note.
oblation = a heave offering. See note on 44. 30.
the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.
ten. The Sept. reads twenty. Cp. Num. 35. 2. Josh. 21. 2.

2 for the sanctuary: i. e. the outer court (42. 15-20). cubits. See Ap. 51. III. 2 (1).
suburbs = void ground outside the outer court, to prevent contact.

3 five and twenty thousand = about sixty or seventy miles, according to the length of the cubit.
most holy place = holy of holies.

4 shall be = it [shall be].
the LORD. Heb. Jehovah, with 'eth = Jehovah Himself. Ap. 4. II.

5 for = as.
for twenty chambers: or, of cities to dwell in.
6 the whole house of Israel. Cp. 48. 19.

45. 7—46. 18 (X², above). THE HOLY PORTION. (*Introversion.*)

X² | A | 45. 7-12. The Prince's Portion.
| B | 45. 13-25. Ordinances.
| B | 46. 1-15. Ordinances.
| A | 46. 16-18. The Prince's Portion.

45. 7-12 (A, above). THE PRINCE'S PORTION. (*Alternation.*)

A | w | 7, 8-. The Prince.
| x | -8-. Injunctions to princes.
| w | -8. The Tribes.
| x | 9-12. Injunctions to princes.

7 before = in front of.
9 Thus saith, &c. See note on 44. 9.
the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See note on 2. 4.

and. Some codices, with five early printed editions, omit this "and". exactions = evictions.

saith the Lord GOD - [is] Adonai Jehovah's oracle.
10 Ye shall have, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 19. 36).
ephah. See Ap. 51. III. 3 (5).

bath. See Ap. 51. III. 3 (1).
11 the tenth part. See the next note.

homer. Heb. *chomer*: not to be confounded with *omer*. The former contained ten ephahs; the latter was one-tenth of an ephah. Cp. Ex. 16. 16.

12 And the shekel, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 30. 13. Lev. 27. 25. Num. 3. 47). Ap. 92.

shekel. See Ap. 51. II. 5.

gerahs. See Ap. 51. II. 2.

maneh. See Ap. 51. II. 3.

45. 13-25 (B, above). ORDINANCES. (*Division.*)

B | C¹ | 13-15. The Offerings. (Things, 13, 14. Lamb, 15.)
| C² | 16, 17-. The Offerers. (People, 16. Prince, 17-.)
| C³ | -17-25. The Times. (General, -17. Part., 18-25.)

13 offer = offer up.

465 14 Concerning the ordinance of oil, the ¹⁰ bath of oil, *ye shall offer* the tenth part of a ¹⁰ bath out of the ° cor, *which is* an ¹¹ homer of ten ¹⁰ baths; for ten ¹⁰ baths *are* an ¹¹ homer:

15 And one lamb out of the flock, out of two hundred, out of the ° fat pastures of Israel; for a ° meat offering, and for a ° burnt offering, and for ° peace offerings, ° to make ° reconciliation for them, ° saith ° the Lord GOD.

C² 16 ° All the People of the land shall give this (p. 1172) ¹ oblation for the prince in Israel.

17 ° And it shall be the prince's part *to give* ¹⁵ burnt offerings, and ¹⁵ meat offerings, and drink offerings,

C³ in the feasts, and in the new moons, and in the sabbaths, ° in all ° solemnities of the house of Israel: ° *he* shall prepare the ° sin offering, and the ¹⁵ meat offering, and the ¹⁵ burnt offering, and the ¹⁵ peace offerings, to make ¹⁵ reconciliation ° for the house of Israel.

18 ° Thus saith ° the Lord GOD; ° 'In the first month, in the first day of the month, thou shalt take a young ° bullock without blemish, and cleanse the sanctuary:

19 And the priest shall take of the blood of the ¹⁷ sin offering, and put *it* upon the posts of the house, and upon the four corners of the ° settle of the altar, and upon the posts of the gate of the inner court.

20 And so thou shalt do the seventh day of the ° month ° for every one that erreth, and for *him that is* ° simple: so shall ye ° reconcile the house.

21 ° In the first month, in the fourteenth day of the month, ye shall have the passover, a feast of seven days; unleavened bread shall be eaten.

22 And upon that day shall the prince prepare for himself and ° for all the People of the land a bullock for a ¹⁷ sin offering.

23 And seven days of the feast he shall prepare a ¹⁵ burnt offering to ¹ the LORD, seven bullocks and seven rams without blemish daily the seven days; and a kid of the goats daily for a ¹⁷ sin offering.

24 And he shall prepare a ¹⁰ meat offering of an ¹⁰ ephah for a bullock, and an ¹⁰ ephah for a ram, and an ° hin of oil for an ¹⁰ ephah.

25 ° In the seventh month, in the fifteenth day of the month, shall he do the like in the feast of the seven days, according to the ¹⁷ sin offering, according to the ¹⁵ burnt offering, and according to the ¹⁵ meat offering, and according to the oil.

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46 ° Thus saith ° the Lord GOD; 'The gate of the inner court that looketh toward the east shall be shut the six working days; but on the sabbath it shall be opened, and in the day of the new moon it shall be opened.

2 And the prince shall enter by the way of the porch of *that* gate without, and shall stand by the post of the gate, and the priests shall prepare ° his ° burnt offering and his ° peace offerings, and he shall worship at the threshold of the gate: then he shall go forth; but the gate shall not be shut until the evening.

b¹ 3 Likewise ° the People of the land shall wor-

14 cor. See Ap. 51. III. 3 (4).

15 fat pastures = well-watered land (Sing.). Cp. Gen. 13. 10.

meat offering = gift offering. See Ap. 43. II. iii.

burnt offering. See Ap. 43. II. ii.

peace offerings. See Ap. 43. II. iv.

to make reconciliation. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 1. 4). The same expression. Ap. 92.

reconciliation = atonement.

16 All the People of the land shall give this = All the People of the land shall be for, &c. The People will not offer individually. The prince will make the national offering for the People or nation as a whole. See note on "ordinances", 43. 18. There is no Hebrew for "give" here.

17 And it shall be the prince's part = But on the prince himself shall rest, &c.

in all. Some codices, with one early printed edition (Rabbinic), Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "and in all", thus completing the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6).

solemnities = appointed seasons.

he. The emphasis is thus marked.

sin offering. See Ap. 43. II. v.

for the house of Israel. The People will thus offer through the prince. They are summed up in him.

18 In the first month, in the first day of the month. See note on Gen. 8. 13.

bullock. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 29. 1-14). Ap. 92.

19 settle = ledge. See note on 43. 14.

20 month. The Septuagint adds "on the first day of the month".

for every one, &c. They do not offer themselves. The sacrifices here are national, not individual. See note on v. 17 above, and on "ordinances", 43. 18.

simple = artless, undesigning.

reconcile = make atonement for.

21 In the first month, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 12. 18). Ap. 92. This is the Feast of the Passover.

22 for all the People. The People will not do it by families as heretofore, but the prince does it for the whole nation. See notes on vv. 17, 20, above, and 43. 18.

24 hin. See Ap. 51. III. 3 (8).

25 In the seventh month, &c. This is the Feast of Tabernacles. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 23. 34). Ap. 92.

46. 1-15 (B, p. 1172). ORDINANCES. (Repeated and Extended Alternation.)

B	D ¹	a ¹ 1, 2. Prince.
		b ¹ 3. The People. "They".
		c ¹ 4-7. The offerings.
D ²	a ² 8. The Prince.	
	b ² 9, 10. The People.	
	c ² 11. The offerings.	
D ³	a ³ 12-. The Prince.	
	b ³ -12. Personal.	
	c ³ 13-15. The offerings.	

1 Thus saith, &c. See note on 44. 9.

the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See note on 2. 4.

2 his: i.e. the prince, who offers for the nation. See notes above, on 45. 16, 17, 20, 22.

burnt offering. Ap. 43. II. ii.

peace offerings. Ap. 43. II. iv.

3 the People of the land. They worship only; they do not offer. Cp. 45. 16. door = entrance.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

4 offer = bring near. Ap. 43. I. i.

5 meat offering = meal, or gift, offering. Ap. 43. II. iii. ephah. Ap. 51. III. 3 (5).

ship at the ° door of this gate before ° the LORD in the sabbaths and in the new moons.

4 And the ² burnt offering that the prince shall ° offer unto ³ the LORD in the sabbath day *shall be* six lambs without blemish, and a ram without blemish. c¹

5 And the ° meat offering *shall be* an ° ephah

465 for a ram, and the °meat offering for the lambs as he shall be able to give, and an °hin of oil to an °ephah.

6 And in the day of the new moon *it shall* be a young bullock without blemish, and six lambs, and a ram: they shall be without blemish.

7 And he shall prepare a °meat offering, an °ephah for a bullock, and an °ephah for a ram, and for the lambs according as his hand shall attain unto, and an °hin of oil to an °ephah.

D² a² (p. 1173) 8 And when the prince shall enter, he shall go in by the way of the porch of *that* gate, and he shall go forth by the way thereof.

b² 9 But when °the People of the land shall come before °the LORD in the °solemn feasts, he that entereth in by the way of the north gate to worship shall go out by the way of the south gate; and he that entereth by the way of the south gate shall go forth by the way of the north gate: he shall not return by the way of the gate whereby he came in, but shall go forth over against it.

10 And °the prince in the midst of them, when they go in, shall go in; and when they go forth, °shall go forth.

c² 11 And in the feasts and in the °solemnities the °meat offering shall be an °ephah to a bullock, and an °ephah to a ram, and to the lambs as he is able to give, and an °hin of oil to an °ephah.

D³ a³ 12 Now when the prince shall prepare a voluntary °burnt offering or °peace offerings voluntarily unto °the LORD, °one shall then open him the gate that looketh toward the east,

b³ and °he shall prepare his °burnt offering and his °peace offerings, °as he did on the sabbath day: then he shall go forth; and after his going forth °one shall shut the gate.

c³ 13 Thou shalt °daily prepare a °burnt offering unto °the LORD of a lamb of the first year without blemish: thou shalt prepare it every morning.

14 And thou shalt prepare a °meat offering °for it every morning, the sixth part of an °ephah, and the third part of an °hin of oil, to °temper with the fine flour; a °meat offering continually by a perpetual ordinance unto °the LORD.

15 Thus shall they prepare the lamb, and the °meat offering, and the oil, every morning for a continual °burnt offering.

A (p. 1172) 16 °Thus saith °the Lord GOD; 'If the prince give a gift unto any of his sons, the inheritance thereof shall be his °sons'; *it shall be* their possession by inheritance.

17 But if he give a gift of his inheritance to one of his servants, then it shall be his to °the year of liberty; after it shall return to the prince: °but his inheritance shall be his sons' for them.

18 Moreover the prince shall not take of the People's inheritance by oppression, to thrust them out of their possession; *but* he shall give his sons inheritance out of his own possession: that My People be not scattered °every man from his possession.'''

hin. Ap. 51. III. 3 (8).

9 solemn feasts = appointed times.

10 the prince, &c. = As for the prince, when they come in, he shall come in in the midst of them; and when they go forth, he shall go forth.

shall go forth. Heb. text reads "shall they go forth". Some codices read in marg. "he"; other codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "he".

11 solemnities = appointed seasons.

12 one. Supply the *Ellipsis*, "[the gatekeeper] shall". he shall prepare, &c. It will be the prince's duty to offer for the nation. See notes on 45. 16, 17, 20, 22.

as = according as.

13 daily prepare, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 29. 38. Num. 28. 3). Ap. 92.

14 for it = thereupon.

temper = mix.

16 sons'. The Sept. and Syr. read "son's".

17 the year of liberty = the year of jubilee. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 25. 10). Ap. 92. This shows that this prophecy will, and must yet, be literally fulfilled. Moreover, the jubilee occurred only twice in a century. but, &c. = truly, it is his own inheritance; as to his sons, to them it shall go.

18 every man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

46. 19-24 (A. p. 1163). THE HOUSE. (Alternation.)

A | d | 19. Boiling places. In the inner court.

e | 20. Uses. For the Priests.

d | 21-23. Boiling places. In the outer court.

e | 24. Uses. For the People.

19 holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

chambers = storerooms. Heb. *lishkāh*. See note on 40. 17. behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

on the two sides = on the farthest side.

20 to sanctify the People. Cp. 44. 19.

21 utter - outer. The boiling places.

22 courts joined = courts covered over, or closed courts, cloisters.

corners. Heb. *m hukzā'ōth*. This hybrid word has the extraordinary points (Ap. 31) or dots on the top, denoting that it does not properly belong to the primitive text. It is omitted in Sept., Syr., and Vulg. The clause should therefore read: "these four were of the same measure" (see Ginsburg's *Introduction*, pp. 382-3).

23 And there was a row of building = And there was an enclosure. The 1611 edition of the A.V. reads "And there was a new building".

19 After he brought me through the entry, which was at the side of the gate, into the °holy °chambers of the priests, which looked toward the north: and, °behold, there was a place °on the two sides westward.

20 Then said he unto me, "This *is* the place where the priests shall boil the trespass offering and the sin offering, where they shall bake the °meat offering; that they bear *them* not out into the utter court, °to sanctify the People."

21 Then he brought me forth into the °utter court, and caused me to pass by the four corners of the court; and, behold, in every corner of the court *there was* a court.

22 In the four corners of the court *there were* °courts joined of forty cubits long and thirty broad: these four °corners were of one measure.

23 °And *there was* a row of building round about in them, round about them four, and *it was* made with boiling places under the rows round about.

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^e 24 Then said he unto me, "These *are* the places of them that boil, where the ministers of the house shall boil the sacrifice of the People."

^{B E¹ f} (p. 1175) **47** Afterward he brought me again unto the °door of the house; and, °behold, waters issued out from under the threshold of the house eastward: for the forefront of the house *stood toward* the east, and the waters °came down °from under from the °right side of the house, at the south *side* of the altar.

2 Then brought he me out of the way of the gate northward, and led me about the way without unto the °utter gate by the way that looketh eastward; and, ¹behold, there ran out waters on the ¹right side.

3 And when the °man that had °the line in his hand went forth eastward, he measured a thousand °cubits, and he brought me through the waters; °the waters *were* to the ancles.

4 Again he measured a thousand, and brought me through the waters; ³the waters *were* to the knees. Again he measured a thousand, and brought me through; ³the waters *were* to the loins.

5 Afterward he measured a thousand; *and it was* a river that I could not pass over: for the waters were risen, ³waters to swim in, a river that could not be passed over.

6 And he said unto me, °"Son of man, hast thou seen *this*?" Then he brought me, and caused me to return to the brink of the river.

^g 7 Now when I had returned, behold, at the bank of the river *were* very many °trees on the one side and on the other.

^f 8 Then said he unto me, "These waters issue out toward the °east country, and go down into the °desert, and go into the sea: *which being* brought forth into °the sea, the waters shall be healed.

9 And it shall come to pass, *that every* °thing that liveth, which °moveth, whithersoever the rivers shall come, shall live: and there shall be a very great multitude of fish, because these waters shall come thither: for they shall be healed; and every thing shall live whither the river cometh.

10 And it shall come to pass, *that* the fishers shall stand upon it from °En-gedi even unto °En-eglaim; they shall be a *place* to spread forth nets; their fish shall be according to their kinds, as the fish of °the great sea, exceeding many.

11 But the °miry places thereof and the °marishes thereof shall not be healed; they shall be given to salt.

^g 12 And by the river upon the bank thereof, on this side and on that side, shall grow all °trees for meat, whose leaf shall not fade, neither shall the fruit thereof be °consumed: it shall bring forth °new fruit according to his months, because their waters *they* issued out of the sanctuary: and the fruit thereof shall be for meat, and the leaf thereof for °medicine."

^{E² F¹ G} 13 °Thus saith °the Lord GOD; °"This *shall* be the border, whereby ye shall inherit the

47. 1-48. 35 (^B, p. 1163). THE LAND, (*Division*.)

^B | ^{E¹} | 47. 1-12. The Healing of the Land.
| ^{E²} | 47. 13-48. 35. The Restoration of the Land.

47. 1-12 (^{E¹}, above). THE HEALING OF THE LAND. (*Alternation*.)

^{E¹} | ^f | 1-6. The water.
| ^g | 7. The trees.
| ^f | 8-11. The water.
| ^g | 12. The trees.

1 door = entrance.

behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

came down = were coming down. Cp. Joel 3. 18; and see Isa. 12. 3; 44. 3. Zech. 14. 8. Rev. 22. 1.

from under = from beneath. Referring to the perennial source which has supplied the fountain of Gihon. See Ap. 68.

right side: i.e. the south side. Cp. v. 2.

2 utter = outer.

3 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

the line - a measuring line. Heb. *kav*. Only here in Ezekiel. Not the same word as in 40. 3, which is *pāthil*.

cubits. See Ap. 51. III. 2 (1).

the waters, &c. = waters [reaching] to the ankle. No Art. Heb. "of the ankles". Gen. of Relation.

Ap. 17. 5.

6 Son of man. See note on 2. 1.

7 trees. See the Structure above.

8 east country = the eastern *g'ēlah*: i.e. circular border-land. Used of the Jordan in Josh. 22. 11.

desert = plain. Heb. *'arabāh*. See Deut. 3. 17; 4. 49.

the sea. The so-called Salt, or Dead Sea.

9 thing = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

moveth = swarmeth.

10 En-gedi. Now the well-known spring, *Ain Jidy*, on the west shore. The original name was Hazazon-tamar (2 Chron. 20. 2).

En-eglaim. Not yet identified. Eusebius places it eight miles south of *Ar* of Moab. This would probably be *Ain Hajla*, the ancient Beth Hogla.

the great sea. The Mediterranean.

11 miry places = swamps.

marishes = marshes. Heb. = pools.

12 trees for meat. Heb. "trees of meat". Gen. of Relation. Ap. 17. 5. Cp. Gen. 2. 9.

consumed = fail.

new = ripe.

medicine = healing. The Divine provision for preserving and restoring health in that future day, when this prophecy shall be literally fulfilled. Cp. Rev. 22. 2.

47. 13-48. 35 (^{E²}, above). THE RESTORATION OF THE LAND. (*Division*.)

^{E²} | ^{F¹} | 47. 13-23. The Land.
| ^{F²} | 48. 1-29. The Tribes.
| ^{F³} | 48. 30-35. The City.

47. 13-23 (^{F¹}, above). THE LAND. (*Introversion and Alternation*.)

^{F¹} | ^G | 13, 14. Distribution and Boundaries.
| ^H | ^h | 15-17. North border.
| | ⁱ | 18. East border.
| ^H | ^h | 19. South border.
| | ⁱ | 20. West border.
| ^G | 21-23. Distribution and Boundaries.

13 Thus saith, &c. See note on 44. 9.

the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See note on 2. 4.

Joseph. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 48. 5-22). Ap. 92. shall have. Supply this *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), by "shall inherit".

land according to the twelve tribes of Israel: °Joseph °shall have two portions.

465 14 And ye shall inherit it, one as well as another: *concerning* the which I lifted up Mine hand ° to give it unto your fathers: and this land shall fall unto you for inheritance.

H h (p. 1175) 15 And this *shall be* the border of the land toward the north side, from the great sea, the way of Hethlon, as men go to Zedad;

16 Hamath, Berothah, Sibram, which *is* between the border of Damascus and the border of Hamath; Hazar-hatticon, which *is* by the ° coast of Hauran.

17 And the border from the sea shall be Hazar-enan, the border of Damascus, and the north northward, and the border of Hamath. And *this is* the north side.

i 18 And the east side ye shall measure from Hauran, and from Damascus, and from Gilead, and from ° the land of Israel by Jordan, from the border unto the east sea. And *this is* the east side.

H h 19 And the south side southward, from Tamar *even* to the waters of ° strife in ° Kadesh, the ° river to ° the great sea. And *this is* the south side southward.

i 20 The west side also *shall be* ° the great sea from the border, till a man come over against Hamath. This *is* the west side.

G 21 So shall ye divide this land unto you according to the tribes of Israel.

22 And it shall come to pass, *that* ye shall divide it by lot for an inheritance unto you, and to the ° strangers that sojourn among you, which shall beget ° children among you: and they shall be unto you as born in the country among the ° children of Israel; they shall have inheritance with you among the tribes of Israel.

23 And it shall come to pass, *that* in what tribe the ° stranger sojourneth, there shall ye give *him* his inheritance, ° saith ° the Lord GOD."

F² J (p. 1176) 48 Now ° these *are* the names of the tribes.

K From the north end to the coast of the way of Hethlon, as one goeth to Hamath, Hazar-enan, the border of Damascus northward, to the coast of Hamath; for these *are* his sides east and west; a *portion* for ° Dan.

2 And by the border of Dan, from the east side unto the west side, a *portion* for Asher.

3 And by the border of Asher, from the east side even unto the west side, a *portion* for Naphtali.

L N 4 And by the border of Naphtali, from the east side unto the west side, a *portion* for Manasseh.

5 And by the border of Manasseh, from the east side unto the west side, a *portion* for Ephraim.

O 6 And by the border of Ephraim, from the east side even unto the west side, a *portion* for Reuben.

7 And by the border of Reuben, from the east side unto the west side, a *portion* for Judah.

M P 8 And by the border of Judah, from the east side unto the west side, shall be the ° offering

14 to give it, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 12. 7; 17. 8; 26. 3; 28. 13; 50. 24). Ap. 92.

16 coast = border, or boundary.

18 the land of Israel. One of the three passages in Ezekiel where 'eret^z (land) is used, instead of 'ādāmāh (soil). See note on 27. 17; and cp note on 11. 17.

19 strife. Heb. *Meribah*. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 20. 1-13). Kadesh. Now 'Ain Kadēs. river = torrent.

22 strangers = foreign sojourners. children = sons.

23 saith the Lord GOD = [is] Adonai Jehovah's oracle.

48. 1-29 (F², p. 1175). THE TRIBES.

(Introversion and Alternation.)

F² J | 1-. The Tribes. "These are the names", &c.
K | -1-3. The Slave Offspring (Bilhah and Zilpah).
L | N | 4, 5. Rachel. } The Wives' Offspring.
O | 6, 7. Leah. }

M | 8-22. THE OBLATION.

L | N | 23. Rachel. } The Wives' Offspring.
O | 24-26. Leah. }

K | 27. The Slave Offspring (Zilpah).

J | 28, 29. The Tribes. "This is the Land", &c.

1 these *are* the names. For the various orderings and groupings of the twelve tribes, see Ap. 45. Cp. Ex. 1. 1.

Dan. Note the different positions, by which the wives' offspring are placed in the centre, nearest to the oblation; while the slave offspring are placed at the extremities farthest from the oblation.

48. 8-22 (M, above). THE OBLATION.

(Alternation.)

M | P | 8, 9. The Oblation. Foursquare.

Q | 10-19. The Inhabitants.

P | 20. The Oblation. Foursquare.

Q | 21, 22. The Prince.

8 offering = heave offering. Heb. *terūmah*. (Ap. 43. II. viii). See note on Ex. 29. 27. The same word as "oblation", v. 9; the whole area of which is to be considered as the heave offering offered to Jehovah.

ye. The 1611 edition of the A. V. reads "they".

offer = offer up.

and the sanctuary. Note the Alternation in vv. 8-10.

it = him: i.e. Judah.

9 oblation = heave offering. See note on v. 8 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

48. 10-19 (Q, above). THE INHABITANTS.

(Division.)

Q | R¹ | 10-14. Ecclesiastical.

R² | 15-19. Civil.

48. 10-14 (R¹, above). ECCLESIASTICAL.

(Division.)

R¹ | S¹ | 10-12. The Priests' Portion.

S² | 13, 14. The Levites' Portion.

10 holy. See note on Ex. 8. 5.

which ° ye shall ° offer of five and twenty thousand *reeds* in breadth, and in length as one of the *other* parts, from the east side unto the west side: ° and the sanctuary shall be in the midst of ° it.

9 The ° oblation that ye shall offer unto ° the LORD *shall be* of five and twenty thousand in length, and of ten thousand in breadth.

10 And for them, *even* for the priests, shall be *this* ° holy ° oblation; toward the north five and twenty thousand in length, and toward the west ten thousand in breadth, and toward the east ten thousand in breadth, and toward the south five and twenty thousand in length: and the sanctuary of ° the LORD shall be in the midst thereof.

Q R¹ S¹

465 11 *It shall be* for the priests ° that are sanctified of the sons of Zadok; which have kept My ° charge, which went not astray when the ° children of Israel went astray, ° as the Levites went astray.

12 And *this* ° oblation of the land that is ° offered shall be unto them a thing most ¹⁰ holy ° by the border of the Levites.

S¹ 13 And over against the border of the priests (p. 1176) the Levites *shall have* five and twenty thousand in length, and ten thousand in breadth: all the length *shall be* five and twenty thousand, and the breadth ten thousand.

14 And they shall not sell of it, neither exchange, nor alienate the firstfruits of the land: for *it is* ¹⁰ holy unto ° the LORD.

R² j 15 And the five thousand, that are left in (p. 1177) the breadth over against the five and twenty thousand, ° shall be a ° profane place for the city, for dwelling, and for suburbs:

k and the city shall be in the midst thereof.

k 16 And these *shall be* the measures thereof; the north side four thousand and five hundred, and the south side four thousand and five hundred, and on the east side four thousand and five hundred, and the west side four thousand and five hundred.

j 17 And the suburbs of the city shall be toward the north two hundred and fifty, and toward the south two hundred and fifty, and toward the east two hundred and fifty, and toward the west two hundred and fifty.

18 And the residue in length over against the oblation of the ¹⁰ holy *portion shall be* ten thousand eastward, and ten thousand westward: and it shall be over against the ° oblation of the ¹⁰ holy *portion*; and the increase thereof shall be for food unto them that serve the city.

19 And they that serve the city shall serve it out of all the tribes of Israel.

P 20 All the ° oblation *shall be* five and twenty (p. 1176) thousand by five and twenty thousand: ye shall ° offer the ¹⁰ holy ° oblation foursquare, with the possession of the city.

Q 21 And the residue *shall be* for the prince, on the one side and on the other of the holy oblation, and of the possession of the city, over against the five and twenty thousand of the oblation toward the east border, and westward over against the five and twenty thousand toward the west border, over against the portions for the prince: and it shall be the ¹⁰ holy ° oblation; and the sanctuary of the house *shall be* in the midst thereof.

22 Moreover from the possession of the Levites, and from the possession of the city, *being* in the midst of *that* which is the prince's, between the border of Judah and the border of Benjamin, shall be for the prince.

L N 23 As for the rest of the tribes, from the east side unto the west side, ° Benjamin *shall have* ° a *portion*.

O 24 And by the border of Benjamin, from the east side unto the west side, Simeon *shall have* ²³ a *portion*.

25 And by the border of Simeon, from the

11 that are . . . Zadok = the consecrated body of Zadok's sons. charge = ordinance.

children = sons.

as = according as.

12 offered = offered up, or heaved. Ap. 48. I. ix.

by = reaching to.

48. 15-19 (R², p. 1176). CIVIL. (Introversion.)

R² j | 15-. The common place.

k | -15. The City. Its site.

k | 16. The City. Its measurements.

j | 17-19. The suburbs.

15 shall be = it [shall be].

profane = common.

23 Benjamin. Note the positions of these five tribes in the south. See the Structure (F²), p. 1175.

a = one.

28 strife. Heb. *Meribah*. See note on 47. 19.

toward. Sept. reads "as far as".

29 saith the Lord GOD = [is] Adonai Jehovah's oracle. See note on 2. 4.

48. 30-35 (F³, p. 1175). THE CITY.

(Introversion and Alternation.)

F³ T | 30-. The City. Its exits.

U | -30-. Its measurements.

V | 1 | -30, 31. The North side.

m | 32. The East side.

V | l | 33. The South side.

m | 34. The West side.

U | 35-. Its measurements.

T | -35. The City. Its name.

30 goings out = outlets.

32 and one. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., omit "and".

east side unto the west side, Issachar ²³ a *portion*.

26 And by the border of Issachar, from the east side unto the west side, Zebulun ²³ a *portion*.

27 And by the border of Zebulun, from the east side unto the west side, Gad ²³ a *portion*.

28 And by the border of Gad, at the south side southward, the border shall be even from Tamar unto the waters of ° strife in Kadesh, and to the river ° toward the great sea.

29 This *is* the land which ye shall divide by lot unto the tribes of Israel for inheritance, and these *are* their portions, ° saith the Lord GOD.

30 And these *are* the ° goings out of the city

on the north side, four thousand and five hundred measures.

31 And the gates of the city *shall be* after the names of the tribes of Israel: three gates northward; one gate of Reuben, one gate of Judah, one gate of Levi.

32 And at the east side four thousand and five hundred: and three gates; ° and one gate of Joseph, one gate of Benjamin, one gate of Dan.

33 And at the south side four thousand and five hundred measures: and three gates; one gate of Simeon, one gate of Issachar, one gate of Zebulun.

34 At the west side four thousand and five hundred, *with* their three gates; one gate of Gad, one gate of Asher, one gate of Naphtali.

U 35 *It was round about eighteen thousand*
(p. 1177) *measures :*
T and the name of the city from *that day shall*
465 *be, ° The LORD is there.*

35 The LORD [is] there: denoting the fact that Jehovah has gone thither and rests There, with all the blessing, peace, security, and glory of His abiding presence. Heb. *Jehovah Shammah*. See Ap. 4. II.

Those who read this book, and believe what God has here written for our learning, will not be troubled with

all the puerile guesses and trifling comments of the natural man, but understand something of the grand revelations which can be only spiritually discerned (1 Cor. 2. 14).

THE BOOK OF DANIEL.

THE STRUCTURE OF THE BOOK AS A WHOLE.

(Introversion.)

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For the Visions of chs. 7-12, see Ap. 89.

For the Numbered "Days" in 8. 14; 12. 7, 11, 12, see Ap. 90.

For the Seventy Weeks of Daniel (9. 25-27), see Ap. 91.

The position of the book in the "Hagiographa", or third division of the Old Testament ("the Psalms", see Ap. 1), rather than in the second division ("the Prophets"), may be explained by the fact that, unlike the other three greater prophets (Isaiah, Jeremiah, and Ezekiel), it stands in relation to them as the Apocalypse of the Old Testament; and as pertaining to what is yet future. And whereas those three greater prophets speak of the future from an Intro-Israelitish standpoint, Daniel has their prophecies as his background; and, instead of looking at Zion and its neighbouring localised peoples, Daniel has universal Monarchies as his perspective; and is therefore separated from them in the Hebrew Canon, becoming to us the "light" or "lamp" of 2 Pet. 1. 19, and the realisation of 1 Pet. 1. 11.

The first part of the book (1. 1-6. 28, **A** to **C**) is *historic*, while the latter half (7. 1-12. 13, **A** and **B**) is *prophetic*.

Moreover, of the former portion, 2. 4-7. 28 is written in Aramaic (or Chaldee), while the latter portion, 8. 1-12. 13, is written in Hebrew. This is to teach us that the *historic* portion is in the Gentile language, because it is concerned with "the times of the Gentiles", and with Gentile supremacy in relation to Israel; while the *prophetic* portion is in Hebrew (the language of Israel), because it is concerned with "the time of the end", and with the events which will lead up to the time when God will "restore again the kingdom to Israel" (Acts 1. 6).

In Hezekiah's day (604 B. C.) Syriac (or Aramaic) was not understood by the Jews (2 Kings 18. 26); but after the Exile, in Ezra's day (426 B. C.), Hebrew had been so far forgotten that it had to be explained (Neh. 8. 8). In Daniel's day (495 B. C.) both languages were generally understood; and both could be, and were, thus used by him. If an impostor had written the book in Hebrew some 250 years later (as alleged by modern critics), why should he have defeated his own object by writing any portion in Aramaic as well, thus proving himself to be a fool as well as a "forger"?

°DANIEL.

A A
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1 °IN the third year of the reign of Jehoia-
kim king of Judah °came °Nebuchadnezzar
king of Babylon unto Jerusalem, and be-
sieved it.

2 And °the LORD* °gave Jehoia-
kim king of Judah into his hand, with °part of the vessels
of the house of °God: which he carried into
°the land of Shinar to the house of his god;
and he brought the vessels into the treasure
house of his god.

B C **3** And the king spake unto Ashpenaz °the
master of his eunuchs, that he should bring
certain of the °children of Israel, °and of the
king's seed, and of the °princes;

D a **4** °Children in whom was no blemish, but
well favoured, and skilful in all wisdom, and
°cunning in knowledge, and understanding
science, and such as had ability in them to
stand °in the king's palace, and whom they
might teach the °learning and the °tongue of
the °Chaldeans.

b **5** And the king appointed them a daily provi-
sion of the king's °meat, and of the °wine
which he drank: so nourishing them °three
years, that at the end thereof they might
stand before the king.

DANIEL = GOD [my] Judge, which accords with the
character and contents of the book. Daniel was of the
seed-royal of Judah. See note on v. 3. He is mentioned
thrice by Ezekiel, his contemporary (14. 14, 20; 28. 3),
and once by our Lord. In Matt. 24. 15 (Mark 13. 14),
the Lord referred also to Dan. 8. 13; 9. 27; 11. 31; 12. 11.
In Matt. 24. 30; 26. 64. Mark 14. 62. Luke 22. 69, He
referred to Dan. 7. 13. In Matt. 24. 15-17, 20-22, He
referred to Dan. 12. 1.

**1. 1-21 (A, p. 1178). THE CAPTIVITY OF JUDAH.
HISTORICAL EVENTS CONNECTED WITH ITS
BEGINNING. (Introversions and Alternation.)**

A | 1, 2. The time.
B | C | 3. Daniel and his companions.
D | a | 4. Their attainments.
b | 5. Their provision. (Appointment.)
B | C | 6, 7. Daniel and his companions.
D | b | 8-16. Their provision. (Resolve.)
a | 17-20. Their attainments.
A | 21. The time.

1 In the third year, &c. It was in the third year
of Jehoia-
kim that Nebuchadnezzar set out from Baby-
lon; and Daniel, writing there, speaks of the starting,
not of the arrival at Jerusalem. See note on "came",
below. In the fourth year Jehovah says by Jeremiah
(25. 9), "I will send". The date would be 497 B.C. and
Daniel's sixteenth year, he being born probably in
513 B.C. (Josiah's eighteenth year).

came = went, set out, or proceeded. Heb. *bō'*, which
means to go or come, according to the context and the
point of view. It is rendered "went" in Gen. 7. 9, 16;

15. 17. Ex. 5. 1. Num. 8. 22; 14. 24. Judg. 6. 19; 18. 18. 1 Sam. 17. 12. 2 Sam. 2. 24; 12. 16; 17. 25; 20. 3, 8.
1 Chron. 2. 21. Ps. 66. 12. Ezek. 36. 20, 21, 22; 41. 3. It is translated "go", in the sense of proceed or set out,
in Deut. 4. 1; 6. 18; 8. 1; 11. 8; 12. 26; 22. 13; 26. 3. Josh. 23. 12. Ruth 3. 4. 1 Sam. 25. 5, &c. Jonah 1. 3, &c.
It is rendered "entered" (of setting out) in 2 Chron. 27. 2. Job 38. 16, 22. Jer. 9. 21; 14. 18; 17. 25; 22. 4; 34. 10;
37. 16. Lam. 1. 10. Ezek. 44. 2; 46. 2. Dan. 11. 40, 41. Amos 5. 5. Obad. 11. Zech. 5. 4. Nebuchadnezzar
did set out in Jehoia-
kim's third year, but was delayed by fighting the battle with Pharaoh-necho at
Carchemish. In the next (the fourth) year (Jer. 46. 2), he carried out the object with which he set
out. Cp. 2 Kings 24. 1, and 2 Chron. 36. 6, 7.

Nebuchadnezzar. This name is so spelt (i.e. with
"n" instead of "r") by Berosus (who wrote his history from the monuments, Cent. 3, B.C.). Both spellings
were in vogue. Ezekiel uses the "r"; and Jeremiah uses "r" before ch. 27; and then eight times
the "n" (27. 6 where Nebuchadnezzar is once specially called Jehovah's appointed servant, 8, 20;
28. 3, 11, 14; 29. 1, 3); and after that, always with "r" except twice (34. 1; 39. 5). It is spelt with "n" in
2 Kings 24. 1, 10, 11; 25. 1, 8, 22. 1 Chron. 6. 15. 2 Chron. 36. 6, 7, 10, 13. Ezra 1. 7; 2. 1. Neh. 7. 6. Est. 2. 6).
the LORD*. One of the 134 places where the *Sopherim* say they altered "Jehovah" of the primitive text
to "Adonai". See Ap. 32. gave. See Isa. 39. 6, 7. Jer. 25. 8-11. Ezek. 21. 26, 27. part. Others
were brought later (2 Kings 24. 13. 2 Chron. 36. 10). See Ezra 1. 7 for the subsequent restoration of them
by Cyrus. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. the land of Shinar. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 10. 10; 11. 2;
14. 1, 9). Ap. 92. Outside the Pentateuch found only in Josh. 7. 21 (Heb. text). Isa. 11. 11. Zech. 5. 11;
and here. **3** the master of his eunuchs. Heb. *rab sārīšāyn* = master or chief of the eunuchs; whence
the title "Rab-saris" in 2 Kings 18. 17. See note there. Called "prince" in v. 7. children = sons.
and = even, or both. Some codices, with six early printed editions, omit this "and": reading "sons of
Israel, of the king's seed" (or "seed-royal"). princes = nobles. Heb. *part'mim*, a Persian word, found
only here and Est. 1. 3; 6. 9. Not the same word as in vv. 7, 8, 10, 11, &c. **4** Children = Youths.

cunning = skilful. in the king's palace. The Inscriptions show that there was a palace school with
elaborate arrangements for special education. See below on "Chaldeans", and notes on 2. 2. learning =
character, or books. See Prof. Sayce's *Babylonian Literature*: which shows the existence of a huge literature
and famous libraries, in which were arrangements for procuring books from the librarian as in our own day.
These books related to all subjects, and were classified according to their subjects (pp. 12-14). tongue.
This was a special and important department. Chaldeans. A name not peculiar to Daniel. From
Genesis onward it is met with, especially in Jeremiah. They were distinct from the Babylonians (Jer. 22. 25.
Ezek. 23. 23), and belonged to South Babylonia. Used here of a special class, well known as such at that
time (cp. 2. 2, 4, 5, 10), and distinct also from other learned classes (2. 4). The word (Heb. *Chasdim*) is used
also in the wider sense of a nationality (5. 30). See Dr. Pinches on *The Old Testament*, p. 371; Rawlinson's
History of Herodotus, vol. i; pp. 255, 256; and Lenormant's *The Ancient History of the East*, i. pp. 493-5.

5 meat = food. Heb. *pathbag*. A Persian or Aryan word. Occurs only in Daniel. wine. Heb. *yayin*.
Ap. 27. I. three years. Say 497, 496, and 495 B.C. See note on 2. 1. It does not say these years were
concluded before the events of ch. 2 took place. stand before the king. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 41. 46).

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6 Now among these were of the ³ children of Judah, °Daniel, °Hananiah, °Mishael, and °Azariah:

7 Unto whom the °prince of the eunuchs °gave names: for he gave unto Daniel the name of °Belteshazzar; and to Hananiah, of °Shadrach; and to Mishael, of °Meshach; and to Azariah, of °Abed-nego.

D b

8 But Daniel °purposed in his heart that he would not °defile himself with the portion of the king's meat, nor with the °wine which he drank: therefore he requested of the °prince of the eunuchs that he might not defile himself.

9 Now °God had brought Daniel into favour and °tender love with the °prince of the eunuchs.

10 °And the °prince of the eunuchs said unto Daniel, "¶ fear my lord the king, who hath appointed your meat and your drink: for why should he see your faces °worse liking than the °children which are of °your sort? then shall ye make me endanger my head to the king."

11 Then said Daniel to °Melzar, whom the °prince of the eunuchs had set over Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah,

12 "Prove thy servants, I beseech thee, ten days; and let them give °us °pulse to eat, and water to drink.

13 Then let our countenances be looked upon before thee, and the countenance of the °children that eat of the portion of the king's °meat: and as thou seest, deal with thy servants."

14 So he consented to them in this matter, and proved them ten days.

15 And at the end of ten days their countenances appeared fairer and fatter in flesh than all the °children which did eat the portion of the king's °meat.

16 Thus °Melzar took away the portion of their °meat, and the °wine that they should drink; and gave them °pulse.

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17 As for these four °children, °God gave them knowledge and skill in all °learning and wisdom: and Daniel had °understanding in all visions and dreams.

18 Now at the end of the days that the king had said he should bring them in, then the °prince of the eunuchs brought them in before °Nebuchadnezzar.

19 And the king communed with them; and among them all was found none like °Daniel, °Hananiah, °Mishael, and °Azariah: therefore °stood they before the king.

20 And in all matters of wisdom and °understanding, that the king enquired of them, he found them ten times better than all the °magicians °and astrologers that were in all his realm.

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21 And Daniel °continued even unto °the first year of king Cyrus.

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2 °And in °the second year of the reign of °Nebuchadnezzar Nebuchadnezzar dreamed dreams, wherewith his °spirit was troubled, and his sleep °brake from him.

Therefore Jehoiakim's fifth year, the year of the burning of the roll which marked the official rejection of Jehovah. Hence Nebuchadnezzar's dream. Daniel was in Babylon, and writes from that standpoint. The supposed difficulty is a proof of genuineness; for the writer would have been a fool as well as a forger to have left it unexplained. Nebuchadnezzar. See note on 1. 1. spirit. Heb. *ruach*. Ap. 9. brake from = had been upon: i. e. had now gone from.

6 Daniel = God is my Judge. See note on the Title. Hananiah = Jah is gracious; or, graciously given by Jah.

Mishael = who is (or is as) El? Ap. 4. IV.

Azariah = helped of Jah, or Jah has helped.

7 prince = ruler. Heb. *sar*.

gave names. In token of subjection. See 2 Kings 23. 34; 24. 17. Cp. Gen. 41. 45.

Belteshazzar. According to Dr. Pinches, this is an abbreviated form of Balat-su-usur = protect thou (O Bel) his life. Many such abbreviations are found in the inscriptions; but cp. "Belshazzar" (5. 1).

Shadrach. According to Delitzsch = Sudur-Aku (= command of Aku, the moon-god).

Meshach. Perhaps Misha-Aku = who is as Aku?

Abed-nego = servant or worshipper of Nego. It is not wise to suppose this to be a corruption of Abed-nebo, while any day the name may be met with in the Inscriptions.

8 purposed in his heart = made up his mind. Cp. Prov. 23. 7.

defile himself, &c. This was because meat was killed with the blood (contrary to Lev. 3. 17; 7. 26; 17. 10-14; 19. 26), and offered to idols (Ex. 34. 15. 1 Cor. 10. 20. Cp. Acts 15. 29). Not because they were acting on vegetarian and temperance principles.

9 God. Heb. Elohim (with Art.) = the [Triune] God. Ap. 4. I.

tender love = compassion.

10 And: or, Yet.

worse liking = sadder: i. e. thin and sad-looking. Cp. Matt. 6. 16.

your sort = your own age.

11 Melzar. Heb. = the *melzar* = the steward or butler, who had charge of the wine, &c.

12 us. The 1611 edition of the A. V. omitted "us". pulse = vegetable food (to avoid the idol-tainted meat).

17 understanding = discernment.

20 magicians and astrologers. See notes on 2. 2. and. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read this "and" in the text.

21 continued = continued in office. See first occ. Ex. 25. 30: also 27. 20; 28. 29, 30, 38; 29. 38, 42; 30. 8: &c. Cp. Ezek. 39. 14, "continual employment".

the first year of king Cyrus: i. e. during the whole period of Babylonian supremacy over Israel for sixty-nine years (495-426 = 69). It does not say that he did not continue longer, but that he lived to see that important epoch. Cp. 10. 1; and see Ap. 57, and 58.

2. 1-49 (B, p. 1178). THE DREAM OF NEBUCHADNEZZAR. THE DURATION OF GENTILE DOMINION. (*Alternations and Introversion*.)

B	E	c	1-3. Chaldeans brought in.		}	Chaldeans.	
			d 4-9. King's requisition.				
			e 10, 11. Their inability.				
	F	G	f	12-16. King's resentment.		}	Suspense.
				g 17, 18. Daniel and others.			
				H 19-23. Revelation.			
	E	c	24, 25. Daniel brought in.		}	Daniel.	
			d 26, 27. King's requisition.				
			e 28-30. Daniel's ability.				
	F	H	31-45. Communication.		}	Captivity.	
G			f	46-48. King's gratitude.			
				g 49. Daniel and others.			

1 And. Thus linking on this chapter of momentous prophecy with ch. 1, which is pure history.

the second year: 495 B.C. (Daniel's eighteenth year).

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2 Then the king commanded °to call the °magicians, and the °astrologers, and the °sorcerers, and the °Chaldeans, for to shew the king his dreams. So they came and stood before the king.

3 And the king said unto them, °“I have dreamed a dream, and my ¹spirit °was troubled to know the dream.”

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4 Then spake the ²Chaldeans to the king °in Syriack, °“O king, live for ever: tell thy servants the dream, and we will shew the interpretation.”

5 The king answered and said to the ²Chaldeans, “The °thing is °gone from me: if ye will not make known unto me the dream, with the interpretation thereof, ye shall be °cut in pieces, and your houses shall be °made a dunghill.

6 But if ye shew the dream, and the interpretation thereof, ye shall receive of me gifts and °rewards and great honour: therefore shew me the dream, and the interpretation thereof.”

7 They answered again and said, “Let the king tell his servants the dream, and we will shew the interpretation of it.”

8 The king answered and said, “³I know of certainty that ye would °gain the time, because ye see the thing is °gone from me.

9 But if ye will not make known unto me the dream, *there is but* one decree for you: for ye have prepared lying and corrupt words to speak before me, till the time be changed: therefore tell me the dream, and I shall know that ye can shew me the interpretation thereof.”

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10 The ²Chaldeans answered before the king, and said, “There is not a °man upon the °earth that can shew the king's matter: therefore *there is* no king, lord, nor ruler, *that* asked such things at any ²magician, or ²astrologer, or ²Chaldean.

11 And *it is* a rare thing that the king requir-eth, and there is none other that can shew it before the king, except the gods, whose dwelling is °not with flesh.”

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12 For this cause the king was angry and very furious, and commanded to destroy all the °wise men of Babylon.

13 And the decree went forth that the ¹²wise men should be slain; and they sought Daniel and his °fellows to be slain.

14 Then Daniel answered with °counsel and wisdom to °Arioeh the captain of the king's °guard, which was gone forth to slay the ¹²wise men of Babylon:

15 He answered and said to ¹⁴Arioeh the king's captain, “Why *is* the decree so hasty from the king?” Then ¹⁴Arioeh made the thing known to Daniel.

16 Then Daniel went in, and desired of the king that he would °give him time, and that he would shew the king the interpretation.

17 Then Daniel went to his house, and made the thing known to °Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah, his companions:

18 That they would desire °mercies °of °the °God of heaven concerning this °secret; that Daniel and his ¹³fellows should not perish with the rest of the ¹²wise men of Babylon.

2 to call, &c.=to send for. This tells us of the religious system of Babylonia, of which subsequent Jewish commentators and Greek translators would know little or nothing. There were six classes of the Chaldean priesthood.

magicians. Heb. *chartummim*. Connected with the *kharutu* (the sceptre) or rod of office of those who repelled demons and evil spirits by incantations, &c.

astrologers. Heb. *'ashshāphim* = in Babylonian, *asipi*, prophets who assumed to announce the will of heaven and predict the future. These were a class apart from the others. The inscriptions speak of *bab Assaput* = the gate of the oracle; also of *bit Assaput* = the house of the oracle.

sorcerers. Heb. *mekashsh phim* = wizard (Ex. 7. 11; 22. 18, fem. Deut. 18. 10, fem. Mal. 3. 5, fem.).

Chaldeans. Heb. *Kasdim*. See note on 1. 4.

3 I have dreamed. Contrast this with Daniel's vision, in the Structure on p. 1178; and note the other recorded dreams (Gen. 20. 3).

was = is.

4 in Syriack. Heb. *'ārāmīth* = Aramaic. The insertion of this word here is to call our attention to the fact that what follows is written not in Hebrew, but in Aramaic, as far as the end of ch. 7. See note on the Structure, p. 1178; and note the other Aramaic portions (Ezra 4. 8—6. 18 and 7. 12—26; also Jer. 10. 11. The Syriac and Chaldee are properly Western and Eastern Aramaic.

O king. This is the first Aramaic word so written. Cp. 3. 9; 5. 10; 6. 6, 21. Neh. 2. 3.

5 thing. The dream.

gone from me. Referring to the forgotten dream. cut . . . made a dunghill. Cp. 3. 29. Ezra 6. 11. A further mode of punishment, from the Medo-Persians, in 6. 7.

6 rewards. Chald. *n'bizbāh* = a present.

8 gain the time = gain time. It may have reference to that day being an unlucky day. Cp. Est. 3. 7.

10 man. Chald. *'ēnāsh*. Ap. 14. III.

earth. Chald. *beshtā'* = dry ground.

11 not. Is emphatic. They held that there were gods who dwelt in men. But these were beyond mortal men altogether.

12 wise men: i.e. the members of all the classes collectively, mentioned in v. 2 above. Chald. *chākam*, denoting acquired wisdom.

13 fellows = companions.

14 counsel and wisdom = prudence and discretion. Arioeh. An ancient Babylonian name, preserved and handed down from Gen. 14. 1 = *Iri-Aku*.

guard = executioners. Cp. Gen. 37. 36; 39. 1; 40. 3. 2 Kings 25. 8. Jer. 39. 9.

16 give him time = appoint him a time.

17 Hananiah, &c. See note on 1. 6.

18 mercies = great mercy. Fig. *Heterosis* (of Number), Ap. 6.

of = from before.

the God of heaven. See note on 2 Chron. 36. 23.

God. Chald. *'elāh*. Ap. 4. I.

secret. Chald. *rāz*, which the Sept. renders *mustērion*. Occurs in O.T. only here, in vv. 18, 19, 27, 28, 29, 30, 47,

47; and 4. 9. Not the same word as in v. 22.

20 answered and said. See note on Deut. 1. 41.

for ever and ever = from age to age. See Ap. 151.

21 &c. changeth, &c. Cp. v. 9; 7. 25. 1 Chron. 29. 30. Job 34. 24—29. Ps. 31. 14, 15. Ecc. 3. 1—8. Jer. 27. 5—7.

19 Then was the ¹⁸secret revealed unto Daniel in a night vision. Then Daniel blessed the ¹⁸God of heaven.

20 Daniel °answered and said, “Blessed be the name of ¹⁸God °for ever and ever: for wisdom and might are His:

21 And °&c. changeth the times and the

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seasons: °He removeth kings, and setteth up kings: °He giveth wisdom unto the wise, and knowledge to them that know understanding: 22 °He revealeth the deep and °secret things: °He knoweth what is in the darkness, °and the light dwelleth with Him.

23 I thank Thee, and praise Thee, O Thou 18 God of my fathers, Who hast given me wisdom and might, and hast made known unto me now what we desired of Thee: for Thou hast now made known unto us the king's matter."

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24 Therefore Daniel went in unto 14 Arioch, whom the king had ordained to destroy the 12 wise men of Babylon: he went and said thus unto him; "Destroy not the 12 wise men of Babylon: bring me in before the king, and I will shew unto the king the interpretation."

25 Then 14 Arioch brought Daniel before the king in haste, and said thus unto him, "I have found a °man of the captives of Judah, that will make known unto the king the interpretation."

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26 The king answered and said to Daniel, whose name was °Belteshazzar, "Art thou able to make known unto me the dream which I have seen, and the interpretation thereof?"

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27 Daniel answered in the presence of the king, and said, "The 18 secret which the king hath demanded cannot the 12 wise men, the 2 astrologers, the 2 magicians, the soothsayers, shew unto the king;

28 But there is a 18 God in heaven That revealeth 18 secrets, and °maketh known to the king 1 Nebuchadnezzar what shall be °in the latter days. Thy dream, and the visions of thy head upon thy bed, are these;

29 As for thee, O king, thy thoughts °came into thy mind upon thy bed, what should come to pass hereafter: and He That revealeth 18 secrets maketh known to thee what shall come to pass.

30 But as for me, this 18 secret is not revealed to me for any wisdom that I have more than any living, but °for their sakes that °shall make known the interpretation to the king, and that thou mightest know the thoughts of thy heart.

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31 Thou, O king, °sawest, and °behold a great image. This great image, whose brightness was excellent, stood before thee; and the °form thereof was terrible.

32 This image's °head was of fine °gold, his breast and his arms of °silver, his belly and his thighs of °brass,

33 His legs of iron, his feet part of iron and part of 32 clay.

34 Thou sawest till that °a stone was cut out °without hands, which smote the image upon his °feet that were of 32 iron and 32 clay, and °brake them to pieces.

35 Then was the °iron, the °clay, the °brass, the °silver, and the °gold, 34 broken to pieces °together, and became like the chaff of the summer threshingfloors; and the °wind carried them away, that no place was found for them: and the 34 stone that smote the image became a great mountain, and °filled the whole earth.

36 This is the dream; and we will tell the interpretation thereof before the king.

He removeth, &c. Cp. 4. 17, 32. 1 Sam. 2. 7, 8. Job 12. 18. Pss. 75. 6, 7; 113. 7, 8. Prov. 8. 15, 16. Luke 1. 51, 52. Acts 13. 21, 22.

He giveth, &c. Ex. 31. 3, 6. 1 Kings 3. 8-12; 4. 29; 10. 24. 1 Chron. 22. 12. 2 Chron. 1. 10-12. Prov. 2. 6, 7. Luke 21. 15. 1 Cor. 1. 30. Jas. 1. 5, 17; 3. 15-17.

22 He revealeth, &c. Cp. vv. 11, 28, 29. Gen. 37. 5-9; 41. 16, 25, 28. Job 12. 22. Ps. 25. 14. Isa. 14. 24, 26; 42. 9. Matt. 11. 25. Rom. 16. 25, 26. Eph. 3. 5. Col. 1. 25-27. secret=hidden. Chald. *gāthar*. Not the same word as in v. 18, &c.

He knoweth, &c. Cp. Job 26. 6. Ps. 139. 11, 12. Jer. 23. 24. Luke 12. 2, 3. John 21. 17. 1 Cor. 4. 5. Heb. 4. 13. and the light, &c. Cp. 5. 11, 14. Pss. 36. 9; 104. 2. John 1. 9; 8. 12; 12. 45, 46. 1 Tim. 6. 16. Jas. 1. 17. 1 John 1. 5.

25 man. Chald. *gēbar*. Ap. 14. IV.

26 Belteshazzar. See note on 1. 7.

28 maketh=hath made. Cp. v. 29. in the latter days. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 49. 1. Num. 24. 14. Deut. 4. 30; 32. 29). Ap. 92.

29 came=came up.

30 for their sakes... interpretation=to the intent that the interpretation. shall=should.

31 sawest=wast looking.

behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

form=appearance.

32 head. Note the five parts: (1) the head; (2) the breast and arms; (3) the belly and the thighs; (4) the legs; (5) the feet. These five are preserved distinct throughout. Cp. vv. 34, 35, and 38-44, and 45.

gold... clay (v. 33). Note that the most precious metal, and the highest specific gravity was at the top, decreasing with its descent: (1) gold=19. 3; (2) silver=10. 51; (3) brass=8. 5; (4) iron=7. 6; (5) clay=1. 9: so that it was top-heavy from the first.

34 a stone. See note on Ps. 118. 22.

without hands. An expression always emphasising the absence of all human instrumentality and the act of God alone. See v. 45; 8. 25. Job 34. 20. Lam. 4. 6. Cp. Acts 7. 48; 17. 24, 25; 19. 26. 2 Cor. 5. 1. Eph. 2. 11. Col. 2. 11. Heb. 9. 11, 21.

feet: i.e. the fifth kingdom. Not the fourth, which was represented by the "legs of iron".

brake them to pieces: or, they were beaten small. brake=beat small. Chald. *dēkak*. Cp. vv. 34, 35, 40, 41, 44, 45.

35 iron, the clay, &c. Note the order differently given to distinguish the five (not the four), answering to the five parts of the image in v. 32, and the five kingdoms:—

vv. 32, 33.	v. 35.	v. 45.
gold,	iron,	iron,
silver,	clay,	brass,
brass,	brass,	clay,
iron,	silver,	silver,
iron and clay.	gold.	gold.

together. As united at the time of the end (forming the sixth power), the kingdom of the "Beast" (Rev. 13). wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

filled the whole earth. Thus marking the seventh kingdom, that of Messiah.

37 a kingdom. The O.T. is not designed to be a compendium of "ancient history". It is the history of Jehovah's People, Israel; and other nations are referred to only as, and in so far as, they come into connection with Israel. Babylon was the most ancient of kingdoms (Gen. 10. 10). Cp. Deut. 32. 8. Nebuchadnezzar was not the first king; but he was the "head" or beginning of Gentile dominion in the earth when Israel had been "removed" (according to Jer. 15. 4; 24. 9; 29. 18). These successive kingdoms are reckoned only as they obtained possession of Jerusalem. They existed before that; and each, in turn, was absorbed in the one that succeeded.

37 Thou, O king, art a king of kings: for the 18 God of heaven hath given thee °a kingdom, power, and strength, and glory.

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38 And wheresoever the °children of °men dwell, the beasts of the field and the fowls of the heaven °hath He given into thine hand, and hath made thee ruler over them all. °Thou °art this °head °of gold.

39 And after thee shall °arise °another kingdom °inferior to thee, and another °third kingdom of brass, which shall bear rule over all the earth.

40 And °the fourth kingdom shall be °strong as iron: forasmuch as iron °breaketh in pieces and °subdueth all things: and as iron that °breaketh all these, shall it °break in pieces and °bruise.

41 °And whereas thou sawest the feet and toes, part of potters' clay, and part of iron, the kingdom shall be divided; but there shall be in it of the °strength of the iron, forasmuch as thou sawest the iron mixed with °miry clay.

42 And as the toes of the feet were °part of iron, and part of clay, so the kingdom shall be °partly strong, and °partly °broken.

43 And whereas thou sawest iron mixed with °miry clay, °they shall mingle themselves with the seed of °men: but they shall not cleave one to another, even as iron °is not mixed with clay.

44 And in the days of °these kings shall the °God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall °break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand °for ever.

45 Forasmuch as thou sawest that °the stone was cut out of the mountain °without hands, and that it °brake in pieces the °iron, the °brass, the °clay, the °silver, and the °gold; the great °God hath made known to the king what shall come to pass hereafter: and the dream is certain, and the interpretation thereof sure."

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46 Then the king °Nebuchadnezzar fell upon his face, and worshipped Daniel, and commanded that they should offer an °oblation and sweet odours unto him.

47 The king answered unto Daniel, and said, "Of a truth it is, that your °God °is a °God of °gods, and a °Lord of kings, and a °Revealer of °secrets, seeing thou couldest reveal this °secret."

48 Then the king °made Daniel a great man, and gave him many great gifts, and made him ruler over the whole province of Babylon, and chief of the °governors over all the °wise men of Babylon.

49 Then Daniel requested of the king, and he set °Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, over the affairs of the province of Babylon: °but Daniel sat in the gate of the king.

38 children = sons.

men. Chald. 'ānāshā'.

hath He given. According to His word (Jer. 27. 6, 7; 28. 14, &c. Cp. 1. 2 and Ezek. 26. 7.

Thou. Nebuchadnezzar.

art = art represented by. Fig. Metaphor. Ap. 6.

head: i.e. the first of these five kingdoms, not the first king of Babylon. See note on v. 37.

of. Genitive of Material. Ap. 17. 6.

39 arise = stand up. Chald. kām = to begin to exist. See note on Ex. 1. 8.

another. The kingdom of Medo-Persia, which succeeded Babylon by occupying Jerusalem (2 Chron. 36. 22).

inferior. As silver is inferior to gold, in value and in specific gravity (see note on v. 32) so the second kingdom was inferior to the first. The successive kingdoms are marked by evolution (or rather, devolution). In the first (Babylon) the king possessed absolute power ("whom he would he slew", &c., 5. 19); the second [Medo-Persian] was a government by law which was superior to the king (6. 1, 14, &c.).

third kingdom. This again was "inferior", as being less despotic.

40 the fourth: i.e. Rome (Luke 2 and 3). Observe that it does not say there were "four, and no more", as alleged; but "the fourth". An ordinal number, not cardinal. The Chald. is rēbi'ayā' (text), or rēbi'dāh (margin) = fourth, as in 3. 25; 7. 7, 19, 23. Not 'arba', which = four. The fifth is revealed in vv. 41-43. The power which was to succeed Rome in the possession of Jerusalem was to be the Mohammedan power, which was still future when our Lord referred to it in Luke 21. 24; but the Lord does not name it, because the condition of Acts 3. 18-26 could not be anticipated, assumed, or forestalled.

strong = hard. This was the character of Rome, both royal, imperial, and republican.

subdueth = crusheth.

breaketh = dasheth, or bringeth to ruin. Chald. rē'a'. Not the same word as in vv. 1, 34, 35, 42, 44, 45.

bruise = bring to ruin. Chald. rē'a'. Ap. 44. viii. The same word as "breaketh" earlier in the verse.

41 And whereas, &c. The fifth power is now to be described (the "feet and toes"). It came into possession of Jerusalem in A.D. 636 (Rome having held the city for 666 years: viz., from the battle of Actium, 31 B.C. — A.D. 636). Its character as described in v. 41 is exact; and, as represented by the "feet", Jerusalem has indeed been "trodden down" (Luke 21. 24) as was never done by any of the other four powers.

strength = hardness.

miry = muddy. Chald. tīn. Same as Heb. tīt. Occ. 2 Sam. 22. 43. Job 41. 30 (Heb. v. 22). Pss. 18. 42 (Heb. v. 43); 40. 2 (Heb. v. 3); 69. 14 (Heb. v. 15). Isa. 41. 25; 57. 20. Jer. 38. 6. Mic. 7. 10. Nah. 3. 14. Zech. 9. 3; 10. 5. Not the same as that rendered "broken" (= brittle), v. 42, as stated by some commentators.

42 part = a portion [of them], or some of them. Chald. min.

partly = in part, or at the end. Chald. kētzāth, as in 4. 29 (Heb. v. 26), 34 (Heb. v. 31). Occurs only in these three places. Cp. the Heb. kēzāth (1. 2 with 5, 15, 18).

partly broken = part [of it shall be] broken.

broken = fragile, easily broken. Chald. tēbār. Occurs

only here. 43 they: i.e. the toes. is not mixed — mingleth not.

by the ten toes: i.e. in their days, at the end of the time of the fifth power. Cp. Rev. 17. 12-18.

That is the moment of the great stone, and of the coming of Messiah.

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46 oblation = a gift offering. Ap. 43. II. iii. 47 is = ʾē [is].

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48 made Daniel a great man = exalted Daniel.

nobles. Chald. signin. Occurs in Dan. only here, 3. 2, 3, 27; and 6. 7.

note on 1. 7.

but Daniel sat in the gate, &c. See note on Est. 2. 19.

for ever = to the ages. See Lord. Chald. Adonai. governors = prefects, or

49 Shadrach, &c. See

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3 Nebuchadnezzar the king made an °image of gold, whose °height was °threescore °cubits, and the °breadth thereof °six °cubits: he set it up in the plain of °Dura, in the province of Babylon.

2 Then Nebuchadnezzar °the king sent °to gather together the °princes, the °governors, and the °captains, the °judges, the °treasurers, the °counsellors, the °sheriffs, and all the °rulers of the provinces, to come to the dedication of the image which Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up.

3 Then the ²princes, the ²governors, and ²captains, the ²judges, the ²treasurers, the ²counsellors, the ²sheriffs, and all the ²rulers of the provinces, were gathered together unto the dedication of the ¹image that Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up; and they stood before the ¹image that Nebuchadnezzar had set up.

4 Then an °herald cried aloud, "To you it is commanded, O °people, °nations, and °languages,

5 That at what time ye hear the sound of the °cornet, flute, °harp, °sackbut, psaltery, dulcimer, and all kinds of musick, ye fall down and worship the golden image that Nebuchadnezzar the king hath set up:

6 And whoso falleth not down and worshippeth shall the same °hour be cast into the midst of a burning fiery furnace."

O **7** Therefore at that time, when all the people heard the sound of the °cornet, flute, °harp, sackbut, psaltery, and all kinds of musick, all the °people, the °nations, and the °languages, fell down and worshipped the golden ¹image that Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up.

M **8** Wherefore at that time °certain °Chaldeans came near, and accused the Jews.

9 They spake and said to the king Nebuchadnezzar, "O king, live for ever.

10 Thou, O king, hast made a decree, that every °man that shall hear the sound of the °cornet, flute, °harp, °sackbut, psaltery, and dulcimer, and all kinds of musick, shall fall down and worship the golden image:

11 And whoso falleth not down and worshippeth, that he should be cast into the midst of a burning fiery furnace.

12 There are °certain Jews whom thou hast set over the affairs of the province of Babylon, °Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego; these ¹⁰men, O king, have not regarded thee: they serve not thy °gods, nor worship the golden ¹image which thou hast set up."

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13 Then Nebuchadnezzar in *his* rage and fury commanded to bring ¹²Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego. Then they brought these ¹²men before the king.

14 Nebuchadnezzar spake and said unto them, "Is it °true, O ¹²Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, do not ye serve my ¹²gods, nor worship the golden ¹image which I have set up?

15 Now if ye be ready that at what time ye hear the sound of the °cornet, flute, °harp, °sackbut, psaltery, and dulcimer, and all kinds of musick, ye fall down and worship the ¹image which I have made; °well: but if ye wor-

3. 1-30 (C, p. 1178). DANIEL'S COMPANIONS. THE FIERY FURNACE. (Alternations.)

C	K	L	N	1-6. Command to worship the image.
			O	7. Obedience.
			M	8-12. Accusation of the three.
K	L	N		13-15. Command to worship the image.
			O	16-18. Refusal.
			M	19-30. Condemnation of the three,

1 image. This could not have been an image of a human being. The height and breadth are out of all proportion for this; the former being one to ten instead of one to six. A figure drawn on this scale, will at once be seen to be impossible. Having determined that it is a human figure, tradition then assumes it to have been a proportional figure "on a pedestal", or simply "a bust on a pillar". But there is nothing in the text to suggest this. It would exactly suit an *Asherah* (Ap. 42). The Heb. *tzelem* denotes something shaped by cutting or carving. Ezek. 16. 17, and 23. 14, practically make this certain. See the verb in Ezek. 7. 20; and cp. what is said in Num. 33. 52.

height . . . breadth. See above note.
threescore . . . six. The numbers of man (Ap. 10). Note the *six* instruments (cp. 5, 7, 10, 15). See note on 1 Sam. 17. 4. cubits. See Ap. 51. III. 2 (1). Dura. Now *Dûair*, twelve miles south-east of Babylon.

2 the king sent. This great Durbar would hardly have taken place till after the campaign referred to in note on "came" (1. 1). It was therefore probably held about 475 B.C., in Daniel's thirty-eighth year, twenty years after Nebuchadnezzar's dream of himself, the "head of gold" (ch. 2).

to gather together, &c. Note the eight technical terms. Well known to Daniel, but difficult for a Jew in Jerusalem 300 years later to enumerate so minutely and so accurately. princes=satraps.

governors. See note on 2. 48.
captains=pashas (as in Neh. 5. 14, 18. Hag. 1. 14), the first three being *governmental*.

judges=viziers, or chief judges.
treasurers: these two being *courtiers*.

counsellors=counsellors of State, judges. The same word as in v. 3. Not the same word as in vv. 24, 27.

sheriffs=lawyers; these two being *legal*.
rulers, &c.=superintendents, being *functional* and general.

4 herald. Chald. *kārōzā'*. Not from the Greek *kēruz*, but an old Persian word *khresic'*, a crier, from which comes the Chald. verb *kēvar*, to make a proclamation, as in 5. 29. people=peoples, or nations.

nations=races, or tribes.
languages=tongues. Fig. *Catabasis*. Ap. 8.

5 cornet, &c. These names are supposed to be Greek, or from the Greek; but Athenæus, a Greek grammarian (about A.D. 200-300), says the *sambukē* ("sackbut") was a Syriac invention. Strabo, in his geography (54 B.C.-A.D. 24), ascribes Greek music to Asia, and says: "the Athenians always showed their admiration of foreign customs" (x. c. iii. c. 17, 18).

harp. Chald. *kithrōs*; Greek *kithara*. Terpander, a Greek musician (seventh century B.C.), the father of Greek music, invented the *kithara* with seven strings (Strabo says) instead of four, and one is sculptured on a monument of Assurbanipal (Lenormant, *La Divination chez les Chaldéens*, pp. 190, 191).

sackbut. See note on "cornet", above.
hour=moment. Chald. *shā'āh*, as in vv. 3, 6, 15; 4. 33; 5. 5.

8 certain=men: probably our *grandeens*. Pl. of Chald. *gēbar*. Ap. 14. iv. Chaldeans. See note on 1. 4.

10 man. Chald. *ānāsh*. Ap. 4. III.
12 Shadrach, &c. See note on 1. 7.

men=strong men, or *grandeens*. Pl. of Chald. *gēbar*. Ap. 14. IV. gods. Chald. *'elah*. Ap. 4. I.

14 true=of set purpose.

15 well. Note the Fig. *Aposiopesis* (Ap. 6). Or, supply [well and good].

475 ship not, ye shall be cast the same hour into the midst of a °burning fiery furnace; and who is that °God that shall deliver you out of my hands?"

0 16 ¹²Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, °answered and said to the king, "O Nebuchadnezzar, we °are not careful to answer thee in this matter.

17 If it be so, our ¹⁵God Whom we serve °is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and He will deliver us out of thine hand, O king.

18 But if not, be it known unto thee, O king, that we will not serve thy ¹²gods, nor worship °the golden ¹image which thou hast set up."

M h 19 Then was Nebuchadnezzar °full of fury, (p. 1185) and the °form of his °visage was changed against ¹²Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego: therefore he spake, and commanded that they should heat the furnace one seven times more than it was wont to be heated.

i 20 And he commanded the °most mighty ¹²men that were in his army °to bind ¹²Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, and to cast them into the burning fiery furnace.

21 Then these ¹²men were ²⁰bound in their °coats, their °hosen, and their °hats, and their other garments, and were cast into the midst of the burning fiery furnace.

k 22 Therefore because the king's °commandment was urgent, and the furnace exceeding hot, the flame of the fire slew °those ¹²men that took up ¹²Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego.

l 23 And these three ¹²men, ¹²Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, fell down ²⁰bound into the midst of the burning fiery furnace.

h 24 Then Nebuchadnezzar the king was astonished, and rose up in haste, and spake, and said unto his °counsellors, "Did not we cast three ¹²men ²¹bound into the midst of the fire?" They answered and said unto the king, °"True, O king."

25 He answered and said, "Lo, I see four ¹²men ^{leese}, walking in the midst of the fire, and they have no hurt; and the form of the fourth is like °the son of ¹⁵God."

i 26 Then Nebuchadnezzar came near to the °mouth of the burning fiery furnace, and spake, and said, "Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, ye servants of the most high ¹⁵God, come forth, and come hither." Then Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, came forth of the midst of the fire.

k 27 And the ²princes, ²governors, and ²captains, and the king's ²⁴counsellors, being gathered together, °saw these ¹²men, upon whose bodies the fire had no power, nor was an hair of their head singed, neither were their coats °changed, nor the smell of fire had passed on them.

l 28 Then Nebuchadnezzar spake, and said, "Blessed be the ¹⁵God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, Who hath sent His angel, and delivered His servants that trusted in Him, and have changed the king's word, and yielded their bodies, that they might not serve nor worship any ¹⁵god, except their own ¹⁵God.

burning. The 1611 edition of the A.V. omits "burning". God. Chald. 'ēlāh. Ap. 4. 1.

16 answered and said. See note on Deut. 1. 41. are not careful=do not account it needful.

17 is able to deliver us. The Massoretic pointing requires this punctuation: "to deliver us; from the burning fiery furnace He will deliver us".

18 the. The 1611 edition of the A.V. reads "thy".

3. 19-30 (M, p. 1184). CONDEMNATION OF THE THREE. (Extended Alternation.)

M h | 19. The king enraged.
i | 20, 21. The Three cast into the furnace.
k | 22. Fire. Power over the executioners.
l | 23. Deliverance to the fire. Fall.
h | 24, 25. The king amazed.
i | 26. The Three called forth from the furnace.
k | 27. Fire. No power over the Three.
l | 28-30. Deliverance from the furnace. Promotion.

19 full of = filled with. form = appearance. visage = countenance.

20 most mighty men. Chald. = mighty [ones] of strength.

to bind. Chald. k'phath. Occ. only here and vv. 21, 23, 24.

21 coats = cloaks, or mantles. hosen = tunics.

hats = turbans, mantles, or cloaks.

22 commandment = word.

those men = those very men.

24 counsellors: or, ministers [standing near] to him; either to his throne or near at the time. Chald. haddābrin. Not the same word as in vv. 2, 3.

True: or, Truth, or, Surely.

25 the son of God = a son of God (no Art.): i.e. a superhuman being, or an angel. Cp. v. 28, and see Ap. 23. Nebuchadnezzar could know nothing of N.T. revelation.

26 mouth = door. 27 saw = kept gazing upon. changed: or, discoloured.

29 speak, &c. = charge any fault or error.

amiss: or, rash. Cp. 2 Sam. 6. 7, as Nebuchadnezzar himself had done.

cut in pieces, &c. See note on 2. 5. deliver = rescue.

4. 1-37 (D, p. 1178). NEBUCHADNEZZAR'S DREAM OF THE GREAT TREE. HIS TEMPORARY DEPOSITION. (Introversion and Repeated Alternation.)

D P | 1 3. The Proclamation.
Q¹ | 4, 5. The Dream dreamed.
R¹ | 6-9. Interpretation desired.
Q² | 10-17. The Dream recited.
R² | 18. Interpretation required.
Q³ | 19-23. The Dream repeated.
R¹ | 24-33. Interpretation given and fulfilled.
P | 34-37. The Proclamation.

1 Nebuchadnezzar. What follows is evidently a proclamation. Given probably in 454 B.C., the last of the seven years of his "madness" (461-454 B.C.), the same year as the decree of Astyages, Daniel being then fifty-nine.

people = the peoples.

nations = races.

languages = tongues.

29 Therefore I make a decree, That every people, nation, and language, which °speak any thing °amiss against the ¹⁵God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, shall be °cut in pieces, and their houses shall be made a dunghill: because there is no other ¹⁵God that can °deliver after this sort."

30 Then the king promoted ¹²Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, in the province of Babylon.

4 °Nebuchadnezzar the king, unto all °people, °nations, and °languages, that dwell in all the earth; "Peace be multiplied unto you.

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454 2 I °thought it good to shew the signs and °wonders that the °HIGH °God hath wrought toward me.

3 °How great *are* His signs! and how mighty *are* His wonders! His kingdom *is* an everlasting kingdom, and His dominion *is* from generation to generation.

Q¹ (p. 1185) 4 I Nebuchadnezzar was at rest in mine house, and flourishing in my palace:

5 I saw a °dream which made me afraid, and the thoughts upon my bed and the °visions of my head troubled me.

R¹ 462 6 Therefore made I a decree °to bring in all the wise *men* of Babylon before me, that they might make known unto me the interpretation of the dream.

7 Then came in the °magicians, the astrologers, the Chaldeans, and the soothsayers: and I told the dream before them; but they did not make known unto me the interpretation thereof.

8 But at the last Daniel came in before me, whose name *was* °Belteshazzar, according to the name of my °god, and in whom *is* the °spirit of the °holy °gods: and before him I told the °dream, *saying*,

9 °O Belteshazzar, °master of the magicians, because I know that the °spirit of the °holy °gods *is* in thee, and no °secret troubleth thee, tell me the visions of my dream that I have seen, and the interpretation thereof.

Q² 10 Thus *were* the visions of mine head in my bed; °I saw, and °behold a tree in the midst of the earth, and the height thereof *was* great.

11 The tree grew, and was strong, and the height thereof reached unto heaven, and the sight thereof to the end of all the earth:

12 The leaves thereof *were* fair, and the fruit thereof much, and in it *was* meat for all: the beasts of the field had shadow under it, and the fowls of the heaven dwelt in the boughs thereof, and all flesh *was* fed of it.

13 °I saw in the visions of my head upon my bed, and, °behold, °a °watcher and an °holy one came down from heaven;

14 He cried aloud, and said thus, °Hew down the tree, and cut off his branches, shake off his leaves, and scatter his fruit: let the beasts get away from under it, and the fowls from his branches:

15 Nevertheless leave °the stump of his roots in the earth, even with a band of iron and brass, in the °tender grass of the field; and let it be °wet with the dew of heaven, and let his portion be with the beasts in the grass of the earth:

16 °Let his heart be changed from °man's, and let a beast's heart be given unto him; and let °seven times pass over him.

17 This matter *is* by the decree of the °watchers, and the °demand by the word of the °holy ones: to the intent that the living may know that the °MOST HIGH °ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever He will, and setteth up over it the °basest of men.

R² 18 This °dream I king Nebuchadnezzar have seen. Now thou, O °Belteshazzar, declare the interpretation thereof, forasmuch as all the wise *men* of my kingdom are not able to make

2 thought = have thought.

wonders = astonishing things.

HIGH = most high.

God. Chald. 'ēlāhā' (emphatic). Ap. 4. I.

3 How great, &c. Cp. v. 34; 2. 44; 7. 17.

5 dream. One of twenty recorded dreams. See note on Gen. 20. 3.

visions of my head, &c. Cp. v. 10, and 2. 23.

6 to bring in all the wise men, &c. Probably done from motives of state policy, or acting on Daniel's own advice. A writer clever enough to be a forger would be wise enough not to leave the loophole alleged.

7 magicians, &c. See note on 1. 2.

8 Belteshazzar. See note on 1. 7.

god. Chald. 'ēlāh. Ap. 4. I.

spirit. Heb. rūach. Ap. 9.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

gods. Chald. 'ēlāhīn (pl.). Ap. 4. I.

9 master of the magicians. Daniel still held the position given him in 2. 48.

secret. Chald. rāz. Same word as in ch. 2 (except v. 22). See notes on 2. 18, 22.

10 I saw = I was gazing.

behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

13 a watcher and an holy one. Fig. Hendiadys (Ap. 6) = an holy angel.

watcher. A Chaldee name ('ir) for an angelic being, watching over the affairs of men. Cp. vv. 17, 23. Not the same root as in 9. 14.

15 the stump of his roots = his root-trunk.

tender grass = herbage.

wet = drenched.

16 Let his heart, &c. The figure here changes from a tree to that of a beast, mentioned in v. 15.

man's. Chald. 'ānāshā'. Ap. 14. III.

seven times. The inscriptions state that there were several years in which Nebuchadnezzar did nothing.

17 demand = mandate.

ruleth = hath dominion.

basest = lowest.

19 astonished = astonished.

one hour. Chald. shā'ah = a moment, as v. 33; 3. 6, 15; 5. 5.

The king spake. Note the change of speakers.

answered and said. See note on Deut. 1. 41.

known unto me the interpretation: but thou art able; for the °spirit of the holy °gods *is* in thee.

19 Then Daniel, whose name *was* °Belteshazzar, was °astonied for °one hour, and his thoughts troubled him. °The king spake, and said, °Belteshazzar, let not the dream, or the interpretation thereof, trouble thee. °Belteshazzar answered and said, °My lord, the dream be to them that hate thee, and the interpretation thereof to thine enemies.

20 The tree that thou sawest, which grew, and was strong, whose height reached unto the heaven, and the sight thereof to all the earth;

21 Whose leaves *were* fair, and the fruit thereof much, and in it *was* meat for all; under which the beasts of the field dwelt, and upon whose branches the fowls of the heaven had their habitation:

22 It is thou, O king, that art grown and become strong: for thy greatness is grown, and reacheth unto heaven, and thy dominion to the end of the earth.

23 And whereas the king saw a °watcher and an °holy one coming down from heaven, and saying, Hew the tree down, and destroy

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462 it; yet leave ¹⁵ the stump of the roots thereof in the earth, even with a band of iron and brass, in the ¹⁵ tender grass of the field; and let it be ¹⁵ wet with the dew of heaven, and let his portion be with the beasts of the field, till ¹⁶ seven times pass over him;

R³ 24 This *is* the interpretation, O king, and this *is* the decree of the ² MOST HIGH, which is come upon my lord the king:

25 That they shall ^o drive thee from ^o men, and thy dwelling shall be with the beasts of the field, and they shall ^o make thee to eat grass as oxen, and they shall ¹⁵ wet thee with the dew of heaven, and ¹⁶ seven times shall pass over thee, till thou know that the ² MOST HIGH ¹⁷ ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever He will.

26 And whereas they commanded to leave ¹⁵ the stump of the tree roots; thy kingdom shall be sure unto thee, after that thou shalt have known that ^o the heavens do rule.

27 Wherefore, O king, let my ^o counsel be acceptable unto thee, and ^o break off thy ^o sins by ^o righteousness, and thine ^o iniquities by shewing mercy to the ^o poor; if it may be a lengthening of thy tranquillity.

28 ^o All this came upon the king Nebuchadnezzar.

461 29 At the end of twelve months he walked in the palace of the kingdom of Babylon.

30 The king ^o spake, and said, 'Is not this ^o great Babylon, ^o that ^o I have built for the ^o house of the kingdom by the might of my power, and for the honour of my majesty?'

31 While the word was in the king's mouth, there fell a voice from heaven, saying, 'O king Nebuchadnezzar, to thee it is spoken; The kingdom is departed from thee.

32 And they shall ²⁵ drive thee from ²⁵ men, and thy dwelling shall be with the beasts of the field: they shall ²⁵ make thee to eat grass as oxen, and ¹⁶ seven times shall pass over thee, until thou know that the ² MOST HIGH ruleth in the kingdom of ²⁵ men, and giveth it to whomsoever He will.'

33 The same ¹⁹ hour was the thing fulfilled upon Nebuchadnezzar: and he was driven from ²⁵ men, and did eat grass as oxen, and his body was ¹⁵ wet with the dew of heaven, till his hairs were grown like eagles' feathers, and his nails like birds' claws.

P 454 34 And at the end of the days ^o I Nebuchadnezzar lifted up mine eyes unto heaven, and mine understanding returned unto me, and I blessed ^o the ² MOST HIGH, and ^o I praised and honoured Him That liveth for ever, Whose dominion is an everlasting dominion, and His kingdom is from generation to generation:

35 And ^o all the inhabitants of the earth are reputed as nothing: ^o and He doeth according to His will in the army of heaven, and among ^o the inhabitants of the earth: and ^o none can stay His hand, or say unto Him, '^o What doest Thou?'

36 At the same time my reason returned unto me; and for the glory of my kingdom, mine honour and brightness returned unto me; and my ^o counsellors and my ^o lords sought unto me; and I was established in my

25 drive thee, &c. The mental disease of Nebuchadnezzar is rare. It is called *Lycanthropy* (from Greek, *lukos* = a wolf, and *anthrōpos* = a man), because the man imagines himself to be a wolf, or some other animal.

men. Chald. pl. of 'ānāsh. Ap. 14. III.

make = suffer.

26 the heavens. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for God Who dwells there. Cp. Luke 15. 18.

27 counsel = advice. Not the same word as in 3. 24, 27; 4. 36; 6. 7.

break off. This is rendered in the Vulgate (the Authorised Version of the Church of Rome) by "redeem"; but the Chald. *p'arak* = break off. First occ. in Heb. (*pārak*) Gen. 27. 40. Ex. 32. 2, 3, 24, &c. See note on Ps. 136. 24.

sins: *chātāi*. Same as Ap. 44. i.

righteousness. This is rendered as "almsgiving" in the Vulg. But Chald. *tz'idkāh* (Heb. *tz'dāqāh*) = righteousness never signifies alms or almsgiving.

iniquities. Chald. 'ivyā'. Same as Ap. 44. iv.

poor = wretched, miserable. Chald. 'ānāh. See note on "poverty", Prov. 6. 11. Here referring doubtless to the Jewish captives.

28 All this came. Here the change is to the historical narration.

30 spake — answered.

great Babylon. The German Orient Society's excavations during recent years have shown how "great" it was. See *Records of the Past*, vol. i, p. 160; vol. ii, p. 282; vol. iii, p. 166, &c.; vol. vii, p. 261, &c.

that I have built. Everywhere this is repeated by Nebuchadnezzar on bricks, pavements, walls, &c. house of the kingdom = the royal palace.

34 I Nebuchadnezzar, &c. Here the king again speaks. This corresponds with the Proclamation (vv. 1-3 = P), and is the ground of its being made.

the MOST HIGH. Cp. vv. 17, 32.

I praised, &c. Modern critics are stumbled because Nebuchadnezzar should do this while he was an idolater. But surely it is the token that a great change had taken place.

This occurred in 454, just after Astyages (the great king = Artaxerxes) had issued his decree for the rebuilding of Jerusalem; and it was imperative that Nebuchadnezzar should now issue this imperial decree. See Ap. 58.

This year, 454 B. C., is specially marked by the issue of these two momentous proclamations.

When Nebuchadnezzar's madness began, Daniel was fifty-two, and when it ended, he was fifty-nine years old.

35 all, &c. Cp. Job 34. 14, 15, 19-24. Isa. 40. 15-17, 22-24.

and He, &c. Cp. 1 Sam. 3. 18. Job 23. 13. Pss. 33. 9-11; 115. 3; 135. 6. Isa. 14. 24-27; 46. 10, 11.

the inhabitants, &c. Pss. 33. 8, 14; 49. 1. Isa. 26. 9. none, &c. Cp. Job 9. 4, 13; 34. 29; 40. 9-12; 42. 2. Acts 5. 39; 9. 5; 11. 17, &c.

What, &c. Cp. Job 9. 12; 33. 12, 13; 40. 2. Isa. 45. 9-11.

36 counsellors. See note on 3. 24.

lords. See note on 5. 1, and "princes", 5. 2.

37 I Nebuchadnezzar, &c. This corresponds with vv. 1-3. See the Structure, p. 1185.

kingdom, and excellent majesty was added unto me.

37 Now ^o I Nebuchadnezzar praise and extol and honour the King of heaven, all Whose works are truth, and His ways judgment: and those that walk in pride He is able to abase."

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5 °Belshazzar the king made °a great feast °wine before the thousand.

2 ¹Belshazzar, while he tasted the ¹wine, commanded to bring the golden and silver °vessels which his °father Nebuchadnezzar had °taken out of the temple which was in Jerusalem; that the king, and his °princes, his °wives, and his concubines, might drink therein.

3 Then they brought the golden ²vessels that were ²taken out of the temple of the house of °God which was at Jerusalem; and the king, and his ²princes, his wives, and his concubines, drank in them.

4 They drank ¹wine,

n and praised the ³gods of gold, and of silver, of brass, of iron, of wood, and of stone.

U o **5** °In the same hour came forth fingers of a °man's hand, and wrote over against the °candlestick upon the plaister of the wall of the king's palace: and the king °saw °the part of the hand that wrote.

p **6** Then the king's °countenance was changed, and his thoughts troubled him, so that the joints of his loins were loosed, and his knees smote one against another.

7 The king cried aloud to bring in the °astrologers, the Chaldeans, and the soothsayers. And the king spake, and said to the wise men of Babylon, "Whosoever shall read this writing, and shew me the interpretation thereof, shall be clothed with °scarlet, and have a chain of gold about his neck, and shall °be the third ruler in the kingdom."

8 Then came in all °the king's wise men: but they could not read the writing, nor make known to the king the interpretation thereof.

9 Then was king ¹Belshazzar greatly troubled, and his °countenance was changed in him, and his ¹lords were °astonied.

10 Now °the queen by reason of the words of the king and his ¹lords °came into the banquet house: and the queen spake and said, "O king, live for ever: let not thy thoughts trouble thee, nor let thy countenance be changed:

11 There is a °man in thy kingdom, in whom is the °spirit of the °holy °gods; and in the days of thy ²father light and understanding and wisdom, like the wisdom of the °gods, was found in him; whom the king Nebuchadnezzar thy ²father, the king, I say, thy ²father, °made master of the magicians, ⁷astrologers, Chaldeans, and soothsayers;

12 Forasmuch as an excellent ¹¹spirit, and knowledge, and understanding, interpreting of dreams, and shewing of °hard sentences, and dissolving of doubts, were found in the same Daniel, whom the king named °Belteshazzar: now let Daniel be called, and he will shew the interpretation."

13 Then was Daniel brought in before the king. And the king spake and said unto Daniel, "Art thou that Daniel, which art of the °children of the captivity of Judah, whom the king my father brought out of °Jewry?

14 I have even heard of thee, that the ¹¹spirit of °the °gods is in thee, and that light and understanding and excellent wisdom is found in thee.

5. 1-31 (D, p. 1178). BELSHAZZAR'S VISION OF THE HAND. HIS FINAL DOOM. (Division.)

D | S¹ | 1-29. The Prediction.
| S² | 30, 31. The Fulfilment.

5. 1-29 (S¹, above). THE PREDICTION. (BELSHAZZAR'S FEAST.) (Alternations.)

S¹ | T | m | 1-4-. Impiety.
| | n | -4. Idolatry.
| | U | o | 5. The Hand.
| | | p | 6-15. Interpretation required.
| | | q | 16. Gifts promised.
T | m | 17-23-. Impiety.
| | n | -23. Idolatry.
| | U | o | 24. The Hand.
| | | p | 25-28. Interpretation given.
| | | q | 29. Gifts given.

1 Belshazzar. He was the son of Nabonidus. The inscriptions show that he was made co-regent while he (Nabonidus) went to meet Cyrus. See note on vv. 2, 7; 7. 1. **a great feast.** The hall in which it was held has lately been excavated. It is 60 feet wide and 172 feet long, the walls being beautifully decorated with painted stucco designs. See *Records of the Past*, vol. i, part v, p. 160. The date was 426 B. C., Daniel being eighty-seven. **lords**=great ones, or nobles. Chald. *rabēbān*, same as "princes" in vv. 2, 3.

wine. Chald. *chāmra*. Same as Heb. *chemer*. Ap. 27. III. **2 vessels.** Cp. 1. 2; and see 2 Kings 25. 15. 2 Chron. 36. 10. Jer. 52. 19.

father Nebuchadnezzar. No "historical difficulty". Critics should tell us what word Daniel could have used, seeing there is no word in Chaldee or Hebrew for "grandfather". The word "father" is used by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), Ap. 6, for ancestor. Cp. 1 Kings 15. 11-13, where David is called the "father" of Asa, and Maachah is called his mother (cp. 2 Kings 15. 1, 2 with 11-13). In 2 Kings 14. 3 the same is said of Amaziah; and in 2 Chron. 34. 1, 2, of Josiah. Cp. Rom. 9. 10, where Paul speaks of "our father Isaac". But Jer. 27. 7 explains the matter fully: "all nations shall serve him (i. e. Nebuchadnezzar), and his son (Nabonidus), and his son's son (Belshazzar), until the very time of his land come". See note on 7. 1.

taken out=brought forth. Cp. Ezra 1. 7.

princes. Chald. *rabēbān*, as in v. 3, same as "lords" in vv. 1, 9, 10, 23. Elsewhere, only in this book, in 4. 36, and 6. 17.

wives. Showing that the "queen" mentioned in v. 10 must have been his mother.

3 God. Chald. *ēlāhā*. See Ap. 4. I.

5 In the same hour=At the same moment. See note on "hour", 3. 19. **man's.** Chald. *ēnāsh*. Ap. 14. III.

candlestick=lampstand. **saw**=was gazing on.

the part=the end: i. e. the fingers.

6 countenance=bright looks.

7 astrologers, &c. See note on 2. 2.

scarlet=purple.

be the third ruler=rule as one of three: i. e. the third: Nabonidus being the first, and Belshazzar the second.

8 the king's. Some codices read "Babylon's".

9 astonied=dumbfounded.

10 the queen. Nitocris, the daughter in law of Nebuchadnezzar, and mother of Nabonidus.

came into, &c. She was not present among the "wives" of v. 2.

11 man: or, grandee. Chald. *gēbar*. Same as Ap. 14. IV. **spirit.** Chald. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

gods. Chald. *ēlāhīn* (pl.). Ap. 4. I.

made master of the magicians. See 2. 4s. See note on 2. 2; and cp. 4. 9. **12 hard**=dark.

Belteshazzar. See note on 1. 7.

13 Art thou, &c. . . ? Showing that the king had no personal knowledge of Daniel, or had disregarded him. **children**=sons. **Jewry**=Judah.

14 the gods. Some codices, with seven early printed editions, and Syr., read "the holy gods", as in v. 11, and 4. 18.

426 15 And now the wise *men*, the ⁷astrologers, have been brought in before me, that they should read this writing, and make known unto me the interpretation thereof: but they could not shew the interpretation of the thing:

q (p. 1188) 16 And ³I have heard of thee, that thou canst make interpretations, and dissolve doubts: now if thou canst read the writing, and make known to me the interpretation thereof, thou shalt be clothed with ⁷scarlet, and have a chain of gold about thy neck, and shalt be ⁷the third ruler in the kingdom."

T m 17 Then Daniel answered and said before the king, "Let thy gifts be to thyself, and give thy rewards to another; yet I will read the writing unto the king, and make known to him the ^ointerpretation.

18 O thou king, ^othe MOST HIGH ³God gave Nebuchadnezzar thy ²father a kingdom, and majesty, and glory, and honour:

19 And for the majesty that He gave him, all ^opeople, nations, and languages, trembled and feared before him: ^owhom he would he slew; and whom he would he kept alive; and whom he would he set up; and whom he would he put down.

20 But when his heart was lifted up, and his ^omind hardened in pride, he was deposed from his kingly throne, and they ³¹took his glory from him:

21 And he was ^odriven from the sons of ⁵men; and his heart was made like the beasts, and his dwelling was with the wild asses: they fed him with grass like oxen, and his body was ^owet with the dew of heaven; till he knew that ¹⁸the MOST HIGH ³God ruled in the kingdom of ⁵men, and that He appointeth over it whomsoever He will.

22 And thou ^ohis son, O Belshazzar, hast not humbled thine heart, though thou knewest all this;

23 But hast lifted up thyself against ^othe Lord of heaven; and they have brought the ²vessels of His house before thee, and thou, and thy ¹lords, thy ²wives, and thy concubines, have drunk ¹wine in them;

n and thou hast praised the ¹¹gods of silver, and gold, of brass, iron, wood, and stone, ^owhich see not, nor hear, nor know: and the ³God ^oin Whose hand thy ^obreath is, ^oand Whose are all thy ways, hast thou not glorified:

U o 24 Then was ⁵the part of the hand sent from Him; and ^othis writing was ^owritten.

p 25 And this is the writing that was ²⁴written, ^oMENE, MENE, ^oTEKEL, ^oUPHARSIN.

26 This is the interpretation of the thing: ²⁵MENE; ³God hath numbered thy kingdom, and finished it.

27 ²⁵TEKEL; Thou art weighed in the balances, and art found wanting.

28 ²⁵PERES; Thy kingdom is divided, and given to the Medes and Persians."

q 29 Then commanded Belshazzar, and they clothed Daniel with ⁷scarlet, and put a chain of gold about his neck, and ^omade a proclamation concerning him, that he should be ⁷the third ruler in the kingdom.

17 interpretation. Sept., Syr., and Vulg. read "interpretation thereof".

18 the MOST HIGH. Same as Heb. ⁷elyōn. Ap. 4. VI.

19 people=peoples.

whom he would, &c. See note on "inferior" (2. 39).

20 mind=spirit. Chald. rūach. Ap. 9.

21 driven, &c. Cp. 4. 32.

wet=drenched.

22 his son. See note on "father", v. 2.

23 the Lord. Chald. mārē. The equivalent for the Heb. Adonai. Ap. 4. VIII (2). Cp. Maran in "Maran-atha" (1 Cor. 16. 22).

which see not, &c. Cp. Pss. 115. 4-8; 135. 15-17. Isa. 37. 19; 46. 6, 7. Hab. 2. 18, 19. 1 Cor. 8. 4.

in Whose hand, &c. Cp. Gen. 2. 7. Job 12. 10; 34. 14, 15. Pss. 104. 29; 146. 4. Isa. 42. 5. Acts 17. 25, 28, 29.

breath. Chald. nishmā. Same as Heb. neshāmāh. Ap. 16.

and Whose, &c. Cp. Job 31. 4. Ps. 139. 3. Prov. 20. 24. Jer. 10. 23. Heb. 4. 13.

24 this writing. The Divine prophetic meaning could not be known or understood till interpreted by Daniel.

written: or graven.

25 MENE, MENE=NUMBERED, NUMBERED. Fig. Epizeuxis (Ap. 6), for great emphasis. Chald. mēnē, mēnē=numbered [yea] ended. See note on Jer. 27. 7.

TEKEL=WEIGHED. Chald. tēkel (cp. Heb. shekel. Ap. 51. II. 5).

UPHARSIN=AND DIVIDED (or BROKEN). Chald. ūpharšin (the "u" being the conjunction=and), from Chald. parāṣ=to break. See note on 4. 27. There is a further reference, by the Fig. Syllepsis (or combination), Ap. 6, to the Persians, by whom the kingdom of Babylon was broken up.

29 made a proclamation. See note on "herald", 3. 4.

30 that night. Cp. v. 1.

Belshazzar. See note on v. 2.

the Chaldeans. Here spoken of in the national sense, not of a special class. See note on 1. 4.

slain. Either by the Persians, or it may have been by assassination by one of his own followers, or accidentally in the tumult. Chald. kētal, used of a violent death. Cp. v. 19. This was on the third of the month Marchesvan. On the eleventh, Belshazzar's wife died, perhaps from grief. See Encycl. Brit., vol. iii, p. 711, 712, 11th (Cambridge) edition. See Ap. 57.

31 Darius the Median. Through not noting the fact that "Darius" was an appellative denoting "the Maintainer", and used by Xerxes and others, modern critics have denied the existence of such a king. ASTYAGES was called "Darius". Cyrus (his son) was co-regent. His general Gobryas took the city in the name of CYRUS. See Isa. 45. 1. Cp. Jer. 51. 30, 31. See notes there. Consult Ap. 57.

took. Chald. kēbal=to take from another. Cp. 7. 18. Not the same word as in vv. 2, 3, which is nēphak=to take out; or v. 20, which is ādāh=remove.

threescore and two. Born 488 B.C. Herodotus states that Cyrus was about forty years of age at the taking of Babylon (in 426 B.C.). At that age his father ASTYAGES ("Darius the Median") was about "threescore and two years old" (5. 31). Cyrus would therefore be just forty, according to the chronology of Ap. 50, having been born in 466 B.C.

30 In ^othat night was ¹Belshazzar the king of ^othe Chaldeans ^oslain.

31 And ^oDarius the Median ^otook the kingdom, being about ^othreescore and two years old.

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6 It pleased °Darius to set over the kingdom °an hundred and twenty °princes, which should be over the whole kingdom;

2 And over these three °presidents; of whom Daniel was first: that the °princes might give accounts unto them, and the king should have no damage.

3 Then this Daniel was °preferred above the °presidents and °princes, because °an excellent °spirit was in him; and °the king °thought to set him over the whole realm.

W¹ X¹

4 Then the °presidents and °princes sought to find °occasion against Daniel concerning the kingdom; but they could find none occasion nor fault; forasmuch as he was faithful, neither was there any error or fault found in him.

5 Then said these °men, "We shall not find any occasion against this Daniel, except we find it against him concerning the law of his °God."

6 Then these °presidents and °princes °assembled together to the king, and said thus unto him, "King Darius, live for ever.

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7 All the °presidents of the kingdom, the °governors, and the °princes, the °counsellors, and the °captains, have consulted together °to establish a royal statute, and to °make a firm °decree, that whosoever shall °ask a petition of any °God or °man for thirty days, save of thee, O king, he shall be cast into the den of lions.

8 Now, O king, establish the °decree, and sign the writing, that it be not changed, according to the law of the Medes and Persians, °which altereth not."

9 Wherefore king Darius signed the writing and the °decree.

W² X²

10 Now when Daniel knew that the writing was signed, he went into °his house; and his windows being open in his chamber °toward Jerusalem, he kneeled upon his knees three times a day, and prayed, and gave thanks before his °God, as he did aforetime.

11 Then these °men °assembled, and found Daniel praying and making supplication before his °God.

12 Then they came near, and spake before the king concerning the king's °decree; "Hast thou not signed a °decree, that every °man that shall °ask a petition of any °God or °man within thirty days, save of thee, O king, shall be cast into the den of lions?" The king answered and said, "The thing is true, according to the law of the Medes and Persians, °which altereth not."

13 Then answered they and said before the king, "That Daniel, which is of the °children of the captivity of Judah, regardeth not thee, O king, nor the °decree that thou hast signed, but °maketh his petition three times a day."

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14 Then the king, when he heard these words, was sore displeased °with himself, and set his heart on Daniel to deliver him: and he °laboured till the going down of the sun to deliver him.

15 Then these °men °assembled unto the king, and said unto the king, "Know, O king, that the law of the Medes and Persians is, That no °decree nor statute which the king establisheth may be changed."

6. 1-28 (C, p. 1178). DANIEL HIMSELF. THE DEN OF LIONS. (Alternations.)

C V | 1-3. Daniel's prosperity.
W¹ X¹ | 4-6. Conspiracy made.
Y¹ | 7-9. Decree obtained.
W² X² | 10-13. Conspiracy succeeds.
Y² | 14-17. Decree enforced.
W³ X³ | 18-24. Conspiracy fails.
Y³ | 25-27. Decree reversed.
V | 28. Daniel's prosperity.

1 Darius. A careful study of Ap. 57 will show that this "Darius the Median" of 5. 31 is the Artaxerxes (the great king) of Neh. 2. 1 and Ezra 6. 14, and the Ahasuerus of Est. 1. 1. These names are all used of one and the same person; and by comparison of the Median kings, according to Herodotus, compared with the genealogy of Cyrus in his Cuneiform Cylinder, the important fact becomes clear that this man was ASTYAGES; and the names ARSAMES = CAMBYSES, common to Herodotus, the Behistun Rock, and the Cylinder of Cyrus, all refer to one and the same person.

If this be so, and ASTYAGES is to be identified with "Darius the Median", then all difficulty vanishes. The Scripture record harmonizes exactly with the accounts given in the three sources named above; and we have the real clue to the parentage of Cyrus the Great (Ap. 57, p. 80).

If this be not so, then "Darius the Median" remains an insoluble riddle to history and chronology alike, for there can be found no place for him on the page of history.

an hundred and twenty. Darius Hystaspis, in his inscription on the Behistun Rock (Ap. 57), enumerates twenty-three names. This number was continually altered according to historical changes and conquests. In Est. 1. 10, 13, 14, there were seven when Astyages took the kingdom; but he added 120 more (Dan. 6. 1), and made 127 (Est. 1. 1; 8. 9; 9. 30).

princes=satrapas. As in 3. 2.

2 presidents=ministers. Occurs only in this chapter.

3 preferred . . . the king thought. Showing that Daniel was well known to Astyages, and appreciated. an excellent spirit. Referring to the affectionate regard in which Astyages held Daniel after many years of faithful service.

spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

thought=purposed. Chald. *'āshith*. Occurs only here (426 B.C.), Daniel being eighty-seven.

4 occasion=pretext.

5 men. Pl. of Chald. *gēbar*, grandees. Same as Ap. 14. IV.

God. Chald. *'ēlāh*. Same as Heb. *'ēlohīm*. Ap. 4. I.

6 assembled=came crowding together.

7 governors=deputies.

counsellors. See note on 3. 24.

captains=pashas. See 3. 2, 3, 27. Cp. Est. 3. 12, &c. Neh. 2. 7, &c.; and Ezra 5. 3, &c. Also Hag. 1. 1, 14; 2. 2, 21. Mal. 1. 8.

to establish a royal statute: or, for the king to establish a statute.

make a firm decree: or, confirm a decree. Occurs only in this chapter.

decree=interdict. Chald. *'ēšār*. The same word as in vv. 8, 9, 12, 13, 15. Not the same as in v. 26.

ask a petition=pray a prayer. Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. Cp. v. 12. Occurs only in this chapter.

man. Chald. *'ēnāsh*. Same as Heb. *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

8 which altereth not=which changeth not, or passeth not away.

10 his house. Not into a secret, or public place. toward Jerusalem. Remembering Solomon's prayer (1 Kings 8. 47-50).

13 children of the captivity. The 1611 edition of the A.V. reads "captivity of the children". children=sons.

maketh his petition=prayeth a prayer. Same as in v. 7.

14 with himself=concerning it.

laboured=was exerting himself

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2 Daniel °spake and said, °“I saw in my vision °by night, and, °behold, °the four °winds of the heaven °strove upon °the great sea.

3 And °four great beasts came up from the sea, diverse one from another.

4 °The first was °like a lion, and had eagle's wings: °I beheld °till the wings thereof were plucked, and it was lifted up from the earth, and made stand upon °the feet as a °man, and a °man's heart was given to it.

5 And °behold another beast, a second, like to a bear, and °it raised up itself °on one side, and it had °three ribs in the mouth of it between the teeth of it: and they said thus unto it, 'Arise, devour much flesh.'

6 After this °I beheld, and °lo another, like a leopard, which had upon the back of it four wings of °a fowl; the beast had also °four heads; and dominion was given to it.

7 After this °I saw in the night visions, and °behold °a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had °great iron teeth: it devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped °the residue with the feet of it: and it was diverse from all the beasts that were °before it; and it had °ten horns.

8 °I considered °the horns, and, °behold, there came up among them another °little horn, before whom there were three of the first horns plucked up by the roots: and, °behold, in this horn were eyes like the eyes of °man, and a mouth °speaking great things.

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(p. 1192) 9 °I beheld °till °the thrones were °cast down, and °the Ancient of days °did sit, Whose garment was °white as snow, and the hair of His head like the pure wool: His throne was like the fiery flame, and °his wheels as burning fire.

7. 1—8. 27 (B, p. 1178). THE DREAM, AND VISIONS OF DANIEL. THE END OF GENTILE DOMINION. (Division.)

B | Z¹ | 7. 1-28. The Vision of the Four Beasts. (First year.)
| Z² | 8. 1-27. The Vision of the Two Beasts. (Third year.)

7. 1-28 (Z¹, above). THE VISION OF THE FOUR BEASTS. (Repeated Alternations.)

Z ¹	A ¹	C ¹	1-8. The Four Beasts.	} The Vision.
		D ¹	9-14. The judgment of the Son of Man.	
		B ¹	15, 18. Daniel's perturbation and inquiry.	
	A ²	C ²	17. The Four Beasts.	} The Interpretation.
		D ²	18. The judgment of the Son of Man.	
		B ²	19-22. Daniel's inquiry.	
	A ³	C ³	23-25. The Fourth Beast.	} The Interpretation.
		D ³	26, 27. The judgment of the Son of Man.	
		B ³	28. Daniel's perturbation.	

2 spake and said. The vision is related in words.

I saw = I was looking.

by = during.

behold. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

the four winds. All blowing at the same time and producing the one result described in vv. 3-8.

winds. Chald. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

strove upon = brake or burst forth against; converging on one point.

the great sea: i.e. the Mediterranean Sea, or the sea, denoting the peoples of the earth, as interpreted for us in v. 17.

3 four great beasts. These are not the four dominions of ch. 2. They stand up one after the other, and each stands, successively, in the place of the other. These are to arise in "the days of" those last "ten kings" of Dan. 2. 44. These continue the last of Nebuchadnezzar's last dominion, and do exist together. See note on v. 12 below.

4 The first, &c. Cannot be Babylon, for this had already arisen, and was within two years of its end already arisen, and was within two years of its end like. These descriptions will be easily

I beheld = I continued looking, as in vv. 6, 9, 11. Same

the feet = the two feet. man. Chald. *ʾanāsh*.

on one side: i.e. partially.

three ribs, &c. This is not interpreted by the angel. The interpretations given by man are diverse, conflicting, and are unnecessary.

6 lo. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6. a fowl = a bird. four heads.

These are not interpreted, and will be understood only when they are seen. It will have these four heads at the time of its being seen. 7 a fourth beast. Not Rome, for it has the "ten horns" when it is first seen. Moreover, these ten horns are not seen till the time of the end. This fourth beast therefore belongs to the time of the end. The beast of Rev. 13. 1-10 combines in himself all these resemblances. See note on v. 23.

great iron teeth. Lit. two (or two rows of) teeth, great ones. the residue = the rest: i.e. the other three beasts which will be co-existent. They do not destroy or succeed one another, like the kingdoms in ch. 2; but are trampled on by the fourth beast. See v. 12.

before = in front of, as in vv. 10, 13, 20, and 6. 10, 11, 12, 13, 18, 22, 26, &c. Chald. *kādām*, as in Ezra 4. 18, 23; 7. 14, 19; and frequently in Dan. chs. 2, 3, 4, 5. This shows that the three will be co-existent, for this could not be spoken of those who had long passed away.

ten horns. These are the same as in Rev. 17. 12, and represent the ten contemporaneous kings at the time of the end. See notes on vv. 8, 24.

8 I considered = I was considering. the horns. Mentioned in v. 7. little horn = a horn of small beginnings. This identifies this vision with those of chs. 8, 9, 11, 12. See Ap. 90. The first of twelve titles given to the power commonly known as "the Antichrist": it is used again in 8. 9. Cp. 11. 21-30. Note the other titles: "the king of Babylon" (Isa. 14. 4); "the Assyrian" (Isa. 14. 25); "Lucifer, son of the morning", in opposition to "the bright and morning star" (Isa. 14. 12); "the Prince that shall come" (Dan. 9. 26); "the king of fierce countenance" (Dan. 8. 23); "the vile person" (Dan. 11. 21); "the wilful king" (Dan. 11. 36); "the man of sin" (2 Thess. 2. 3); "the son of perdition" (2 Thess. 2. 3); "that wicked (or lawless) one" (2 Thess. 2. 3).

Rev. 13. 18; "the beast with ten horns" (Rev. 13. 1). man = a mortal man. Chald. *ʾenāsh*. Ap. 14. III.

speaking great things. This is a further development, explained in vv. 11, 20, 25; 8. 11; 11. 36, 37. 2 Thess. 2. 3, 4. Rev. 13. 5, 6.

9 till = till that. the thrones = the seats for judgment. cast down = set or placed. The seats of Orientals are cushions laid, not "set", but "cast down". The reference is to this, in Rev. 4. 2. Cp. Ps. 9. 7; 29. 10. Isa. 28. 6.

the Ancient of days = the Everlasting One. white as snow, &c. Cp. Rev. 1. 4. his

did sit = took His seat. wheels = the wheels thereof: i.e. of the throne. Cp. Ezek. 1. 15-20, 26-28; 10. 9-13.

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10 A fiery stream issued and came forth from before Him: thousand thousands °ministered unto Him, and ten thousand times ten thousand °stood before Him: °the judgment °was set, and °the books were opened.

11 °I beheld then because of the voice of the great words which °the horn spake: °I beheld even °till °the beast was slain, and his body destroyed, and given to °the burning flame.

12 As concerning °the rest of the beasts, °they had their dominion taken away: yet °their lives were prolonged °for a season and time.

13 °I saw in the night visions, and, behold, one like °the Son of Man °came with the clouds of heaven, and came to °the Ancient of days, and they brought Him near before Him.

14 And °there was given Him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all °people, nations, and languages, should serve Him: His dominion is °an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and His kingdom that which shall not be destroyed.

B¹ (p. 1192) 15 ¶ Daniel was °grieved in °my spirit in the midst of my body, and the visions of my head troubled me.

16 I came near unto one of °them that °stood by, and °asked him the °truth °of all this. So he told me, and made me know the interpretation of the things.

A² C² 17 °These great beasts, which are four, are four kings, which °shall arise out of the earth.

D² 18 But °the saints of °the MOST HIGH shall °take the kingdom, and possess the kingdom for ever, even for ever and ever.

B² 19 Then I would know the ¹⁶truth of °the fourth beast, which was diverse from all the others, exceeding dreadful, whose teeth were of iron, and his °nails of brass; which devoured, brake in pieces, and stamped °the residue with his °feet;

20 And of the °ten horns that were in his head, and of °the other which came up, and °before whom three fell; even of that horn that had eyes, and a mouth that °spake very great things, whose look was more stout than his fellows.

21 °I beheld, and °the same horn °made war with ¹⁸the saints, and prevailed against them;

22 Until °the Ancient of days came, and °judgment was given to the saints of ¹⁸the Most High; and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom.

A³ C³ 23 °Thus he said, °The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces.

24 And the °ten horns out of this kingdom are °ten kings that shall arise: and another shall rise after them; and °he shall be diverse from the first, and he shall subdue °three kings.

25 And he shall °speak great words against ¹⁸the MOST HIGH, and shall °wear out the saints of ¹⁸the MOST HIGH, and think to change times and °laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a °time and times and the dividing of time.

10 ministered = were ministering.
stood = were standing. Indicating readiness for service.

the judgment = the Judge; "judgment" being put by Fig. Metonymy (of the Subject), Ap. 6, for the Judge Who actually sat.

was set = took His seat.

the books, &c. Lit. "books were opened".

11 the horn spake = the horn kept speaking.

the beast. At length we learn who "the (little) horn" is. See note on v. 8 and Rev. 19. 20.

the burning flame. Cp. 2 Thess. 1. 7-10; 2. 8.

12 the rest of the beasts: i.e. the three mentioned in vv. 4-7 as co-existing.

they had, &c. = their dominion was caused to pass away.

their lives were prolonged = a lengthening of their life was given to them: i.e. the remaining three after the fourth beast has been destroyed.

for a season and time: i.e. for an appointed season.

13 the Son of Man. See notes on Ps. 8. 4. Matt. 8. 20. Rev. 14. 14.

came = was coming.

14 there was given, &c. = to Him was given, &c. people = peoples.

an everlasting dominion. See vv. 18, 27; 2. 35, 44; 4. 3; 6. 26. Pss. 45. 6; 145. 13; 146. 10. Isa. 9. 7. Obad. 21. Mic. 4. 7. Luke 1. 33. John 12. 34. Heb. 1. 8.

15 grieved. Because he did not understand. Therefore ch. 7 could not be identical with ch. 2, because he had interpreted that already to Nebuchadnezzar.

my spirit = myself. Chald. *rûach*. Ap. 9.

16 them: i.e. the standing ones.

stood = were standing. Cp. v. 10.

asked = made exact inquiry.

truth = certainty. Chald. *ya'ib*.

of = about.

17 These great beasts, &c. In vv. 17, 18 we have therefore the interpretation of this vision, which needs no further interpretation by man.

shall arise. The two which had already arisen cannot therefore be included: viz. Babylon and Medo-Persia, which almost (at this time) equalled Babylon in extent. The vision is not continuous history, but the prophecy of a crisis: and refers to the ten toes of the fifth power of Dan. 2. See note on v. 12. In this, and in each successive vision we are always directed to the end and consummation. Cp. v. 26; 8. 17-19; 9. 26; 11. 40; 12. 4, 9, 13. Matt. 24. 14, 15. See Ap. 90.

18 the saints = the holy ones: i.e. God's People Israel.

the MOST HIGH. Chald. *'elyônin*. Same as Heb. *'elyôn*. Ap. 4. VI. Here pl. = the Messiah Himself in relation to dominion in the earth. Verse 27 shows that a Person is intended, not a place.

take = receive. As in 5. 31; cp. 2. 6.

19 nails - claws, or hoofs. Chald. text is pl.; marg. sing.

feet. Chald. text, pl.; marg. sing.

20 the other: i.e. the little horn of v. 8, which is still future. See Ap. 90; and cp. 8. 9-12, 23-25, and note on v. 8.

spake. See note on "speaking", v. 8.

21 the same horn. Cp. v. 8.

made war. This connects "the little horn" with Rev. 13. 7, and shows it to be still future.

22 judgment: or, vindication.

23 Thus he said. Giving an additional interpretation. 24 ten kings. See note on v. 7.

he. The little horn of vv. 8, 20.

three kings. See the interpretation of v. 8.

25 wear out = afflict.

laws = law.

time and times, &c.: i.e. three and a half years = one half of the "one week" of Dan. 9. 27. It is repeated as forty-two months (Rev. 11. 2), and as 1,260 days (Rev. 11. 3). See Ap. 90 and 91; and cp. 8. 14; 12. 7, 11, 12.

D^s 26 But ¹⁰ the judgment ° shall sit, and they
(p. 1192) shall take away his dominion, to consume and
429 to destroy it ° unto the end.

27 And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the People of ¹⁸ the saints of ¹⁸ the MOST HIGH, ° Whose kingdom is ¹⁴ an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey Him.

B¹ 28 Hitherto *is* the end of the matter. As for me Daniel, my cogitations ° much troubled me, and my countenance changed in me: but ° I kept the matter in my heart.

Z⁴ E 8 ° In the third year of the reign of king
(p. 1194) Belshazzar ° a vision appeared unto me,
426 even unto me Daniel, ° after that which appeared unto me at the first.

2 And I saw in ¹ a vision; and it came to pass, when I saw, that ° I was at ° Shushan in the palace, which *is* in the province of Elam; and I saw in ¹ a vision, and I was by the ° river of ° Ulai.

F H r 3 Then I lifted up mine eyes, and ° saw, and, ° behold, there stood before the river ° a ram which had ° two horns: and the ° two horns were high; but one was ° higher than the other, and the higher came up last.

4 I saw the ° ram ° pushing ° westward, and northward, and southward; so that no beasts might stand before him, neither was *there* any that could deliver out of his hand; but he did according to his will, and ° became great.

s 5 And as I was considering, ° behold, an ° he goat came ° from the west ° on the face of the whole earth, and touched not the ground:

t and the goat *had* a ° notable horn between his eyes.

6 And he came to the ° ram that had two horns, which I had seen standing before the river, and ° ran unto him in the fury of his power.

7 And I saw him come close unto the ram, and he ° was moved with ° choler against him, and smote the ram, and brake his two horns: and there was no power in the ram to stand before him, but he cast him down to the ground, and stamped upon him: and there was ° none that could deliver the ram out of his ° hand.

26 shall sit - will take His seat.

unto the end. This is the determining factor of the interpretation. Cp. 8. 17-19; 9. 26; 11. 40; 12. 4, 9, 13. Matt. 24. 14. See note on v. 17.

27 Whose, &c. This shows that 'elyonin (in v. 18) means a person, and not a place.

28 much troubled me: or, baffled me. See note on "grieved", v. 15.

I kept, &c. Cp. Luke 2. 19. Here ends the portion of the book written in the Chaldee (or Gentile) tongue.

8. 1-27 (Z², p. 1192). THE VISION OF THE TWO BEASTS. (Introversion and Extended Alternation.)

Z¹ E | 1, 2. Circumstances.

F | H | r | 3, 4. Ram.

s | 5-. He-goat.

t | -5-7. Great horn.

u | 8-. Great horn broken.

v | -8. Four horns.

w | 9-12. Little horn.

(Future.)

J | 13, 14. Time. Number of days.

G | 15, 16. Command to Angel to give the interpretation to Daniel.

G | 17, 19. The command obeyed by the Angel.

The Vision.

F | H | r | 20. Ram.

s | 21-. He-goat.

t | -21. Great horn.

u | 22-. Great horn broken.

v | -22. Four horns.

w | 23-25. Little horn.

(Future.)

J | 26. Time. "Many days".

The Interpretation.

E | 27. Circumstances.

1 In the third year: 426 B.C. (see Ap. 50, pp. 69 and 72), Daniel being eighty-seven.

a vision. Like the vision in ch. 7, this also is complete in itself, but is necessary to contribute its proof of the unity of the book as a whole. This vision (and the rest of the book from here) is written in Hebrew; because its purpose is to show how Gentile dominion (of ch. 2) specially concerns and affects Israel.

after. Two years after. At the end of the Babylonian empire, for Belshazzar reigned little more than two years.

2 I was at = I was in. Daniel may have retired there (during the lycanthropy of Nebuchadnezzar) when Nehemiah and Mordecai were in the court of Astyages (Neh. 1. 1). That Daniel was there employed by Astyages is clear from 8. 27.

Shushan. The chief city of all Persia.

river. Heb. 'ūbal - a canal. Only here, and in vv. 3, 6.

3 saw = looked.

behold.

U'ai. The Eulæus canal, near Susa. Now the Karūn river. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

a ram. In v. 20 this is interpreted of Persia. A ram is always the symbol of Persia. Found to-day on ancient Persian coins. The king wore a ram's head of gold, and rams' heads are to be seen on the sculptured pillars of Persepolis.

two horns. In v. 20 these are interpreted of the kings of Media and Persia. higher, &c. Cyrus (the latter) became greater than his father Astyages. Both were in existence when Daniel saw the vision. Cp. v. 20.

4 pushing = butting: always hostile.

westward = to the west. Not the same word as in v. 5.

great = acted proudly.

5 he goat = a leaper of the goats. The acknowledged symbol of Greece, as the ram was of Persia (see v. 3), because the first colony was directed by an oracle to take a goat for a guide and build a city, which they did, and called it Egeæ (from Aig = a goat). Figures of a goat are found to-day on ancient Macedonian monuments.

from the west. Heb. mā'rāb. Not the place of origin, but the direction from it. In v. 4 the Heb. = to the west.

on = over. notable = conspicuous.

6 ran unto him. Symbolizing the rapidity of Alexander's conquests, which, in the short space of thirteen years, subdued the world.

7 was moved with choler = moved himself, or strove violently with.

choler = bile. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6, for anger or wrath, which was supposed to be due to excess of bile. Greek, cholos = bile; whence we have "cholera". none that could, &c. = no deliverer for.

u 8 Therefore the °ne goat °waxed °very °great:
(p. 1194) and when he was strong, the great horn was
426 °broken;

v and °for it °came up °four notable ones toward
°the four °winds of heaven.

w 9 And out of °one of them came forth °a little
horn, which °waxed exceeding great, toward
the °south, and toward the °east, and toward
the °pleasant land.

10 And it °waxed °great, °even to the °host
of heaven; and it cast down some °of the host
and of the stars to the ground, and °stamped
upon °them.

11 Yea, he magnified *himself* even °to °the
°Prince of the °host, and °by him the °daily
sacrifice °was taken away, and the place of
His sanctuary was cast down.

12 And °an host °was given *him* against the
°daily sacrifice °by reason of °transgression,
and °it cast down the °truth to the ground;
and it °practised, °and prospered.

J 13 Then I heard one °saint speaking, and
another °saint said unto °that certain *saint*
which spake, °How long *shall be* the vision
°concerning the °daily sacrifice, °and the
°transgression of desolation, °to give both
the sanctuary and °the host to be trodden
under foot?

14 And he said unto °me, 'Unto °two thou-
sand and three hundred °days; then shall the
sanctuary be °cleansed.'

G 15 And it came to pass, when I, *even* I
Daniel, had seen the vision, and sought for
the meaning, then, behold, there stood before
me as the appearance of a °man.

16 And I heard a °man's voice between the
banks of Ulai, which called, and said, °Gabriel,
make this *man* to understand the vision.'

G 17 So he came near where I stood: and when
he came, I was afraid, and fell upon my face:
but he said unto me, 'Understand, O °son of
man: for °at the time of the end °*shall be* the
vision.'

18 Now as he was speaking with me, °I was
in a deep sleep on my face toward the ground:
but he touched me, and set me upright.

19 And he said, °Behold, I will make thee
know what shall be in °the last end of the
°indignation: for at the time appointed the
end *shall be*.

8 waxed very great. Referring to the great extent
of Alexander's conquests, as "ran" (v. 6) refers to the
rapidity of them. very = exceedingly.

great: or, proud. Cp. v. 4.

broken = broken in pieces. for it = instead of it.
came up. Sept. adds "afterward".

four notable ones = four conspicuous [ones].

the four winds. See note on 7. 2.

winds. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

9 one = [the] one.

a little horn. See note on 7. 8: where it is already
shown that this name, and these members ("w" and
"u", vv. 9 and 23) belong to the still future time of the
end. See Ap. 90.

waxed = grew. Anglo-Saxon, *weaxan* = to grow. Supply
the *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), "grew [and became]".

south: i.e. Egypt.

east: i.e. Babylonia and Persia.

pleasant land = the glory of [gems]: i.e. the land of
Israel. Only Ezekiel (20. 6, 15) and Daniel here use this
term of the Holy Land. The same land as in 11. 16, 41.
Cp. Ps. 106. 24. Jer. 3. 19. Zech. 7. 14.

10 even to = as far as.

host = stars. Cp. Rev. 12. 4.

of the host and of the stars. Fig. *Hendiadys* (Ap. 6),
for emphasis = the starry host.

stamped upon them = trampled them under foot.
Cp. v. 13; 7. 21, 25.

them: i.e. the people symbolized by them.

11 to = against.

the Prince of the host. God Himself, the Creator
and Ruler of the starry host. Verses 10, 11 are "difficult"
only if Antiochus Epiphanes is assumed to fulfil them.
There is no difficulty arising from "the state of the text".

Prince = Ruler. Heb. *šar*. See note on 10. 13.

by him . . . was taken: or, it took away from Him:
i.e. God.

daily sacrifice = the continual [burnt offering]: i.e.
the morning and evening sacrifice (Num. 28. 3. 1 Chron.
16. 40. 2 Chron. 29. 7). This belongs to the time of the
end, and was not fulfilled by Antiochus. His career
was a foreshadowing of it, to show that the fulfilment
will yet be exhausted by him who is "the little horn".
See Ap. 90; and note all the references there given
(8. 11, 12, 13; 9. 27; 11. 31; 12. 11). Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 29.
38. Num. 28. 3). Ap. 92.

12 an host. Here the word is used of a military
host, in opposition to the "host" of Num. 4. 23, 30, 35,
39, 43; 8. 24, 25.

was given him against = was set over: i.e. war is
raised against "the daily sacrifice".

by reason of = by.

transgression. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix.

it cast down the truth = truth was cast down. The
verb is passive.

truth: i.e. the truth of God as revealed in the law
and the prophets.

practised = did it with effect. Cp. v. 24.

13 saint = holy [one]. An angelic attendant. Cp. 4. 13.

that certain saint = a certain [unnamed] one.

or such an one, as in Ruth 4. 1. Or, a proper name *Palmōnī* = the wonderful one, or the wonderful [num-
berer], as in Judg. 13. 18. Isa. 9. 6. Ps. 139. 6.

what is said concerning "the daily sacrifice" and the desolation; not the interval before the fulfilment.
concerning, &c. = of "the daily sacrifice" [as taken away]. and. Supply "and [the setting up of]"

the desolating (or astounding) rebellion. to give, &c.: or, after He hath given over the

sanctuary, &c. the host. Here it is the "host", the technical term for the ministers of the

sanctuary. Cp. Num. 4. 23, 30, 35, 39, 43; 8. 24, 25. 14 me. Sept., Syr., and Vulg. read "him".

two thousand and three hundred days. See Ap. 91, and note on v. 26 below. days = evenings

and mornings, the times of the offering of the "continual" or daily sacrifice. cleansed = vindicated

or sanctified: in this form, occurs only here. Cp. 9. 24; and see Ap. 90. 15 man = a mighty man.

Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. IV. Here it is *Gabriel*, whence his name. 16 man's. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

Gabriel. The first of two angels who are named in Scripture (cp. 9. 21. Luke 1. 19, 26). The second is

Michael (10. 13, 21; 12. 1; Jude 9. Rev. 12. 7). 17 son of man. Only Daniel and Ezekiel so called,
beside Messiah. See note on Ps. 8. 4. at the time of the end. This gives the time to which this
vision refers. See the interpretation in "H" (vv. 20-25), and especially "w" (vv. 23-25). See also Ap. 90;

and cp. 7. 26; 9. 26; 11. 40; 12. 4, 9, 13; and Matt. 24. 14. shall be. Supply the *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) by

reading "[belongeth]". 18 I was in = I fell into. 19 the last end. Another indication of the

time of the fulfilment of the vision at the time appointed, &c. indignation = wrath [of God].

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20 The ^sram which thou sawest having two horns are ° the kings of Media and Persia.

21 And the rough goat ° is the ° king of ° Grecia:

and the great horn that is between his eyes ° is the first king.

22 Now that being broken, whereas ^s four stood up ° for it,

° four kingdoms shall stand up out of ° the nation, but ° not in his power.

23 And in ° the latter time of their kingdom, when ° the transgressors ° are come to the full, ° a king of fierce countenance, and ° understanding dark sentences, shall stand up.

24 And his power shall be mighty, but ° not by his own power: and he shall destroy wonderfully, and shall ¹² prosper, and ¹² practise, and shall destroy the ° mighty and the ° holy People.

25 And through his policy also he shall cause ° craft to prosper in his hand; and he shall magnify himself in his heart, and ° by peace shall destroy many: he shall also stand up against ° the Prince of princes; but ° he shall be broken without hand.

26 And the vision of ° the evening and the morning which was told ° is true: wherefore ° shut thou up the vision; for ° it shall be for many days.

27 And ³ Daniel ° fainted, and was sick certain days; afterward I rose up, and did ° the king's business; and I was ° astonished at the vision, but none ° understood it.

9 In ° the first year of ° Darius the son of ° Ahasuerus, of the seed of the Medes, which was ° made king over the realm of the Chaldeans;

2 In ¹ the first year of his reign ³ Daniel ° understood ° by books ° the number of the years, whereof the word of ° the LORD came to ° Jere-

20 the kings. Here in v. 20 we have the beginning of the interpretation; which commences with past history with which the prophecy (which belongs to the future) is linked on. This is to connect the anticipatory and partial, or foreshadowing, fulfilment, which shows how the "little horn" will act, in a similar way as an individual, and not as a series of kings or popes.

21 is=representeth. It is the Fig. Metaphor (Ap. 6). king: or, kingdom.

Grecia=Greece.

is the first king=representeth the first king: i.e. Alexander the Great (v. 5).

22 for it=in the place thereof.

four kingdoms. These are said to have been: (1) Ptolemy's (Egypt, Palestine, and some parts of Asia Minor); (2) Cassander's (Macedonia and Greece); (3) Lysimachus's (Bithynia, Thrace, Mysia, &c.); (4) Seleucus's (Syria, Armenia, and territory east of the Euphrates). But the continuity of Alexander's dominion ceased with him, and will not be seen again till "the little horn" arises.

the nation. Sept. and Vulg. read "his nation".

not in his power: i.e. not with Alexander's vigour of action and endurance.

23 the latter time of their kingdom, &c. This is a further indication as to the interpretation of this vision.

the transgressors. The Sept., Syr., and Vulg. read "transgressions". Heb. *pāsha*, as in v. 12=rebellions. Cp. 9. 24.

are come to the full: or, have filled up their measure. Therefore not full yet. This is a blow to all who are vainly trying to make the world better, and to "realize the kingdom of God on earth" now.

a king of fierce countenance=a king of mighty presence. One of the titles of the antichrist. See note on 7. 8.

understanding dark sentences = skilled in dissimulation.

24 not by his own power. We are not told here who is the giver of the power, but we are not left in ignorance. Rev. 13. 2, and 2 Thess. 2. 9, 10, are clear on this point.

mighty=mighty ones.

holy People=People of the holy ones. These are "the holy ones of the Most High" (7. 18, 22).

25 craft=deceit.

by peace=by their prosperity, or careless security.

the Prince of princes: i.e. the Messiah.

he shall be broken without hand. To understand

Cp. Isa. 10. 12; 14. 25; 31. 8. Mic. 5. 5-7. Zeph. 2. 13.

26 the evening and the morning. See note on "days" (Ap. 90).

These are interpreted as being 2,800 days. No one may interpret the interpretation and say they are "years".

is true=it [is] truth. shut thou up. As in 12. 4. it shall

be, &c. Supply the Ellipsis (Ap. 6) thus: "it [belongeth] to many days [to come]": i.e. to a yet future time.

27 fainted. The Sept. omits "fainted, and". the king's business. In

Shushan, whither he had gone. See note on v. 2. astonished=dumb. understood=became

9. 1-12. 13 (A, p. 1178). THE DESOLATIONS OF JERUSALEM. (Extended Alternation.)

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K | 9. 1, 2. The time.

L | 9. 3-19. Daniel's Humiliation.

M | 9. 20-23-. The Hierophant.

N | 9. -23-27. The Prophecy.

K | 10. 1. The time.

L | 10. 2, 3. Daniel's Humiliation.

M | 10. 4-21. The Hierophant.

N | 11. 1-12. 13. The Prophecy.

1 the first year: 426 B.C., Daniel being then eighty-seven. See Ap. 50.

Darius. This is an

appellative, and means the Maintainer or Restrainer: i.e. Cyrus. See Ap. 57; and special note on p. 615.

Ahasuerus, an appellative=the venerable king Astyages. See Ap. 57. made king: i.e. Cyrus

was appointed king of Babylon by Astyages his father. 2 understood=came to an understanding;

perceived, or observed. Heb. *bin*, to separate or distinguish. Implying that he had not known this

before. by books=by the writings [of Jeremiah]. Jer. 29. 1, 10, as well as 25. 11. Note the definite

Article in the Heb. the number of the years. Which were now drawing to an end.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. Jeremiah. The passage was doubtless 25. 11-14;

29. 10-14.

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miah the prophet, that He would ° accomplish
° seventy years in ° the desolations of Jerusalem.

3 And I ° set my face unto ° the LORD* ° God,
° to seek by prayer and supplications, with
fasting, and sackcloth, and ashes:

4 And I ° prayed unto ° the LORD ° my God,
and made my confession, and said, ° O ° LORD*,
the great and dreadful ° GOD, keeping ° the
covenant and ° mercy to them that love Him,
and to them that keep His commandments;

5 ° We have ° sinned, and have committed
° iniquity, and have done ° wickedly, and have
° rebelled, even by departing from Thy pre-
cepts and from Thy judgments:

6 Neither have we hearkened unto Thy serv-
ants the prophets, which ° spake in Thy name
to our kings, our princes, and our fathers, and
to all the People of the land.

7 O ° Lord, righteousness *belongeth* unto
Thee, but unto us confusion of faces, as at
this day; to the ° men of Judah, and to the in-
habitants of Jerusalem, and unto ° all Israel,
that are ° near, and *that are* far off, through
all the countries whither Thou hast driven
them, because of their ° trespass that they
have ° trespassed against Thee.

8 O ° LORD, to us *belongeth* confusion of
face, to our kings, to our princes, and to our
fathers, because we have ° sinned against Thee.

9 To ° the LORD* our ° God *belong* ° mercies
and forgivenesses, though we have ° rebelled
against Him;

10 Neither have we ° obeyed the voice of ° the
LORD our ° God, to walk in His laws, which
He set before us ° by His servants the prophets.

11 Yea, ° all Israel have ° transgressed Thy
law, even by departing, that they might not
° obey Thy voice; ° therefore the curse ° is
poured upon us, and the oath that *is* written
in the law of ° Moses the servant of ° God, be-
cause we have ° sinned against Him.

12 And He hath ° confirmed His ° words,
which He spake against us, and against our
judges that judged us, by bringing upon us
a great ° evil: for under the whole heaven hath
not been done as hath been done upon Jerusalem.

13 ° As ° *it is* written in the law of Moses, all
this ° evil *is* come upon us: yet made we not
our prayer before ° the LORD our ° God, that
we might turn from our ° iniquities, and under-
stand Thy truth.

14 Therefore hath ° the LORD ° watched upon
the ° evil, and brought it upon us: for ° the
LORD our ° God *is* righteous in all His works
which He doeth: for we ° obeyed not His voice.

15 And now, O ° LORD* our ° God, That ° hast
brought Thy People forth out of the land of
Egypt with a mighty hand, and hast ° gotten
Thee renown, as at this day; we have ° sinned,
we have done ° wickedly.

16 O ° LORD*, according to all Thy righteous-
ness, I beseech Thee, let Thine anger and Thy
fury be turned away from Thy city Jerusalem,
Thy ° holy mountain: ° because for our ° sins,
and for the ° iniquities of our fathers, Jerusa-
lem and Thy People *are* ° become a reproach
to all *that are* about us.

17 Now therefore, O our ° God, hear the
prayer of Thy servant, and his supplications,
and ° cause Thy face to shine upon Thy sanc-
tuary that is desolate, ° for ° the LORD'S* sake.

accomplish = fulfil [within].

seventy years. Note the bearing of this on v. 24.
the desolations of Jerusalem. From 479 to 409 B. C.
See note on p. 615. The "desolations" had therefore
lasted 42 (6 × 7) years, and had yet 28 (4 × 7) years to
run before they were "accomplished". We find the
same subdivisions of the "servitude"; for from the
first year of Nebuchadnezzar (496) to the decree of
Artaxerxes (Astyages) (454) was forty-two years; and
from the decree to the end of the servitude was twenty-
eight years.

3 set my face. Knowledge of Jehovah's words
quickened his spiritual interest in them.

the LORD*. One of the 134 cases in which the
Sopherim state that they altered "Jehovah" of the
primitive text to "Adonai". See Ap. 32.

God. Heb. Elohim (with Art.) = the (true) God. Ap. 4. I.
to seek = to worship, or to seek [information].

4 prayed. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 40). Ap. 92.

my God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

O LORD*, the great, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 20. 6;
34. 6, 7. Num. 14. 18. Deut. 7. 9). Ap. 92.

GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

the covenant. Note the Art. = the covenant [made
of old].

mercy = the lovingkindness or grace [promised
therein]. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 20. 6; 34. 6, 7). Ap. 92.

5 We. Note that Daniel associates himself with his
People. Cp. Neh. 1.; and 9. 33-38. Ezra 9. 5-15. Note
the Fig. *Anabasis* (Ap. 6) in v. 5.

sinned. Heb. *chata'*. Ap. 44. i.

iniquity. Heb. *avah*. Ap. 44. iv.

wickedly = lawlessly. Heb. *rasha'*. Ap. 44. x.

rebelled = revolted. Heb. *marad*. Usually of revolt
against Deity or royalty.

6 spake in Thy name. Cp. Heb. 1. 1. Cp. Ex. 7. 1
with 4. 16, and see Ap. 49.

7 Lord. Heb. Adonai. Ap. 4. VIII (2).

men. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II.

all Israel. See note on 1 Kings 12. 17.

near, &c. Cp. Deut. 4. 27. 2 Kings 17. 6, 7. Isa. 11. 11.
Jer. 24. 9. Amos 9. 9; and see Acts 2. 36.

trespass . . . trespassed. Heb. *ma'al*. Ap. 44. xi.

9 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

mercies = compassions.

10 obeyed = hearkened to.

by = by the hand of.

11 transgressed. Heb. *abar*. Ap. 44. vii.

therefore the curse is, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 14,
&c. Deut. 27. 15, &c.; 28. 15, &c.; 29. 20; 30. 17, 18; 31. 17;
32. 19).

is poured upon = hath come pouring upon.

Moses the servant of God. See note on 1 Chron.
6. 49. Neh. 10. 29. Ap. 92.

12 confirmed His words: i. e. by His prophets since
the giving of the law (2 Kings 17. 13. Isa. 44. 26. Lam.
2. 17. Zech. 1. 6).

words. Heb. marg., with some codices, and one
early printed edition, read "word" (sing.). Heb. text,
with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "words" (pl.).

evil = calamity. Heb. *ra'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

13 As = According as.

it is written, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 14, &c.
Deut. 28. 15, &c., as above). Ap. 92.

14 watched. Cp. Jer. 31. 28; 44. 27.

15 hast brought, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 6. 1, 6;
12. 41; 14. 18; 32. 11). Ap. 92.

gotten Thee renown = made Thee a Name.

16 holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

because for our sins . . . fathers. Ref. to Pent. (Ex.
20. 5). Ap. 92.

become a reproach. Cp. Jer. 24. 9; 29. 18; 42. 18;
44. 8, 12. Ezek. 5. 14, 15; 22. 4.

17 cause Thy face to shine. Ref. to Pent. (Num.
6. 25, 26). Ap. 92.

for the LORD'S* sake. Sept. reads "for Thy serv-
ants' sake".

126 18 O my ³ God, incline Thine ear, and hear; open ^o Thine eyes, and behold our ² desolations, and the city ^o which is called by Thy name: for ^o we do not present our supplications before Thee for our righteousnesses, but for Thy great ^o mercies.

19 O ³ LORD*, hear; O ³ LORD*, forgive; O ³ LORD*, hearken and ^o do; defer not, for Thine own sake, O my ³ God: for Thy city and Thy People ¹⁸ are called by Thy name.'

M 20 And whiles ³ was speaking, and praying, (p. 1190) and confessing my sin and the ⁵ sin of my People ⁷ Israel, and presenting my supplication before ² the LORD my ³ God for the ¹⁶ holy mountain of my God;

21 Yea, whiles ³ was speaking in prayer, even the ⁷ man ^o Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision at the beginning, being caused to fly swiftly, touched me ^o about the time of the evening ^o oblation.

22 ^o And he informed me, and talked with me, and said, 'O Daniel, I am now come forth ^o to give thee skill and understanding.

23 At the beginning of thy supplications the commandment came forth, and ³ am come to shew thee; for thou art greatly beloved:

N O therefore understand the matter, and consider the vision.

P 24 ^o Seventy weeks are ^o determined upon ^o thy People and upon ^o thy ¹⁶ holy city,

x to ^o finish the ^o transgression,

y ^o and to ^o make an end of ^o sins,

z and to ^o make reconciliation for ^o iniquity,

x and to bring in everlasting righteousness,

y and to ^o seal up the vision and ^o prophecy,

z and to anoint ^o the most Holy.

O 25 ^o Know therefore and understand,

P Q that ^o from the going forth of the ^o commandment to restore and to build ^o Jerusalem

18 Thine eyes. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. which is called by Thy name: or, upon which Thy name has been called.

we. Others were praying with Daniel.

19 do = perform [it].

21 Gabriel. See note on 8. 16. This prophecy is not given by a "prophet", but by an angel or hierophant (who shows sacred things) to a prophet. It is therefore a most transcendent prophecy.

about the time, &c. Compare similar important occasions: David (2 Sam. 24. 15, note); Elijah (1 Kings 18. 29); Ezra (Ezra 9. 5).

oblation = gift or donation offering. Heb. *minchah*. Ap. 43. II. iii.

22 And he informed me. The Syr. reads "Yea, he came".

to give thee skill, &c. = to teach thee understanding, or to make thee wise as to, &c. Note the special emphasis as to the admonition for ourselves in the Structures below. It is not a vision that requires interpretation, but a direct prophecy given in simple words by the angel Gabriel, sent by God for the express purpose of making everything clear, and solving the most weighty problems that perplex the human mind. There is no "difficulty", as supposed. All that is required of us is to understand, and consider, and believe what is thus written for our learning.

9. -23-27 (N, p. 1196). THE PROPHECY.

(Alternation.)

N O | -23. Admonition. "Understand", "Consider".
P | 24. The Seventy sevens. In whole.

O | 25-. Admonitions. "Know", "Understand".
P | -25-27. The Seventy sevens. In their parts.

9. 24 (P, above). THE SEVENTY SEVENS. IN WHOLE. (Extended Alternation.)

P	x	To finish the transgression,	} Internals.
	y	And to make an end of (<i>hatham</i>) sin.	
	z	And to make reconciliation for iniquity,	
	x	And to bring in everlasting righteousness,	} Externals.
	y	And to seal up (<i>hatham</i>) the vision and prophecy,	
	z	And to anoint the Most Holy.	

24 Seventy weeks = Seventy sevens: i.e. of years.

Not on any "year-day" theory. If "days" had been intended, it would be so expressed, as in 10. 3 (cp. Lev. 25. 8). Moreover, "years" had been the subject of Daniel's prayer (v. 2). The last "seven" is "one", and it is divided in half in v. 27, and the half is three and a half years (7. 25; cp. 8. 11-14; 11. 33). In Rev. 11. 2 this half is expressed by "forty-two months"; and in the next verse as "1,260 days". See Ap. 90. The whole period is therefore 490 years.

determined = cut off: i.e. divided off from all other years. The verb is in the singular to indicate the unity of the whole period, however it may be divided up. Heb. *hāthak*. Occurs only here. thy People: i.e. Daniel's People, Israel, with which alone the prophecy is concerned.

thy holy city: i.e. Jerusalem (vv. 2, 7, 16). finish = put an end to. transgression. Heb. *pāsha'* (with Art.). Ap. 44. vii. Cp. 8. 12, 23. and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in this verse, to emphasise each of these six special announcements and their connection with the whole period.

make an end of. Heb. *hatham*, as below ("to seal up"). sins. Heb. *chāfā'*. Ap. 44. i. Heb. marg., with four early printed editions, some codices, and Vulg., read "sin" (sing.). make reconciliation = make expiation or atonement. iniquity. Heb. *āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv. seal up, &c. = make an end of by fulfilling all that has been the subject of prophecy.

prophecy = prophet. the most Holy = a Holy of Holies. Never used of a person. This answers to the cleansing of the sanctuary (8. 14) which immediately precedes "the end". See Ap. 89. 25 Know therefore and understand. Note this second admonition, as shown in the Structure ("O") above.

9. -25-27 (P, above). THE SEVENTY SEVENS. IN THEIR PARTS. (Introversion.)

P	Q	-25-. The City. Restoration.
	R	-25. Messiah. Coming.
	S	-25. Time. "Unto" seven sevens and sixty-two sevens.
	S	26-. Time. "After" the sixty-two sevens.
	R	-26-. Messiah. Cut off.
	Q	-26, 27. The City. Destruction.

from the going forth, &c.: i.e. in the twentieth year of Artaxerxes (= the great king: i.e. Astyages), 454 B.C. See notes on Neh. 2. 1; longer note on p. 653. Also Ap. 50 (p. 60) and Ap. 58 (p. 82). commandment = word. Heb. *dābār*. Ap. 73. X. Referring to the Divine word rather than to a royal decree. Jerusalem. Not the Temple (as in Ezra), but the city (as in Nehemiah), which was the subject of Daniel's prayer, and therefore the answer to it.

- 426 R unto the °Messiah °the Prince
(p. 1198) S shall be °seven weeks, and °threescore and
S two weeks: °the street shall be built again,
R and °the wall, even °in troublous times.
S 26 And °after °threescore and two weeks
R shall 25 Messiah be °cut off, °but not for Him-
self:
Q T a and °the people of °the 25 prince that shall
(p. 1199) come °shall destroy the city and the sanctuary;
b and °the end thereof shall be with a flood,
b °and unto the end of the war °desolations are
°determined.
U 27 And °he shall confirm °the covenant with
°many
V for °one week:
V and in °the midst of the week
U he shall cause °the sacrifice and the oblation
to cease,

Messiah=anointed. Only priests and kings were anointed, lepers, and Elisha (1 Kings 19. 16) being the only exceptions.

Messiah the Prince="Messiah [that is to say] the Prince [of the People]". Messiah is a noun, and is connected with Prince by apposition: i.e. a priest-king. Only one such known to Scripture (Ps. 110. 4. Zech. 6. 13. John 4. 25).

the Prince. Heb. *nāgīd* = a leader and ruler of the People (1 Sam. 9. 16; 10. 1; 13. 14; 18. 13; 25. 30. 2 Sam. 5. 2, &c.). Therefore not Zerubbabel (who was a prince but not a priest); nor Ezra (who was a priest but not a prince); nor Cyrus (who was a king but not a priest, and he only as a type of Messiah, who was both). seven weeks=forty-nine years (454-405 B.C.). See Ap. 50, p. 60, and Ap. 91.

threescore and two weeks=434 years (405 B.C.-A.D. 29): the two together being 49+434=483 years; leaving seven years to make up the full 490 years of v. 24. See Ap. 50, p. 61, and Ap. 91.

the street . . . and the wall=open place . . . and close street: implying the completeness of the restoration; which included the places of resort and the thoroughfares leading thereto, like our English "court and alley".

the street=the Broadway or open space by the gates or elsewhere.

the wall. Heb. *hārūz*. Whatever it may mean, it cannot be "wall", for that is *hōmah* (that which cannot be "wall", and may well be used of what is narrow, and then that which is narrowed down to a deciding point, a decision or determination, as in 9. 26; 11. 36. Cp. Isa. 10. 22. Job 14. 5, &c. See the Oxford *Gesenius*.

in troublous times: i.e. the times of Ezra and Nehemiah. This covers the forty-nine years. We know this, not from history profane or Divine, but from the statement here.

26 after threescore and two weeks. The definite Article here marks this period, as the one just mentioned in v. 24: i.e. after the 483 years. How long "after" is not stated; but it must surely be either immediately or very soon after the Messiah was thus presented and proclaimed in and to Jerusalem as the Prince. The decree was issued in the month of Nisan, the same month as the events in Matt. 21. 1-26. 61. Cp. Zech. 9. 9. Luke 19. 41-44 ("this thy day").

threescore and two: i.e. the sixty-two sevens (=434 years). See note on v. 25. cut off: i.e. in death. Heb. *karath* (Gen. 9. 11. Deut. 20. 20. Jer. 11. 19. Ps. 37. 9). Cp. Heb. *gāzar* (Isa. 53. 8).

but not for Himself—but no sign of aught for Him: i.e. He shall be rejected and crucified, and shall not then enter on the kingdom for which He came. It will be rejected, and therefore become in abeyance. See John 1. 11.

9. -26, 27 (Q, p. 1198). THE CITY. DESTROYED.

(Introversion and Alternation.)

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| Q | T | a | -26-. The Coming Prince. (The Desolator.) |
| | | | b -26-. The Desolation (<i>shamēm</i>) decreed. The end of the Desolation. |
| | | | U -27-. His Covenant made. |
| | | | V -27-. The Time. One seven (=7 years). |
| | | | V -27-. The Time. The middle of the one seven (=3½ years). |
| T | a | -27-. The Coming Prince. (The Desolator.) | |
| | | b -27-. The Desolation (<i>shamēm</i>) decreed. The end of the Desolator. | |
| | | U -27-. His Covenant broken (cp. 11. 30, 31). | |

-26 the people: i.e. the Roman people. Cp. Luke 19. 41-44; 21. 20. the prince that shall come=a prince, &c. This is "the little horn" of 7. 8, 24-26; 8. 9-12, 23-25. See Ap. 89. shall

destroy the city, &c. See Matt. 21. 41; 22. 7. This also was "after threescore and two weeks", but not within the last seven; which are confined to the doings of "the prince's people, the people that is coming" ("the little horn") after the doings of "the people" in the destruction of the city, which ends v. 26. What "the little horn" will do is stated in the words which follow. Antiochus never did this. He defiled it, but left it uninjured. the end thereof: or, his own end [come]: i.e. the end of the desolator looking on to the end of the last seven years.

and unto the end of the war=up to the full end of the war (i.e. the end of the last seven years). desolations=desolate places. Cp. Matt. 23. 38.

determined. See note on "the wall", v. 25. 27 he shall confirm the covenant=make a firm covenant: i.e. the little horn will do this at the beginning of the last seven years. See note below on "one week". It may even be the beginning of the 2,300 days of 8. 14. Cp. 11. 21-24.

the covenant=a covenant. many=the many. one week. This is the last seven years which completes the "seventy" of v. 24; the time when action commences in connection with Daniel's "city" and "People" (i.e. Jerusalem and Israel). These have been in abeyance since v. 26. Israel is "Lo-ammi"

(=not my people, Hos. 1. 9, 10). For the present interval between "R" and "T", vv. 26 and 27, see Luke 4. 18-20; 21. 24. Ap. 50. 11-14 (pp. 42 and 60); also Ap. 63. IX; 72; and 91. This fills the first half of the "week" (see Rev. 11. 3-11).

the midst of the week=the middle of the week (i.e. at the end of the first three and a half years). the sacrifice and the oblation to cease=sacrifice and oblation to cease. This is the action of "the little horn" (see 8. 11, 12, 13; 11. 31; 12. 11). This belongs to the time of the end, and will be accompanied by the setting up of the abomination mentioned below and by our Lord in Matt. 24. 15. See Ap. 89 and 90.

426 *Ta*
(p. 1199)

and °for the overspreading of °abominations he shall make *it* desolate,

b

even °until the consummation, and that °determined °shall be poured upon the °desolate.

K
(p. 1096)

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10 In °the third year of Cyrus king of Persia a °thing was revealed unto Daniel, whose name was called °Belteshazzar; and the °thing was true, °but the °time appointed was °long: and he understood the °thing, and had understanding of the vision.

L

2 In those days ¶ Daniel was mourning °three full weeks.

3 I ate no °pleasant bread, neither came flesh nor °wine in my mouth, neither did I anoint myself at all, till °three whole weeks were fulfilled.

M W¹ Y¹
(p. 1200)

4 And in °the four and twentieth day of the first month, as ¶ was by the side of the great river, which is °Hiddekel;

5 Then I lifted up mine eyes, and looked, and behold a certain °man °clothed in linen, whose loins were girded with fine gold of Uphaz:

6 His body also was like the beryl, and his face as the appearance of lightning, and his eyes as lamps of fire, and his arms and his feet like in colour to polished brass, and the voice of his words like the voice of a multitude.

7 And ¶ Daniel alone saw the vision: for the °men that were with me saw not the vision; but a great quaking fell upon them, so that they fled to hide themselves.

8 Therefore ¶ was left alone, and saw this great vision, and there remained no strength in me: for my comeliness was turned in me into corruption, and I retained no strength.

Z¹

9 Yet heard I the voice of his words: and when I heard the voice of his words,

X¹

then °was ¶ in a deep sleep on my face, and my face toward the ground.

W² Y²

10 And, °behold, an hand touched me, which set me upon my knees and upon the palms of my hands.

Z²

11 And he said unto me, 'O Daniel, a °man greatly beloved, understand the words that ¶ speak unto thee, and °stand upright: for unto thee am I now sent.' And when he had spoken this word unto me, I stood trembling.

12 Then said he unto me, 'Fear not, Daniel: for from °the first day that thou didst set thine heart to understand, and to °chasten thyself before thy °God, thy words were heard, and ¶ am come for thy words.

13 But °the prince of the kingdom of Persia °withstood me °one and twenty days: but, °lo,

for the overspreading of=on the wing, or battlement of; but Ginsburg suggests 'al kannō (instead of 'al kanaph)=in its stead [shall be]: i.e. in place of the daily sacrifice. Cp. 11. 7.

abominations he shall make it desolate = the abomination that maketh desolate. See Ap. 90. This is certainly future. See Matt. 24. 15. Our Lord tells us where it will stand "in the holy place": i.e. in the Temple at Jerusalem: and we have the same admonition to "understand" (cp. vv. 23, 25, above). Antiochus, the type of "the little horn", defiled the sanctuary, but he did not destroy it. He cannot therefore be the fulfiller of this prophecy, though he foreshadowed him.

abominations. Jehovah's name for an "idol", as being what he detests. Heb. *shakaz*=to be abominable. The "of" in this connection being the Genitive (of the Origin), Ap. 17. 2: i.e. which causes the desolation. Cp. 2 Kings 23. 13. Isa. 44. 19, &c. Dan. 12. 11 is conclusive.

until the consummation=unto a full end. The reference is to Isa. 10. 22, 23.

determined. See note on "the wall", v. 25 above. shall be poured upon=shall come pouring upon. For the fulfilment, cp. Rev. 16. 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 10, 12, 17.

desolate=the causer of desolation. See 12. 11. Then the consummation of v. 24 will be fulfilled.

10. 1 the third year of Cyrus. Called by his appellative "Darius" (=the Restrainer, or Maintainer, in 9. 1; 424 B.C.). Two years later than ch. 9. This is Daniel's latest date; which continues to the end of this book, seventy-three years since his deportation: he being now eighty-nine years old.

thing=word, or matter.

Belteshazzar. See 1. 7.

but the time appointed was long—but [concerned] a long warfare.

time appointed. Heb. *tzaba*. Generally rendered "host" or "army" (8. 10, 11, 12). Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for warfare.

long: or, great.

2 three full weeks=three sevens of days. See next verse and v. 13, in contrast with 9. 24, 25. Cp. this humiliation with that of 9. 3-19, and see the Structure ("L" and "L", p. 1196).

3 pleasant bread=bread of desires: i.e. pleasant food. wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. I.

three whole weeks=three sevens of days, as in vv. 2, 13.

10. 4-21 (*M*, p. 1196). THE HIEROPHANT. (Repeated Alternations)

<i>M</i>	<i>W¹</i>	<i>Y¹</i>	4-8. The Hierophant.
			<i>Z¹</i> 9-. His words.
<i>W²</i>	<i>Y²</i>	<i>X¹</i>	-9. Their effect.
			10. The Hierophant.
<i>W³</i>	<i>Y³</i>	<i>Z²</i>	11-14. His words.
			15. Their effect.
<i>W⁴</i>	<i>Y⁴</i>	<i>X²</i>	16-. The Hierophant.
			-16-17-. Daniel's words.
<i>W⁵</i>	<i>Y⁵</i>	<i>Z³</i>	-17. Their effect.
			18. The Hierophant.
<i>W⁶</i>	<i>Y⁶</i>	<i>X³</i>	19-. His words.
			-19. Their effect.
<i>W⁷</i>	<i>Y⁷</i>	<i>Z⁴</i>	20-. The Hierophant.
			-20, 21. His words.

4 the four and twentieth, &c.: i.e. the twenty-fourth of Nisan (i.e. Abib). the Tigris. See Gen. 2. 14.

5 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

description in Rev. 1. Note the Divine and angelic appearances in this book: 3. 25; 4. 13, 17, 23; 6. 22; 7. 16; 8. 13, 14, 16-26; 9. 21; 10. 4-8, 10, 16, 18, 20; 12. 1, 5, 6.

7 men. Heb. pl. of *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III.

9 was ¶ in a deep sleep, &c. Cp. 8. 18.

10 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*.

11 stand upright. Note the Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6), stand upon thy standing: i.e. stand up where thou art.

12 the first day. See 9. 23. chasten=humble. See note on v. 3.

13 the prince=ruler. Heb. *šar*=

a ruler (from *šavar*=to rule). Hence *Cæsar*, *Tzar* or *Czar*. Generally rendered "prince" in this book.

See 1. 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 18; 8. 11, 25; 9. 6, 8; 10. 13, 20, 21; 11. 5; 12. 1. The rulers may be good, angelic (good or evil), or the world-rulers of Eph. 6. 12.

withstood=was standing confronting me. **one and twenty days**. See vv. 2, 3. **10**. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

424 °Michael, one of the chief °princes, came to help me; and °§ remained there °with the kings of Persia.

14 Now I am come to make thee understand what shall befall thy People in °the latter days: for yet the vision is for many days.'

X² (p. 1200) 15 And when he had spoken such words unto me, I set my face toward the ground, and I became °dumb.

W³ Y³ 16 And, ¹⁰behold, one like the similitude of the sons of °men touched my lips:

Z³ then I opened my mouth, and spake, and said unto him that stood before me, 'O my lord, by the vision my sorrows are turned upon me, and I have retained no strength.

17 For how can the servant of this my lord talk with this my lord?

X³ for as for me, straightway there °remained no strength in me, neither is there °breath left in me.'

W⁴ Y⁴ 18 Then there came again and touched me one like the appearance of a ¹⁶man, and he °strengthened me,

Z⁴ 19 And said, 'O ⁵man greatly beloved, fear not: peace be unto thee, be ¹⁸strong, yea, be ¹⁸strong.'

X⁴ And when he had spoken unto me, I was ¹⁸strengthened, and said, 'Let my lord speak; for thou hast ¹⁸strengthened me.'

W⁵ Y⁵ 20 Then said he,

Z⁵ 'Knowest thou wherefore I come unto thee? and now will I return to fight with the ¹⁸prince of Persia: and when § am gone forth, ¹⁸lo, the ¹⁸prince of Grecia shall come.

21 But I will shew thee that which is noted in the scripture of truth: and there is none that holdeth with me in these things, but ¹⁸Michael your ¹⁸prince.

N A¹ B¹ (p. 1201) 11 (Also § in the first year of °Darius the Mede, even I, °stood to confirm and to strengthen °him.)

2 And °now will I shew thee the truth. °Behold, there shall stand up °yet °three kings in Persia; and the fourth shall be far richer than they all: and °by his strength through his riches he shall stir up all against the realm of Grecia.

3 And °a mighty king shall stand up, that shall rule with great dominion, and °do according to his will.

B² 4 And when he shall stand up, his kingdom shall be °broken, and shall be °divided toward the four °winds of heaven; and °not to his posterity, nor according to his dominion which he ruled: for his kingdom shall be plucked up, even for °others beside those.

B³ C¹ 5 And °the king of the °south shall be strong, and °one of his princes; and he shall be strong above °him, and have dominion; his dominion shall be °a great dominion.

Michael=who is like GOD (Heb. El)? The second angel named in this book. The special angelic ruler for Israel (v. 21; 12. 1. Cp. Jude 9, and Rev. 12. 7). princes. Heb. *sar*=chief. Not the same word as in 11. 8, 18, 22.

§ remained=§ was superfluous: i.e. not needed. Hence we may render, "I left him there". Not the same word as in v. 17. with=beside.

14 the latter days. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 49. 1. Num. 24. 14. Deut. 4. 30; 31. 29). Ap. 92. See note on 2. 28. Note the bearing of this on the prophecy itself, given in 11. 21—12. 3.

15 dumb. Cp. Ps. 139. 2, 9.

16 men. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. 1.

17 remained=continued. Not the same word as in v. 13. breath. Heb. *n'shāmāh*. See Ap. 16.

18 strengthened = strengthened (for endurance). Heb. *ḥazaq*. Cp. Ps. 27. 14.

11. 1—12. 13 (N, p. 1196). HIS PROPHECY. (Division.)

N | A¹ | 11. 1—20. The Past. (Then Future to Daniel.)
| A² | 11. 21—12. 3. The Future. (Still Future to us.)
| A³ | 12. 4—13. Meanwhile. (As to Daniel himself.)

11. 1—20 (A¹, above). THE PAST. THEN FUTURE TO DANIEL. (Division.)

A¹ | B¹ | 1—3. The first king of Grecia.
| B² | 4. Four contemporary kings.
| B³ | 5—20. Subsequent kings.

1 This verse is parenthetical, to tell us what the angelic speaker had done two years previously (426 B.C.). Darius the Mede is the same king as in 9. 1: i.e. Cyrus. stood = was at my station. him: i.e. Michael.

2 now. Calling attention to the then present time (424 B.C.) as being distinct from v. 1, which refers to what took place two years before.

Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6. yet: i.e. in the then immediate future.

three kings in Persia. Cambyses, the pseudo-Smerdis, and Darius Hystaspes. See Ap. 57. But ancient histories "contain much that is admittedly fabulous" (*Encycl. Brit.*, 11th ed., vol. 21, p. 210), and the commentaries based on them differing among themselves are therefore not to be relied on. We know from this verse that there were three, after Cyrus, and a fourth. Whoever he was, he was succeeded by the "mighty king" of v. 4 (Alexander the Great).

by his strength through his riches. Some codices, and five early printed editions, read "by strengthening himself in his riches he will stir up", &c.

3 a mighty king. The he-goat's "little horn" (8. 9). do according to his will. See 8. 4. Cp. vv. 16, 36.

4 broken. See 8. 8. divided. See 8. 22. winds. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

not to his posterity. But to his generals. Cp. "not in his power" (8. 22).

others beside those: i.e. beside those four. See note on 8. 22.

11. 5—20 (B³, above). SUBSEQUENT KINGS. (Repeated Alternation.)

B³ | C¹ | 5. The first king of the South.
| D¹ | 6. The first king of the North.
| C² | 7—9. The second king of the South.
| D² | 10. The second king of the North.
| C³ | 11, 12. The second king of the South.
| D³ | 13—20. The second king of the North.

That there is a break between the past and the future is manifest from 10. 14, of which this chapter is the continuation. Dr. Tregelles prefers to make it at v. 5. This would alter the above Structure, and require only two members: A¹, vv. 1—4, the past; and A², v. 5—12. 3,

future. Those who take vv. 5—20 as belonging to the past do not agree as to the interpretation from history. We give the commonly held view, making the break between vv. 20 and 21. 5 the king of the south. Ptolemy Soter, son of Lagus, king of Egypt (see v. 8). He took the title "king"; whereas his father "Lagus" had been only governor. south. With reference to Judea. one of his princes. Seleucus I (Nicator=conqueror). him: i.e. Ptolemy. a great dominion. It added Syria to Babylon and Media.

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(p. 1201)
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6 And °in the end of years they shall °join themselves together; for °the king's daughter of the south shall come to °the king of the °north to °make an agreement: but she shall not retain the power of the arm; neither shall he stand, nor his arm: but she shall be °given up, and they that brought her, and he that begat her, and he that strengthened her in these °times.

C²

7 But out of °a branch of her roots shall one stand up °in his estate, which shall come with an army, and shall enter into the fortress of the king of the north, and shall deal against them, and shall prevail:

8 And shall also carry captives into Egypt their gods, with their princes, and with °their precious vessels of silver and of gold; and he shall °continue °more years than the king of the north.

9 So the king of the south shall come into his kingdom, and shall return into his own °land.

D²

10 But °his °sons shall be stirred up, and shall assemble a multitude of great forces: and one °shall certainly °come, and overflow, and pass through: then shall he return, and °be stirred up, even to his fortress.

C³

11 And °the king of the south shall be moved with °choler, and shall come forth and fight with him, even with the king of the north: and °he shall set forth a great multitude; but the multitude shall be °given into °his hand.

12 And when he hath °taken away the multitude, his heart shall be lifted up; and he shall °cast down many ten thousands: but °he shall not be strengthened by it.

D³

13 For °the king of the north shall °return, and shall set forth a multitude greater than the former, and shall certainly °come °after certain years with a great army and with much riches.

14 And in those times there shall many stand up against °the king of the south: also °the robbers of thy People shall exalt themselves °to establish the vision; °but they shall fall.

15 So °the king of the north shall come, and cast up a mount, and take the most fenced cities: and the arms of the south shall not withstand, °neither his chosen people, neither shall there be any strength to withstand.

16 But he that cometh against °him shall °do according to his own will, and none shall stand before him: and he shall stand in the glorious land, °which by his hand shall be °consumed.

17 He shall also °set his face to enter with the strength of his whole kingdom, °and upright ones with him; thus shall he do: and he

6 in the end of years. In v. 13 this is rendered "after certain years", said to be sixty-three. Cp. 2 Chron. 18. 2, and v. 8 below.

join: i.e. in league.

the king's daughter. Berenice, daughter of Ptolemy II (Philadelphus) of Egypt.

the king of the north. Antiochus.

north. With reference to Judea.

make an agreement = do upright things: i.e. to come to terms upon what is equitable between the parties. Here it included her marriage with Antiochus, who divorced his wife (Laodice) and disinherited her son (Seleucus Callinicus).

given = delivered.

times: or, vicissitudes.

7 a branch of her roots. Her brother Ptolemy III (Euergetes), "roots" referring to their father Ptolemy II (Philadelphus).

in his estate = in his stead. Heb. *kannō*. See note on 9. 27 ("for the overspreading"): i.e. in the stead of Philadelphus, who avenged the murder of Berenice and her son by Laodice. Euergetes had been restored. This is the second king of the south.

8 their precious vessels = vessels of desire, said to have been valued at 40,000 talents of silver; and 2,400 images, including Egyptian idols, which Cambyses had taken from Egypt. Hence he was named by the grateful Egyptians "Euergetes" (= Benefactor).

continue = stand.

more years: i.e. four years, reigning forty-six years in all.

9 land = soil.

10 his. Seleucus II (Callinicus).

sons. Heb. text is "son" (sing.). But the Heb. marg., with some codices and one early printed edition, read "sons" (pl.), as here: i.e. Seleucus II (Callinicus) and his brother Antiochus III. See *Encycl. Brit.*, 11th (Cambridge) ed., vol. 24, p. 604.

shall = he shall: i.e. Antiochus III, the second king of the north, his brother having died by a fall from his horse.

come. Some codices, with one early printed edition, and Syr., read "come against him".

be stirred up = will wage war. Defeating Antiochus III.

11 the king of the south. The second, Ptolemy III. choler. See note on 8. 7.

he: i.e. the king of the north, Antiochus III.

given = delivered.

his hand: i.e. Ptolemy's hand.

12 taken away = subdued.

cast down, &c. = will cause tens of thousands to fall. This occurred at Raphia, south-west of Gaza.

he shall not be strengthened by it. Giving himself up to licentiousness.

13 the king of the north. The second king, Antiochus III. return = renew the war.

come. Some codices, with three early printed editions, read "will come against him". Fig. *Polyptōton* = coming he will come. Ap. 6.

after certain years. Heb. at the end of years, as in v. 6. This was fourteen years after his defeat at Raphia.

14 the king of the south. This would be the third king, Ptolemy V (Epiphanes), a mere child.

the robbers = sons of the oppressors: i.e. apostate Jews, or turbulent men who defied laws and justice.

to establish the vision: i.e. to help to fulfil prophecy, by taking the side of Syria, so as to make Judea independent. but they shall fall. For they indirectly helped to establish Antiochus. See vv. 16-19.

15 the king of the north. This is Antiochus III (the Great); and vv. 16-19 describe his doings, which were a typical foreshadowing of his antitype, "the little horn", the yet future antichrist, described in 11. 21-22. 1; which show how the latter portion can be fulfilled by an individual. neither his chosen people. Dr. Ginsburg suggests "but his people will flee".

16 him. Ptolemy V. do according to his own will. Thus foreshadowing but not exhausting what is said of "the vile person" in vv. 21, 36. which by his hand shall be consumed = much wasted in his hand. consumed = perfected: i.e. completely desolated.

17 set his face. The idiom for expressing a fixed purpose. Cp. 2 Kings 12. 17. and upright ones . . . shall he do = he will make equitable terms with him (i.e. Ptolemy V). The words which follow tell us what the terms were. With this agree the Sept., Syr., and Vulg.

424 shall give °him °the daughter of °women, corrupting her: but she shall °not stand on his side, neither be for him.

18 After this shall he turn his face unto the °isles, and shall take many: but °a prince °for his own behalf shall cause the reproach offered by °him to cease; °without his own reproach he shall cause it to turn upon °him.

19 Then he shall turn his face toward the °fort of his own land: but he shall °stumble and fall, and not be found.

20 Then shall stand up °in his estate °a raiser of taxes in the glory of the °kingdom: but within few days he shall be destroyed, °neither in anger, nor in battle.

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21 And °in his estate shall stand up °a vile person, to whom °they shall not give the °honour of the kingdom: but he shall come in °peaceably, and obtain the kingdom by flatteries.

22 And with the arms of a flood shall they °be overflowed from before him, and shall be °broken; °yea, also the prince of the covenant.

23 And after °the league made with him he shall work deceitfully: for he shall come up, and shall become strong °with a small people.

24 He shall enter °peaceably even upon the fattest places of the province; and he shall do that which his fathers have not done, nor his fathers' fathers; he shall scatter among them the prey, and spoil, and riches: yea, and he shall °forecast his devices against the strong holds, even for a time.

25 And he shall stir up his power and his courage against the king of the south with a great army; and the king of the south shall be stirred up to battle with a very great and mighty army; but °he °shall not stand: for they shall °forecast devices against him.

26 Yea, °they that feed of the portion of his meat shall destroy him, and his army shall overflow: and many shall fall down slain.

27 °And both these kings' hearts shall be to do °mischief, and they shall speak lies at one table; but it shall not prosper: for °yet the end shall be at the time appointed.

28 Then shall he return into his land with great riches; and °his heart shall be against the holy covenant; and he shall °do exploits, and return to his own land.

29 At the time appointed he shall return, and come toward the south; but it shall not be as °the former, or as °the latter.

30 For the ships of °Chittim shall come against him: therefore he shall be grieved, and return, and have indignation °against the °holy covenant: so shall he °do; he shall even return, and °have intelligence with them that forsake the holy covenant.

within, as well as fighting without.

two kings, their hearts [will be set] to do, &c.

yet the end, &c. Intimating that these things belong to the closing scenes. Cp. vv. 35 and 40.

28 his heart, &c. Showing when the purpose of breaking the covenant was plotted. do exploits =

act effectively, or accomplish [the purpose of his heart]. 29 the former. In vv. 25, 26,

the latter. In vv. 42, 43. 30 Chittim = Cyprus, or some European power. See note on Num. 24. 24.

Ref. to Pent. (Num. 24. 24). Ap. 92. against the holy covenant. Made with the Jews at the beginning

of the last seven years, already mentioned in 9. 27. In 11. 28, he had already plotted the breaking of it.

do = do [so], or accomplish [it]: i. e. he will break it. holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5. have intelligence

= fix his attention on (with a view to co-operation).

him. Ptolemy V, then only twelve years of age.

the daughter of women: i. e. Cleopatra, his own daughter, then only eleven years of age. The term denotes beauty, &c.

women: i. e. her mother and grandmother, probably still caring for her education, &c.

not stand, &c. She sided with her husband, and defeated her father's plans.

18 isles = coast-lands, or maritime countries.

a prince = a captain or general. Heb. *kāzīn*. Occurs only here in this book. He was the Roman general, Scipio (Lucius Scipio).

for his own behalf: i. e. for his own interest.

him. Antiochus III.

without his own reproach: i. e. with untarnished reputation.

19 fort = fortresses.

stumble = stagger. Antiochus III, after his defeat by Scipio at Magnesia (near Smyrna), withdrew to Syria.

20 a raiser of taxes . . . kingdom = one [Seleucus] causing the exactor [Heliodorus] to pass through [Judea], the glorious land (cp. vv. 16, 41; 8. 9). Seleucus sent Heliodorus to Jerusalem to plunder the Temple, &c. See 2 Macc. 3. 4, &c. Zech. 9. 8 is in direct contrast with this.

neither in anger. Ginsburg suggests "and not with hands", because it was by poison.

Here ends the historical portion, which has been fulfilled now, but which was then future. Verse 21—12. 3 passes on to the time which is still (1912) future to us.

11. 21—12. 3 (A², p. 1201). THE FUTURE.

(STILL FUTURE TO US.) (Alternation.)

A² E | 11. 21-31. "The vile person" ("the little horn").

F | 11. 32-35. The People. Tried.

E | 11. 36-45. "The wilful king" ("the little horn").

F | 12. 1-3. The People. Delivered.

Here begins the portion of this prophecy which is still future to us (1912), "the latter days" of 10. 14.

21 a vile person. One of the twelve titles given to the antichrist. See note on 7. 8. The prophecy concerning him is *continuous* to the end of the chapter. It is parallel with 7. 8, &c.; 8. 9, &c.; and 9. 26, 27. He is not another successional king of the north, but a totally different and unique personage, still future. He comes in by "flatteries", and in v. 40 he is attacked by both a "king of the south" and a "king of the north". Note the parallel exhibited in Ap. 89.

vile = despicable. Cp. Ps. 15. 4.

they shall not give = to whom was not given.

honour = dignity.

peaceably - unexpectedly: i. e. in a time of careless security (cp. 8. 25). Cp. Ezek. 16. 49 ("abundance of idleness"). So the Oxford *Gesenius*, p. 1017.

22 be overflowed from = sweep all.

broken = broken in pieces.

yea, also, &c.: i. e. a prince with whom he had made a covenant or league (v. 23), and who had hitherto aided him.

23 the league: i. e. the covenant just mentioned (v. 22).

with a small people. Hence he is called "the little horn".

24 forecast his devices = devise plots.

25 he: i. e. the king of the south.

shall not stand = will make no stand.

26 they that feed, &c. There will be treachery

27 And both these kings' hearts, &c. = Now, as to the

mischief = evil. Heb. *rā'a*. Ap. 44. viii.

28 his heart, &c. Showing when the purpose of breaking the covenant was plotted. Cp. vv. 35 and 40.

29 the former. In vv. 25, 26,

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do = do [so], or accomplish [it]: i. e. he will break it. holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5. have intelligence

= fix his attention on (with a view to co-operation).

424 31 And arms shall stand on his part, and they shall °pollute the sanctuary of strength, and shall °take away the daily *sacrifice*, and they shall °place the abomination that maketh desolate.

F G (p. 1204) 32 And °such as do °wickedly against the covenant shall he °corrupt by flatteries:

H but the people that do °know their °God shall °be strong, and °do *exploits*.

33 And they that °understand among the people shall instruct many: yet they °shall fall by the sword, and by flame, by captivity, and by spoil, °many days.

34 Now when they °shall fall, they °shall be holpen with a little help:

G but many shall cleave to them with flatteries.

H 35 And some of them of °33 understanding °shall fall, to °try them, and to °purge, and to make *them* white, even to °the time of the end: because *it is* °yet for a time appointed.

E J 36 And the king shall °do according to his will; and °he shall exalt himself, and magnify himself above every °GOD, and shall speak marvellous things °against the °GOD of °gods, and shall prosper till °the indignation be accomplished: for that that is °determined shall be done.

37 Neither shall he regard the °32 God of his fathers, nor °the desire of women, nor regard any °GOD: for he shall magnify himself above all.

38 But °in his estate shall he honour the °God of °forces: and a god whom his fathers knew not °shall he honour with gold, and silver, and with precious stones, and pleasant things.

39 Thus shall he °do in °the most strong holds with a strange god, °whom he shall acknowledge °and increase with glory: and he shall cause them to rule over many, and shall divide the land for °gain.

K 40 And °at the time of the end shall the king of the south push at him: and the king of the north shall come against him like a whirlwind, with chariots, and with horsemen, and with many ships;

J and °he shall enter into °the countries, and shall overflow and pass over.

41 He shall enter also into °the glorious land, and many *countries* shall be overthrown: but these shall escape out of his hand, *even* Edom, and Moab, and the chief of the °children of Ammon.

42 He shall stretch forth his hand also upon the countries: and the land of Egypt shall not escape.

43 But he shall have power over the treasures of gold and of silver, and over all the precious things of Egypt: and the Libyans and the Ethiopians *shall be* at his steps.

31 pollute the sanctuary. By putting up the "abomination" (the Asherah, Ap. 42), which brings on the judgment of "desolation". The end is marked by the "cleansing of the sanctuary" (8. 14; 9. 24). Ap. 89. take away the daily sacrifice. This marks the middle of the "week", or the last seven years. See 8. 11, 12; 9. 27; 12. 11; and Ap. 89. From this point he is energized by Satan.

place the abomination, &c. This accompanies the taking away of the daily sacrifice (8. 13; 9. 27; 12. 11; and Ap. 89). Our Lord refers to this verse in Matt. 24. 15.

11. 32-35 (F, p. 1203). THE PEOPLE. TRIED. (Alternation.)

F | G | 32-. The unfaithful.
H | -32-34-. The faithful.
G | -34. The unfaithful.
H | 35. The faithful.

32 such as do wickedly against=them that are ready to deal lawlessly with.

wickedly. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

corrupt=make impious or profane.

know their God. Denotes those who have an experimental rather than an intellectual knowledge. Heb. *yāda'*. God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

be strong=prove themselves strong. Heb. *ḥazak*=strong for endurance (i.e. for resisting all temptation to apostatize).

do exploits=work effectually.

33 understand=are wise. See v. 35 and 12. 3, 10, where it would be well to use the Heb. *Maskilim*, as a proper name.

shall fall by the sword: i.e. in the great tribulation which is here described, in part.

many. Some codices, with six early printed editions, read this word "many" in the text.

34 shall be holpen, &c.=shall obtain but little help.

35 try=refine. Expulsion of dross.

purge=purify. Separation from dross.

the time of the end. Now near at hand.

11. 36-45 (E, p. 1203). "THE WILFUL KING." (Alternations.)

E | J | 36-39. His character.
K | 40-. His adversaries. Their Assault.
J | -40-43. His conquests.
K | 44, 45. His adversaries. Their Victory.

From vv. 36-45 we have "the wilful king" in his unhindered course. It cannot be exhaustively interpreted of Antiochus.

36 do according to his will. Cp. 8. 4; 11. 3. he shall exalt himself, &c. This is quoted in 2 Thess. 2. 3, 4; and referred to in 7. 25; 8. 11, 25. Rev. 13. 5, 6.

GOD. Heb. *El*. Ap. 4. IV.

against, &c. Cp. 8. 11, 24, 25.

gods. Heb. *'ēlīm*.

the indignation, &c. Jehovah's indignation. Cp.

8. 19; 9. 16; and Isa. 10. 23, 25.

determined=decreed.

37 the desire of women. In view of the context this must refer to any gods desired by women: such as *Baalit*, *Astarte*, or *Mylitta* of the Babylonians; the Persian *Artemis*, or the *Nanea* of the Syrians; or the "queen of heaven" of Jer. 7. 18; 44. 17, &c.

GOD. Heb. *Eloah*. Ap. 4. V.

38 in his estate=in its place: i.e. the God of forces on its pedestal.

God of forces. Heb. *Mā'uzzim*=God of fortresses.

shall he honour, &c. Thus, in secret he is superstitious, though in public he exalts himself above all

whom he

gain

he: i.e. this

41 the glorious land. Cp.

gods. 39 do=deal.

shall acknowledge=whosoever acknowledgeth him.

=a price. 40 at the time of the end: i.e. near the close of the last seven years.

"wilful king". the countries=the countries [adjoining].

vv. 16, 45; and 8. 9.

children=sons.

K 44 But tidings out of the east and out of the north shall trouble him: therefore he shall go forth with great fury to destroy, and utterly to make away many.

45 And he shall plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in the glorious holy mountain; yet he shall come to his end, and none shall help him.

F 12 And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy People: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time thy People shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book.

2 And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt.

3 And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever.

A³ L N 4 But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.

O 5 Then Daniel looked, and behold, there stood other two, the one on this side of the bank of the river, and the other on that side of the bank of the river.

6 And one said to the man clothed in linen, which was upon the waters of the river, 'How long shall it be to the end of these wonders?'

M a 7 And I heard the man clothed in linen, which was upon the waters of the river, when he held up his right hand and his left hand unto heaven, and sware by Him That liveth for ever

b that it shall be for a time, times, and an half;
c and when he shall have accomplished to scatter the power of the holy people, all these things shall be finished.

L O 8 And I heard, but I understood not: then said I, 'O MY Lord, what shall be the end of these things?'

N 9 And he said, 'Go thy way, Daniel: for the words are closed up and sealed till the time of the end.

apostatize, "those who turn aside", or revolvers (Ps. 101. 3. Hos. 5. 2); as in Ps. 40. 4 (5), "such as turn aside to lies". So the Oxford *Gesenius*, p. 962 (these are the only occurrence of *sūt*, unless Dan. 12. 4 be another). The dots over the letter *ṣ*, making it *ṣ* (Sin = S) and *ṣ* (Shin = Sh), formed no part of the inspired primitive text, but were added by the Massoretic scribes, and with the vowel points were gradually introduced into the Heb. text. The Sept., Swete's edition, vol. iii, p. 572 (A) reads *heōs an apomanōsin* = "till many shall have gone raving mad".

knowledge: or, calamities, or wickedness. Ginsburg would read *hārā'oth* for *haddā'ath*. The Sept. (A) reads *adikias*, "wickedness" (Swete's edition, vol. iii, p. 572). The Vatican (B), Theodotion's translation, reads "knowledge" (*gnōsis*): Ginsburg's hypothesis for this reading arises from the two letters *ṛ* (= R) for *ṛ* (= D), being not infrequently mistaken.

5 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. **6 man**. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II. **upon** = above.

How long . . . ? Note the two questions ("O" and "O" in the Structure above). **7 held up his right hand**, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 40). Ap. 92. **a time, times, and an half**. See Ap. 90 and 91.

he: i.e. the "little horn" or Antichrist. **8 MY Lord**. Heb. *Adoni*. See Ap. 4. VIII (1). **what** . . . ?

Note the correspondence of these two questions in vv. 6 and 8. **the end of these things**? (i.e. the "wonders" of v. 6). The prophecy from 10. 14 is given in view of these questions.

44 make away many = devote many [to extermination]. Rev. 13. 7. 45 plant = spread out.

tabernacles, &c. = palatial tent. come to his end. This could not be said of Antiochus, for he died at Tabæ, in Persia. "The wilful king" comes to his end in Judea, between Jerusalem and the Mediterranean Sea.

and none shall help him. For he is smitten by God Himself. See Isa. 11. 4. Zech. chs. 12 and 14. 2 Thess. 2. 8. Rev. 19. 20. The grave does not receive him (for Isa. 14. 19 is only a comparison "like"), and he is not joined with them in burial. He is cast into the lake of fire.

12 This is not the epilogue to the book. Verses 1-3 are the conclusion of the prophecy given by the hierophant, which commenced at 10. 20.

1 at that time. This fixes the end of the Tribulation. Note the three subjects thus connected with "the time of the end".

Michael. See note on 10. 13.

children = sons.

thy People: i.e. Daniel's People, Israel.

a time of trouble: i.e. the great Tribulation. Cp. 8. 24, 25; 9. 26. Isa. 26. 20, 21. Jer. 30. 7. Matt. 24. 21. Mark 13. 19. Rev. 16. 17-21. trouble = tribulation. shall be delivered. Cp. Isa. 11. 11, &c.; 27. 12, 13. Jer. 30. 7. Ezek. 37. 21-28; 39. 25-29. Hos. 3. 4, 5. Joel 3. 16-21. Amos 9. 11-15. Obad. 17-21. Zech. 12. 3-10. Rom. 11. 5, 6, 15, 26.

written in the book. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 32. 32, 33). Ap. 92. Cp. Ps. 56. 8; 69. 28. Isa. 4. 3. Ezek. 13. 9. Luke 10. 20. Rev. 3. 5; 13. 8; 20. 12, 15.

2 of them = from among them.

sleep, &c. An inspired revelation as to death.

earth = ground.

shall awake. This is bodily resurrection.

some = these (the former).

everlasting life. John 5. 28, 29. Acts 24. 15.

some = those. The latter: i.e. the rest of the dead (Isa. 26. 19, 21; 27. 6. Rev. 20. 5, 6). Cp. 1 Cor. 15. 23. 1 Thess. 4. 16.

contempt = thrusting away.

3 they that be wise = they that make wise. The *Maskilim* of v. 10; 11. 33, 35.

12. 4-13 (A³, p. 1201). MEANWHILE. AS TO DANIEL HIMSELF. (*Alternations and Introversion*.)

A³ L N | 4. The book closed and sealed.

O | 5, 6. Inquiry of the two. "How long?"

M | a | 7-. The answer.

b | 7-. The times. Three and a half years.

c | 7. The end.

L | O | 8. Inquiry of Daniel. "What?"

N | 9. The book closed and sealed.

M | a | 10. The answer.

b | 11, 12. The times.

c | 13. The end. The 1,290 and 1,335 days (Ap. 90).

4 shut = close up.

even to = until.

run to and fro: or, apostatize. The Heb. *shūt* = to rove, turn about, despise. Hence, to do despite (Ezek. 16. 57; 28. 24, 26). But if we spell *sūt* with *ṣ* (= S), instead of with *ṣ* (= Sh), the meaning is to swerve, turn aside,

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10 Many shall be purified, and made white, and °tried; but the °wicked shall do °wickedly: and none of the °wicked shall °understand; but °the wise shall understand.

b 11 And from the time that °the daily sacrifice shall be taken away, and the °abomination that maketh desolate set up, there shall be °a thousand two hundred and ninety days.

12 °Blessed is he that °waiteth, and cometh to °the thousand three hundred and five and thirty days.

c 13 But go thou thy way till °the end be: for thou shalt °rest, and °stand in °thy lot at °the end of the days."

10 tried=refined.

wicked . . . wickedly . . . wicked = lawless . . . lawlessness . . . lawless. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x. understand. The *Maskilim* of v. 3.

11 the daily sacrifice . . . taken away. See note on 8. 11; and Ap. 89.

abomination, &c. See note on 8. 12; and Ap. 89. a thousand two hundred and ninety days. See Ap. 90.

12 Blessed = O the blisses! See Ps. 1. 1. The only Beatitude in this book.

waiteth = is steadfast. Cp. Matt. 24. 13. Mark 13. 13. Rev. 2. 26.

the thousand three hundred and five and thirty days. See Ap. 90. The Heb. accent suggests the rendering: "Blessed is he that expecteth and shall reach [the goal: he shall reach] to day, 1335."

13 the end. This is the sole object of the hierophant's words from 10. 14 onward. rest: in death. stand: i. e. in resurrection. thy lot. The 1611 edition of the A.V. reads "the lot".

THE MINOR* PROPHETS.†

THE STRUCTURE OF THE TWELVE BOOKS‡ AS A WHOLE.§

(Division.)

*A*¹ | THREE Prophets: HOSEA, JOEL, AMOS. The first and third dated, as being in the reigns of Kings of Judah, and in that of a King of ISRAEL also.

*A*² | SIX Prophets: OBADIAH, JONAH, MICAH, NAHUM, HABAKKUK, ZEPHANIAH. The third and sixth being dated, as in the reigns of Kings of JUDAH only.

*A*³ | THREE Prophets: HAGGAI, ZECHARIAH, MALACHI. The first and second being dated, as in the reigns of Kings of Medo-Persia only; after the Captivity.

THREE PROPHETS.¶ (Introversion.)

*A*¹ | *B*¹ | HOSEA. Like AMOS (*B*²), dated in the reigns of Kings of Judah, and in that of Jeroboam II, the King of Israel. HOSEA probably belonged (like AMOS) to the Ten Tribes (perhaps to Reuben); and prophesied both to the house of Israel, and to the house of Judah apart.

*C*¹ | JOEL. Undated. General: concerning (1) the Gentile kingdoms, and (2) "the Day of the Lord."

*B*² | AMOS. Like HOSEA (*B*¹), dated in the reigns of one King of Judah, and in that of Jeroboam II, one King of Israel. AMOS probably belonged (like HOSEA) to the Ten Tribes (perhaps to Asher); and prophesied to the house of Israel and to the house of Judah apart.

SIX PROPHETS.¶ (Alternation and Introversion.)

*A*² | *D*¹ | *F*¹ | OBADIAH. Like HABAKKUK (*F*²), is undated; and his prophecy is special, concerning EDOM.

*G*¹ | JONAH. Like NAHUM (*G*²), is undated; and his prophecy is special, concerning NINEVEH. Gentile repentance.

*E*¹ | MICAH. Like ZEPHANIAH (*E*²), is dated in the reigns of Kings of Judah only; and his prophecy is special, concerning JUDAH.

*D*² | *G*² | NAHUM. Like JONAH (*G*¹), is undated; and his prophecy is special, concerning NINEVEH. Gentile destruction.

*F*² | HABAKKUK. Like OBADIAH (*F*¹), is undated; and his prophecy is special, concerning the posterity of Nebuchadnezzar.

*E*² | ZEPHANIAH. Like MICAH (*E*¹), is dated in the reigns of Kings of Judah only; and his prophecy is special, concerning JUDAH.

THREE PROPHETS.¶ (Division.)

*A*³ | *H*¹ | *I*¹ | HAGGAI. Dated } in the reigns of Medo-Persian Kings. After the Captivity. Special,
| *I*² | ZECHARIAH. Dated } concerning the Second Temple.

*H*² | MALACHI. Undated. General. After the Captivity, and after the days of the Second Temple.

NOTES ON THE STRUCTURE OF THE MINOR PROPHETS (PAGE 1206).

* Called "Minor", not because they are less inspired, or of less importance, but only because the prophecies are *shorter*.

† The Prophets of the Old Testament are divided in the Hebrew Bible into two groups:

I. The "FORMER" Prophets (Joshua to 2 Kings. Zech. 1. 4; 7. 7, 12). See note on p. 289, and Ap. 1. II; and therefore by inference,

II. The "LATTER" Prophets (Isaiah to Malachi) in unbroken sequence (Daniel being by man's arrangement and nomenclature in the *Hagiographa*). See Ap. 1. III.

‡ In all Hebrew manuscripts, and printed Hebrew Bibles, the Twelve Minor (or Shorter) Prophets are written, and printed in *unbroken sequence*; and have always been counted, and have come down to us, as one book.

Just as each Tribe was a separate entity in Israel, and yet all the twelve together formed one Nation, so these Twelve Prophets are combined together to form one book.

As the former (the twelve Tribes) are called "*dōdekaphūlon*" = twelve tribes (from *dōdeka* = twelve, and *phūlē* = tribe), Luke 22. 30; Acts 26. 7; and James 1. 1; so the latter (the twelve prophets) are called "*dōdeka prophētōn*" (Ecclesiasticus 49. 10). In his praise of "famous men", the writer (Jesus, the son of Sirach) says: "and of the twelve prophets (*tōn dōdeka prophētōn*) let their memorial be blessed, and let their bones flourish again from out of their place; for they comforted Jacob (i. e. the twelve-tribed Nation) and delivered them by assured hope."

The Hebrew text of this twelve-volumed book is divided into twenty-one *Sedarim* (or sections for public reading), and these read on without regard to the beginnings or endings of the separate books, thus showing that the twelve books are to be treated as one book. The twenty-one *Sedarim* are as follows:—

1. Hos. 1. 1 — 5. 15.	8. Amos 7. 15—Obad. 20.	15. Zeph. 3. 20—Hag. 2. 22.
2. " 6. 1 —10. 11.	9. Obad. 21—Jonah 4. 11.	16. Hag. 2. 23—Zech. 4. 1.
3. " 10. 12—14. 6.	10. Mic. 1. 1—4. 4.	17. Zech. 4. 2 — 6. 13.
4. " 14. 7 —Joel 2. 26.	11. " 4. 5—7. 19.	18. " 6. 14— 8. 22.
5. Joel 2. 27—Amos 2. 9.	12. " 7. 20—Nah. 3. 19.	19. " 8. 23—11. 17.
6. Amos 2. 10—5. 13.	13. Hab. 1. 1—3. 19.	20. " 12. 1 —14. 20.
7. " 5. 14—7. 14.	14. Zeph. 1. 1—3. 19.	21. " 14. 21—Mal. 4. 6.

From the above twenty-one *Sedarim* it will be noticed that only *four* books begin with a *Seder* (Hosea, Micah, Habakkuk, and Zephaniah); while *seven* others overlap, and include portions of two books (as in the case of Nos. 5, 8, 9, 12, 15, 16, and 21). See notes on pp. 366 and 616.

§ In seeking for the Structure of their Canonical order as a whole, it will be noted that six are *dated* (Hosea, Amos, Micah, Zephaniah, Haggai, and Zechariah), and the other six are *not dated* (Joel, Obadiah, Jonah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Malachi). These twelve are again divided into two groups: *nine* before the Captivity and *three* after it. Of the dated prophecies, two contain the names of a King of Israel; two contain Kings of Judah only; and two contain Kings of Medo-Persia only.

|| Thus, *three* groups are formed, consisting of (1) *three* books (\mathfrak{A}^1); *six* books (\mathfrak{A}^2); and *three* books (\mathfrak{A}^3).

As thus set out on p. 1206, further correspondences will be noted as to the special and general scope of the several prophecies, as indicated by the respective index-letters.

HOSEA.

THE STRUCTURE OF THE BOOK AS A WHOLE.

(Introversion.)

B ¹	A 1. 1. INTRODUCTION.
	B 1. 2—3. 5. SYMBOLICAL.
	B 4. 1—14. 8. LITERAL.
	A 14. 9. CONCLUSION

For the **CANONICAL** order and place of the Prophets, see Ap. 1, and pp. 1206 and 1207.

For the **CHRONOLOGICAL** order of the Prophets, see Ap. 77.

For the Inter-relation of the Prophetic Books, see Ap. 78.

For the *Formulae* of Prophetic utterance, see Ap. 82.

For the Inter-relation of the Minor (or Shorter) Prophets, see pp. 1206 and 1207.

For References to the Pentateuch by the Prophets, see Ap. 92.

HOSEA was a prophet to the Ten Tribes (or Northern Kingdom), but he had warnings for Judah also, as well as promises of future blessings.

His prophecy is dated as being in the reigns of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, Kings of Judah, and in the days of Jeroboam the son of Joash, King of Israel (1. 1).

The period covered must have been about seventy-two years: for JEROBOAM II ended in 687 B.C., in the fourteenth of UZZIAH; UZZIAH died in 649 B.C., a period of thirty-eight years. If we assume that HOSEA prophesied during the last two or three years of JEROBOAM, we have, then, say two years; UZZIAH, thirty-eight years; JOTHAM, sixteen years (647-631 = 16); AHAZ, sixteen years (632-616 = 16), a period of seventy-two years to the commencement of HEZEKIAH (689-617 B.C. = 72). See Ap. 50, pp. 59, 68; and notes on 2 Kings 15. 6, and 17. 13.

The book of HOSEA points to the events immediately preceding the fall of Samaria (the capital of the Ten Tribes), which took place in the *sixth* year of HEZEKIAH; and the last statement, in 13. 16, is a terrible prophecy of Samaria's end. This took place in 611 B.C., and HOSEA's latest date would therefore be 613 B.C., if 13. 16 were, say, two years before Samaria's fall in 611 B.C.

This gives us, for the whole period covered by Hosea's prophecy, some seventy-six or seventy-eight years (from 689-611 B.C.). See Ap. 50. VII (6), p. 68, and Ap. 77.

If Hosea were, say, twenty when he received his mission, he would be ninety-eight years of age at the destruction of the Northern Kingdom, which ended his prophesying—and probably his life too (cp. Eli, 1 Sam. 4. 16).

Hosea is quoted, in the New Testament, in Matt. 2. 15; 9. 13; 12. 7. Rom. 9. 25, 26. 1 Cor. 15. 55. 1 Pet. 2. 5, 10.

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1 THE word of °the LORD that came unto °Hosea, the son of °Beerī, in the days of °Uzziah, Jotham, Abaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah, and in the days of °Jeroboam the son of Joash, king of Israel.

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2 °The beginning of the word of °the LORD °by °Hosea. And °the LORD said to °Hosea, "Go, take unto thee °a wife of °whoredoms °and °children of °whoredoms:

b °for the °land hath committed great °whoredom, °departing °from °the LORD."

c **3** So he went and took °Gomer the daughter of °Diblaim; which conceived, and bare him a son.

D E G¹

4 And °the LORD said unto him, "Call his name °Jezreel;

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for yet °a little while, and I °will avenge the °blood of °Jezreel upon °the house of Jehu, and will °cause to cease the kingdom of the house of Israel.

5 And it shall come to pass °at that day, that I will break the °bow of Israel in the valley of °Jezreel."

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6 And she conceived again, and bare a daughter. And °God said unto him, "Call her name °Lo-ruhamah:

1. 1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. Hosea. Heb. *Hōshē'a* = Salvation.

Beerī. Jewish tradition identifies *Bē'ērī* with *Bē'ērah*, of Reuben (1 Chron. 5. 6). Christian tradition makes Hosea of Issachar. Both names are symbolical, like the other names in this book. This clause not "evidently inserted by a later hand", as alleged.

Uzziah. See note on p. 1208.

Jeroboam: i.e. Jeroboam II, the last king but one of the house of Jehu. See note on 2 Kings 10 30; 14. 23-29. This carries us back to the first fourteen years of Uzziah's long reign. See notes on p. 1208, for the significance of Jeroboam's name here.

1. 2-3. 5 (B, p. 1208). SYMBOLICAL. (*Introversion and Alternations.*)

B	A	C	a	1. 2-. Symbol. The First Wife. "Go, take."
				b 1.-2 Signification. The Land departs from Jehovah.
				c 1. 3. The Prophet takes Gomer.
				D E 1. 4-9. The Former State.
				F 1. 10, 11. The Latter State.
				B 2. 1-4. Samaria. Remonstrance.
				B 2. 5-23. Samaria. Reasons.
A	C	a	b	3. 1-. Symbol. The Second Wife. "Go yet, love", &c.
				b 3.-1. Signification. Israel looks to other gods.
				c 3. 2, 3. The Prophet takes a Woman.
				D E 3. 4. The Present State.
				F 3. 5. The Future State.

2 The beginning, &c. This may be understood not merely of Hosea's prophecies, but as referring to the fact that Hosea was the first (canonically) of fifteen prophets included in the Hebrew canon. See Ap. 77. by = in, as in Num 12. 6, 8. Hab. 2. 1. Zech. 1. 9: i.e. through. a wife of whoredoms: i.e. a woman of the northern kingdom, and therefore regarded as an idolatress. whoredoms = idolatries. The one term is used for the other by Fig. *Metonymy* (of the Subject), Ap. 6, because both were characterised by unfaithfulness; the former to a husband, and the latter to Jehovah, Who sustained that relation to Israel (Jer. 31. 32). Cp. 2 Kings 9. 22. 2 Chron. 21. 13. Jer. 3. 2. Ezek. 16. 17-35; 20. 30; 23. 3, 7, 43. Nah. 3. 4. See 4. 2, 12; 5. 3, 4; 6. 10; 7. 4, &c. and = and [beget]. children = offspring. Heb. *yālad*. The mother is symbolical of the kingdom, and the offspring of the people. for the land, &c. Note this reason ("E", above): which explains what is meant by, and gives the interpretation of, "whoredoms". Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 34. 16. Lev. 17. 7; 20. 5. Num. 15. 39. Deut. 31. 16). Ap. 92. land. Heb. *'eret* = earth. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Whole), Ap. 6, for the land of Israel. Rendered "land" in 4. 1. Cp. Joel 1. 2, &c. departing, &c. Cp. 4. 10; 7. 8; 8. 11, 14; 10. 1; 12. 14; 13. 9. from = from after.

1. 4-9 (E, above). THE FORMER STATE. (*Repeated Alternation.*)

E	G¹	4-. Symbol. Son's name ("Jezreel").
		H¹ -4, 5. Signification, and Reason.
		G² 6-. Symbol. Daughter's name (Lo-Ruhamah).
		H² -6, 7. Signification, and Reason.
	G³	8, 9-. Symbol. Son's name (Lo-Ammi).
		H³ -9. Signification, and Reason.

3 Gomer = completion (i.e. the filling up the measure of idolatry). Diblaim = a double cake of figs, symbolical of sensual pleasure. **4** Jezreel. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6) between Israel (v. 1) and Jezreel (Heb. *Yisrā'el* and *Yizr'ēl*). The name is prophetic of coming judgment (see v. 5) and future mercy. Jezreel is a *Homonym*, having two meanings: (1) may God scatter (Jer. 31. 10); and (2) may God sow (Zech. 10. 9). These bind up the two prophetic announcements. Jezreel, the fruitful field, had been defiled with blood (2 Kings 9. 16, 23, 33; 10. 11, 14), and Israel shall be scattered, and sown among the nations; but, when God's counsels are ripe, Israel shall be resown in their own land (see 2. 22, 23). a little while. See the fulfilment in 10. 14. will avenge = shall have visited. blood = blood-guiltiness. Jezreel. Here, it is used of the valley where the blood was shed. the house of Jehu. Jehu had carried out the judgment of God on the house of Ahab, because it accorded with his own will; but he was guilty of murder, because it was not executed purely according to the will of God. He would have disobeyed if it had not served his own interest. This is seen from the fact that he practised Jeroboam's idolatries, for which Ahab had been judged. cause to cease, &c. This was fulfilled in 611 B.C. (Ap. 50. V, p. 59). See 2 Kings 18. 11. **5** at that day: i.e. the day of 2 Kings 18. 11. bow. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of the Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the armies of Israel. **6** God. Supply "Jehovah" from the preceding verses. Lo-ruhamah = not compassionated. Rendered "not beloved" in Rom. 9. 25, and "not having obtained mercy" in 1 Pet. 2. 10. These latter are the Holy Spirit's Divine interpretation of His own prophecy.

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for I will no more have mercy upon the house of Israel; but I will utterly °take °them away.

7 But I will have mercy upon the house of °Judah, and will save them °by °the LORD their °God, and will not save them by bow, nor by sword, nor by battle, by horses, nor by horsemen."

G³ 8 Now when she had weaned °Lo-ruhamah, she conceived, and bare a son.

9 Then said °God, "Call his name °Lo-ammi:

H³ for ye are not My People, and °I will not be °your God.

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10 Yet °the number of the °children of Israel shall be °as the sand of the sea, which °cannot be measured nor numbered; and °it shall come to pass, that in the place where it was said unto them, °'Ye are not My People,' there it shall be said unto them, °'Ye are the sons of °the living °GOD.'

J² 11 Then shall the °children of Judah and the °children of Israel °be gathered together, and appoint themselves °one head, and they shall come up out of °the land: for great shall be the day of °Jezreel.

B 2 Say ye unto your brethren, °Ammi; and to your sisters, °Ruhamah.

2 Plead with °your mother, plead: for she is not My wife, neither am °I her husband: let her therefore put away her °whoredoms out of her sight, and her °adulteries from °between her breasts;

3 °Lest I strip °her naked, and set her as °in the day that she was born, and make her as a wilderness, and set her like a dry land, and slay her with thirst.

4 And I will not have mercy upon her °children; for they be the °children of °whoredoms.

B d 5 For their °mother hath °played the harlot: she that conceived them hath done shamefully: for she said, °I will go after °my lovers, that give me °my bread and my water, my wool and my flax, mine oil and my drink.'

e 6 Therefore, °behold, I will °hedge up °thy way with thorns, and °make a wall, that she shall not find her paths.

7 And she shall °follow after her lovers, but she shall not overtake them; and she shall seek them, but shall not find them:

f then shall she say, °'I will go and return to my °first husband; for then was it better with me °than now.'

take them away. Supply the *Ellipsis*, "take away [the kingdom which belongs] to them".

them. Heb. *lāhem* = to them.

7 Judah. Verse 7 is not an "interpolation", but is a definite and distinctive contrast with the prophecy concerning Israel.

by the LORD their God = by (Jehovah their Elohim: i.e. the Messiah, or the angel of Jehovah. See 2 Kings 19. 35. But it looks forward to the future fulfilment, which will exhaust the prophecy in the destruction of Antichrist (Isa. 11. 4. 2 Thess. 2. 8, &c.).

9 Lo-ammi = Not My people.

I will not be your God = I am not "I am" to you. your = to you. Heb. *lākem*.

1. 10, 11 (F, p. 1209). THE LATTER STATE. (Division.)

F | J¹ | 10. Israel.
J² | 11. Judah.

10 In the Hebrew text, ch. 2 commences here.

the number, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 22. 17; 32. 12).

children = sons. Not fulfilled in any other People, now, but will yet be, in the future, of Israel.

as the sand, &c. Fig. *Paræmia*. Ap. 6. See note on Gen. 13. 16.

cannot be measured, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 23. 10).

it shall come to pass, &c. Verse 10 is not "in glaring contradiction" to v. 9, but it marks the contrast between the latter (and yet future state), and the past. See the Structure "D" and "D", p. 1209.

Ye are not My People = No People of Mine are ye. Heb. *Lo-ammī'attem*. Quoted in Rom. 9. 25, not of the Gentiles, but as an illustration of what may be true in their case as it will be in Israel's.

In 1 Pet. 2. 10 the address is to the *Diaspora*: i.e. the "scattered strangers" of Israel, who are now afar off". Cp. Dan. 9. 7. Acts 2. 32.

the living GOD. Always used in contrast with false gods, which have no life. Cp. 1 Thess. 1. 9, &c.

GOD. Heb. *El*. Ap. 4. IV.

11 be gathered together = be gathered out. See Isa. 11. 12, 13. Jer. 3. 18. Ezek. 37. 16-24.

one head. Zerubbabel was only a typical anticipation, for under him only Judah returned. This refers to a future reunion (Jer. 23. 5, 6. Ezek. 34. 23).

one. Heb. *'echad*. See note on Deut. 6. 4.

the land. Supply the *Ellipsis*: "the land [of their dispersion].

Jezreel. Here used in the sense: "GOD will sow". See note on v. 4; and cp. 2. 23. Referring to the day of Israel's restoration as being "life from the dead" (Rom. 11. 15). Cp. Jer. 24. 6; 31. 28; 32. 41. Amos 9. 15.

2. 1 Ammi = My People.

Ruhamah = Pitied One.

2 your mother. Gomer (1. 3). The ten tribes personified by their royal capital.

her husband. Cp. Jer. 31. 32.

whoredoms . . . adulteries = idolatries. See note on 1. 2.

between her breasts = her embraces.

3 Lest, &c. Verse 3 refers to Israel's earliest history. her: i.e. her land, as shown by the words following.

Cp. Ezek. 16. 23-43. in the day. See Ap. 18.

4 children = sons: i.e. the individual members of the nation collectively.

2. 5-23 (B, p. 1209). REASONS. (Extended Alternation.)

B | d | 5. Her False Benefactors.
e | 6, 7-. Her Punishments.
f | -7. Her Return.
d | 8. Her True Benefactor.
e | 9-13. Punishments.
f | 14-23. Her Reception.

5 played the harlot: i.e. practised idolatries. The silence as to details here is eloquent.

= my Baals, or lords. Cp. Jer. 44. 17, 18.

luxuries. All are claimed as hers.

&c. Cp. Job 3. 23; 19. 8. Lam. 3. 7, 9.

to her.

7 follow after = eagerly follow after.

Cp. Ezek. 16. 8.

than. Supply the *Ellipsis*: "than [it is] now".

6 behold. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6) for emphasis.

thy way. Jehovah had spoken of Israel. Now He speaks

to her. make a wall = Heb. wall a (stone) wall. Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6) for emphasis = rear a stone wall.

I will go, &c. Cp. 5. 16. Luke 15. 18.

first husband.

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8 For she °did not know °that I gave her corn, and °wine, and oil, and multiplied her silver and gold, °which they prepared for Baal.

e 9 Therefore °will I return, and °take away My corn in the time thereof, and °My °wine in the season thereof, and will °recover My wool and My flax given to cover her nakedness.

10 And now °will I discover her lewdness in the sight of her lovers, and none shall deliver her out of Mine hand.

11 I will also cause all her mirth to cease, °her feast days, her new moons, and her sabbaths, and all her solemn feasts.

12 And I will °destroy her vines and her fig trees, °whereof she hath said, 'These are my °rewards that my lovers have given me: ' and I will make them a forest, and the beasts of the field shall eat them.

13 And °I will visit upon her °the days of °Baalim, wherein she burned incense to them, and she °decked herself with her earrings and her jewels, and she went after her lovers, and forgot Me, °saith °the LORD.

f 14 °Therefore, °behold, °I will allure her, and °bring her into the wilderness, and speak °comfortably unto her.

15 And I will give her her vineyards °from thence, and °the valley of °Achor for a °door of °hope: and she °shall sing °there, °as in the days of her youth, and as °in the day °when she came up out of the land of Egypt.

16 And it shall be at that day, °saith °the LORD, that thou shalt call Me °Ishi; and shalt call Me no more °Baali.

17 For °I will take away the names of Baalim out of her mouth, and they shall no more be remembered by their name.

18 And °in that day will I °make a covenant for them with the beasts of the field, °and with the fowls of heaven, and with the creeping things of the ground: °and I will break the bow and the sword and the battle out of the earth, and will °make them to lie down safely.

19 And °I will betroth thee unto Me for ever; yea, °I will betroth thee unto Me in righteousness, and in judgment, and in lovingkindness, and in mercies.

20 °I will even betroth thee unto Me in faithfulness: and °thou shalt know °the LORD.

21 And it shall come to pass °in that day, °I will °hear, °saith the LORD, I will °hear the heavens, and °they shall hear the earth;

22 And °the earth shall °hear the corn, and the °wine, and the oil; and they shall °hear Jezreel.

23 And °I will sow her unto Me in the earth; and I °will have mercy upon her that had not obtained mercy; and I will say to them which were °not My People, °Thou art My People; and °they shall say, °Thou art my °God.' "

they shall hear. Fig. *Prosopopeia*. Ap. 6.

word at the end of v. 21 is repeated at the beginning of v. 22.

sow], as stated in v. 23.

i.e. will [call her] *Ruhamah*.

her that had not obtained mercy = Lo-Ruhamah (Not pitied).

not My People = Lo-ammi.

Thou art My People = Ammi [art] thou.

the whole nation as one man. Cp. 1. 11. Zech. 13. 9. Rom. 9. 26. 1 Pet. 2. 10.

22 the earth. Note the Fig. *Anadiplosis* (Ap. 6), by which the

Jezreel = the seed of God [which He will

will have mercy, &c. = have pity;

i.e. will [call her] *Ruhamah*.

her that had not obtained mercy = Lo-Ruhamah (Not pitied).

not My People = Lo-ammi.

Thou art My People = Ammi [art] thou.

the whole nation as one man. Cp. 1. 11. Zech. 13. 9. Rom. 9. 26. 1 Pet. 2. 10. God, Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

8 did not know. Cp. Isa. 1. 3.

that I = that [it was] I Who. Cp. Ezek. 16. 17-19.

wine = new wine. Heb. *tirōsh*. Ap. 27. II.

which they, &c. = they made offerings to Baal. Cp. 8. 4.

9 will I return. In judgment.

take away = take back. Cp. v. 3.

My wine, &c. They were all His, and from Him.

recover = rescue (Gen. 31. 16).

10 will I discover. Cp. Ezek. 16. 37; 23. 29.

11 her feast days. All these are in the sing. here = her feast, her new moon, her sabbath, her every appointed season.

12 destroy = lay waste. Cp. Ps. 105. 33.

whereof. In v. 5.

rewards = my hire, or fee. A technical term. Ref.

to Pent. (Deut. 23. 18). Ap. 92.

13 I will visit, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 32. 34). Ap. 92.

the days: i.e. the feast days.

Baalim. (Pl.) including Baal-gad, Baal-Hermon, Baal-zephon, Baal-berith, &c.

decked herself. Cp. Ezek. 23. 40, 42.

saith the LORD = [is] Jehovah's oracle.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

14 Therefore = Nevertheless. Note that the whole of this present dispensation comes between vv. 13 and 14. See Ap. 72.

bring her, &c. Cp. Ezek. 20. 35.

comfortably = to the heart. Cp. Isa. 40. 2.

15 from thence: i.e. [when she cometh] from thence.

Ref. to Pent. (Num. 16. 13, 14). Ap. 92.

the valley of Achor. Ref. to Josh. 7. 26. Ap. 92. The events must have been written down at the time and preserved. See Ap. 47.

Achor = trouble. Cp. Josh. 7. 24-26.

door = entrance.

hope = expectation; no longer of trouble.

shall sing there. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 15. 1). Ap. 92.

there. Where Jehovah allureth, and bringeth, and speaketh.

as in the days, &c. Cp. Jer. 2. 2. Ezek. 16. 8, 22, 60.

when she came up. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 1. 10; 12. 38;

13. 18, &c.); and when Jehovah said "My son" (Ex.

4. 22). Ap. 92.

16 Ishi = My husband.

Baali = My lord.

17 I will take away, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 23. 13)

Ap. 92. Cp. Josh. 23. 7. Ps. 16. 4. Isa. 2. 18. Ezek. 6. 6;

36. 25, 26; 37. 23. Zech. 13. 2.

18 in that day. That yet future day of Israel's restoration.

make a covenant, &c. Cp. Job 5. 23. Isa. 11. 6-9.

Ezek. 34. 25.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) to emphasise each item.

and I will break. Cp. Ps. 46. 9. Isa. 2. 4. Ezek.

39. 9, 10. Zech. 9. 10.

make them to lie down safely. Ref. to Pent. (Lev.

25. 18, 19; 26. 5, 6. Deut. 12. 10; 33. 12, 28). Ap. 92.

19 I will betroth, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 22. 16.

Deut. 20. 7; 22. 23, 25, 27, 28; 28. 30). Ap. 92. Else-

where only in 2 Sam. 3. 14 ("espouse"). Notice the

thrice-repeated word here, and in vv. 19, 20.

20 thou shalt know, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 6. 7, &c.).

This is the sign of Israel's blessing (Isa. 11. 9; 54. 13.

Jer. 31. 33, 34. John 6. 45). Their evils came from not

knowing (Isa. 1. 3. Luke 19. 42, 44).

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah (with 'eth) = Jehovah Him-

self. Ap. 4. II.

21 I will hear. The restoration comes from, and

begins with, Jehovah.

hear = answer, or respond to (Zech. 8. 12).

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3 Then said °the LORD unto me, °“Go yet, °love °a woman beloved of °her friend, °yet an °adulteress,

b according to the love of °the LORD toward the °children of Israel, who °look to other gods, and love °flagons of wine.”

c 2 So I bought her to me for °fifteen pieces of silver, and for an °homer of barley, and an half homer of barley:

3 And I said unto her, “Thou shalt °abide for me °many days; thou shalt not play the harlot, and thou shalt not be for another °man: so will I also °be for thee.”

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4 For the °children of °Israel shall °abide °many days °without a king, °and without a °prince, and without a °sacrifice, and without °an image, and without an °ephod, and without °teraphim:

F K²

5 °Afterward shall the °children of Israel °return, and °seek °the LORD their °God, and °David their king; and °shall fear °the LORD and His °goodness

K³

°in the latter days.

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4 Hear the word of °the LORD, ye °children of Israel:

k for °the LORD hath °a controversy with the inhabitants of the land, because there is no truth, nor °mercy, nor °knowledge of °God in the land.

2 °By swearing, and lying, and killing, and stealing, and committing adultery, they break out, and °blood toucheth blood.

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3 °Therefore shall the land mourn, and every one that dwelleth therein shall languish, with °the beasts of the field, and with the fowls of heaven; yea, the fishes of the sea also shall °be taken away.

3. 1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

Go yet = Go again. See notes on 1. 2.

love. Not “take”, as in 1. 2, or love again.

a woman. Not “Gomer” (1. 3) again, but another; hence we must believe that Gomer had died; and that this was a second marriage with its own special signification.

her friend: i.e. Hosea himself.

yet, &c. = though [she has become] an adulteress. Referring to Israel's present condition in this Dispensation (Ap. 72).

adulteress: i.e. an idolatress; and denotes only a woman of the northern tribes.

according, &c. This is the manifestation of Divine love. children = sons.

look to other gods. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 31. 18, 20).

flagons of wine = cakes of grapes.

2 fifteen pieces of silver = fifteen shekels (Ap. 51.

II. 5). The price of the redemption of a slave.

homer. See Ap. 51. III. 3 (9).

3 abide . . . many days. See the signification in vv. 4, 5. Cp. Jer. 3. 1, 2.

abide. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 21. 13). Ap. 92. See the signification of the sign in vv. 4, 5, and cp. Jer. 31. 1, 2. Heb. *yāshāb* = to dwell (sequestered). Same word as in Deut. 21. 13. Not the same word as in 11. 6.

many days. In the case of the sign = a full month. The signification is seen now, in the present Dispensation. man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II. be. Supply [“do”].

3. 4, 5 (D, p. 1209). THE PRESENT AND FUTURE STATES.

(Alternations. According to the Heb. text.)

D	E	K ¹	4-. Time. “Many days.”	} Present.
			L g -4-. “Shall abide.”	
			h -4-. “The children of Israel.”	
			i -4-. “Without taking”, &c. (Neg.)	
			F K ² 5-. Time. “Afterward.”	
			L g -5-. “Shall return.”	
			h -5-. “The children of Israel.”	} Future.
			i -5-. “Jehovah, and David	
			their king.” (Positive.)	
		K ³	-5. Time. “In the latter days.”	

The above Structure is according to the order of the words in the Heb. text, not the A.V.

4 Israel. Not merely Judah, but the twelve tribes. Not “British” or any other “Israel”. many days. All the days of the present Dispensation; “many” implying length of time; “days” implying their limitation. without. Note the Fig. *Anaphora* (Ap. 6), emphasising each point, now fulfilled before our eyes. without a king. Having rejected Messiah (John 19. 15). This cannot therefore be interpreted now of any People which has a king. and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) strengthening the emphasis on each point. prince - ruler. Heb. *sar*, as in 8. 4. sacrifice. Heb. *zabach*. Ap. 43. II. xii. Includes all sacrifices where there is shedding of blood. an image. Heb. *māzēbāh* = any upright standing image. Cp. Ex. 23. 24; 34. 13. Isa. 19. 19. ephod. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the priest or person who wears it. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 28. 4-8). Ap. 92. This was the girdle of the breastplate which contained the “Urim and Thummim”, the wearing of which pertained solely to the high priest. Cp. 1 Sam. 22. 18; 23. 9. Ezra 2. 63; and Neh. 7. 65. teraphim = idols of any kind. In v. 3, Jehovah says they shall not “play the harlot”: and, now, for (since 426 B.C.) 2,300 years the truth of this has been seen. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 31. 19, 34, 35). Ap. 92. 5 Afterward, &c. This mark of time has not yet been reached. It corresponds with the “many days” of v. 4. See the Structure above (“K¹”). return, &c.: i.e. return [to Jehovah]. See 5. 15, and 6. 1. seek. Cp. 5. 6. Jer. 50. 4, 5. God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I. David. Cp. Jer. 30. 9. Ezek. 34. 23, 24; 37. 22, 24. Therefore David must rise again, as Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob must; and note the fact of Israel seeking David. shall fear = shall rejoice in, as in Isa. 60. 6. Jer. 33. 9. Heb. *pāḥad*, a *Homonym* with another meaning (to fear, as in Deut. 28. 66. Job 23. 15. See notes there). goodness. Heb. *tūb*, as in 14. 2 (“graciously”) = Gracious One: i.e. the Messiah. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 33. 19). Ap. 92. See the notes on 8. 3; 14. 2. in the latter days. Rabbi Kimchi (A.D. 1160-1235) and other celebrated Jewish commentators writing on Isa. 2. 2, hold that this expression always means “in the days of the Messiah”. Cp. Jer. 30. 24. Ezek. 38. 8, 16. Dan. 2. 28. Mic. 4. 1. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 49. 1. Num. 24. 14. Deut. 4. 30; 31. 29). Ap. 92.

4. 1-14. 8 [For Structure see next page].

4. 1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. children = sons. a controversy = a judicial inquiry and cause. Cp. 12. 2. Isa. 1. 18, with 3. 13, 14. Jer. 25. 31. Mic. 6. 2. mercy = lovingkindness, or grace. knowledge: or, acknowledgement. See note on 2. 20. Cp. 4. 6; 5. 4. God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I. 2 By swearing, &c. These are the evils which flow from a want of the knowledge of God. Cp. v. 6; 2. 20. Rom. 1. 21. 1 John 2. 3, 4; 4. 7, 8. blood toucheth blood: or, murder follows murder; “blood” being put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), Ap. 6, for bloodshed. 3 Therefore shall the land mourn. Cp. Jer. 4. 28, and 12. 4. Amos 5. 16, and 8. 8. the beasts = the very beasts (*Beth essentialis*). be taken away = be gathered [into the ranks of the mourners].

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4 Yet °let no °man strive, nor reprove another:

for thy People are as °they that strive with the priest.

5 Therefore shalt thou °fall °in the day, and the prophet also shall °fall with thee in the night, and I will °destroy °thy mother.

PSI 6 My °People are °destroyed for °lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected °knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to Me: seeing °thou hast forgotten the law of thy °God, I will also forget thy °children.

7 As they were increased, so they °sinned against Me: °therefore will I change their glory into shame.

8 They °eat up the sin of My People, and they °set their heart on their °iniquity.

9 And there shall be, °like people, like priest: and I will °punish them for their ways, and °reward them their doings.

10 For they shall °eat, and °not have enough: they °shall commit °whoredom, and shall not increase: because they have left off to take heed to °the LORD.

11 °Whoredom and °wine and °new wine take away the °heart.

S2 12 My People °ask counsel at their °stocks, and their °staff declareth unto them: for the °spirit of °whoredoms hath caused them to err, and they have °gone a whoring °from under their °God.

13 °They sacrifice upon the tops of the mountains, and burn incense upon the hills, under oaks and poplars and elms, because the shadow thereof is good: therefore your daughters shall commit °whoredom, and your spouses shall commit adultery.

14 I will not punish your °daughters when they commit °whoredom, nor your spouses when they commit adultery: for °themselves are °separated with whores, and they sacrifice with °harlots: therefore the people that doth not understand shall fall.

Q 15 Though thou, Israel, play the °harlot, yet let not °Judah offend; and come not ye unto °Gilgal, neither go ye up to °Beth-aven, °nor swear, °The LORD liveth.

16 For Israel °slideth back as a backsliding

4. 1-14. 8 (B, p. 1208). LITERAL.
(Alternation.)

B M | 4. 1-5. 15. Incriminations and Threatenings.
N | 6. 1-3. Resolve to return.
M | 6. 4-13. 8. Incriminations and Threatenings.
N | 13. 9-14. 8. Invitation to return.

4. 1-5. 15 (M, above). INCRIMINATIONS, ETC.
(Extended Alternation.)

M O | 4. 1-5. Call to Israel. General.
P | 4. 6-14. Incriminations, &c.
Q | 4. 15-19. Warning as to places in Judah.
O | 5. 1, 2. Call to Israel. Particular.
P | 5. 3-7. Incriminations.
Q | 5. 8-15. Warning as to places in Judah.

4. 1-5 (O, above). CALL TO ISRAEL.
(Extended Alternation.)

O R | j | 1-. Call.
k | -1, 2. Reason.
l | 3. Threatening.
R | j | 4-. Call.
k | -4. Reason.
l | 5. Threatening.

4 let no man. The reason being given in v. -4. man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II. they that strive with the priest. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 16. 1, &c. Deut. 17. 12). Ap. 92. 5 fall=stumble. in the day. Cp. Jer. 6. 4, 5 and 15. 8. destroy=lay prostrate. thy mother: i.e. the whole nation is referred to, as is clear from vv. 3, &c.; 2. 3, 9, 12.

4. 6-14 (P, above). INCRIMINATIONS AND THREATENINGS. (Division.)

P S1 | 6-11. The Priests.
S2 | 12-14. The People.

6 People are. Not "is", because the noun though singular is collective, with plural verb. lack of knowledge. See note on 2. 20. knowledge=the knowledge [of Me]. thou hast forgotten. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 18). 7 sinned. Heb. chātā'. Ap. 44. i. therefore will I change their glory into shame. The Sopherim confess (Ap. 33) that they altered thus the primitive Heb. text: which read "My glory have they changed into shame": i.e. they altered the verb hēmīru (they have changed) to 'āmīr (I shall change); and, k'bōdī (My glory) to k'bōdām (their glory). This alteration was made from a mistaken reverence. It will be seen that the word "therefore" is not required. 8 eat up the sin=the sin-offering. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 6. 30): i.e. those sin-offerings which should have been wholly burnt, and not eaten. See notes on Lev. 6. 26, 30. Ap. 92.

set their heart=lift up their soul: i.e. desire. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13. iniquity=wrong-doing. Heb. 'āvīh. Ap. 44. iv. 9 like people, &c. Cp. Isa. 24. 2. Jer. 5. 31. punish=visit. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 20. 8; 32. 34). Ap. 92. reward=requite. 10 not have enough. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 26). The same words. Ap. 92. shall commit=have committed. whoredom=idolatry. See note on 1. 2. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah (with 'eth)=Jehovah Himself. Ap. 4. II. 11 wine. Heb. yayin. Ap. 27. I. new wine. Heb. tīrōsh. Ap. 27. II. heart. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for understanding. See Isa. 28. 6. Cp. Eccles. 7. 7. 12 ask counsel=inquire of (habitually). Cp. Jer. 2. 27. Hab. 2. 19. stocks=idols made of wood. staff, &c. Referring to divination by rods. spirit. Heb. rūach. Ap. 9. Cp. 5. 4. Isa. 44. 20. gone a whoring: i.e. gone away into idolatry. Cp. Ezek. 23. 5. from under=from under [the authority] of, &c., as Gomer had left Hosea. Cp. Num. 5. 19, 29. Ezek. 27. 5. 13 They sacrifice, &c. Cp. Isa. 1. 29, and 57. 5, 7. Ezek. 6. 13, and 20. 28. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 12. 2). 14 daughters: who became Temple-women. See next verse. themselves=[the men] themselves. separated=secluded. harlots. Heb. k'deshāh=the Temple-women, consecrated to the unclean "worship" of the Canaanites, by which the foulest corruption became a holy duty. Ref. to Pent. Found only here and Gen. 38. 21, 22, and Deut. 23. 17. Ap. 92. 15 harlot=wanton. Not the same word as in v. 14, though the symbol is similar. Judah. Cp. 1. 7. Gilgal. Jeroboam had erected an idolatrous temple there. See 9. 15; 12. 11. Amos 4. 4; 5. 5. Cp. Judg. 3. 19. There, too, they had rejected Jehovah as king (1 Sam. 7. 16; 10. 8; 11. 14, 15). See note on 9. 15. Beth-aven=house of naught. Put for Beth-el (=the house of God), now profaned by Jeroboam (1 Kings 12. 28-33; 13. 1. Amos 3. 14). The prophecy fulfilled in Jer. 48. 13. See also 2 Kings 10. 29; 17. 6-23. Amos 7. 13. nor swear, &c. Cp. Amos 8. 14. Zeph. 1. 5. 16 slideth back=hath been stubborn, restive, or intractable, refractory.

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heifer: now ¹the LORD will feed them as ^a lamb ⁱⁿ a large place.

17 Ephraim *is* [°]joined to idols: let him alone.

18 Their drink *is* [°]sour: they have committed ¹⁰whoredom continually: her rulers *with* shame do love, [°]"Give ye."

19 The [°]wind hath bound her up [°]in her wings, and [°]they shall be ashamed because of their sacrifices.

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5 [°]Hear ye this, [°]O priests; and hearken, ye house of Israel; and give ye ear, O house of the king; for [°]judgment *is* toward you, because ye have been a snare on [°]Mizpah, and a net spread upon [°]Tabor.

2 And the [°]revolvers [°]are profound to make slaughter, [°]though ³*have been* a rebuker of them all.

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3 ³I know [°]Ephraim, and Israel is not hid from Me: for now, O Ephraim, thou committest [°]whoredom, and Israel is defiled.

4 They will not [°]frame their doings to turn unto their [°]God: for [°]the spirit of ³whoredoms *is* in the midst of them, and they have [°]not known [°]the LORD.

5 And [°]the pride of Israel doth testify to [°]his face: therefore shall Israel and Ephraim fall in their [°]iniquity; Judah also shall fall with them.

6 They shall [°]go with their flocks and with their herds to [°]seek [°]the LORD; but they shall not find *Him*; He hath [°]withdrawn Himself from them.

7 They have dealt treacherously against [°]the LORD: for they have begotten [°]strange [°]children: now shall ^a month devour them with their portions.

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8 Blow ye the [°]cornet in [°]Gibeah, and the trumpet in [°]Ramah: cry aloud at [°]Beth-aven, [°]after thee, O Benjamin.

9 Ephraim shall be desolate in the day of rebuke: among the tribes of Israel have I made known that which shall surely be.

10 The princes of Judah were like them [°]that remove the [°]bound: *therefore* I will pour out My wrath upon them like water.

11 Ephraim *is* [°]oppressed and broken in judgment, because he [°]willingly [°]walked after [°]the commandment.

12 [°]Therefore *will* ³*be* unto Ephraim as a moth, and to the house of Judah as [°]rottenness.

13 When Ephraim saw his sickness, and Judah saw his wound, then went Ephraim to the Assyrian, and sent to [°]king Jareb: yet

6 go . . seek the LORD. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 10. 9).

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

7 strange = apostates (who had become as foreigners). Heb. *sûr*. See note on Prov. 5. 3.

a month. A short time will complete their dispossession. Shallum reigned just a month (2 Kings 15. 13).

8 cornet = horn. Gibeah. Now *Jeb'a*, of Benjamin (Judg. 18-20).

Ramah. Now, *er-Ram*. Cp. Isa. 10. 29.

Beth-aven. See note on 4. 15.

after thee, &c. Apparently a war-cry = "[Look] behind thee, O Benjamin!" Cp. Judg. 5. 14; 20. 40.

10 that remove, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 19. 14; 27. 17). Ap. 92

Elsewhere only in Job 24. 2. Prov. 22. 28; 23. 10.

bound = boundary, or landmark.

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a lamb = a young ram of more than a year old.

in a large place = an uninclosed space: i.e. the lands of the heathen. 17 joined - mated, or united to.

18 sour. Heb. turned, turned back, thrust aside as having turned bad.

Give ye. By the Fig. *Metallage* (Ap. 6) the fact of continual whoredom (or idolatrous worship) is changed to the new thought of the rulers loving to continually command, "Give ye [sacrifices]", with contempt for the sacrifices Jehovah commanded. See 8. 13. Thus, the verse is not "untranslatable", as alleged.

19 wind, &c. = the spirit of whoredoms (v. 12) has bound itself up. Heb. *rûach*. Ap. 9.

in her wings = in her skirts (so as to impede her gait).

they shall be ashamed. Cp. Isa. 1. 29. Jer. 2. 26.

This verse is not "in confusion", as alleged.

These verses (16-19) are not "scraps", as alleged, but are closely connected with the context. They are required by the Structure "Q" and "Q" on p. 1213.

5. 1 Hear . . . O priests. This is a call to the priests and others, as 4. 1-5 was also a call to Israel. See the Structure, "O" and "O", p. 1213.

judgment is toward you = judgment is denounced upon you.

Mizpah. There were five places with this name:

(1) Now *Sûf* (Gen. 31. 49. Judg. 10. 17; 11. 11, 29, 34;

20. 1, 3; 21. 1, 5, 8). (2) In Moab (1 Sam. 22. 3), not identified.

(3) The land (or valley) of Moab, now *el Buke'a* (Josh. 11. 3). (4) In Judah, not identified (Josh. 15. 38).

(5) In Benjamin, not identified (Josh. 18. 26. Judg. 22. 1-3; 21. 1, 5, 8. 1 Sam. 7. 5-16; 10. 17. 1 Kings 15. 22. 2 Kings 25. 23, 25. 2 Chron. 16. 6. Neh. 3. 7, 15, 19.

Jer. 40. 6-15; 41. 1-16, and in this passage, Hos. 5. 1).

Mizpah was a symbol of *keeping apart*, not of *meeting again*, as erroneously used to-day.

Tabor is on the west of Jordan and not connected with Ephraim; but Tabor means a mound; so that the idolatrous altar may have been called Mizpah, while Tabor was the "mound" of Gen. 31, both belonging to the same district. Hosea is said to have been buried at Mizpah.

2 revolvers = apostates.

are profound to make slaughter = have deeply designed a slaughter.

though ³*have been*, &c. = and ³[will denounce] chastisement to them all. The *Ellipsis* thus supplied explains "these difficult words".

3 Ephraim, the largest of the ten tribes, is put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap. 6, for the whole.

whoredom = idolatry. See note on 1. 2.

4 frame = fashion. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

the spirit of whoredoms. See note on 4. 12, 19.

spirit. Heb. *rûach*. Ap. 9.

not known. See note on 2. 20.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah (with *'eth*) = Jehovah Himself. Ap. 4. II.

5 the pride of Israel. An appellation of Jehovah = the excellency, or the glory of Israel. He in Whom Israel should have gloried; so again in 7. 10. Cp. Amos 8. 7, where it is "the Excellency of Jacob".

his: i.e. Ephraim's, or Israel's.

iniquity. Heb. *avah*. Ap. 44. iv.

seek the LORD. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 4. 29). Ap. 92.

withdrawn Himself. Heb. *halaz*; not *sûr* ("depart") in 9. 12.

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could he not heal you, nor cure you of your wound.

14 For *3* will be unto Ephraim as a lion, and as a young lion to the house of Judah: *3*, even *3*, will tear and go away; °I will °take away, and none shall rescue °him.

15 I will go and return to My place, °till they acknowledge their offence, and °seek My face: in their affliction they will °seek Me early.

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6 "Come, and °let us return unto °the LORD: for *3* hath torn, and °He will heal us; He hath smitten, and He will bind us up.

2 °After two days will He °revive us: °in the third day He will raise us up, and we shall °live °in His sight.

3 Then shall we know, if we follow on °to know °the LORD: °His going forth is °prepared as the °morning; and He shall come °unto us °as the rain, as the latter and °former rain unto the earth."

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4 O Ephraim, °what shall I do unto thee? O Judah, what shall I do unto thee? °for your °goodness is as a morning cloud, and as the early dew it goeth away.

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5 °Therefore have I hewed them °by the prophets; I have slain them by the words of My mouth: and °thy judgments are as °the light that goeth forth.

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6 For °I desired °mercy, and °not sacrifice; and °the knowledge of °God more than burnt offerings.

7 But they °like °men have °transgressed °the covenant: there have they dealt treacherously against Me.

8 °Gilead is a city of them that work °iniquity, and is °polluted with blood.

9 And as °troops of robbers wait for a °man, so the company of priests murder in the way °by consent: for they °commit °lewdness.

10 I have seen an horrible thing in the house of Israel: there is the °whoredom of Ephraim, Israel is defiled.

11 Also, O Judah, °He hath set an °harvest °for thee,

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when I °returned the captivity of My People.

14 I will. Some codices read "and I will". take away = carry off. him. Omit.

15 till they acknowledge their offence. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 40-42). National repentance is the condition of Israel's restoration.

seek My face. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 4. 29). Ap. 92. seek Me early. This expression, though not found in the Pentateuch, occurs in Job 7. 21; 8. 5; 24. 5. Pss. 63. 1; 78. 34. Prov. 1. 28; 7. 15; 8. 17; 11. 27; 13. 24. Heb. rising up before dawn to seek. Not the same word as in the preceding clause. Supply the ellipsis after "early": "[they shall say]—'Come'", &c.

6. 1 let us return. These are the words of Israel in a yet future day, as already symbolized by the return of Gomer (3. 2, 3), and foretold in 3. 5. See the Structure ("K² and K³", p. 1212, and of "M", p. 1213). This is the acknowledgment referred to in 5. 15. Deut. 32. 39. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. He will heal us. Cp. Jer. 30. 17.

2 After two days: i.e. two days after this national repentance. See 5. 15, "till".

revive us = bring us back to life. in = on. live = live again in resurrection. Referring to the yet future resurrection of the new Israel (Ezek. 37), which will thus resemble the resurrection of Messiah (1 Cor. 15. 20).

in His sight. Heb. = before His face, as their sin had been (7. 2).

3 to know, &c. See note on 2. 20. Cp. 4. 1.

His going forth. Cp. 2 Sam. 23. 4. Mic. 5. 2. John 16. 28. prepared = sure, or fixed.

morning = dawn.

unto us. Cp. Ps. 72. 6. Zech. 9. 9, and Mic. 5. 2.

as the rain. Cp. Ps. 72. 6. Job 29. 23.

former rain. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 11. 14, Heb. *yoreh*). So rendered only there, here, and Jer. 5. 24. Ap. 92.

6. 4-13. 8 (M, p. 1213). INCRIMINATION AND THREATENING. (Extended Alternation.)

M | T | 6. 4. Divine Forbearance.

U | 6. 5-10. 15. Incurrigibility.

V | 11. 1-7. Contrasted Conduct.

T | 11. 8-11. Divine Forbearance.

U | 11. 12-12. 14. Incurrigibility.

V | 13. 1-8. Contrasted Conduct.

4 what . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis* and *Aporia*. Ap. 6. for. Some codices, with Syr. and Vulg., read "and". goodness = piety.

6. 5-10. 15 (U, above). INCORRIGIBILITY. (Alternation.)

U | W | 6. 5. Divine Judgments.

X | 6. 6-11-. Incurrigibility.

W | 6. -11-7. 1-. Divine Mercy.

X | 7. -1-10. 15. Incurrigibility.

5 Therefore have I hewed them, &c. = This is why I hewed them. Heb. idiom, by which the declaration that a thing should be done is spoken of the personal act of doing it. See note on Jer. 1. 18; and cp. Jer. 1. 10; 5. 14. by the prophets: i.e. declared by the prophets. thy judgments are. A regrouping of the letters of the Hebrew word agrees with the Aram., Sept., and Syr., and reads "My judgment is".

Verse 5 speaks of Jehovah's acts (see Structure, "W", above). Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 33. 2). Ap. 92. the light = light. 6 I desired, &c. Cp. 1 Sam. 15. 22. Ecc. 5. 1. Mic. 6. 8. mercy = lovingkindness. Quoted in Matt. 9. 13; 12. 7. not sacrifice. Cp. Ps. 50. 8, 9. Prov. 21. 3. Isa. 1. 11. Heb. *sābach*.

Ap. 43. II. xii. the knowledge of God. Cp. Jer. 9. 23, 24; 22. 16. See note on 2. 20. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. 7 like men. Heb. like Adam. men. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I. Cp. Job 31. 33. Pss. 49. 12; 82. 7. transgressed = rebelled. Heb. *ābar*. Ap. 44. vii. the covenant. See Josh. 24. 1, 25.

8 Gilead. Probably Ramoth-Gilead, a city of refuge, and of the priests (Josh. 21. 38). iniquity. Heb. *āven* = vanity (Ap. 44. iii). Referring here, to the sin of idolatry. Cp. "Beth-aven", 4. 15 polluted with = tracked with heel-marks of. 9 troops = gangs. man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II. by consent = towards Sichem, as in Gen. 37. 14. Sichem (like "Gilead", v. 8) was a city of priests (Josh. 21. 21). See note on "Gilead", v. 8. commit lewdness: i.e. practise idolatry. Jeroboam built Shechem (now *Nablous*), and doubtless set up his calf-worship there (1 Kings 12. 25). lewdness. Ref. to Pent. (Heb. *zimmāh*, is a Levitical word, found in Lev. 18. 17; 19. 20; 20. 14, 14). Ap. 92.

10 whoredom = idolatry. See note on 1. 2. 11 he hath set = there is appointed. harvest: i.e. a reaping time of judgment. See Jer. 51. 33. Joel 3. 13; and cp. Prov. 22. 8. Gal. 6. 7, 8. for thee. Some codices, with two early printed editions and Aram., read "for her". returned =

turned again.

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7 When I would have healed Israel, then the ^oiniquity of Ephraim was discovered, and the ^owickedness of Samaria:

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for they commit falsehood; and the thief cometh in, and the troop of robbers ^ospoileth without.

2 And they ^oconsider not in their hearts that I remember all their ¹wickedness: now their own doings have beset them about; they are before My face.

3 They make the king glad with their ¹wickedness, and the princes with their lies.

4 They are ^oall ^oadulterers, ^oas an oven heated by the baker, who ^oceaseth from ^oraising ^oafter he hath kneaded the dough, until it be leavened.

5 In the ^oday of our king the princes have made ^ohim ^osick with bottles of ^owine; he stretched out his hand with scorners.

6 For ^othey have made ready their heart like an oven, whiles they lie in wait: ^otheir baker sleepeth all the night; in the morning ^oit burneth as a flaming fire.

7 They are all hot as an oven, and have devoured their judges; ^oall their kings are fallen: ^othere is none among them that calleth unto Me.

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8 Ephraim, ^{he} hath mixed himself among the ^opeople; Ephraim is ^oa cake not turned.

9 ^oStrangers have devoured his strength, and ^{he} knoweth it not: yea, gray hairs are ^ohere and there upon him, yet ^{he} knoweth not.

10 And ^othe pride of Israel testifieth to his face: and ^othey do not return to ^othe LORD their ^oGod, nor seek Him for all this.

11 Ephraim also is like a ^osilly dove without heart: ^othey call to Egypt, they go to Assyria.

12 When they shall go, I will spread My net upon them; I will bring them down as the fowls of the heaven; I will chastise them, ^oas their ^ocongregation hath heard.

13 Woe unto them! for they have fled from Me: destruction unto them! because they have ^otransgressed against Me: though ^othey have ^oredeemed them, yet they have spoken lies against Me.

14 And ^othey have not cried unto Me ^owith their heart, when they howled upon their beds: they ^oassemble themselves for corn and ^owine, and they ^orebel against Me.

15 Though ^othey have bound and strengthened their arms, yet do they imagine ^omischiefs against Me.

16 They return, but not ^oto the Most High: they are like ^oa deceitful bow: their princes

7. 1-10. 15 (X, p. 1215). INCORRIGIBILITY.
(Repeated Alternation.)

X	Y ¹	7. 1-7. Internal wickedness. Idolatry.	} Religious. Political
	Z ¹	7. 8-8. 3. External trouble. Foreigners.	
	Y ²	8. 4-6. Internal wickedness. Idolatry.	
	Z ²	8. 7-10. External trouble. Foreigners.	
	Y ³	8. 11-9. 8. Internal wickedness. Idolatry.	
	Z ³	9. 9. External trouble. The days of Gibeah.	
	Y ⁴	9. 10-10. 8. Internal wickedness. Idolatry.	} Religious. Political
	Z ⁴	10. 9-15. External chastisement. The days of Gibeah.	

1 iniquity. Heb. ^oavāh. Ap. 44. iv.

wickedness. Heb. pl. of ^orā'a'. Ap. 44. viii.
spoileth = strippeth.

2 consider not in = say not to. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Aram., Syr., and Vulg., read "say not in".

4 all = all of them (kings, princes, and People are idolaters). "All" is put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Genus), Ap. 6, for the greater part.

adulterers: i.e. idolaters. See note on 1. 2.

as = [hot] like.

ceaseth = leaves off.

raising = stoking it.

after he hath kneaded, &c. = from [the time of] kneading the dough until it is ready for the fire. Then he heats the oven to stop the fermentation. Even so these idolaters. See note on "baker", v. 6.

5 In the day of our king. See 2 Kings 15. 10.

day. Perhaps = [feast] day.

him. Supply "themselves" instead of "him".

sick, &c. Sick with the heat of wine.

wine. Heb. ^oyayin. Ap. 27. I.

6 they, &c. Like the baker in v. 4.

their baker sleepeth = their anger smoketh: reading ^oye'shan'aphem instead of ^oyāshēn'ophēm. Owing to the similarity in pronunciation and in the ancient form of *Ayin* (') and *Aleph* ('), these letters were interchanged. The *Massōrah* contains lists of words where *Aleph* (≠) stands for *Ayin* (=) and vice versa (see Ginsburg's *Massōrah*, letter *א*, vol. i, p. 57, § 514; and letter *י*, vol. ii, p. 390, §§ 352, 360, &c.). See notes on Isa. 49. 7. Amos 6. 8. Zeph. 3. 1, &c. The Aram. and Syr. preserve the reading of the primitive text: "their anger smoketh all night" (like the "oven" in v. 4).

it: i.e. the oven.

7 all their kings, &c. Cp. 8. 4. Of the two houses of Omri and Jehu:—Nadab, Zimri, Tibni, Jehoram, Zachariah, Shallum, Pekahiah, and Pekah were all slain by their successors, or others.

there is. Some codices, with two early printed editions (one Rabbinic in margin), read "and there".

8 people = peoples, or nations.

a cake not turned: i.e. a thin (pan)cake, burnt one side and moist the other, and therefore uneatable.

9 Strangers = Outsiders. Cp. 8. 7.

here and there = sprinkled.

10 the pride of Israel. See note on 5. 5.

they do not return, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 4. 29).

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

11 silly = harmless, innocent. Ang.-Sax., *saelig*, happy.

they call, &c. See 2 Kings 15. 19; 17. 4-6. Cp. 5. 13;

9. 3; 12. 1. **12** When = Howsoever.

as their congregation hath heard. Those who know not the Pentateuch may call this "unintelligible"; but see Lev. 26. 14, 28. Deut. 27. 14-26. congregation. Heb. ^oedah is a technical Pentateuchal word which occurs in Exodus fourteen times, in Leviticus twelve times, in Numbers over eighty times, in Joshua fifteen times, in Judges four times, and twice in Kings and Jeremiah. Elsewhere used of any multitude only a few times.

13 transgressed = revolted. Heb. ^opāshā'

(Ap. 44. ix), as in 14. 9. Not the same word as in 6. 7, and 8. 1. **3** have redeemed them. Ref. to Pent.

(Deut. 7. 8; 9. 26; 15. 15; 21. 8; 24. 18). Heb. ^oga'al is used in Gen. 48. 16. Ex. 6. 6; 15. 13. Ap. 92. Cp. Mic.

6. 4. redeemed. Heb. ^opādāh. See note on Ex. 6. 6, and 13. 13. **14** they have not cried.

Cp. Job 35. 9, 10. Ps. 78. 36. Jer. 3. 10. Zech. 7. 5. with their heart. They cried with their voice.

assemble themselves. In their idol temples. wine = new wine. Heb. ^otirōsh. Ap. 27. II. Not the

same word as in v. 5. rebel against = apostatized from. **15** Though ^othey have bound = Though ^othey

even ^othey have warned (or instructed). Cp. Ps. 18. 34; 144. 1. mischief. Heb. ^orā'a'. Ap. 44. viii.

16 to the Most High = to Him Who is on high. Cp. 11. 7. a deceitful bow. That disappoints

the user, and cannot be depended upon. Cp. Ps. 78. 57.

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shall fall by the sword ° for the ° rage of their tongue: this *shall be* their ° derision ° in the land of Egypt.

8 ° Set the trumpet to thy mouth. ° *He shall come* ° as an eagle against the house of ° the LORD, because they have ° transgressed ° My covenant, and ° trespassed against ° My law. 2 ° Israel shall cry unto Me, "My ° God, ° we know Thee."

3 Israel hath cast off ° *the thing that is good*: the enemy shall pursue him.

Y² (p. 1216) 4 ° They have set up kings, but not by Me: they have ° made princes, and I ° knew *it* not: ° of their silver and their gold have they made them ° idols, that ° they may be cut off.

5 ° Thy calf, O ° Samaria, hath cast *thee* off; Mine anger is kindled against them: how long *will it be* ere they ° attain to innocency?

6 ° For from Israel *was* it also: the workman made it; therefore it *is* not ° God: but the calf of Samaria shall ° be broken in ° pieces.

Z² 7 For they have sown the ° wind, and they shall reap the whirlwind: it hath no stalk: ° the bud shall yield no ° meal: if so be it yield, the ° strangers shall swallow it up.

8 ° Israel is swallowed up: now shall they be among the ° Gentiles ° as a vessel wherein *is* no pleasure.

9 For they are ° gone up to Assyria, ° a ° wild ass alone by himself: Ephraim hath ° hired lovers.

10 Yea, though they have ° hired among the nations, now will I ° gather ° them, and they shall ° sorrow ° a little for ° the burden of the ° king of princes.

Y³ 11 Because Ephraim hath ° made many altars to ° sin, altars shall ° be unto him to ° sin.

12 ° I have written to him the ° great things of ° My law, *but* they were ° counted ° as a strange thing.

13 ° They sacrifice flesh *for* the sacrifices of Mine ° offerings, and ° eat *it*; ° *but* ° the LORD accepteth them not; ° now will He remember their ° iniquity, and visit their ° sins: ° they shall return to Egypt.

14 For Israel hath ° forgotten His Maker, and ° buildeth temples; and Judah hath multiplied ° fenced cities: but I will send a fire upon ° his cities, and it shall devour ° the palaces thereof.

for = because of.

derision = ridicule.

rage = wrath, &c. [against God]. Cp. Ps. 73. 9. in the land of Egypt. See 9. 3, 6. Cp. Isa. 30. 3, 5.

8. 1 Set the trumpet, &c. See 5. 8. Cp. Isa. 58. 1. He shall come. Supply the *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) thus: "[It (i.e. the threatened judgment)] is coming", &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 49). Ap. 92.

as. This is not merely comparison but assertion: i.e. swiftly. It is not the eagle that comes against the Temple. Cp. Jer. 4. 13. Hab. 1. 8.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. transgressed. Heb. 'ābar. Ap. 44. vii. Same word as in 6. 7; not the same as in 7. 13; 14. 9.

My covenant . . . My law. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 4. 13), where a like Alternation is found. Ap. 92.

trespassed. Heb. pāsha'. Ap. 44. ix.

2 Israel shall cry, &c. Render: "to Me will they cry: 'My God', we know Thee: Israel [knoweth Thee]". God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

we know Thee. Cp. Matt. 7. 22. John 8. 54, 55. Isa. 29. 13 (Matt. 15. 8).

3 the thing that is good = the Gracious One. Cp. 3. 5; 14. 2.

4 They have set up kings. Cp. 7. 7. See 2 Kings 15. 13, 17, 27 (Shallum, Menahem, Pekah).

made princes = caused [men] to bear rule. Heb. sārār = to bear rule. See note on 12. 3.

knew = acknowledged. idols = elaborate idols.

of their silver, &c. Cp. 2. 8; 13. 2.

they = he. The nation spoken of as one man. But the Aram., Sept., and Syr. read "they", with the A.V. and R.V.

5 Thy calf, &c. Render: "He [Jehovah] hath rejected thy calf, O Samaria".

Samaria. The capital is put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap. 6, for the whole nation.

attain. Note the *Ellipsis* of the infinitive. Supply: "[be able to] attain", &c.

6 For from Israel, &c. Render: "For from Israel! (i.e. from Israel, of all people) [doth this conduct proceed]—and he—! (i.e., and that calf, what is it)?" A craftsman made him, so no God is he.

be = become. pieces = fragments, or splinters. Heb. shēbābīm.

Occurs only here. 7 wind. Heb. rûach. Ap. 9. the bud . . . meal. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. Heb. zemach . . . kemach. It may be

Englished: "the flower will yield no flour".

strangers = outsiders. Cp. 7. 9.

8 Israel is swallowed up. See 2 Kings 17. 6. Gentiles = nations. as a vessel. Cp. Jer. 22. 28; 48. 38.

9 gone up. Cp. 5. 13; 7. 11. a = [as] a. wild ass. Cp. Isa. 1. 3. Jer. 2. 24.

hired lovers = paid the love-fee. Comparing idolatry to whoredom. Cp. Ezek. 16. 33, 34; and see 2 Chron. 28. 20, 21.

10 hired = hired [lovers]. gather = sorrow = be in woe, writhing.

gather [against]. them: i.e. the nations (Israel's lovers). a little = in a little time, speedily; as in Hag. 2. 6. The Hebrew accents indicate that we should render—

"and, ere long, they will be writhing under the burden": king [will be writhing], princes [will be writhing]. the burden of the: i.e. the tribute [laid on them]. king of princes = king and princes. Cp. Isa. 10. 8.

11 made many = multiplied. Cp. 12. 10. sin. Heb. chātā'. Ap. 44. i. be unto him = have become to him.

sin. The same word, but here put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6, for the judgments caused by the sin. 12 I have written. Not Moses: he was only the pen. It was God who "spoke by the prophets" (Heb. 1. 1); by His Son (John 7. 16; 8. 28, 46, 47; 12. 49; 14. 10, 24; 17. 8); by His Spirit (John 16. 13. Cp. Heb. 2. 4); and by Paul, "the prisoner of Jesus Christ" (cp. 2 Tim. 1. 8). Note the ref. to Pent. (Ex. 17. 14; 24. 4, 7; 34. 27. Num. 33. 1, 2. Deut. 4. 6-8, &c.). See Ap. 47, and 92.

great = weighty. Cp. Matt. 23. 23. Heb. text reads ribbō = myriad; but marg. reads rubbēy = multitudes, or manifold, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg. My law. Not Moses's law.

counted = accounted. as a strange thing = as something alien or foreign, as modern critics do to-day. This verse necessitates the accessibility of the law in a written form, and gives more than a clue to the date of the Pentateuch. See Ap. 47.

13 They sacrifice flesh, &c. See note on Jer. 7. 21-23. Zech. 7. 6. offerings = sacrificial gifts. Heb. habhābīm. Occurs only here. eat it = that they may eat it [as common food]. but. One school of Massorites read this "but" in the text. Cp. 5. 6, and 9. 4. Jer. 14. 10, 12. Amos 5. 22. now, &c. Cp. 9. 9. Amos 8. 7. iniquity.

Heb. 'āvāh. Ap. 44. iv. they shall return to Egypt. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 68). Ap. 92. Cp. 2. 16; 9. 3, 6; 11. 5. Sept. reads "they have returned", &c.

14 forgotten His Maker. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 18). Ap. 92. buildeth temples. Cp. 1 Kings 12. 31, and 2 Chron. 24. 7 with 23. 17. fenced cities = fortified cities. See 2 Chron. 26. 9, 10. his cities. See 2 Kings 18. 13: i.e. Judah's. the palaces thereof = her citadels, the fem. suffix agreeing with "cities", which is fem. in Heb. Modern critics regard this verse as "a later addition, perhaps borrowed from Amos", because "palaces or idol temples are not referred to by Hosea"!

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9 Rejoice not, O Israel, for joy, as *other* people: for thou hast gone a whoring from thy God, thou hast loved a reward upon every cornfloor.

2 The floor and the winepress shall not feed them, and the new wine shall fail in her.

3 They shall not dwell in the LORD'S land; but Ephraim shall return to Egypt, and they shall eat unclean things in Assyria.

4 They shall not offer wine offerings to the LORD, neither shall they be pleasing unto Him: their sacrifices shall be unto them as the bread of mourners; all that eat thereof shall be polluted: for their bread for their soul shall not come into the house of the LORD.

5 What will ye do in the solemn day, and in the day of the feast of the LORD?

6 For, lo, they are gone because of destruction: Egypt shall gather them up, Memphis shall bury them: the pleasant places for their silver, nettles shall possess them: thorns shall be in their tabernacles.

7 The days of visitation are come, the days of recompence are come; Israel shall know it: "the prophet is a fool, the spiritual man is mad," for the multitude of thine iniquity, and the great hatred.

8 The watchman of Ephraim was with my God: but the prophet is a snare of a fowler in all his ways, and hatred in the house of his God.

Z³ **9** They have deeply corrupted themselves, as in the days of Gibeah: therefore He will remember their iniquity, He will visit their sins.

Y⁴ **10** I found Israel like grapes in the wilderness; I saw your fathers as the firstripe in the fig tree at her first time: but they went to Baal-peor, and separated themselves unto that shame; and their abominations were according as they loved.

11 As for Ephraim, their glory shall fly away like a bird, from the birth, and from the womb, and from the conception.

12 Though they bring up their children, yet will I bereave them, that there shall not be a man left: yea, woe also to them when I depart from them!

13 Ephraim, as I saw Tyrus, is planted in a pleasant place: but Ephraim shall bring forth his children to the murderer.

14 Give them, O LORD: what wilt Thou give? give them a miscarrying womb and dry breasts.

9. 1 people=peoples.

gone a whoring: i.e. gone into idolatry. See note on 1. 2.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

a reward=a love-fee. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 23. 18, "hire"). Ap. 92.

2 floor=threshing-floor.

winepress=winefat. Heb. *yekeb*, the wine receptacle; not *gath*, the winepress. See note on Isa. 5. 2.

new wine. Heb. *tirōsh*. Ap. 27. II. Not same as v. 4. her. A special various reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 34), with some codices, one early printed edition, Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., give "them"; some give "with her" in marg.

3 the LORD'S. Heb. Jehovah's. Ap. 4. II.

return to Egypt. See 8. 13; 11. 5. Cp. Ezek. 4. 13. in Assyria. See 2 Kings 17. 6. Hos. 11. 11.

4 wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. I. Not same as in v. 2. bread. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), Ap. 6, for all kinds of food.

of mourners. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 26. 14. Num. 19. 14). Ap. 92. Heb. *'āven*. A *Homonym*. See note on "Benjamin", Gen. 35. 18.

soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

6 lo. Fig. *Asterismos* Ap. 6.

because of=from.

Egypt=[yet] Egypt. Cp. 7. 16.

shall gather them up=shall rake them out [for manure, or for burning]; not for burial in their own land; this would be *'āsaph*. But here it is *kabaz*. (Jer. 8. 2. Ezek. 29. 5.)

Memphis. The capital of Lower Egypt (near Cairo). Now *Mitrahumy*; also called *Noph*.

tabernacles=tents. Heb. *'ohel* (Ap. 40. 3); "tents" being put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the place where their tents were pitched.

7 The days of visitation are come. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 32. 34). Ap. 92. Cp. Luke 19. 44; 21. 22. recompence=retribution.

know [it]=discover [her wickedness, when she said]. spiritual man=man of the Spirit: i.e. God's prophet, who is defined as a man in whom the Spirit of God was.

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

for the multitude, &c.=for great is thine iniquity, great is thine enmity.

iniquity=distortion. Heb. *'āvāh*. Ap. 44. iv.

hatred=provocation.

8 The watchman. Note the series of contrasts, what Ephraim had been, and what Ephraim had now become, which commences here; with remarks following each. See vv. 10 and 13; 10. 1, 9; 11. 1; 13. 1.

watchman. Used of a true prophet in Isa. 21. 6-11. Jer. 6. 17; 31. 6. Ezek. 3. 17; 33. 7.

was. Render: "Ephraim [was so], e.g. in Joshua's days.

my God: i.e. Hosea's God.

but=[but now].

the prophet: i.e. Ephraim.

is=is become.

his God. In contrast with Hosea's God.

9 the days of Gibeah. See 10. 9. This implies a common knowledge of the history of Judges 19 15, &c.

therefore. Some codices, with three early printed

He: i.e. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. He will visit.

sins. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i. **10** I found, &c.

Baal-peor. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 25. 3. Deut. 4. 3).

that shame=that shameful thing: the *'Asherah*

and its worship. See Ap. 42. their, &c. Supply the *Ellipsis*, and render: "became an abomina-

tion like their paramour". **11** fly. The 1611 edition of the A.V. reads "flee", from the

birth, &c.=no birth, none with child, no conception. conception. This particular word *hērāyōn*

occurs only here, and Ruth 4. 13. A similar word (Heb. *harōn*) in Gen. 3. 16. **12** Though they

bring up, &c. Not "inappropriate after v. 11", but is part of the contrast commenced there. children

=sons. will I bereave them. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 22. Deut. 28. 41, 62). Ap. 92. man.

Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I. when I depart from them=when I take command from them. Heb.

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13 as I saw Tyrus. Another contrast. See note on v. 8. The verse does not "defy explanation".

as=according as. Tyrus. See Isa. 23. Ezek. 26-28. **14** O LORD. Note the Fig. *Aposiopesis*

(Ap. 6). what . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

editions (one Rabbinic, marg.), read "now will He", &c.

Some codices read "that He may visit". Cp. 8. 13.

Another contrast. See v. 8. they went, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 25. 3). The history was well known,

or this reference to it would be useless. Ap. 92.

Ap. 92. Elsewhere only in Ps. 106. 28. Cp. Josh. 22. 17.

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15 All their °wickedness *is* in °Gilgal: for there °I hated them: °for the °wickedness of their doings I will drive them out of Mine house, I will love them no more: all °their princes *are* revolvers.

16 Ephraim is smitten, their root is dried up, they shall bear no fruit: yea, though they bring forth, yet will I slay *even* the beloved fruit of their womb.

17 My °God will cast them away, because they did not hearken unto Him: and °they shall be wanderers among the nations.

10 Israel *is* °an empty vine, he bringeth forth °fruit °unto himself: °according to the °multitude of his °fruit he hath °increased the altars; according to the °goodness of his land they have made °goodly °images.

2 °Their heart is divided; now shall they be °found faulty: °He shall break down their altars, He shall spoil their °images.

3 For now they shall say, "We have no king, because we feared not °the LORD; what then should a king °do to us?"

4 They have spoken words, swearing falsely in making a covenant: thus judgment springeth up as °hemlock °in the furrows of the field.

5 The inhabitants of °Samaria shall fear because of the calves of °Beth-aven: for the people thereof shall mourn over it, and the °priests thereof *that* °rejoiced on it, for the °glory thereof, because it is departed from it.

6 It shall be also carried unto Assyria for a present to °king Jareb: Ephraim shall receive shame, and Israel shall be ashamed of his own °counsel.

7 *As for* °Samaria, her king is cut off °as the foam upon the water.

8 The high places also of Aven, the °sin of Israel, shall be destroyed: °the thorn and the thistle shall come up on their altars; and they shall say to the °mountains, "Cover us;" and to the hills, "Fall on us."

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16) 9 O Israel, thou hast °sinned °from °the days of Gibeah: °there they stood: the battle in Gibeah against the °children of °iniquity °did not overtake them.

10 °It is in My desire that I should chastise them; and the °people shall be gathered against them, °when they shall bind themselves in their °two furrows.

11 °And Ephraim *is as* °an heifer *that is taught, and loveth to tread out the corn*; but 3 °passed over upon her fair neck: I will make Ephraim to ride; Judah shall plow, and °Jacob shall break his clods.

12 Sow to yourselves in righteousness, reap in mercy; break up your fallow ground: for *it is time* °to seek °the LORD, till He come and °rain righteousness upon you.

15 wickedness. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

Gilgal. Cp. 4. 15; 12. 11. The place where Jehovah was rejected, and man's king set up; and where, on account of his impatience and disobedience Saul got his first message of his rejection (1 Sam. 13. 4-15), and his second (1 Sam. 15. 12-33). See note on Hos. 4. 15.

I hated them = have I come to hate them.

for the wickedness, &c. Cp. 1. 6.

their princes *are* revolvers. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. Heb. *sārēyhem ... šorērīm*. It may be Englished by "their rulers are unruly". Cp. Isa. 1. 23, where the same words are used.

17 they shall be wanderers, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 64, 65). Ap. 92.

10. 1 an empty vine = a productive or luxurious vine. Heb. a vine emptying or yielding its fruit. See notes on Judg. 9. 8-13. Heb. *gephen*. Always fem. except here and 2 Kings 4. 39. Here because it refers to Israel: i.e. to the people.

fruit. Note the Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6) in the varying inflections of the words, "fruit", "multiply", and "good"; and the Fig. *Synonymia* in "altars" and "images"; all to increase the emphasis of the contrast. See note on 9. 8 ("watchman").

unto himself = like himself: i.e. not for Me.

according to. Note the Fig. *Anaphora* (Ap. 6).

multitude . . . increased. The same word.

goodness . . . goodly. Note the Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6). images = pillars: i.e. 'Asherahs' (Ap. 42). Heb. *mazzēbah* = upright (erect) pillars.

2 Their heart is divided. Cp. 1 Kings 18. 21. 2 Kings 17. 32, 33, 41.

found faulty = held guilty. Referring back to 9. 17. He shall, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 23. 24; 34. 13. Deut. 7. 5; 12. 3).

3 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

do to us: do for us, or, profit us.

4 hemlock = poppy. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 29. 18; 32. 33). Ap. 92. Elsewhere only in Job, Psalms, Jeremiah, and Amos 5. 7; 6. 12.

in the furrows. Some codices, with four early printed editions (one Rabbinic, marg.), read "all the furrows"

5 Samaria. See v. 7; 7. 1; 8. 5, 6; 13. 16.

Beth-aven. See note on 4. 15.

priests. Heb. *kēmarīm* - priests of Baal, or black ones, from *kāmar* = to be black, from the black dress (or cassocks) worn by them. Occurs only here and 2 Kings 23. 5. Zeph. 1. 4.

rejoiced = leap, or exult. Cp. 1 Kings 18. 26.

glory . . . departed. Ref. to the history (1 Sam. 4. 21, 22).

6 king Jareb. See note on 5. 13.

counsel: i.e. the policy of Jeroboam.

7 as the foam, &c. = on the face of the waters. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 1. 2; 7. 18). Ap. 92.

8 sin. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the idols associated with it. Cp. Deut. 9. 21. 1 Kings 12. 30.

the thorn and the thistle. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 3. 18). Ap. 92. This combination of words occurs only in these two places. "Thorns" is found in Ex. 22. 6, &c.; "thistles", Heb. *darda*, only here, and Gen. 3. 18. Cp. 9. 6.

mountains. Such was Beth-el in the hill country of Ephraim (Judg. 4. 5). Contrast Gen. 49. 2, 6.

9 sinned. Heb. *chātā*. Ap. 44. i. from: or, beyond. the days of Gibeah. See 9. 9 and Judg. 19 and 20. Note the Article.

there they stood. In battle array. children = sons. did not overtake them.

10 It is in My desire, &c. = I am resolved to. Ref. to when they shall bind = they being joined (or yoked) two furrows. Put by Fig.

Metonymy (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for being yoked together as oxen in committing the same sins of idolatry. See the interpretation in vv. 11-13. 11 And Ephraim = i.e. the land of Ephraim. Here is the contrast.

See note on "watchman", 9. 8. an heifer. Cp. Jer. 50. 11. Mic. 4. 13. passed over upon = put a yoke upon. Jacob. Put here by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for Ephraim. 12 to seek the

LORD. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 4. 29). Ap. 92. rain righteousness, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 2). Ap. 92.

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13 °Ye have plowed °wickedness, ye have reaped °iniquity; ye have eaten the fruit of lies: because thou didst °trust in thy °way, in the multitude of thy mighty men.

14 Therefore shall a tumult arise among thy¹⁰ people, and all thy fortresses shall be spoiled, as °Shalman spoiled °Beth-arbel in the day of battle: °the mother was dashed in pieces upon her °children.

15 So shall Beth-el do unto you because of °your great °wickedness: °in a morning °shall the king of Israel utterly be cut off.

V m¹
(p. 1220)

11 When Israel was a child, then °I loved him, and °called My son out of Egypt.

n¹ 2 As °they called them, so they went from °them: °they °sacrificed unto Baalim, and burned incense to graven images.

m² 3 °I taught Ephraim also to °go, °taking them by their arms;

n² but they knew not that °I healed them.

m³ 4 I °drew them with cords of a °man, with bands of love: and I was to them as they that °take off the yoke on their jaws, and °I laid meat unto them.

n³ 5 He shall °not return into the land of Egypt, but the Assyrian °shall be his king, because they refused to return.

6 And the sword shall abide on his cities, and shall consume his °branches, and devour them, because of their own counsels.

7 And My People are °bent to °backsliding from Me: °though they called them to the °Most High, °none at all would exalt Him.

T
(p. 1215)

8 °How shall I give thee up, Ephraim? how shall I deliver thee, Israel? °how shall I make thee as °Admah? how shall I set thee as °Zeboim? Mine heart is turned within Me, My °repentings are kindled together.

9 I will not execute the fierceness of Mine anger, I will not return to destroy Ephraim: for °I am °GOD, and not °man; the Holy One °in the midst of thee: and I will not °enter into °the city.

10 They shall °walk after °the LORD: °He shall roar like a lion: when °I shall roar, then the °children shall °tremble °from the west.

11 They shall¹⁰ tremble as a bird out of Egypt, and as a dove out of the land of Assyria: and I will place them °in their houses, °saith¹⁰ the LORD.

U A
(p. 1221)

12 °Ephraim compasseth Me about with lies,

Admah . . . Zeboim. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 10. 19; 14. 2, 8. Deut. 29. 23). Ap. 92. These places are not mentioned elsewhere. repentings=compassions. 9 I am GOD, and not man. Fig. Pleonasm (Ap. 6): put both ways for emphasis. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 23. 19). Ap. 92. Cp. Isa. 55. 8, 9. Mal. 3. 6. GOD. Heb. 'El. Ap. 4. IV. man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II. in the midst=[will not come] into the midst. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 33. 5). Ap. 92. enter into=come against: i.e. as an enemy. The verse is not "nonsense", as alleged. The reference is to v. 8. the city: i.e. as I came against Sodom and Gomorrah. 10 walk after=return to. The Structure "T" (p. 1215) shows that vv. 10, 11 are not an "exilic insertion". the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. He shall roar=[when] He shall summon them with a lion's roar. children=sons [of Israel]. tremble=come, or hasten, trembling. from the west. Cp. Zech. 8. 7. 11 in their houses. Cp. Ezek. 28. 25, 26; 37. 21, 25. saith the LORD=[is] Jehovah's oracle.

11. 12—12. 14 (U, p. 1215). [For Structure see next page.]

12 Ephraim compasseth Me, &c. The Structure "U" (p. 1221) shows the change of subject in 11. 12—12. 8, which is "incurability". The chapters are badly divided here.

13 Ye have plowed=Ye have sown. Heb. *harashtem*. Occurs, with this spelling, only here and Judg. 14. 18. The *Massorah* (Ap. 30 and 93) places it in an alphabetical list of words, occurring twice, with two different meanings (see Ginsburg's *Massorah*, vol. i, p. 498, § 411). It is therefore a *Homonym* with one meaning: ye have plowed (Judg. 14. 18); and another, ye have sown (10. 13).

wickedness=lawlessness. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x. iniquity. Heb. *'āval*. Ap. 44. vi.

trust=confide. Heb. *bāṭaḥ*. Ap. 69. i.

way. Sept. reads "chariots". This corresponds with the next clause.

14 Shalman. Sayce thinks he is Salamanu, king of Moab, a tributary of Tiglath-Pileser III (cp. 1. 1); therefore a contemporary of Hosea.

Beth-arbel. Heb. *Beth-'arbēl*=house of the ambush of GOD (Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV). Heb. marg. reads *Beth-'arbēl*, so as to disguise the name El and avoid the supposed offensive expression. Probably now *Irbid*, near Pella, in the Ajlūn, east of Jordan.

the mother, &c. Cp. 13. 16.

15 your great wickedness. Heb. "evil of your evil". Note the Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6). Heb. *rā'a'*. in a morning. Some codices, with two early printed editions (one Rabbinic, marg.), read "like the dawn". shall the king of Israel. Cp. v. 7. The king referred to may be Hoshea.

11. 1-7 (V, p. 1215). CONTRASTED CONDUCT. (Repeated Alternation.)

V m¹ | 1. Love.
n¹ | 2. Ingratitude.
m² | 3-. Love.
n² | -3. Insensibility.
m³ | 4. Love.
n³ | 5-7. Threatening.

1 I loved him. Cp. Jer. 2. 2. Mal. 1. 2. called My son, &c.=called to My son. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 4. 22, 23). Ap. 92. Quoted in Matt. 2. 15.

2 they. The callers: i.e. the prophets, &c. who called to them.

them. The Sept. and Syr. read "Me".

they. Israel.

sacrificed=kept sacrificing. Cp. 2. 13; 13. 2. 2 Kings 17. 16.

3 I taught, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 1. 31; 32. 10, 11, 12). Cp. Isa. 46. 3. go=walk. See Acts 13. 18 marg.

taking=I used to take.

I healed them. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 15. 26).

4 I drew=I would draw.

man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

take off=lift up, or loosen: viz. the straps which bind the yoke to the neck.

I laid meat=holding out [food] to him I let him eat.

5 not. Connect this with v. 4, for he is to return to Assyria (8. 13; 9. 3). shall be=he [became].

6 branches. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for "sons", as being the progeny and defenders.

7 bent to backsliding. Cp. 4. 16.

though they called them, &c.=though they call upon the Most High. Most High. Heb. *'al*.

none at all would exalt Him=He shall not altogether lift them up.

8 How . . . ? Figs. *Erotēsis* and *Pathopœia*. Ap. 6.

9 I am GOD, and not man. Fig. *Pleonasm* (Ap. 6): put both ways for emphasis. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 23. 19). Ap. 92. Cp. Isa. 55. 8, 9. Mal. 3. 6. GOD. Heb. 'El. Ap. 4. IV. man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II. in the midst=[will not come] into the midst. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 33. 5). Ap. 92. enter into=come against: i.e. as an enemy. The verse is not "nonsense", as alleged. The reference is to v. 8. the city: i.e. as I came against Sodom and Gomorrah. 10 walk after=return to. The Structure "T" (p. 1215) shows that vv. 10, 11 are not an "exilic insertion". the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. He shall roar=[when] He shall summon them with a lion's roar. children=sons [of Israel]. tremble=come, or hasten, trembling. from the west. Cp. Zech. 8. 7. 11 in their houses. Cp. Ezek. 28. 25, 26; 37. 21, 25. saith the LORD=[is] Jehovah's oracle.

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and the house of Israel ° with deceit: but ° Judah yet ruleth with ° GOD, and is faithful ° with the saints.

12 Ephraim ° feedeth on ° wind, and ° fol-
loweth after the east wind: he ° daily
increaseth lies and ° desolation; and they do
° make a covenant with the Assyrians, and
° oil is carried into Egypt.

2 ° The LORD hath also a controversy with
Judah, and will ° punish ° Jacob according to
his ways; ° according to his doings will He
° recompense him.

B o p. 1221) **3** ° He ° took ° his brother ° by the heel in the
womb, and ° by his strength he ° had power with
° God:

4 Yea, he ° had power over ° the Angel, and
° prevailed: ° he wept, and made supplication
unto Him:

p ° He found him ° in Beth-el, and there ° He
spake ° with us;

5 ° Even ° the LORD ° God of hosts; ° the LORD
is His ° memorial.

6 ° Therefore turn thou to thy ° God: keep
° mercy and judgment, and ° wait on thy ° God
continually.

C q **7** ° He is a merchant, ° the balances of deceit
are in his hand: ° he loveth to ° oppress.

8 And Ephraim said, "Yet I am become
rich, I have found me out substance: in all my
° labours they shall find none ° iniquity in me
° that were ° sin."

r **9** And ° That am ° the LORD thy ° God from the
land of Egypt will yet make thee to ° dwell in
° tabernacles, ° as in the days of the solemn feast.

10 ° I have also ° spoken by the prophets, and
° I have multiplied visions, and used similitudes,
by the ministry of the prophets.

A **11** ° Is there ° iniquity in ° Gilead? surely
they are vanity: they sacrifice bullocks in
° Gilgal; yea, their altars are as ° heaps in the
furrows of the fields.

B o **12** And ° Jacob ° fled into the country of
° Syria, and ° Israel served for a wife, and for
a wife he ° kept sheep.

11. 12-12. 14 (U, p. 1215). INCORRIGIBILITY.
(Extended Alternation.)

U A | 11. 12-12. 2. Incrimination. Lies, &c.
B | o | 12. 3, 4-. Jacob. Personal history.
p | 12. 4-6. Divine Favour and Communi-
cation.

C | q | 12. 7, 8. Provocation.
r | 12. 9, 10. Cause.

A | 12. 11. Incrimination. Idolatry.

B | o | 12. 12. Jacob. Personal history.

p | 12. 13. Divine Favour and Communica-
tion.

C | q | 12. 14-. Provocation.

r | 12. 14. Consequence.

with deceit. See Isa. 29. 13. Ezek. 33. 31. Matt. 15. 8, 9. Mark 7. 6, 7.

Judah yet ruleth, &c. Cp. 2 Chron. 13. 10-12.
with the saints=with the Holy One. Heb. pl.; so
used elsewhere. Cp. Josh. 24. 19. Prov. 30. 3.

12. 1 feedeth on wind. Cp. 8. 7.
wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9. } i.e. seeketh foreign
followeth after=pursueth. } alliances.
daily=all the day long. } desolation=violence.
make a covenant, &c. Cp. 5. 13; 7. 11.

oil is carried, &c. As a present, to obtain favour and
help. Cp. 5. 13. Isa. 30. 2-7; 57. 9. See 2 Kings 17. 4.

2 The LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.
punish=visit upon.

Jacob. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for
Israel, especially the natural seed.

according. Some codices, with two early printed
editions (one Rabbinic, marg.), Aram., Sept., Syr., and
Vulg., read "and according".

recompense=requite, or repay.

3 He took his brother. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 25. 26).
took... by the heel. Heb. *ākab*. Hence his name
Jacob.

his brother=his very own brother (with *eth*).

by his strength=in his manhood: i.e. another
example, later in life, but of a similar nature.

had power with=contended with (*Oxford Gesenius*,
p. 40). Heb. *sārah*. (Hence his name Israel). The event
is referred to only here, and Gen. 32. 28. See note there.

God. Heb. Elohim (with *eth*)=God Himself. Ap. 4. I.

4 the Angel. Defined in v. 5.

prevailed=He (the Angel) overcame him (Jacob).
See notes on Gen. 32. 28. Hence the change of Jacob's
name to "Israel"=God commands.

he wept: i.e. Jacob. This is the Fig. *Hysterēsis* (Ap. 6),
by which former histories are supplemented by later
Divine inspiration.

He found him: i.e. God found Jacob.

in Beth-el. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 28. 17, 19). Note the implied contrast, Beth-el being now the seat of idolatry.
He spake=Jehovah spake. See next verse. with us. Aquila, Symmachus, Theodotion, and Syr. read
"with him".

5 Even, &c. Render: "and Jehovah [is] God (*Elohim*) of the Hosts; Jehovah [is] His
memorial [Name]." This is for strong confirmation.

6 Therefore, &c. Cp. 14. 1. mercy=lovingkindness, or grace. wait on thy God=wait for thy God.

Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 49. 18). Cp. Ps. 37. 7. Isa. 25. 9; 26. 8; 33. 2. Mark 15. 43. Luke 2. 25; 23. 51. **7** He is
a merchant. Supply the *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6): [He, Ephraim, is] a merchant. This is the first of two provoca-
tions. See the Structure above; and cp. v. 14.

the balances of deceit=unjust balances. Ref. to
Pent. (Lev. 19. 36). he loveth to oppress. Money was obtained by oppression. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 6. 2;
19. 13). Ap. 92. oppress=defraud. **8** labours=toils. iniquity=perversity. Heb. *āwāh*.

Ap. 44. iv. Not the same word as in v. 11. that were=which [is]. sin. Heb. *chātā*. Ap. 44. i.

9 And °, &c. These verses (9, 10) correspond with v. 14, and give the cause of the provocation. There
is an evident *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), which may be thus supplied: "And [thou forgettest that] °, Jehovah thy
Elohim from the land of Egypt, [that I have promised that] I will yet make thee to dwell in tents as in the
Feast of Tabernacles". dwell in tabernacles. This is again promised in Zech. 14. 16. tabernacles.

Since the days of Neh. 8. 17, the feast is called *ōhālīm* (Ap. 40. 4), as here, instead of *sukkōth*, booths. Nehe-
miah's remark is superfluous unless the laws were ancient. as in the days, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 23.
42, 43). Ap. 92. **10** spoken by the prophets. Cp. 2 Kings 17. 13. Heb. 1. 1. 2 Pet. 1. 21. **11** Is
there iniquity=[Surely Gilead is] iniquity: supplying the *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) from the next clause. iniquity.

Heb. *āven*. Ap. 44. iii. Not the same word as v. 8. Gilead... Gilgal... heaps. Heap of
testimony... heap of heaps... heaps. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). Heb. *Gil'ād*... *Gilgāl*
... *gallīm*. **12** fled... Syria. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 28. 5. Deut. 26. 5). Ap. 92. Syria. Ref. to
Pent. (Deut. 26. 5). Ap. 92. Israel served, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 29. 18). Ap. 92. kept sheep.

Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 30. 31, the same Heb. word, *shāmar*). Ap. 92. We may supply the connecting thought:
"[yet in after days] Israel was brought out of Egypt... and preserved [in the wilderness]".

P 13 And ° by a prophet ² the LORD brought Israel out of Egypt, and by a prophet was he ° preserved.

C q 14 ° Ephraim provoked *Him* to anger most bitterly :

r therefore shall ° He leave his ° blood upon him, and ° his reproach shall his ° LORD return unto him.

V D 13 When Ephraim ° spake ° trembling, he ° exalted himself in Israel ;

E but when he ° offended ° in Baal, he died.
2 And now they ° sin more and more, and have made them molten images of their silver, and idols according to their own ° understanding, all of it the work of the craftsmen: they say ° of them, "Let the men that sacrifice ° kiss the calves."

F 3 Therefore they shall be as the morning cloud, and as the early ° dew ° that passeth away, as the chaff *that* is driven with ° the whirlwind out of the ° floor, and as the smoke out of the ° chimney.

D 4 ° Yet ³ *am* ° the LORD thy ° God ° from the land of Egypt, and thou ° shalt know no god but Me: for ° *there is* no saviour beside Me.
5 ° ³ I did know thee in the wilderness, in ° the land of great drought.

E 6 ° According to their pasture, so were they filled; ° they were filled, and their heart was ° exalted; therefore ° have they forgotten Me.

F 7 Therefore I will be unto them ° as a lion: ° as a leopard ° by the way ° will I observe them: ° 8 I will meet them as a bear *that is* bereaved of *her whelps*, and will rend the ° caul of their heart, and there will I devour them like a lion: ° the wild beast shall tear them.

N G¹ s¹ 9 O Israel, ° thou hast destroyed thyself;

t¹ ° but in Me *is* thine help.

10 ° I will be thy king: ° where *is any other* that may save thee in all thy cities? and thy judges of whom ° thou saidst, "Give me a king and princes."

shepherded, or was shepherd to thee", reading *re'ithika* instead of *y'datika*: i.e. ⁷ (Resh = r) for ⁷ (Daleth = d).
the land of great drought. Cp. Deut. 8. 15.
I fed them, the more they kicked against Me.
repeated for emphasis. exalted. Note the correspondence ("E" and "E"). have they forgotten Me. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 8. 12-14; 32. 15).
Jer. 5. 6. by the way. Some codices, with three early printed editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "on the way of Assyria".
will I observe = shall I watch, or lurk.
the wild beast shall tear them. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 22).

13. 9-14. 8 (N, p. 1213). INVITATION TO RETURN. (*Division*.)

N | **G¹** | 13. 9-16. Revolt.

G² | 14. 1-8. Return.

13. 9-16 (G¹, above). REVOLT. (*Repeated Alternation*.)

G¹ | **s¹** | 9-. Incrimination.

t¹ | -9-11. Promise.

s² | 12, 13. Incrimination.

t² | 14. Promise.

s³ | 15, 16. Incrimination.

9 thou hast destroyed thyself = the destruction [which thou art suffering] is all thine own. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 5. Heb. *shahath*, same word as "corrupted"). Ap. 92. but in Me, &c. = for I am thy [true] help.
10 I will be thy king = Where is thy king? Heb. *'ehi* = where, as in v. 14 twice; *'ehi* is separated from the following word "king" by the accent *sakēph*, and connected with *'ēphō* = now. It therefore means "Where now is thy king? (Hoshea)": the answer being "in prison" (see 2 Kings 17. 4). where is any other that may save thee...? = to save thee, or that he may save thee. thou saidst, "Give," &c. Ref. to 1 Sam. 8. 5, 19.

13 by a prophet: i.e. Moses. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 12. 50, 51; 13. 3. Num. 12. 6-8. Ap. 92. Cp. Deut. 18. 16). preserved = kept, as in v. 12.

14 Ephraim. As represented by Jeroboam (1 Kings 12. 25-13. 5), and Hoshea (2 Kings 17. 11-23). He = God.

blood. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6, for blood-guiltiness.

his reproach. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 37). Ap. 92. LORD. Heb. *'Adonim*. Ap. 4. VIII (3).

13. 1-8 (V, p. 1215). CONTRASTED CONDUCT. (*Extended Alternation*.)

V | **D** | 1-. Ephraim's eminence.

E | -1, 2. Ephraim's fall. Idolatry.

F | 3. Threatening, and Comparisons.

D | 4, 5. Jehovah the source of Ephraim's eminence.

E | 6. Ephraim's fall. Forgetting Jehovah.

F | 7, 8. Threatening, and Comparisons.

1 spake trembling = spake (authoritatively) [there was] attention; as in Joshua's days (Josh. 4. 14). Cp. Job 29. 21-25.

trembling = panic. Heb. *re'theth*. Occurs only here. Similar to *re'tet*, which occurs only in Jer. 49. 24 ("fear").

exalted himself: carried weight, or was exalted. offended = trespassed. Heb. *'asham*. Ap. 44. ii.

in Baal = with Baal: i.e. with the idolatrous worship of Baal, in Ahab's days.

2 sin. Heb. *chātā*. Ap. 44. i.

understanding = notion.

of them = to them: i.e. to the People.

kiss the calves. Kissing was fundamental in all heathen idolatry. It is the root of the Latin *ad-orare* = to [bring something to] the mouth. "A pure lip" (Zeph. 3. 9) implies more than language.

3 dew. Heb. *tal* = the night mist. See note on "Zion", Ps. 133. 3.

that. The 1611 edition of the A.V. reads "it".

the = a. floor = threshing floor.

chimney = window, or opening. No word for chimney in Heb.

4 Yet ³, &c. Supply the connecting thought: "[Ye worship these calves], yet ³, even ³", &c. Cp. 12. 9. Isa. 43. 11. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

from the land of Egypt. Supply the *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6): "[Who brought thee out] from", &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 20. 2, 3). Ap. 92.

shalt know no: i.e. didst not, or oughtest not to know. there is no saviour, &c. Cp. Isa. 43. 11; 45. 21. Supply: "no saviour [was there] beside Me". Cp. Acts 4. 12.

5 ³ I did know thee, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 2. 7; 8. 15; 32. 10). Ap. 92. Cp. Amos 3. 2. The Sept. reads "I

6 According to their pasture, &c.: i.e. the more they were filled. Note the Fig. *Anadiplosis* (Ap. 6),

7 as a lion. Ap. 92. Cp. 5. 14. as a leopard. Cp.

8 caul = enclosure (i.e. the pericardium).

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11 °I gave thee a king in Mine anger, and took *him* away in My wrath.

^{s2} 12 The °iniquity of Ephraim *is* °bound up; his °sin *is* °hid.

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13 The sorrows of a travailing woman shall come upon him: *he is* °an unwise son; for he should not °stay long °in the place of the breaking forth of °children.

^{t2} 14 I will °ransom them °from °the power of °the grave; I will °redeem them from death: °O death, °I will be °thy plagues; °O °grave, °I will be thy destruction: °repentance shall be hid from Mine °eyes.

^{s3} 15 Though °*he* be °fruitful among *his* brethren, °an east wind shall come, the °wind of °the LORD shall come up from the wilderness, and °his spring shall become dry, and his fountain shall be dried up: °*he* shall spoil the treasure of all pleasant vessels.

16 °Samaria shall become desolate; for she hath rebelled against her °God: they shall fall by the sword: °their infants shall be dashed in pieces, and their women with child shall be ripped up.

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14 O Israel, °return °unto °the LORD thy °God; °for thou hast fallen by thine °iniquity.

2 Take with you °words, and °turn to °the LORD: °say unto Him,

J¹ °Take away all °iniquity, and receive us °graciously: °so will we °render the °calves of our °lips.

3 °Asshur shall not save us; °we will not ride upon horses: neither will we say any more to °the work of our hands, °Ye are our gods: °for in Thee °the fatherless °findeth mercy."

II² 4 I will heal their °backsliding, I will love them freely: for Mine anger is turned away from °him.

5 I will be as °the dew unto Israel: he shall °grow as the lily, and °cast forth °his roots °as Lebanon.

6 His branches shall spread, and his beauty shall be as the olive tree, and °his smell °as Lebanon.

11 I gave thee, &c. Ref. to 1 Sam. 8. 7; 10. 19; 15. 22, 23; 16. 1. Cp. 10. 3. Or lit. "I give . . . and take him away", referring to a continued act, the violent deaths of Israel's then recent kings: Zachariah murdered by Shallum; Shallum by Menahem; Pekahiah by Pekah; and Pekah by Hoshea, who was now a prisoner in Assyria.

12 iniquity = perversity. Heb. *avāh*. Ap. 44. iv. bound up = tied up, as in a bag. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 32, 35). Ap. 92. hid = reserved.

13 shall come, &c. Isa. 13. 8. Jer. 30. 6. Matt. 24. 8. an unwise son. Note the Fig. *Meiōsis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis, meaning a most foolish son.

stay long = linger. in the place, &c.: i.e. in the act of being born. Cp. 2 Kings 19. 3. children = sons.

14 ransom = redeem (with power). Heb. *pādāh*, to redeem by power in virtue of the legal right. See note on Ex. 13. 13. from = out of.

the power = the hand: i.e. Sheol's power (to keep in its grasp). the grave = Sheol. See Ap. 35.

redeem. Heb. *ga'al*, to redeem by purchase by assertion of the kinship right. Hence the other meaning of avenging. See note on Ex. 6. 6.

O death. Fig. *Apostrophe* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. Quoted in 1 Cor. 15. 54, 55.

I will be = where [are], &c. See note on v. 10.

thy plagues. Heb. *deber* = pestilence. Interpreted in 1 Cor. 15. 55 as "sting". First occ. Ex. 5. 3.

repentance = compassion [on them].

eyes. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

15 *he*: i.e. Ephraim.

fruitful. Used by Fig. *Irony* (Ap. 6), his name being Ephraim = fruitful. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 41. 52; 48. 19).

an east wind. Heb. *kādīm*; not a scorching wind, *shirocco* (Gen. 41. 6. Jer. 18. 17. Ezek. 17. 10; 19. 12).

wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

his spring, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 33. 28).

he shall spoil = he shall plunder. Fulfilled in Shalmaneser shortly after, and since that day this prophecy stands fulfilled. The book ends with hope, in the final section below. 16 Samaria. See 2 Kings 17. 6.

their. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Aram., Sept., and Syr., read "and their".

14. 1-8 (G², p. 1222). THE RETURN.

(Repeated Alternation.)

G² H¹ | 1, 2-. Jehovah. Invitation.
J¹ | -2, 3. Israel. Confession. Words provided.
H² | 4-7. Jehovah. Promises.
J² | 8-. Israel. Confession. Words used.
H³ | -8. Jehovah. Blessing.

1 return. Cp. 12. 6. Joel 2. 13.

unto = quite up to. Heb. *ad*; not merely "toward", God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

for. Cp. 13. 9. iniquity. Heb. *avāh*. Ap. 44. iv. Some codices, with three early printed editions and Sept., read "transgressions" (pl.).

("J¹" and "J²") : confession commanded, and the command obeyed. turn = return, or turn back, as in v. 1. say. Cp. Luke 15. 18, 19. graciously = O Gracious One. See notes on 3. 5, and 8. 3. Eminent Jewish commentators take this as a title of the Messiah. There is no "us" in the Heb.

render. Quoted in Heb. 13. 15. render = pay (as vows) by offering what is due (Pss. 66. 13, 14; 116. 14, 18. Jonah 2. 9). calves = oxen. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for the sacrifices offered (Ps. 51. 17).

lips. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the confession, &c., made by them. Cp. Pss. 69. 30, 31; 116. 17; 141. 2. Heb. 13. 15. 3 Asshur, &c. See 5. 13, 12. 1; and cp. Jer. 31. 18. we will not ride.

Some codices, with four early printed editions and Syr., read "nor upon horses will we ride". Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 17. 16). Cp. Ps. 33. 17. Isa. 30. 2, 16; 31. 1. the work of our hands. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for idols of all kinds.

for in Thee = O Thou in Whom. the fatherless: i.e. Israel's orphaned folk. Here we have the key to the symbolic names of ch. 1 :-

Gomer shows that the measure of iniquity was full.

Jezreel denotes the consequent scattering.

Lo-Ruhamah (the second child, the girl) foreshadows Israel as the unpitied one.

Lo-Ammi (the last child) denotes Israel's present condition.

Ammi represents Israel's yet future position (2. 1).

Ruhamah = pitied, Lo-Ruhamah's new name (2. 23).

findeth mercy = R hamah = pitied. Referring to Israel's final restoration. See note on 2. 23. 4 backsliding. Cp. 11. 7. Jer. 5. 6; 14. 7. him: i.e. Israel. 5 the dew. See notes on 6. 4; 13. 3.

grow = blossom. cast forth = strike out. his roots. The spurs of Lebanon have the appearance of outspreading roots. as - like [those of]. 6 his smell = his fragrance, or be fragrant, like.

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7 They that dwell under his shadow shall¹ return; they shall revive as the corn, and grow as the vine: °the scent thereof *shall* be as the °wine of Lebanon.

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8 Ephraim °*shall* say, "What have I to do any more with idols? °*I* have heard *Him*, °and observed Him: °*I am* like a green fir tree.

H³ °From Me is °thy fruit found.A
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9 °Who *is* °wise, and he shall understand these *things*? °prudent, and he shall know them? for the ways of °the LORD *are* °right, and the °just shall walk in them: but the °transgressors shall °fall therein."

7 the scent thereof=his memory or remembrance [pleasant] as, &c. So the Sept. wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. 1.

8 shall say. In obedience to the command in v. 1. *I* have heard=*I* have heard and obeyed.

and observed=and regarded. Contrast 13. 7.

I am like: or, *I* like a green cypress [will overshadow him]. A verb must be supplied. Referring to "shadow" in v. 7.

From Me, &c. This member ("H³") is Jehovah's reply. Note the emphatic "*I*" repeated. Cp. Jer. 31. 18. thy fruit found. Fruitfulness provided, as well as protection and grace.

9 Who is wise . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Concluding the whole book, like Ps. 107. 43.

wise. Heb. *chākām* (adj.). See note on Prov. 1. 2. Cp. Ps. 107. 43. Jer. 9. 12. Dan. 12. 10.

prudent=[who is] understanding? Heb. *bīnāh*. See note on Prov. 1. 2. Here it is the passive=gifted with

right=upright. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 4). Cp. Job 26. 14; 36. 23. Pss. 18. 30; just=righteous. transgressors. Heb. *pāshā'*.

understanding.

77. 19; 145. 17. Prov. 10. 29. Dan. 4. 37.

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fall therein=stumble in them. Cp. Ps. 119. 165. Prov. 4. 19; 10. 29; 11. 5; 15. 9. Mic. 2. 7. Nah. 3. 3. 1 Cor. 1. 23, 24. 1 Pet. 2. 7, 8.

JOEL.

THE STRUCTURE OF THE BOOK AS A WHOLE.

(Alternation.)

1. 1. THE TITLE.

C¹ A | 1. 2, 3. CALL TO HEAR.

B | 1. 4-13. JUDGMENTS. INFLICTED.

A | 1. 14-2. 17. CALL TO REPENT.

B | 2. 18-3. 21. JUDGMENTS. REMOVED.

For the CANONICAL order and place of the Prophets, see Ap. 1, and p. 1206.

For the CHRONOLOGICAL order of the Prophets, see Ap. 77.

For the *Formulae* of Prophetic utterance, see Ap. 82.

For the Inter-relation of the Prophetic Books, see Ap. 78.

For the Inter-relation of the Minor (or Shorter) Prophets, see p. 1206.

For the References to the Pentateuch by the Prophets, see Ap. 92.

Joel's prophecy is undated. No references are made to *time*, because it looks onward to the time of the end, and to the events that will usher in "the Day of the Lord".

As Hosea was sent to guilty Israel, so Joel was sent to guilty Judah. Hosea's "burden" relates to the end of the Northern Kingdom; Joel's prophecy relates to the end of the Kingdom of Judah, and probably covers the last seven years of Zedekiah. In that case he would commence in the fifth year of Jehoiachin's captivity, the very year that Ezekiel begins, and 100 years after Isaiah ends. If "Joel completed his prophecy before Amos collected his" (as alleged), then, in the period of Uzziah-Jeroboam II, which ended in 687 B.C., there is no historical background for Joel's burning words concerning Judah and the great "Day of the Lord".

Similar passages in Joel 3. 16 and Amos 1. 2 no more prove that Amos quoted from Joel than they prove that Joel quoted from Amos. The same may be said of Joel 1. 15 and Isa. 13. 6.

In Joel's summons to fasting and prayer, many as are the classes invited, no mention is made of the royal house; and, throughout his prophecy, no king of Judah is mentioned later than Jehoshaphat, and then only in connection with his "valley".

But if the period covered by Joel be taken as from 488 to 477 B.C., then we have, as contemporaries:—

Jeremiah in Jerusalem;	}	} All prophesying together during the last seven
Joel in Judah;		
Daniel in Babylon;	}	} years of the kingdom of Judah.
Ezekiel in Babylonia and in the Land.		

JOEL.

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A
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B A¹
(p. 1225)

A² B a

b

C c

d

B a

b

C c

d

1 °THE word of °the LORD that came to °Joel °the son of Pethuel.

2 °Hear this, °ye °old men, and give ear, all ye inhabitants of the land. °Hath this been in your days, or even in the days of your fathers?

3 °Tell ye your °children of it, and let your °children tell their °children, and their °children another generation.

4 °That which the °palmerworm hath left hath the °locust eaten; and that which the locust hath left hath the °cankerworm eaten; and that which the cankerworm hath left hath the °caterpillar eaten.

5 Awake, ye drunkards, and weep; and howl, all ye drinkers of °wine,

because of the °new wine; for it is cut off from your mouth.

6 For °a nation is come up upon °My land, strong, and without number, whose teeth are the teeth of a lion, and he hath the cheek teeth of a great lion.

7 °He hath laid °My vine waste, and °barked °My fig tree: he hath made it clean bare, and cast it away; the branches thereof are made white.

8 °Lament like a virgin girded with sackcloth for the husband of her youth.

9 The °meat offering and the °drink offering is cut off from the house of °the LORD; the priests, °the LORD'S °ministers, mourn.

10 The °field is °wasted, the °land mourneth; for the corn is wasted: the °new wine is dried up, the oil languisheth.

11 Be ye ashamed, O ye husbandmen; howl, O °ye vinedressers,

for the wheat and for the barley; because the harvest of the field is perished.

12 The °vine is dried up, and the °fig tree languisheth; the pomegranate tree, the palm tree also, and the apple tree, even all the trees of the field, are withered: because joy is withered away from the sons of °men.

13 Gird yourselves, and lament, ye priests: howl, °ye °ministers of the altar: come, °lie all night in sackcloth, ye ministers of my °God:

for the °meat offering and the °drink offering is withholden from the house of your °God.

by the locusts. Cp. 2. 2, 11, 25. Rev. 9.

7 He. The nation of v. 6.

10 field . . . wasted. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6).

12 men. Heb. 'ādām.

13 ministers of the altar. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 30. 20). Ap. 92.

The symbol of mourning; cp. 2 Sam. 12. 16.

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1 TITLE. The word of the LORD. Therefore not Joel's. This is the Divine key to the book: Joel's pen, but not Joel's words. Cp. Acts 1. 16 for a similar fact concerning David.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

Joel = Jehovah [is] GOD.

the son of Pethuel. This does not imply that Pethuel was a prophet. It merely distinguishes this Joel from others of the same name.

2 Hear. Note this indication of the formula of Joel's prophetic utterances. See Ap. 82.

ye. Heb. has no proper vocative. The simple Noun with the Article takes its place.

old men. Not official elders, but those whose memory goes back farthest.

Hath . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. Cp. 2. 2.

3 Tell ye your children. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 4. 9; 6. 6, 7; 11. 19). Ap. 92. Cp. Ps. 78. 3-8.

children = sons. Note the Fig. *Climax* (Ap. 6).

1. 4-13 (B, p. 1224). JUDGMENTS. INFLICTED. (*Division*.)

B | A¹ | 4. The Destroyers. Symbolical and General.
A² | 5-13. The Destruction. Literal and Particular.

4 That which, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 38). Cp. 2. 25. The English of this verse is beautifully idiomatic, but twelve Hebrew words condense the whole. See below, palmerworm. This is named first of four different stages of the locust. English = hairy caterpillar; Heb. *gāzām*, or the gnawer. The *pupa* stage.

locust. Heb. 'arbeh = the swarmer. The *imago* stage.

cankerworm. Heb. *yelek* = the devourer.

caterpillar. Heb. *hasil* = the consumer. The *larva* stage. Cp. 2. 25, and Nah. 3. 15, 16.

These four words show the completeness of the destroying agencies. The Heb. reads:—

"Gnawer's remnant,

Swarmer eats:

Swarmer's remnant,

Devourer eats;

Devourer's remnant,

Consumer eats."

1. 5-13 (A², above). THE DESTRUCTION.

LITERAL AND PARTICULAR. (*Alternations*.)

A² | B | a | 5-. PEOPLE. Call to Awake and Howl.

b | -5-7. Reason. Vine and Fig. Laid waste.

C | c | 8. LAND. Call to Lament.

d | 9, 10. Reason. Offerings cut off.

B | a | 11-. PEOPLE. Call to be Ashamed and Howl.

b | -11, 12. Reason. Corn and Wine perished.

C | c | 13-. PRIESTS. Call to Lament.

d | -13. Reason. Offerings withholden.

5 wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. I.

new wine. Heb. 'āsīs. Ap. 27. V.

6 a nation. See 2. 20; and cp. Dan. 11. Put for the great destroying powers which are symbolized in v. 4

claim. The end-time is here referred to, when He will do this: "the day of the LORD". See v. 15, and 2. 1, &c.

7 He. The nation of v. 6. My vine . . . My fig tree. Note this "My", for Jehovah is about to

recover His People Israel, as the issue of "the day of the LORD". Cp. Ps. 80. 8, 14. Isa. 5. 1-6; 27. 2. Hos.

10. 1. Also for the fig-tree cp. Hos. 9. 10. Matt. 21. 19. Luke 13. 6, 7.

barked = reduced to splinters or chips. Heb. *kēzāphāh*. Occurs only here. The root is connected with foam, cp. Hos. 10. 7.

8 Lament. Fem. agreeing with "land", v. 6. **9** meat offering = the meal or gift offering. Heb.

minchāh. See Ap. 43. II. iii. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 2). Ap. 92. Cp. 2. 14. **10** field . . . wasted. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6).

12 men. Heb. 'ādām. Not the same word as in vv. 2, 6, 14, &c., in this book; but the

same as in 2. 21. Verses 10-12 show why the offerings cannot be brought.

13 ministers of the altar. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 30. 20). Ap. 92.

The symbol of mourning; cp. 2 Sam. 12. 16.

13 ministers of the altar. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 30. 20). Ap. 92.

The symbol of mourning; cp. 2 Sam. 12. 16.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

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14 Sanctify ye a fast, call °a solemn assembly, °gather the elders and all the inhabitants of the land into the house of °the LORD your °God, and cry unto °the LORD,

G 15 Alas for the day! for °the day of °the LORD is at hand, and as a °destruction from °the ALMIGHTY shall it come.

H 16 °Is not the meat cut off before our eyes, yea, °joy and gladness from the house of our °God?

17 °The seed is rotten under their clods, the garners are laid desolate, the barns are broken down; for the corn is withered.

18 How do °the beasts groan! the herds of cattle are perplexed, because they have no pasture; yea, the flocks of sheep are made desolate.

19 O °LORD, °to Thee will I cry: for °the fire hath devoured the pastures of the °wilderness, and the flame hath burned all the trees of the field.

20 The beasts of the field cry also unto Thee: for the °rivers of waters are dried up, and the fire hath devoured the pastures of the °wilderness.

E J 2 Blow ye the trumpet in °Zion, and °sound an alarm in °My °holy mountain: let all the inhabitants of the land tremble:

K for °the day of °the LORD cometh, for it is nigh at hand;

L 2 °A day of darkness and of gloominess, a day of clouds and of thick darkness, as the °morning spread upon the mountains: °a great people and a strong; there hath not been ever the like, neither shall be any more after it, even to the years of many generations.

3 °A fire devoureth before °them; and behind them a flame burneth: the land is as °the garden of Eden before them, and behind them °a desolate wilderness; yea, and nothing shall escape them.

4 °The appearance of them is as the appearance of horses; and as °horsemen, so shall they run.

5 °Like the noise of chariots °on the tops of mountains shall they °leap, like the noise of a flame of fire that devoureth the stubble, °as a strong people set in battle array.

6 Before their face the °people shall be much pained: all faces shall gather °blackness.

7 They shall run like mighty men; they shall climb the wall like °men of war; and they shall march every one on his ways, and they shall not break their ranks:

8 Neither shall one °thrust another; they shall °walk every one in his path: and when they fall upon the °sword, °they shall not °be wounded.

symbolized by the locusts of 1. 4. Cp. Rev. 9. 7.

the noise, &c. Cp. Rev. 9. 9. Connect this with the end of v. 4. connect this with the leaping, not with the chariots.

Cp. v. 2. Not locusts. The symbol must not be confused with what is symbolized. blackness=paleness.

walk=march, as in v. 7.

because not used earlier than 2 Chron. 23. 10; 32. 5. Neh. 4. 17, 23; but it is used in Job 33. 18; 36. 12. Song 4. 13. they shall not, &c. Cp. Rev. 9. The whole scene belongs to "the day of the Lord". Only confusion arises from not keeping the symbol distinct from what is symbolized.

1. 14-3. 27 (A, p. 1224). CALL TO REPENTANCE. (Simple and Extended Alternations.)

A D F | 1. 14. Call to Fast.
G | 1. 15. Reason.
H | 1. 16-20. Consequences.
E J | 2. 1-. Call to Blow the Trumpet.
K | 2. -1. Reason.
L | 2. 2-11. Consequences. } People.
D F | 2. 12-13-. Call to Fast.
G | 2. -13. Reason.
H | 2. 14. Consequences.
E J | 2. 15-17-. Call to Blow the Trumpet.
K | 2. -17. Reason.
L | 2. 18-3. 21. Consequences. } Priests.

14 a solemn assembly=a day of restraint. Heb. 'āzārāh. Occurs only here, in 2. 15; 2 Kings 10. 20; and Isa. 1. 13. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 23. 36. Num. 29. 35. Deut. 16. 8) where the fem. form 'āzereth is used (Ap. 92). It is found also in 2 Chron. 7. 9. Neh. 8. 18.

gather the elders. There being no mention of a king in this book is held by some as pointing to the time of Athaliah's usurpation. But see notes on p. 1224, and Ap. 77.

15 the day of the LORD. See note on Isa. 2. 12. This is the great subject of Joel's prophecy, already then "at hand".

destruction from the ALMIGHTY. Note the Fig. Paronomasia (Ap. 6). Heb. k'shod mishshaddai = mighty destruction from the ALMIGHTY. Cp. Isa. 13. 6.

the ALMIGHTY—the All-bountiful. Heb. Shaddai. Ap. 4. VII. In this connection it is similar to "the wrath of the Lamb" (Rev. 6. 16, 17) in its violent contrast.

16 Is not . . . ? Fig. Erotēsis. Ap. 6. joy and gladness. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 12. 6, 7; 16. 11, 14, 15).

17 The seed, &c. Note the Fig. Anabasis (Ap. 6) in this verse.

18 the beasts. Cp. Hos. 4. 3.

19 to Thee will I cry. Cp. Ps. 50. 15.

the fire. Cp. 2. 3.

wilderness=common land.

20 rivers—waters of the Aphikim. See note on "channels", 2 Sam. 22. 16.

2. 1 Zion. See Ap. 68.

sound an alarm. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 10. 5, 9). Ap. 92.

My. Note the Pronoun, and see notes on 1. 6, 7.

holy mountain=mountain of My sanctuary.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

the day of the LORD. See notes on 1. 15. This is the subject of the book. Cp. Obad. 15. Zeph. 1. 14, 15.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 A day, &c. Cp. Amos 5. 18, 20.

morning—blackness, or darkness. Heb. shahar. A Homonym with two meanings: (1) to be black or dark (Job 30. 30). Hence put for seeking in the early morning while yet dark (Pss. 78. 34; 63. 1. Prov. 1. 28. Isa. 26. 9. Hos. 5. 15, &c.); (2) dawn or morning (Gen. 19. 15; 32. 24, 26. Josh. 6. 15. Hos. 6. 3; 10. 15, &c.).

a great people. Symbolized by the locusts in 1. 4.

3 A fire, &c. Cp. 1. 19, 20.

them. The northern army (v. 11) symbolized by the locusts of 1. 4.

the garden of Eden. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 2. 8; 13. 10).

Ap. 92. Cp. Isa. 51. 3. Ezek. 36. 35.

a desolate wilderness. Cp. 3. 19. Ps. 107. 34.

4 The appearance of them: i.e. the army of v. 20, horsemen=war-horses (Hab. 1. 8).

on the tops, &c. The Heb. accents connect this with the leaping, not with the chariots.

leap=rattle along.

as a strong people.

6 people=people's.

8 thrust=jostle, or press.

be wounded=stop.

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9 They shall °run to and fro °in the city; they shall run upon the wall, they shall °climb up upon the houses; they shall °enter in at the windows °like a thief.

10 The earth shall quake before °them; the heavens shall tremble: °the sun and the moon shall be dark, and the stars shall withdraw their shining:

11 And °the LORD shall utter His voice before His army: for His camp is very great: for He is strong that executeth His word: for °the day of °the LORD is °great and very terrible; and °who can abide it?

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12 °Therefore also now, °saith °the LORD, °turn ye even °to Me °with all your heart, °and with fasting, and with weeping, and with mourning:

13 And °rend your heart, and not °your garments, and °turn unto °the LORD your °God:

G for °He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great °kindness, and °repenteth Him of the °evil.

H 14 °Who knoweth if He will °return and °repent, and leave °a blessing behind Him; even a °meat offering and a drink offering unto °the LORD your °God?

E J 15 °Blow the trumpet in Zion, sanctify a fast, call °a solemn assembly:

16 °Gather the People, °sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders, °gather the children, and those that suck the breasts: let the bridegroom go forth of his chamber, and the bride out of her °closet.

17 Let °the priests, the ministers of °the LORD, weep °between the porch and the altar, and let them say, °“Spare Thy People, O °LORD, and give not °Thine heritage to reproach, that the °heathen should rule over them:

K °wherefore should they say among the °people, ‘Where is their °God?’”

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18 Then will °the LORD be °jealous for His land, and pity His people.

19 Yea, °the LORD will answer and say unto His People, °“Behold, I will send you °corn, and °wine, and oil, and ye shall be satisfied therewith: and I will no more °make you a reproach among the °heathen:

N¹ 20 But I will remove far off from you °the northern army, and will drive him into a land barren and desolate, with his face toward °the east sea, and his hinder part toward °the utmost sea, and his °stink shall come up, and his ill savour shall come up, because °he °hath done great things.

9 run . . . in the city . . . climb . . . enter, &c. These are put for the acts of men.

like a thief. A thief is a man (not an insect); so are these. Cp. Matt. 24. 43, 44. Luke 12. 39. 1 Thess. 5. 2. 2 Pet. 3. 10.

10 the sun and the moon shall be dark. Another proof of what is signified; and that this prophecy concerns what is future. Cp. 3. 15. See Matt. 24. 29. Cp. Isa. 13. 10. Ezek. 32. 7, 8. Acts 2. 20. Rev. 6. 12.

11 great, &c. Cp. v. 31. Jer. 30. 7. Amos 5. 18. Zeph. 1. 15.

who can abide it? Ref. to Pent. (Num. 24. 23). Ap. 92. Cp. Jer. 10. 10. Zeph. 1. 14. Mal. 3. 2.

12 Therefore, &c. Another call (“F”, v. 12, corresponding with “F”, v. 1). See the Structure, p. 1226. saith the LORD—[is] Jehovah’s oracle.

turn ye—turn ye back, or return.

to—quite up to, as in Hos. 14. 1.

with all your heart. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 6. 5).

and. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Syr., and Vulg., omit this “and”.

13 rend your heart. Cp. Pss. 34. 18; 51. 17.

your garments. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 37. 34). Ap. 92. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

He is gracious, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 34. 6, 7. Num. 14. 18). Ap. 92. Cp. 2 Chron. 30. 9. Neh. 9. 17, 31. Pss. 86. 5, 15; 103. 8; 145. 8.

kindness=grace.

repenteth. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

evil. Heb. *ra’a*. Ap. 44. viii.

14 Who knoweth . . . ? That this refers to Jehovah is clear from Jonah 3. 9.

return = turn away from [His fierce anger], as in Jonah 3. 9, where it is ascribed to “God”. Same word as in v. 12.

a blessing: i.e. a new harvest. Cp. Isa. 65. 8.

meat . . . drink offering, &c. See note on 1. 9, 13.

15 a solemn assembly—a day of restraint. See note on 1. 14.

16 Gather = Gather in.

sanctify the congregation = hallow a convocation. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 19. 10, 22). Ap. 92.

gather = gather out.

closet = bridal canopy. See notes on Ps. 19. 5 and Isa. 4. 5. The only three occurrences of Heb. *chuppah*.

17 the priests, the ministers of the LORD. See note on 1. 9.

between, &c. Cp. Ezek. 8. 16.

Spare Thy People, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 32. 11, 12. Deut. 9. 26, 29). Ap. 92. Cp. Neh. 13. 22.

Thine heritage. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 9). Ap. 92.

heathen—nations.

wherefore . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 9. 26–29). Ap. 92. Cp. Pss. 42. 10; 79. 10; 115. 2.

Mic. 7. 10.

people—peoples.

2. 18–3. 21 (L, p. 1226). CONSEQUENCES. (Repeated Alternation.)

L	M ¹	2. 18, 19. Good bestowed. Land and People.
	N ¹	2. 20. Evil removed. Enemy cut off.
	M ²	2. 21–32. Good bestowed. Land and People.
	N ²	3. 1–16. Evil removed. Enemy cut off.
	M ³	3. 16–18. Good bestowed. Land and People.
	N ³	3. 19. Evil removed. Enemies cut off.
	M ⁴	3. 20, 21. Good bestowed. Land and People.

18 jealous for His land, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 36–43). Ap. 92. These remind us of the concluding

words of the “Song of Moses”, and sum up the object and outcome of all the events which go to make up “the day of the LORD”. 19 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6), to call attention to the “blessing” mentioned in v. 14. corn, &c. Cp. 1. 10; Mal. 3. 11, 12. The Article is used with each of these in the Hebrew text.

wine. Heb. *tirōsh*. Ap. 27. II. make you a reproach. See note on “rule”, v. 17.

20 the northern army. This is what the “locusts” of 1. 4 are the symbol of. The prophet does not “forget for a moment” the locusts of 1. 4; but, here explains the symbol. Locusts do not come from the north. The armies of Rev. 9, Dan. 11 do.

the east sea: i.e. the Dead Sea. Cp. Ezek. 47. 18. Zech. 14. 8. the utmost sea—the Great Sea. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 11. 24; 34. 2). Ap. 92. Cp. “hinder” in Zech. 14. 8.

stink shall come up. Referring to the destruction of Isa. 66. 24. he. The invader, the antichrist or beast of Dan. 7 and 8.

hath done great things—he magnified himself to do great things. Cp. Dan. 8. 9–11; 11. 36, and notes there. This is quite inapplicable to locusts.

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21 ° Fear not, O ° land; be glad and rejoice :
for ¹ the LORD ° will do great things.

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22 ° Be not afraid, ye beasts of the field : for
the ° pastures of the wilderness do spring,

Q²

for the tree beareth her fruit, the fig tree and
the vine do yield their ° strength.

P³

23 ° Be glad then, ye ° children of Zion, and
rejoice in ¹ the LORD your ¹³ God :

Q³

for He hath given you the former rain ° moder-
ately, and He will cause to come down for you
the rain, the former rain, and the latter rain
° in the first month.

24 And the ° floors shall be full of ° wheat,
and the ° fats shall overflow with ¹⁹ wine and oil.

25 And I will ° restore to you the years that
the ° locust hath eaten, the cankerworm, and
the caterpillar, and the palmerworm, ° My great
army which I sent among you.

26 And ° ye shall ° eat in plenty, and be satis-
fied, and ° praise the name of ¹ the LORD your
¹³ God, That hath dealt wondrously with you :
and My people ° shall never be ashamed.

27 And ° ye shall know that ³ I am in the
midst of Israel, and that ³ I am ¹ the LORD your
¹³ God, and none else : and My people ²⁶ shall
never be ashamed.

O¹ R

28 And it shall come to pass ° afterward,
that ° I will pour out My ° spirit upon ° all flesh ;
and your sons ° and your daughters shall ° pro-
phesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your
young men shall see visions :

29 And also upon the ° servants and upon the
handmaids in those days will I pour out My
²⁸ spirit.

S

30 And ° I will shew wonders in the heavens
and in the earth, ° blood, and fire, and pillars
of smoke.

31 The ¹⁰ sun shall be turned into darkness,
and the moon into blood, before the ¹¹ great
and ° the terrible day of ¹ the LORD come.

R

32 And it shall come to pass, that whosoever
shall call on the name of ¹ the LORD shall be
delivered : for ° in mount Zion and in ° Jeru-
salem shall be ° deliverance, ° as ¹ the LORD
° hath said, and in the ° remnant whom ¹ the
LORD ° shall call.

2. 21-32 (M², p. 1227). GOOD BESTOWED. LAND
AND PEOPLE. (Division.)

M² | O¹ | 21-27. Temporal blessings.
| O² | 28-32. Spiritual blessings.

2. 21-27 (O¹, above). TEMPORAL BLESSINGS.
(Repeated Alternation.)

O¹ | P¹ | 21-. Apostrophe to the Soil.
| Q¹ | -21. Reason.
P² | 22-. Apostrophe to the Beasts.
| Q² | -22. Reason.
P³ | 23-. Apostrophe to the People.
| Q³ | -23-27. Reason.

21 Fear not. Fig. *Apostrophe*. Ap. 6.
land=soil. Heb. 'ādāmāh. See note on 1. 10.
will do great things. Greater than the foe him-
self (v. 20).

22 Be not afraid, &c. Fig. *Apostrophe* (Ap. 6), as in
v. 21. Cp. 1. 18, 20.

pastures, &c. Cp. 1. 19.
strength=abundance.

23 Be glad, &c. Fig. *Apostrophe* (Ap. 6), to the
people. children=sons.

moderately=in due measure. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 4.
Deut. 11. 14; 28. 12). Ap. 92.

in the first month=[as at] the first, or [as] aforetime.
Obviously, the two rains do not come in one and the
same month.

24 floors=threshing-floors.
wheat=corn.

fats=vats. Anglo-Saxon (northern) *faet*, (southern)
vat=a vessel, or cask. Lit.=that which contains. Heb.

yekeb=the reservoir for receiving the wine; not *gath*,
the press where the grapes are pressed. See note on
Isa. 5. 2.

25 restore: make good.

locust, &c. See note on 1. 4.
My great army. Here the symbol, and what is
symbolized, are joined together, and the army of men
(v. 11, 20) is implied by the Fig. *Hypocatastasis* (Ap. 6).

26 ye shall eat, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 5). Ap. 92.
eat=eat on.

praise, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 19. 24. Deut. 12. 7;
16. 11; 26. 11). Ap. 92.

shall never be ashamed. This is repeated at the
end of the next verse by the Fig. *Epistrophe* (Ap. 6) for
emphasis. Not "a copyist's error", as alleged.

27 ye shall know, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 11-13.
Deut. 23. 14). Ap. 92. Cp. Ezek. 37. 26-28.

2. 28-32 (O², above). SPIRITUAL BLESSINGS.
(Introversion.)

O² | R | 28, 29. Afterward. After the restoration. Gifts
from God.

S | 30, 31. Before the day of the LORD.

R | 32. Afterward. After the restoration. Deliver-
ance from God.

28 afterward: i.e. after the "good bestowed" had begun to be enjoyed (2. 21-27, O² above): for the nation
had been restored under Ezra and Nehemiah; "the light had sprung up" (Isa. 42. 7. Matt. 4. 12-16.
Luke 2. 32); "the days of the Son of Man" were then present (Luke 17. 22). "Afterward" would come
the days of the Spirit; and "this is that" which was seen on "the day of Pentecost", when Joel 2. 28, 29
began to be fulfilled. Had the nation repented at the summons of Peter in Acts 3. 18-26, "all things
which God had spoken by the mouth of all His holy prophets" would have been fulfilled, including
Joel 2. 30, 31, and 32 (S and R). Mal. 4. 5 also would have been taken of John the Baptist if they had
received it (Matt. 11. 14): the Heb. 'achārēi-kēn always referring to what follows.

I will pour out
My spirit. Note the Fig. *Epanadiplosis* (Ap. 6) used to emphasise the statement included within this
sentence, and the repetition of it at the end of v. 29.

spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9. This must be
put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the "power from on high", or spiritual gifts. See note on
Acts 2. 4. God the Holy Spirit cannot be "poured out".

all flesh. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of
Genus), Ap. 6, for all sorts and conditions of men, as described in the words which follow.

and your
daughters. Women are not excluded from spiritual gifts. prophesy. Not necessarily foretelling,
but forthtelling, by speaking for God. Only such as were thus called and gifted could be His spokesmen.
Cp. Num. 11. 16, 17, 29. See Ap. 78.

29 servants, &c. Any whom God might call. Elisha was a
ploughman, Amos a herdsman. 30 I will shew. Cp. Matt. 24. 29. Mark 13. 24. blood, and fire.

These are symbols of Divine judgment; not of salvation by grace. 31 the terrible, &c. This is the
time for the fulfilment of Joel's prophecy. Cp. 2. 1, 11. Mal. 4. 5. 32 in mount Zion. Cp. Isa. 46. 13;
59. 20. Obad. 17. Zech. 14. 1-5. Rom. 11. 26.

Jerusalem. As distinct from Mount Zion. See Ap. 68.
deliverance=a delivered remnant. Cp. 2. 3.
as=according as. hath said: by Joel and other
prophets. remnant=an escaped set. shall call=is going to call.

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3 °For, °behold, °in those days, and in that time, when I shall °bring again the captivity of Judah and Jerusalem,
2 °I will also gather °all nations, and will bring them down into °the valley of °Jehoshaphat,

U¹ and °will plead with them there for °My People and for °My heritage °Israel, whom they have scattered among the nations, and parted My land.

3 And °they have cast lots for My People; and have given a boy for an harlot, and sold a girl for °wine, that they might drink.

V¹ 4 Yea, and what have ye to do with Me, O Tyre, and Zidon, and all the °coasts of °Palestine? will ye °render Me a recompence? and °if ye recompense Me, swiftly and speedily will I return your recompence upon your own head;

5 Because ye have taken My silver and My gold, and have carried into your temples My goodly °pleasant things:

6 The °children also of Judah and the °children of Jerusalem have ye sold unto °the Grecians, that ye might remove them far from their border.

7¹ Behold, °I will raise them out of the place whither ye have sold them, and will return your recompence upon your own head:

8 And I will sell your sons and your daughters into the hand of the °children of Judah, and they shall sell them to the °Sabeans, to a °people far off: for °the LORD hath spoken it.

T² 9 °Proclaim ye this among the °Gentiles; °Prepare war, wake up the mighty men, let all the °men of war draw near; let them come up:

10 °Beat your plowshares into swords, and your °pruninghooks into spears: let the weak say, "I am strong."

11 °Assemble yourselves, and come, °all ye °heathen, and gather yourselves together round about: °thither cause °Thy mighty ones to come down, O °LORD.

12 Let the °heathen be °wakened, °and come up to °the valley of °Jehoshaphat:

U² for °there will I sit to judge all the heathen round about.

V² 13 °Put ye in the °sickle, for °the harvest is ripe: come, °get you down; for the °press is full, the °fats overflow; for °their °wickedness is great.

T³ 14 °Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of °decision:

U³ for °the day of °the LORD is near in the valley of °decision.

Mic. 4. 3, when Hos. 2. 18 shall be fulfilled.

yourselves. Cp. 3. 2. Heb. 'ashū = haste ye, as in Sept. and Vulg. Occurs only here.

nations. thither. To the valley of Jehoshaphat. Thy mighty ones. Cp. Ps. 103. 20. Isa. 13. 3.

12 wakened. Cp. 3. 2. and come up. Cp. Ps. 96. 13; 98. 9; 110. 6. Isa. 2. 4; 3. 13. Mic. 4. 3.

there will I sit, &c. See v. 2. 13 Put ye in the sickle. Cp. Matt. 13. 30. Rev. 14. 15, 18.

sickle = vintage-knife. Heb. maggāl. Occurs only here and Jer. 50. 16. the harvest = the vintage. Cp.

Jer. 51. 33. Hos. 6. 11. get you down = go in: i.e. into the winepress = tread ye. press. Heb. gath.

fats. Heb. yekeb. See note on 2. 24. their. The 1611 edition of the A.V. reads "the". wicked-

ness. Heb. rā'a'. Ap. 44. viii. 14 Multitudes. Note the Fig. Epizeuxis (Ap. 6), to express "great

multitudes". decision = threshing: i.e. judgment. Cp. Isa. 41. 16. the day, &c. Defining

the time as well as the place. Cp. 2. 1.

3. 1-16- (N², p. 1227). EVIL REMOVED.
(Extended and Repeated Alternation.)

N² T¹ | 1, 2-. Assemblage.
U¹ | -2, 3. Place and Act. "I will plead."
V¹ | 4-8. Judgment. Threatened.
T² | 9-12-. Assemblage.
U² | -12. Place and Act. "I will judge."
V² | 13. Judgment. Executed.
T³ | 14-. Assemblage.
U³ | -14. Place and Act. Time.
V³ | 15, 16-. Judgment. Threatened.

1 For. Binding this portion to what immediately precedes.

behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

in those days, &c. The prophecy, instead of contracting, widens out to the final judgment of the nations (Matt. 25. 31-46, "when the Son of Man shall come in His glory . . . and sit upon the throne of His glory"). There is no resurrection in this chapter or in that.

Here we have the nucleus of the nations of Rev. 21. 24. bring again the captivity. The idiom for restoring the fortunes of. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 30. 3). Ap. 92. Cp. Job 42. 10. Ps. 126. 1, 4. Ezek. 16. 53, &c. Amos 9. 14.

2 I will also gather. Cp. Zech. 14. 2-4. all nations. Put by Fig. Synecdoche (of the Whole),

Ap. 6, for representatives or people from all nations.

the valley of Jehoshaphat. Between Jerusalem and the Mount of Olives. The name then existing is still preserved in the village of Sh'afat; now the Wady Sitti Miriam and Wady Far'aün. Mentioned only here, and in v. 12; the event recorded in 2 Chron. 20. 21-26 being typical of this scene of the future judgment of the nations. Note "to this day".

Jehoshaphat = Jehovah hath judged.

will plead with them = will judge them. Note the Fig. Paronomasia (Ap. 6) for emphasis. Heb. yehōshāphāt venishpatti. Cp. Isa. 66. 16. Ezek. 38. 22.

My. Note the force of this pronoun when Jehovah calls Israel again "Ammi" (Hos. 2. 23). The judgment of Matt. 25 turns on how the nations had treated "My brethren", and not upon the grounds of justification by faith.

My heritage. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 9). Ap. 92.

Israel. Note this; not merely Judah, but the twelve-tribed nation.

3 they have, &c. This describes past sufferings.

Cp. Obad. 16. Nah. 3. 11.

wine. Heb. yayin. Ap. 27. I.

4 coasts = circuit, or region.

Palestine = Philistia.

render = pay back. Cp. Ezek. 25. 15-17.

if = though.

5 pleasant things = things of desire, or valuable things. Cp. Dan. 11. 38.

6 children = sons.

the Grecians. Heb. the sons of the Greeks.

7 I will raise, &c. Cp. Isa. 43. 5, 6, with 49. 12. Jer. 23. 8.

8 Sabeans. Defined as a distant nation. See note on Job 1. 15.

people = nations.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

9 Proclaim, &c. Cp. Isa. 8. 9, 10. Jer. 46. 3, 4. Ezek. 38. 7. Gentiles = nations.

Prepare = hallow.

men. Heb. pl. of 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

10 Beat your plowshares, &c. This precedes the opposite command to be given after this in Isa. 2. 4 and pruninghooks: or, scythes. 11 Assemble

heathen =

nations. Cp. Ps. 103. 20. Isa. 13. 3.

12 wakened. Cp. 3. 2. and come up. Cp. Ps. 96. 13; 98. 9; 110. 6. Isa. 2. 4; 3. 13. Mic. 4. 3.

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15 ° The sun and the moon shall be darkened, and the stars shall withdraw their shining.

16 ° The LORD also shall ° roar out of Zion, and utter His voice from Jerusalem; and ° the heavens and the earth ° shall shake:

M³ ° but ° the LORD *will be* the ° hope of His People, and the ° strength of the ° children of ° Israel.

17 ° So shall ye know that I *am* ° the LORD your ° God ° dwelling in Zion, ° My holy mountain: then shall Jerusalem be ° holy, and there shall ° no ° strangers pass through her any more.

18 And it shall come to pass in ° that day, *that* the ° mountains shall ° drop down ° new wine, and the ° hills shall flow with milk, and all the ° rivers of ° Judah shall flow with waters, and ° a fountain shall come forth of the house of ° the LORD, and shall water the valley of ° Shittim.

N³ 19 Egypt shall be a desolation, and Edom shall be a desolate wilderness, for the ° violence *against* the ° children of Judah, because they have shed ° innocent blood in their land.

M⁴ 20 But ° Judah shall ° dwell for ever, and Jerusalem from generation to generation.

21 For I will ° cleanse their blood *that* I ° have not ° cleansed: for ° the LORD ° dwelleth in Zion.

15 The sun and the moon, &c. Cp. 2. 10, 31.

16 The LORD = But Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. roar out of Zion. Cp. Jer. 25. 30. Ezek. 38. 18-22. Amos 1. 2. roar = thunder.

the heavens . . . shall shake. Cp. 2. 10. Hag. 2. 6. but the LORD. Cp. Isa. 51. 5, 6.

hope = refuge.

strength = stronghold.

17 So shall ye know, &c. Cp. 2. 27. See note on Ezek. 6. 7.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

My holy mountain. Cp. Dan. 11. 45. Obad. 16. Zech. 8. 3.

holy = holiness. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

no strangers. Cp. Isa. 35. 8; 52. 1. Nah. 1. 15. Zech. 14. 21. Rev. 21. 27. strangers = foreigners.

18 that day. Cp. v. 1.

mountains . . . hills. Cp. Amos 9. 13.

drop down = distil.

new wine = sweet wine, or mead. Heb. 'asîs. Ap. 27. V.

rivers. Heb. 'aphikîm. See note on "channels", 2. Sam. 22. 16.

Judah. The country; not the People.

a fountain, &c. Ezek. 47. 1. Zech. 14. 8. Rev. 22. 1. See Ap. 68.

Shittim = the acacias. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 33. 49). Ap. 92.

19 violence against. Genitive of Relation. Ap. 17. 5. innocent blood. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 19. 10; 27. 25).

20 dwell = remain, or be established.

21 cleanse . . . cleansed = clear . . . cleared. This could be done only by avenging it; for God will "by no means clear the guilty" (Ex. 34. 7. Num. 14. 18); and Egypt, Edom, &c., were guilty (v. 19), and are not to be

"cleansed", but punished for shedding Judah's blood. The Heb. *nāḳāh* is not used of cleansing, naturally or ceremonially. Not the same word as Isa. 4. 4. The Sept. and Syr. render it "make inquisition for" in 2 Kings 9. 7; and evidently read *nākam* = to avenge (akin to *nāḳāh*). This would be a vivid ref. to Pent. in Deut. 32. 42, 43, the parallel event. Cp. Rev. 6. 10, 11. have not = had not. dwelleth in Zion = is about to make His dwelling in Zion. Thus ending like Ezekiel (Ezek. 48. 35), Jehovah Shammah. Cp. 3. 17. Ps. 87. 3. Rev. 21. 3.

AMOS.

THE STRUCTURE OF THE BOOK AS A WHOLE.

(*Repeated Alternation.*)

1. 1, 2. THE TITLE.

B ²	A ¹ 1. 3—6. 14. LITERAL. PROPHETIC.
	B ¹ 7. 1-9. SYMBOLIC. GRASSHOPPERS. FIRE. PLUMBLINE.
	A ² 7. 10-17. LITERAL. PROPHETIC.
	B ² 8. 1-3. SYMBOLIC. BASKET OF SUMMER FRUIT.
	A ³ 8. 4-14. LITERAL. PROPHETIC.
	B ³ 9. 1-4. SYMBOLIC. STRIKING THE LINTEL.
	A ⁴ 9. 5-15. LITERAL. PROPHETIC.

For the CANONICAL order and place of the Prophets, see Ap. 1 and p. 1207.

For the CHRONOLOGICAL order of the Prophets, see Ap. 77.

For the Inter-relation of the Prophetic Books, see Ap. 78.

For the Inter-relation of the Minor (or Shorter) Prophets, see p. 1206.

For the Formulae of prophetic utterances. See Ap. 82.

For references to the Pentateuch by the Prophets, see Ap. 92.

Amos corresponds to HOSEA, the link being Jeroboam II (2 Kings 14. 27). See p. 1206. A native of Judah, he prophesied *in* Israel (1. 1; 7. 10), and *against* Israel. As Jeroboam II died in the fourteenth year of Uzziah king of Judah, Amos was among the earliest of all the prophets (chronologically). Hence :

The references to Israel's *Religious* History show that the Law and Commandments were known (2. 4) though not kept, but despised (2. 4); that Israel was oppressive (2. 6), impure (2. 7), luxurious (6. 1-6), idolatrous (2. 8); that they had had earlier prophets (2. 11; 7. 14; 8. 11); that Israel alone knew the true God (3. 2); that Beth-el and Gilgal had been places of transgression (3. 14; 4. 4; 5. 5).

The references to Israel's *Internal* History show that the nation had once been one (3. 1); that Joseph's history was well known (6. 6); that the high places of Israel were known (7. 9); as was David (6. 5).

The references to Israel's *External* History show that the Exodus was known (2. 10; 3. 1; 5. 25; 9. 7); that the nation had wandered in the wilderness (2. 10; 5. 25); and were idolaters there (5. 25, 26); that the Amorites had been destroyed (2. 9, 10); that Gilead (1. 13) and Sodom (4. 11) had been destroyed.

The references to the *Ceremonial* Law show that it could not have been written after the days of Amos. Note the references to Burnt offerings (4. 4; 5. 22), and the Altar of Burnt offerings (9. 1); Meal offerings (5. 22); Peace offerings (5. 22); Thank offerings (4. 5); Free-will offerings (4. 5); Feast days (5. 21); Feast of New Moon (8. 5); the Sabbath laws (8. 5); laws as to debt (8. 6); to vows (2. 11, 12); to baldness for the dead (8. 10); to pledges (2. 8), and many other things.

As to the dating of Amos, it is "concerning ISRAEL in the days of Uzziah and Jeroboam II, two years before the earthquake" (1. 1).

Uzziah and Jeroboam II were contemporary from the twenty-seventh year of Jeroboam till his forty-second year: i.e. fourteen years (from 701-687 B.C.). See Ap. 50.

The inference is that the earthquake and Jeroboam's end coincide; and that the "gap" of twenty-four years in the history of Israel (see Ap. 50, p. 59) was caused by, or in some way related to, the earthquake (687 B.C.), and before Zachariah began his reign of six months.

"Two years before the earthquake" would be 689-688 (a jubilee year). *At that time the prophecy of Amos commenced* (689 B.C.). He declared the death of Jeroboam by the sword (7. 11), and the captivity (7. 11), which took place seventy-eight years later (in 611 B.C.).

Possibly he was "chased out" of Israel into Judah by Amaziah the priest of Beth-el, on the charge of treason against Jeroboam (7. 10-17); or he may have remained (most probably) and perished in the earthquake, as there is no reference to that catastrophe, which might be expected, if his prophecies had extended *beyond* that great landmark in the history of Israel. It would, in that case, follow that the period covered by Amos was during those two years, which would be 689-687 B.C.

The death of Jeroboam II presumably took place before, or about the time of, the earthquake.

AMOS.

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1 °THE words of °Amos, who was among the °herdmen of °Tekoa, °which he °saw concerning °Israel °in the days of Uzziah king of Judah, and in the days of °Jeroboam the son of Joash king of Israel, °two years before °the earthquake.

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2 And °he said, °“The LORD will °roar from Zion, and °utter His voice from Jerusalem; and the °habitations of the °shepherds shall mourn, and the °top of Carmel shall °wither.”

3 °Thus saith °the LORD; “For °three °transgressions of Damascus, and for four,

b I will not °turn away °the punishment thereof;

a because they have °threshed Gilead °with threshing instruments of iron:

b **4** But °I will send a fire into the house of °Hazeal, which shall devour the °palaces of °Ben-hadad.

5 I will break also °the bar of Damascus, and cut off °the inhabitant from the plain of °Aven, and him that holdeth the sceptre from °the house of Eden: and the people of Syria shall go into captivity unto °Kir,” saith °the LORD.

TITLE. 1 The words of Amos. But the words of Jehovah by Amos. See v. 3.

Amos = Burden.

herdmen = shepherds. Heb. *nōk'dim*; so called from a peculiar breed of stunted sheep (with fine wool). Mesha was called a *nōkēd*, rendered “sheepmaster” (2 Kings 3. 4). See Ap. 54. Occurs only in these two places. But Amos was also a herdman, as is clear from 7. 14; where *bōkēr* is from *bākār*, an ox, and hence is connected with ploughing (1 Kings 19. 19, 21, &c.). See note on 7. 14.

Tekoa. Now *Khan Tekū'a*, five miles south of Bethlehem, and ten from Jerusalem. Cp. 2 Sam. 14. 2. 2 Chron. 20. 20.

which = which [words].

saw = saw [in a vision]. Cp. Num. 24. 4, 16. Isa. 30. 10. Ezek. 12. 27.

Israel. This gives us the subject of the book, in the days. Cp. Hos. 1. 1.

Jeroboam. See 7. 10.

two years before the earthquake: i.e. before the one well known and remembered. Cp. Zech. 14. 5.

the earthquake. Fig. *Hysterēsis*. Ap. 6.

2 he said. Thus writing the words down.

The LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. This title is not the usual one in this book.

roar = roar as a lion, or thunder. It is always, when predicated of the LORD, connected with the end of Gentile dominion. Cp. Jer. 25. 30. Joel 3. 16.

utter = give out.

habitations = pastures.

top of Carmel.

shepherds. Not the same word as in v. 1, but the usual word (*rā'āh* = tenders). Mount Carmel in the north, thus embracing the whole land; now *Jebel Kūrmūl*; not Carmel in Judah (south of Hebron); now *el Kūrmūl*. Cp. 1 Sam. 25. 2. Isa. 33. 9.

wither = be dried up.

1. 2-6. 14 (A¹, p. 1231). LITERAL. PROPHETIC. (*Division*.)

A ¹	A ¹	1. 2-2. 16. Israel, Judah, and other nations.
	A ²	3. 1-6. 14. Israel alone.

1. 2-2. 16 (A¹, above). ISRAEL, JUDAH, AND OTHER NATIONS. (*Repeated Alternation, and Introversion.*)

A ¹	B ¹	D ¹	1. 2-5. North. (Damascus.)
		E ¹	1. 6-8. South. (Gaza.)
		C ¹	1. 9, 10. Middle. (Tyre.)
	B ²	E ²	1. 11, 12. South. (Edom.)
		D ²	1. 13-15. North. (Ammon.)
		C ²	2. 1-3. Middle. (Moab.)
	B ³	E ³	2. 4, 5. South. (Judah.)
		D ³	2. 6-16. North. (Israel.)

1. 2-5 (D¹, above). NORTH. DAMASCUS. (*Alternation.*)

D ¹	a	2-. Transgressions. (General.)
	b	-3-. Threatening. (Negative.)
	a	-3. Transgressions. (Particular.)
	b	4, 5. Threatening. (Positive.)

3 Thus saith the LORD. Jehovah's words: not the words of Amos. The prophetic formula. See Ap. 82. See the twelve with Jehovah, in vv. 3, 6, 9, 11, 13; 2. 1, 4, 6; 3. 12; 5. 4; 16; 7. 17; and the two with Adonai Jehovah in 3. 11; 5. 3.

three . . . four. Hebrew idiom to express several, or many (Job 33. 29, marg.). Cp. Prov. 30. 15, 18, 21, 29. transgressions. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix. turn away = turn it back, or avert it. the punishment thereof. There is no *Ellipsis* to be supplied, and no separate

Heb. word for “thereof”. The Heb. is *lo' 'āshībennā*, I will not cause it to turn back: i.e. I will not avert it. The pronoun “it” is masc., agreeing with and referring to earthquake (v. 1), and means that Jehovah would not avert it. So in all the eight occurrences (vv. 3, 6, 9, 11, 13; 2. 1, 4, 6). threshed Gilead. Cp. Joel 3. 14. The very term used in 2 Kings 13. 7.

4 I will send a fire. Cp. 1. 7, 10, 12; 2. 2, 5. Ref. to Jer. 17. 27; 49. 27; 50. 32. Hos. 8. 14. Hazeal. Cp. 2 Kings 8. 12; 10. 32, 33; 13. 3. palaces: or fortresses. Heb. *'armōn*. Occurs (in pl.) twelve times in Amos (see Ap. 10): 1. 4, 7, 10, 12, 14; 2. 2, 5; 3. 9, 9, 10, 11; 6. 8; seven times with the verb “devour” (Heb. *'ākal*).

Ben-hadad. An official title of the Syrian kings = son of Hadad: i.e. the sun-god. The Ben-hadad of 2 Kings 13. 3; not of 2 Kings 8. 7-15. **5** the bar. Note the Fig. *Metalepsis* (Ap. 6), by which “bar” is put by Fig. *Metalepsis*, Ap. 6, for the gates, and then the gates put for defence of the city. Cp. Deut. 3. 5. 1 Kings 4. 13. Jer. 51. 30. Lam. 2. 9. the inhabitant: or, him that is seated: i.e. the ruler, corresponding with the next line.

Aven. Same as Beth-aven, east of Beth-el, belonging to Benjamin. Cp. Hos. 4. 15; 5. 8; 10. 5, 8. the house of Eden = Beth-eden. Kir. So in 9. 7. 2 Kings 16. 9. Isa. 22. 6.

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6 ³Thus saith ²the LORD; "For ³three
³transgressions of °Gaza, and for four,

d ³I will not turn away ³the punishment thereof;
c because they carried away captive °the whole
°captivity, to deliver them up to Edom:

d 7 But I will send a fire on the °wall of °Gaza,
which shall devour the °palaces thereof:

8 And I will cut off °the inhabitant from
°Ashdod, and him that holdeth the sceptre
from °Ashkelon, and I will turn Mine hand
against °Ekron: and the remnant of the
Philistines shall perish, °saith °the Lord GOD.

C¹ e 9 Thus ³saith ²the LORD; "For ³three
³transgressions of °Tyrus, and for four,

f ³I will not turn away ³the punishment thereof;
e because they delivered up °the whole captivity
to Edom, and remembered not °the brotherly
covenant:

f 10 But °I will send a fire on the °wall of Ty-
rus, which shall devour the °palaces thereof."

B² E² g 11 ³Thus saith ²the LORD; "For ³three
³transgressions of °Edom, and for four,

h ³I will not turn away ³the punishment thereof;
g °because he did pursue °his brother with the
sword, and did cast off all pity, and his anger
did °tear perpetually, and °he kept his wrath
for ever:

h 12 But °I will send a fire upon °Teman,
which shall devour the °palaces of °Bozrah."

D² i 13 ³Thus saith ²the LORD; "For ³three
³transgressions of the °children of °Ammon,
and for four,

k ³I will not turn away ³the punishment thereof;
i because they have °ripped up the women with
child of Gilead, °that they might enlarge their
border:

k 14 But I will kindle a fire in the °wall of
°Rabbah, and it shall devour the °palaces
thereof, with °shouting in °the day of battle,
with a tempest in the day of the whirlwind:

15 And their king shall go into captivity, °he
and his princes together, °saith the LORD.

C² l 2 °Thus saith °the LORD; "For °three
°transgressions of °Moab, and for °four,

m °I will not turn away °the punishment thereof;

l °because he burned the bones of the king of
Edom into lime:

Ammon. Cp. 1 Sam. 11. 1.

they might, &c. Cp. Jer. 49. 1.

of waters", twenty-five miles north of the Dead Sea. Cp. 2 Sam. 11. 1, and 12. 26, 27. Jer. 49. 2. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 3. 10, 11). Ap. 92.

their foe's tumultuous assault.

ripped up, &c. Foretold in Hos. 13. 16. 2 Kings 8. 12; 15. 16. that

14 Rabbah. Now 'Amman (on the highlands of Gilead), "the city
of waters", twenty-five miles north of the Dead Sea. Cp. 2 Sam. 11. 1, and 12. 26, 27. Jer. 49. 2. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 3. 10, 11). Ap. 92.

shouting = a great war-cry. the day of battle: i.e. the day of

15 he. Ginsburg thinks it = his priests, with Sept.

2. 1-3 (C², p. 1232). MIDDLE. MOAB. (Alternation.)

C² | 1 | 1-. Transgressions. (General.)
m | -1-. Threatening. (Negative.)
l | -1. Transgressions. (Particular.)
m | 2, 3. Threatening. (Positive.)

1 Thus saith the LORD. See note on 1. 3.

four. See note on 1. 3.

Ezek. 25. 8-11. Zeph. 2. 8.

See note on 1. 3.

transgressions. See note on 1. 3.

I will not, &c.

because he, &c. Cp. 2 Kings 3. 27.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

three ...

Moab. Cp. Isa. 15 and 16. Jer. 48.

the punishment thereof.

1. 6-8 (E¹, p. 1232). SOUTH. GAZA.
(Alternation.)

E¹ | c | 6-. Transgressions. (General.)
d | -6-. Threatening. (Negative.)
c | -6. Transgressions. (Particular.)
d | 7, 8. Threatening. (Positive.)

6 Gaza. Now Ghūzzeh, in Philistia.

the whole captivity = a wholesale captivity.

captivity = captives. Put by Fig. *Melonymy* (of Ad-
junct), Ap. 6, for a whole body of captives. See Jer.
13. 19. Cp. Jer. 47. 1. 2 Chron. 21. 16, 17; 28. 17.

7 wall. Put by Fig. *Synecdochē* (of Part), Ap. 6, for
the whole city.

8 Ashdod. Afterward called by the Greeks, "Azotus".
Now *Esdūd*, in the plain of Philistia, thirty-five miles
north of Gaza.

Ashkelon. Now 'Askalan, on the coast of Philistia.

Ekron. Afterward, Greek, "Accaron" (1 Macc. 10. 89).
Now 'Akir, six miles west of Gezer. For "Gezer" see
note on 1 Kings 9. 15-17.

saith = hath said.

the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. Ap. 4. VIII
(2) and II. This Divine title occurs twenty-one times
(7 × 3. See Ap. 10) in this book (1. 8; 3. 7, 8, 11, 13; 4. 2, 5;
5. 3; 6. 8; 7. 1, 2, 4, 5, 6; 8. 1, 3, 9, 11; 9. 6, 8). For
"thus hath said Adonai Jehovah" see 3. 11.

1. 9, 10 (C¹, p. 1232). MIDDLE. TYRE.
(Alternation.)

C¹ | e | 9-. Transgressions. (General.)
f | -9-. Threatening. (Negative.)
e | -9. Transgressions. (Particular.)
f | 10. Threatening. (Positive.)

9 Tyrus. Now *es Sūr*. See notes on Isa. 23. Jer. 25. 22;
47. 4. Also Ezek. 26-28. Joel 3. 4, 5.

the brotherly covenant = a covenant of brethren.
Cp. 2 Sam. 5. 11. 1 Kings 5. 1; 9. 11-14.

1. 11, 12 (E², p. 1232). SOUTH. EDOM.
(Alternation.)

E² | g | 11-. Transgression. (General.)
h | -11-. Threatening. (Negative.)
g | -11. Transgression. (Particular.)
h | 12. Threatening. (Positive.)

11 Edom. Cp. Isa. 21. 11; 34. 5. Jer. 49. 8, &c. Ezek.
25. 12-14; 35. 2, &c. Joel 3. 19. Obad. 1. Mal. 1. 4.

because, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 27. 41. Cp. Dent.
23. 7). Ap. 92. Cp. Mal. 1. 2.

his brother. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 25. 24-26).

tear perpetually: or, tear [his prey] perpetually.

Ginsburg thinks = kept his grudge. Cp. 2 Chron. 28. 17.
he. The 1611 edition of the A. V. omits "he".

12 Teman. Cp. Jer. 49. 7. Obad. 9. Hab. 3. 3. Eli-
phaz was a Temanite (Job 2. 11, &c.).

Bozrah. Now *el Buseirah*, south-east of the Dead Sea.

1. 13-15 (D², p. 1232). NORTH. AMMON.
(Alternation.)

D² | i | 13-. Transgressions. (General.)
k | -13-. Threatening. (Negative.)
i | -13. Transgressions. (Particular.)
k | 14, 15. Threatening. (Positive.)

13 children = sons.

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2 But I will send a fire upon ¹Moab, and it shall devour the °palaces of °Kiriath: and Moab shall die with tumult, with °shouting, and with the sound of the °trumpet:

3 And I will cut off the °judge from °the midst thereof, and will slay all the princes thereof with him," saith ¹the LORD.

B³ E³ n

4 ¹Thus saith ¹the LORD; "For ¹three ¹transgressions of Judah, and for four,

o ¹I will not turn away ¹the punishment thereof;
n °because they have despised the law of ¹the LORD, and have not kept His °commandments, and °their lies caused them to err, after the which their fathers have walked:

o 5 But I will send a fire upon Judah, and it shall devour the ²palaces of Jerusalem."

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6 ¹Thus saith ¹the LORD; "For ¹three ¹transgressions of Israel, and for four,

q I will not ¹turn away ¹the punishment thereof;

p because °they sold °the righteous for silver, and °the poor for °a pair of shoes;

7 That °pant after the dust of the earth on the head of °the poor, and °turn aside the way of °the meek: and °a man °and his father will go in unto the same °maid, °to profane My °holy name:

8 And they °lay themselves down upon clothes laid to pledge by °every altar, and they drink the °wine °of the condemned in the house of their god.

9 °Yet destroyed ³ °the Amorite before °them, whose °height was like the height of the cedars, and he was strong as the oaks; yet I destroyed his fruit from above, and his roots from beneath.

10 Also °³ brought you up from the land of Egypt, °and led you forty years through the wilderness, to possess the land of the Amorite.

11 And °I raised up of your sons for prophets, and of your young men °for Nazarites. °Is it not even thus, O ye °children of Israel? °saith ¹the LORD.

12 But °ye gave the Nazarites wine to drink; and commanded the prophets, saying, 'Prophecy not.'

q 13 Behold, ³ am pressed under you, °as a cart is pressed that is full of sheaves.

14 Therefore the flight shall perish from the swift, and the strong shall not strengthen his force, neither shall the mighty deliver °himself:

15 Neither shall he stand that handleth the bow; and he that is swift of foot shall not deliver himself: neither shall he that rideth the horse deliver °himself.

16 And he that is °courageous among the mighty shall flee away °naked in that day, ¹¹saith ¹the LORD.

2 palaces. See note on 1. 4.

Kiriath: or, his cities. Now *el Kureiyat*, or Kiria-thaim, between Dibon and Medeba. Mentioned by Mesha on the Moabite Stone. See Ap. 54.

shouting = war-cry. Cp. 1. 14.

trumpet. Heb. *shophar*.

3 judge = sceptre-holder (Num. 24. 17).

the midst thereof = her midst. Fem. to agree with *'erez* (understood) = the midst of her [land].

2. 4, 5 (E³, p. 1232). SOUTH. JUDAH. (Alternation.)

E³ | n | 4-. Transgressions. (General.)

o | -4-. Threatening. (Negative.)

n | -4-. Transgressions. (Particular.)

o | 5. Threatening. (Positive.)

4 because . . . despised, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 14, 15, 43). Ap. 92.

commandments = statutes.

their lies = their idols. Cp. 2 Kings 17. 15. Ps. 40. 4. Isa. 28. 15. Jer. 16. 17-20.

2. 6-16 (D³, p. 1232). NORTH. ISRAEL. (Alternation.)

D³ | p | 6-. Transgressions. (General.)

q | -6-. Threatening. (Negative.)

p | -6-12. Transgressions. (Particular.)

q | 13-16. Threatening. (Positive.)

6 they sold. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 25. 39. Deut. 15. 12).

Ap. 92. A Hebrew might sell himself, but not his brother or an insolvent debtor (2 Kings 4. 1. Neh. 5. 5).

the righteous = a righteous one.

the poor = a needy one. Heb. *'ebyon*. See note on "poverty", Prov. 6. 11.

a pair of shoes. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the title-deeds of which it was the token. Cp. Ruth 4. 7.

7 pant = crush. Heb. *shā'aph*. A *Homonym*, meaning (1) to gasp or long for (Job 7. 2; 36. 20. Ps. 119. 131. Ecc. 1. 5. Jer. 2. 24; 14. 6); (2) to crush (like *shūph* in Gen. 3. 15). Rendered "swallow up" in 8. 4. Job 5. 5. Pss. 56. 1, 2; 57. 3. Ezek. 36. 3. So here it = crush. See Oxford *Gesenius*, p. 983, col. 2. Render: "crush the head of the poor ones in the dust of the earth".

the poor = impoverished ones. Heb. *dal* (pl.). See note on "poverty", Prov. 6. 11. Not the same word as in v. 6.

turn aside the way = pervert their whole way.

the meek = humble ones. Heb. pl. of *'anī*. See note on "poverty", Prov. 6. 11.

a man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

and his father. This was done in the Canaanite idolatry, with the women of the temples, called *Kādēshōth* (fem.) and *Kādēshim* (masc.).

maid = a young person (male or female). So called because of youthful vigour.

to profane, &c. This marks the result, not the intention, and shows the enormity of the sin in Jehovah's sight. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 18. 21; 20. 3). Ap. 92. Cp. Isa. 48. 11. Ezek. 20. 9, 14; 36. 20-23. Rom. 2. 24. 1 Cor. 5. 1.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

8 lay themselves down, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 22. 26. Deut. 24. 12). Ap. 92.

every altar. The sin lay in the fact that the law of the one altar had been known as an ancient commandment as well as the law concerning the restoration of pledged garments.

wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. I.

of the condemned: or, exacted wine.

9 Yet. Former blessings now cited to heighten the crime of their fivefold rebellion. the Amorite. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 21. 24. Deut. 2. 32-34). Ap. 92. Cp. Josh. 24. 8. These being the descendants of the *Nephilim* were all to have been destroyed, with the other Canaanite nations, by the sword of Israel. See Ap. 23 and 25. them. Some codices, with three early printed editions, read "you". height.

Ref. to Pent. (Num. 13. 32, 33). Ap. 92. 10 ³ brought, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 12. 51. Deut. 4. 47 (Sihon)). Ap. 92. and led you, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 2. 7; 8. 2). Ap. 92. 11 I raised up, &c. Not

till the priests had failed in their duty to teach the law. See Lev. 10. 8, 11. Deut. 33. 8, 10. Prophets were not provided originally. for Nazarites. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 6. 2). Ap. 92. Is it not . . . ?

Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. children = sons. saith the LORD = [is] Jehovah's oracle. 12 ye gave, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 6. 2, 3). Ap. 92. 13 as a cart according as [a full] cart. 14 himself = his soul.

Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. 16 courageous = stout in heart. Ap. 92. naked: or, armourless.

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3 Hear this word that °the LORD hath spoken against you, O °children of Israel, against the whole family which °I brought up from the land of Egypt, saying,

H **2** °“You only have I known of all the families of the °earth:

J therefore I will °punish you for all your °iniquities.

G **3** °Can two walk together, except they °be agreed?

4 °Will a lion roar in the °forest, when he hath no prey? will a young lion cry out of his den, if he have taken nothing?

5 °Can a bird fall in a °snare upon the earth, where no °gin is for him? shall one take up a °snare from the earth, and have taken nothing at all?

6 °Shall a °trumpet be blown in the city, and the people °not be afraid? °shall there be °evil in a city, °and °the LORD hath not °done it?

7 °Surely °the LORD GOD °will do nothing, but He °revealeth His °secret unto His servants the prophets.

8 °The lion hath roared, who will not fear? °the LORD GOD hath spoken, °who can but prophesy?

9 Publish in the °palaces at Ashdod, and in the °palaces in the land of Egypt, and say, ‘Assemble yourselves upon the mountains of Samaria, and behold the great tumults in the midst thereof, and °the oppressed in the midst thereof.’

H **10** For °they know not to do °right, °saith °the LORD, who store up violence and robbery in their °palaces.’

J **11** Therefore °thus saith °the LORD GOD; °“An adversary there shall be even round about the land; and he shall bring down thy strength from thee, and thy °palaces shall be spoiled.”

12 °Thus saith °the LORD; °“As the shepherd °taketh out of the mouth of the lion two legs, or °a piece of an ear; so shall the °children of Israel be taken out that dwell in Samaria in the corner of a bed, and in Damascus °in a couch.

13 Hear ye, and testify in °the house of Jacob, °saith °the LORD GOD, the God of hosts,

14 That °in the day that I shall visit the transgressions of Israel upon him I will also visit the altars of Beth-el: and the horns of the altar shall be cut off, and fall to the °ground.

15 And I will smite the °winter house with the °summer house; and the °houses of ivory shall perish, and °the great houses shall have an end, °saith °the LORD.

3. 1—6. 14 (A², p. 1232). ISRAEL ALONE. (*Division*.)

A² F¹ | 3. 1-15. The whole family from Egypt.
F² | 4. 1-13. The Northern Kingdom. (Kine of Bashan.)
F³ | 5. 1-6. 14. Lamentations. “Woe, Woe.”

3. 1-15 (F¹, above). THE WHOLE FAMILY FROM EGYPT. (*Extended Alternation*.)

F¹ | G | 1. Call to Hear.
H | 2-. Jehovah. “I have known.”
J | -2. Threatening.
G | 3-9. Call to Answer.
H | 10. Israel. “They know not.”
J | 11-15. Threatening.

1 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

children = sons. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Aram., and Sept., read “house”. Either reading shows that these chapters relate to the twelve-tribed nation (see p. 1206).

I brought up, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 12. 51, &c.).

2 You only have I known, &c. See the Structure above. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 7. 6). Ap. 92. Cp. Ps. 147. 19, 20.

earth = soil. Heb. ‘ādāmāh.
punish you = visit upon you, as in v. 14. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 32. 34). Ap. 92.

iniquities. Heb. ‘āvāh. Ap. 44. iv.

3 Can two . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis* (in neg. affirmation). Ap. 6. This is the first of five parables. The answer to each is self-evident.

be agreed = have met together by appointment [of time and place]. **4** Will . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

forest = thicket. **5** snare = net. Heb. *phāh*.

gin = a snare, or trap. Gin is short for the Old French *engin*, which is from Latin *ingenium*; hence, something ingenious. **6** Shall . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

trumpet. Heb. *shophar*.

not be afraid = not run together.

evil = calamity; as in 5. 13. Ps. 141. 5. Heb. *rā’a’*.

Ap. 44. viii. = evil: not moral evil, but evil inflicted

in judgment, as in 5. 13. Isa. 45. 7. Jer. 18. 11. Lam. 3. 38.

and the LORD hath not done it? With the true meaning of “evil” there is no need to do violence to the Heb. to defend Jehovah’s righteous dealings.

done = inflicted.

7 Surely - [No:] for. Cp. Job 31. 18. Mic. 6. 4. The reason follows and is explained.

the LORD GOD. See note on 1. 7.

will do = doeth. Heb. ‘āsah = work, execute (Ex. 12. 12. Num. 5. 30; 33. 4. Deut. 10. 18; 33. 21, &c.).

revealeth. As He did to Abraham, His “prophet” (Gen. 20. 7) in Gen. 18. 17, &c., and has since done by His prophets. Cp. Gen. 6. 13. Ps. 25. 14. John 15. 15.

secret = secret counsel. Heb. *šōd*. Cp. Job 15. 8; 29. 4. Prov. 3. 32.

8 The lion hath roared. Fig. *Hypocatastasis*. Ap. 6. the LORD GOD hath spoken. Fig. *Hermeneia*. Ap. 6.

Explaining the Fig. *Hypocatastasis* in the preceding line. who can but prophesy? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Some

modern critics alter the Heb. to “be frightened”, not seeing that it is through the prophets that God speaks (Heb. 1. 1). **9** palaces. See note on 1. 4.

the oppressed = oppressive acts. Heb. ‘āshūkīm = oppressed by violent and forcible exactions. Occurs only here; Job 35. 9; and Ecc. 4. 1. Ref. to Pent. (Lev.

right = straight.

10 they know not. Marking the Structure. **11** thus saith the LORD GOD. The first of three occurrences of this formula in Amos. See note on 1. 3.

An adversary = An adversary [shall come]. Fig. *Ellipsis*. Ap. 6.

12 Thus saith the LORD. See note on 1. 3. As = Just as, or

according as. taketh = rescueth, like a brand plucked from the burning. a piece = the tip. in

a couch = [in the corner of] a couch: i.e. luxuriously. Cp. 6. 1-4. *Ellipsis* (of Repetition). Ap. 6.

13 the house of Jacob: i.e. the whole of the natural seed. See note on v. 1. God. Heb. *Elohim*.

Ap. 4. I. saith the LORD GOD, the God of hosts = [is] the oracle of Adonai Jehovah, the Elohim of

Zebaioth. **14** in the day that, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 32. 34). Ap. 92. ground = earth. Heb. ‘ereṣ.

15 winter house. Cp. Jer. 36. 22. summer house. Cp. Judg. 3. 20. houses of ivory. Put by

Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Whole), Ap. 6, for the parts inlaid, panelled, or overlaid with ivory. Cp. 1 Kings

22. 39. Ps. 45. 8. the great = many.

19. 13. Deut. 24. 14). Ap. 92.

forward. Heb. *nākah*. A rare word. Occurs only in 2 Sam. 15. 3. Prov. 8. 9 (“plain”); 24. 26. Isa. 26. 10 (“uprightness”); 30. 10 (“right things”); 57. 2 (“uprightness”); 59. 14 (“equity”). saith the LORD =

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4 °Hear this word, ye °kine of Bashan, that
are in the °mountain of Samaria, which
°oppress °the poor,

L which crush °the needy, which °say to °their
masters, 'Bring, and let us drink.'

M **2** °The Lord GOD hath °sworn by His holi-
ness, that, °lo, the days shall come upon you,
that He will take you away with °hooks, and
°your posterity with fishhooks.

3 And ye shall go out at the breaches, every
°cow °at that which is °before her; and °ye
shall cast them into the palace, °saith °the
LORD.

K **4** °Come to Beth-el, and °transgress; at
°Gilgal multiply °transgression; and bring
your sacrifices every morning, and your tithes
after three years:

5 And °offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving °with
leaven, and proclaim and publish the °free
offerings: for °this liketh you, O ye °children
of Israel, °saith °the Lord GOD.

L r¹ **6** And I also have given you °cleanness of
teeth in all your cities, and want of bread in
all your places:

s¹ °yet have ye not returned unto Me, °saith
°the LORD.

r² **7** And also °I have withholden the rain
from you, when there were yet three months
to the harvest: and I caused it to rain upon
one city, and caused it not to rain upon an-
other city: one °piece was rained upon, and
the °piece whereupon °it rained not withered.

8 So two or three cities wandered unto one
city, to drink water; but they were not satis-
fied:

s² °yet have ye not returned unto Me, °saith
°the LORD.

r³ **9** °I have smitten you with blasting and
mildew: when your gardens and your vine-
yards and your fig trees and your olive trees
increased, °the palmerworm devoured them:

s³ °yet have ye not returned unto Me, °saith
°the LORD.

with leaven. Leavened bread might be eaten by the offerer, but not consumed on the altar (Lev. 2. 11, 12).
Leaven is mentioned five times in Exodus; four in Leviticus; one in Deuteronomy; and not elsewhere.
The Mosaic law was well known. Ap. 92. There was no "historic growth" of the Pentateuch. free
offerings. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 22. 18, 21. Deut. 12. 6). Ap. 92. this liketh you = so ye have loved
[to have it]. children = sons. saith the Lord GOD = [is] Adonai Jehovah's oracle.

4. 6-11 (L, above). JUDGMENTS INFLECTED. (Repeated Alternation.)

L r¹ | 6-. Judgment. (Famine.)
s¹ | -6. Impenitence.
r² | 7, 8-. Judgment. (Drought.)
s² | -8. Impenitence.
r³ | 9-. Judgment. (Blasting.)
s³ | -9. Impenitence.
r⁴ | 10-. Judgment. (Pestilence.)
s⁴ | -10. Impenitence.
r⁵ | 11-. Judgment. (Overthrow.)
s⁵ | -11. Impenitence.

6 cleanness of teeth. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for famine. yet have ye
not, &c. Note the Structure above, showing the Fig. Amorbæon (Ap. 6). Cp. Isa. 26. 11. Jer. 5. 3. Hag. 2. 17.
7 I have withholden, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 22-24). piece = portion of land. it.
Ginsburg thinks this should be "I". **9** I have smitten, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 22). Ap. 92.
Cp. Hag. 2. 17. the palmerworm = the gnawer. Heb. gāzām. See note on Joel 1. 4.

4. 1-13 (F², p. 1235). THE NORTHERN KINGDOM.
(THE KINE OF BASHAN.) (Extended Alternation.)

F² K | 1-. Call to Hear.

L | -1. Judgments deserved.

M | 2, 3. Threatening.

K | 4, 5. Call to Come.

L | 6-11. Judgments inflicted.

M | 12, 13. Threatening.

1 Hear . . . ye. Masc.

kine = heifers: the women. Cp. Ps. 22. 12 (masc.).
Ezek. 39. 18 (masc.). mountain = hill country.

oppress. Heb. 'āshak, as in 3. 9 (fem.). Ref. to Pent.
(Lev. 19. 13. Deut. 24. 14). Cp. 1 Sam. 12. 3, 4.

the poor = exhausted ones. Heb. dal (masc.). See note
on "poverty", Prov. 6. 11.

the needy = needy ones. Heb. 'ebyōn (masc.). See note
on "poverty", Prov. 6. 11.

say (fem.).

their (masc.).

2 The Lord GOD. See note on 1. 7.
sworn by His holiness. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 22. 16).

lo. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

hooks. In the Assyrian monuments we see the cap-
tives with literal "hooks" in their noses. Cp. 2 Chron.
33. 11. Job 40. 24; 41. 2. Isa. 37. 29. Ezek. 29. 4.

your posterity = the remnant of you. Heb. 'ahārith,
as in Ezek. 23. 26. Not posterity.

3 cow: i. e. woman.

at that which is before her = each woman through
the breach [in the wall of Samaria].

before her: i. e. without turning to the left or right.
Cp. Josh. 6. 5, 20.

ye shall cast them into the palace. Palace, Heb.
harmōn (see note on 1. 4). Here it is haharmōnah,
which forms the Fig. Paronomasia (Ap. 6) with 'armōn
(3. 11). The clause is to be interpreted by 3. 11, 12, and

5. 27, and would then read:—"ye shall be cast forth
toward Ha-Harmōn". The place is not known, but it
may mean "ye women who are at ease in your palaces"

('armōn, 3. 11, 12) will be cast forth into Ha-Harmōnah:
i. e. into exile. The text is not necessarily "corrupt"

because we do not happen to know a place of that name.
saith the LORD = [is] Jehovah's oracle.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

4 Come to Beth-el, &c. Here we have Divine irony,
as though it meant "Fill up the measure of your
iniquity". Cp. Matt. 23. 32.

transgress . . . transgression. Heb. pāsha'. Ap. 44. ix.
Beth-el . . . Gilgal. Cp. 3. 14; 5. 6. Hos. 4. 15; 9. 15; 12. 11.

after three years. The ref. is to the Pent. (Num.
28. 3. Deut. 14. 28), Ap. 92; not to "days", or to modern

"Mohammedan pilgrimages".

5 offer a sacrifice = offer as incense. Heb. katar.
Ap. 43. I. vii. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 7. 13; 23. 17). Ap. 92.

Cp. Ps. 56. 12. Jer. 17. 26; 33. 1. Heb. 13. 15.

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10 °I have sent among you °the pestilence °after the manner of Egypt: your young men have I slain with the sword, and have °taken away your horses; and °I have made the stink of your camps to come up unto your nostrils:

s⁴ 6 yet have ye not returned unto Me, °saith °the LORD.

r⁵ 11 I have overthrown some of you, °as °God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah, and °ye were as a firebrand plucked out of the burning:

s⁵ 6 yet have ye not returned unto Me, °saith °the LORD.

M 12 Therefore thus will I do unto thee, O Israel: and because I will do this unto thee, °prepare to meet thy °God, O Israel.

13 For, °lo, He That formeth the mountains, and °createth the °wind, and °declareth unto °man what is his thought, °That maketh the morning darkness, °and treadeth upon the high places of the earth, °The LORD, The °God of hosts, °is His name.

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5 Hear ye this word which °I take up against you, even a °lamentation, O °house of Israel.

2 The °virgin of Israel is fallen; °she shall no more rise: she is forsaken upon her °land; °there is none to raise her up.

O¹ t¹ 3 For thus saith °the Lord GOD; 'The city that °went out °by a thousand shall leave an hundred, and that which went forth °by an hundred shall leave ten, °to the house of Israel.'

u¹ 4 For °thus saith °the LORD unto the °house of Israel, °Seek ye Me, and °ye shall live:

5 But seek not °Beth-el, nor enter into °Gilgal, and °pass not to °Beer-sheba: for °Gilgal shall surely go into °captivity, and °Beth-el shall come to nought.

6 °Seek °the LORD, and °ye shall live;

t² lest He break out like fire in the house of °Joseph, and devour it, and there be none to quench it in Beth-el.

O² t⁵ 7 Ye who turn judgment to °wormwood, and °leave off righteousness °in the earth,

u² 8 °Seek Him That maketh °the seven stars and °Orion, and turneth °the shadow of death into the morning, and °maketh the day dark

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. Seek ye Me, &c. Note this word "seek" in the several exhortations ("u¹", "u²", and "u³"). Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 12. 5). Ap. 92. As in Ps. 9. 10. Isa. 9. 13. Jer. 10. 21. Hos. 10. 12. Zeph. 1. 6. ye shall live. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 18. 5, see note there. Deut. 30. 19). Ap. 92. Cp. Isa. 55. 3. 5 Beth-el . . . Gilgal . . . Beer-sheba. Cp. Hos. 4. 15; 10. 8. These were the seats of Israel's idolatrous worship. pass not=pass not through; which was necessary in order to get from the north to Beer-sheba in the south. Cp. 4. 4; 8. 14. Gilgal shall surely go into captivity. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. Heb. *Gilgal gālōh yigleh*=The Roller, rolling, shall roll away: i. e. be utterly removed. This is emphasised by the Fig. *Polyptoton* (Ap. 6). 6 Joseph. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap. 6, for the whole Northern Kingdom. 7 wormwood. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 29. 18). Ap. 92. leave off . . . in=cast down . . . to. 8 the seven stars. Heb. *kimah*=cluster. Modern name, the Pleiades. See notes on Job 9. 9; 38. 31, 32. Cp. Isa. 13. 10; and see Ap. 12. Orion. Heb. *keṣel*=rigidity, strength; from *keṣālīm*=loins (Job 15. 27): hence, "confidence" derived from strength (Job 8. 14; 31. 24, where the Sept. has *ischun*=strength. Ps. 78. 7. Prov. 3. 26). In the Denderah Zodiac his name is *oar*, from Heb. root °Or=light: hence, the glorious One. See Ap. 12. p. 17. Cp. Job 9. 9; 38. 31. the shadow of death. Heb. *ṭalmāvēth*. Not "a late word". We find it ten times in Job; four times in the Psalms. Isa. 9. 2. Jer. 2. 6; 13. 16. maketh the day, &c. Cp. Ps. 104. 20.

10 I have sent, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 25. Deut. 28. 21, 27, 60). Ap. 92.

the pestilence=a pestilence. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the death resulting from it. Sept. renders it "death". See note on 6. 10.

after the manner, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 9. 3, 6; 12. 29. Deut. 28. 27). Ap. 92. Cp. Ps. 78. 50. Isa. 10. 24, 25. taken away, &c. Cp. 2 Kings 13. 7.

I have made, &c. Cp. Joel 2. 20.

11 as God overthrew, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 19. 24, 25. Deut. 29. 23). Ap. 92. Cp. Isa. 13. 19. Jer. 49. 18. God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

ye were as a firebrand, &c. Cp. Zech. 3. 2. Jude 23.

12 prepare to meet, &c.: i. e. in judgment. Cp. Ezek. 13. 5; 22. 30. Verses 11 and 12 are not "out of place" or an "interpolation", but are required by the Structure, "M", p. 1236.

13 createth. Some modern critics allege that this word (Heb. *bārā*, Gen. 1. 1) was not used before the time of Jeremiah; but it is used, besides the Pentateuch, in Pss. 51. 10; 89. 12, 47; 102. 18; 104. 30; 148. 5. Eccles. 12. 1; and in Isaiah frequently.

wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

declareth unto man, &c. Cp. Ps. 139. 2. Dan. 2. 28. man. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

That maketh, &c. Cp. 5. 8; 8. 9.

and treadeth, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 13; 33. 29). Ap. 92. Cp. Mic. 1. 3.

is His name. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 15. 3). Ap. 92. Cp. 5. 8; 9. 6. Isa. 47. 4. Jer. 10. 16.

5. 1-6. 14 (F³, p. 1235). LAMENTATIONS. (Introversions.)

F³ N | 5. 1, 2. Lamentation.

O¹ t¹ | 5. 3. Threatening.

u¹ | 5. 4-6-. Exhortation. "Seek Him."

t² | 5. -6. Threatening.

O² t³ | 5. 7. Incrimination.

u² | 5. 8, 9. Exhortation. "Seek Him."

t⁴ | 5. 10, 11-. Incrimination.

O³ t⁵ | 5. -11-13. Threatening.

u³ | 5. 14, 15. Exhortation. "Seek Good."

t⁶ | 5. 16, 17. Threatening.

N | 5. 18-6. 14. Lamentation.

1 take up=lift up as a burden.

lamentation=dirge.

house of Israel. See note on 3. 1.

2 virgin. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the house of Israel, a young girl who is beloved, as in Hosea. Cp. Isa. 37. 22; 47. 1. Jer. 14. 17; 46. 11, &c. she. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Syr. and Vulg., read "and shall not": i. e. cannot rise again. land=soil. Heb. *ādāmāh*.

there. Some codices read "and [there]".

3 the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. Ap. 4. VIII (2) and II.

went out=goeth out [to war].

by a thousand=a thousand strong. Ref. to Pent.

(Deut. 32. 30). Ap. 92.

by an hundred=a hundred strong.

to=[belonging] to.

4 thus saith. Note the prophetic formula (see Ap. 82), introducing the exhortation, and emphasising it.

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with night: °That °calletth for the waters of the sea, and poureth them out upon the face of the earth: °The LORD °is His name:

9 °That °strengtheneth the spoiled against the strong, °so that the spoiled shall come against the fortress.

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10 °They hate °him that rebuketh °in the gate, and they abhor him that speaketh °uprightly.

11 Forasmuch therefore as your treading is upon °the poor, and ye take from him °burdens of wheat:

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°ye have built houses of hewn stone, but ye shall not dwell in them; ye have planted °pleasant vineyards, but ye shall not drink °wine of them.

12 For I know your manifold °transgressions and your mighty °sins: °they afflict °the just, they °take a bribe, and they °turn aside °the poor ¹⁰ in the gate *from their right*.

13 °Therefore the prudent shall keep silence in that time; for it is °an evil time.

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14 °Seek good, and not ¹³evil, that °ye may live: and so °the LORD, the °God of hosts, shall be with you, °as ye have spoken.

15 °Hate the ¹³evil, and love the good, and establish judgment ¹⁰ in the gate: °it may be that °the LORD ¹⁴God of hosts will be gracious unto the remnant of °Joseph.

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16 Therefore °the LORD, the ¹⁴God of hosts, °the LORD*, saith thus; °Wailing shall be in all °streets; and they shall say in all the highways, °Alas! alas! and they shall call the husbandman to mourning, and such as are °skilful of lamentation to wailing.

17 And in all vineyards shall be wailing: for I will °pass through thee," saith the LORD.

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18 °Woe unto you that desire °the day of °the LORD! to what end is it for you?

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°the day of °the LORD °is °darkness, and not light.

19 ¹⁴As if a °man did flee from °a lion, and °a bear met him; or went into the house, and leaned his hand on the wall, and a serpent bit him.

20 °Shall not ¹⁸the day of °the LORD be ¹⁸darkness, and not light? even very dark, °and no brightness in it?

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21 °I hate, I despise your feast days, and °I will not smell in your °solemn assemblies.

22 Though ye °offer Me °burnt offerings and your °meat offerings, °I will not accept them: neither will I regard the °peace offerings of your fat beasts.

23 °Take thou away from Me the noise of thy songs; for I will not hear the melody of thy °viols.

That=[Seek Him] That.

calletth, &c. Cp. 9. 6. Job 38. 34. Isa. 48. 13. is=it [is].

9 strengtheneth the spoiled against the strong =that makes destruction to come suddenly to flash upon the strong.

so that the, &c.=and destruction will come upon the fortress.

10 They hate, &c. The connection is not "difficult". The Structure is the commentary. Cp. Isa. 29. 21.

him that rebuketh, &c.=the reprovcr.

in the gate: i.e. before the judge.

uprightly=truthfully.

11 the poor=an impoverished one. Heb. *dal*. See note on "poverty", Prov. 6. 11.

burdens=exaction. Sing.

ye have built, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 30, 39).

pleasant vineyards=vineyards of desire.

wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. I.

12 transgressions. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix.

sins. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

they afflict=oppressors [as ye are] of.

the just=a righteous one.

take a bribe. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 35. 31, 32, the same word). Ap. 92.

turn aside. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 23. 6. Deut. 16. 19; 24. 17. The same Heb. word in all three cases). Ap. 92. Cp. Isa. 29. 21. Mal. 3. 5.

the poor=needy ones. Heb. *'ebyōn*. See note on "poverty", Prov. 6. 11. Cp. 2. 7. Isa. 29. 21.

13 Therefore, &c. Cp. Prov. 28. 12, 28.

an evil time=a time of calamity. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii. See note on 3. 6.

14 Seek good. Note the Structure ("u¹", "u²", "u³", p. 1237). God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I. as=according as. Cp. Mic. 3. 11.

15 Hate the evil, &c. Cp. Pss. 34. 14; 97. 10. Rom. 12. 9. This concludes the last of the three exhortations. it may be. Heb. *'ulay*. The whole verse is the exhortation: but the Heb. accent marks off this sentence, calling attention, not to *uncertainty* on the part of Jehovah, but to the *difficulty* on Israel's part; and this in order to stimulate obedience to the exhortation. Cp. Ex. 32. 30. 2 Kings 19. 4. Joel 2. 14. Joseph. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap. 6, for the whole of the Northern Kingdom.

16 the LORD*. One of the 134 places where the *Sopherim* say they altered "Jehovah" (Ap. 4. II) of the primitive text to "Adonai" (Ap. 4. VIII (2)). See Ap. 32.

streets=open places.

skilful of lamentation: i.e. the professional mourners. Cp. 2 Chron. 35. 25. Ecc. 12. 5. Jer. 9. 17.

17 pass through. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 12. 12). Ap. 92.

5. 18-6. 14 (N, p. 1237). LAMENTATION. (Division.)

N | P¹ | 5. 18-27. The First Woe. Presumption, &c.
| P² | 6. 1-14. The Second Woe. Security, &c.

5. 18-27 (P¹, above). THE FIRST WOE. (Alternation.)

P¹ | w | 18-. Incrimination. Presumption.
| x | -18-20. Threatening. Darkness.
| w | 21-26. Incrimination. Idolatry.
| x | 27. Threatening. Captivity.

18 Woe. The first woe. See the Structure above. the day of the LORD. See notes on Isa. 2. 12; 13. 6.

Joel 2. 1. darkness, and not light. Note the Fig. *Pleonasm* (Ap. 6) for emphasis. Cp. Jer. 30. 7. Joel 2. 2. Zeph. 1. 15. 19 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II. a lion. Heb. the face of a lion. A special various reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 34) reads "the mouth of a lion". a bear. The Syrian bear is fiercer than a lion (Dan. 7. 5. Cp. 2 Kings 2. 24. Lam. 3. 10).

and no brightness. Note the Figs. *Pleonasm* and *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

codices omit "and". 21 I hate, &c. Cp. Prov. 21. 27. Isa. 1. 11-14. Jer. 6. 20. I will not smell, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 31). Ap. 92. solemn assemblies. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 23. 36. Num. 29. 35. Deut. 16. 8). Ap. 92. 22 offer=offer up. burnt offerings... meat offerings. See Ap. 43. II, and III. I will not accept, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 1. 4). Ap. 92. peace offerings. See Ap.

43. II. iv. 23 Take thou away, &c. Cp. Isa. 1. 13. viols=lutes.

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24 But let judgment °run down as waters, and righteousness as a °mighty °stream.

25 °Have ye offered °unto Me sacrifices and offerings in the wilderness forty years, O °house of Israel?

26 But °ye have borne the °tabernacle of your Moloch and °Chiun your images, °the star of your god which ye made to yourselves.

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27 Therefore will I cause you to go into captivity °beyond Damascus," °saith the LORD, Whose name is The °God of Hosts.

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6 °Woe to °them that are °at ease in Zion, and °trust in the mountain of Samaria, °which are named °chief of the nations, to whom °the house of Israel °came!

2 °Pass ye °unto °Calneh, and °see; and from thence go ye to °Hamath the great: then go down to °Gath of the Philistines: °be they better than °these kingdoms? °or their border greater than °your border?

3 Ye that °put far away °the evil day, and cause the °seat of violence to come near;

4 That lie upon beds of ivory, and stretch themselves upon their couches, and eat the lambs out of the flock, and the calves out of the midst of the stall;

5 That °chant to the sound of the viol, and invent to themselves °instruments of musick, °like David;

6 That drink °wine in °bowls, and anoint themselves with the chief ointments: but they °are not grieved for the °affliction of °Joseph.

z¹ 7 Therefore now shall they go captive with the first that go captive, and the banquet of them that stretched themselves shall be removed.

y² 8 °The Lord GOD hath °sworn °by Himself, °saith °the LORD the °God of Hosts, °I abhor the °excellency of Jacob, and hate his palaces:

z² therefore will I deliver up the city with °all that is therein.

9 And it shall come to pass, if there °remain ten °men in one house, that they shall °die.

10 And °a man's uncle shall take °him up, and he that °burneth him, to bring out the

24 run down=roll on. Ref. to "Gilgal". mighty=inexhaustible.

stream. Heb. *nahal* = a wady, or intermittent stream; not *nahar*, a constant-flowing river.

25 Have ye offered, &c. . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. This is a question in some codices and three early printed editions; but other codices, and four early printed editions, read it as an affirmative statement. If a question, the answer is No. See Deut. 32. 17. Josh. 5. 5-7. Jer. 7. 22, 23. Ezek. 20. 8, 16, 24.

unto Me. Not "unto demons". Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 17. 7. Deut. 32. 17). Ap. 92. Cp. Ps. 106. 37. 1 Cor. 10. 7.

26 ye have borne=borne aloft. Fig. *Hysterēsis*. Ap. 6. tabernacle=booth. Heb. *sikkuth*.

Chiun. The Egyptian or Greek equivalent was *Remphan* (Sept. *Raiphān*; another spelling preserved in the Sept. and in Acts 7. 43). Proper names frequently differ in spelling: e.g. Ethiopia is the Heb. *Kūsh*; Egypt is *Mizraim*; Mesopotamia and Syria is 'Aram, or 'Aram-nahāraim, &c.

the star of your god: or, your star-god.

27 beyond Damascus. In Acts 7. 43 beyond Babylon, which was of course "beyond Damascus", and included it, showing what was in the Divine purpose in the words of Jehovah (v. 27) by Amos. Moreover, the road to Assyria lay through Damascus. Cp. 2 Kings 15. 29; 16. 9. Isa. 8. 4. Amos 3. 12. May not the Holy Spirit quote and adapt His own words as He pleases? saith=hath said.

6. 1-14 (P², p. 1238). THE SECOND WOE. SECURITY. (Repeated Alternation.)

P² y¹ | 1-6. Incrimination. Security.
z¹ | 7. Threatening. Captivity.
y² | 8-. Incrimination. Pride.
z² | 9-11. Threatening. Depopulation.
y³ | 12, 13. Incrimination. Injustice.
z³ | 14. Threatening. Invasion.

1 Woe. The second woe. See 5. 18.

them: i.e. the nobles of Judah, in comparison with the nobles of Israel (in Samaria) in the next clause.

at ease=careless, secure, or easy-going.

trust=confide. Heb. *bāṭah*. Ap. 69. i. Here Part.=them that confide.

which are named=[the men of] name. Cp. Num. 1. 17. chief of the nations: i.e. Israel. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 19. 5). Ap. 92.

the house of Israel: i.e. the Northern Kingdom=the People of Israel.

came. Supply the *Ellipsis*: "came [for judgment and justice]", as shown by the rest of this member ("y¹").

2 Pass=Pass over: i.e. the Euphrates. Cp. Jer. 2. 10. unto Calneh. The sequence of these cities is logical rather than geographical.

Calneh. On the Tigris. Built by Nimrod (Gen. 10. 10). Called Calno (Isa. 10. 9); Canneh (Ezek. 27. 23).

Hamath. On the north. Now called Hama, on the Orontes, north of Damascus. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 10. 18. Num. 34. 7, 8). Cp. v. 14. Ap. 92.

Gath. Now Tell es Sāfi, in the south. See 1 Sam. 5. 8. be they better: i.e. these nobles and chief men. these kingdoms: which have been overthrown.

or their border=or [is] their border or boundary greater? &c. your: i.e. the borders of Israel and Judah. Supply the logical *Ellipsis*: "[yet I overthrew them; how much more shall I judge you!]".

3 put=thrust. the evil day=the day of calamity. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii. Cp. 3. 6; 5. 13; 9. 10. seat: or, throne. 5 chant=break out [in song]. Heb. *pārat*. Occurs only here. instruments of musick. Heb. *k'lai shir*=instruments of song. like David=as David did.

6 wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. I. bowls=sacred bowls; not in goblets. are not grieved=do not afflict themselves. affliction=breach: i.e. the breach of the two kingdoms (1 Kings 12). Cp. Isa. 30. 26. Jer. 6. 14. Joseph. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap. 6, for the whole of the ten tribes. A reference to the Patriarch, by application.

8 The Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. Ap. 4. VIII (2) and II. See note on 1. 8. sworn, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 22. 16). Cp. Jer. 51. 14. by Himself=by His soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. saith the LORD the God of Hosts=[is] the oracle of Jehovah, the God of Hosts. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. I abhor.

Heb. *tāab*, a *Homonym*, with two meanings. Here, to abhor. In Ps. 119. 20, 40, 174, to desire or long for. excellency. Fig. *Ampliatio*. It was once such (cp. 8. 7. Ps. 47. 4. Ezek. 24. 21), but is now no longer so.

all that is therein=the fulness thereof. 9 remain: i.e. survive after the siege. men. Pl. of *enōsh*. Ap. 14. III. die: i.e. by pestilence. 10 a man's uncle=a relative. him: i.e. the corpse.

burneth. See note on 4. 10. Here, and 1 Sam. 31. 12 are the only two places where burning of corpses is mentioned. Both are exceptional cases, but it was a common practice of the Horites (cp. Gen. 14. 6. Deut. 2. 12, 22), whose remains were found in the excavations at Gezer. See note on 1 Kings 9. 15-17.

see=consider [its fate]. So in the next two clauses.

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° bones out of the house, and shall say unto him that is ° by the sides of the house, 'Is there yet ° any with thee?' and he shall say, 'No.' Then shall he say, ° 'Hold thy tongue: for we may not ° make mention of the name of ° the LORD.'

11 For, ° behold, ° the LORD commandeth, and He will smite the great house with breaches, and the little house with clefts.

y³
(p. 1239)

12 ° Shall horses run upon the rock? ° will one plow ° there with oxen? ° for ye have turned judgment into gall, and the fruit of righteousness into ° hemlock:

13 Ye which rejoice in a thing of nought, which say, 'Have we not taken to us ° horns by our own strength?'

z³

14 But, ° "behold, ° I will raise up against you a nation, O house of Israel, saith ° the LORD the ° God of hosts; and ° they shall afflict you ° from the entering in of ° Hemath ° unto ° the river of ° the wilderness."

B¹ Q¹ a¹
(p. 1240)

7 Thus hath ° the Lord GOD shewed unto me; and, ° behold, He ° formed ° grasshoppers in the beginning of the shooting up of the latter growth; and, ° lo, it was the latter growth after ° the king's mowings.

b¹

2 And it came to pass, that when they had made an end of eating the grass of the land, then I said, ° "O Lord GOD, forgive, I beseech Thee: ° by whom shall ° Jacob arise? for he is small."

c¹

3 ° The LORD ° repented for this: "It shall not be," saith ° the LORD.

Q² a²

4 Thus hath ° the Lord GOD shewed unto me: and, behold, ° the Lord GOD ° called to contend by fire, and it devoured the great deep, and ° did eat up ° a part.

b²

5 Then said I, "O ° Lord GOD, cease, I beseech Thee: ° by whom shall ° Jacob arise? for he is small."

c²

6 ° The LORD ° repented for this: "This also shall not be," saith ° the Lord GOD.

Q³ a³

7 Thus He shewed me: and, ° behold, ° the LORD* stood upon a wall ° made by a ° plumbline, with a ° plumbline in His hand.

b³

8 And ° the LORD said unto me, ° "Amos, what seest thou?" And I said, "A ° plumbline."

c³

Then said ° the LORD*, "Behold, I will ° set a plumbline in the midst of My People Israel: I will not again ° pass by them any more:

9 And the ° high places of ° Isaac shall be desolate, and the sanctuaries of ° Israel shall be laid waste; and ° I will rise against the house of ° Jeroboam with the sword."

A² R
(p. 1241)

10 Then Amaziah ° the priest of ° Beth-el sent to Jeroboam king of Israel, saying, "Amos hath ° conspired against thee ° in the midst of the house of Israel: the land is not able to ° bear all his words.

bones: i.e. one reduced to a mere skeleton. Cp. Job 7. 15; 19. 20.

him that is, &c.: i.e. the survivor.

by the sides of = in the midst of, or hinder part.

any: i.e. any alive or dead.

Hold thy tongue = Hush!

make mention of = call upon, or invoke. Cp. Isa. 26. 13; 49. 1; 62. 6.

11 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

12 Shall horses...? will...? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. there: or, supply "[the sea]".

for. Supply "[with equal madness]".

hemlock. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 29. 18, same word as "wormwood"). Ap. 92.

13 horns = powers. "Horns" put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the power put forth by them.

14 I will raise up, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 49). they shall afflict you. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 3. 9; Deut. 26. 7).

from... unto: i.e. through the length and breadth of the land.

Hemath. Same as Hamath (v. 2), in the north.

the river. Heb. *nahal* = torrent, or wady.

the wilderness. Heb. *hā'arābah* = the 'Arābah: i.e. the plain, south of Judah. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 1. 1, &c.).

7. 1-9 (B¹, p. 1231). SYMBOLIC.

(Repeated Alternation.)

B ¹	Q ¹	a ¹	1. SYMBOL. Grasshoppers.
			b ¹ 2. Signification. Deprecated.
			c ¹ 3. Judgment averted.
Q ²	a ²	4. SYMBOL. Fire.	b ² 5. Signification. Deprecated.
			c ² 6. Judgment averted.
			Q ³ a ³ 7. SYMBOL. Plumbline.
Q ³	a ³	8-. Signification. Deprecated.	b ³ -8, 9. Judgment averted.
			c ³ -8, 9. Judgment averted.

1 the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. Ap. 4. VIII (2) and II.

behold... lo. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

formed = was forming.

grasshoppers = locusts. Cp. Nah. 3. 17.

the king's mowings. Exacted by the king from the People (1 Kings 4. 7; 18. 5). These are the symbols of the army of 6. 14.

2 by whom shall Jacob arise? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "who shall raise up Jacob?"

Jacob. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of the Subject), Ap. 6, for the whole nation

3 The LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. repented. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 36). Ap. 92. Cp. Jonah 3. 10.

4 called, &c. = was calling for fire, to contend [with Israel].

did eat up a part = would have eaten up the land. a part. Heb. *hahēlek*, with 'eth = the very portion [of the earth given to Israel]. Cp. Mic. 2. 4.

7 the LORD*. One of the 134 passages in which the *Sopherim* say they altered Jehovah of the primitive text to Adonai (Ap. 32).

made, &c.: i.e. [made perpendicular] by a plummet. plumbline = plummet. Occurs only here.

8 Amos. Note this personal touch.

set, &c.: i.e. measure [the doings of Israel] with the plummet of righteousness and judgment. Cp. 2 Kings 21. 12. Isa. 28. 17; 34. 11. Lam. 2. 8, &c.

pass by them = forgive them.

9 high places. Used for idolatrous altars, &c.

Isaac... Israel. Used only by Amos in this sense. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the nation of Israel. Cp. Ps. 105. 9, 10. Jer. 33. 26, &c.

I will rise against, &c. Fulfilled in 2 Kings 15. 10. Jeroboam. Cp. Hos. 1. 4.

7. 10-17 [For Structure see next page].

10 the priest. The idolatrous priest.

Beth-el. Cp. 3. 14; 4. 4; 5. 5, 6. conspired = formed a conspiracy; the calves being connected with Israel's state policy (1 Kings 12. 26-33). in the midst, &c.: i.e. openly. Cp. v. 8. bear = endure.

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11 For thus Amos saith, °Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and °Israel shall surely be led away captive out of their own land."

S d
(p. 1241)

12 Also Amaziah said unto Amos, "O thou seer, go, flee thee away °into the land of °Judah, and there eat bread, and prophesy there:

e

13 But prophesy not again any more at °Beth-el: for it is the king's °chapel, and it is the king's °court."

S d

14 Then answered Amos, and said to Amaziah, "I was no prophet, neither was I °a prophet's son; but I was an °herdman, and a °gatherer of sycomore fruit:

15 And °the LORD °took me °as I followed the flock, and °the LORD said unto me, 'Go, prophesy unto My People Israel.'

e

16 Now therefore hear thou the word of °the LORD: Thou sayest, 'Prophesy not against Israel, and °drop not thy word against the house of °Isaac.'

17 Therefore °thus saith °the LORD; 'Thy wife shall °be an harlot in the city, and thy sons and thy daughters shall fall by the sword, and thy °land shall be °divided by line; and thou shalt die °in a polluted land:

R

and Israel shall surely go into captivity °forth of his land."

B² T¹

8 Thus hath °the Lord GOD shewed unto me: and behold a basket of °summer fruit.

2 And He said, °"Amos, what seest thou?" And I said, "A basket of °summer fruit."

T²

Then said °the LORD unto me, °"The end is come upon My People of Israel; I will not again °pass by them any more.

3 And the songs of the °temple shall °be howlings in that day, °saith °the Lord GOD: there shall be many °dead bodies in every place; they shall °cast them forth °with silence.

A³ U

4 Hear this, O ye that °swallow up °the needy, even to °make °the poor of the land °to fail,

5 Saying, 'When will °the new moon be gone, that we may sell corn? and °the sabbath, that we may °set forth wheat, making the °ephah small, and the °shekel great, and falsifying the balances by deceit?

6 That we may °buy °the poor for silver, and °the needy for a pair of shoes; yea, and °sell the refuse of the wheat?'

V

7 °The LORD °hath sworn by °the Excellency of Jacob, Surely I will never forget any of their works.

8 Shall not the land tremble for this, and every one mourn that dwelleth therein? and it shall rise up wholly as a °flood; and it shall be cast out and °drowned, as by the °flood of Egypt.

shekel. Weighing the money. See Ap. 51. II. 5.

impooverished ones. Heb. *dal* (pl.). See note on "poverty", Prov. 6. 11.

Heb. *'ebyōn*, as in v. 4. sell=sell [as good wheat].

Excellency of Jacob: i.e. by Himself, as in 6. 8. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 15. 7). Ap. 92. Cp. 4. 2; 6. 8. Hos. 5. 5; 7. 10.

8 flood. Heb. *'ōr*. Referring to the overflowing of the Nile.

7. 10-17 (A², p. 1231). LITERAL. PROPHETIC. (Introversion and Alternation.)

A²

R | 10, 11. Threatening. Captivity.

S | d | 12. Rejection by Amaziah.

e | 13. Prophecy rejected.

S | d | 14, 15. Justification by Amos.

e | 16, 17-. Prophecy repeated.

R | -17. Threatening. Captivity.

11 Jeroboam shall die, &c. This charge was not true. Cp. Acts 17. 6, 7; 24. 5. Note what Amaziah omitted to repeat.

12 into . . . Judah. Though belonging to Judah (1. 1) Amos was a prophet to Israel.

13 chapel=sanctuary. court: or, palace.

14 a prophet's son. Prophets were not hereditary as priests were. Cp. Heb. 1. 1.

herdman. See notes on 1. 1. gatherer=preparer.

15 took me: i.e. called me. Prophets were called by Jehovah; not born prophets, or made prophets by man. See notes on 1 Sam. 10. 5. Heb. 1. 1.

as I followed, &c. Cp. Ps. 78. 70, 71.

16 drop not, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 2). Ap. 92. Cp. Ezek. 20. 46; 21. 2. Mic. 2. 6, marg.

17 thus saith the LORD. See note on 1. 3.

be an harlot: i.e. become a victim to the lust of the invader. land=soil. Heb. *'ādāmāh*.

divided, &c.: i.e. partitioned.

in a polluted land=on polluted (i.e. heathen) soil. forth of - from upon.

8. 1-3 (B², p. 1231). SYMBOLICAL.

(Division.)

B²

T¹ | 1, 2-. The Symbol. Basket of Summer Fruit.

T² | -2, 3. The Signification.

1 the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. See note on 1. 8.

summer fruit. Heb. *kāyitz*=ripe: "summer" being put by Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for ripe fruits characterizing the summer. Cp. 2 Sam. 16. 2. Jer. 40. 12.

2 Amos. See note on 7. 8.

summer fruit . . . The end. Note the Fig. Paronomasia (Ap. 6), for emphasis. Cp. Jer. 1. 11, 12. Heb. *kāyitz hakkētz*, meaning that ripe was the fruit; ripe will be the time.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

The end. See note above.

pass by=forgive, as in 7. 8.

3 temple. The 1611 edition of the A.V. reads "temples". be=become.

saith the Lord GOD=[is] Adonai Jehovah's oracle.

dead bodies=corpses. See notes on 6. 9, 10.

cast them forth: i.e. and burn them.

with silence=with "Hush!" as in 6. 10.

8. 4-14 (A³, p. 1231). LITERAL.

(Alternation.)

A³

U | 4-6. Incrimination.

V | 7-13. Threatening. Mourning.

U | 14-. Incrimination.

V | -14. Threatening. Fall.

4 swallow up=devour.

the needy=a needy one. Heb. *'ebyōn*. See note on "poverty", Prov. 6. 11.

make . . . to fail=destroy, or cause to cease.

the poor=meek ones. Heb. *'anāh*. See note on "poverty", Prov. 6. 11.

5 the new moon. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 10. 10, &c.).

the sabbath. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 20. 10). Ap. 92. Stopping their business for a day.

set forth wheat. Heb.=wheat market: "wheat" being put by Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the place where it is kept=open granaries, or sell grain.

ephah. Measuring the goods. See Ap. 51. III. 3 (5).

6 buy the poor, &c. See note on 2. 6. the poor=

poverty, Prov. 6. 11. the needy=a needy one.

7 hath sworn, &c. See note on 6. 8. the

Excellency of Jacob: i.e. by Himself, as in 6. 8. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 15. 7). Ap. 92. Cp. 4. 2; 6. 8. Hos. 5. 5; 7. 10.

8 drowned=subside.

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9 And it shall come to pass in that day, ³saith ¹the Lord GOD, that I will ^ocause the sun to go down at noon, and I will darken the earth in the clear day:

10 And I will turn ^oyour feasts into mourning, and all your songs into lamentation; and I will bring up ^osackcloth upon all loins, and ^obaldness upon every head; and I will make ^oit as the mourning of an only son, and ²the end thereof as a bitter day.

11 ^oBehold, the days come, ³saith ¹the Lord GOD, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but ^oof hearing the ^owords of ²the LORD:

12 And they shall ^owander from sea to sea, and from the north even to the east, they shall run to and fro to seek the ¹¹word of ²the LORD, and shall not find it.

13 In that day shall the fair ^ovirgins and young men faint for thirst.

U 14 They that swear by the ^osin of Samaria, and say, 'Thy god, O ^oDan, liveth;' and, 'The ^omanner of ^oBeer-sheba liveth;'

V even ^othey shall fall, and never rise up again."

B³ W¹ (p. 1242) 9 I saw ^othe LORD* standing ^oupon ^othe altar: and He said, "Smite the ^olintel of the door, that the posts may shake: and cut them in the head, all of them;

W² ^oand I will slay ^othe last of them with the sword: he that fleeth of them shall not flee away, and he that escapeth of them shall not be delivered.

2 ^oThough they dig into ^ohell, thence shall Mine hand take them; though they ^oclimb up to heaven, thence will I bring them down:

3 And though they hide themselves in the top of Carmel, I will search and take them out thence; and though they be hid from My sight in the bottom of the sea, thence will I command the serpent, and he shall bite them:

4 And though they go into captivity before their enemies, thence will I ^ocommand the sword, and it shall slay them: and ^oI will set Mine eyes upon them for ^oevil, and not for good.

A⁴ X 5 And ^othe Lord GOD of hosts is He That toucheth the land, and it shall melt, and all that ^odwell therein shall mourn: and it shall rise up wholly like a ^oflood; and shall be drowned, as ^oby the ^oflood of Egypt.

6 It is He That buildeth His ^ostories in the heaven, and hath founded His ^otroop ^oin the earth; He that ^ocalleth for the waters of the sea, and poureth them out upon the face of the earth: ^oThe LORD ^ois His name.

Y 7 Are ye not as ^ochildren of the Ethiopians unto Me, O ^ochildren of Israel? ^osaith ^othe LORD. Have not I ^obrought up Israel out of the land of Egypt? and the Philistines from ^oCaphtor, and the Syrians from ^oKir?"

8 ^oBehold, the eyes of ^othe Lord GOD are upon the ^osinful kingdom, and "I will destroy it from off the face of the ^oearth; saving that I will not utterly destroy the house of Jacob, ⁷saith ^othe LORD.

9 For, ^olo, ³ will command, and I will sift

9 cause the sun. This determines the time of the fulfilment of this "threatening". See Isa. 13. 10; 59. 9, 10. Jer. 15. 9. Joel 2. 2; 3. 15. Mic. 3. 6. Can this refer to the earthquake of 1. 1?

10 your feasts. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 12. 14; 23. 15, 16. Lev. 23). Ap. 92.

sackcloth . . . baldness. The outward symbols of mourning. Cp. v. 3. Isa. 15. 2. Ezek. 7. 18. it: i.e. the land.

11 Behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6. of hearing, &c. Cp. 1 Sam. 3. 1. Ps. 74. 9. Ezek. 7. 26.

words. With 'eth = the very words. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "word" (sing.). 12 wander. Heb. go tottering, or staggering.

13 virgins. Heb. bethulah (pl.). See note on Gen. 24. 43.

14 sin = guilt, trespass. Heb. 'āshām. Ap. 44. ii. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the idol itself.

Dan . . . Beer-sheba. The two places where the calves were set up (1 Kings 12. 26-30).

manner = mode [of worship]; Acts 9. 2. So used in Acts 16. 17; 18. 25, 26; 19. 9, 23; 24. 14.

they: i.e. the two calves, or "they that swear".

9. 1-4 (B³, p. 1231). SYMBOLIC. (Division.)

B³ | W¹ | 1-. Symbol. Striking the lintel.
| W² | -1-4. Signification.

1 the LORD*. One of the 134 places where the *Sopherim* say they altered "Jehovah" of the primitive text to "Adonai" (Ap. 32). See Ap. 4. VIII (2) and II. Here it is combined with 'eth = Jehovah Himself.

upon = beside, or by.

the altar. Probably the same altar at Beth-el where Jeroboam had once stood (1 Kings 13. 1). Cp. 7. 13.

lintel = capital. Render: "smite the capital, shake the foundations, cut them off [i.e. the pillars] by the head, all of them".

and I will slay. This is the signification of the symbolical act.

the last of them: i.e. the remnant of the People.

2 Though they dig, &c. Note the Fig. *Catabasis* (Ap. 6).

hell. Heb. Sheol = the grave. Ap. 35. Cp. Ps. 139. 8, &c. climb up. Cp. Job 20. 6. Jer. 51. 53. Obad. 4.

4 command the sword. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 33. Deut. 28. 25). Ap. 92. Cp. Ezek. 5. 12.

I will set Mine eyes, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 17. 10; 20. 5). Ap. 92. Cp. Jer. 44. 11.

evil = calamity. Heb. rā'ā'. Ap. 44. viii. Cp. 3. 6.

9. 5-15 (A⁴, p. 1231). LITERAL. (Alternation.)

A⁴ | X | 5, 6. The Land. Touched.
| Y | 7-10. Exile from it.
| X | 11-13. The Land. Blessed.
| Y | 14, 15. Restoration to it.

5 the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. Ap. 4. VIII (2) and II. See note on 1. 8.

dwell. The 1611 edition of the A.V. reads "dwelleth". flood. See notes on 8. 8.

6 stories = chambers above. Cp. Ps. 104. 3, 13.

troop = band: i.e. the blue vault.

in = over. calleth. Cp. 5. 8.

The LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

is His name. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 15. 3). Ap. 92.

7 children sons.

saith the LORD = [is] Jehovah's oracle.

brought up Israel. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 13. 3, 9, 14, 16; 33. 1. Deut. 5. 15; 6. 21, &c.). Ap. 92.

Caphtor = Crete. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 2. 23). Ap. 92.

Kir. Supposed to be Lower Mesopotamia.

8 Behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

sinful. Heb. chātū'. Ap. 44. i.

earth = ground, or soil. Heb. 'ādāmāh.

9 lo = behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

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the house of Israel among all nations, like as corn is sifted in a sieve, yet shall not °the least grain fall upon the °earth.

10 All the °sinners of My People shall die by the sword, which say, 'The evil shall not overtake nor °prevent us.'

X
(p. 1242)

11 °In that day will I raise up the tabernacle °of David that is fallen, and close up the breaches thereof; and I will raise up his ruins, and I will build it as in the days of old:

12 That they °may possess the remnant of °Edom, and of all the °heathen, °which are called by My °name, °saith °the LORD That doeth this.

13 °Behold, the days come, °saith °the LORD, that °the plowman shall overtake the reaper, and the treader of grapes him that soweth seed; and °the mountains shall drop °sweet wine, and all the hills shall °melt.

Y

14 And °I will bring again the °captivity of My People of Israel, and °they shall build the waste cities, and inhabit *them*; and °they shall plant vineyards, and drink the °wine thereof; they shall also make gardens, and eat the fruit of them.

15 And °I will plant them upon °their land, and they shall °no more be pulled up out of their land °which I have given them, °saith °the LORD thy God.

the least grain. Heb. *tzerôr*. A usage common to-day with the *fellahkeen* (see James Niel's *Palestine Explored*, p. 250).

earth. Heb. *'eret*. Not the same word as in v. 8.

10 sinners. Heb. *châtâ*, as in v. 8.

prevent=surprise.

11 In that day. Passing to the subject of the future restoration (see the Structure). Quoted in Acts 15. 14-18.

of David. Erected on Zion by David (2 Sam. 6. 17. Cp. 7. 6) before the Temple was built on Moriah by Solomon. In 7. 7-9, it was seen to be "out of plumb", therefore on the point of falling. Here it is fallen down: hence the prophecy here given. In Acts 15 the time had come, had the People obeyed Peter's call in Acts 3. 18-21. But it was finally rejected (Acts 28. 25-28), and this prophecy, therefore, yet awaits its fulfilment.

12 may possess=may take possession of.

Edom. Cp. Num. 24. 18. 2 Sam. 8. 14.

heathen=nations.

which are called, &c.: or, on whom My name is called.

name: i.e. Israel.

13 the plowman, &c. This shows that the fulfilment of this prophecy is yet in abeyance, for these temporal blessings were postponed on the rejection of the call to repentance in Acts 3. 18-26. Cp. Acts 28. 25-28. Note the ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 5). Ap. 92.

the mountains, &c. Cp. Joel 3. 18.

sweet wine=new wine. Heb. *'asis*. See Ap. 27. V. melt: i.e. dissolve into wine and oil. Fig. *Hyperbole* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

14 I will bring again. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 30. 5). Ap. 92. Cp. 5. 11. Ps. 53. 6. Jer. 30. 3, 18; 31. 23. Ezek. 16. 53; 39. 25. Joel 3. 1, 2.

captivity=the captives. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for captives. they shall build.

Cp. Isa. 61. 4; 65. 21. Jer. 30. 18; 31. 38-40. Ezek. 36. 33-36; 37. 25-28. they shall plant. Cp. 5. 11.

Isa. 62. 8, 9; 65. 21. Ezek. 28. 26. Hos. 2. 21-23. Joel 3. 18, &c. wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. I. 15 I will

plant. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 25. 18, 19; 26. 5). Ap. 92. their land. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 13. 15, &c.).

Ap. 92. Cp. Isa. 60. 21. Jer. 24. 6; 32. 41. Ezek. 34. 28; 37. 25. Joel 3. 20. Mic. 4. 4. no more be

pulled up. Cp. Jer. 32. 41, marg. which I have given them. This is the ground of all the

blessing. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 32. 7, 9. Deut. 3. 18; 26. 15; 28. 52). Ap. 92. Cp. Josh. 2. 6, 15; 18. 3; 23.

13, 16. Jer. 25. 5. The so-called "Priests' Code", according to most modern critics, was compiled by the

priests in Babylon, and most of the Pentateuch is "post-exilic" (see *Encycl. Brit.*, eleventh (Cambridge)

edition, vol. 3, p. 852, col. 1). Yet it was well known to Amos (cent. 7 B.C.). Cp. 2. 4, 7, 8, 12; 4. 4, 5;

5. 12, 21, 22; 9. 4, &c. saith=hath said.

OBADIAH.

THE STRUCTURE OF THE BOOK AS A WHOLE.

(Division.)

D ¹	J ¹	A ¹ 1-16. EDOM. DESTRUCTION.
		A ² 17-21. ISRAEL. RESTORATION.

For the CANONICAL order and place of the Prophets, see Ap. 1, and p. 1206.

For the CHRONOLOGICAL order of the Prophets, see Ap. 77.

For the Inter-relation of the Prophetic Books, see Ap. 78.

For the *Formulae* of Prophetic utterance, see Ap. 82.

For References to the Pentateuch by the Prophets, see Ap. 92.

For the Inter-relation of the Minor (or Shorter) Prophets, see pp. 1206 and 1207.

The Minor Prophets do not profess to be chronological. The order seems to be logical; hence, Obadiah corresponds with Joel, and takes up Joel's theme, and shows (by contrast) what Joel's "day of the Lord" shall be for Israel's enemies. See pp. 1206-7. Edom is the one enemy in Joel (3. 19) as in Obadiah: indeed, from the first, Gen. 27. 39, 40 was fulfilled (see notes on 1 Kings 22. 47 and 2 Kings 8. 20-22. 2 Chron. 21. 8-10). After that we find prophecies against Edom (Isa. 34. 5-17. Jer. 49. 17-22. Ezek. 25. 12-14; 35; and Obadiah).

The correspondence between Jer. 49 and Obadiah may be thus shown:

Obad. 1- = Jer. 49. 7-.	Obad. -5 = Jer. 49. 9-.
" -1, 2 = " 14, 15.	" 6 = " 10.
" 3, 4 " 16.	" 8 = " -7.
" 5- = " -9.	" 9 - " 22.

The two prophecies are independent and original. There is no need to discuss which of the two quoted the other, or whether both refer to an earlier prophet. All beyond the Scripture record is conjecture.

That Obadiah gives details which are complementary may well be explained by the Fig. *Hysteresis* (Ap. 6).

For the partial fulfilment of the prophecy, see the notes.

The prophecy of Obadiah is undated; but, from the internal evidence, referred to above, it was almost certainly subsequent to the captivity of Jehoiachin (489-8 B.C.), or to the destruction of Jerusalem by Nebuchadnezzar, and the end of Judah. This would bring it to either 482 B.C. or 472 B.C.

OBADIAH.

A¹ A a
(p. 1245)
82 or 472

1 THE vision of °Obadiah. °Thus saith °the Lord GOD °concerning Edom; °“We have heard °a rumour from °the LORD, °and an ambassador is sent among the °heathen, °Arise ye, and let us rise up against her °in battle.”

2 °Behold, I have made thee small among the °heathen: thou art greatly despised.

b **3** The pride of thine heart hath deceived thee, thou that dwellest in °the clefts of the rock, whose habitation is high; that saith in his heart, ‘Who shall bring me down to the ground?’

4 °Though thou exalt *thyself* as the eagle, and though thou °set thy nest °among the stars, thence will I bring thee down, °saith °the LORD.

B **5** °If thieves came to thee, if robbers by night, (°how art thou cut off!) would they not have stolen till they had enough? °if the grapegatherers came to thee, °would they not leave some grapes?

6 °How are the *things* of Esau °searched out! *how* are his hidden things sought up!

A b **7** All the °men of thy °confederacy have brought thee *even* to the border: °the men that were at peace with thee have deceived thee, °and prevailed against thee; °they that eat thy bread have laid a °wound under thee: *there is none* °understanding in him.

8 Shall I not in °that day, °saith °the LORD, even destroy the wise *men* out of Edom, and understanding out of the °mount of Esau?

9 And thy mighty *men*, O °Teman, shall be dismayed, to the end that every one of the °mount of Esau may be cut off by slaughter.

a **10** For °thy violence against thy brother Jacob shame shall cover thee, and thou shalt be cut off for ever.

11 °In the day that thou stoodest on the other side, °in the day that the °strangers carried away captive his forces, and foreigners entered into his °gates, and cast lots upon Jerusalem, even thou wast as one of them.

12 But °thou shouldest not have looked on the day of thy brother °in the day that he became a °stranger; neither shouldest thou have rejoiced over the °children of Judah °in the day of their destruction; neither shouldest thou have °spoken proudly °in the day of distress.

13 °Thou shouldest not have entered into the gate of My people °in the day of their calamity; yea, thou shouldest not have looked on their affliction °in the day of their calamity, nor have laid *hands* on their substance °in the day of their calamity;

14 Neither shouldest thou have °stood in the °crossway, to cut off those of his that did escape; neither shouldest thou have delivered up those of his that did remain °in the day of distress.

1-16 (A¹, p. 1244). EDM. DESTRUCTION.
(*Alternation and Introversion.*)

A¹ A | a | 1, 2. Remote Cause. Jehovah's Purpose.
b | 3, 4. Deceived by Self.
B | 5, 6. Devastation.
A | b | 7-9. Deceived by Others.
a | 10-14. Immediate Cause. Edom's Sin.
B | 15, 16. Extermination.

1 Obadiah = Servant of Jehovah. Cp. 1 Kings 18. 3. Thus saith, &c. The words of this prophecy, therefore, are not Obadiah's, but Jehovah's. Cp. vv. 8, 18. the Lord GOD. Heb. Adonai Jehovah. Ap. 4. VIII (2) and II.

concerning Edom. See notes on p. 1244.

We have heard. The rhetorical difficulty may be removed by regarding these words as the words of Edom's foes.

a rumour = tidings. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. Supply the logical *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6): “from Jehovah [that Edom is to be attacked]”. and: or, and [already].

heathen = nations.

Arise ye. These are the words of the embassy. in battle = the war.

2 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6. Calling attention to the words of Jehovah.

3 the clefts, &c. Referring to the natural position of the Edomites. Cp. 2 Kings 14. 7.

4 Though, &c. The words of Jehovah.

set thy nest. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 24. 21). Ap. 92. Cp. Hab. 2. 9.

among the stars. Fig. *Hyperbole*. Ap. 6.

saith the LORD - [is] Jehovah's oracle.

5 If . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

how. Fig. *Ejaculatio*, or *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

if the grapegatherers. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., and Syr., read “or if”, &c.

would they not . . . ? Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 24. 21). Ap. 92. Cp. Isa. 17. 6; 24. 13.

6 How . . . ! Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

searched out: i.e. discovered by the enemies. Ginsburg thinks it should be read “stripped bare”.

7 men. Pl. of 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

confederacy. See Ps. 83. 5-8.

the men, &c. = the men who were wont to salute thee.

and. Some codices, with three early printed editions and Syr., read this “and” in the text.

they that eat. The *Ellipsis* is thus correctly supplied.

wound = snare.

understanding in him: or, no discernment of it: in spite of their renown for wisdom. Cp. v. 8. Jer. 49. 7.

8 that day: i.e. the day of the fulfilment of the prophecy. Cp. 15, 16, and Isa. 63. 1-6. Jer. 49. 13. mount = hill country.

9 Teman. Cp. Jer. 49. 7.

10 thy violence, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 27. 41-44. Deut. 23. 7). Ap. 92.

11 in the day. See Ap. 18. Note the Fig. *Repetitio* (Ap. 6) in vv. 12, 13, 14. strangers = aliens.

gates. Heb. text = gate; but Heb. marg., with some codices and two early printed editions, read “gates” (pl.).

12 thou shouldest not have looked on, &c. All these are Prohibitives in Heb.: i.e. they are addressed to Edom as from a spectator looking on and saying; “Look not thou,” &c. children = sons.

spoken proudly. Heb. enlarged thy mouth [with laughter]. Cp. Ps. 35. 21. Isa. 57. 4. Ezek. 35. 13.

14 stood in the crossway. Referring to some antecedent event by Fig. *Hysteresis* (Ap. 6).

crossway = fork of the roads, or a mountain pass.

B
(p. 1245)
482 or 472

15 For ° the day of ° the LORD is near upon all the ° heathen : ° as thou hast done, it shall be done unto thee : thy reward shall return upon thine own head.

16 For ° as ye have drunk upon My ° holy mountain, so shall all the heathen drink ° continually, yea, they shall drink, and they shall ° swallow down, and they shall be ° as though they had not been.

A² C
(p. 1246)

17 But ° upon mount Zion ° shall be ° deliverance, ° and there shall be holiness;

D and the house of Jacob ° shall possess their possessions.

E 18 And the house of Jacob shall be a fire, and the house of Joseph a flame, and the house of Esau for stubble, and they shall kindle in them, and devour them; and ° there shall not be ° any remaining of the house of Esau; for ° the LORD hath spoken it.

D 19 And they of ° the south shall possess the ° mount of Esau; and they of ° the plain the Philistines: and ° they shall possess the ° fields of Ephraim, and the ° fields of Samaria: ° and Benjamin shall possess Gilead.

20 And the ° captivity of ° this host of the ° children of Israel ° shall possess that of the Canaanites, ° even unto ° Zarephath; and the ° captivity of Jerusalem, which is in ° Sepharad, shall possess ° the cities of ° the south.

C 21 And ° saviours shall come up on mount Zion to judge the mount of Esau; and ° the kingdom shall be ° the LORD'S."

fields = territory.

and Benjamin = and [they of] Benjamin.

being put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the captives.

tribes.

shall possess. Supply the *Ellipsis* thus: "they who are scattered among [the Canaanites]".

even, &c. Supply "[shall possess] as far as".

Zarephath = Sarepta, belonging to Sidon and Tyre. Sepharad is mentioned with Ionia and Greece (in the west) in the inscriptions of *Behistun*, col. 1, line 15. See Ap. 57, p. 81. Jews were sold as slaves, and were taken to Spain by the Phoenicians to work in the mines near the great city of Ampuria, now being unearthed, near Figueras, in the province of Gerona. The "Jews' houses" are still shown at Besalu.

the cities, &c. Jewish tradition declares for Spain. south. After v. 20, supply the logical *Ellipsis* of thought thus: "[yea, My People shall enlarge their borders on all sides], and saviours", &c.

21 saviours = deliverers: i. e. earthly and human, as in Judges 3. 9, 15. Cp. Mic. 5. 4, 5. See the Structure ("C" and "C"), above. the kingdom shall be the LORD'S.

Cp. Ps. 22. 28. Dan. 2. 44; 7. 14, 27. Zech. 14. 9. Rev. 11. 15; 19. 6.

15 the day of the LORD. See note on Isa. 2. 11, 17. The prophecy is now enlarged, and includes all the nations who were Israel's enemies.

as = according as. This prophecy was fulfilled, so far as Edom was concerned, later on (see 1 Macc. 5. 4, 65. Josephus, *De Bell.* iv. 5); likewise will the judgment on "all the nations" be literally fulfilled.

16 holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

continually. Some codices, with four early printed editions (one Rabbinic in marg.), read "round about". swallow down: or, stagger. Only elsewhere in Job 6. 3.

as though, &c. Solemn and noteworthy words.

17-21 (A², p. 1244). ISRAEL. RESTORATION.
(Introversion.)

A² C | 17-. Deliverance.

D | -17. Possession.

E | 18. Victory.

D | 19, 20. Possession.

C | 21. Deliverers.

17 upon mount Zion. Cp. Isa. 46. 13. Joel 2. 32. shall be. Cp. Jer. 46. 28. Joel 3. 16. Amos 9. 8.

deliverance = a delivered remnant. Cp. Joel 2. 32.

and there shall be, &c. Cp. Isa. 1. 26; 4. 3, 4. Joel 3. 17.

shall possess, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 24. 18, 19). Ap. 92. Cp. Isa. 14. 1, 2. Joel 3. 19-21. Amos 9. 11-15.

18 there shall not be. Cp. vv. 9, 10, 16.

any remaining = him that remaineth. Twenty-four centuries ago this prophecy was written, and to-day no Edomites can be identified. Cp. v. 14, and Num. 24. 19 (the same word). There will be a restored Edom, "in that day", or Isa. 63. 1-6. Jer. 49. 7-22 could not be fulfilled.

19 the south = the south [country], the Negeb. See note on Ps. 126. 4. Cp. Amos 9. 12.

the plain = the lowlands, the Shephelah [shall possess]. Cp. Zeph. 2. 7.

they = they [of the mountain], or [of the centre].

20 captivity = the captives: "captivity."

this host: i. e. the whole of the twelve

tribes. they who are scattered among [the Canaanites]".

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Cp. Ps. 22. 28. Dan. 2. 44; 7. 14, 27. Zech. 14. 9. Rev. 11. 15; 19. 6.

JONAH.

THE STRUCTURE OF THE BOOK AS A WHOLE.

(Extended Alternation.)

G¹ A | 1. 1. THE WORD OF JEHOVAH.

B | 1. 2. MISSION TO NINEVEH.

C | 1. 3. JONAH. DISOBEDIENCE.

D | 1. 4-2. 10. CONSEQUENCES. RESURRECTION OF JONAH.

A | 3. 1. THE WORD OF JEHOVAH.

B | 3. 2. MISSION TO NINEVEH.

C | 3. 3, 4-. JONAH. OBEDIENCE.

D | 3. 4-4. 11. CONSEQUENCES. CORRECTION OF JONAH.

NOTES ON THE STRUCTURE OF JONAH (PAGE 1246).

For the CANONICAL order and place of the Prophets, see Ap. 1, and p. 1206.

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For the Inter-relation of the Minor (or Shorter) Prophets, see pp. 1206-7.

The clue to the date is given in 1. 1 : which, by comparison with 2 Kings 14. 25, falls within the time of Jeroboam II and the earlier years of Uzziah : therefore about 690 B.C. (see Ap. 50, p. 59).

Modern critics are practically unanimous in declaring that the book is a "combination of allegory and myth". But the fact that Jonah the prophet was a historic personage is settled by 2 Kings 14. 25. And the fact that the prophecy, with its great miracle, was referred to by Christ as a type of Himself, places the book in as high a position as any other prophecy.

The Century Bible says that "we are not to conclude that the literal validity of the history of Jonah is established by this reference" (note on Matt. 12. 40, p. 206). But, apart from the fact that the Lord referred to the Queen of Sheba in the very next sentence, and thus places Jonah on the same level of "literal validity", the question is placed beyond all controversy by the further fact that seven times in John's Gospel the Lord declared that every one of His words that He uttered was given Him to speak by the Father (see below). Those who strike at these words of Christ are striking at God Himself, and are making the whole of Divine Revelation of none effect. All the puerile and fanciful assumptions used for arguments are swept away with one stroke, and are overwhelmed by this decisive and conclusive fact. Modern critics must now perforce find the answers to their own objections. We need not be at the pains to repeat the refutation of their assumption, that, because certain words have not been required or necessitated by the subjects of the earlier Scriptures, therefore such words did not exist before, and are thus evidences of the book's being written at a later period of time. Only a mind already hostile could invent such a proposition, and only those who are ignorant of "the laws of evidence" could make use of it.

The prophecy of Jonah is literal history, and is besides a twofold type.

(1) He was a type of the death, burial, and resurrection of our Lord : see Matt. 12. 40, where the "as" and the "so" are sufficient to show us that a man's being miraculously *kept alive* for a particular period can be no type of another's being *dead and buried* for the same period.

As our Lord was raised from the dead at the end of that period (see Ap. 156), so Jonah must have been, as miraculously, *raised from the dead*.

Jonah's prayer could have been uttered in the last few moments of life. In any case the words of the prayer were not written down till after he had been vomited up alive (Jonah 2. 1-10).

(2) "As Jonah was a sign unto the Ninevites, so shall also the Son of Man be to this generation" (Luke 11. 30).

That generation were as grieved and angry at the faith and repentance of those to whom the resurrection of our Lord was proclaimed, as Jonah was at the repentance of the Ninevites.

Both these types were hidden in the history by the One Who knew the end from the beginning, and are declared to be so by Him of Whom Jehovah said, "I will put My words in His mouth".

Seven times in John's Gospel our Lord testified to the fulfilment of that promise :—

"My doctrine (i.e. teaching) is not Mine, but His that sent Me" (7. 16).

"As My Father hath taught Me, I speak these things" (8. 28).

"Why do ye not believe Me? He that is of God heareth God's words : ye therefore hear them not, because ye are not of God" (8. 46, 47).

"I have not spoken of (or from) Myself ; but the Father which sent Me, He gave me a commandment, what I should say, and what I should speak" (12. 49).

"The words that I speak unto you I speak not of (i.e. from) Myself : but the Father that dwelleth in Me" (14. 10).

"The word which ye hear is not Mine, but the Father's Which sent Me" (14. 24).

"I have given unto them the words which Thou [the Father] gavest Me" (17. 8).

The Century Bible (Jonah ; Introduction, p. 200) may say : "It is humiliating for a commentator to collect doubtful stories of sailors swallowed by sharks and vomited out alive." There is truth in this. But if we recognise the fact that the word "alive", includes the thought of *resurrection*, then we have ample evidence that this is conveyed and taught by the "as" and "so" in Matt. 12. 40. In any case we have to remember the words of Jehovah in Deut. 18. 18, 19 : "I will put My words in His mouth, and He shall speak unto them all that I shall command Him. And it shall come to pass, that whosoever will not hearken to My words which He shall speak in My name, I will require it of him." We leave the question with these solemn words : "I will require it of him."

The notes will show us Jonah, not as a wayward, thoughtless child, but as a "man of God", willing to sacrifice himself (mistakenly, of course) in order to save his nation. He knew that Assyria at that time was in great difficulties. There is a silence of eighteen years in Assyrian history at that time, and the surrounding nations were beginning to assert themselves. Jonah had just been commissioned to encourage Israel to a restored position (2 Kings 14. 25, 26). He must have known also that Nineveh (Assyria) was to be Jehovah's rod of judgment for Israel. He knew the well-known character of Jehovah, and feared that if he made Jehovah's proclamation Nineveh might repent, and her overthrow be averted. See Jehovah's words (4. 2).

If, however, for the sake of his nation, he did not make the proclamation at all, Nineveh might be overthrown and Israel saved. He was mistaken, and had to be corrected (ch. 4. 4-11).

The great lesson of the book is—not "Jehovah's care for children and cattle", &c., but that the devices of man shall not frustrate His purpose, and that what He hath said shall surely come to pass.

That is the lesson which gives to the book a dignity and importance which is worthy of it, and of its place in the Word of God.

JONAH.

690 A
(p. 1248)

1 NOW ° the word of ° the LORD came unto ° Jonah ° the son of ° Amittai, saying,

B 2 ° "Arise, go to ° Nineveh, that great city, and ° cry against it; for ° their ° wickedness is come up before Me."

C 3 But ¹ Jonah ° rose up to flee unto ° Tarshish ° from the presence of ¹ the LORD, and went down to ° Joppa; and he found a ° ship going to ° Tarshish: so ° he paid the fare thereof, and went down into it, to go with them unto Tarshish ° from the presence of ¹ the LORD.

D A D F

4 But ¹ the LORD sent out a great ° wind into the sea, and there was a mighty tempest in the sea,

G so that the ³ship ° was like to be broken.

E H

5 Then the ° mariners were afraid, and ° cried ° every man unto his god, and cast forth the ° wares that were in the ³ship into the sea, to lighten it of them. But Jonah was gone down ° into the sides of the ° ship; and he lay, and was fast asleep.

6 So the ° shipmaster came to him, and said unto him, "What meanest thou, O sleeper? arise, call upon thy ° God, if so be that ° God will think upon us, that we perish not."

1. 1 the word of the LORD came. This statement is unanswerable, and covers the truth of the whole contents of this book. This, or a like expression occurs seven times in Jonah (1. 1; 2. 10; 3. 1, 3; 4. 4, 9, 10). the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

Jonah is the prophet named and described in 2 Kings 14. 25. He was a native of Gath-hepher, now *el Meshhed*, three miles north-east of Nazareth. Nazareth was in Galilee (see Ap. 169). The statement of the Pharisees in John 7. 52 was not true.

the son of Amittai. See 2 Kings 14. 25.

Amittai = the truth of Jehovah.

2 Arise, go. Contrast "rose up to flee" (v. 3).

Nineveh. Op. Gen. 10. 11, 12. Mentioned again in 3. 2, 3; 4. 11. The capital of Assyria, on the left bank of the Tigris. Called first Nina, from the patron goddess of the city; of Babylonian origin; founded by a colony from Nina in South Babylonia (see *Records of the Past*, vol. iv, part ii, p. 61). Khammurabi, 1915 B.C. (on *Companion Bible* dating), code iv, pp. 60-62, spells it *Ni-nu-a*. Excavations reveal "the mound of *Nebi-Yunus* crowned by the tomb of Jonah, which could not then be explored" (see Art. "Nineveh" in the *Encycl. Brit.*, 11th (Cambridge) edition, 1911).

cry against it. Not whisper or speak softly, but cry, as making a general proclamation. Heb. *kara'*. Cp. Judg. 7. 3, 20. Isa. 58. 1. Joel 3. 9. Amos 4. 5, &c. Cp. also vv. 2, 6; 3. 2.

their wickedness. Nineveh was noted for violence and cruelty of all kinds, recorded in its own *bas-reliefs*, &c. (see Nah. 2. 8-13). Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 18. 20, 21).

wickedness. Heb. pl. of *ra'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

3 rose up to flee. Jonah knew that Assyria was to be God's sword of judgment against Israel. If Nineveh perished, Israel might be saved. God's mercy might arrest this overthrow of Nineveh. Was this why Jonah would sacrifice himself to save his nation? This would explain his flight here, and his displeasure, as clearly stated in 4. 1-3. When he said (v. 12), "Take me up", &c., he had counted the cost. He confesses to the men (vv. 9, 10), but not to God. He gave his life to save his People. The type of Christ may have begun here. See Gal. 3. 13; and cp. Rom. 9. 1-3.

presence of the LORD. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 4. 16). Ap. 92. Tarshish. See note on 1 Kings 10. 22. from the ship. Heb. *'aniyāh* = any large merchant ship. Not the same word as in v. -5. he paid the fare: and counted the cost of his flight. See notes on the Structure, p. 1247.

1. 4-2. 10 (D, p. 1246). CONSEQUENCES. RESURRECTION OF JONAH. (Extended Alternation.)

- D** A | 1. 4-15. Jonah's Punishment.
B | 1. 16. Sacrifice and Vows of Mariners.
C | 1. 17. The Fish. Preparation and Reception.
A | 2. 1-7. Jonah's Prayer and Thanksgiving.
B | 2. 8, 9. Sacrifice and Vow.
C | 2. 10. The Fish. Ejection.

1. 4-15 (A, above). JONAH'S PUNISHMENT. (Alternation and Introversion.)

- A | D | F | 4-. The Tempest.
G | -4. Danger.
E | H | 5, 6. Prayer of Mariners.
J | 7-12. Jonah. Self-sacrifice.
D | G | 13-. Danger.
F | -13. The Tempest.
E | H | 14. Prayer of Mariners.
J | 15. Jonah. Death.

4 wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9. was like = thought. Fig. *Prosōpopœia*. Ap. 6. **5** mariners = salts. Heb. *mallāch* = salt. cried = cried in prayer. Heb. *ze'a'*. Not the same word as in vv. 2, 14. every man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II. wares = tackling. Heb. *k'li* = implements. into the sides = below deck, or cabins. Cp. Ezek. 32. 23. Amos 6. 10. ship = the deck, or covered part. Heb. *šephinah*. A genuine Heb. word, borrowed by inland people, (Syrians, Chaldeans and Arabians), from a maritime people; not vice versa. Heb. root *šaphan* = to cover (Deut. 33. 21 (marg. coiled). 1 Kings 6. 9; 7. 3, 7. Jer. 22. 14. Hag. 1. 4). English "deck" is from Dutch *dekken*. **6** shipmaster = chief of the rope. Phœnician for captain. Heb. *rab hachobēl*. Not a "later word", because a "captain" is not mentioned earlier. *Rab* = captain, or head. See 2 Kings 25. 8. Est. 1. 8. Dan. 1. 3. *Chobēl* occurs in Ezek. 27. 8, 27, 28, 29, where it is rendered "pilot". God. Heb. Elohim (with 'eth) = the true God. With 'eth, in the second occurrence. Ap. 4. I.

- J a¹ (p. 1249) 690 7 And they said every one to his fellow, "Come, and let us cast lots, that we may know for whose cause this °evil is upon us."
- b¹ So they cast lots, and the lot fell upon ¹Jonah.
- a² 8 Then said they unto him, "Tell us, we pray thee, °for whose cause this °evil is upon us; What is thine occupation? and whence comest thou? what is thy country? and of what people art thou?"
- b² 9 And °he said unto them, "I am an °Hebrew; and I fear ¹the LORD, °the God of heaven, °Which hath made the sea and the dry land."
- a³ 10 Then were the °men °exceedingly afraid, and said unto him, "Why hast thou done this?" For the °men knew that he fled ³from the presence of ¹the LORD, because he had told them.
- 11 Then said they unto him, "What shall we do unto thee, that the sea may be calm unto us?" for the sea °wrought, and was tempestuous.
- b³ 12 And he said unto them, "Take me up, and cast me forth into the sea; so shall the sea be calm unto you: for I know that for my sake this great tempest is upon you."
- D G (p. 1248) 13 Nevertheless the ¹⁰men °rowed hard to °bring it to the land; but they could not:
- F for the sea ¹¹wrought, and was tempestuous against them.
- E H 14 Wherefore they ²cried unto ¹the LORD, and said, "We beseech Thee, O ¹LORD, we beseech Thee, let us not perish for this °man's °life, and lay not upon us innocent blood: for Thou, O ¹LORD, hast done °as it pleased Thee."
- J 15 So they °took up Jonah, and °cast him forth into the sea: and the sea °ceased from her raging.
- B 16 Then the ¹⁰men feared ¹the LORD exceedingly, and °offered a sacrifice unto ¹the LORD, and made vows.
- C 17 Now ¹the LORD had °prepared a °great fish to °swallow up ¹Jonah. And ¹Jonah °was in the °belly of the fish °three days and three nights.
- A K (p. 1250) 2 °Then Jonah prayed unto °the LORD his °God out of the fish's °belly,
- 2 And said, "I °cried by reason of mine affliction unto ¹the LORD, and He °heard me;
- L c out of the belly of °hell °cried I, and Thou °hearest my voice.

1. 7-12 (J, p. 1248). JONAH. SELF-SACRIFICE. (Repeated Alternation.)

- J a¹ | 7-. Mariners. Counsel. Casting of lots.
b¹ | -7. Jonah taken.
a² | 8. Mariners. Inquiry.
b² | 9. Jonah. Confession.
a³ | 10, 11. Mariners. Fear.
b³ | 12. Jonah. Determination.

7 evil=calamity: as in Amos 3. 6. Heb. *rā'a*. Ap. 44. viii.

8 for whose cause, &c.=for what cause. The lot had told them the person, but not the "cause". So they appeal to Jonah.

9 he said, &c. He does not tell them all. We find the real reason in 4. 1-3.

Hebrew. Referring to the language spoken. A title used in relation to foreigners (Gen. 40. 15. Ex. 3. 18, &c.). the God of heaven. The title in relation to the Creator's creatures. See note on 2 Chron. 36. 23.

Which hath made, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 1. 1, 10). 10 men. Heb. pl. of *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III. exceedingly afraid. Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6) = feared a great fear.

Why . . . ? They knew the fact of his flight, but not the reason, which is not revealed till 4. 1-3. This is not therefore "a later addition", as alleged.

11 wrought, &c.=grew more and more tempestuous. Heb. "was going on and raging".

12 Take me up . . . I know. He had counted the cost.

13 rowed hard. The tackling had gone. See note on "wares", v. 5. bring it=bring it back.

14 man's. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

life=soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

as=according as. Cp. Ps. 115. 3.

15 took up=took up with reverence or care: as in Gen. 47. 30. Ex. 28. 12, 29, &c. Heb. *nāsā*.

cast him, &c. Why are we to assume that the result was different in this case from that in every other, unless so stated? It must have been death. See note on p. 1247.

ceased, &c. Cp. Ps. 89. 9. Luke 8. 24.

16 offered, &c.=sacrificed: i.e. they vowed that they would offer [when they landed]. Heb. *zēbach*. Ap. 43. I. iv, and II. xii.

17 prepared=appointed, or assigned. From Heb. *mānāh*, to number. Hence, to appoint, as in Job 7. 3. Dan. 1. 5, 10, 11; and Chald. *menah* (Dan. 5. 25, 26). Cp. 4. 6-8. Never means to create.

great fish. Large enough to swallow him. In Matt. 12. 40, Greek *kētos* - any large marine monster; whence *Cetaceæ*=the mammalian order of fish. No need for any name. Cp. Matt. 12. 20; 16. 4. Luke 11. 30.

swallow up . . . belly. Not therefore kept alive in the fish's mouth, as some imagine. When thus swallowed up, Jonah must have died, and thus became a type of Christ. The "as" and "so" in Matt. 12. 40 require Jonah's death. He would have been no type if he had been miraculously kept alive. See further notes below. was=came to be. belly=bowels.

three days and three nights. The Heb. idiom "three days" can be used for parts of three days (and even of years): but not when the word "nights" is added. See Matt. 12. 40, and note the force of "as". See App. 144, and 156.

2. 1-7 [For Structure see next page].

1 Then=And. See note on v. 10. the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II. God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I. belly=bowels. Cp. 1. 17.

Note the Fig. *Exergasia* (Ap. 6), as shown by the Alternation in v. 2.

- v. 2 | e | I cried, &c. Jonah's affliction.
f | And He heard Jonah's request.
e | Cried I, &c.
f | And Thou hearest.

2 cried=cried out. Not the same word as in next clause, or in 1. 5; but the same as in 1. 2, 5, 14. heard=answered. Heb. *'ānāh*. Not the same word as in the next clause. hell. Heb. *Sheōl*. Ap. 35. Cp. Ps. 18. 5; 116. 3.

cried=cried for help in distress. Not the same word as in preceding clause, or in 1. 2, 5, 14. hearest=gavest heed to. Heb. *shāma*. Not the same word as in preceding clause.

690 3 For Thou ° hadst cast me into the deep, in the ° midst of the seas; and the ° floods compassed me about: ° all Thy billows and Thy waves passed over me.

4 ° Then I said, 'I am cast out of Thy sight;

d yet I will look again ° toward Thy ° holy temple.'

L c 5 The ° waters compassed me about, even to the ° soul: the ° depth closed me round about, the ° weeds were wrapped about my head.

6 I went down to the ° bottoms of the mountains; ° the earth with her bars ° was about me ° for ever:

d yet hast Thou ° brought up my life from ° corruption, O ° LORD my ° God.

K 7 When my ° soul ° fainted within me I remembered ° the LORD: and my prayer came in unto Thee, into Thine ° holy temple.

B 8 They that ° observe ° lying vanities ° forsake their own ° mercy.

(p. 1248) 9 But I will sacrifice unto Thee with the voice of thanksgiving; I will pay *that* that I have vowed. ° Salvation is ° of ° the LORD."

C 10 ° And ° the LORD spake unto the fish, and it vomited out Jonah upon the dry land.

A 3 And ° the word of ° the LORD came unto (p. 1246) Jonah the second time, saying,

B 2 "Arise, go unto Nineveh, ° that great city, and ° preach unto it the preaching that I bid thee."

C 3 So Jonah arose, and went unto Nineveh, according to the word of ° the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceeding ° great city of ° three days' journey.

4 And Jonah began to enter into the city ° a day's journey, and he ° cried, and said,

D M i "Yet ° forty days, and Nineveh shall be over- (p. 1251) thrown."

k 5 So the ° people of Nineveh ° believed ° God, and ° proclaimed a fast, and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them even to the least of them.

l 6 For word came unto the king of Nineveh,

2. 1-7 (A, p. 1248). JONAH'S PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING. (*Introversion and Alternation*.)

A K | 1, 2-. Affliction.

L | c | -2-4-. Place. Sheol.

d | -4. Deliverance. Jonah's words.

L | c | 5, 6-. Place. The Deep.

d | -6. Deliverance. Jehovah's deeds.

K | 7. Affliction.

Note the Fig. *Exergasia* (Ap. 6), as shown by the *Introversion* in v. 3.

v. 3 | g | "The deep" as a whole.

h | The seas which make it up.

h | The floods which make it up.

g | The deep as a whole. "All".

3 hadst cast=castedst, or didst cast.

midst=heart.

floods: or, tides. Heb. *nahar*. (Sing.)

all Thy billows, &c. Cp. Ps. 42. 7.

4 Then I said, &c. Cp. Ps. 31. 22

toward, &c. Cp. 1 Kings 8. 38.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

5 waters. Cp. Ps. 69. 1.

soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

depth=an abyss.

weeds=floating sea-weeds.

6 bottoms=roots.

the earth, &c.=as for the earth, her bars, &c. Some codices, with one early printed edition, and Syr., read "and as to the earth".

was. Substitute "were".

for ever. The thought of a drowning man.

brought=didst bring.

corruption=the pit or grave, the place of corruption. Heb. *shachath*.

7 fainted=swooned, or became unconscious to all else. Cp. Ps. 77. 3. Lam. 2. 12. From *'ataph*, to cover or involve in darkness.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah (with *'eth*)=Jehovah Himself. Ap. 4. II.

8 observe=regard, or heed.

lying=empty.

forsake their own mercy=do not heed their chastisement.

forsake=not to heed. Heb. *'azab*. Cp. Gen. 2. 24.

mercy. Heb. *hesed*. A *Homonym*, with two meanings: (1) lovingkindness, as in Gen. 24. 12. 2 Sam. 7. 15. 1 Chron. 19. 2. 2 Chron. 6. 14. Ps. 103. 4, 8, 11, 17, &c.; (2) correction, or chastisement (Lev. 20. 17, a wicked thing bringing down punishment). Job 37. 13 (mercy=chastisement, synonymous with "correction" in preceding clause (marg. *rod*)). Prov. 25. 10 (put to shame: i.e. by correction).

9 Salvation is of=Salvation [belongeth] to: as in Ps. 3. 8. The prayer (*vv.* 2-9).

of=to.

10 And, &c. Jonah's rapid thoughts and words before he died were subsequently written down by him; for all the verbs are in the past tense, not the present. Cp. v. 6, "didst bring", &c. See notes on p. 1247.

3. 1 the word of the LORD. See note on 1. 1. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. 2 that great city. Cp. 1. 1, 2; 4. 11. Diodorus Siculus (cent. 1 B. C.), ii. 3, and Herodotus (cent. 4 B. C.), v. 53, both say it was about sixty miles in circuit and about twenty miles across. We must remember that such cities included large areas for cultivation and pasturage. Cp. "much cattle", 4. 11. preach=proclaim. Heb. *ḥarā'*=to cry aloud: as in *vv.* 4, 5, 8; 1. 2, 6, 14. 3 three days', &c.: i.e. in circuit. See note above. 4 a=one. cried. See note on "preach", v. 2.

3. -4-4. 11 [For Structures see next page].

-4 forty. The number of probation. See Ap. 10. 5 people=men. Heb. pl. of *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III. believed. Heb. *'āman*. Ap. 69. III. God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I. proclaimed a fast. Professor Rawlinson has shown that just at this time Nineveh was in a time of trouble, and Assyrian history was "shrouded in darkness for forty years" (*Ancient Monarchies*, vol. ii. pp. 379, 380). Hope was given to all the neighbouring countries which were asserting their independence. This explains the readiness of Nineveh to hearken and obey, as was done on another occasion when the prophets of Nineveh declared it needful (see Professor Sayce, *The Higher Criticism and the Monuments*, pp. 489, 490); by the Persians in a national trouble; in Greece, a fast which included cattle (Herodotus, ix. 24); and by Alexander the Great (Plutarch, *Pelop.* §§ 83, 84). This decline of Nineveh gave hope to Israel: which hope had been encouraged by the prophet Jonah himself (2 Kings 14. 25-27). This may have been the reason for Jonah's not wishing to avert the overthrow (*v.* 4) of Nineveh, by giving it the opportunity to repent and thus secure Jehovah's favour (Joel 2. 14). See notes on p. 1247. We thus have veritable history, and not allegory.

690 and he arose from his throne, and he laid his robe from him, and covered him with sackcloth, and sat in ashes.

k (p. 1251) 7 And he caused it to be proclaimed and published through Nineveh by the decree of the king and his °nobles, saying, "Let neither °man nor beast, °herd nor flock, taste any thing: let them not feed, nor drink water:

8 But let °man and beast be covered with sackcloth, and cry mightily unto °God: yea, let them turn every one from his °evil way, and from the violence that is in their hands.

9 °Who can tell °if °God will turn and repent, and turn away from His fierce anger, that we perish not?"

i 10 And °God saw their works, that they turned from their °evil way; and °God °repented °of the °evil, that He had said that He would do unto them; and He did it not.

M² N m 4 But it °displeased Jonah exceedingly, and he was very angry.

n 2 And he prayed unto °the LORD, and said, "I pray thee, O °LORD, was not this my saying, when I was yet in my country? °Therefore I fled before unto Tarshish: for °I knew that °Thou art a gracious °GOD, and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repentest Thee of the °evil.

3 Therefore now, O °LORD, take, I beseech Thee, my °life from me; for it is better for me to die than to live."

O 4 Then said °the LORD, "Doest thou well to be angry?"

P Q o 5 So Jonah went out of the city, and sat on the east side of the city, and there °made him a °booth, and sat under it in the shadow, till he might see what would °become of the city.

p 6 And °the LORD °God °prepared a °gourd, and made it to come up over Jonah, that it might be a °shadow over his head, °to deliver him from his °grief.

R So Jonah °was exceeding glad of the gourd.

P Q p 7 But °God °prepared a °worm when the morning rose the next day, and it smote the °gourd that it withered.

o 8 And it came to pass, when the sun did arise, that °God °prepared a °vehement °east °wind; and the sun beat upon the head of Jonah, that he fainted,

R and wished °in himself to die, and said, "It is better for me to die than to live."

O 9 And °God said to Jonah, "Doest thou well to be angry for the °gourd?"

N m And he said, °"I do well to be angry, even unto death."

n 10 Then said °the LORD, "Thou °hast had

7 worm. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap. 6, for a blight of such; as in Deut. 28. 39. They were appointed during the night, and came at sunrise.

only here. Not a "late" word, but not required to be used before this. east wind = hot wind. Heb. *kādim*, cognate of "vehement" (Heb. *hārithim*), both words referring to heat. East wind not the same kind as in western climes. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 10. 13, 19). Ap. 92. wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9. in himself = in his soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. 9 I do well. Supply "I do well [it is right]". 10 hast had pity on: or, wouldst have spared: same word as in v. 11.

3. -4. 11 (D, p. 1246). CONSEQUENCES. CORRECTION OF JONAH. (Division.)

D M¹ | 3. -4-10. Pardon of Nineveh.
M² | 4. 1-11. Correction of Jonah.

3. -4-10 (M¹, above). PARDON OF NINEVEH. (Introversion.)

M¹ | i | -4. Jehovah. Proclamation.
k | 5. People.
l | 6. King. } Repentance.
k | 7-9. People.
i | 10. Jehovah. Pardon.

7 nobles = great ones.

man. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

herd nor flock. See note on "that great city", v. 2: and "much cattle", 4. 11.

8 evil = wicked. Heb. *rā'a*. Ap. 44. viii.

9 Who can tell . . . ? Cp. "Who knoweth . . . ?" 2 Sam. 12. 22. Joel 2. 14. Jonah, for one, thought Jehovah might do so. Hence his reluctance to give Nineveh the opportunity to repent.

if = [but that].

10 repented. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6. of = concerning.

4. 1-11 (M², above). CORRECTION OF JONAH. (Introversions and Alternations.)

M² N | m | 1. Jonah's anger.
n | 2, 3. Jonah's complaint to Jehovah.
O | 4. Jehovah's question. "Doest thou well?"
P | Q | o | 5. East side.
p | 6-. Gourd. Comes up.
R | -6. Jonah's gladness.
P | Q | p | 7. Gourd smitten.
o | 8-. East wind.
R | -8. Jonah's sorrow.
O | 9-. Jehovah's question. "Doest thou well?"
N | m | -9. Jonah's answer.
n | 10, 11. Jonah's correction by Jehovah.

1 displeased = vexed. Not the waywardness of a child, but the displeasure of a man of God, for great and sufficient reason to him. Now that Nineveh was spared, it might after all be used as God's rod for Israel, and thus destroy the hope held out by him to Israel in 2 Kings 14. 25-27. See note on 3. 5 and p. 1247.

2 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

Therefore I fled = hasted to flee. The reason follows, as explained in note on v. 1.

I knew. This was well known, from Jehovah's revelation of Himself. Jonah knew, and referred to the Pent. (Ex. 34. 6. Num. 14. 18, 19). David knew (Ps. 86. 5). Hosea knew (Hos. 11. 8, 9). Joel knew (Joel 2. 13). Micah knew (Mic. 7. 18). Jonah's knowledge explains his flight (1. 3). No one could tell us this but himself.

GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

evil. Heb. *rā'a*. Ap. 44. viii.

3 life = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

5 made him = made for himself.

booth = hut.

become of = happen to. Hoping for its overthrow.

6 God. Heb. Elohim (as Creator). Ap. 4. I.

prepared = appointed: as in vv. 7, 8; 1. 17.

gourd. Heb. *kikāyōn*. An Egyptian word.

shadow . . . to deliver him. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). Heb. *tzāl* . . . *lehatzetzēl*.

grief = evil, or evil case. Heb. *rā'a*. Ap. 44. viii.

was exceeding glad. Note the Fig. *Polyptōton* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. Heb. = rejoiced with great rejoicing.

8 vehement = silent, still. Hence, sultry. Occurs only here. Not a "late" word, but not required to be used before this. east wind = hot wind. Heb. *kādim*, cognate of "vehement" (Heb. *hārithim*), both words referring to heat. East wind not the same kind as in western climes. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 10. 13, 19). Ap. 92.

9 I do well. Supply "I do well [it is right]". 10 hast had pity on: or, wouldst have spared: same word as in v. 11.

690 pity on the 'gourd, for the which thou hast not laboured, neither madest it grow; which 'came up in a night, and 'perished in a night:

11 And 'should not I spare Nineveh, that great city, wherein 'are more than sixscore thousand persons 'that cannot discern between their right hand and their left hand; and also 'much cattle?"

came up in a night=was the son of a night. perished in a night=perished as the son of a night. 11 should not I . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6), no answer being required.

are=exist. Heb. *yēsh*. See note on Prov. 8. 21. that cannot discern, &c. Put by Heb. Idiom (Ap. 6), for little children; a similar idiom in Deut. 1. 38. Ap. 92 much cattle. See notes on "great city", 8. 2; and "herd and flock", 8. 7. Nineveh's walls included large areas for pasturage and cultivation. In speaking of the

innocent ones in the city these are naturally included.

Thus the book suddenly ends; and we are left with the solemn reflection that, Nineveh being spared, the way was thus open for the execution of Jehovah's judgment on Israel by the sword of Assyria, which took place in due time.

MICAH.

THE STRUCTURE OF THE BOOK AS A WHOLE.

(Alternation.)

1. 1. THE TITLE:

E ¹	A 1. 2—3. 12. THREATENING.
	B 4. 1—5. 15. CONSOLATION.
	A 6. 1—7. 10. THREATENING.
	B 7. 11—20. CONSOLATION.

For the CANONICAL order and place of the Prophets, see Ap. 1, and p. 1206-7.

For the CHRONOLOGICAL order of the Prophets, see Ap. 77.

For the Inter-relation of the Prophetic Books, see Ap. 78.

For the *Formulæ* of Prophetic Utterance, see Ap. 82.

For References to the Pentateuch by the Prophets, see Ap. 92.

For the Inter-relation of the Minor (or Shorter) Prophets, see p. 1206.

The Prophecy of MICAH is dated as being given "in the days of JOTHAM, AHAZ, and HEZEKIAH, kings of Judah".

MICAH begins, apparently, a year or two before the end of Jotham's reign. Isaiah, in that case, had already been prophesying some seventeen or eighteen years.

By comparing 4. 10 with Isaiah 89. 6, we have another case of similar words occurring in two different prophets; and some, having concluded that one prophet copied from another, have built upon this, certain theories as to dates, &c. But no valid argument can be based on such coincidences: for the simple reason that we are not dealing with the words of the Prophets, but with the words which God spake by them (Heb. 1. 1, &c.). Surely God may speak the same message, even in identical words, by two, three, or more of His prophets. If the need were the same, why should not the words be the same? ¹

In this case, the period covered by Micah and Isaiah was almost exactly the same (cp. Mic. 1. 1 with Isa. 1. 1; and see Ap. 77). It is no wonder that the circumstances did call for similar utterances, constituting a confirmation of the Word of Jehovah "by the mouth of two or three witnesses". Both were independent, without any idea of "copying" one from the other, as is alleged by the writer in *The Encyclopædia Britannica*, eleventh (Cambridge) edition, 1910, vol. xviii, p. 357, who says: "it is impossible that much, if any, of these chapters (Mic. 4-7) can be ascribed to Micah himself". This is said in face of the fact that Jeremiah (26. 16-19) definitely quotes and refers to Micah.

Having regard to Mic. 1. 1, we see he must have been a contemporary of Isaiah for nine-and-twenty, or thirty years (Isaiah continuing for another seventeen or eighteen years if he died in the Manassean persecution. See Ap. 50, p. 68, and Ap. 77). We may thus date Micah as from 682 to 603 B. C.

¹ In connection with this we may well compare other passages as follows:—

Mic. 1. 9-16.	Isa. 10. 28-32.	Mic. 3. 12.	Isa. 32. 14.	Mic. 5. 6.	Isa. 14. 25.
" 2. 1, 2.	" 5. 8.	" 4. 1.	" 2. 2.	" 6. 6-8.	" 58. 6, 7.
" 2. 6, 11.	" 30. 10, 11.	" 4. 4.	" 1. 20.	" 7. 7.	" 8. 17.
" 2. 11.	" 28. 7.	" 4. 7.	" 9. 7.	" 7. 12.	" 11. 11.
" 2. 12.	" 10. 20-23.	" 4. 10.	" 39. 6.		
" 3. 5-7.	" 29. 9-12.	" 5. 2-4.	" 7. 14.		

MICAH.

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1 °THE word of °the LORD that came to °Micah the °Morasthite in the days of Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah, °which he saw °concerning Samaria and Jerusalem.

2 °Hear, °all ye °people; hearken, O earth, and °all that therein is: and °let °the LORD °GOD be witness against you, °the LORD * °from His °holy temple.

3 For, °behold, °the LORD cometh forth out of His place, and will come down, and °tread upon the high places of the earth.

4 And °the mountains shall be molten under Him, and the valleys shall be cleft, as wax before the fire, and as the waters that are poured down a steep place.

5 For the °transgression of Jacob is all this, and for the °sins of the house of Israel. °What is the °transgression of Jacob? °is it not Samaria? and °what are the °high places of Judah? °are they not Jerusalem?

6 Therefore I will make Samaria as an heap of the field, and as plantings of a vineyard: and I will pour down the stones thereof into the valley, and I will °discover the foundations thereof.

7 And all the °graven images thereof shall be beaten to pieces, and all the °hires thereof shall be burned with the fire, and all the idols thereof will I lay desolate: for she gathered it of the °hire of an harlot, and °they shall return to the °hire of an harlot.

8 Therefore I will °wail and howl, I will go stripped and naked: I will make a °wailing like the °dragons, and mourning as the °owls.
9 For her °wound is incurable; for °it is come unto Judah; °he is come unto °the gate of My people, even to Jerusalem.
10 °Declare ye it not at °Gath, weep ye not

1. 1 The word of the LORD. The only occurrence of this expression in this book: bidding us to receive it from Jehovah, not Micah, and to note Micah's pen but Jehovah's words.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

Micah = Who is like Jehovah? An abbreviated form of Micaiah (2 Chron. 18. 7, &c.); it is used in Jer. 26. 18 (in the Heb.). Cp. 7. 18.

Morasthite: Mareshah (v. 16) or Moresheth-gath (v. 14); now Tel Sandahanna, in the Shephelah, or plain, between Judea and Philistia. In the excavations at Sandahanna the ancient name is seen as Marissa. Marissa was a Sidonian colony (cent. 3 B. C.), and was afterward used as the capital of Idumea by the Edomites during the captivity of Judah (see *Records of the Past*, vol. iv, part x, pp. 291-306).

which he saw. Cp. Isa. 1. 1. Obad. 1. Nah. 1. 1. concerning, &c. This furnishes the subject.

1. 2-3. 12 (A, p. 1252). THREATENING.
(Alternation.)

A | A | 1. 2-2. 13. The People.
B | 3. 1-4. The Rulers.
A | 3. 5-8. The False Prophets.
B | 3. 9-12. The Rulers.

1. 2-2. 13 (A, above). THE PEOPLE.
(Introversion and Extended Alternation.)

A | C | 1. 2-4. The coming of Jehovah.
D¹ | a¹ | 1. 5. Incrimination.
b¹ | 1. 6, 7. Threatening.
c¹ | 1. 8-16. Lamentation.
D² | a² | 2. 1, 2. Incrimination.
b² | 2. 3. Threatening.
c² | 2. 4, 5. Lamentation.
D³ | a³ | 2. 6-. Incrimination.
b³ | 2. -6. Threatening.
c³ | 2. 7-11. Lamentation.
C | 2. 12, 13. The coming of Jehovah.

2 Hear, all ye people. Micah begins by taking up the concluding words of the other Micah or Micaiah (1 Kings 22. 28), and recurs to them in 3. 1, 9; 6. 1, 2. Five times, not three, as some say; and forms no part of the Structure of the whole book. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 1). Ap. 92.

all ye = ye peoples, all of them.

all that therein is = her fulness.

let the Lord

the Lord. Heb. Adonai. Ap. 4. VIII (2).

GOD.

people = peoples. Including ourselves. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 31. 50).

Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

the LORD*. One of the 134 places where the *Sopherim* say they altered

"Jehovah" of the primitive text to "Adonai". See Ap. 32.

from His holy temple. Cp. Ps.

11. 4. Jonah 2. 7. Hab. 2. 20.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

3 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*.

Ap. 6. tread upon, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 13; 33. 29). Ap. 92.

Cp. Amos 4. 13.

4 the

mountains, &c. This verse foretells the calamities of 2 Kings 17 and 25.

5 transgression =

rebellion. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix.

sins. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

Aram. and Syr. read sing.

What = Whose. is it not Samaria? = is it not Samaria's [idolatry]? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

high places. Cp. 1 Kings 12. 31; 14. 23. Ezek. 6. 6. These existed in Jerusalem (Jer. 32. 35); hence

the mention of them in the further question. Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Cp. 2 Kings 16. 4.

are they

not Jerusalem? = is it not Jerusalem's [idol altars]?

6 discover, &c. This has now recently

(1911) been done in the unearthing of Ahab's wine-cellars.

7 graven images. Heb. *pēsilm*.

Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 20. 4). Ap. 92. hires. The technical Pentateuchal word for a harlot's hire, to which

idolatry is compared. Cp. Hos. 8. 9, 10; 9. 1. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 23. 18). Ap. 92. they shall return,

&c.: i.e. the wealth gained by idolatry shall be taken away by the Assyrian idolaters.

8 wail =

lament. Cp. the Structure above; and note weight of the prophetic "burden".

dragons = jackals.

owls. Heb. daughters of a doleful cry.

9 wound = stroke. Heb. *makkah* (fem.).

it. Aram.

and Syr. read "she". Referring to her stroke, which is fem.

he = he, referring to some unnamed foe.

Aram. and Syr. read "she", referring to the "stroke" of judgment.

the gate. Cp. Obad. 11, 13.

10 Declare ye it not at Gath. Cp. 2 Sam. 1. 20.

Gath. Now Tell es Saft (Josh. 11. 22, &c.).

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°at all: °in the house of Aphrah roll thyself in the dust.

11 °Pass ye away, thou inhabitant of °Saphir, having thy shame naked: the °inhabitant of Zaanan came not forth °in the mourning of Beth-ezel; °he shall receive of you his standing.

12 For the inhabitant of °Maroth waited carefully for good: but °evil came down from °the LORD unto °the gate of Jerusalem.

13 O thou °inhabitant of °Lachish, bind the chariot to the °swift beast: °she is the beginning of the °sin to the daughter of Zion: for the °transgressions of Israel were found in thee.

14 Therefore shalt thou °give presents to °Moreseth-gath: the houses of °Achzib shall be °a lie to the kings of Israel.

15 Yet will I bring °an heir unto thee, O inhabitant of °Mareshah: °he shall come unto Adullam the glory of Israel.

16 °Make thee bald, and poll thee for thy delicate °children; enlarge thy baldness as the eagle; for they are gone into captivity from thee.

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2 Woe to them that devise °iniquity, and °work °evil upon their beds! when the morning is light, they practise it, because it °is °in the power of their hand.

2 And they °covet fields, and take them by violence; and houses, and take them away: so °they oppress a °man and his house, °even a °man and his heritage.

b² 3 Therefore thus saith °the LORD; °“Behold, against °this family do °I devise an °evil, from which ye shall not remove your necks; neither shall ye go haughtily: for this time is °evil.

c² 4 In that day shall one °take up a parable against you, and °lament with a doleful lamentation, and say, ‘We be utterly spoiled: he hath °changed the portion of my People: how hath he removed it from me! °turning away he hath divided our fields.’

5 Therefore thou shalt have none that shall °cast a cord by lot in the °congregation of °the LORD.”

D³ a³ 6 °“Prophecy ye not,” °say they to them that prophesy:

b³ °they shall not prophesy to °them, °that they shall not take shame.

they oppress, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 19. 13, where the words are the same). Ap. 92. man = a human being. Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. IV. even. So in some codices, with four early printed editions; but many codices, with six early printed editions, Aram., Sept., and Vulg., omit the word “even”. man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II. 3 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6. this family. Cp. Amos 3. 1. I devise. The contrast to v. 1. evil = calamity. Heb. *ra'a'*. Ap. 44. viii. 4 take up a parable. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 23. 7, 18; 24. 3, 15, 20, 23). Twice in Job (Job 27. 1; 29. 1); once in Isaiah (Isa. 14. 4); once in Habakkuk (Hab. 2. 6). Not elsewhere. Ap. 92. Note the Fig. *Chleusmos* (Ap. 6). lament with a doleful lamentation. Note the Figs. *Polyptoton* and *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. Heb. *venahah neh nihiyah* = wail a wailing of woe. changed - changed [for the worse]. Heb. *mur*; not *halaph* = changed [for the better]. See note on Lev. 27. 10. turning away = to a heathen: i.e. our enemy the Assyrian. 5 cast a cord by lot. Referring to the custom, by which, round every village in Palestine, the land was divided by lot every year to the various families; hence, the expression in Ps. 16. 6: “cord” being put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the portion of land marked out by it. It therefore = divide your inheritances. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 26. 55, 56). Ap. 92. congregation = assembly. Cp. Deut. 23. 1-3, 8. 6 Prophecy = Do not sputter. say they to them that prophesy = so they sputter. they shall not prophesy. Not the usual word for prophecy, but Heb. *nataph*. they: i.e. these false prophets. them = as to these things: i.e. these doings of Jehovah. that, &c. Supply, “[saying], must He put away these suppressers”.

at all. Heb. *bakkō*, written defectively for *be'akkō*. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). Heb. *bakko 'al tibkū* = “[in] Weep-town weep not”.

in . . . Aphrah roll thyself in the dust. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). Heb. in ‘aphrah . . . ‘aphar. English, “in Dust-house roll thyself in dust.”

11 Pass ye away: i.e. go into exile.

Saphir, having thy shame, &c. Here we have contrast. Saphir = Beauty-town, with beauty shamed; now *es Sūfir*.

inhabitant of Zaanan came not forth. Heb. not gone forth hath . . . Zaanan. Heb. Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6): *lo yatze'ah . . . tze'anān* = not gone out [to weep] hath the inhabitant of Outhouse.

in the mourning . . . his standing. Commence a fresh sentence here; thus: “The trouble of Beth-ezel (Neighbour-town) shall be a useless neighbour”. Or, “the Bystander's house will, from you, get its standing-room”.

he shall receive, &c.: or, he will take from you its support.

12 Maroth waited carefully. The inhabitress of Bitter town bitterly grieved for her goods [taken from her]. evil - calamity. Heb. *ra'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. Not by chance. the gate of Jerusalem. In Taylor's Cylinder, Sennacherib mentions his breaking of this gate (col. iii, lines 22, 23).

13 inhabitant = inhabitress. Lachish . . . swift beast. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). Heb. *lārekesh . . . lākish* = [bind the chariot] to the horse, O inhabitress of Horse-town.

Lachish. Now *Ummat Lākis*, or *Tell el Hesi*. See notes on 2 Kings 14. 19; 19. 8.

§5. Evidently Samaria. Cp. vv. 5, 9; 6. 16.

14 give presents to = give up possessions at.

Achzib . . . a lie. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6) = the houses of False-town (*Akzib*) shall prove false (*Vakzāb*).

Achzib. Now *es Zib* (Josh. 15. 44; 19. 29. Judg. 1. 31).

15 an heir . . . Mareshah. Heb. the possessor (*hayyoreh*) . . . O Possession (*Māreshāh*). The possessor whom Jehovah would bring was Assyria.

he shall come, &c. The glory: i.e. the nobility (Isa. 5. 13) of Israel shall go (or flee) unto [the cave] Adullam; as David had done (1 Sam. 22. 1).

16 Make thee bald, &c. The signs of mourning. Cp. Job 1. 20. Isa. 15. 2; 22. 12. Jer. 7. 29; 16. 6; 47. 5; 48. 37). This is addressed to Judah. It was forbidden under the law (Deut. 14. 1). Judah had become as the heathen: let them mourn as the heathen.

children = sons.

2. 1 iniquity. Heb. *'āven*. Ap. 44. iii. Not the same word as in 3. 10. Note the incrimination in vv. 1, 2. See the Structure, p. 1253. work = plan.

evil = wickedness. Heb. *ra'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

is = exists. Heb. *yēsh*. See note on Prov. 8. 21.

in the power of their hand. A Pentateuchal idiom. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 31. 29). Cp. Prov. 3. 27. Neh. 5. 5. Does not occur elsewhere.

2 covet fields. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 6. 4. Deut. 5. 21). Ap. 92.

man = a human being. Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. IV.

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7 O thou that art named the house of ° Jacob, ° is the ° Spirit of ° the LORD straitened? are these His doings? ° do not ° My words ° do good to him that walketh uprightly?

8 ° Even of late My People is risen up as an enemy: ye pull off the robe with the garment from them that pass by securely as men averse from war.

9 The women of My People have ye cast out from their pleasant houses; from their children have ye taken away My glory ° for ever.

10 ° Arise ye, and depart; for ° this is not your rest: because ° it is polluted, ° it shall destroy you, even with a sore destruction.

11 If a ° man walking in the ° spirit and falsehood do lie, saying, 'I will ° prophesy unto thee of ° wine and of ° strong drink;' he shall even be the ° prophet of this people.

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12 ° I will surely assemble, O ° Jacob, all of thee; ° I will surely gather the remnant of ° Israel; ° I will put them together as the sheep ° of Bozrah, as the flock in the midst of their fold: they shall ° make great noise by reason of the multitude of ° men.

13 ° The breaker is come up before them: they have ° broken up, and have passed through the gate, and are ° gone out by it: and their king ° shall pass before them, and ° the LORD ° on the head of them."

B

3 And I said, ° "Hear, I pray you, O heads of Jacob, and ye ° princes of the house of Israel; Is it not for you to know judgment?

2 Who hate the good, and love the ° evil; who pluck off their skin from off them, and their flesh from off their bones;

3 Who also eat the flesh of My People, and flay their skin from off them; and they break their bones, and ° chop them in pieces, as for the pot, and as flesh within the caldron.

4 Then shall they cry unto ° the LORD, but He will not ° hear them: He will even ° hide His face from them at that time, as they have behaved themselves ill in their doings."

A

5 Thus saith ° the LORD concerning the prophets that make My People ° err, that ° bite with their teeth, and cry, "Peace;" ° and he that putteth not into their mouths, they even prepare ° war against him.

6 "Therefore night shall be unto you, that ye shall not have a vision, and it shall be dark unto you, ° that ye shall not divine; and the sun shall go down over the prophets, and the day shall be dark over them.

7 Then shall the seers be ashamed, and the diviners confounded: yea, they shall all cover their lips; for there is no answer of ° God."

8 But truly I am full of power by the ° Spirit of ° the LORD, and of judgment, and of might, to declare unto ° Jacob his ° transgression, and to ° Israel his ° sin.

B

9 ° Hear this, I pray you, ye heads of the house of ° Jacob, and princes of the house of ° Israel, that abhor judgment, and pervert all equity.

10 They build up Zion with blood, and Jerusalem with ° iniquity.

11 The heads thereof ° judge for reward, and the priests thereof teach for hire, and the

7 Jacob. See notes on Gen. 32. 28; 43. 6; 45. 26, 28. is the Spirit, &c.? Ref. to Pent. (Num. 11. 23: the same word). Ap. 92.

Spirit. Heb. *rûach*. Ap. 9. do not=are not? My. Sept. reads "His", as in preceding clause: or =are not My words pleasant [saith Jehovah]? do good=pleasant.

8 Even of late=Only yesterday, or recently: this highway robbery was a new and recent evil.

9 for ever: i.e. not to be restored for the rest of their lives.

10 Arise ye, &c. Usually misquoted in a good sense; but the Structure shows it to be part of the lamentation ("c³", p. 1253).

this=this [land]. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 12. 9). Ap. 92. it: i.e. this [land].

it is polluted. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 18. 27, 28, the same word). Ap. 92.

it shall destroy. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 18. 28; 20. 22; 26. 38). Ap. 92. Cp. Ezek. 36. 12-14.

11 man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. I.

strong drink. Heb. *shêkar*. Ap. 27. IV.

prophet=sputterer; as in v. 6. Lit. dropper [of words].

12 I will, &c. See the Structure, p. 1253.

Israel. See note on Gen. 32. 28; 43. 6; 45. 26, 28. of Bozrah: or, with Sept., in tribulation. The member "C" (vv. 12, 13) does not speak of mercy, but of judgment, corresponding with the member "C" (1. 2-4). Not "a complete change", and no "promise to a remnant" Cp. Isa. 34. 6. Amos 1. 12.

make great noise=be in commotion.

men=human beings. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

13 The breaker=One making a breach. The Assyrian. Heb. *pārātz*, as in Ex. 19. 22, 24. 2 Sam. 5. 20. 1 Chron. 14. 11; 15. 13. Generally in a bad sense.

broken up=broken in.

gone out=gone forth . . . [into captivity].

shall pass=hath passed through.

on=at: for it is Jehovah's judgment. Cp. 1. 2-4.

3. 1 Hear. This is no indication of Structure. It is a continuation of the threatening against the rulers (see "B", 3. 1-4, p. 1253, corresponding with "B", 3. 9-12, below). princes=judges.

2 evil. Heb. *rā'ā'*. Ap. 44. viii.

3 chop them in pieces, as for the pot=spread them out, as flesh for the pot.

4 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

hear=answer.

hide His face. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 31. 17; 32. 20). Ap. 92. Cp. Isa. 59. 1-15. Jer. 33. 5.

5 err=go astray.

bite with their teeth. Alluding to the idolatrous practices of the heathen round the altars of Baal, biting an olive in their mouths and crying "peace", of which the olive was the symbol (Gen. 8. 11). Cp. Zech. 9. 7. and he, &c.—but against him that putteth not [the olive] into his mouth they declare war.

war=crusade.

6 that ye shall not divine. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 18. 10, 14. Num. 22. 7; 23. 23). Ap. 92.

7 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

8 Spirit. Heb. *rûach*. Ap. 9.

Jacob . . . Israel. Cp. 1. 5. See note 2. 7.

transgression. Heb. *pāshā'*. Ap. 44. ix.

sin. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

10 iniquity=deceit. Heb. *'āval*. Ap. 44. vi. Not the same word as in 2. 1.

11 judge for reward, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 23. 8. Deut. 10. 17; 16. 19; 27. 25. The same word in all these passages). Ap. 92.

prophets thereof divine for money: yet will they lean upon ° the LORD, and say, "Is not ° the LORD among us? none ° evil can come upon us."

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12 Therefore shall °Zion for your sake °be plowed as a field, and °Jerusalem shall become °heaps, and °the mountain of the house as °the high places of the forest.

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4 But °in the last days it shall come to pass, that °the mountain of the house of °the LORD shall be °established in the top of the mountains, and it shall be exalted above the hills; and °people shall flow unto it.

2 And many nations shall °come, and say, °“Come, and let us go up to the mountain of °the LORD, and to the house of °the °God of Jacob; and He will teach us of His ways, and we will walk in His paths:” for °the law shall go forth of Zion, and the word of °the LORD from Jerusalem.

3 And °He shall judge among many °people, and rebuke strong nations afar off; and they shall beat their swords into °plowshares, and their spears into °pruninghooks: °nation shall not lift up a sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

4 But they shall °sit °every man °under his vine and under his fig tree; and none shall make them afraid: for the mouth of °the °LORD of hosts hath spoken it.

5 For all °people will walk °every one in the name of his god, and we will walk in the name of °the LORD our °God for ever and ever.

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6 °“In that day, °saith °the LORD, will I assemble her that °halteth, and I will °gather her that is driven out, and her that I have afflicted;

7 And I will make her that °halted °a remnant, and her that was cast far off a strong nation: and °the LORD °shall reign over them °in mount Zion from henceforth, even for ever.”

J d

8 °And thou, O °tower of the flock, °the strong hold of the daughter of Zion, unto thee shall it come, even the °first dominion; the kingdom shall come to the daughter of Jerusalem.

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9 Now °why dost thou cry out aloud? is there no king in thee? is thy counsellor perished? for pangs have taken thee as a woman in travail.

10 Be in pain, and labour to bring forth, O daughter of Zion, like a woman in travail:

f

for °now shalt thou go forth out of the city, and thou shalt dwell in the field, and thou shalt go °even to °Babylon;

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°there shalt thou be delivered; °there °the LORD shall °redeem thee from the hand of thine enemies.

saith the LORD=[is] Jehovah's oracle.

halteth= is lame.

gather=gather out. Cp. Ps. 147. 2.

Ezek. 34. 13; 37. 21.

7 halted=was lame.

a remnant. Cp. 2. 12; 5. 3, 7, 8; 7. 18.

shall reign.

Cp. Isa. 9. 6; 24. 23. Dan. 7. 14, 27. Obad. 21.

in mount Zion. Contrast 3. 12.

Ps. 2. 6. Isa. 24. 23.

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redeem [as a kinsman]. Heb. gā'al. See note on Ex. 6. 6.

12 Zion. See Ap. 68.

be plowed as a field. This is true of the site on Ophel, but not true of the traditional site south-west of Jerusalem. See Ap. 68. I. Cp. 1. 6. Jer. 26. 18.

Jerusalem. The city proper, on Mount Moriah.

heaps=ruins. Note the Fig. Paronomasia (Ap. 6).

Heb. yirūshāla'im 'iyyin. Cp. 1. 6.

the mountain of the house. Moriah and the

Temple. See Ap. 68.

the high places of the forest=a height of a jungle.

4. 1-5. 15 (B, p. 1252). CONSOLATION.
(Division.)

B | E¹ | 4. 1-5. General. The end.

E² | 4. 6-5. 15. Particular. The means.

1 in the last days=at the end of the days. Here we are carried forward to a yet future day. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 49. 1: the same phrase. Num. 24. 14). Ap.

92. Cp. Isa. 2. 2, &c. Ezek. 38. 8, 16. Hos. 3. 5

the mountain, &c. Cp. 3. 12; and see Isa. 2. 2-4.

Both prophecies are independent, and complementary

(see Ps. 24. 3. Ezek. 28. 16).

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

established: abidingly: not merely for a time.

people=peoples.

2 come=go. Come=Come ye.

the God of Jacob. See notes on Ps. 20. 1.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

the law. As contained in the Pentateuch. Ap. 92.

3 He shall judge=He shall rule (Pss. 2. 5, 9; 72. 8, 11;

82. 8; 96. 13; 98. 9; 110. 5, 6. Isa. 11. 3-5; 51. 5. Matt.

25. 31, 32). plowshares. Cp. Isa. 2. 4. Joel 3. 10.

pruninghooks: or, scythes.

nation. Some codices, with four early printed editions

(one Rabbinic, marg.), Sept., and Syr., read “and

nation”.

4 sit=dwell. every man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

under, &c. Cp. 1 Kings 4. 25. Zech. 3. 10.

LORD of hosts. See note on 2 Sam. 1. 3.

4. 6-5. 15 (E², above). PARTICULAR. THE
MEANS. (Alternation.)

E² | F | 4. 6-5. 8. Good supplied.

G | 5. 9. Enemies cut off.

F | 5. 10-14. Evil removed.

G | 5. 15. Enemies cut off.

4. 6-5. 8 (F, above). GOOD SUPPLIED.
(Introversion and Extended Alternation.)

F | H | 4. 6, 7. The Remnant gathered out.

J | d | 4. 8. The Kingdom. “But thou” (ve'attāh).

e | 4. 9, 10-. Travail.

f | 4. -10-. Departure.

g | -10-. Deliverance.

K | 4. 11. Hostility.

L | 4. 12, 13. Victory.

K | 5. 1. Hostility.

J | d | 5. 2. The King. “But thou” (ve'attāh).

e | 5. 3-. Travail.

f | 5. -3-6-. Return.

g | 5. -6-. Deliverance.

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6 In that day: i.e. the day of v. 1.

saith the LORD=[is] Jehovah's oracle. halteth= is lame. gather=gather out. Cp. Ps. 147. 2.

Ezek. 34. 13; 37. 21. 7 halted=was lame. a remnant. Cp. 2. 12; 5. 3, 7, 8; 7. 18. shall reign.

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11 °Now also °many nations are gathered against thee, that say, "Let her be defiled, and let our °eye look upon Zion."

12 But °they know not the °thoughts of °the LORD, neither understand they His °counsel: °for He shall gather them as the sheaves into the °floor.

13 Arise and °thresh, O daughter of Zion: for I will make thine °horn iron, and I will make thy °hoofs brass: and thou shalt beat in pieces many people: and °I will °consecrate their gain unto °the LORD, and their substance unto °THE LORD of the whole earth.

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5 °Now °gather thyself in troops, O daughter of troops: °he hath laid siege against °us: they shall smite °the judge of Israel with a °rod upon the cheek.

J d

2 °But thou, °Beth-lehem Ephratah, though thou be °little among the °thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall He °come forth °unto me That is to be ruler in Israel; Whose goings forth have been from of old, from °everlasting.

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3 Therefore will he give them up, °until the time that °she which travaileth hath brought forth:

f

then the remnant of his brethren shall return unto the °children of Israel.

4 And °He shall stand and °feed in the strength of °the LORD, in the majesty of the name of °the LORD His °God; and °they °shall abide: for now °shall He be great unto the ends of the earth.

5 And °this Man shall be the peace, when the °Assyrian shall come into our land: and °when he shall tread in our palaces, °then shall we raise against him °seven shepherds, and eight principal °men.

6 And they shall °waste the land of Assyria with the sword, and °the land of Nimrod in the °entrances thereof:

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thus shall He deliver us from the Assyrian, °when He cometh into our land, and °when he treadeth within our borders.

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7 And the remnant of Jacob shall be in the midst of many people °as °a dew from °the LORD, as the showers upon the grass, that tarrieth not for °man, nor waiteth for the sons of °men.

8 And the remnant of Jacob °shall be among the Gentiles in the midst of many °people °as a lion among the beasts of the forest, as a young lion among the flocks of sheep: who, if he go through, both treadeth down, and tear-eth in pieces, and none can deliver.

11 Now = Meanwhile: as in v. 10; 5. 1. Referring to the then immediately impending hostility.

many nations. Cp. Isa. 33. 3. Lam. 2. 16. Obad. 11-13. eye. So some codices, with two early printed editions, Aram., Syr., and Vulg.; but Heb. text reads "eyes". Cp. Ps. 54. 3.

12 they know not. Cp. Isa. 55. 8. Jer. 29. 11. thoughts = purposes, or plans: i.e. for Israel in purging him of idolatry by his tribulation.

counsel: i.e. with regard to themselves. The reason follows.

for: or, that. floor = threshing-floor.

13 thresh = tread as oxen.

horn . . . hoofs. Referring to the strength of the oxen, and to the completeness of the destruction. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 25. 4). Ap. 92. Cp. Isa. 41. 15. Jer. 51. 33.

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consecrate = devote; as in Josh. 6. 19, 24. Cp. Zech. 14. 14. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 27. 28).

THE LORD. Heb. 'Adōn. The Divine title, relating to dominion in the earth. See Ap. 4. VIII (1).

5. 1 Now = Meanwhile; as in 4. 10, 11. Showing that 5. 1 relates to the interval between the then present time and "that day" of 4. 1, 6. Cp. the members "K" and "K".

gather thyself, &c.: or, thou shalt have sore tribulation [for thy sins], thou daughter of affliction.

he: i.e. the enemy. The Assyrian.

us. The prophet includes himself.

the judge. Or, the then ruler (cp. 1 Kings 22. 24. Lam. 3. 30; 4. 20; 5. 8, 12), who would thus be the type of the Messiah (Matt. 27. 30).

rod = sceptre. Heb. *shēbet* = the club (of defence), as in 7. 14; hence, of office; not *matteh*, the rod or staff (of support), as in 6. 9. See note on Ps. 23. 4.

2 But thou. This marks out the Structure. Cp. 4. 8 ("d") with 5. 2 ("d"). Quoted in Matt. 2. 5, 6. John 7. 42.

Beth-lehem Ephratah. The full name given, as in Gen. 35. 19, thus connecting Gen. 35. 21 with Mic. 4. 8.

little = too little [to rank among]. Cp. 1 Cor. 1. 27-29. thousands = districts (1 Sam. 23. 23). Like our old English divisions, called "hundreds". Cp. Ex. 18. 25.

Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 18. 25).

come forth. Note the difference between Heb. here (*yātšā'*) and *bō'* = come unto, in Zech. 9. 9. All the events between these two make up the period we call "the first Advent", and thus are typical of the "second Advent"; the *coming forth* being 1 Thess. 4. 16, and the *coming unto* being 1 Thess. 5. 2, 3, and 2 Thess. 2. 8: the former being in grace, the latter in judgment. A similar period may elapse in the antitypical comings as in the typical comings of 5. 2, and Zech. 9. 9.

unto = for.

everlasting. Cp. Ps. 90. 2. Prov. 8. 22, 23. John 1. 1, 2.

3 until the time: i.e. the end of the "meanwhile" (v. 1).

she which travaileth. Cp. 4. 9, 10- ("e"), above, and note there; also John 16. 21, 22, and Rev. 12. 1-6. children = sons.

4 He: i.e. the Shepherd of Israel. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 49. 24). Ap. 92. Cp. Ps. 80. 1. Jer. 31. 10. Ezek. 34. 23. feed = tend, or shepherd (as a flock). Cp. 7. 14. Isa. 40. 11; 49. 10.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

shall abide. In everlasting security.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. they. Israel, His flock. shall He be great. Cp. Pss. 22. 27; 72. 8; 98. 1. Isa. 49. 5, 7; 52. 13. Zech. 9. 10. Luke 1. 32. Rev. 11. 15. 5 this Man, &c. = this [great Shepherd of Israel]. Cp. Ps. 72. 7. Isa. 9. 6, 7. Zech. 9. 10. Assyrian. This is emphatic in Heb. when, &c. Cp. Isa. 7. 20; 8. 7-10; 37. 31-36. then, &c. Cp. Isa. 44. 28; 59. 19. Zech. 1. 18-21; 9. 13; 10. 3; 12. 6. seven shepherds . . . men. When that time comes the meaning of this will be seen. men. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I.

6 waste eat up. the land of Nimrod. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 10. 8-10). Ap. 92. The name occurs elsewhere only in 1 Chron. 1. 10. entrances = passes. Cp. Nah. 3. 13. when. See note on v. 5. 7 as a dew, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 2, the same verbal idiom). Ap. 92. a dew = a night mist. See note on Ps. 133. 3. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II. 8 shall be, &c. This refers to restored Israel "in that day"; not to any other people now. people. Heb. -peoples. as a lion, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 23. 24; 24. 9). Ap. 92.

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9 Thine hand shall be lifted up upon thine adversaries, and all thine enemies °shall be cut off.

10 "And it shall come to pass °in that day, °saith 'the LORD, that °I will cut off thy horses out of the midst of thee, and I will destroy thy chariots:

i 11 And °I will cut off the cities of thy land, and throw down all thy strong holds:

h 12 And °I will cut off °witchcrafts out of thine °hand; and thou shalt have no more °soothsayers:

13 Thy °graven images also will °I cut off, and thy °standing images out of the midst of thee; and thou shalt no more worship the work of thine hands.

14 And I will °pluck up °thy groves out of the midst of thee:

i so will I destroy °thy cities.

G 15 And I will execute vengeance in anger and fury upon the °heathen, such as they have not heard."

A M 6 °Hear ye now what °the LORD saith; "Arise, contend thou before the mountains, and let the hills hear thy voice.

2 °Hear ye, O mountains, 'the LORD'S controversy, and ye strong foundations of the earth:

N for 'the LORD hath a controversy with His People, and He will plead with Israel.

O P 3 O My People, what have I done unto thee? and wherein have I wearied thee? °testify against Me.

Q 4 For °I brought thee up out of the land of Egypt, °and redeemed thee out of the °house of servants; and °I sent before thee Moses, Aaron, and °Miriam.

5 O My People, °remember now what °Balak king of Moab consulted, and what °Balaam the son of Beor answered him from Shittim unto Gilgal; that ye may know the °righteousness of 'the LORD."

P 6 °Wherewith shall I come before 'the LORD, and bow myself before °the °high °God? shall I come before Him with °burnt offerings, with calves °of a year old?

7 °Will 'the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, or with ten thousands of rivers of oil? °shall I give my firstborn for my °transgression, °the fruit of my body for the °sin of my °soul?

Q 8 He hath shewed thee, O °man, what is good; and what doth 'the LORD require of thee, but to do justly, and to love °mercy, and to °walk humbly with thy °God?

M 9 'The LORD'S voice crieth unto the °city,

of a year old. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 9. 3). Ap. 92.

transgression=rebellion, insubordination. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. i.

sin. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

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mercy=lovingkindness, or grace. walk humbly. The Heb. expression (*hātēnē' leketh*) occurs only here. This verse embodies the principles governing Jehovah's administration under the Law, but not under the Gospel. Now, He requires faith in the Substitute Whom He has provided for the sinner; and His righteousness must be imputed in grace. See Ap. 63. IX: and 72. Cp. also Rom. 5. 23, 24. Eph. 2. 3-9. Titus 3. 5-8, &c.

Ap. 6, for the inhabitants.

9 shall be cut off. Note the Fig. *Anaphora* (Ap. 6), in the repetition, "cut off", four times in vv. 9-13. All this refers eventually to restored Israel.

5. 10-14 (F, p. 1256). EVIL REMOVED. (Alternation.)

F | h | 10. Evil people, &c. Military.

i | 11. Cities.

h | 12-14-. Evil people, &c. Idolaters, &c.

i | -14. Cities.

10 in that day. The Structure connects 5. 10-14 ("F") with 4. 6-5. 8 ("F"), and shows it to be the same, and yet future time, called in 4. 1 "the last days".

saith the LORD=[is] Jehovah's oracle. I will cut off, &c. See note on v. 9. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 17. 16). Ap. 92. Cp. Isa. 2. 7. Zech. 9. 10.

12 witchcrafts=sorceries. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 22. 18. Lev. 19. 26. Deut. 18. 10). Ap. 92.

hand. Some codices, with Sept., and Syr., read "hands".

soothsayers: i. e. users of secret or occult arts.

13 graven images. See 1. 7, the same word. standing images=pillars. Probably='Ashērahs. See Ap. 42. Cp. "groves", v. 14. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 23. 24; 34. 13. Deut. 7. 5). Ap. 92.

14 pluck up=root up, or tear down. thy groves=thine 'Ashērahs. Ap. 42. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 34. 13. Deut. 7. 5; 12. 3). Ap. 92.

thy cities. Ginsburg thinks "thine idols". A.V. marg. suggests "enemies". 15 heathen=nations.

6. 1-7. 10 (A, p. 1252). THREATENING. (Extended Alternation.)

A | M | 6. 1, 2-. Call to hear. Mountains.

N | 6. -2. Controversy.

O | 6. 3-8. Expostulation.

M | 6. 9. Call to hear. City.

N | 6. 10-16. Controversy.

O | 7. 1-10. Lamentation.

1 Hear ye. Fig. *Apostrophe*. Ap. 6.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

2 Hear ye, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 1). Ap. 92.

6. 3-8 (O, above). EXPOSTULATION. (Alternation.)

O | P | 3. Questions of Jehovah.

Q | 4, 5. Jehovah's Answer. What He had done.

P | 6, 7. Questions of Jehovah.

Q | 8. Jehovah's Answer. What Israel should do.

3 testify=answer.

4 I brought thee up, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 12. 51; 14. 30; 20. 2. Deut. 4. 20). Ap. 92.

and redeemed thee. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 6. 6; 13. 13-16). house of servants=house of bondage. Ref. to Pent.

(Ex. 13. 3, 14; 20. 2. Deut. 5. 6; 6. 12; 7. 8). Ap. 92.

I sent before . . . Miriam. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 15. 20, 21. Num. 12. 4, 10, 15; 20. 1; 26. 59). Miriam not mentioned after Deut. 24. 9, except 1 Chron. 6. 3.

5 remember now, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 22. 5; 23. 7; 24. 10, 11; 25. 1; 31. 16. Deut. 23. 4, 5). Ap. 92.

Balak. Not mentioned since Judges 11. 25. Balaam. Not mentioned since Josh. 24. 9, 10, except in Neh. 13. 2. Cp. 2 Pet. 2. 15, and Jude 11. Rev. 2. 14.

righteousness=righteous acts. 6 Wherewith . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

the high God=God on high.

high. Heb. *marōm*; not *Elyōn*.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

burnt offerings. See Ap. 43. II. ii.

7 Will . . . ? shall I . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

Ap. 44. ix. the fruit of my body=

soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. 8 man=

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9 city. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of the Subject),

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(and °the man of °wisdom shall see °Thy name: hear ye the °rod, and who hath appointed it.

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10 Are there yet the treasures of °wickedness in the house of the °wicked, and °the scant °measure that is °abominable?

11 Shall I count °them pure with °the 10 wicked balances, and with the bag of deceitful weights?

12 For the rich men thereof are full of violence, and the inhabitants thereof have spoken lies, and their tongue is deceitful in their mouth.

k 13 Therefore also °will I make thee sick in smiting thee, in making thee desolate because of thy °sins.

14 °Thou shalt eat, but not be satisfied; and °thy casting down °shall be in the midst of thee; and thou shalt °take hold, but shalt not deliver; and that which thou deliverest will I give up to the sword.

15 °Thou shalt sow, but thou shalt not reap; thou shalt tread the olives, but thou shalt not anoint thee with oil; and °sweet wine, but shalt not drink °wine.

j 16 For °the statutes °of Omri are °kept, and all the works of °the house of Ahab, and ye walk in their counsels;

k °that I should make thee a desolation, and the inhabitants thereof an hissing: therefore ye shall bear the reproach of My people.

O R 7 Woe is me! for I am as when they have gathered the summer fruits, as the gleanings of the vintage: there is no cluster to eat: my °soul desired the firstripe fruit.

2 The °good man is perished out of the earth: and there is none upright among °men: they all lie in wait for blood; they hunt °every man his brother with a net.

3 That they may do °evil with both hands earnestly, the prince °asketh, and °the judge °asketh for a °reward; and the great man, he uttereth °his mischievous desire: so °they °wrap °it up.

4 The best of them is as a brier: the most upright is sharper than a thorn hedge: °the day of thy watchmen and thy visitation cometh; now shall be their perplexity.

S 5 °Trust ye not in a friend, °put ye not confidence in a guide: keep the °doors of thy mouth from her that lieth in thy bosom.

6 For the son °dishonoureth the father, the daughter riseth up against her mother, the daughter in law against her mother in law; a °man's enemies are the °men of his own house

the man of wisdom shall see Thy name=[such as would have] true stability (or safety) will regard Thy name. The Mugah Codex, quoted in the *Massorah* (Ap. 30), reads: "such as revere".

wisdom. Heb. *tushiyah*. See note on Prov. 2. 7.

Thy. The Sept. reads: "and He (the LORD) will save such as revere His name".

rod. Heb. *matteh*=staff (for support or chastisement). Not the same word as in 5. 1; 7. 14. Either put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the chastisement inflicted, or supply the *Ellipsis* thus: "hear ye the rod, and [Him] Who hath appointed [the chastisement]." The suffix of the verb, "it", is fem.; while "rod" is masc. Therefore we may supply "chastisement" (Heb. *tukahath*), which is fem.

6. 10-16 (N, p. 1258). CONTROVERSY. (Alternation.)

N j | 10-12. Incrimination. Fraud and Deceit.

k | 13-15. Judgment. Desolation.

j | 16-. Incrimination. Omri and Ahab.

k | -16. Judgment. Desolation.

10 wickedness . . . wicked=lawlessness . . . lawless. Heb. *rashā'*. Ap. 44. x.

the scant measure, &c. Note the word "abominable" below. In this form, only in Prov. 22. 14.

measure=ephah. See Ap. 51. III. 3 (5).

abominable. Ref. to Pent. Out of six words thus rendered, Heb. *zā'am* is chosen in Num. 23. 7, 8, 8, "defied"=abhorred. It occurs only eight times elsewhere. Ap. 92.

11 them. Supply [her]: i.e. the wicked city.

the wicked balances. Heb. balances of wickedness. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 25. 13-16). Ap. 92.

13 will I make thee sick. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 16). sins. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

14 Thou shalt eat, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 26).

thy casting down=thy dissatisfaction or emptiness. Heb. *yeshach*. Occurs only here.

shall be in the midst of thee=[shall remain] in thee. take hold. Some codices, with one early printed edition (Rabbinic, marg.), read "take possession".

15 Thou shalt sow, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 38-40). sweet wine. Heb. *tirōsh*. Ap. 27. II.

wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. I.

16 the statutes. Heb. *hukōth*=in a religious sense (Lev. 20. 8. 2 Kings 17. 34. Jer. 10. 3).

of Omri. Cp. 1 Kings 16. 31, 32, as to the worship of Baal.

kept=strictly kept. Cp. Hos. 5. 4. the house of Ahab. Cp. 1 Kings 16. 30, &c.; 21. 25, 26.

2 Kings 21. 3. See Ap. 55.

that I should make, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 37).

7. 1-10 (O, p. 1258). LAMENTATION. (Introversion.)

O R | 1-4. Evils lamented.

S | 5, 6. Remedies. Vain.

S | 7. Remedy. True.

R | 8-10. Evils endured.

1 soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

2 good=gracious.

men=mankind. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

every man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

3 evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. VIII.

asketh=asketh [for a reward]. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 16. 19). Ap. 92. Cp. 3. 11. Hos. 4. 18.

the judge asketh=the judge [judgeth], &c. Fig. reward=bribe. his mischievous desire=the mis-

chief of his soul. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13. Cp. 3. 9-11. they: i.e. the prince and the judge. wrap it up=weave it together. Occurs only here. it. Heb. suffix is fem., so we must supply a fem. noun: e.g.

zimmāh=wicked purpose, or mischievous device. Isa. 32. 7.

4 the day of thy watchmen. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6: i.e. the day [of punishment] foretold by thy watchmen. 5 Trust ye not=Put ye no faith in. Heb. *'āman*. See Ap. 69. III.

put ye not confidence in. Heb. *batah*. See Ap. 69. I. So the Western Massorites. The Eastern, with three early printed editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "neither put", &c. Quoted in Matt. 10. 35, 36; Luke 12. 53.

6 dishonoureth, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 20. 12. Deut. 5. 16). Ap. 92. man's. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

men. Heb. pl. of *'ēnōsh*. Ap. 14. III. Verse 6 does not end "abruptly", nor does there "yawn a century". Verse 7 gives the true remedy ("S") in contrast with the vain remedies of vv. 5, 6 ("S").

S 7 Therefore I will look unto °the LORD; I
(p. 1259) will wait for the °God of my salvation: my
632-603 °God will hear me.

R 8 Rejoice not against me, O mine enemy:
°when I fall, I shall arise; when I sit in dark-
ness, °the LORD shall be a light unto me.

9 I will bear the °indignation of °the LORD,
because I have °sinned against Him, until He
plead my cause, and execute judgment for me:
He will bring me forth to the light, and I shall
°behold °His righteousness.

10 °Then she that is mine enemy shall see
it, and shame shall cover her which said unto
me, °“Where is °the LORD thy °God?” mine
eyes shall °behold her: now shall she be trod-
den down as the mire of the streets.

B T 11 In the day that thy walls are to be built, in
(p. 1260) that day shall the °decree °be far removed.

12 In that day also °he shall °come even to
thee from °Assyria, and from °the fortified
cities, and from the fortress even to °the river,
and from sea to sea, and from mountain to
mountain.

13 °Notwithstanding °the land shall be deso-
late because of them that dwell therein, for
the fruit of their doings.

U 14 °Feed Thy People with Thy °rod, the
flock of Thine heritage, °which dwell °solitarily
in the wood, in the midst of Carmel: let
them feed in Bashan and Gilead, °as in the
days of old.

T 15 °According to the days of thy coming out
of the land of Egypt °will I shew unto him mar-
vellous things.

16 The nations shall see and be confounded
at all their might: they shall °lay their hand
upon their mouth, °their ears shall be deaf.

17 They shall °lick the dust like a serpent,
they shall °move out of their °holes like
°worms of the earth: they shall be afraid of
°the LORD our °God, and shall fear because of
Thee.

U 18 °Who is a °GOD like unto Thee, That
°pardoneth °iniquity, and passeth by the
°transgression of the remnant of His heritage?
He retaineth not His anger for ever, because
He delighteth in °mercy.

19 He °will turn again, He will have com-
passion upon us; He will subdue our °iniqui-
ties; and Thou wilt cast all their °sins into the
depths of the sea.

20 °Thou wilt perform the truth to Jacob,
and the °mercy to Abraham, which Thou hast
°sworn unto our fathers from the days of old.

and sign. See Job 21. 5; 29. 9; 40. 4.

editions, read “and their”.

17 lick the dust. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the
utmost humiliation, as in Gen. 3. 14. Cp. Ps. 72. 9. Isa. 49. 23.

fastnesses. Heb. *misgereth*. See the Oxford *Gesenius*, p. 689.
same word). Occurs only in these two places.
Cp. the meaning of “Micah”, 1. 1. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 15. 11. See note there).

pardoneth iniquity. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 34. 7). Ap. 92.

transgression. Heb. *pasha'*. Ap. 44. ix.

Cp. Hos. 14. 8.

19 will turn again.

20 Thou wilt perform, &c. Quoted in Luke

1. 72, 73.

sworn unto our fathers. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 50. 24, &c.). Ap. 92. See Ps. 105. 9, 10, 42.

7 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. See the
Structure.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

8 when I fall: i.e. into calamity; not into sin. Lit.
I have fallen, I have arisen; though I should sit in
darkness, Jehovah, &c.

9 indignation. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause),
Ap. 6, for the punishment which was the result of it.
sinned. Heb. *chata'*. Ap. 44. i.

behold = look unto.

His righteousness: i.e. His righteous vindication.

10 Then she, &c. So shall she [who had been] mine

enemy: i.e. Assyria (in v. 12).

Where . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Cp. Ps. 42. 2, 10.

7. 11-20 (B, p. 1252). CONSOLATION. (Alternation.)

B | T | 11-13. Restoration of Israel.

U | 14. Prayer.

T | 15-17. Subjugation of Israel's enemies.

U | 18-20. Pardon.

11 decree = prescribed limit or boundary. So the
Oxford *Gesenius*, p. 849. Cp. Job 26. 10; 38. 10. Prov.
8. 29. Isa. 24. 5. Jer. 5. 22. Heb. *chok*.

be far removed = become distant: i.e. extended. See
the Oxford *Gesenius*, p. 935. Heb. *rachak*, as in Isa.
26. 15. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6), *yir'chok*.

12 he = one. But a special various reading called
Sevir (Ap. 34), reads “they”: i.e. thine exiles.

come = come home; as in 1 Sam. 11. 5. Ps. 45. 15.
Prov. 2. 10: or, into blessing; as in Ps. 69. 27. Nothing
has “fallen out” of the text!

Assyria. See the “enemy”, v. 10.

the fortified cities = the cities of *Matzor* (i.e. the
fortress) put for Egypt. Cp. Isa. 19. 6; 37. 25.

the river. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Genus), Ap. 6,
for the Euphrates. Also the Fig. *Antonomasia* (Ap. 6).

13 Notwithstanding: i.e. But first, or before this.
the land, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 33, the same word).

14 Feed, &c. Note here, the prayer of Micah. Supply
the *Ellipsis*: “[Then Micah prayed, and said: O Jehovah]

Feed Thy People”, &c. Feed = shepherd Thon (masc.).
rod. Heb. *shebet*, as in 5. 1; not as in 6. 9. Here it is
the token of rule.

which dwell, &c. = dwell thou (fem.): i.e. the
“flock”. Heb. *tz'on* (com. gender).

solitarily = alone. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 23. 9. Deut.
33. 28). Ap. 92.

as in the days of old = as in the age-past times: so
shall be the yet future day of Israel's consolation; not
Micah's day, when Israel was in possession of Bashan,
&c. No ground, therefore, for dating this prayer in
“the latest period of Israel's history, the days of Haggai
and Zechariah”, as alleged.

15 According, &c. Verses 15-17 are Jehovah's answer
as to the subjugation of Israel's enemies. Ref. to Pent.
See note on 6. 4. Ap. 92. Not the continuation of
Micah's prayer.

will I shew unto him. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 34. 10).

16 lay their hand, &c. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of
Adjunct), Ap. 6, for silence, of which it was the token
their ears. Some codices, with four early printed

17 lick the dust. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the
move = come quaking. holes =

worms. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 24, the

18 Who is a GOD like . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

iniquity = perverseness. Heb. *avah*. Ap. 44. iv.

mercy = lovingkindness, or grace. 19 will turn again.

20 Thou wilt perform, &c. Quoted in Luke

1. 72, 73.

sworn unto our fathers. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 50. 24, &c.). Ap. 92. See Ps. 105. 9, 10, 42.

NAHUM.

THE STRUCTURE OF THE BOOK AS A WHOLE.

(*Division.*)

1. 1. THE TITLE.

\mathfrak{B}^2 | \mathbf{A}^1 | 1. 2-8. JEHOVAH'S ATTRIBUTES DECLARED.
 \mathbf{A}^2 | 1. 9-3. 19. JEHOVAH'S JUDGMENTS FORETOLD.

For the CANONICAL order and place of the Prophets, see Ap. 1, and pages 1206 and 1207.

For the CHRONOLOGICAL order of the Prophets, see Ap. 77.

For the *Formulae* of Prophetic utterance, see Ap. 82.

For the Inter-relation of the Prophetical Books, see Ap. 78.

For the Relation of NAHUM to the twelve Minor (or Shorter) Prophets, see p. 1206.

For the References to the Pentateuch, see Ap. 92.

Nahum concludes the seven pre-captivity Prophets, being the last of the second group of three; and corresponding with JONAH, which also has Nineveh for its subject. See the Structure (p. 1206).

Some eighty-seven years before, JONAH had proclaimed Jehovah's favour to Nineveh, which had prolonged its existence till now, when Nahum's prophecy of coming judgment was fulfilled without further delay.

Nahum is undated; but, if 1. 11 refers primarily to the Rab-shakeh (as we believe it does) of 2 Kings 18. 26-28, then we have a clue of great importance, for that speaks of the fourteenth year of Hezekiah, and gives us the date as 603 B. C.

The Rab-shakeh = the chief of the captains, was apparently a renegade Jew, and a "counsellor" high in favour with the Assyrian king (Sennacherib). He was apparently, as to office, similar to our "Political Officer" in the Indian Frontier campaigns. He insisted on speaking to the common People on the wall in the Jews' language; indicating a freedom in the use of Hebrew that would scarcely be possessed by an Assyrian ambassador.

The Rab-shakeh's words certainly show a deadly animosity towards Jehovah; which is borne out by Nah. 1. 11, and Pss. 120. 2; 123. 3. See Ap. 67.

If this be correct, then we may date Nahum as living and prophesying in 603 B. C.

NAHUM.

TITLE
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A¹ A
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1 THE °burden of °Nineveh. The book of the °vision of °Nahum the °Elkoshite.

2 °GOD is °jealous, and °the LORD °re-vengeth; °the LORD revengeth, and °is furious; °the LORD will °take vengeance on His adversaries, and °He reserveth °wrath °for His enemies.

3 °The LORD is °slow to anger, and °great in power, and °will not at all °acquit the wicked:

4 °the LORD hath His way in the whirlwind and in the storm, and the clouds are the dust of His feet.

5 °He rebuketh the sea, and maketh it dry, °and drieth up all the rivers; Bashan languisheth, and Carmel, and the flower of Lebanon languisheth.

6 °The mountains quake at Him, and the hills melt, and the earth is °burned at His presence, yea, the °world, and all that dwell therein.

7 °Who can stand before His indignation? and who can °abide in the fierceness of His anger? His fury is poured out like fire, and the rocks are thrown down by Him.

8 °The LORD is °good, a °strong hold in the day of trouble; and °He knoweth them that °trust in Him.

9 °But with an overrunning flood He will make an utter end of °the place thereof, °and darkness shall pursue His enemies.

10 What do ye °imagine against °the LORD? °He will make an utter end: °affliction shall not rise up °the second time.

11 For while they be °folden together as °thorns, and while they are drunken as drunkards, they shall be devoured as stubble fully dry.

12 There is one come out °of °thee, that °imagineth °evil against °the LORD, °a wicked counsellor.

13 Thus saith °the LORD; "Though they be °quiet, and likewise many, yet thus shall they be °cut down, °when he shall pass through.

1. 1 burden. Cp. Isa. 13. 1-27. 13. See the Structure, p. 930, and Habakkuk. = A prophetic oracle: or, the prophetic doom of Nineveh, written about ninety (603-514 = B. C.) years before Nineveh's doom; and while the Assyrian Empire was at its height. The doom of Nineveh came therefore 176 years after Jonah's mission. The prophecy was addressed to Nahum's own People, but as a menace to Nineveh.

Nineveh. This heading is not "undoubtedly by a later hand", as alleged. The words "the place thereof" (v. 8) would be unintelligible without it. Nineveh is not mentioned again until 2. 8; and is only hinted at elsewhere (3. 1, 18). The Structure below is the best commentary.

vision. Like Isaiah, always one whole. Not written before or separately from, its deliverance.

Nahum = the compassionate, or consoler. The name refers back to Jehovah's compassion connected with Jonah's mission eighty-seven years before. Nothing is known of Nahum beyond his book.

Elkoshite. Heb. 'Elkōshî. A village of this name exists to-day, twenty-four miles north of Nineveh (now Konyunjik). See Layard's *Nineveh and its Remains*, i, p. 233.

1. 2-8 (A¹, p. 1261). JEHOVAH'S ATTRIBUTES DECLARED. (*Introversion.*)

A¹ | A | 2. Vengeance.

B | 3-. Long-suffering.

C | -3-5. Power. Unequaled.

C | 6. Power. Irresistible.

B | 7. Goodness.

A | 8. Vengeance.

2 GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

jealous. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 20. 5-7. Deut. 4. 24). Ap. 92. See the Structure, and note the subjects of "A" and "A"; "B" and "B"; "C" and "C".

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. Note the Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6), for great emphasis.

revenge = avenge.

is furious = a possessor of wrath. Heb. "lord of wrath". take vengeance on = be an Avenger to.

wrath. Fig. *Ellipsis* (Absolute). Ap. 6.

for = against.

3 slow to anger = long-suffering. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 34. 6, 7). Ap. 92. Heb. "long of anger". The opposite of Prov. 14. 17. Cp. Jonah 4. 2.

great. Cp. Job 9. 4; and see the Structure "C", above. will not, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 34. 7. Num. 14. 18).

acquit = clear, or hold guiltless.

4 He rebuketh the sea. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 14.) Cp. Ps. 106. 9. Ap. 92.

and drieth up, &c. Cp. Josh. 4. 23. Ps. 74. 15.

burned = upheaved.

world. Heb. *tebēl* = the world as inhabited. **6** abide = stand up. Cp. Jer. 10. 10.

Mal. 3. 2. **7** good. See the Structure "B", above. Cp. 1 Chron. 16. 34. Ps. 100. 5. Jer. 33. 11. Lam. 3. 25.

strong hold = a place of safety. He knoweth, &c. Cp. Ps. 1. 6. 2 Tim. 2. 12. trust in = flee for

refuge to. Heb. *hāṣāh*. Ap. 69. II. **8** But, &c. Note the transition in v. 8, which is explained by

the Structure "A", above. the place thereof. Heb. her place: i.e. Nineveh's. See note on title

above (v. 1). and darkness, &c.: or, "as for His foes, darkness shall pursue [them]".

1. 9-3. 19 (A², p. 1261). JEHOVAH'S JUDGMENTS FORETOLD. (*Introversion.*)

A² | D | 1. 9-12-. Destruction of Nineveh.

E | 1. -12-15. Deliverance of Judah.

D | 2. 1-3. 19. Destruction of Nineveh.

9 imagine = devise. Cp. Ps. 2. 1.

the second time. Referring to the rising up after Jonah's

proclamation. Cp. "rise", Jer. 51. 64. Same word as "abide", v. 6, above. **10** folden = entangled.

thorns. The emblem of hostile armies (Isa. 10. 17; 27. 4). **11** of. Gen. of Origin. Ap. 17. 2.

thee: i.e. Nineveh (fem.). evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii. a wicked counsellor = a counsellor

of Belial. The counsellor probably = Rabshakeh; and Belial = Sennacherib. See note on p. 1261.

12 quiet = secure. cut down = cut down (like dry stubble). when he, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 12. 12).

Cp. Isa. 8. 8. Dan. 11. 10.

E F¹
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° Though I have afflicted ° thee, I will afflict thee no more.

13 For now ° will I break ° his yoke from off ° thee, and will burst thy bonds in sunder.

14 And ° the LORD hath given a commandment concerning thee, *that* ° no more of thy name be sown: out of the house of thy gods will I cut off the graven image and the molten image: I will ° make thy ° grave; for thou art ° vile.

F²

15 ° Behold upon the mountains the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace! O Judah, ° keep thy solemn feasts, perform thy vows: for ° the wicked shall no more pass through thee; he is utterly cut off.

D G K

2 ° He that ° dasheth in pieces is come up before thy face: ° keep the munition, watch the way, ° make *thy* loins strong, ° fortify *thy* power mightily.

2 For ° the LORD ° hath turned away ° the excellency of ° Jacob, ° as the excellency of Israel: for the emptiers have emptied them out, and marred their vine branches.

L N

3 The shield of his ° mighty men is ° made red, the valiant ° men ° are in scarlet: ° the chariots shall be with flaming ° torches in the day of his preparation, and the ° fir trees shall be terribly shaken.

4 The chariots shall ° rage in the streets, they shall ° jostle one against another in the broad ways: ° they shall seem like torches, they shall ° run like the lightnings.

5 ° He shall ° recount his ° worthies: they shall stumble ° in their walk; they shall make haste to ° the wall thereof, ° and ° the defence shall be prepared.

6 The ° gates ° of the rivers shall be ° opened, and the palace shall ° be dissolved.

O

7 And ° Huzzab shall be led away captive, she shall be brought up, and her maids shall

fortress, or fence the defences.

1. 17. fortify, &c. = strengthen [thee] with power mightily. Cp. Prov. 24. 5. 2 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. The verse not "misplaced", as alleged. See the Structure above. hath turned away = restoreth, or is on the way to bring back. the excellency = pre-eminence. Used in good, or bad sense according to the context. Jacob. Put here for the natural seed, and Judah in contrast with Israel; cp. Gen. 32. 28; 43. 6; 45. 26, 28. as = as [He will restore] the excellency, &c.

2. 3-10 (L, above). JUDGMENT. INVASION. (Alternation.)

L | N | 3-6. Nineveh. Assaulted.
O | 7, 8. Captured.
N | 9. Nineveh. Spoiled.
O | 10. Dismayed.

3 mighty men = mighty ones, or warriors. Cp. 2 Sam. 23. 8. 1 Kings 1. 8, 10. made red = reddened [with blood]. men. Heb. pl. of 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III. are in scarlet = [are clad] in scarlet, as were the armies of the Persians.

the chariots shall be . . . torches: or, with the flashing of steel the chariots [glitter]. fir trees. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the spears or lances made from them. 4 rage = rave [as though mad]. Heb. hālāl. jostle. From Old French *jouster*, to tilt; from Low Latin *juxtare*, to approach (as in tilting). Jostle = to push against, a frequentative form; but the Heb. (*shāḳaq*) means to run to and fro, as in Isa. 33. 4. Joel 2. 9. they shall seem = their appearance is. run = rush, or flash. Heb. rāṣ. 5 He. The king of Assyria (3. 18). recount = bethink himself of. worthies = nobles, who may assemble their troops; as in 3. 18. Judg. 5. 13. 2 Chron. 23. 20. in their walk = as they march. the wall thereof = her wall: i.e. the wall of Nineveh. and = yet. the defence = the mantelet, or portable storming cover [of the besiegers]. 6 gates = flood-gates, or sluices. the rivers. Nineveh lay on the east (or left) bank of the Tigris. The Khusur (a perennial stream) ran through it; also a canal from it to the Tigris ran through the city. opened: i.e. by the enemy. be dissolved = melt away [in fear], or was in dismay. 7 Huzzab. The words which follow show that the queen or queen-mother is meant: or, Huzzab may be taken as a verb (dual of *nāḏah*), and the "and" as = though (like "but" in v. 8). In that case read: "though firmly established, she shall be dishonoured and taken captive"; the city being thus personified.

1. -12-15 (E, p. 1262). DELIVERANCE OF JUDAH. (Division.)

E | F¹ | -12-14. Evil removed.
F² | 15. Good bestowed.

-12 Though, &c. = And [nqw, O Judah], &c. Through not seeing the Structure and the change of subject at "E", modern critics say "the first part of this verse is certainly more or less corrupt"; and they alter the Heb. text to make it agree with the last clause ("F¹"), the subject changing there to the removal of evil from Judah. thee: i.e. Judah (v. 13).

13 will I break, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 27. 40). Ap. 92.

his yoke. Some codices read "his rod".

14 no more of thy name, &c.: i.e. the dynasty of Nineveh should end.

make = make [it]: i.e. "the house of thy gods". grave = sepulchre. Heb. *qēber*. See note on Gen. 23. 4. Ap. 35.

vile = despicable. Cp. Isa. 37. 37, 38.

15 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6), for emphasis, calling attention to the ref. to Isa. 52. 7, the hypothetical second Isaiah, 100 years before he is supposed by modern critics to have lived.

keep thy solemn feasts. Fig. *Polyptoton*. Ap. 6. Heb. "feast thy solemn feasts": used for great emphasis. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 16. 16, &c.; 23. 21, &c.). Ap. 92.

the wicked. Heb. [the man of] *Belial*. See note on v. 11.

2. 1-3. 19 (D, p. 1262). DESTRUCTION OF NINEVEH. (Introversion and Extended Alternation.)

D | G | K | 2. 1, 2. Jehovah's defiance.
L | 2. 3-10. Judgment. Invasion.
M | 2. 11-3. 7. Causes.
H | 3. 8-10. Examples. Citation.
H | 3. 11-13. Examples. Application.
G | K | 3. 14. Jehovah's defiance.
L | 3. 15-17. Judgment. Devastation.
M | 3. 18, 19. Causes.

1 He that dasheth, &c.: i.e. Cyaxares and Nabopolassar (*Herod.* i. 106). A reference or type of the future destruction of Antichrist.

dasheth, &c.: or, the breaker (Heb. *mēphiz* = battle-axe, or hammer (Prov. 25. 18)). Cp. Jer. 23. 29; 51. 20. Ezek. 9. 2, marg. Mic. 2. 13.

keep the munition. Fig. *Homæopropheron* (Ap. 6), in the Heb. In English, keep the keeps, or fortify the

603 °lead her as with the voice of doves, °tabering upon their °breasts.

8 °But Nineveh °is of old like a pool of water: yet °they shall °flee away. Stand, stand, shall °they cry; but none shall look back.

N (p. 1263) 9 Take ye the spoil of silver, °take the spoil of gold: for there is °none end of the store and glory out of all the pleasant furniture.

O 10 She is °empty, °and void, °and °waste: and the heart melteth, and the knees smite together, and much pain is in all loins, and °the faces of them all gather blackness.

M P (p. 1264) 11 °Where is the dwelling of the °lions, and the feedingplace of the young lions, where the lion, even the °old lion, walked, and the lion's whelp, and none made them afraid?

12 The lion °did tear in pieces enough for his whelps, and strangled for his lionesses, and filled his holes with prey, and his dens with ravin.

Q 13 °Behold, I am against thee, °saith °the LORD of hosts, and I will burn her chariots °in the smoke, and the sword shall devour thy young lions: and I will cut off thy prey from the earth, and the voice of thy °messengers shall no more be heard.

P 3 Woe to the °bloody city! it is all full of lies and robbery; the prey °departeth not;

2 °The noise of a whip, °and the noise of the rattling of the wheels, and of the prancing horses, and of the °jumping chariots.

3 The horseman lifteth up both the °bright sword and the °glittering spear: and there is a multitude of slain, and a great number of carcasses; and there is none end of their corpses; °they stumble °upon their corpses:

Q 4 °Because of the multitude of the °whoredoms of the wellfavoured harlot, °the mistress of °witchcrafts, that selleth nations through her °whoredoms, and families through her °witchcrafts.

5 °Behold, I am against thee, °saith the LORD of hosts; °and °I will discover thy skirts upon thy face, °and °I will shew the nations thy nakedness, and the kingdoms thy shame.

6 And I will cast abominable filth upon thee, and °make thee vile, and will set thee as a gazingstock.

7 And it shall come to pass, that all they that look upon thee shall flee from thee, and say, 'Nineveh is laid waste: who will bemoan °her?' whence shall I seek comforters for thee?

H (p. 1263) 8 Art thou °better than °populous No, that

lead her = mourn for, or bemoaning.

tabering = drumming [with their fingers] incessantly. Heb. *taphaph*, from *taph* = a drum. See note on Ex. 15. 20. 1 Sam. 10. 5.

breasts = hearts. Some codices read "heart" (sing.); but others, with eight early printed editions, read "hearts" (pl.).

8 But = Though, to answer to the "yet" of the next line.

is of old, &c. Read "hath been from of old [filled with men] as a pool [is full] of water".

they: i.e. the defenders.

flee away. Before their besiegers.

they: i.e. the captains.

9 take the spoil. Note the Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

none end, &c. = [there are] treasures without end, [and] stores of all covetable vessels.

10 empty . . . void . . . waste. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. Heb. *būkāh ūmbūkāh ūmbullākāh*.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. the faces of them all, &c. Only here, and in Joel 2. 6. The reference is to Joel 2. 6 (as 1. 15 is to Isa. 52. 7); not vice versa.

2. 11—3. 7 (M, p. 1263). CAUSES. (Alternation.)

M P | 2. 11, 12. Jehovah. Defiance.

Q | 2. 13. The cause. Hostility.

P | 3. 1-3. Jehovah. Defiance.

Q | 3. 4-7. The cause. Hostility.

11 Where . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. lions. Note the Fig. *Synonymia* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. This is Jehovah's answer to Sennacherib's taunt in 2 Kings 18. 34, looking back after the fulfilment of this prophecy. old lion = lioness.

12 did tear = was tearing. Nineveh again personified in vv. 11, 12.

13 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

saith the LORD of Hosts = [is] the oracle of Jehovah Sabaoth.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah, as in v. 2. The full expression, "Jehovah of hosts", occurs only here in Nahum ("Q") and in the corresponding member ("Q", 3. 5). See note on 1 Sam. 1. 3.

in the smoke = into smoke.

messengers = ambassadors. Cp. 2 Kings 18. 17, 19; 19. 9, 23.

3. 1 bloody city = city of great bloodshed (Ezek. 22. 2, 3; 24. 6, 9. Hab. 2. 12).

departeth not = will not be lacking. Captive princes were exposed to public contumely in cages, &c.

2 The noise, &c. Between vv. 1 and 2 supply the logical *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), thus: "is not released. [Hark! the enemy is within thy gates!] The noise of a whip . . . chariot".

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. jumping = bumping, or sounding.

3 bright = gleaming. glittering = flashing.

they: i.e. the slayers. Heb. text margin, with some codices, and four early printed editions, reads "so that they stumble", &c. upon = over.

4 Because, &c. Note the Structure, which shows that here, in the member "Q" (vv. 4-7), we have the cause, corresponding with "Q" (2. 13).

whoredoms = idolatries.

the mistress of witchcrafts. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 22.

18. Deut. 18. 10). Ap. 92. witchcrafts = sorceries. Cp. Isa. 47. 9. 5 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. saith the LORD of Hosts = [is] the oracle of Jehovah Sabaoth. See note on 2. 13.

I will discover. Carrying out the symbol of whoredom for idolatry. Cp. 2. 13; 3. 5. I will shew, &c. (Isa. 47. 2, 3. Jer. 13. 22, 26. Ezek. 16. 37). 6 make thee vile = disgrace thee. 7 her. Some codices,

with two early printed editions, Aram., Syr., and Vulg., read "thee"; but the Codex "Mugah", quoted in the *Massōrah* (Ap. 80), reads "her". 8 better = situated better. populous No = No-*Āmōn*. *Āmōn* is not a Heb. word meaning "multitude", but an Egyptian word meaning the Egyptian god "*Āmōn*". No = the Egyptian *net*, meaning the city; now known as "Thebes". (Cp. Jer. 46. 25. Ezek. 30. 14, 15, 16).

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was situate among °the rivers, *that had* the waters round about it, whose rampart *was* °the sea, and her wall *was* °from °the sea?

9 Ethiopia °and Egypt *were* her strength, and *it was* °infinite; °Put and °Lubim *were* thy helpers.

10 °Yet *was* °she carried away, she went into captivity: her young children also *were* dashed in pieces at the top of all the streets: and they cast lots for her honourable men, and all her great men *were* bound in chains.

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11 °Thou also shalt °be drunken: thou shalt °be hid, thou also shalt seek °strength because of the enemy.

12 All thy strong holds *shall be like* fig trees with the firstripe figs: if they be shaken, they shall even fall into the mouth of the eater.

13 °Behold, thy people in the midst of thee *are* women: the gates of thy land shall be set wide open unto thine enemies: the fire shall devour thy bars.

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14 °Draw thee waters for the siege, fortify thy strong holds: °go into clay, and °tread the mortar, make strong °the brickkiln.

I

15 There shall the fire devour thee; the sword shall cut thee off, it shall eat thee up like the °cankerworm: °make thyself many as the °cankerworm, °make thyself many as the °locusts.

16 °Thou hast multiplied thy merchants above the stars of heaven: the °cankerworm °spoileth, and fleeth away.

17 °Thy °crowned *are* as the locusts, and thy °captains as the great grasshoppers, which camp in the °hedges in the cold day, *but* when the sun ariseth they °flee away, and their place is not known where they *are*.

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18 Thy °shepherds slumber, O king of Assyria: thy nobles shall °dwell *in the dust*: thy people is scattered upon the mountains, and °no man gathereth *them*.

19 *There is* no °healing of thy °bruise; thy wound is grievous: all that hear the °bruit of thee shall clap the hands over thee: for °upon whom hath not thy °wickedness passed continually?"

the rivers = the Nile streams. Heb. *ye'orim*, the regular word for the Nile and its canals, &c. First occurrence Gen. 41. 1; rendered "flood" (Jer. 46. 7, 8. Amos 8. 8; 9. 5); "brooks" (Isa. 19. 6, 7, 8); "streams" (Isa. 33. 21).

the sea. The Nile so called in Job 41. 31. Isa. 18. 2; 19. 5.

from = of: i.e. consisted of.

9 and. Some codices, cited in the *Massōrah* (Ap. 30), omit this word "and"; in which case we should render the clause: "Ethiopia strengthened her; Egypt [defended her with countless hosts (or hosts without end)]".

infinite. Heb. = and there is no end. See the above note; and cp. 2. 9; 3. 3. Isa. 2. 7.

Put. Gen. 10. 6, the third son of Ham, next to *Cush* (Ethiopia) and *Mizraim* (Egypt). Put was among the mercenaries of Tyre (Ezek. 27. 10). Cp. Jer. 46. 9.

Lubim = Lybians. Cp. 2 Chron. 12. 3. Dan. 11. 43.

10 Yet *was* she, &c. The cuneiform monuments tell us that Thebes, the old capital of Egypt, was destroyed by Assyria about 663 B.C. Assurbanipal has recorded his conquest. Nahum, writing about 603 B.C., refers to this as a well-known event, and likely to be remembered. Nineveh fell later, just as Nahum had foretold. See note on 1. 1. Yet Nahum refers to the Pentateuch! See Ap. 92. she: i.e. Thebes.

11 Thou: i.e. Nineveh.

be drunken: i.e. drink of the cup [of judgment]; or, be stupefied by thy calamity.

be hid = hide thyself.

strength = strength [for defence]; hence = "thou shalt seek a stronghold, or refuge [in vain]".

14 Draw thee = Draw for thyself.

go . . . tread, &c.: i.e. make plenty of bricks [for the strongholds].

the brickkiln = the brick-work [= fortifications, or walls] built with bricks. Heb. *malben*. See notes on 2 Sam. 12. 31. Jer. 43. 9; and Ap. 87.

15 cankerworm = the young locust. Heb. *yelek*. See note on Joel 1. 4.

make thyself many = [though thou be] numerous. Fig. *Irony* (Ap. 6).

locusts = the young locust. Heb. *'arbeh*. See note on Joel 1. 4.

16 Thou = [Though] thou, &c.

spoileth = stript itself, or cast off the skin.

17 Thy. The 1611 edition of the A.V. reads "The". crowned = mercenary crowds. Heb. *minzārim*. Occurs only here. See Fuerst, *Lex.*, p. 832.

captains = muster-masters, or marshals. Heb. *tiphsar*. Occurs only here, and Jer. 51. 27. Like the Assyrian *dupsarru* = a tablet-writer.

hedges = loose stone walls.

flee away = are in flight.

dwell = lie down: i.e. in death.

no man

18 shepherds = leaders, or rulers. Here = generals.

gathereth *them*. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 30. 4). Ap. 92.

breaking, or breach: i.e. ruin.

bruit = report, tidings. Heb. *shēma'*. The English "bruit" = rumour; from the French *bruire*, to make a noise.

cruelty. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

19 healing = alleviation.

bruise =

upon = over. Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6.

wickedness =

HABAKKUK.

THE STRUCTURE OF THE BOOK AS A WHOLE.

(Division.)

J² | A¹ | 1. 1—2. 20. THE BURDEN OF HABAKKUK.
 | A² | 3. 1—19. THE PRAYER OF HABAKKUK.

For the CANONICAL order and place of the Prophets, see Ap. 1, and pp. 1206 and 1207.

For the CHRONOLOGICAL order of the Prophets, see Ap. 77.

For the Inter-relation of the Prophetic Books, see Ap. 78.

For the *Formulae* of Prophetic Utterance. See Ap. 82.

For References to the Pentateuch by the Prophets, see Ap. 92.

For the Inter-relation of the Minor (or Shorter) Prophets, see pp. 1206 and 1207.

Of Habakkuk (pronounced *Habak'-kūk*) nothing can be really known beyond what he says of himself. From this it is clear that he lived in evil days, and was perplexed with the silence and forbearance of a holy God in permitting the evil to continue. Cp. Ps. 73.

His prophecy takes the form of a colloquy with Jehovah; and Jehovah answers his cry by revealing the fact that a time will come when the evil will be visited upon Judah by the Chaldean successors of Assyria (1. 6), and by the Dispersion of Judah (1. 5-11).

The prayer in chap. 3 is very important as being a summary of Jehovah's dealings with His People from the passage of the Red Sea to the prophet's own time.

The prayer is important also, as being the model (together with Isa. 38), outside the Psalter, of the proper construction of a Psalm, with (1) the *super*-scription, (2) the text, and (3) *sub*-scription (see Ap. 65); and also, of the meaning and use of the word "Selah" (Ap. 66. II).

The prophecy is undated; but we have a clue afforded in 1. 5, 6. It is given to Habakkuk *before* the fall of Nineveh, which placed Babylon at the head of the Gentile world. According to traditional or "received" dating, this took place in 625 B. C., but, according to the chronology given in Ap. 50, it was 515 B. C., or 110 years later.

If the hints given in 1. 3, 11 are to be accepted on the above lines, we may date the prophecy of Habakkuk as being given (as a whole), or at any rate commenced, in the year with which Jeremiah begins: viz. in the thirteenth year of Josiah, 518 B. C., i. e. three years before the destruction of Nineveh.

In this case, supposing one among those Habakkuk addressed to be twenty years old, he would be forty-two in Jehoiakim's fourth year and Nebuchadnezzar's first. At the carrying away to Babylon he would be forty-nine; and at the destruction of Jerusalem he would be sixty-one.

HABAKKUK.

A' A
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1 THE °burden which Habakkuk the prophet °did see.

2 O °LORD, how long shall I °cry, and Thou wilt not hear! *even* °cry out unto Thee of violence, and Thou wilt not save!

3 Why dost Thou shew me °iniquity, and cause *me* to behold °grievance? for spoiling and violence *are* before me: and °there are *that* raise up °strife and contention.

4 Therefore the law is °slacked, and °judgment doth never go forth: for °the wicked doth compass about °the righteous; therefore °wrong judgment °proceedeth.

B **5** °Behold ye among the °heathen, and °regard, and °wonder marvellously: for *I* will work a work in your days, °which ye will not believe, though it be told *you*.

6 For, °lo, °I raise up the Chaldeans, *that* bitter and hasty nation, which shall march through the breadth of the land, to possess the dwellingplaces *that are* not °theirs.

7 °They are terrible and dreadful: °their judgment and °their °dignity shall proceed of °themselves.

8 °Their horses also are swifter than the leopards, and are °more fierce than the evening wolves: and °their horsemen shall spread °themselves, and °their horsemen shall come from far; °they °shall fly as the eagle *that* hasteth to eat.

9 °They shall come °all for violence: °their °faces shall °sup up *as* the east wind, and °they shall gather the captivity °as the sand.

10 And °they shall scoff at the kings, and the princes shall be a scorn unto °them: °they shall deride every strong hold; for °they shall °heap dust, and °take it.

11 Then shall *his* °mind change, and he shall pass °over, and offend, *imputing* this his power unto his °god.

A **12** °Art Thou not from everlasting, O °LORD my °God, mine Holy One? °we shall not die. O °LORD, Thou hast ordained °them for judgment; and, °O mighty God, Thou hast established °them for correction.

1. 1—2. 20 (A', p. 1266). THE BURDEN OF HABAKKUK. (*Alternation*.)

A' A | 1. 1-4. The prophet's cry.
B | 1. 5-11. Jehovah's answer.
A | 1. 12—2. 1. The prophet's cry.
B | 2. 2-20. Jehovah's answer.

1 burden. See note on Nah. 1. 1. did see. The Heb. accent places the chief pause on this verb, to emphasise the fact that the *giving* of the vision was of more importance than what was revealed by it. A second and lesser pause is placed on "burden", leaving "Habakkuk" as being less important. The verse therefore should read, "The burden which he saw, Habakkuk the prophet".

2 LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. cry = cry for help in distress; as in Pss. 18. 6, 41; 22. 24. Cp. Job 19. 7. Jer. 20. 8. Showing that the cry is not personal, but made in the name of all who suffered from the evil times.

cry out = cry with a loud voice, implying the complaint.

3 iniquity. Heb. 'aven (Ap. 44. iii) = trouble, having special reference to the nature and consequences of evil-doing.

grievance = oppression, or injustice. Heb. 'amāl. Ap. 44. v.

there are that raise up. A reading is found in some codices (named in the *Massōrah*), "I had to endure". strife and contention. There should not be a comma after "strife", as in the R.V. The Heb. accents indicate the one act, "and contention rising up", like "spoiling and violence are before me" in the preceding clause.

4 slacked = benumbed. judgment = justice.

the wicked = a lawless one: looking forward from the Chaldeans to the future Antichrist. Heb. *rāsha'*. Ap. 44. x.

the righteous = the just one (Art. with Heb. 'eth) wrong = perverted.

proceedeth = goeth forth.

5 Behold = Look ye. For emphasis, introducing the change to Jehovah's answer. Quoted in Acts 13. 41. Cp. Isa. 29. 14.

Behold . . . regard . . . wonder. Note the Fig. *Anabasis* (Ap. 6).

heathen = nations.

which ye will not believe. Some codices read "yet ye will not believe".

6 lo. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

I raise up, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 49, 50). Ap. 92. theirs. Heb. his; and so throughout this chapter.

themselves = itself. Cp. Isa. 10. 8-11, 13, 14. **3** more fierce = keener. shall fly as the eagle. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 49, 50). Ap. 92.

9 all for violence: i.e. not for conquest, but for destruction. faces = aspect, intent, or eagerness. sup up, &c. = swallow up (as in Job 39. 24), as the Palestine burning east wind withers up and destroys all green things. as the sand. Fig. *Paremia*. Ap. 6. **10** them = it, as above (v. 6). heap

dust = heap up mounds. take it = capture it: i.e. every stronghold. **11** mind = spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9. over = through. god. Heb. 'eloah (Ap. 4. V): i.e. his object of worship.

12 Art Thou not . . . ? Note the change of subject, as shown in the Structure above ("A"). God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. we shall not die. This is one of the eighteen emendations of the *Sopherim* (see Ap. 33), which they say they made because it was considered offensive to say this of Jehovah; hence, the one word of the primitive text "who diest not" was changed to "who die not" (rendered in A.V., R.V., and American R.V., "we shall not die"). This is the only one of the eighteen emendations which the R.V. and American R.V. notice, and speak of it in the margin as "an ancient Jewish tradition", whereas a list of such emendations is given in the *Massōrah*. The change from the second person to the first did more than avoid the supposed irreverent expression; it transferred to mortal men the truth which, apart from resurrection, pertains to God alone, "Who only hath immortality" (1 Tim. 6. 16). Cp. 1 Cor. 15. 53, 54. O mighty God = O Rock. Cp. Deut. 32. 4, 15, 18, 30. 1 Sam. 2. 2. 2 Sam. 23. 3. Pss. 18. 2, 31, 46; 19. 14, &c.

7 They = St. judgment = decision.

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518 13 °Thou art of purer eyes than to behold °evil, and canst not look on °iniquity: wherefore lookest Thou upon them that deal treacherously, and holdest Thy tongue when °the wicked devoureth the man that is more righteous than he?

14 And makest °men as the fishes of the sea, as the creeping things, that have no ruler over them?

15 7They take up all of 10them with the °angle, 7they catch them in °their net, and gather 10them in °their °drag: therefore 7they rejoice and are glad.

16 Therefore 7they sacrifice unto °their net, and burn incense unto °their 15drag; because by them °their portion is °fat, and °their meat °plenteous.

17 Shall 7they therefore empty °their net, and not spare continually to slay the nations?

2 I will stand upon my °watch, and °set me upon the °tower, and will °watch to see what He will say °unto me, and what I shall °answer when I am reproved.

B C¹ a¹ (p. 1268) 2 And °the LORD answered me, and said, °°Write °the vision, and make it plain °upon tables, °that he may run that readeth it.

b¹ 3 For the vision is °yet for an °appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, °and not lie: though it tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come, °it will not tarry."

D¹ c¹ 4 °Behold, °his °soul which is lifted up is not upright in him:

d¹ but °the just shall °live by his faith.

C² a² 5 Yea also, because he °transgresseth by °wine, he is a proud °man, neither keepeth at home, who enlargeth his °desire as °hell, and °is as death, and cannot be satisfied, but gathereth unto him all nations, and heapeth unto him all °people:

6 Shall not all these take up a °parable against him, and a taunting °proverb against him, and say, °°Woe to him that increaseth that which is not his! °how long? and to him that ladeth himself with °thick clay!"

7 Shall they not rise up suddenly that shall °bite thee, and awake that shall °vex thee, and thou shalt be for booties unto them?

b² 8 Because thou hast spoiled many nations, all the remnant of the °people shall spoil thee; because of °men's blood, and for the violence of the land, of the city, and of all that dwell therein.

D² c² 9 °Woe to him that °coveteth an °evil °covet-

live: i.e. live for ever in resurrection life. See notes on Lev. 18. 5. The wicked go on living, without faith, if it refers to this life; therefore "live" must refer to a future life. The Heb. accents place the emphasis on "shall live"; not "the just by his faith", but "a just one, by his faith, will live", and make the contrast not between faith and unbelief, but between the fate of each—perishing and living for ever. In Rom. 1. 17 the context places the emphasis on "the righteous"; in Gal. 3. 11 it is placed on "faith".

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13 Thou art, &c. Note the Fig. *Synchorexis* (Ap. 6). evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

iniquity = perverseness, or wrong. Heb. *'āmāl*. Ap. 44. v. Not the same word as in v. 3, or 2. 12.

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14 men. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

15 angle = hook.

drag = a fish-net. Occurs only here (vv. 15, 16) and in Isa. 19. 8. Greek *sagēnē*. See Ap. 122. 3. Italian *seine sagena*, whence (with a different vowel) the Greek verb *sageneūō* = to sweep [a country] clear.

16 fat = fertile, or rich. plenteous = fat.

2. 1 watch = watch-tower; referring to the place. set me = take my station. tower = fortress.

watch = look out; referring to the act = keep outlook. unto: or, in.

answer when I am reproved: or, get back because of my complaint.

2. 2-20 (B, p. 1267). JEHOVAH'S ANSWER. (Repeated Alternation.)

B	C ¹	a ¹	2. Command to write.
		b ¹	3. Reason. That the reader may flee.
	D ¹	c ¹	4. Incrimination. Pride.
		d ¹	-4. Contrast. Jehovah's reward.
C ²	a ²	5-7. Incrimination. Greed.	
		b ²	8. Reason. Retaliation.
	D ²	c ²	9-13. Incrimination. Covetousness.
		d ²	14. Contrast. Jehovah's glory.
C ³	a ³	15, 16. Incrimination. Drunkenness.	
		b ³	17. Reason. Retaliation.
	D ³	c ³	18, 19. Incrimination. Idolatry.
		d ³	20. Contrast. Jehovah's exaltation.

2 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

Write, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 27. 8). Ap. 47. and 92. the vision. Supply the logical *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6): "[which I am about to reveal to thee]". Cp. 1. 1. upon tables: i.e. boxwood tables smeared with wax. Cp. Luke 1. 63.

that he may run that readeth it = that he that readeth it may flee. Heb. *rūz* = to run as a messenger (Job 9. 25. Jer. 23. 21; 51. 31. Zech. 2. 4); or, to flee for refuge (Ps. 18. 10), as in Hag. 1. 9.

3 yet = deferred.

appointed: i.e. fixed by Jehovah for its fulfilment. and not lie. Fig. *Pleonasm* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

it will not tarry. Some codices, with five early printed editions (one Rabbinic, marg.), Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "and will not tarry".

4 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6), emphasising the twofold answer to the prophet's prayer: the fate of the wicked in the coming judgment, and the preservation and eternal lot of the righteous. Supply the *Ellipsis*: "Behold [the proud one]".

his: i.e. the Chaldeans of ch. 1; or the lawless one described in ch. 1 and in the verses which follow.

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518 ousness to his house, that he may °set his nest on high, that he may be delivered from the °power of °evil!

10 Thou hast °consulted °shame to thy house by cutting off many °people, and hast °sinned against thy °soul.

11 For the stone shall cry out of the wall, and the beam out of the timber shall answer it.

12 °Woe to him that buildeth a town with blood, and stablisheth a city by °iniquity!

13 °Behold, is it not of °the LORD of hosts that the °people shall labour in the very fire, and the °people shall weary themselves for very vanity?

d² (p. 1268) 14 For °the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the °glory of °the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.

C³ a³ 15 °Woe unto him that giveth his neighbour drink, °that putteth thy bottle to him, and °makest him drunken also, that thou mayest look on their nakedness!

16 Thou art filled with shame for glory: drink thou also, and °let thy foreskin be uncovered: the cup of °the LORD's right hand shall be turned unto thee, and shameful spewing shall be on thy glory.

b³ 17 For the °violence of Lebanon shall cover thee, and the spoil of beasts, °which made them afraid, because of °men's blood, and for the violence of the land, of the city, and of all that dwell therein.

D³ c³ 18 What profiteth the graven image that the maker thereof hath graven it; the molten image, and a teacher of lies, that the maker of his work °trusteth therein, to make °dumb idols?

19 °Woe unto him that saith to the wood, "Awake;" to the dumb stone, "Arise, it shall teach!" °Behold, it is laid over with gold and silver, and there is no °breath at all in the midst of it.

d³ 20 But °the LORD is in His °holy temple: let all the earth °keep silence before Him.

A² E (p. 1269) 3 A prayer of Habakkuk the prophet upon °Shigionoth.

F G 2 O °LORD, I have °heard Thy °speech, and was °afraid: O °LORD, °revive Thy °work in the midst of the °years, °in the midst of the years °make known; in °wrath remember °mercy.

H J¹ 3 °GOD came from °Teman, and the Holy

set his nest on high. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 24. 21). power=hand. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the power exercised by it.

evil. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

10 consulted=counselled, or devised.

shame=a shameful thing.

sinned against thy soul. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 16. 38).

sinned. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

12 iniquity. Heb. *āval*. Ap. 44. vi. Not the same word as in 1. 3, 13.

13 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah (with *'eth*) = Jehovah of Hosts Himself. Ap. 4. II. See note on 1 Sam. 1. 3.

14 the earth shall be filled, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 14. 21). Ap. 92. This is the fifth and last occ. of this wondrous prophecy:—Num. 14. 21. Ps. 72. 19. Isa. 6. 3 (=shall be); 11. 9, and Hab. 2. 14.

glory. Cp. Isa. 66. 18, 19. Ezek. 28. 22; 39. 13, 21.

15 that putteth thy bottle to him=that addrest (or pourest) thy fury or venom (Heb. construct form of *hēmāh* =heat, wrath; not of *hēmēth*=bottle) thereto. See Oxford *Gesenius*, p. 705, under *sāphak*.

makest him drunken, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 9. 22).

16 let thy foreskin be uncovered: i.e. be as one uncircumcised: i.e. uncovenanted.

17 violence of Lebanon: i.e. violence [done to] Lebanon by felling its trees.

which made them afraid: or, shall make thee afraid.

18 trusteth=confideth. Heb. *bāṭah*. Ap. 69. I.

dumb idols. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). Heb. *'ēlīm illemin*—nothings [that] say nothing. Cp. Jer. 14. 14.

19 Woe unto him, &c. "The sequence of thought" would not be improved, as suggested, by making v. 19 precede v. 18. See the Structure above.

breath=spirit. Heb. *rūach*. See Ap. 9. Cp. Pss. 115. 4-7; 135. 17. Jer. 10. 14.

20 holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

keep silence—Hush! Be still! So Zeph. 1. 7. Zech. 2. 13.

3. 1-19 (A², p. 1266). THE PRAYER OF HABAKKUK. (*Introversion and Alternation*.)

A² | E | 1. The Superscription.

F | G | 2. "I have heard." Consequent effect, "fear".

H | 3-15. Salvation. Jehovah's doings. The Giving of the Law.

F | G | 16. "I have heard." Consequent effect, "trembling".

H | 17-19-. Salvation. Jehovah's character. The Sending of Grace.

E | -19. The Subscription.

1 Shigionoth. The pl. of *Shiggaion* (cp. Ps. 7), a crying aloud. See Ap. 65. XX.

2 LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

heard Thy speech=heard Thy hearing. Fig. *Polyptoton*. Ap. 6.

speech=hearing. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), afraid.

Ap. 6, for what was heard. Here=Thy fame, as in Num. 14. 15. 1 Kings 10. 1. Isa. 66. 19.

In awe; as in Ex. 14. 31. revive=renew, in the sense of repeating, doing over again. work. Some

codices, with Aram., Sept., and Syr., read "works": i.e. doings. years. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of

Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the afflictions suffered in them, or "wrath" manifested in them. in the midst, &c.

Out of 273 occurrences, this is the only place where it refers to time. Had Habakkuk learnt, like Daniel?

Note the Fig. *Anadiplosis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. make known=make [Thyself] known. The Heb.

accent places the logical pause on this verb: i.e. by repeating now what Thou hast done in the past.

wrath. As manifested in present affliction; showing what is meant by "years", above. mercy=

compassion. Supply here the logical *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6): "[I will meditate on Thy doings of old:—]".

3. 3-15 (H, above). SALVATION. JEHOVAH'S DOINGS.

(Repeated Alternation.)

H | J¹ | 3-5. His comings.

K¹ | 6-11. His doings.

J² | 12, 13. His going.

K² | 14. His doings.

J³ | 15. His going.

3 GOD. Heb. Eloah. Ap. 4. V. Occurs in the prophets only here, and Isaiah, and Daniel. came from Teman. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 33. 2). Ap. 92.

Teman... Paran. Embraces the whole district south of Judah, including Sinai. Cp. Gen. 21. 21. Num. 12. 16; 13. 26. Deut. 33. 2. Ap. 92.

518 One from mount °Paran. °Selah. °His glory covered the heavens, and the earth was full of His praise.

4 And His brightness was as the light; He had °horns °coming out of His hand: and there was °the hiding of His power.

5 °Before Him went the pestilence, and °burning coals went forth at His feet.

K¹ e¹ 6 He stood, and °measured the earth: He °beheld, and °drove asunder the nations; and the everlasting mountains were °scattered, the °perpetual hills did bow: His ways are everlasting.

f¹ 7 I saw the tents of Cushan °in affliction: and the °curtains of the land of Midian did tremble.

e² 8 °Was °the LORD displeased against the rivers? °was Thine anger against the rivers? °was Thy wrath against the sea, that °Thou didst ride upon Thine °horses °and Thy chariots of salvation?

f² 9 °Thy bow was made quite °naked, °(according to the oaths of the tribes, even Thy °word). °Selah. Thou didst cleave the earth °with rivers.

10 °The mountains saw Thee, and they trembled: °the overflowing of the water passed by: °the deep °uttered his voice, and °lifted up °his hands on high.

e³ 11 °The sun and moon stood still in their habitation: °at the light of Thine arrows they went, °and at the shining of Thy glittering spear.

J² g 12 Thou didst march through the land in indignation, Thou didst °thresh the °heathen in anger.

h 13 Thou wentest forth for the salvation of Thy People, even for salvation with Thine °anointed;

g 14 Thou °woundedst the head °out of the house of °the wicked, °by discovering the foundation unto the neck. °Selah.

K² 14 Thou didst °strike through with °his staves the °head of his °villages: °they came

Selah. Connecting His coming forth with the glorious effects of it. See Ap. 66. II. Note the three "Selahs" in vv. 3, 9, 13. His glory. Cp. Isa. 6. 3.

4 horns = power. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Effect), Ap. 6, for the power put forth by them. Heb. dual = two rays. coming out of = from: i.e. power from [His] hands [is] His.

the hiding, &c. = hiding (or concealing) of His [full] power.

5 Before Him went, &c. Supply the logical *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6): "[As He went forth to conquer for His People] before Him went", &c. See Ex. 23. 27. Ps. 68. 1, 2. burning coals: or, lightning. Cp. Ps. 18. 8; 76. 3; 78. 48.

3. 6-11 (K¹, p. 1269). HIS DOINGS. (Repeated Alternations.)

K¹ e¹ | 6. At, and after Creation.

f¹ | 7. Among Israel's enemies.

e² | 8. At the Exodus.

f² | 9, 10. In Israel's Deliverances.

e³ | 11. At the Conquest of Canaan.

6 measured the earth: or, caused the earth to tremble. So the Targum and the requirement of the "correspondence" with the next line.

beheld = looked.

drove asunder the nations = caused the nations to shake, or start. scattered = shattered.

perpetual = ancient, or primeval.

7 in affliction = [brought low] by affliction.

curtains = hangings. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the tents formed by them.

8 Was . . . ? Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. Rightly supplied in following clauses.

Thou didst ride. Ref. to Pent. (Dent. 33. 26, 27).

horses = horses [of power].

and. Some codices, with three early printed editions (one Rabbinic), Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read this "and" in the text.

9 Thy bow = [Nay] Thy bow, &c. naked = bare.

according to the oaths of the tribes . . . Selah.

This second "Selah" (see Ap. 66. II) is to connect the remarkable parenthetical statement with the continuation of the details of Israel's deliverances, which it interrupts, and might otherwise have disturbed. The text of this clause is not "corrupt", as alleged by some modern critics. The oaths are the promises sworn to the fathers or the tribes [of Israel] when still in the loins of the patriarchs.

with rivers = [and the waters gushed out] with rivers. See Pss. 74. 15; 78. 15, 16; 105. 41.

10 The mountains saw Thee. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 19. 18). Ap. 92. Cp. Ps. 114. 4.

the overflowing, &c. Referring to the Jordan. Cp. Josh. 3. 15, 16.

the deep, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 14. 22). Ap. 92.

lifted up, &c. = lifted up his hands [in amazement and submission]. Not a "corruption", but the Fig. *Prosopopœia* (Ap. 6). "The walls" of Ex. 14. 22 compared to its hands. his hands = its [walls like] hands.

11 The sun and moon, &c. Ref. to Josh. 10. 12, 13. at the light, &c. = like light Thine arrows flew. and at the shining, &c. = like lightning was Thy glittering spear.

3. 12, 13 (J², p. 1269). JEHOVAH'S GOINGS. (*Introversion*.)

J² | g | 12. For the subduing of Israel's enemies.

h | 13-. For the salvation of Israel.

g | -13. For the subduing of Israel's enemies.

12 thresh = tread down. Cp. Judg. 5. 4. Ps. 68. 7.

heathen = nations: i.e. the nations of Canaan.

13 anointed: i.e. for the salvation of Jehovah's anointed People (sing.). See Ps. 105. 15. woundedst = dashed in pieces. out of = from. the wicked = [the] lawless one. Heb. *rāsha'*. Ap. 44. viii. Looking forward to the final destruction of Israel's enemy in the person of the Antichrist. The Targum (or Paraphrase) of Jonathan is remarkable: "the kingdom of Babylon will not remain, nor exercise dominion over Israel. The Romans will be destroyed, and not take tribute from Jerusalem; and therefore, on account of the marvellous deliverance which Thou wilt accomplish for Thine Anointed, and for the remnant of Thy People, they will praise the LORD". by discovering, &c.: i.e. overturning the house from the top (the neck) so completely as to lay bare the foundations. Such will be the final overthrow of Israel's great enemy.

Selah. This third Selah connects this final overthrow and its magnitude, when contrasted with the enemy's previous proud boasting and exaltation in v. 14. It connects Jehovah's doings also ("K²", v. 14) with Jehovah's goings ("J³", v. 15). See Ap. 66. II. 14 strike through = pierce. his staves = his own weapons.

Cp. Judg. 7. 22. head = chief. villages = leaders. Heb. text = "leader" (sing.); but margin "leaders" (pl.), with some codices and five early printed editions. they came out, &c. = [when] they came forth.

518 out as a whirlwind to scatter ° me: their ° rejoicing was ° as to devour the ° poor secretly.

J^s 15 Thou didst walk through the sea with Thine ° horses, *through* the ° heap of great waters.

F G 16 ° When I heard, my ° belly trembled; my lips quivered at the ° voice: ° rottenness entered into my bones, and I trembled in ° myself, ° that I might rest in the day of trouble: when ° he cometh up ° unto the people, ° he will invade them with his troops.

H 17 ° Although the ° fig tree ° shall not ° blossom, neither *shall* fruit be in the ° vines; the labour of the ° olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and *there shall be* no herd in the stalls:

18 Yet I will rejoice in ° the LORD, I will joy in the ° God of my salvation.

19 ° The LORD ° God is my ° strength, and He ° will make my feet like hinds' feet, and ° He will make me to walk upon mine high places.

E ° To the chief singer on ° my stringed instruments.

me: i.e. me [who am Thy People].

rejoicing. Cp. Ps. 10. 8, 9.

as= in very deed. *Kaph* (כ=K) *veritatis*.

poor. Heb. *ānāh*. See note on "poverty", Prov. 6. 11.

15 heap=foaming.

16 When I heard. See the Structure ("G", p. 1269). belly=body.

voice=voice [saying].

rottenness=decay. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., and Syr., read "restlessness".

myself. Place a full stop here, and commence a new sentence.

that I might=O that I might find (or be at) rest, &c.

he: i.e. the invader.

unto=against.

he will invade=he will overcome. Heb. *gūd*. Occurs only here, and Gen. 49. 19.

17 Although. Heb. *kī*, as in 2 Sam. 23. 5; but must be understood not as being hypothetical, but as bringing out the antithesis with v. 18 (cp. Job 8. 7).

fig tree . . . vines . . . olive. See note on Judg. 9. 8-12.

blossom. The edible fig, which is the blossom: i.e. the receptacle containing a large number of minute unisexual flowers growing to a succulent. The Heb. text therefore and the A.V. rendering are both scientifically correct.

18 God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

God of my salvation. Cp. Pss. 18. 46; 24. 5; 25. 5; 27. 9. Isa. 17. 10, &c.

strength=might, or force. Cp. Ps. 18. 32. will make, &c.

19 God. Heb. *Adonai*. Ap. 4. VIII (2). Cp. 2 Sam. 1. 23; 23. 24. 1 Chron. 12. 8. Ps. 18. 33. He will make me, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 13; 33. 29). Ap. 92. Cp. Amos 4. 13. Mic. 1. 3.

my stringed instruments. Heb. *neginōth*. Referring to the smittings of Jehovah on the enemies of Israel (v. 16). See Ap. 65. XV. To the chief singer. See Ap. 64. The same word here.

ZEPHANIAH.

THE STRUCTURE OF THE BOOK AS A WHOLE.

Ⲉ² | A¹ | 1. 1—3. 8. MINATORY.
| A² | 3. 9—20. PROMISSORY.

For the CANONICAL order and place of the Prophets, see Ap. 1, and pp. 1206 and 1207.

For the CHRONOLOGICAL order of the Prophets, see Ap. 77.

For the Inter-relation of the Prophetic Books, see Ap. 78.

For the *Formulae* of Prophetic Utterance, see Ap. 82.

For References to the Pentateuch by the Prophets, see Ap. 92.

For the Inter-relation of the Minor (or Shorter) Prophets, see pp. 1206 and 1207.

The last of the Prophets immediately preceding the Captivity.

Unlike all the other Prophets, Zephaniah's genealogy is traced back for four generations; and, as Hezekiah of Prov. 25. 1 and Hizkiah of Zeph. 1. 1 are the same word in Hebrew as Hezekiah King of Judah, he was not improbably his great-great-grandson.

Zephaniah's prophecy is dated in 1. 1, as being given "in the days of Josiah". In ch. 2. 13 he says that Assyria shall be destroyed, and Nineveh made a desolation. Therefore it was before the fall of Nineveh, 515 B.C. according to *The Companion Bible* dating (Ap. 50), or 625 B.C. (according to "received" dating).

Zephaniah was the contemporary of Jeremiah. By a comparison with 2 Kings 23, which records the destruction of "the remnant of Baal" (Zeph. 1. 4), Josiah's reformation had not been completed. The prophecy may therefore be dated as coming between the twelfth and the eighteenth year of Josiah—say 518 B.C., or about three years before the fall of Nineveh.

ZEPHANIAH.

A A
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1 °THE word of °the LORD which °came unto °Zephaniah the son of Cushi, the son of Gedaliah, the son of Amariah, the son of °Hizkiah, in the days of Josiah the son of Amon, king of Judah.

2 "I will °utterly °consume °all things from off °the °land, °saith °the LORD.

3 °I will °consume °man and beast; I will °consume the fowls of the heaven, °and the fishes of the sea, °and the °stumblingblocks °with °the wicked; and I will cut off °man from off the °land, °saith °the LORD.

D **4** I will also stretch out °Mine hand upon Judah, and upon all the inhabitants of Jerusalem; and I will cut off the °remnant of Baal from this place, °and the name of the °Chemarims with the priests;

5 And them that °worship the host of heaven upon the housetops; and them that worship and that swear by °the LORD, and that swear by °Malcham;

6 And them that are turned back °from °the LORD; and those that have not °sought °the LORD, nor °enquired for Him.

B E G **7** °Hold thy peace at the presence of °the Lord °GOD: for the day of °the LORD is at hand: for °the LORD hath prepared °a sacrifice, He hath °bid his guests.

H J **8** And it shall come to pass in °the °day of °the LORD'S sacrifice, that I will °punish the princes, and the king's °children, and all such as are clothed with °strange apparel.

K **9** In the same day also will I punish all °those that leap °on the threshold, which fill their masters' houses with °violence and deceit.

J **10** And it shall come to pass in that day,

because so clothed; not *Kohēn*, as appointed by Jehovah. Occurs only here; 2 Kings 23 5, and Hos. 10. 6. **5** worship the host of heaven. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 4. 19; 17. 3). Ap. 92. Cp. 2 Kings 23. 11, 12. Jer. 19. 13. Malcham=king-god, or king-idol. Syr. and Vulg. read "Milcom". **6** from=from after. sought . . . enquired. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 4. 29, where the two Heb. verbs are in the same order, and are rendered "seek . . . seek"). Ap. 92. LORD. Heb. Jehovah (with 'eth)=Jehovah Himself.

1. 7-18 (E, above). THE DAY OF JEHOVAH. (Alternation.)

E | G | 7. Its nearness.
H | 8-13. Judgments.
G | 14-16. Its nearness.
H | 17, 18. Judgments.

7 Hold thy peace, &c. See Amos 6. 10. Hab. 2. 20. Zech. 3. 13. the Lord. Heb. Adonai. Ap. 4. VIII (2). GOD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. a sacrifice. Sept. reads "His sacrifice". bid=separated. Heb. sanctified. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

1. 8-13 (H, above). JUDGMENTS. (Alternation.)

H | J | 8. Princes.
K | 9. People.
J | 10, 11. Merchants.
K | 12, 13. People.

8 the day of the LORD'S sacrifice. See notes on Isa. 2. 12; 13. 6. day. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the judgments executed in it. punish=visit upon. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 32. 34). Ap. 92. Cp. Jer. 9. 25; 11. 22; 13. 21, &c. children=sons: i.e. the royal house. Cp. 1 Kings 22. 26. 2 Kings 11. 2. Jer. 36. 26; 38. 6, &c. strange=foreign. **9** those that leap, &c. No reference to idolatrous practice, as in 1 Kings 18. 26; but to the servants of rulers sent to enter the houses of others and steal. Fig. Periphrasis (Ap. 6), for robbers. on=over. violence and deceit. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the booty procured.

1. 1-3. 8 (A¹, p. 1271). MINATORY.

(Alternations and Introversion.)

A¹ | A | C | 1. 1-3. Judgments. General. The Land.
D | 1. 4-6. Judah and Jerusalem.
B | E | 1. 7-18. The Day of Jehovah.
F | 2. 1-3. Call to Repentance.
A | C | 2. 4-15. Judgments. General. Nations.
D | 3. 1-5. Jerusalem.
B | F | 3. 6, 7. Charge of Impenitence.
E | 3. 8. The Day of Jehovah.

1 The word, &c. Cp. Hos. 1. 1. Joel 1. 1. Mic. 1. 1. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. came=became: i.e. came to, or was communicated. Cp. Luke 3. 2. See Ap. 82.

Zephaniah=hidden of Jehovah, or he whom Jehovah hath hidden (Pss. 27. 5; 31. 19, 20; 83. 3). For the connection see 2. 3. Hizkiah=Hezekiah.

2 utterly consume. Note the Fig. Paronomasia (Ap. 6), for emphasis. Heb. 'āsoph 'āṣēph=to end, I end.

consume=take away, or make an end of. all. Omit "things". =All; as in Job 42. 2. Ps. 8. 6. Isa. 44. 24.

the land. Fig. Pleonasm (Ap. 6)=the face of the land. land=soil, or ground.

saith the LORD=[is] Jehovah's oracle.

3 I will consume. Note the Fig. Anaphora (Ap. 6). Three times repeated.

man. Heb. 'ādām with 'eth=humanity. Ap. 14. I. and. Note the Fig. Polysyndeton (Ap. 6), for emphasis. stumblingblocks=ruin. Occurs only here, and Isa. 3. 6. Fig. Metalepsis. Ap. 6. "Stumblingblocks" put first for the idols and idolatry, and then idolatry put for the ruin brought about by them.

with=together with. Heb. 'eth. the wicked=the lawless ones. Heb. rāshā'. Ap. 44. x.

4 Mine hand. Fig. Anthropopatheia. Ap. 6.

remnant. Sept. reads "names", reading shēm instead of sh'ār, as in the next clause.

and. Some codices, with three early printed editions, Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read this "and" in the text.

Chemarims = K^emarim=black-robed, or cassocked. From Heb. Kāmar, to be black. Used of idolatrous priests

518 ²saith ¹the LORD, *that there shall be* ° the noise of a cry from the fish gate, and an howling from ° the second, and a great crashing from the hills.

11 Howl, ye inhabitants of ° Maktesh, for all the merchant people are ° cut down; all they that bear silver are cut off.

K (p. 1272) 12 And it shall come to pass at that time, *that I will search Jerusalem with* ° candles, and punish the ° men that are settled on their lees: that say in their heart, ¹'The LORD will not do good, neither will He do ° evil.'

13 Therefore their goods shall become a booty, and their houses a desolation: ° they shall also build houses, but not inhabit *them*; and they shall plant vineyards, but not drink the ° wine thereof.

G 14 ° The great ⁸ day of ¹ the LORD ° is near, *it is near*, and hasteth greatly, *even* the voice of ⁸ the ⁸ day of ¹ the LORD: the ° mighty man shall cry there bitterly.

15 That ⁸ day is a day of ° wrath, a day of ° trouble and distress, a day of wasteness and desolation, a day of darkness and gloominess, a day of clouds and thick darkness,

16 A day of ° the trumpet and alarm against the fenced cities, and against the high ° towers.

H 17 And I will bring distress upon ³ men, that ° they shall walk like blind men, because they have ° sinned against ¹ the LORD: and their blood shall be poured out as dust, and their flesh as the dung.

18 Neither their silver nor their gold shall be able to deliver them in the day of ¹ the LORD's wrath; but the whole ° land shall be devoured by the fire of His jealousy: ° for He shall make even a speedy riddance of all them that dwell in the ° land."

F 2 ° Gather yourselves together, yea, ° gather together, O nation ° not desired;

2 Before the decree bring forth, *before* the ° day pass as the chaff, before the fierce anger of ° the LORD come upon you, before the day of ° the LORD's anger come upon you.

3 ° Seek ye ² the LORD, all ye meek of the earth, which have wrought His ° judgment; ° seek righteousness, ° seek meekness: it may be ° ye shall be hid in the ² day of the ² LORD'S anger.

A C L¹ (p. 1273) 4 ° For ° Gaza shall be ° forsaken, and ° Ashkelon a ° desolation: they shall drive out ° Ashdod ° at the noon day, and ° Ekron shall be ° rooted up.

5 Woe unto the inhabitants of the ° sea coast, the nation of the Cherethites! the word of ² the LORD is against you; O Canaan, the land of the Philistines, I will even destroy thee, that there shall be no inhabitant.

6 And the ° sea coast shall be ° dwellings and ° cottages for shepherds, and folds for flocks.

7 And the coast shall ° be for the remnant of the house of Judah; they shall feed thereupon: in the houses of ° Ashkelon shall they lie down in the evening: for ² the LORD their ° God ° shall visit ° them, and turn away their captivity.

L² 8 ° "I have heard the reproach of ° Moab, and

10 the noise of a cry. Fig. *Pleonasm*. Ap. 6. the second = the new city. See note on 2 Kings 22. 14.

11 Maktesh = the mortar. Probably the local name of the merchants' quarter in the Tyropoeon valley, west of Zion. Ap. 68, p. 100. So called from its basin-like shape.

cut down = laid low.

12 candles = lamps.

men. Heb. pl. of 'enōsh. Ap. 14. III.

evil = harm. Heb. rā'a'. Ap. 44. viii.

13 they shall also build, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 30, 39). Ap. 92. Cp. Amos 5. 11. Mic. 6. 15; and contrast Isa. 65. 21. Amos 9. 14.

wine. Heb. yayin. Ap. 27. I.

14 The great day, &c. Cp. Isa. 22. 5. Joel 2. 1, &c. is near, &c. Heb. [is] near, near. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis: i. e. very near.

mighty man. Heb. gibbōr. Ap. 14. IV.

15 wrath . . . trouble, &c. Note the Fig. *Synonymia* (Ap. 6).

16 the trumpet and alarm = an alarming trumpet.

Fig. *Hendiadys* (Ap. 6) = a trumpet, yea, a trumpet [call] "to arms"! Cp. 2. 2.

towers. Heb. corners. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the towers usually fixed there.

17 they shall walk, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 29).

sinned. Heb. chātā'. Ap. 44. i.

18 land. Not the same word as in vv. 2, 3.

for. Ginsburg thinks this should be "yea".

2. 1 Gather = Collect. Heb. kāshash. Occurs only in Ex. 5. 7, 12. Num. 15. 32, 33. 1 Kings 17. 10, 12. It is not the same word as in 3. 8, 18; or in 3. 19, 20. See the notes there.

not desired = not desirable. Fig. *Antimereia* (of Verb), Ap. 6.

2 day = judgment. See note on 1. 8.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

3 Seek . . . seek. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 4. 29), as in 1. 6.

judgment = ordinances; as in Isa. 58. 2. Jer. 8. 7.

ye shall be hid. Referring to Isa. 26. 20, and the meaning of the name Zephaniah.

2. 4-15 (C, p. 1272). JUDGMENTS. GENERAL. NATIONS. (Division.)

C	L ¹	4-7. Gaza. West.
	L ²	8-11. Moab and Ammon. East.
	L ³	12. Ethiopians. South.
	L ⁴	13-15. Assyria. North.

4 For Gaza. Supply the logical *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), here, and in vv. 8, 12, 13; 3. 1, thus: "[Mine anger shall be upon Gaza, saith the Lord], For", &c.

Gaza . . . forsaken. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. Heb. 'azzāh . . . 'āzūbah.

Ashkelon. Now 'Askalan, on the coast of Philistia. desolation = ruin. Long since fulfilled.

Ashdod. Now Esdūd. The same as Azotus in Acts 8. 40.

at the noon day: i. e. during the noon day siesta.

Ekron . . . rooted up. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. Heb. 'ekrōn . . . te'aker.

5 sea coast: or, country by the sea.

6 dwellings = pastures.

cottages = pens.

7 be for. Supply the *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) = "be for [a possession] to".

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

shall visit them. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 50. 24. Ex. 3. 16). Ap. 92.

them: i. e. the remnant of Judah.

8 I have heard. Supply the logical *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6): "[My judgment shall come upon Moab], for I have heard", &c., as in v. 8, &c.

Moab. Cp. Isa. 15 and 16. Jer. 48. Amos 2. 1-3.

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the revilings of the °children of °Ammon, whereby they have °reproached My People, and magnified *themselves* against their border.

9 Therefore as I live, °saith °the LORD of hosts, °the °God of Israel, Surely °Moab °shall be as Sodom, and the °children of Ammon as Gomorrah, *even* °the breeding of nettles, and saltpits, and a perpetual desolation: the residue of My People shall spoil them, and the remnant °of My °People shall °possess them.

10 This shall they have for their pride, because they have °reproached and magnified *themselves* against the People of °the LORD of hosts.

11 °The LORD will be terrible unto them: for He will °famish all the gods of the earth; and men shall worship Him, every one from his place, *even* all °the °isles of the °heathen.

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12 °Ye Ethiopians also, ye shall be slain by My sword.

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13 °And He will °stretch out His hand against °the north, and destroy Assyria; and will make Nineveh a desolation, and dry like a wilderness.

14 And flocks shall lie down in the midst of her, °all the beasts of the nations: both the cormorant and the bittern shall lodge in the °upper lintels of it; *their* voice shall sing in the windows; desolation shall be in the thresholds: for He shall uncover the °cedar work.

15 This is the rejoicing city that dwelt carelessly, that said in her heart, 'I am, and there is none beside me: ' how is she become a desolation, a place for beasts to lie down in! every one that passeth by her shall hiss, and °wag his hand."

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3 °Woe to °her that is °filthy and °polluted, to the oppressing city!

2 She obeyed not the voice; °she received not °correction; she °trusted not in °the LORD; °she drew not near to her °God.

3 Her princes within her are roaring lions; her judges are evening wolves; they °gnaw not the bones till the morrow.

4 Her prophets are °light and °treacherous persons: her priests have °polluted the sanctuary, they have °done violence to the law.

5 The just °LORD is °in the midst thereof; He will not do °iniquity: °every morning doth He bring His judgment to light, He faileth not; but the °unjust knoweth no shame.

B F

6 I have cut off the nations: their °towers are desolate; I made their streets waste, that none passeth by: their cities are destroyed, so that there is no man, that there is none inhabitant.

7 I said, "Surely thou wilt fear Me, thou wilt receive instruction; so their dwelling should not be cut off, howsoever I punished them: but they rose early, and °corrupted all their doings.

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8 °Therefore wait ye °upon Me, °saith °the LORD, until the day that I rise up °to the prey: for My determination is to °gather the nations, that I may °assemble the kingdoms, to pour upon them Mine indignation, *even* all My fierce anger: °for all the earth shall be devoured with °the fire of My jealousy.

children=sons.

Ammon. Cp. Jer. 49. 1-6. Amos 1. 13-15.

reproached. See Judg. 11. 12-28.

9 saith the LORD of hosts=[is] the oracle of Jehovah of hosts, the God of Israel. See note on 1 Sam. 1. 3. the God of Israel. See note on Isa. 29. 23. shall be as Sodom. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 19. 24, 25). Ap. 92.

the breeding of nettles, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 29. 23, &c.). Ap. 92.

of My People. Some codices, with two early printed editions (one Rabbinic), read "of the nations".

People=nation.

possess=inherit.

11 famish=cause to waste away.

the isles of the heathen=the coast-lands of the nations. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 10. 5). Ap. 92. The phrase occurs nowhere else.

isles=coast-lands.

heathen=nations.

12 Ye. See note on "For", v. 4.

13 And He. See note on "For", v. 4.

stretch out His hand. Idiom for executing judgment.

the north: i.e. against Assyria, because although west of Canaan, the road and entrance was by the north.

14 all=all kinds of. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Genus), Ap. 6.

upper lintels=chapiters, or carved capitals.

cedar work: i.e. the wainscoting.

15 wag his hand. Idiom expressive of derision.

3. 1 Woe=Alas for! See note on "For", 2. 4.

her: i.e. Jerusalem. See the Structure, p. 1272.

filthy=rebellious.

polluted. Heb. *gā'al*, (1) to redeem: (2) to make or deem common or unclean. A *Homonym*, with two meanings. Not the same word as in v. 4.

2 she received not. Some codices, with two early printed editions, Aram., Syr., and Vulg., read "neither hath she accepted".

correction=discipline.

trusted=confided. Heb. *batāh*. Ap. 69. I. Not the same word as in v. 12.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

she drew not near, &c. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Aram., Sept., and Syr., read "neither unto her God hath she drawn near".

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

3 gnaw not: or, reserve not.

4 light=reckless.

treacherous persons=men (Heb. *'ēnōsh*, Ap. 14. III) of treacheries; placing the emphasis on the treachery.

polluted=profaned. Heb. *hālāl*. Not the same word as in v. 1. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 19. 8; 21. 23; 22. 15. Num. 18. 32). Ap. 92.

done violence, &c. Cp. Jer. 2. 8. Ezek. 22. 26.

5 in the midst thereof. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 5. 3. Deut. 7. 21). Ap. 92. Cp. v. 15.

iniquity. Heb. *'āvāh*. Ap. 44. vi.

every morning=morning by morning. See Ps. 101. 8.

unjust=perverse. Heb. *'āvāl*. See Ap. 44. vi.

6 towers. See note on 1. 16.

7 corrupted, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 6. 12, same word). Ap. 92.

8 Therefore, &c. The *Massōrah* (Ap. 30 and 93) calls attention to the fact that this verse (v. 8) contains all the letters of the Heb. alphabet, including the five final letters. This implies that the verse takes in the whole purpose of Jehovah concerning Israel.

upon: or, for.

saith the LORD=[is] Jehovah's oracle.

to the prey. Sept. and Syr. read "as a witness", reading *'ēd* instead of *'ad*. Cp. Mic. 2. 2.

gather=gather in. Not the same word as in 2. 1.

assemble=gather out.

for all the earth. See 1. 18; and cp. the Structure ("E" and "E"), p. 1272.

the fire of My jealousy. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 4. 24).

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9 For °then will I turn to the °people °a
°pure language, °that they may all call upon
the name of °the LORD, to serve Him with one
°consent.

10 From beyond the rivers of Ethiopia My
°suppliants, *even* °the daughter of My dis-
persed, shall bring Mine offering.

Q 11 In that day shalt thou not be ashamed for
all thy doings, wherein thou hast °transgressed
against Me: for then I will take away out of
the midst of thee them that rejoice in thy
pride, and thou shalt no more be haughty
°because of °My holy mountain.

12 I will also leave in the midst of thee an
afflicted and poor People, and they shall °trust
in °the name of °the LORD.

13 The remnant of Israel shall not do °iniquity,
nor speak lies; neither shall a deceitful tongue
be found in their mouth: °for they shall feed
and lie down, and none shall make them
afraid."

N R 14 °Sing, O daughter of Zion; shout, O Israel;
be glad and rejoice with all the heart, O daugh-
ter of Jerusalem.

S 15 °The LORD hath taken away thy judg-
ments, He hath cast out thine °enemy: the
king of Israel, *even* °the LORD, is °in the midst
of thee:

O thou shalt not °see °evil any more.

N R 16 In that day it shall be said to Jerusalem,
"°Fear thou not;" and to Zion, "Let not
thine hands °be slack."

S 17 °The LORD thy °God °in the midst of
thee °is mighty; He will save, °He will rejoice
over thee with joy; He °will rest in His love,
He will joy °over thee with singing.

M P 18 "I will °gather them that are °sorrowful
for the °solemn assembly, who are of thee, to
whom the reproach of it was °a burden.

19 °Behold, at that time I will °undo all that
afflict thee: and I will save her that halteth,
and °gather her that was driven out; and °I
will get them praise and fame in every land
where they have been put to shame.

20 At that time will I bring you *again*, even
in the time that I °gather you: °for I will make
you a name and a praise among all people of
the earth,

Q when I °turn back your captivity before your
eyes, °saith °the LORD.

3. 9-20 (A², p. 1271). PROMISSORY.
(Introversion and Alternations.)

A² M P
P | 9, 10. Good bestowed. Gentiles and Israel.
Conversion.
Q | 11-13. Evil removed.
N | R | 14. Zion and Jerusalem to praise.
(Positive.)
S | 15-. Jehovah in the midst.
O | -15. Evil no more seen.
N | R | 16. Zion and Jerusalem. Not to
Fear. (Negative.)
S | 17. Jehovah in the midst.
M | P | 18-20-. Good bestowed. Israel and Gentiles.
Restoration.
Q | -20. Evil removed.

9 then: i.e. after all that is implied in v. 8. Note
the order of the blessings in "P": Gentiles first, and
Israel after; but in "P", Israel first, and Gentiles
after.

people=peoples.

a pure language—a lip purified: i.e. a clean lip in
contrast with "unclean" lips (Isa. 6. 5).

pure=separated from that which is impure or unclean.
Heb. *bārar*, as in Ezek. 20. 38. Isa. 52. 11. Dan. 11. 35;
12. 10. The reference is, to being made fit for the worship
of Jehovah, as the next clause shows. Cp. 1. 4, 5.

that they may. Some codices, with Syr., and Vulg.,
read "and may".

consent. Heb. shoulder. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of
Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the service rendered by it. It is
not the Fig. *Metaphor* as alleged.

10 suppliants=worshippers. Heb. *āthār*. Occurs
in this sense nowhere else. From *āthar*=to burn in-
cense (Ezek. 8. 11); hence to pray or worship.

the daughter of My dispersed: i.e. My dispersed
People [Israel].

11 transgressed. Heb. *pāsha'*. Ap. 44. ix.
because of=in.

My. The 1611 edition of the A.V. reads "Mine".

12 trust=flee for refuge to. Heb. *ḥasah*. Ap. 69. II.
Not the same word as in v. 2.

the name. See note on Ps. 20. 1.

13 for they shall feed, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26.
5, 6). Ap. 92.

14 Sing, &c. Fig. *Pœonismus*. Ap. 6.

15 enemy. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., Syr.,
and Vulg., read "foes" (pl.).

in the midst, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 7. 21).

see. The Codex Hillel, quoted in the *Massōrah*,
(Ap. 30 and 93) with some codices, three early printed
editions (one Rabbinic, marg.), Aram., and Vulg., read,
'fear'; but other codices, with nine early printed
editions, Sept. (?), and Vulg., read "see", as in A.V.

evil=calamity. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

16 Fear thou not. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 7. 21). Ap. 92.
be slack=hang down.

17 is mighty; He will save. The Heb. accents
place the chief pause or emphasis on "save", implying
not that He will save at some future time, but that He
is an ever-present Saviour. Read "Jehovah thy Elohim
is in the midst of thee, mighty to save [at all times]".

will rest. Heb. will be silent. Sept. reads "will renew thee", reading 7 (=n) instead of 7 (=r). Ap. 92.

18 sorrowful for. Supply the *Ellipsis*
solemn assembly=appointed season. a burden.

Some codices, with one early printed edition (Rabbinic, marg.), Aram., and Syr., read "a burden on thee".
undo=deal with. gather=gather out, bring to-

gether what has been dispersed. Heb. *kabaz*, as in v. 20. Not the same word as in vv. 8, 18, or as in 2. 1. Ref.
to Pent. (Deut. 30. 3, 4). Ap. 92. I will get them, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 26. 19). Ap. 92.

20 for I will make you, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 26. 19). Ap. 92. turn back your captivity. Heb. pl.
Idiom for restoring blessings as aforetime. See note on Deut. 30, 3, saith=hath said.

HAGGAI.

THE STRUCTURE OF THE BOOK AS A WHOLE.

(*Extended Alliteration.*)

3¹	A 1. 1-4. DISAPPROBATION AT NEGLECT.	}	The first and second messages.
	B 1. 5-11. PUNISHMENT. SCARCITY.		
	C 1. 12-2. 5. OBEDIENCE AND ENCOURAGEMENT.		
	D 2. 6-9. "I WILL SHAKE", &c.		
	A 2. 10-14. DISAPPROBATION AT NEGLECT.	}	The third and fourth messages.
	B 2. 15-17. PUNISHMENT. SCARCITY.		
	C 2. 18, 19. OBEDIENCE AND ENCOURAGEMENT.		
	D 2. 20-23. "I WILL SHAKE", &c.		

For the CANONICAL Order and place of the Prophets, see Ap. 1, and p. 1206.

For the CHRONOLOGICAL Order of the Prophets, see Ap. 77.

For the Inter-relation of the Prophetic Books, see Ap. 78.

For the *Formulæ* of Prophetic Utterance, see Ap. 82.

For References to the Pentateuch by the Prophets, see Ap. 92.

For the Inter-relation of the Minor (or Shorter) Prophets, see pp. 1206 and 1207.

Between ZEPHANIAH and HAGGAI lay the seventy years' captivity in Babylon.

Haggai was the first prophet by whom "God spake" after the Return. Heb. 1. 1, and Ap. 95.

His prophecy is dated "in the second year of Darius" (Hystaspis), sixteen years after the decree of Cyrus, see Ap. 57; and therefore in the year 410 B.C., from the sixth to the ninth month; covering a period of about four months. See Ap. 50, p. 67, and Ap. 77.

There were four distinct messages:—

1. The *first*, on the first day of the sixth month, 1. 1-11.
2. The *second*¹, on the twenty-first day of the seventh month, 2. 1-9.
3. The *third*, on the twenty-fourth day of the ninth month, 2. 10-19.
4. The *fourth*, on the same day as the third, 2. 20-23.

ZECHARIAH's prophecy began midway between Haggai's second and third messages. See Zech. 1. 1.

¹ The message in 1. 13 is not a dated message, but it refers to the time when Jehovah stirred up the spirit of obedience in Zerubbabel, recorded in v. 14, twenty-three days after the delivery of Haggai's first message; nearly a month before the second message (2. 1-9).

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3¹ A A
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1 °IN the second year of °Darius °the king, in the °sixth month, in °the first day of the month, came the word of °the LORD °by °Haggai the prophet unto °Zerubbabel the °son of °Shealtiel, °governor of Judah, and to °Joshua the son of °Josedeck, the high priest, saying,

B 2 "Thus speaketh °the LORD of hosts, saying, °'This People say, 'The °time is °not come, the °time that °the LORD'S house should be built.'"

A 3 Then came the word of °the LORD °by Haggai °the prophet, saying,

B 4 "Is it °time for °you, O ye, to dwell in your °cieled houses, and this house °lie waste?"

B C 5 Now therefore thus saith °the LORD of hosts; °Consider °your ways.

D 6 °Ye have sown much, and bring in little; ye eat, but ye °have not enough; ye drink, but ye are not filled with drink; ye clothe you, but there is none warm; and he that earneth wages earneth wages to put it into a bag with holes.

C 7 Thus saith °the LORD of hosts; °Consider °your ways.

8 Go up to the °mountain, and bring wood, and build the house; and I will °take pleasure in it, and °I will be glorified, °saith °the LORD.

D 9 Ye looked for much, and, lo, it came to little; and when ye brought it home, I did blow upon it. Why? °saith °the LORD of hosts. Because of Mine house that is waste, and ye run °every man unto his own house.

10 Therefore °the heaven over you is stayed from °dew, °and the earth is stayed from her fruit.

2 the LORD of hosts. See note on 1 Sam. 1. 3.

Repeated here and in v. 4 for emphasis.

Epizeuxis (Ap. 6), for emphasis =you, even you, or that ye yourselves.

lining of an arched roof. Occurs in 1 Kings 6. 9; 7. 3, 7. Jer. 22. 14. Showing that their houses were not only roofed, but wainscotted or decorated. Heb. = "in your houses [and that too] panelled". Cp. David (2 Sam. 7. 2. Ps. 132. 3). This proves that the Temple had not then been commenced. Cp. v. 9. See notes on Neh. 7. 4, and longer note on p. 653. Also Ap. 58.

1. 5-11 (B, p. 1276). PUNISHMENT. SCARCITY. (*Alternation*.)

B C | 5. Call to consider.

D | 6. Scarcity.

C | 7, 8. Call to consider.

D | 9-11. Scarcity.

5 Consider = Set your heart on, or give your attention to. Occurs five times in this book (1. 5, 7; 2. 15, 18, 19). Cp. Job 1. 8; 2. 3. Isa. 41. 22. your ways: i.e. the ways in which ye have been led, your experiences which are detailed in the next verse.

6 Ye have sown, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 38, 39). Ap. 92. have not enough = are not satisfied. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 26). Ap. 92. **8** mountain = hill country. take pleasure = be pleased therewith. I will be glorified = I will get Me honour. Heb. text has 'ekkābdā.

This is one in a list of twenty-nine words which are without the letter *He* (ה = ה) at the end (see Ginsburg's *Massōrah*, vol. i, p. 281). Ap. 30. This letter ה = five (Ap. 10), and later Talmudists regard it as betokening the fact that five things were lacking in the second Temple, viz.: (1) the ark; (2) the sacred fire; (3) the Shekinah; (4) the Urim and Thummim; and (5) the spirit of prophecy. This list is to safeguard (Ap. 93) the other occurrences of the word, which have this letter at the end, among them being Ex. 14. 4, 17. These constitute a ref. to Pent. with Lev. 10. 3 (which, like Hag. 1. 8, is without the ה). Ap. 92. saith the LORD = hath said Jehovah.

9 saith the LORD of hosts = [is] the oracle of Jehovah Sabaoth. every man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II. **10** the heaven, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 19. Deut. 28. 23). Ap. 92. dew. See note on Ps. 133. 3. and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), emphasising each item which is particularised here, and in v. 11.

1. 1-4 (A, p. 1276). DISAPPROBATION AT NEGLECT. (*Alternation*.)

A A | 1. The word of Jehovah.

B | 2. The People's saying. Cited by Jehovah.

A | 3. The word of Jehovah.

B | 4. The People's saying. Reply of Jehovah.

1 In the second year. See note on p. 1276.

Darius = Darius (Hystaspis). See Ap. 57; and notes on Ezra and Nehemiah.

the king. In Aramaic and later books these words follow the name. In the earlier O.T. books they nearly always precede it. Cp. "king David", "king Hezekiah", &c.

sixth month. Elul, our August-September.

the first day, &c. Therefore the feast-day or Sabbath of the full moon.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

by = by the hand of. The Heb. idiom for God speaking "by the prophets". Ref. to Pent., where the expression occurs thirteen times (Ex. 9. 35; 35. 29. Lev. 8. 36; 10. 11; 26. 46. Num. 4. 37, 45; 9. 23; 10. 13; 15. 23; 16. 40; 27. 23; 36. 13). Cp. the five occurrences in Joshua (14. 2; 20. 2; 21. 2, 8; 22. 9). Judg. 3. 4. 2 Sam. 12. 25. 1 Kings 8. 53, 56; 12. 15; 14. 18; 15. 29; 16. 7; 17. 16. 2 Kings 14. 25. 2 Chron. 10. 15; 23. 18; 29. 25. Neh. 9. 14. Isa. 20. 2. Jer. 37. 2, &c.

Haggai. Heb. *Haggai*; from *Hag* = feast, or festival. Zerubbabel. Heb. = sown in Babylon; because he was of the royal seed of Judah born (or seed sown) in Babylon. Cp. 1 Chron. 3. 19. Ezra 2. 2; 3. 2. See Ap. 99.

son. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Genus), Ap. 6, for grandson.

Shealtiel. Heb. = asked for from God. The son of Jeconiah (= Jehoiachin), who was taken captive to Babylon (2 Kings 24. 18. 1 Chron. 3. 17). Cp. Ezra 3. 2, 8; 5. 2. Neh. 12. 1. Matt. 1. 12. Luke 3. 27. See Ap. 99.

governor. Ruling Judea as a Persian province, with a Persian title *pechāh*, from which we have the modern *pasha* = prefect, or satrap.

Joshua. The first high priest after the return. See 1. 12, 14; 2. 2, 4. Zech. 3. 1, 3, 8, 9; 6. 11. Spelt "Josuah" in the 1611 edition of the A.V.

Josedeck. Heb. = Jehovah is righteous.

This People. Not Zerubbabel or Joshua. time.

Sept. reads "not yet". **4** you, O ye. Heb. Fig.

cieled = panelled. Used of the

410 11 ¹⁰ And I called for a drought upon the land, ¹⁰ and upon the mountains, ¹⁰ and upon the corn, ¹⁰ and upon the ^o new wine, ¹⁰ and upon the oil, ¹⁰ and upon ^o that which the ground bringeth forth, ¹⁰ and upon ^o men, ¹⁰ and upon cattle, ¹⁰ and upon all the labour of the hands."

C E (p. 1278) 12 Then ¹ Zerubbabel the son of ¹ Shealtiel, and ¹ Joshua the son of ¹ Josedech, the high priest, with all ^o the remnant of the People, obeyed the voice of ¹ the LORD their ^o God, and the words of ¹ Haggai ¹ the prophet, ^o as ¹ the LORD their ^o God had ^o sent him, and the People did fear before ¹ the LORD.

F 13 Then spake ¹ Haggai ^o the LORD's messenger in ¹ the LORD's ^o message unto the People, saying, "I am with you, saith ¹ the LORD."

E 14 And ¹ the LORD stirred up the ^o spirit of Zerubbabel the son of ¹ Shealtiel, ¹ governor of Judah, and the ^o spirit of ¹ Joshua the son of ¹ Josedech, the high priest, and the ^o spirit of all ¹² the remnant of the People; and ^o they came and did work in the house of ² the LORD of hosts, their ¹² God,

15 ^o In the four and twentieth day of the sixth month, in the second year of ¹ Darius the king.

F 2 ^o In the seventh month, in the one and twentieth day of the month, came the word of ^o the LORD ^o by the prophet ^o Haggai, saying,

2 "Speak now to ^o Zerubbabel the son of ^o Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to ^o Joshua the son of ^o Josedech, the high priest, and to ^o the residue of the people, saying,

3 ^o "Who is left among you that saw ^o this house in her ^o first glory? and how do ye see it now? is it not in your eyes in comparison of it as nothing?

4 Yet now be strong, O ² Zerubbabel, ^o saith ¹ the LORD; and be strong, O ² Joshua, son of ² Josedech, the high priest; and be strong, all ye People of the land, ^o saith the LORD, and work: for I am with you, ^o saith the LORD of hosts:

5 According to the word that ^o I covenanted with you ^o when ye came out of Egypt, ^o so My ^o Spirit ^o remaineth among you: fear ye not."

D G¹ 6 For thus ^o saith ⁴ the LORD of hosts; "Yet ^o once, it is a little while, and ^o I will shake the heavens, ^o and the earth, ^o and the sea, ^o and the dry land;

7 ^o And I will shake all nations,

G² and ^o the desire of all nations ^o shall come:

11 new wine. Heb. *tirōsh*. Ap. 27. II. that which. Some codices, with Aram. and Syr., read "all which". men. Heb. *ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

1. 12—2. 5 (C, p. 1276). OBEDIENCE AND ENCOURAGEMENT. (Alternation.)

C | **E** | 1. 12. Obedience.
| **F** | 1. 13. Encouragement.
| **E** | 1. 14, 15. Obedience.
| **F** | 2. 1-5. Encouragement.

12 the remnant: which had returned from Babylon. Cp. v. 14; 2. 2, &c.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

as=according as. Some codices, with a special various reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 34), one early printed edition, and Syr., read "with which".

sent him. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "sent him unto them". Cp. Jer. 43. 1.

13 the LORD's messenger, &c.=the messenger of Jehovah in the message of Jehovah.

message. Heb. word occ. only here.

14 spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the state of mind and feeling, &c. Cp. 1 Chron. 5. 26. 2 Chron. 21. 16; 36. 22 (=Ezra 1. 1). Jer. 51. 11.

they came. See Ezra 3. 1, &c.

15 In the, &c. This reads on from v. 14, giving the date when Haggai's message took effect about three weeks later. It is not the commencement of another message, as some have supposed. See note on p. 1276.

2. 1 In the seventh month. See note on p. 1276. the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

by. See note on 1. 1.

Haggai. See note on 1. 1.

2 Zerubbabel... Shealtiel, governor... Joshua

... Josedech. See notes on 1. 1.

the residue=the remnant.

3 Who is left...? = Who is there among you, the remnant? Evidently there were some present who had seen it. Cp. Ezra 3. 12.

this house. The Temple is regarded as one throughout.

first=primitive.

4 saith the LORD of hosts: [is] the oracle of Jehovah Sabaioth. See note on 1 Sam. 1. 3.

5 I covenanted with you: or, supply the *Ellipsis* thus: "[I remember", or "Remember ye] the word which I", &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 29. 45, 46). Ap. 92.

when ye came, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 12. 51). Ap. 92. so My Spirit, &c.: i.e. speaking by the prophets. Cp. Neh. 9. 20. Isa. 63. 10-14.

Spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

remaineth: or, abideth.

2. 6-9 (D, p. 1276). "I WILL SHAKE", ETC. (Division.)

D | **G¹** | 6, 7-. Threatening.
| **G²** | -7-9. Promise.

6 saith=hath said.

once=first; as in 1. 1 and 2. 1. Heb. *chād*=one of several. See note on Deut. 6. 4. There had been shakings before; but this one would be extreme and final. Quoted in Heb. 12. 26, 27. Greek *hapax*=once for all: i.e. first, before the fulfilment of the promise

and, and cannot agree with "little" (one little, or a little) and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6): emphasising the universality of this last shaking, in contrast with all former shakings. It refers to the great tribulation (Matt. 24. 29, 30). Cp. Isa. 13. 13; 24. 18.

7 the desire. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of the Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the object of desire, which cannot be "things", for *hemdath* is fem. sing., and refers to Him Who alone can satisfy the desire of all nations. Cp. 1 Sam. 9. 20. 2 Chron. 21. 20. shall come. The verb is plural: hence some would refer it to the treasures of "silver and gold" of v. 8. But when two nouns stand together (as here) the verb may agree in number with either noun. Here it agrees with "nations" in number, but with the object desired in reality. The Sept. reads "the elect of all the nations".

given in the clause which follows. It is fem. here, and cannot agree with "little" (one little, or a little) because *m^eat* is masculine. I will shake. See the Structure "D", below (v. 21). Not "convert"; but shake violently, as in Pss. 46. 3; 77. 18. Jer. 10. 10, &c. and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6): emphasising the universality of this last shaking, in contrast with all former shakings. It refers to the great tribulation (Matt. 24. 29, 30). Cp. Isa. 13. 13; 24. 18.

410 and I will fill this house with °glory, °saith °the LORD of hosts.

8 °The silver is Mine, and the gold is Mine, °saith °the LORD of hosts.

9 The °glory of this °latter house shall be greater than of the former, °saith °the LORD of hosts: and in this place will I give °peace, °saith °the LORD of hosts."

A H (p. 1279) 10 °In the four and twentieth day of the ninth month, in the second year of Darius, came the word of °the LORD °by °Haggai °the prophet, saying,

J a 11 "Thus saith °the LORD of hosts; °Ask now the priests concerning the law, saying,

12 °If one bear °holy flesh in the °skirt of his garment, and with his skirt do touch bread, °or pottage, or °wine, or oil, or any meat, °shall it be °holy?"

b "And the priests answered and said, °"No."

J a 13 Then said Haggai, "If one that is unclean °by a °dead body touch any of these, °shall it be °unclean?"

b And the priests answered and said, "It °shall be °unclean."

H 14 °Then answered Haggai, and said, "So is this People, and so is this nation before Me, °saith °the LORD; and so is every work of their hands; and that which they offer °there is unclean.

B K 15 And now, I pray you, °consider °from this day and °upward, from before a stone was laid upon a stone in the temple of °the LORD:

L 16 Since those days were, when one came to an heap of twenty °measures, °there were but ten: when one came to the pressfat for to draw out fifty °vessels out of the press, there were but twenty.

17 °I smote you with blasting and with mildew and with hail in all the labours of your hands;

M yet ye turned not to Me, °saith °the LORD.

C K 18 °Consider now °from this day and °upward, from the four and twentieth day of the ninth month, even from the day that the foundation of °the LORD'S temple was laid, °consider it.

L 19 °Is the seed yet in the barn? °yea, as yet the vine, and the fig tree, and the pomegranate, and the olive tree, hath not brought forth:

M °from this day will I bless °you."

D N 20 And °again the word of °the LORD came

glory. This refers to the future millennial Sanctuary of Ezekiel (Ap. 88), as it follows after the great shaking of this verse and Rev. 6. 12-17. Moreover this "glory" is connected with the final peace (v. 9. Isa. 9. 6; 60. 18). The second Temple was connected with "grace", not "glory", and was followed by wars, not peace (Matt. 10. 34; 24. 6-8. Luke 12. 51).

8 The silver, &c. Cp. Isa. 2. 7; 60. 9-17; 61. 6.

9 latter house, &c. Render: "Greater shall be the last glory of this house than the first". Ezek. 43. 2, 4, 6; 44. 4.

peace. Cp. Isa. 9. 6. Mic. 5. 5. Zech. 9. 9, 10.

2. 10-14 (A, p. 1276). DISAPPROBATION. (Introversion and Alternation.)

A H | 10. The word of Jehovah by Haggai.

J a | 11-12-. Question re uncleanness.

b | -12. Answer.

J a | 13-. Question re uncleanness.

b | -13. Answer.

H | 14. The word of Jehovah by Haggai.

10 In the, &c. Nearly two months after the preceding message. See note on p. 1276.

by. Many codices, with eight early printed editions, Sept., and Vulg., read "unto"; but in Codex Hillel (quoted in the *Massōrah*, Ap. 30) and others, with two early printed editions, Aram., and Syr., read "by the hand of", as elsewhere in this book. See note on 1. 1.

11 Ask now, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 10. 10, 11. Deut. 17. 11; 33. 10). Ap. 92. Supply the *Ellipsis*: "Ask now [direction]", &c.

12 holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

holy flesh: i.e. the flesh of a sacrifice. Cp. Jer. 11. 15. skirt = wing. See note on Ruth 3. 9.

or. Note the Fig. *Paradiastolē* (Ap. 6).

wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. I.

shall = will.

holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

No. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 6. 27). Ap. 92.

13 by = by [touching].

dead body = soul. Heb. *nephesh*. See Ap. 13. ix, where see thirteen passages in which *nephesh* is used of a "dead soul" in distinction from a "living soul", as in Gen. 2. 7. Ref. to Pent. Ap. 92.

unclean. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 22. 4, 6). Ap. 92.

14 Then, &c. This is the application of vv. 11-13.

there. Referring to the altar which was set up before the building of the Temple. See v. 15. Cp. Ezra 3. 2, 3, with v. 6.

2. 15-19 (B and C, p. 1276). PUNISHMENT AND ENCOURAGEMENT. (Extended Alternation.)

B K | 15. Consider. Past time: "before".

L | 16, 17-. After the Ingathering.

M | -17. Impenitence.

C K | 18. Consider. Subsequent time.

L | 19-. Before the Ingathering.

M | -19. Beneficence.

15 consider. See note on 1. 5.

from this day. The day of the prophet's message.

upward = above, as to place; backward, as regards time; as explained. Referring to past time, before the foundation was laid. See the Structure ("K" and "K"); and note on v. -19.

16 measures. Supply "sheaves".

17 I smote you, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 22).

from this day: i.e. from the day the foundation of the Temple was laid. From this time, subsequently, things would be different, and Jehovah would bless them, as promised in v. -19.

19 Is the seed . . . ? The answer is no. It was sown.

yea, as yet = howbeit, though at present. See notes on p. 618, and Ap. 58. from this day = from this very day. Referring to their obedience in building. you. Omit; and take "bless" absolutely.

2. 20-23 (D, p. 1276). I WILL SHAKE.

(Division.)

D N¹ | 20-22. Threatening.

N² | 23. Promise.

20 again. On the same day: i.e. a second time.

there - and there.

vessels. Omit "vessels".

and Isa. 63. 3. Hence used of a wine measure.

Ap. 92. 18 Consider . . . consider. Fig. *Anadiplōsis*. Ap. 6.

from this time, subsequently, things would be different, and Jehovah would bless them, as promised in v. -19.

yea, as yet = howbeit, though at present. See notes on p. 618, and Ap. 58.

from this day = from this very day. Referring to their obedience in building.

410 unto ¹Haggai in the four and twentieth *day* of the month, saying,

21 "Speak to ²Zerubbabel, °governor of Judah, saying, °³I will shake °the heavens and the earth;

22 And I will overthrow the throne of kingdoms, and I will destroy the strength of the kingdoms of the °heathen; and I will overthrow the chariots, and those that ride in them; and the horses and their riders shall come down, every one by the sword of his brother.

21 governor. See note on 1. 1.

³I will shake. Cp. the Structure ("D" and "D"), p. 1276; and note on 2. 6. Heb. I am shaking, or about to shake. Referring to a nearer shaking than 2. 6.

the heavens and the earth. See note on Dent. 4. 26.

22 heathen = nations.

23 as a signet. Cp. Song 8. 6. Jer. 22. 24. See also, for this honour, Zech. 4. 7-10; 6. 13; and cp. Gen. 41. 42. Est. 3. 10.

chosen thee. As David and others were chosen (1 Kings 8. 16; 11. 34, &c.).

thee. This must refer to the true prince and governor of Isa. 9. 6, 7.

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23 In that day, 'saith 'the LORD of hosts, will I take thee, O ²Zerubbabel, My servant,

the son of ²Shealtiel, 'saith ¹the LORD, and will make thee °as a signet: for I have °chosen °thee, 'saith 'the LORD of hosts.'"

ZECHARIAH.

THE STRUCTURE OF THE BOOK AS A WHOLE.

(Introversions.)

3 ²	A ¹	B ¹ 1. 1-6. LITERAL PROPHECY. DATED (THE SECOND YEAR OF DARIUS).
		C ¹ 1. 7-6. 15. PROPHECIES WITH SYMBOLS. EIGHT VISIONS.
		B ² 7. 1-8. 23. LITERAL PROPHECY. DATED (THE FOURTH YEAR OF DARIUS).
A ²	B ³	9. 1-10. 12. LITERAL PROPHECIES. FIRST BURDEN.
		C ² 11. 1-17. PROPHECY WITH SYMBOLS.
		B ⁴ 12. 1-14. 21. LITERAL PROPHECIES. SECOND BURDEN.

For the CANONICAL Order and Place of the Prophets, see Ap. 1, and pp. 1206 and 1207.

For the CHRONOLOGICAL Order of the Prophets, see Ap. 77.

For the Inter-relation of the Prophetic Books, see Ap. 78.

For the *Formulae* of Prophetic utterance, see Ap. 82.

For References to the Pentateuch by the Prophets, see Ap. 92.

For the Inter-relation of the Minor (or Shorter) Prophets, see pp. 1206 and 1207.

ZECHARIAH's first prophecy is dated (1. 1) "in the eighth month in the second year of Darius" (*Hystaspis*) (410 B.C.); sixteen years after the Decree of Cyrus. It thus comes midway between Haggai's second and third messages. See notes on p. 1277.

His last date is in the fourth year of Darius (7. 1).

The Temple was completed in the sixth year of Darius, and was dedicated in Adar (Ap. 51), 405 B.C. The first Passover, and the last Feast of Tabernacles were in 404 B.C. (see p. 617, Ap. 58, and Neh. 9). This marks the close of ZECHARIAH's dated Prophecies; but, as ZECHARIAH really closes the O.T. (see Ap. 77. 9), his prophecies would extend to and cover the *latest date* in the O.T., which is the *eighth* year of Darius *Hystaspis* in the year 403 B.C. (see Ezra 10. 17 and Ap. 58). The whole period therefore covered by the book of ZECHARIAH is seven years, 410-403 B.C. (Ap. 77).

ZECHARIAH.

A¹ B¹
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1 [°]IN the eighth month, in the second year [°]of [°]Darius, came the word of [°]the LORD unto [°]Zechariah, the son of [°]Berechiah, the [°]son of [°]Iddo the prophet, saying,

2 ¹“The LORD hath been [°]sore displeased with [°]your fathers.

3 Therefore say thou unto them, ‘Thus [°]saith [°]the LORD of hosts; [°]‘Turn ye unto Me, [°]saith [°]the LORD of hosts, and I will turn unto you, [°]saith [°]the LORD of hosts.

4 Be ye not as ²your fathers, unto whom [°]the former prophets have cried, saying, ‘Thus [°]saith ³the LORD of hosts; ³Turn ye now from your [°]evil ways, and from your [°]evil doings:’ but they did not hear, nor hearken unto Me, [°]saith ¹the LORD.

5 ²Your fathers, [°]where are they? and the prophets, do they live for ever?

6 But My words and My statutes, which I commanded My servants ¹the prophets, did they not [°]take hold of your fathers? and they returned and [°]said, ‘Like as ³the LORD of hosts thought to do unto us, according to our ways, and according to our doings, so hath He dealt with us.’”

C¹ A C F¹

7 [°]Upon the four and twentieth day of the [°]eleventh month, which ^{is} the month Sebat, in the second year of ¹Darius, came the word of ¹the LORD unto ¹Zechariah, the son of ¹Berechiah, the son of ¹Iddo the prophet, saying,

8 [°]I saw by night, and behold a [°]man riding upon a red horse, and he stood [°]among the myrtle trees that ^{were} in the [°]bottom; and behind him ^{were there} red [°]horses, [°]speckled, and white.

F² a
(p. 1282)
b

9 Then said I, “[°]O my lord, what ^{are} these?” And the [°]angel that talked with me said unto me, “³I will shew thee what ^{these} [°]be.”

10 And the ⁸man that stood among the myrtle trees answered and said, “These ^{are} they whom ¹the LORD hath sent to walk to and fro through the earth.”

11 And they answered the angel of ¹the LORD that stood among the myrtle trees, and said, “We have walked to and fro through the earth, and, [°]behold, all the earth sitteth still, and is at rest.”

1. 1 In the eighth month, &c. See note on p. 1280. Modern critics first assume that the day ought to be named, and then further assume that it has “fallen out accidentally”!

Darius. Darius (Hystaspis). See Ap. 57.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

Zechariah = Remembered of Jehovah.

Berechiah = Blessed of Jehovah. Cp. Matt. 23. 35. This prophet would be the one referred to by the Lord, unless the father of the Zechariah of 2 Chron. 24. 20, 21 had more than one name, which was sometimes the case. See Esau's wives (Gen. 26. 34; 28. 9; 36. 2, 3). The latter would be the last (and Abel the first in the O.T.), according to the place of Chronicles in the Heb. Canon (see Ap. 1).

son. Put by Fig. Synecdoche (of Species), Ap. 6, for descendant. Iddo. See Ezra 5. 1; 6. 14. Neh. 12. 4, 16.

2 sore displeased. Heb. displeased with a displeasure. Fig. Polyptoton. Ap. 6. See note on Gen. 26. 28. your fathers. Cp. vv. 4, 6.

3 saith = hath said.

the LORD of hosts. Heb. Jehovah Zebai'oth. Ap. 4. II. This title occurs fifty-three times in this book, forty-four times in chs. 1-8, and nine times in chs. 9-14. It is characteristic of this book: twenty-nine times it is with the verbs saith or speaketh. All are referred to in the notes.

Turn = Return. Note the Fig. Epimone (Ap. 6), in vv. 3-6, in which the fact is emphasised by dwelling upon it as the cause of all Jehovah's displeasure.

saith the LORD of hosts = [is] the oracle of Jehovah Sabaoth.

4 the former prophets: i. e. Joshua to 2 Kings. See Ap. 1 and 78. evil = wicked. Heb. rā'a'. Ap. 44. viii.

saith = hath said.

saith the LORD = [is] Jehovah's oracle.

5 where are they? This in contrast with the words of Jehovah, which endure forever (v. 6). Fig. Erolēsis. Ap. 6.

6 take hold of = overtake. Cp. Deut. 28. 15, 45. said. See Lam. 1. 18.

1. 7-6. 15 (C¹, p. 1280). PROPHECIES WITH SYMBOLS. (Alternation and Introversion.)

C¹ A C 1. 7-17. First Vision. Invisible Agencies. Horses.

D 1. 18-21. Second Vision. External enemies. Horns.

E 2. 1-13. Third Vision. Jehovah's Purpose. Man, &c.

B 3. 1-10. Fourth Vision. Joshua. The BRANCH.

A E 4. 1-14. Fifth Vision. Jehovah's Purpose. Lampstand.

D 5. 1-4 and 5-11. Sixth and Seventh Visions. External enemies. Flying Roll, and Ephah.

C 6. 1-8. Eighth Vision. Invisible Agencies. Horses.

B 6. 9-15. Joshua. The BRANCH.

1. 7-17 (C, above). FIRST VISION. INVISIBLE AGENCIES. HORSES. (Division.)

C F¹ 7, 8. Vision. Horses and Horsemen.

F² 9-17. Signification.

7 Upon, &c. See note on p. 1280. [°]eleventh month. Three months after v. 1. **8** I saw, &c. In this first of the eight visions (1. 8-6. 15) Israel is in dispersion; the Gentiles are in possession at the time of the end. Jehovah is about to interfere on behalf of Jerusalem (vv. 16, 17. Isa. 40. 1-5). ^{man}. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II. This man is the “Adonai” of v. 9, and “the angel of Jehovah” of vv. 11, 12, as the prophet discovers from the “man's” answer. The riders of v. 8 report to the angel (v. 11). ^{among} = between. ^{bottom} = the shade: i. e. between the two mountains of 6. 1. ^{horses}. Representing all earthly dynasties. ^{speckled} = bay.

1. 9-17 [For Structure see next page].

9 my lord. Heb. Adonai. Ap. 4. VIII. 2.

be = are.

11 behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

angel. See vv. 11, 12, 13, 14, 19; 2. 3, 3; 4. 1, 5; 5. 10; 6. 4, 5.

a (p. 1282) 410-407 12 Then the ⁹angel of ¹the LORD answered and said, "O ³LORD of hosts, how long wilt Thou not have ⁰mercy on ⁰Jerusalem and on the cities of Judah, against which Thou hast had indignation these ⁰threescore and ten years?"

b 13 And ¹the LORD ⁰answered the ⁹angel that talked with me *with* good words *and* comfortable words.

14 So the ⁹angel that communed with me said unto me, "Cry thou, saying, 'Thus ³saith ³the LORD of hosts; I am jealous for ¹²Jerusalem and for Zion with a great jealousy.

15 And ³I am very ²sore displeased with the ⁰heathen *that are* ⁰at ease: for ³I was but a little displeased, and they helped forward the ⁰affliction.

16 Therefore thus ³saith ¹the LORD; I am returned to ¹²Jerusalem with ¹²mercies: My house ⁰shall be built in it, ³saith ³the LORD of hosts, and ⁰a line shall be stretched forth upon ¹²Jerusalem.'

17 Cry yet, saying, 'Thus ³saith ³the LORD of hosts; My cities through prosperity shall yet be spread abroad; and ¹the LORD shall yet ⁰comfort Zion, and shall yet choose ¹²Jerusalem.'

D c 18 Then lifted I up mine eyes, and saw, and ¹¹behold four ⁰horns.

d e 19 And I said unto the ⁹angel that talked with me, "What *be* these?"

f And he answered me, "These *are* the ¹⁸horns which have scattered ⁰Judah, Israel, and Jerusalem."

c 20 And ¹the LORD ⁰shewed me four ⁰carpenters.

d e 21 Then said I, "What come these to do?"

f And ⁰he spake, saying, "These *are* the horns which have scattered Judah, so that no ⁸man did lift up his head: but ⁰these are come to ⁰fray ⁰them, to cast out the horns of the ⁰Gentiles, which lifted up *their* horn over the land of Judah to scatter it."

E G¹ 2 I lifted up mine eyes again, and looked, and ⁰behold a ⁰man with ⁰a measuring line in his hand.

2 Then said I, "Whither goest thou?" And he said unto me, "To measure ⁰Jerusalem, to see what *is* the breadth thereof, and what *is* the length thereof."

G² H 3 And, behold, the ⁰angel that talked with me ⁰went forth, and another ⁰angel went out to meet him,

4 And said unto him, "Run, speak to ⁰this young man, ⁰saying, 'Jerusalem shall be inhabited *as* towns ⁰without walls for the multitude of ⁰men and cattle therein:

J 5 For ³I, ⁰saith the LORD, will be unto her

1. 9-17 (F², p. 1281). SIGNIFICATION. (Alternation.)

F² a | 9-. Question of the prophet.
b | -9-11. Answer of the angel.
a | 12. Question of the angel.
b | 13-17. Answer of Jehovah.

12 mercy = compassion, or pity. Cp. 7. 9. Ps. 102. 13. Isa. 14. 1; 49. 13.

Jerusalem. Not the "Church".

threescore and ten. See Dan. 9. 2, and notes on p. 615.

13 answered. See note on Deut. 1. 41. Jehovah Himself now speaks.

15 heathen = nations.

at ease = indifferent (Isa. 32. 9, 11. Amos 6. 1).

affliction = calamity. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii. Cp. Isa. 47. 11. Jer. 44. 11.

16 shall be built in it. The Temple therefore had not yet been commenced.

a line shall be stretched, &c. : i.e. a measuring-line. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the whole work of building. Cp. 2. 1, 2.

17 comfort = pity, or have compassion on; as "mercy" in v. 12.

1. 18-21 (D, p. 1281). SECOND VISION. EXTERNAL ENEMIES. (Alternations.)

D c | 18. Four Horns.
d | e | 19-. Question.
f | -19. Answer.
c | 20. Four Smiths.
d | e | 21-. Question.
f | -21. Answer.

18 four horns: "horns" being put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the Gentile (v. 21) powers signified by them.

19 Judah, Israel, and Jerusalem. With *'eth* prefixed to the first two (not Jerusalem) for emphasis, so that we may not confuse them with the Church or with Gentile peoples. There is no "gloss", as alleged.

20 shewed me. This is part of the second vision. carpenters = (iron)smiths.

21 he: i.e. the angel.

these: i.e. these four smiths (or it may denote the supernatural princes over the kingdoms). They represent the Divine agencies raised up, by which Jehovah will overthrow them.

fray. Short for *affray* = to terrify; hence English, afraid and affright. So the Heb. *hārad* = terrify, put in consternation (Heb. *Hiphil*, causative). Cp. Zeph. 3. 13.

them: i.e. the kingdoms represented by the horns.

Gentiles = nations.

2. 1-13 (E, p. 1281). THIRD VISION. JEHOVAH'S PURPOSE.

E | G¹ | 1, 2. Symbol. Man with measuring line.
G² | 3-13. Signification.

1 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II. Either the same or another angel.

a measuring line. See note on 1. 16; and cp. v. 2.

2 Jerusalem. With *'eth*. See note on 1. 19.

2. 3-13 (G², above). THE SIGNIFICATION. (Extended Alternation.)

G² H | 3, 4. Jerusalem. Security.

J | 5. Reason. Jehovah's presence.

K | 6, 7. Calls to Zion to escape.

L | 8, 9. Reason. Jehovah's love.

H | 10-. Zion. Rejoicing.

J | -10-12. Reason. Jehovah's presence. (Cp. J.)

K | 13-. Call to enemies to let Zion escape.

L | -13. Reason. Jehovah's interposition.

3 angel. See note on 1. 9.

went forth: or, came forward. 4 this young man: i.e. the man of v. 1. saying. Supply the logical *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), "saying [Stop!]", for the reason given implies that measuring will be useless, owing to the overflow of inhabitants.

54. 2. Ezek. 38. 11.

men. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I. 5 saith the LORD = [is] Jehovah's oracle. Ap. 4. II.

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a ° wall of fire round about, and will be the glory ° in the midst of her.

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6 ° Ho, ho, ° come forth, and flee from the land of the north, ° saith ° the LORD: for ° I have ° spread you abroad ° as the four ° winds of the heaven, ° saith ° the LORD.

7 ° Deliver thyself, O Zion, that dwellest with the daughter of Babylon.

L

8 For thus saith ° the LORD of hosts; ° After the glory hath He sent me unto the nations which spoiled you: for ° he that toucheth you toucheth the apple of ° His eye.

9 For, ° behold, I will shake Mine hand upon them, and they shall be a spoil to ° their servants: and ye shall know that ° the LORD of hosts hath sent me.

H

10 Sing and rejoice, O daughter of Zion:

J

for, ° lo, I come, and ° I will dwell ° in the midst of thee, ° saith ° the LORD.

11 And ° many nations shall be joined to ° the LORD in that day, and shall be My People: and ° I will dwell ° in the midst of thee, and thou shalt know that ° the LORD of hosts hath sent me unto thee.

12 And ° the LORD ° shall inherit Judah ° His portion in the ° holy land, and shall choose Jerusalem ° again.

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13 ° Be silent, O all flesh, before ° the LORD:

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for He ° is raised up out of ° His ° holy habitation.

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3 And he ° shewed me ° Joshua the high priest ° standing before ° the angel of ° the LORD, and ° Satan standing ° at his right hand ° to resist him.

2 And ° the LORD said unto ° 1 Satan, ° 1 "The LORD ° rebuke thee, O ° 1 Satan; even ° 1 the LORD That ° hath chosen Jerusalem rebuke thee: ° is not this ° a brand plucked out of the fire?"

3 Now ° 1 Joshua ° was clothed with ° filthy garments, and stood before the angel.

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4 And He answered and spake unto ° those that stood before him, saying, "Take away the ° filthy garments from him." And unto him He said, ° "Behold, I have caused thine ° iniquity to pass ° from thee, and ° I will clothe thee with ° change of raiment."

5 ° And I said, ° "Let them set a ° fair ° mitre upon his head." So they set a ° fair ° mitre upon his head, and clothed him with garments. And ° 1 the angel of ° 1 the LORD ° stood by.

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6 And ° 1 the angel of ° 1 the LORD ° protested unto Joshua, saying,

7 "Thus saith ° the LORD of hosts; 'If thou wilt walk in My ways, and ° if thou wilt keep My charge, then thou shalt also ° judge My

wall of fire. Like the watch-fires seen round Bedaween camps, which have no walls. Cp. Isa. 26. 1; 33. 21; 60. 18. in the midst. Cp. vv. 10, 11 ("J").

6 Ho, ho. Fig. *Epizeuxis* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. come forth: or, supply the Ellipsis "[escape]". I have spread. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 4. 27; 28. 64). spread=scattered.

as. Some codices, with five early printed editions, and Syr., read "by", or "throughout". Vulg. reads "into". winds. Heb. *rûach*. Ap. 9.

7 Deliver. Heb. Ho! Rescue, &c., as in v. 6.

8 the LORD of hosts. See note on 1. 3.

After the glory=For His own glory.

he that, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 10). Ap. 92. His eye. The primitive text read "Mine eye"; but the *Sopherim* say (Ap. 33) that they altered this to "His", regarding it as derogatory to Jehovah to read aloud such pronounced anthropomorphic expressions.

9 their servants=their own slaves.

10 lo. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

I will dwell, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 29. 45, 46. Lev. 26. 11, 12). Ap. 92.

11 many nations, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 12. 49. Num. 9. 14). Ap. 92.

12 shall inherit . . . His portion. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 32. 9). Ap. 92. holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

again=yet; as in 1. 17. Not make a new choice, but demonstrate again His old choice in actual experience.

13 Be silent, &c. Cp. Hab. 2. 20. Zeph. 1. 7.

is raised up=hath roused Himself up. Cp. Ps. 78. 65. His holy habitation. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 26. 15).

3. 1-10 (B, p. 1281). JOSHUA. THE BRANCH.
(Division.)

B | M¹ | 1-3. Symbol. Joshua.

M² | 4-10. Signification.

1 shewed me. This is the fourth of the eight visions. See the Structure, p. 1281.

Joshua. See note on Hag. 1. 1.

standing. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for ministering. the angel. See note on 1. 9.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

Satan . . . to resist him. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). Heb. *hassāṭān* . . . *l'siṭnō*=the Adversary . . . to be an adversary; or, the Accuser . . . to accuse him, &c.

Satan=Accuser, or Opposer. See Num. 22. 22, 32. 1 Chron. 21. 1. Job 1. 6, 7, 8, 12, &c.

at his right hand. Cp. Ps. 109. 6. Job 30. 12.

to resist him=to be his adversary. Cp. Num. 22. 32, marg. 1 Sam. 29. 4. 2 Sam. 19. 22. 1 Kings 5. 4; 11. 14, 23, 25.

2 rebuke thee. Cp. Jude 9.

hath chosen=hath now and heretofore chosen.

is not this . . . ? i.e. have I not plucked, &c. Fig. *Erolēsis*. Ap. 6. a brand, &c. Cp. Amos 4. 11.

3 was=had come to be. Cp. Gen. 1. 2.

filthy. A symbol of the defiling nature of sin. Cp. Prov. 30. 12. Isa. 4. 4, &c.

3. 4-10 (M², above). THE SIGNIFICATION.
(Alternation.)

M² | N | 4, 5. Removal of the iniquity of Joshua.

O | 6-8. Promise of access. The BRANCH of Jehovah.

N | 9. Removal of the iniquity of the Land.

O | 10. Promise of security. The Word of Jehovah.

4 those that stood, &c.: i.e. the ministering spirits who waited on Him. Cp. Deut. 1. 38. 1 Sam. 16. 21. 1 Kings 10. 8. Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6. iniquity. Heb. *āven*. Ap. 44. iii.

from thee=from upon thee, or from off thee. Cp. 2 Sam. 12. 13; 24. 10. Job 7. 21. I will clothe=I have caused thee to be clothed. change of raiment=rich or costly garments: i.e. robes of state, or of righteousness. 5 And I said=Then said I (i.e. the prophet); but some codices, with Syr. and Vulg., read "then said He". Let them set. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 29. 6). Ap. 92. fair=clean, or pure.

mitre=turban. See Ex. 28. 37. stood by: i.e. while this was being done. 6 protested=solemnly affirmed, or testified. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 43. 3. Deut. 8. 19). Ap. 92. Cp. Jer. 11. 7. 7 the LORD of hosts. See note on 1. 3 and on 1 Sam. 1. 3.

if thou wilt keep, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 8. 35). Ap. 92. judge My house, &c.=govern My house. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 17. 9). Ap. 92.

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house, and shalt also keep My courts, and I will give thee °places to walk among °these that stand °by.

8 Hear now, O °Joshua the high priest, thou, and thy °fellows that sit before thee: for they are °men wondered at: for, °behold, I will bring forth °My Servant °the °BRANCH.

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9 For °behold the stone that I have laid before Joshua; °upon °one stone shall be °seven eyes: °behold, I will engrave the graving thereof, °saith °the LORD of hosts, and I will remove the °iniquity of that land °in one day.

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10 In °that day, °saith °the LORD of hosts, shall ye °call °every man his neighbour under °the vine and under °the fig tree."

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4 And the °angel that talked with me came again, and waked me, as a °man that is wakened out of his sleep,

2 And said unto me, "What seest thou?" And °I said, "I have looked, and °behold, a °candlestick all of gold, with a bowl upon the top of it, °and his seven lamps thereon, and °seven pipes to the seven lamps, which are upon the top thereof:"

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3 And two olive trees by it, one upon the right side of the bowl, and the other upon the left side thereof.

P g

4 So I answered and spake to the °angel that talked with me, saying, "What are these, °my lord?"

5 Then the °angel that talked with me answered and said unto me, "Knowest thou not what these be?" And I said, "No, °my lord."

6 Then he answered and spake unto me, saying, "This is the word of °the LORD unto Zerubbabel, saying, 'Not by °might, °nor by °power, °but by My °Spirit, saith °the LORD of hosts.

7 Who art thou, °O great mountain? before Zerubbabel thou shalt become a plain: and he shall bring forth the headstone thereof with shoutings, crying, 'Grace, grace unto it.'"

8 Moreover the word of °the LORD came unto me, saying,

9 "°The hands of Zerubbabel have laid the foundation of this house; his hands shall also finish it; and °thou shalt know that °the LORD of hosts hath sent me unto you.

10 For who hath despised the day of small things? for they shall rejoice, and shall see the °plummet in the hand of Zerubbabel °with those seven; they are the eyes of °the LORD, which run to and fro through the whole earth."

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11 Then answered I, and said unto him, "What are these two °olive trees upon the right side of the °candlestick and upon the left side thereof?"

12 And I answered again, and said unto him, "What be these two °olive branches which through the two golden pipes °empty the golden oil out of themselves?"

13 And he answered me and said, "Knowest thou not what these be?" And I said, "No, °my lord."

14 Then said he, "These are °the two anointed ones, that stand by °the Lord of the whole earth."

places to walk = free access, or right of way. these that stand by: i.e. the attendant angels of Ps. 103. 21. Cp. 1 Kings 22. 19. 1 Tim. 5. 21.

by: i.e. in My presence.

8 fellows = colleagues.

men wondered at = men of sign: i.e. men to serve as signs [of One greater].

men. Heb. pl. of 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

My Servant the BRANCH: i.e. Messiah.

the BRANCH. Cp. Isa. 4. 2. Jer. 23. 5, 6; 33. 15. Zech. 6. 12. Heb. *gemah*. Not the same word as in Isa. 11. 1, or Ps. 80. 15, 17. See notes on p. 1304.

BRANCH. See Ap. 48.

9 upon = fixed upon; as in Deut. 11. 12. Cp. 1 Kings 9. 3. Ezra 5. 5.

one stone: or, every stone.

seven eyes = seven pairs of eyes. Watching and caring for. Cp. 4. 10.

saith the LORD of hosts = [is] the oracle of Jehovah Sabaoth.

in one day. Cp. Isa. 66. 5-9.

10 that day: i.e. the day of Messiah.

call = call in . . . under: i.e. invite to sit down and feast.

every man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

the = his own; as in Mic. 4. 4.

4. 1-14 (E, p. 1281). JEHOVAH'S PURPOSE. (Alternation.)

E	P	g	1, 2. The Lampstand.	}	The Sign.
P	g	h	3. The Two Olive trees.	}	The Signifi-
P	g	h	4-10. The House of Jehovah.	}	cation.
P	g	h	11-14. The Two Witnesses.	}	

1 angel. See note on 1. 9.

man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

2 What seest thou? The fifth vision.

I said. Heb. text reads "he". Some codices, with four early printed editions, are without the Heb. margin, "I".

behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

candlestick = a single seven-branched lampstand, as in the Tabernacle and in the second Temple (1 Macc. 1. 21; 4. 49; as seen in the Arch of Titus, in Rome). The ref. is to the Pent. (Ex. 25. 31); not to Solomon's Temple, in which there were ten separate lampstands (1 Kings 7. 49). Cp. Jer. 52. 19. Ap. 92.

and his seven lamps. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 25. 37).

seven pipes. This looks forward to the future, as described in Rev. 11. 3-12.

4 my lord. Heb. 'ādōn. See Ap. 4. VIII (1).

6 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

might = might [of man].

nor = and not.

power = power [of flesh].

but by, &c.: i.e. as in the lampstand the oil flowed silently, without help from man.

Spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

the LORD of hosts. See note on 1. 3.

7 O great mountain? Add, by supplying the Ellipsis (Ap. 6), "[that standest in the way of Zerubbabel?]"

9 The hands, &c. Here is the explanation of the vision.

thou shalt know. Some codices, with Aram., Syr., and Vulg., read "ye shall know".

10 plummet. Heb. stone of tin = tin weight used as a plummet.

with those seven = these seven [lamps which thou seest] tēse [are] the eyes", &c.; as in 3. 9.

12 empty the golden oil out of themselves = empty out of themselves [and fill] the golden [bowls].

14 the two anointed ones. Heb. the two sons of oil; looking forward again to the future, to "the two witnesses" of Rev. 11. 3-13.

the Lord of the whole earth. The Heb. 'ādōn, Ap. 4. VIII (1), is here specially associated with Messiah's dominion in the earth. Cp. 6. 5; 14. 9. Josh. 3. 11-13. Ps. 8. 1, 6, 9; 97. 5. Mic. 4. 13.

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5 Then I turned, and lifted up mine eyes, and °looked, and behold a flying °roll.

2 And he said unto me, "What seest thou?" And I answered, "I see a flying roll; the length thereof is twenty °cubits, and the breadth thereof ten °cubits."

3 Then said he unto me, "This is °the curse that °goeth forth over the face of the whole °earth:

4 for every one that °stealeth °shall be cut off as on this side according to it; and every one that °swareth shall be cut off as on that side according to it.

5 I will bring it forth, °saith °the LORD of hosts, and it shall °enter into the house of the thief, and into the house of him that sweareth falsely by °My name: and it shall °remain in the midst of his house, and °shall consume it with the °timber thereof and the stones thereof."

6 Then the °angel that talked with me went forth, and said unto me, "Lift up now thine eyes, and °see what is this that °goeth forth."

7 And I said, "What is it?" And he said, "This is an °ephah that °goeth forth." He said moreover, "This is their °resemblance through all the earth."

8 And °, behold, there was lifted up a °talent of lead: and this is a woman that sitteth in the midst of the °ephah.

9 And he said, "This is °wickedness." And he cast °it into the midst of the °ephah; and he cast the °weight of lead upon the mouth thereof.

10 Then lifted I up mine eyes, and looked, and, behold, there came out °two women, and the °wind was in their wings; for they had wings °like the wings of a °stork: and they lifted up the °ephah between the earth and the heaven.

11 Then said I to the °angel that talked with me, "Whither do these bear the ephah?"

12 And he said unto me, "To build °it an house in °the land of Shinar: and °it shall be established, and °set there upon her own °base."

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6 And I turned, and lifted up mine eyes, °and looked, and, behold, there came four chariots out from between °two mountains; and the mountains were mountains of °brass.

5. 1-11 (D, p. 1281). EXTERNAL ENEMIES. THE SIXTH AND SEVENTH VISIONS.

(Extended Alternations.)

D Q j | 1, 2. Sixth Vision. The Flying Roll.

k | 3-. Signification. The curse.

l | -3, 4. Destination. General. "The whole earth" (v. 3).

Q j | 5. Seventh Vision. The Ephah and Flying Women.

k | 6-8. Signification. Iniquity.

l | 9-11. Destination. Special. "The Land of Shinar."

1 looked. This is the sixth vision. See the Structure on p. 1281.

roll = scroll. Hence our word "volume". Cp. Ezek. 2. 9-11.

2 cubits. See Ap. 51. III. 2 (1).

3 the curse. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26 and Deut. 28).

goeth forth. Cp. vv. 5, 6. Heb. *yāz'ā* = to go forth on business, or on an errand. Same word as in 14. 2, 3, 8, &c. (not 14. 16, 18).

stealeth . . . sweareth, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 19. 12). Ap. 92.

shall be cut off = hath been let off, or declared innocent; as in Num. 5. 31. Ps. 19. 12, 13. Jer. 2. 35: or goeth unpunished; as in Jer. 49. 12. This is always the sense of Heb. *nākāh*. Render the passage: "for 'every one that stealeth hath been let off' [is written] on the one side, according to it (the curse or scroll); and 'every one that sweareth (falsely) hath been let off' [is written] on the other side, according to it. Therefore have I brought it (the curse or scroll) forth".

4 I will bring = I have brought.

saith the LORD of hosts = [is] the oracle of Jehovah of hosts. See note on 1 Sam. 1. 3.

enter into = lodge, or abide in.

My name. Emphatic for "Me Myself". See note on Ps. 20. 1. remain = lodge, or roost.

shall consume it = shall destroy it, or bring it to an end. Heb. *kālāh*. Not the same word as in 14. 12. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 14. 45). Ap. 92.

timber = timbers (pl.). **5** angel. See note on 1. 9. see. This is the seventh vision. See the Structure on p. 1281.

6 This. Heb. *z'oth*. Fem. sing.

ephah. See Ap. 51. III. 3 (5).

resemblance = aspect. Heb. eye. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for their look: i.e. appearance, or colour, as in Lev. 13. 55. Num. 11. 7. Ezek. 10. 9. Cp. Ezek. 1. 4, 7, 16, 27. Dan. 10. 6, &c. Sept. and Syr. read "iniquity" (Ap. 44. iii): i.e. *γ* (*Vau* = *v*) instead of (*Yod* *γ*).

7 behold = lo. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

talent. See Ap. 51. II. 6 (1). Heb. *kikkār*, a round disk, evidently fitting the ephah like a lid.

8 wickedness = the lawless [one]. Heb. *rāshā'*, Ap. 44. x. Adj. fem. sing. = the embodiment of the principle of lawlessness. The religious aspect of 2 Thess. 2. 8-12.

for the prophet to see, and then cast back "into" the ephah. weight = stone; i.e. weight. This was "upon" the ephah, and is to be distinguished from the "talent", which was within.

9 two women. Perhaps denoting two nations. wind. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

like the wings of a stork. Evidently a symbol of velocity rather than of character.

stork. An unclean bird, fond of its young, and a bird of passage.

the land of Shinar = Babylonia. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 10. 10; 11. 2; 14. 1, 9). Ap. 92. Outside the Pentateuch only in Josh. 7. 21. Isa. 11. 11. Dan. 1. 2.

it shall be established = it (i.e. the house, Heb. masc. sing.) shall be ready (or prepared). R.V. = when it is prepared.

set there = fixed, or settled.

base = fixed resting-place.

The interpretation must refer to what is yet future. It cannot refer to the going into captivity; for the People had just returned, and Zechariah had been raised up for their comfort and encouragement. When the time comes, it will be marked by commerce (ephah), false religion (the woman), speedy accomplishment (the wings of a stork), and a spirit in their wings. This will be preparatory to the final judgment of Rev. 18.

6. 1-8 (C, p. 1281). INVISIBLE AGENCIES. HORSES. (Alternation.)

C R m | 1. Symbols. Four chariots.

n | 2, 3. Colours. (General.)

R m | 4, 5. Signification. Four spirits. (Angels.)

n | 6-8. Colours. (Particular.)

1 and looked. This is the eighth vision. See the Structure, p. 1281.

brass = copper, or bronze. Cp. Deut. 8. 9.

two mountains. Cp. 1. 8

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2 In the first chariot were °red horses; and in the second chariot black horses;
3 And in the third chariot white horses; and in the fourth chariot °grised and °bay horses.

4 Then I answered and said unto the °angel that talked with me, "What are these, °my lord?"

5 And the °angel answered and said unto me, "These are °the four °spirits of the heavens, which go forth °from standing before °the Lord of all the earth.

6 The black horses which are therein go forth into the north country; and the white go forth °after them; and the grised go forth toward the south country."

7 And the bay went forth, and sought to go that they might walk to and fro through the earth: and °he said, "Get you hence, walk to and fro through the earth." So they walked to and fro through the earth.

8 Then °cried he °upon me, and spake unto me, saying, "Behold, these that go toward the north country have °quieted my °spirit in the north country."

9 And the word of °the LORD came unto me, saying,

10 "Take of them of the °captivity, even of Heldai, of Tobijah, and of Jedaiah, which are come from Babylon, and come thou the same day, and °go into the house of Josiah the son of Zephaniah;

11 °Then take silver and gold, and make °crowns, and set them upon the head of °Joshua the son of °Josedech, the high priest;

12 And speak unto him, °saying, 'Thus speaketh °the LORD of hosts, saying, Behold the °Man Whose name is The °BRANCH; and He shall °grow up out of His place, and He shall build the temple of °the LORD:

13 °Even He °shall build the temple of °the LORD; and He °shall bear the glory, and shall sit and rule upon His throne; and He shall °be a priest upon His throne: and the counsel of peace shall be between them °both.'

14 And the °crowns shall °be

to °Helem, and to Tobijah, and to Jedaiah, and to °Hen the son of Zephaniah, °for a memorial in the temple of °the LORD.

15 And °they that are far off °shall come and build in the temple of °the LORD, and ye shall know that °the LORD of hosts hath sent me unto you. °And this shall come to pass,

Joshua . . . Josedech. See note on Hag. 1. 1.

this verb; but in that case the Ellipsis (Ap. 6), must be supplied in italics. See note on Ps. 109. 6. the LORD of hosts. See note on 1. 3. Man . . .

and note on the four Gospels as a whole, p. 1304. Paronomasia (Ap. 6). Heb. *zēmach* . . . *yizmach* = a branch shall branch forth. Omitted in some codices; in which case, note the Fig. *Anadiplosis* (Ap. 6). Note the emphatic pronouns (=He, even He, and none other), pointing to the Messiah, and the typical character of the whole proceeding, viz. exiles bringing their gifts to restore Jehovah's house. Their crowns were to be kept as a token of this future hope. Cp. v. 14. shall build.

shall bear, &c.: i.e. the glory and majesty of royalty. Cp. Matt. 16. 27; 24. 30; 25. 31. be=become. both: i.e. two offices, priest and king, will be combined in one person, Messiah. 14 be to=belong to. Helem. Syr. reads "Heldai". Cp. v. 10.

Hen. 'This is either a proper name, or else an abbreviation. It may be also a common noun = "and for the favour (or courtesy) of the son of Zephaniah", &c. for a memorial. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 12. 14, the same word). Ap. 92.

i.e. those future builders, of whom these were the type. Cp. Isa. 60. 10.

come to pass: i.e. the promise and prophecy in the former part of the verse.

2 red. The colours are not explained by the angel as having any significance. They are not explained in v. 5, probably because then already gone forth.

3 grised = speckled, or dappled: i.e. like hail. Cp. Gen. 31. 10, 12. Grised (now spelt grizzled) is from the French *gris* = iron-grey.

bay = strong. Heb. *'āmuzzim*. Occ. only here, and v. 7. The fem. noun "strength" only in 12. 5.

4 angel. See note on 1. 9.

my lord. Heb. *'ādōn*. Ap. 4. VIII (1).

5 These are, &c. This is the angel's interpretation, and needs no further explanation. It is for our faith; not for our reason.

the four spirits: or, the four angels. Cp. Rev. 7. 1-3; 9. 14, 15. They thus have to do with the time of the end. Their ministry is earthward, and has to do with judgment.

spirits. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9. The world rulers. Referred to in Dan. 10. 13, 20, 21, &c.

from standing, &c. Some codices, with Sept. and Vulg., read "[each] to take their stand before", &c.

the Lord of all the earth. See note on 4. 14.

6 after them: or, to the west of them.

7 he. A special various reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 34), reads "they".

8 cried . . . upon. An almost obsolete idiom. To "cry upon" meant to call to, or appeal to, and is still used in this sense in Scotland. It comes to us through the Genevan Bible (1560), from the Great Bible (1539), and Coverdale (1534). It is the sense of the Heb. *z'ak* here. See Judg. 4. 10, 13. Jonah 3. 7, &c.

quieted = caused [mine anger] to rest upon. This is the force of the Heb. *Hiphil*.

spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the manifestation of it in feeling: here, anger, wrath. Cp. Judg. 8. 3.

6. 9-15 (B, p. 1281). JOSHUA. THE BRANCH. (Alternation and Introversion.)

B S o | 9, 10. Heldai and others.

p | 11. Crowns.

T | 12, 13. The Builder. The BRANCH.

S | p | 14-. Crowns.

o | -14. Helem and others.

T | 15. The Builders.

9 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

10 captivity: or exile, being a deputation. Heb. *gōlāh*. The special word for the Jews captive in Babylonia (2 Kings 24. 15, 16. Ezra 1. 11; 2. 1, &c. Neh. 7. 6. Est. 2. 6. Jer. 28. 6. Ezek. 1. 1, &c.). Put here by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the returned exiles themselves.

go. Supply the Ellipsis (Ap. 6), thus: "come [with them]".

11 Then take, &c. This is another verse, noted in the *Massōrah* (Ap. 30) as being one of twenty-six verses each of which contains all the letters of the Heb. alphabet. Cp. Zeph. 3. 8.

crowns. Heb. pl., referring to the several circlets forming one composite crown. Cp. v. 14, where it is used with a verb in the sing.

12 saying. Some codices, with Sept. and Syr., omit this verb; but in that case the Ellipsis (Ap. 6), must be supplied in italics. See note on Ps. 109. 6.

the BRANCH. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II. See the Structure

grow up=sprout forth. Note the Fig.

13 Even=Yea. Note the emphatic pronouns

(=He, even He, and none other), pointing to the Messiah, and the typical character of the whole proceeding, viz. exiles bringing their gifts to restore Jehovah's house. Their crowns were to be kept as a token of this future hope. Cp. v. 14. shall build.

14 be to=belong to. Hen. 'This is either a proper name, or else an abbreviation. It may be also a common noun = "and for the favour (or courtesy) of the son of Zephaniah", &c.

15 they . . . shall come: And this, &c. = And it shall

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°if ye will diligently obey the voice of °the LORD your °God."

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7 And it came to pass in °the fourth year of °king Darius, *that* the word of °the LORD came unto Zechariah in the fourth day of the ninth month, *even* in °Chisleu;

2 When °they had sent unto the house of °GOD °Sherezer and Regem-melech, and their °men, to °pray before °the LORD,

3 And to °speak unto the priests which were in the house of °the LORD of hosts, and to the prophets, saying, "Should I weep °in the fifth month, separating myself, °as I have done °these so many years?"

W² X

4 Then came the word of °the LORD of hosts unto me, saying,

5 "Speak unto all the People of the land, and to the priests, saying, 'When ye fasted and mourned °in the fifth and °seventh month, °even those seventy years, did ye at all fast unto Me, *even* to Me?'

6 And °when ye did eat, and when ye did drink, did not ye eat *for yourselves*, and drink *for yourselves*?

Y

7 °Should ye not hear the words which °the LORD hath cried °by °the former prophets,

Z

when Jerusalem was inhabited and in prosperity, and the cities thereof round about her, when men inhabited °the south and °the plain?"

X

8 And the word of °the LORD came unto Zechariah, saying,

9 "Thus speaketh °the LORD of hosts, saying, °Execute true °judgment, and shew °mercy and compassions °every man to his brother:

10 And °oppress not the widow, °nor the fatherless, °the stranger, °nor the poor; and let none of you imagine °evil against his brother in your heart."

Y

11 °But they °refused to hearken, °and °pulled away the shoulder, °and stopped their ears, that they should not hear.

12 Yea, they made their hearts as an adamant stone, lest they should hear °the law, and the words which °the LORD of hosts hath sent °in His °spirit °by °the former prophets:

Z

therefore came a great wrath from °the LORD of hosts.

13 "Therefore it is come to pass, *that* °as He cried, and they would not hear; so they cried, and I would not hear," saith °the LORD of hosts:

14 "But °I scattered them with a whirlwind

if ye will, &c. This condition was not fulfilled; for the command to "repent" (the one condition of national restoration), given by John the Baptist (Matt. 3. 1, 2); Messiah (Matt. 4. 17); and Peter (Acts 2. 38; 3. 19), was not obeyed: and this promise therefore remains for an obedience that is yet future. The verse therefore is not "left unfinished" as alleged.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

7. 1-8. 23 (B², p. 1280). LITERAL PROPHECIES. DATED. (*Alternation*.)

B²

U | 7. 1-14. Fasts.

V | 8. 1-17. Restoration of Jerusalem.

U | 8. 18, 19. Feasts.

V | 8. 20-23. Accession of Nations.

7. 1-14 (U, above). FASTS. (*Division*.)

U

W¹ | 1-3. Question.W² | 4-14. Answer.

1 the fourth year. Two years later than the first literal prophecy in 1. 1.

king Darius. Darius (Hystaspis). See Ap. 57.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

Chisleu. Corresponding with our December. See Ap. 51. V.

2 they had sent unto the house of GOD, &c.: or, "when Sherezer had sent (and Regem-melech and his men) to Bethel", &c. Beth-el had already been occupied by exiles returned from Babylon. See Ezra 2. 28. Neh. 7. 32; 11. 31.

GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV. Sherezer. Probably born in exile, as he bears an Assyrian name.

men. Heb. pl. of 'ēnōsh. Ap. 14. III.

pray before the LORD = entreat Jehovah's favour by prayer (Ex. 32. 11. 1 Kings 13. 6; Jer. 26. 19); or by sacrifice (1 Sam. 13. 12).

3 speak unto the priests, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 17. 9; 33. 10). Ap. 92.

the LORD of hosts. See note on 1. 3.

in the fifth month. See note on v. 5.

as = according as.

these so many years = now so many years. Some codices read "seventy years", as in v. 5.

7. 4-14 (W², above). ANSWER.

(*Extended Alternation*.)

W²

X | 4-6. Fasting and Mourning. Formal.

Y | 7-. The former prophets.

Z | -7. Disobedience. Prosperity.

X | 8-10. Fasting and Mourning. True.

Y | 11, 12-. The former prophets.

Z | -12-14. Disobedience. Adversity.

5 in the fifth . . . month. The month Ab (our August, Ap. 51. V). The fast had already then been instituted to commemorate the destruction of Jerusalem on the tenth of Ab (Jer. 52. 12, 13).

seventh month. The month Tisri (our October). The fast had already then been instituted, on the third of Tisri, to commemorate the murder of Gedaliah by Ishmael, the son of Nethaniah. See Jer. 40. 8; 41. 1-3, 15-18. See further notes on 8. 19.

even. Some codices omit this word.

6 when ye did eat, &c. Or, was it not ye that were the eaters, and ye the drinkers? for yourselves. Not "before the Lord" or for His glory. See Deut. 12. 7; 14. 26. 1 Chron. 29. 22; and cp. 1 Cor. 10. 31. Col. 3. 17.

7 Should ye not hear . . . ? Supply the Ellipsis (Ap. 6) better by "[Should ye not have obeyed?]" or, ["Are not these] the very words?" by = by the hand of: "hand" being put by Fig.

Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the agency. the former prophets. See note on 1. 4.

south = the Negeb. Cp. Gen. 13. 1. Deut. 1. 7: and see note on Ps. 126. 4. the plain = the lowland.

Heb. *shephēlah*. Cp. Deut. 1. 7. Judg. 1. 9, &c. **9** Execute . . . judgment. Note the Fig. *Polyptōton*

(Ap. 6). Heb. *mishpat* . . . *shephotā* = true judgment judge ye. Cp. Isa. 58. 6, 7. mercy = loving-kindness.

every man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II. **10** oppress not the widow . . . stranger.

Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 22. 21, 22. Deut. 24. 17). Ap. 92. nor = and. evil. *rā'ā*. Ap. 44. viii.

11 But they. Some codices, with four early printed editions, read "and ye", showing the Fig. *Polysyndeton*

(Ap. 6). refused, &c. Cp. 1. 4. Jer. 6. 10, 17, 19, &c. and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. pulled away, &c. Turning aside from the one who speaks. **12** the law. Ref. to

Pent. (Ex. 20. &c.), Ap. 92. in = by. spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9. **14** I scattered them

with a whirlwind. Not the usual verb, to scatter; but *šār* - to drive with a tempest. Occurs only seven

times (2 Kings 6. 11 ("sore troubled"). Isa. 54. 11. Hos. 13. 3. Jonah 1. 11, 13. Hab. 3. 14).

407 among all the nations whom they knew not. Thus °the land was desolate °after them, that no man passed through nor returned: for they laid the °pleasant land desolate."

V A
(p. 1288)

8 Again the word of °the LORD of hosts came °to me, saying,

2 °"Thus °saith °the LORD of hosts; °I was jealous for Zion with great jealousy, and °I was jealous for her with great fury."

3 °Thus °saith °the LORD; °I am returned unto Zion, and °will dwell in the midst of Jerusalem: and Jerusalem shall be called °a city of °truth; and the mountain of °the LORD of hosts °the °holy mountain."

B C 4 °Thus °saith °the LORD of hosts; °There shall °yet old men and old women °dwell in the °streets of Jerusalem, and °every man with his staff in his hand °for very age.

5 And the °streets of the city shall be full of boys and girls playing in the °streets thereof."

D 6 °Thus °saith °the LORD of hosts; °If it be marvellous in the eyes of °the remnant of this People in these days, °should it also be marvellous in °Mine eyes? °saith °the LORD of hosts.

C 7 °Thus saith °the LORD of hosts; °Behold, I will save My People °from the east country, and from the west country;

8 And I will bring them, and they shall dwell in the midst of Jerusalem: and °they shall be My people, and I will be their °God, in truth and in righteousness."

D q 9 °Thus °saith °the LORD of hosts; °Let your hands be strong, ye that hear in these days these words by the mouth of °the prophets, which were °in the day that the foundation of the house of °the LORD of hosts was laid, °that the temple might be built.

r 10 For before °these days there was no °hire for °man, nor any hire for beast; neither was there any peace to him that went out or came in because of the affliction: for I °set all °men °every one against his neighbour.

q 11 But °now I will not be unto the residue of this People as in the former days," °saith °the LORD of hosts.

r 12 °For °the seed shall be prosperous; the vine shall give her fruit, °and the °ground °shall give her increase, and the heavens shall give their dew; and I will cause °the remnant of this People to possess all these things.

A 13 And it shall come to pass, that °as ye were a curse among the °heathen, O house of Judah, and °house of Israel; so will I save you, and °ye shall be a blessing: fear not, but let your hands be strong."

14 For °thus °saith °the LORD of hosts; °As I thought to °punish you, when your fathers provoked Me to wrath, saith °the LORD of hosts, and I repented not:

15 So again have I thought in these days to do well unto Jerusalem and to the house of Judah: fear ye not.

shall give, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 4, 20. Deut. 11. 17). Ap. 92. Cp. Pss. 67. 6; 78. 46; 85. 12. Ezek. 34. 27. 13 as=according as. heathen=nations. house of Israel. Looking on to the future fulfilment, which rests on the condition of v. 8. ye shall be a blessing. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 12. 2). Ap. 92. 14 punish=bring calamity upon. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

the land was desolate. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 22). after them: i.e. when they had left it. pleasant=desirable. Dan. 8. 9.

8. 1-17 (V, p. 1287). RESTORATION OF JERUSALEM. (Alternation.)

V A | 1-3. Displeasure and Reconciliation.

B | 4-12. Inhabitants. Privileges.

A | 13-15. Displeasure and Reconciliation.

B | 16, 17. Inhabitants. Duties.

1 the LORD of hosts. See note on 1. 3. to me. Some codices, with three early printed editions, Aram., and Syr., read these words in the text.

2 Thus saith, &c. There is a decalogue of prophecies concerning Jerusalem and its inhabitants in this member ("V", see p. 1287). See vv. 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 14, 19, 20, 23. All refer to the future, and await their fulfilment in millennial days. saith=hath said.

I was=I was and still am.

3 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. will dwell in the midst, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 29. 45). Ap. 92.

a city of truth=a city of fidelity.

truth=the truth. Cp. Isa. 1. 21, 26.

the holy mountain. Cp. Isa. 2. 2. Jer. 31. 23. Ezek. 40. 2. Mic. 4. 1. holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

8. 4-12 (B, above). INHABITANTS. PRIVILEGES. (Alternation.)

B C | 4, 5. Inhabitants. Ages.

D | 6. Address to the Remnant.

C | 7, 8. Inhabitants. Condition.

D | 9-12. Address to the Remnant.

4 yet. In the days of the future fulfilment.

dwell=sit. streets=broad or open places.

every man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

for very age=for multitude of days.

6 the remnant. The exiles who had then returned. Cp. Hag. 1. 12, 14.

should it also be marvellous, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 18. 14, where the verb is the same). Ap. 92.

Mine eyes. Add by Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), from preceding clause: "[in those future days]" of which He was speaking.

saith the LORD of hosts=[is] the oracle of Jehovah of hosts.

7 Behold, I will, &c.=Behold Me saving, &c.

from the east country, &c. Cp. Isa. 43. 5. Note the Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap. 6, for the whole earth. See Pss. 50. 1; 113. 3. Isa. 59. 19. Mal. 1. 11, &c.

8 they shall be, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 6. 7). Ap. 92. God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

8. 9-12 (D, above). ADDRESS TO THE REMNANT. (Alternation.)

D | q | 9. Encouragement.

r | 10. Past Adversity.

q | 11. Promise.

r | 12. Future Prosperity.

9 the prophets. See Hag. 1. 6-11; 2. 15-19. in the day that: i.e. two years before (Hag. 1. 14, 15; 2. 18. Cp. Ezra 5. 1). Ap. 18.

that the temple=even the temple, that it.

10 these=those. hire=wages.

man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

men. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

every one. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

set=sent.

11 now. In contrast with the former days.

12 the seed shall be, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 3-12). Ap. 92.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), combined with Fig. *Anabasis* (Ap. 6). ground=earth.

house of Israel. Looking

ye shall be a blessing. Ref. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

B
(p. 1288)
407 16 These are the things that ye shall do; °Speak ye °every man the truth to his neighbour; °execute the judgment of truth and peace in your gates:

17 And let none of you imagine °evil in your hearts against his neighbour; and °love no false oath: for °all these are things that I hate, °saith °the LORD."

U
(p. 1287) 18 And the word of °the LORD of hosts came unto me, saying,

19 °Thus °saith °the LORD of hosts; °The fast of °the fourth month, and the fast of °the fifth, and the fast of °the seventh, and the fast of °the tenth, shall be to the house of Judah joy and gladness, and cheerful °feasts; therefore love the truth and peace.'

V E¹
(p. 1289) 20 °Thus °saith °the LORD of hosts; °It shall yet come to pass, that there shall come °people, and the inhabitants of many cities:

21 And the inhabitants of one city shall go to another, saying, °Let us go speedily °to pray before °the LORD, and to seek °the LORD of hosts: °It will go also.'

22 Yea, many people and strong nations shall come to seek °the LORD of hosts in Jerusalem, and °to pray before the LORD.

E² 23 °Thus °saith °the LORD of hosts; °In °those days °it shall come to pass, that ten °men shall take hold out of all languages of the nations, even shall take hold of the skirt of him that is a Jew, saying, °We will go with °you: for we have heard °that °God is with you.'"

B³ F
407-408 9 The °burden °of the word of °the LORD °in the land of °Hadrach, and Damascus shall be °the rest thereof: °when the eyes of °man, as of all the tribes of Israel, shall be toward °the LORD.

2 And °Hamath also °shall border thereby; Tyrus, and Zidon, °though it be very wise.

3 And °Tyrus did build herself a °strong hold, and heaped up silver °as the dust, and fine gold °as the mire of the streets.

4 °Behold, °the LORD °will °cast her out, and He will smite her power in the sea; and she shall be devoured with fire.

5 °Ashkelon shall °see it, and °fear; °Gaza also shall see it, and be very sorrowful, and °Ekron; for her expectation shall be ashamed; and the king shall perish from °Gaza, and °Ashkelon shall °not be inhabited.

6 And a °bastard shall °dwell in °Ashdod, and I will cut off the pride of the Philistines.

7 And I will take away his °blood out of his

16 Speak, &c. Cp. v. 19; 7. 9. every man. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II. execute, &c. See note on 7. 9.

17 evil. Heb. rā'a'. Ap. 44. viii. love no false oath. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 6. 3; 19. 12). all these are things that I hate. Some codices, with Sept. and Syr., read "all these things do I hate".

19 saith = hath said. the fourth month. The ninth of Tammuz (Jer. 52. 6, 7), when the city was broken up; hence called "the fourth fast".

the fifth. On the tenth of Ab, when the Temple and the houses were burnt (Jer. 52. 12, 13).

the seventh. The third of Tisri, when Gedaliah was slain by Ishmael, the son of Nethaniah (Jer. 40. 8; 41. 1-3, 15-18).

the tenth. On the tenth of Tebeth, when the king of Babylon set his face against Jerusalem (Ezek. 24. 1, 2). So *The Talmud*, *Rosh Hashanah*, fol. 18 B.

feasts = appointed seasons. These fasts were appointed by man. The feasts were "feasts of Jehovah" because appointed by Him. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 23. 2-44). Ap. 92. Cp. Zeph. 3. 17.

8. 20-23 (V, p. 1287). ACCESSION OF NATIONS. (Division.)

V | E¹ | 20-22. To Jehovah's House.

| E² | 23. To Jehovah's People.

20 people = peoples. Some codices, with Sept., read "many peoples".

21 Let us go speedily. Fig. *Polyptoton*. Ap. 6. Heb. a going, let us go = Let us by all means go: or, speedily, as in A.V. See note on Gen. 26. 28. Cp. Isa. 2. 3. Mic. 4. 2. to pray, &c. See note on 7. 2.

the LORD, &c. Heb. (with 'eth) = Jehovah of hosts Himself.

23 those days. The fulfilment of this is still future. men. Heb. pl. of 'enosh. Ap. 14. III. you: i.e. with God's People Israel.

that. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "that" in the text. Supply the Ellipsis:—" [will be the time] that."

9. 1-10. 12 (B³, p. 1280). LITERAL PROPHECY. THE FIRST BURDEN. (Introversion.)

B³ | F | 9. 1-7. Deliverance from Enemies. Promised.

G | 9. 8. Jehovah. Israel's Defence.

H | 9. 9. Zion's King. First Coming. Salvation.

H | 9. 10, 11. Zion's King. Second Coming. Dominion.

G | 9. 12-17. Jehovah. Israel's Defence.

F | 10. 1-12. Deliverance from Enemies. Accomplished.

The use of a varied vocabulary is no proof of a different authorship. It is necessitated by the changes of subject.

1 burden = Divine declaration. Heb. *massa'*. Cp. Isa. 13. 1. Nah. 1. 1.

of - that is to say. Gen. of Apposition. See Ap. 17. 4. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

in: or, on: i.e. resting on.

Hadrach. A country in the neighbourhood of Damascus and Hamath (v. 2), &c., mentioned in the Assyrian Inscriptions, with the *'arka* of Gen. 10. 17. the rest thereof = its resting-place: i.e. the burden will rest upon it. when the eyes, &c. Render: "for Jehovah [will look] in mankind's eye, as well as to all the tribes of Israel's". Cp. Jer. 32. 19, 20: i.e. to render to all according to their doings.

man. Heb. 'ādām. Ap. 14. I. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. 2 Hamath. Now *Hamā*. shall border thereby = [which] bordereth thereon: i.e. on the land of Hadrach. though = because.

3 Tyrus . . . strong hold. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). Heb. *zōr māzōr*, which cannot be reproduced in English. as = like. 4 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6. the LORD*.

One of the 134 places where the *Sopherim* say they altered "Jehovah" to "Adonai". See Ap. 32; and cp. Ap. 4. II and VIII (2). cast her out = dispossess her. 5 Ashkelon . . . Gaza . . . Gaza

. . . Ashkelon. Note the Fig. *Antimetabolē* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. Ashkelon. Now *Askālān*. see . . . fear. Note the Fig. *Paronomasia* (Ap. 6). Heb. *tērā' . . . v'tirā'*. May be Englished by "shall gaze . . . and be amazed (or be dazed)": or "shall peer and fear".

Gaza. Now *Ghuzzeh*. Ekron. Now *'Akir*. not be inhabited = have none to sit [on the throne]. 6 bastard = half-breed, or mongrel. dwell = sit [as king]. Ashdod. Now *Esdūd*. 7 blood. Heb. bloods. Put by Fig.

Metonymy (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the sacrifices (which were, of course, eaten).

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mouth, and his °abominations from between his teeth: but °he that remaineth, °even he, °shall be for our °God, and he shall be as a °governor in Judah, and °Ekron as a °Jebusite.

G
(p. 1289)

8 And I will encamp about Mine house °because of the army, °because of him that °passeth by, and °because of him that returneth: °and no °oppressor shall pass through them any more: for now have I °seen with Mine eyes.

H

9 °Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: °behold, thy King °cometh unto thee: °He is °just, and °having salvation; lowly, and °riding upon an ass, and upon a colt the foal of an ass.

H

10 And °I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim, and the horse from Jerusalem, and the battle bow shall be cut off: and °He shall speak peace unto the °heathen: and His dominion shall be °from sea even to sea, and from °the river even to the ends of the earth.

11 As for °thee also, by °the blood of thy covenant I °have sent forth thy prisoners °out of the pit wherein is no water.

G

12 °Turn you to the °strong hold, ye prisoners of °hope: even to day do I declare that I will render °double unto thee;

13 When I have bent Judah for Me, °filled the bow with Ephraim, and raised up thy sons, O Zion, against °thy sons, O °Greece, and made thee as the sword of a mighty man.

14 And °the LORD shall be seen over them, and °His arrow shall go forth as the lightning: and °the Lord °GOD shall blow the trumpet, and shall go with whirlwinds of the south.

15 °The LORD of hosts shall °defend them; and they shall °devour, and °subdue with sling stones; and they shall drink, °and °make a noise as through °wine; and they shall be °filled like bowls, and °as the corners of the altar.

16 And °the LORD their °God shall save them in that day as the flock of His People: for they shall be as the °stones of a °crown, °lifted up as an ensign upon His °land.

17 For how great is His goodness, and how great is His beauty! corn shall make the young men °cheerful, and °new wine the maids.

F J
(p. 1291)

10 Ask ye of °the LORD °rain in the time of the latter rain; °so °the LORD °shall °make bright clouds, °and give °them showers of rain, to every one grass in the field.

abominations: i.e. the idolatrous sacrifices.

he that remaineth: i.e. the remnant of them.

even he=he also.

shall be for. Supply the *Ellipsis* thus: "[shall be subject unto]". God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

governor=chieftain, or duke.

Ekron. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part), Ap. 6, for Philistines.

Jebusite. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of the Adjunct), Ap. 6, for bondservant. (1 Kings 9. 20, 21. Isa. 11. 14.)

8 because of=against.

passeth by... returneth: i.e. marcheth to and fro. and: or, so that.

oppressor. Heb. *nāgas*=to press hard, as a taskmaster (Ex. 5. 6), or as a foreign oppressor (Isa. 9. 4; 14. 2, 4), or as an exactor (2 Kings 23. 35).

seen. Supply the *Ellipsis*: "seen [the affliction of My People] with Mine eyes".

9 Rejoice, &c. Fig. *Paeonismos*. Ap. 6. This verse foretells the first coming of Messiah, recorded in the Gospels.

cometh unto=will come unto. See note on Mic. 5. 2, where we have the *going forth* from Bethlehem (Matt. 2. 1). Here we have the coming unto Jerusalem (Matt. 21. 5). Between these lay all the events which we call "the first advent". So will it be at "the second advent" with its many events, before v. 10 is fulfilled. See notes on Matt. 21. 1-10, and Luke 19. 29-44; Ap. 107 and 156.

He is, &c. Note the four features of Messiah's character and condition at His first advent.

(1) just=righteous, as being justified or vindicated. Cp. Isa. 45. 21; 53. 11. Jer. 23. 5, 6.

(2) having salvation. Heb. *nōshā'* is the Niphal participle, which, though it may be *reflexive*, is never active. He was heard and delivered (Ps. 22. 20, 21. Heb. 5. 7), referring to His own sufferings and death out of (Gr. *ek*, Ap. 104. VII), which He was delivered (Ps. 16. 10. Acts 2. 24), and by which He becomes the Saviour of others (Isa. 53. 8, 10, 11).

(3) lowly=afflicted, or oppressed. Same word (*'ānī*; see note on "poverty", Prov. 6. 11) as in Ps. 22. 24. Isa. 53. 4, 7.

(4) riding upon an ass, &c. Fulfilled (1) in Matt. 21. 1-11, and from two days afterward (2) in Mark 11. 8-10. Luke 19. 36-40. John 12. 12-19. See Ap. 156. A mark of His lowliness.

Note the above four characteristics.

10 I will cut off. Sept. reads "and He will cut off". This refers to the yet future second coming; the present dispensation (Ap. 71 and 72) lying between vv. 9 and 10.

He shall speak peace, &c. Cp. Pss. 46. 9; 47. 3. Isa. 2. 4; 9. 6, 7. Mic. 5. 5.

heathen=nations.

from sea... to sea. Cp. Ps. 72. 8.

the river: i.e. the Euphrates.

11 thee=thee [O Zion] (fem.; agreeing with Zion), which is also fem. in vv. 9, 13.

the blood of thy covenant: or, thy covenant of blood. have sent forth=i.e. sent forth [from their captivity].

12 Turn=Return. strong hold. Heb. *bizzārōn* (from *bāzar*, to cut off)=a safe because inaccessible place. Occurs only here. hope=the hope: i.e. which God had given, and on which He had caused them to hope (Ps. 119. 49).

double: i.e. a prosperity and blessing double what was possessed before. The firstborn's share. Cp. Isa. 61. 7. 13 filled=grasped. thy sons, O Greece. Sept. reads "the sons of Greece". Greece. Heb. *Yavan*. Cp. Gen. 10. 2, 4. Isa. 66. 19. Ezek. 27. 13. Dan. 8. 21; 11. 2. Joel 3. 6.

14 His arrow. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 8. the Lord. Heb. *Adonai*. Ap. 4. VIII (2). GOD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II. 15 The LORD of hosts. See note on 1. 3. defend. See note on Isa. 31. 5.

devour=devour [their enemies]. subdue with sling stones: or, trample on their weapons. and. Some codices, with three early printed editions, read this "and" in the text. make a noise=shout. wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. I.

filled: i.e. filled [with wine] like. as, &c.=as the sacrificial bowls [are filled with blood, which are tossed against] the corners (or horns) of the altar. 16 stones=gems. crown=diadem. lifted up=conspicuous, or sparkling. land=soil. 17 cheerful=flourish. new wine. Heb. *tirōsh*. Ap. 27. II.

10. 1-12 [For Structure see next page].

1 the LORD. Heb. *Jehovah*. Ap. 4. II.

copious rains. Ap. 92.

make=Who maketh.

so, &c. Render: "[of] Jehovah Who maketh... and giveth".

and give=and giveth.

rain, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 11. 14)=rain of rain=

them. Some codices, with Syr., read "you".

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2 For the °idols have spoken °vanity, and the diviners have seen a lie, and have told false dreams; they comfort in vain: therefore they went their way as °a flock, they were troubled, because *there was* no shepherd.

K **3** Mine anger was kindled against the shepherds, and I °punished the goats:

J L for °the LORD of hosts hath visited His flock the house of Judah, and hath made them as His °goodly horse in the battle.

4 Out of °him °came forth °the corner, out of him the °nail, out of him °the battle bow, out of him every °oppressor together.

M **5** And they shall be as mighty *men*, which tread down *their enemies* in the mire of the °streets in the battle: and they shall fight, because °the LORD is with them, and the riders on horses shall be confounded.

N **6** And I will strengthen the house of Judah, and I will save the house of Joseph, and I will bring them again to place them;

L for I have mercy upon them: and they shall be as though I had not cast them off: for *am* °the LORD their °God, and will °hear them.

7 And °they of Ephraim shall be like a mighty *man*, and their heart shall rejoice °as through °wine: yea, their °children shall see *it*, and be glad; their heart shall rejoice in °the LORD.

8 I will °hiss for them, and gather them; for I have redeemed them: and they shall increase as they °have increased.

9 And I will °sow them among the °people: and °they shall remember Me in far countries; and they shall °live with their °children, and °turn again.

10 °I will bring them again also out of the land of Egypt, and gather them out of Assyria; and I will bring them into the land of Gilead and Lebanon; and °place shall not be found for them.

M **11** °And °he shall pass through the sea °with affliction, and shall smite the waves in the sea, and all the deeps of °the river shall dry up: and the pride of Assyria shall be brought down, and the sceptre of Egypt shall depart away.

N **12** And I will strengthen them in °the LORD; and they shall °walk up and down in His name, °saith °the LORD.

C² O **11** °Open thy doors, O Lebanon, that the fire may devour thy cedars.

2 Howl, °fir tree; °for the cedar is fallen; because °the °mighty are spoiled: howl, O ye oaks of Bashan; for the °forest of the vintage is come down.

3 *There is* a voice of the howling of the °shepherds; for their glory is spoiled: a voice of the roaring of °young lions; for the pride of Jordan is spoiled.

P s **4** °Thus saith °the LORD my °God; °“Feed the flock °of the slaughter;

mighty = honourable, or majestic ones.

herds = the rulers of the State. young lions. The rapacious nobles.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. Feed = Tend. Zechariah is to represent a good shepherd, and is sent to shepherd the People whose rulers destroyed them (vv. 5, 16).

of = exposed to, or destined for slaughter. Genitive of Relation. Ap. 17. 5. Cp. Rom. 8. 36.

10. 1-12 (F, p. 1289). DELIVERANCE FROM ENEMIES. ACCOMPLISHED. (*Introversion*.)

J | 1. The Flock. The Promise made.

K | 2. False Shepherds. Incrimination.

K | 3-. False Shepherds. Punishment.

J | -3-12. The Flock. The Promise fulfilled.

2 idols. Heb. *teraphim*, or household gods. These cannot give rain (Jer. 14. 22). vanity = trash.

a flock = he-goats: i.e. bell-wethers. Cp. Isa. 14. 9. Jer. 51. 40.

3- punished = shall visit upon.

10. -3-12 (J, above). THE PROMISE FULFILLED. (*Repeated Alternation*.)

J L | -3, 4. Visitation.

M | 5. Victory.

N | 6-. Jehovah's Strengthening.

L | -6-10. Restoration.

M | 11. Victory.

N | 12. Jehovah's Strengthening.

House

of

Judah.

House

of

Joseph.

-3 the LORD of hosts. See note on 1. 3.

goodly horse = majestic war-horse.

4 him: i.e. Judah (v. 3). Cp. Jer. 30. 21.

came forth = went forth.

the corner = the corner-stone (Matt. 21. 42) = Messiah.

nail = tent-pin, or peg. Cp. Isa. 22. 23.

the battle bow. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Part),

Ap. 6, for all kinds of weapons.

oppressor = governor, or ruler.

5 streets = lanes, or out-places.

6 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. hear = answer.

7 they. A special various reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 34), reads “he”.

they of Ephraim, &c. = they (or he) shall be as a mighty one (or warrior) of Ephraim.

as through wine = as wine [maketh the heart to rejoice]. Ps. 104. 15.

wine. Heb. *yayin*. Ap. 27. I. children = sons.

8 hiss: or, signal. The figure is borrowed from bee-keepers (Isa. 5. 28; 7. 18).

have increased = did increase [before]. Cp. Ex. 1. 7.

9 sow. Cp. Hos. 2. 23. people = peoples.

they shall remember Me. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 30. 1).

live with, &c. = live, and return with.

turn = return.

10 I will bring them again, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 30. 3, 5). Ap. 92.

place. Supply: “[the necessary room]”.

11 And = Though. he. Sept. reads “they”.

with = of. Gen. of Apposition. Ap. 17. 4.

the river: i.e. the Nile.

12 walk up and down, &c. = walk (habitually). Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 5. 24; 6. 9; 17. 1). Ap. 92. Cp. Mic. 4. 5; 6. 8.

saith the LORD = [is] Jehovah's oracle.

11. 1-17 (C², p. 1280). PROPHECY. WITH SYMBOLS. (*Introversion with Alternations*.)

C² O | 1-3. Threatening.

P | s | 4, 5. Command.

t | 6. Reason.

Q | u | 7-9. Flock. Symbol. “Staves” and “Bands”.

v | 10, 11. “Beauty”. “Cut asunder.”

Q | u | 12, 13. Flock. Symbol. “Price”.

v | 14. “Bands”. “Cut asunder”.

P | s | 15. Command.

t | 16. Reason.

O | 17. Threatening.

1 Open, &c. Fig. *Apostrophe*. Ap. 6.

2 fir = cypress.

for. If the cedar is fallen, how much more the cypress. the. The 1611 edition of the A.V. reads “all the”.

forest of the vintage = the inaccessible forest.

3 shepherds = the rulers of the State. young lions. The rapacious nobles.

4 Thus saith = Thus hath said

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. Feed = Tend. Zechariah is to represent a good shepherd, and is sent to shepherd the People whose rulers destroyed them (vv. 5, 16).

of = exposed to, or destined for slaughter. Genitive of Relation. Ap. 17. 5. Cp. Rom. 8. 36.

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5 Whose possessors slay them, and hold themselves not guilty: and they that sell them say, 'Blessed be ⁴the LORD; for I [°]am rich:' and their own ³shepherds pity them not.

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6 For I will no more pity the inhabitants of the land, [°]saith ⁴the LORD: but, lo, I will deliver the [°]men [°]every one into his neighbour's hand, and into the hand of his king: and they shall smite the land, and out of their hand I will not deliver *them*.

Q u

7 [°]And I will ⁴feed the flock ⁴of slaughter, [°]even you, O poor of the flock." And [°]I took unto me two [°]staves; the one I called [°]Beauty, and the other I called [°]Bands; and I ⁴fed the flock.

8 Three shepherds also I [°]cut off in one month; and my [°]soul loathed them, and their [°]soul also abhorred me.

9 Then said I, "I will not feed you: [°]that that dieth, let it die; and that that is to be cut off, let it be cut off; and let the rest [°]eat every one the flesh of another."

v

10 And ⁷I took my staff, *even* ⁷Beauty, and cut it asunder, that I might break my covenant which I had made with all the [°]people.

11 And it was broken in that day: and so [°]the poor of the flock that [°]waited upon me knew that it *was* the word of ⁴the LORD.

Q u

12 And I said unto them, "If ye think good, give *me* my [°]price; and if not, forbear." So they weighed for my [°]price [°]thirty *pieces* of silver.

13 And ⁴the LORD said unto me, [°]"Cast it [°]unto the [°]potter: a [°]goodly ¹²price that I was [°]prised at [°]of them." And ⁷I took the ¹²thirty *pieces* of silver, and cast *them* to the [°]potter [°]in the house of ⁴the LORD.

v

14 Then I cut asunder mine other staff, *even* ⁷Bands, that I might break the brotherhood between Judah and Israel.

P s

15 And ⁴the LORD said unto me, ⁷"Take unto thee yet the [°]instruments of a [°]foolish shepherd.

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16 For, [°]lo, I will raise up a shepherd in the land, *which* shall not visit [°]those that be cut off, neither shall seek [°]the young one, nor heal [°]that that is broken, nor [°]feed that [°]that standeth still: but he shall eat the flesh of the fat, and tear their claws in pieces.

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17 Woe to the [°]idol shepherd that leaveth the flock! the sword *shall* be upon his arm, and upon his right eye: his arm shall be [°]clean dried up, and his right eye shall be utterly [°]darkened."

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12 The [°]burden of the word of [°]the LORD [°]for Israel, [°]saith [°]the LORD, [°]Which stretcheth forth the heavens, [°]and layeth the foundation of the earth, and [°]formeth the [°]spirit of [°]man within him.

2 [°]"Behold, I will make Jerusalem a cup of trembling unto all the [°]people round about,

5 am rich=^{am} become rich, [and therefore can sell them cheaply].

6 saith the LORD=[is] Jehovah's oracle.

men. Heb. [°]ādām. Ap. 14. I.

every one. Heb. [°]ish. Ap. 14. II.

7 And I will feed=^{So} I [Zechariah] tended. even you, O poor of the flock. Reading the two words (in Heb.) as one word (with the Sept.) it should be: "for the sheep-traffickers", as in 14. 21 ("Canaanite").

I took. Cp. vv. 7, 10, 13, 15 with 6. 10, 11.

staves. Which shepherds use; the crook or staff, and the club. See note on Ps. 23. 4.

Beauty=Graciousness. Bands=Union.

8 cut off=sent off. They are unnamed.

soul. Heb. [°]nephesh. Ap. 13.

9 that, &c.=the dying will die.

eat every one, &c.: i.e. destroy one another.

10 people=peoples: i.e. here, tribes.

11 the poor of the flock=the sheep-traffickers; as in v. 7.

waited upon=were watching me (1 Sam. 1. 12; 19. 11. Ps. 59, title).

12 price=wage.

thirty pieces of silver. The damages for injury done to a servant. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 21. 32). This is not the passage referred to in Matt. 27. 9. See Ap. 161. That was "spoken" by Jeremiah; *this was written* by Zechariah.

13 Cast it. As in Gen. 21. 15. 2 Chron. 24. 10.

unto the potter. The Syr. reads "into the treasury".

potter=fashioner. The material cast to, so as to be

used by, the fashioner determines the meaning of the

word (Heb. [°]yāzar). If *clay*, then a potter (Jer. 18. 4; 19. 1).

If *stone*, then a jeweller, or mason (Ex. 28. 11. 2 Sam. 5. 11.

1 Chron. 22. 15). If *wood*, then a carpenter (2 Sam. 5. 11.

2 Kings 12. 11. 1 Chron. 14. 1. Isa. 44. 13). If *iron*,

then a smith (2 Chron. 24. 12. Isa. 44. 12). If *gold*, then

a goldsmith (Hos. 8. 6). If *silver*, then a silversmith

(Hos. 13. 2). The casting of silver to a potter was as

incongruous as casting clay to a silversmith. See Ap. 161.

goodly=ample. Used of a wide garment. There is

no evidence of irony here or elsewhere in Zechariah.

The Heb. [°]eder denotes size and amplitude, as in Jonah

3. 6 and Mic. 2. 8. prised=priced.

of them: i.e. by them. But some codices read "by

you".

15 instruments=implements.

foolish=worthless. Judah and Israel had rejected these, and later on they rejected Messiah the good

Shepherd; hence the threatening in vv. 16, 17.

16 lo. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6. This looks forward

to the Antichrist; for one of his titles is "the idol

shepherd" of v. 17.

those that be cut off=the perishing.

the young one=the straying.

that that is broken=the wounded.

feed=nourish.

that standeth still=the weak.

17 idol=idol's. For the sequel to this prophecy see

13. 7-9.

clean dried up=withered.

darkened=blinded.

12. 1-14. 21 [For Structure see next page].

1 burden=oracle. Cp. 9. 1, and the Structure on p. 1280.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

for=upon: i.e. concerning Israel's affliction and final deliverance.

saith the LORD=[is] Jehovah's oracle.

Which stretcheth forth, &c. The omnipotence of

Jehovah is the guarantee that His word will be carried

out. Cp. Isa. 42. 5; 44. 24; 45. 12, 18; 48. 13.

and layeth, &c. Cp. Ps. 24. 2; 102. 25; 104. 2-5. Amos

formeth, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 2. 7. Num. 16. 22). Ap. 92.

2 Behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

4. 8, 13. Note the Fig. Polysyndeton. Ap. 6.

spirit. Heb. [°]rūach. Ap. 9.

people=peoples.

man. Heb. [°]ādām. Ap. 14. I.

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when they shall be in the siege both against Judah *and* against Jerusalem.

3 ° And in that day will I make Jerusalem ° a burdensome stone for all 2 people: all that ° burden themselves with it shall be ° cut in pieces, though all the 2 people of the earth be gathered together against it.

4 In that day, 1 saith the LORD, I will smite every horse with ° astonishment, and his rider with madness: and I will ° open Mine eyes upon the house of Judah, and will smite every horse of the 2 people with blindness.

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5 And the governors of Judah shall say in their heart, The inhabitants of Jerusalem *shall be* my ° strength in ° the LORD of hosts their ° God.

W

6 In that day will I make the governors of Judah like an ° hearth of fire among the wood, and like a torch of fire in a sheaf; and they shall devour all the 2 people round about, on the right hand and on the left:

X

and Jerusalem shall be inhabited again in her own place, ° even in Jerusalem.

W

7 1 The LORD also shall save the tents of Judah ° first, that the glory of the house of David and the glory of the inhabitants of Jerusalem do not magnify *themselves* against Judah.

V

8 In that day shall 1 the LORD defend the inhabitants of Jerusalem; and he that is ° feeble among them at that day shall be as David; and the house of David *shall be* as 5 God, as the angel of 1 the LORD before them.

U

9 And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* I will seek to destroy all the nations that ° come against Jerusalem.

S Y¹ Z¹

10 And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the 1 spirit of grace and of supplications: and they shall ° look ° upon ° Me ° Whom they have ° pierced, and they shall mourn for Him, as one mourneth for *his* only son, and shall be in bitterness for Him, as one that is in bitterness for *his* firstborn.

11 In that day ° shall there be a great ° mourning in Jerusalem, as the ° mourning of ° Hadadrimmon in the valley of Megiddon.

12 And the land shall 11 mourn, every family apart; the family of the house of David apart, and their ° wives apart; the family of the house of ° Nathan apart, and their ° wives apart;

13 The family of the house of Levi apart, and their 12 wives apart; the family of ° Shimei apart, and their 12 wives apart;

14 All the families that remain, every family apart, and their 12 wives apart.

Z²

13 ° In that day there ° shall be ° a fountain ° opened to the house of David and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem ° for ° sin and for uncleanness.

a fountain. This waits for a literal fulfilment, and is not an intangible one as in the present day. opened: i.e., set open. The only occ. of this participle in the O.T.: and the last occ. of the verb itself. Cp. the first in Gen. 7. 11. for = for [the expiation of] sin, &c. sin. Heb. *chātā'*. Ap. 44. i.

12. 1-14. 21 (B⁴, p. 1280). LITERAL PROPHECY. (*Introversion.*)

B⁴ R | 12. 1-9. Threatening. Man's day.
S | 12. 10-13. 5. Israel. Conversion. (Future.)
T | 13. 6, 7-. My Shepherd. (Sword.)
T | 13. 7-. My Fellow. (Smitten.)
S | 13. 7-9. Israel. Purified. (Future.)
R | 14. 1-21. Threatening. The Lord's day.

12. 1-9 (R, above). THREATENING AGAINST ENEMIES. (MAN'S DAY.) (*Introversion.*)

R | U | 1-4. Nations to be cut off.
V | 5. Jehovah the Defence of Jerusalem's inhabitants.
W | 6-. Judah's leaders.
X | -6. Rehabilitation of Jerusalem.
W | 7. Judah's tents.
V | 8. Jehovah the Defence of Jerusalem's inhabitants.
U | 9. Nations to be cut off.

3 And - And it shall come to pass that in that day, &c. a burdensome stone. A stone difficult to lift or to move; not a stone to throw. Occurs only here. burden, &c.: i.e. seek to lift it.

cut in pieces = lacerated. Assyria, Persia, Rome, Greece, Egypt of old, and in later days Spain, Portugal, and Russia have been so lacerated on account of their treatment of the Jews.

4 astonishment = the panic. Cp. Deut. 28. 28. open Mine eyes upon = regard with favour.

5 strength. See note on 6. 3.

the LORD of hosts. See note on 1. 3.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

6 hearth - chafing dish. Cp. 1 Sam. 2. 14.

even in -- as.

7 first. Some codices, with Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "as at the first".

8 feeble = tottering.

9 come. Some codices read "come to make war".

12. 10-13. 5 (S, above). ISRAEL. CONVERSION. FUTURE. (*Division.*)

S | Y¹ | 12. 10-13. 1. Good bestowed.
Y² | 13. 2-5. Evil removed.

12. 10-13. 1 (Y¹, above). GOOD BESTOWED. (*Division.*)

Y¹ | Z¹ | 12. 10-14. Spirit of grace poured out.
Z² | 13. 1. Fountain opened.

10 look = look attentively with hope and concern; as in Gen. 19. 17, 26. Quoted in Matt. 24. 30. John 19. 37. Cp. the first occ. (Gen. 15. 5), and Ex. 33. 8. This is the effect of the gift of the Spirit. upon = unto.

Me. Western codices read "Me"; but the Eastern read "Him", with one early printed edition.

Whom they have pierced. See John 19. 34, 37. Rev. 1. 7.

pierced. Heb. *dākar*. Occurs eleven times, and always means thrust through. Cp. 13. 3.

11 shall there be a great mourning: or, the wailing shall be great.

Hadadrimmon. Now *Rummanēh*, west of Esdraelon, near Megiddo, where king Josiah was slain, and where the mourning was unprecedented (2 Chron. 35. 22-25).

12 wives = women.

Nathan. See 2 Sam. 5. 14. All these names are mentioned in the genealogy of Luke 3.

13 Shimei. See Num. 3. 18.

13. 1 In that day. The future day, when this prophecy shall come to pass.

shall be. This is not the simple future tense, but the verb *hāyah*, with the Participle, meaning that the fountain shall be permanently opened.

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2 And it shall come to pass in that day, °saith °the LORD of hosts, *that* I will °cut off the names of the idols out of the land, and they shall no more be remembered:

A² and also I will cause the prophets and the unclean °spirit to pass out of the land.

3 And °it shall come to pass, *that* when any shall yet prophesy, then his father and his mother that begat him shall say unto him, 'Thou shalt not live; for thou speakest lies in the name of °the LORD:' and his father and his mother that begat him °shall thrust him through when he prophesieth.

4 And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* the prophets shall be ashamed °every one of his vision, when he hath prophesied; neither shall they °wear a rough garment to deceive:

5 But he shall say, 'I am no prophet, I am an husbandman; for °man taught me to keep cattle from my youth.'

T (p. 1293) 6 And °one shall say unto °Him, 'What are these wounds °in Thine hands?' Then He shall answer, 'Those with which I was wounded in the house of °My friends.'

7 °Awake, O sword, against My Shepherd,

T and against the °Man *That is* My °Fellow, °saith °the LORD of hosts: °smite the Shepherd,

S and the sheep shall be scattered: and I will °turn Mine hand upon the °little ones.

8 And it shall come to pass, *that* in all the land, °saith °the LORD, two parts therein shall be cut off and die; but the third shall be left therein.

9 And I will bring the third part through the fire, and will refine them as silver is refined, and will try them as gold is tried: they shall call on My name, and I will °hear them: I will say, °'It is My People:' and they shall say, °'The LORD is my °God.'

R B (p. 1294) 14 °Behold, °the day of °the LORD cometh, and °thy spoil shall be divided in the midst of thee.

C 2 For °I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to °battle; and the city shall be taken, and the houses rifled, and the women ravished; and half of the city shall go forth into captivity, and the residue of the People shall not be cut off from the city.

B D¹ 3 Then shall °the LORD go forth, and fight against those nations, °as when He °fought in the day of °battle.

E¹ 4 And His feet shall stand in that day °upon the mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east, and the mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof toward the east and toward the west, and there shall be a very great °valley; and half of the mountain shall remove toward the north, and half of it toward the south.

5 And ye shall flee to the 'valley of °the mountains; for the 'valley of the mountains shall reach unto °Azal: yea, ye shall flee, like as ye fled from before °the earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah:

5 the mountains=My mountains. So called because of the physical change which HE will yet bring about, in the two new mounts formed out of the one. Azal. A new place, yet to have this name, at one extremity of the valley. the earthquake. Referred to in Amos 1. Fig. *Hysteresis*. Ap. 6.

13. 2-5 (Y², p. 1293). EVIL REMOVED. (*Division*.)

Y² A¹ 2-. Idols cut off.
A² -2-5. False prophets removed.

2 saith the LORD of hosts = [is] the oracle of Jehovah of hosts. See note on 1. 3.

cut off the names. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 23. 13). Ap. 92. spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

3 it shall come to pass. In that yet future day. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. shall thrust him through. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 13. 6-11; 18. 20). Ap. 92.

4 every one. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 44. II. wear=put on. Some codices, with four early printed editions, and Aram., add "any more".

5 man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I.

6 one shall say unto Him. Messiah is here spoken of, in contrast with these prophets. Spoken in the yet future time, and referring to His past rejection, and to the time when His wounds had been received.

Him. Messiah, Whom they will have already looked upon (12. 10), and now inquire of for explanation. in=within, or between: i.e. in the palms.

My friends. Typical of His own who received Him not (Mark 3. 21; cp. vv. 31, 34, 35. John 1. 11).

7 Awake, &c. This verse stands wholly unconnected, unless we regard it as looking back from the yet future glory to the time of His rejection, when Isa. 53. 5-10 was fulfilled. Cp. 11. 16, 17.

Man=mighty One. Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. IV.

Fellow. Of none but Messiah could Jehovah say this.

smite the Shepherd. Quoted of Messiah by Messiah, in Matt. 26. 31. Mark 14. 27: showing that the words cannot possibly refer to any "high priest" as alleged.

turn Mine hand upon: i.e. for care and protection.

little=feeble of the flock. Cp. John 18. 8.

8 saith the LORD=[is] Jehovah's oracle.

9 hear=answer.

It is My People. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 12). Ap. 92. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

14. 1-21 (R, p. 1293). THREATENING. AGAINST ENEMIES. THE LORD'S DAY. (*Alternation*.)

R B | 1. Jehovah's day. Coming.

C | 2. Nations gathered.

B | 3-11. Jehovah's day. Going forth.

C | 12-21. Nations smitten.

1 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

the day of the LORD. See note on Isa. 2. 11, 12; 13. 6. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

thy (fem.). Referring to Jerusalem.

2 I will gather, &c. Referring to the yet future and final siege of Jerusalem. See Ap. 53.

battle=war. Not the same word as in v. 3.

14. 3-11 (B, above). JEHOVAH. GOING FORTH. (*Repeated Alternation*.)

B D¹ | 3. Jehovah. Going forth.

E¹ | 4, 5-. Events and Consequences.

D² | -5. Jehovah. Coming.

E² | 6-8. Events and Consequences.

D³ | 9. Jehovah. Reigning.

E³ | 10, 11. Events and Consequences.

3 as=just as. fought. Cp. Josh. 10. 14. battle=close conflict. Not the same word as in v. 2. Heb. *k'rab*. First occ. 2 Sam. 17. 11.

4 upon the mount of Olives. This precludes the possibility of any reference to what is past. No amount of "poetical imagery" can rob this plain statement of the yet future literal interpretation of this prophecy. valley. Between the northern and southern half of Olivet. See Ap. 88, p. 127.

D² and ¹the LORD my °God shall come, °and all
407-408 the °saints with °Thee.

E² 6 And it shall come to pass in that day, *that*
the light shall not be °clear, *nor* °dark:

7 But it shall be °one day which shall be
°known to ¹the LORD, °not day, nor night:
but it shall come to pass, *that* at evening time
it shall be light.

8 And it shall be in that day, *that* °living
waters shall go out from Jerusalem; half of
them toward the °former sea, and half of
them toward the °hinder sea: in °summer and
in °winter shall it be.

D³ 9 And ¹the LORD shall be °King over all the
(p. 1294) earth: in that day shall there be °one ¹LORD,
and His name °one.

E³ 10 All the land shall be turned as °a plain
from °Geba to °Rimmon south of Jerusalem:
and it shall be lifted up, and °inhabited in her
place, from °Benjamin's gate unto the place of
the first gate, unto the °corner gate, and *from* the
°tower of Hananeel unto the king's winepresses.

11 And *men* shall dwell in it, and there shall
be no more utter °destruction; but Jerusalem
°shall be safely inhabited.

C F 12 °And this shall be the plague wherewith
(p. 1295) ¹the LORD will smite all the °people that have
fought against Jerusalem; Their flesh shall
consume away while they stand upon their
feet, and their eyes shall consume away in
their holes, and their tongue shall consume
away in their mouth.

13 And it shall come to pass in that day, *that*
a great °tumult from ¹the LORD shall be
among them; and they shall lay hold °every
one on the hand of his neighbour, and his hand
shall rise up against the hand of his neighbour.

14 And Judah also shall fight at Jerusalem;
and the wealth of all the °heathen round
about shall be gathered together, gold, and
silver, and apparel, in great abundance.

15 And so shall be the plague of the horse, of
the mule, of the camel, and of the ass, and of
all the beasts that shall be in these °tents, °as
this plague.

G 16 And it shall come to pass, *that* every one
that is left of all the nations which came
against Jerusalem shall even go up from year
to year to worship °the King, °the LORD of
hosts, and to keep °the feast of tabernacles.

F 17 And it shall be, *that* whoso will not come
up of *all* the families of the earth unto Jerusa-
lem to worship ¹⁶the King, ¹⁶the LORD of
hosts, even upon them shall be no °rain.

18 And if the family of Egypt go not up, and
come not, °that *have* no ¹⁷rain; there shall be
the plague, wherewith ¹the LORD will smite
°the °heathen that come not up to keep the
feast of tabernacles.

19 This shall be the °punishment of Egypt,
and the °punishment of all nations that come
not up to keep the feast of tabernacles.

G 20 In that day shall there °be upon the bells
of the horses, °HOLINESS UNTO ¹THE
LORD; and the pots in ¹the LORD's house
shall be like the bowls before the altar.

21 Yea, every pot in Jerusalem and in Judah
shall be ²⁰holiness unto ¹⁶the LORD of hosts:
and all they that sacrifice shall come and take
of them, and °seethe therein: and in that day

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I.

and. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., Syr., and
Vulg., read this "and" in the text.

the. Some codices, with Aram. and Syr., read "his".
saints = holy ones: i.e. angels; as in Job 5. 1. Ps.
89. 5, 7. Dan. 4. 13; 8. 13. Matt. 24. 30, 31; 25. 31. Jude 14.
Cp. Deut. 33. 2, 3.

Thee. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., Syr., and
Vulg., read "Him". This takes us on to the Second
Advent. No "flight to Pella" can be accepted as a ful-
filment, in any sense.

6 clear = light. dark = dense.

7 one day = one [continuous] day, or one day by itself,
unique. Cp. Ps. 118. 21.

known to the LORD. This forbids our assumptions,
and should restrain our curiosity.

not day, nor night. Answering to "not bright, nor
dense" in v. 6.

8 living waters = fresh, running, or perennial waters.
These are the waters of Ezek. 47.

former = eastern: i.e. the Dead Sea.

hinder = western: i.e. Mediterranean Sea.

summer. Not dried up by heat.

winter. Not congealed by frost.

9 King over all the earth. Cp. 4. 14; 6. 5. Rev. 11. 15.
one. Heb. 'ehād. See note on Deut. 6. 4. 10 a = the.

Geba. Now *Jeb'a*, six miles north of Jerusalem.

Rimmon. Now *Khan Umm er Rūmāmin* (Neh. 11. 29).

inhabited = be inhabited.

Benjamin's gate. See Jer. 20. 2; 37. 13; 38. 6.

corner gate. Cp. 2 Chron. 26. 9.

tower. Jer. 31. 38. See Ap. 59.

11 destruction. Cp. Mal. 4. 6, i.e. Anathema.

shall be, &c. = shall abide in security. Ref. to Pent.
(Lev. 26. 5). Ap. 92. Cp. Jer. 23. 6. Ezek. 28. 26; 34. 25, 28, &c.

14. 12-21 (C, p. 1294). NATIONS SMITTEN.
(Alternation.)

C F | 12-15. Plague.

G | 16. Worship.

F | 17-19. Plague.

G | 20, 21. Worship.

12 And this shall be, &c. The subject now returns
to the smiting of the nations. See the Structure,
C, p. 1294. people = peoples.

13 tumult = panic. every one. Heb. 'ish. Ap. 14. II.

14 heathen = nations. 15 tents = camps.

as = like. Some codices read "with".

16 the King. As in v. 9. Jehovah will then be the
universal Sovereign.

the LORD of hosts. See note on 1. 3.

the feast of tabernacles. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 23. 34, 43.
Deut. 16. 16). Ap. 92. 17 rain = the [periodic] rain.

18 that have no rain. This read with v. 17 makes
no sense. Modern critics (with R.V. margin) at once
say "the text is probably corrupt". The *Ellipsis* must
be supplied by repeating the words from the end of
v. 17 thus: "if . . . come not, [not upon them shall be
no rain, but] upon them there shall be the plague" (as
aforesaid in v. 12). Egypt has no rain; hence this ellip-
tical expression. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 11. 10). Ap. 92.

the. Some codices, with five early printed editions (one
Rabbinic, in marg.), Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "all the".
heathen = nations. Some codices read "peoples".

19 punishment. Heb. sin (*chātā*, Ap. 44. i). Put
by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the punishment
brought down by it.

20 be upon = be [inscribed] upon.

HOLINESS UNTO THE LORD. Ref. to Pent.
(Ex. 28. 36; 39. 30). Ap. 92. For the large type see Ap. 48.

21 seethe = boil. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 6. 28). Ap. 92. Cp.

1 Sam. 2. 13. 2 Chron. 35. 13. Ezek. 46. 20, 24. the = a.

Canaanite. This is the word which, divided into two
in 11. 7, 11, is rendered "the poor of the flock". As one
word it means merchant, or trafficker; but it is also used
as typical of what is unclean. Cp. Zeph. 1. 11. Matt. 21. 12.

there shall be no more the °Canaanite in the
house of ¹⁶the LORD of hosts."

MALACHI.

THE STRUCTURE OF THE BOOK AS A WHOLE.

(Division.)

B²	A¹ 1. 1-5. NATIONAL ELECTION.
	A² 1. 6-4. 6. NATIONAL REJECTION.

For the CANONICAL order and place of the Prophets, see Ap. 1, and pp. 1206 and 1207.

For the CHRONOLOGICAL order of the Prophets, see Ap. 77.

For the Inter-relation of the Prophetic Books, see Ap. 78.

For the *Formulæ* of Prophetic utterance, see Ap. 82.

For References to the Pentateuch by the Prophets, see Ap. 92.

For the Inter-relation of the Minor (or Shorter) Prophets, see pp. 1206 and 1207.

Malachi is one of the six undated Minor (or Shorter) Prophets. His book shows that the Temple-worship, with its sacrifices, &c., had been fully restored; but the ceremonial formalism and hypocrisy, which culminated in the days of our Lord's ministry, are seen actively at work.

No sooner were the restraining influences of Ezra and Nehemiah removed, than the corruption began; and went on apace, as evidenced by Mal. 1. 7, 8; 3. 8, &c.

From the "Restoration" and the First Passover to the birth of Messiah was exactly 400 years, the last great period of Probation (40×10 ; see Ap. 10). It was the great testing-time given to the Nation *in the Land*.

If we take the date of Malachi as being 400 years before the anointing of Messiah and the commencement of His Ministry (A.D. 26), then we have, reckoning back from A.D. 26, the year 374 B.C. This gives *thirty years* from the Restoration to the condition of the Nation described in this prophecy, and twenty-nine clear years from Ezra's last date (1st Nisan, 403 B.C.): a period amply sufficient for the terrible declension of which Malachi speaks. Milner, in his valuable Church History, remarks that great reformatations seldom seem to last in their purity more than thirty years.

If this be so, then Malachi may be dated as about 374 B.C., thirty years after the commencement of the Temple-worship, which marked the beginning of the 400 years till the birth of THE Messenger (John the Baptist), and of THE MESSIAH. (See Ap. 77. 9.)

MALACHI.

A¹ A¹
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1 THE °burden of the word of °the LORD °to Israel ° by °Malachi.

2 °“I have loved you, °saith °the LORD.

Yet ye say, ‘Wherein hast Thou loved us?’

3 Was not °Esau °Jacob’s brother? °saith °the LORD: yet I loved °Jacob,

4 And I hated °Esau, and laid his mountains and his heritage waste for the °dragons of the wilderness.

5 Whereas Edom saith, ‘We are °impoverished, but we will return and build the desolate places;’

thus °saith °the LORD of hosts, They shall build, but I will throw down; and they shall call them, The °border of °wickedness, and, The people against whom °the LORD hath indignation for ever.

6 And your eyes shall see, and ye shall say, °The LORD will be magnified from the °border of Israel.’

7 °A son honoureth his father, and a servant his °master: °if then I be a Father, where is Mine honour? and if I be a Master, where is My fear? °saith °the LORD of hosts unto you, O priests, that despise °My name. And ye say, ‘Wherein have we despised Thy name?’

8 °Ye °offer polluted bread upon Mine altar; and ye say, ‘Wherein have we polluted Thee?’ In that ye say, ‘The table of °the LORD °is contemptible.’

9 And °if ye °offer the blind for sacrifice, °is it not °evil? and if ye °offer the lame °and sick, °is it not °evil? °offer it now unto thy governor; will he be pleased with thee, or accept thy person? saith °the LORD of hosts.

10 And now, °I pray you, beseech °GOD that He will be gracious unto us: °this hath been °by your means: will He °regard your persons? °saith °the LORD of hosts.

11 Who is there even among °you that would shut the doors for nought? neither do ye kindle fire on Mine altar for nought. I have no pleasure in you, °saith °the LORD of hosts, neither will I accept an °offering at your hand.

12 °For from the rising of the sun even unto the going down of the same My name shall be great among the °Gentiles; and in every place incense shall be °offered unto My name, and a pure °offering: for My name shall be great among the °heathen, °saith °the LORD of hosts.

But ye have profaned °it, in that ye say,

are marked off by minor accents.

My name: which is again marked off for special emphasis. (1) The argument is based on natural reverence; (2) the breach is shown in the case of Israel (Isa. 41. 8. Hos. 11. 1); (3) the conclusion being that the priests were the guilty cause. **7** Ye offer, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 15. 21). Ap. 92. offer=bring nigh. Heb. *nāgash*. Ap. 43. I. ii. is=it [is]. **8** if ye offer the blind, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 22. 22. Deut. 15. 21). Ap. 92. and sick, is it not=and sick [saying], it is not evil. evil. Heb. *rā’ā’*. Ap. 44. viii. **9** I pray you, &c. Fig. Irony. Ap. 6. GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV. this hath been=his hath come to pass. by your means=at your hands. regard=accept. **10** you. Emph. i. e. you [priests]. offering= a gift-offering. Heb. *minchāh*. Ap. 43. II. iii. **11** For. See the Structure (“J” and “J”, above) for the commentary. Gentiles=nations. heathen=nations, or Gentiles. **12** it=Me. “Me” was the reading in the primitive text; but the *Sopherim* state that they altered ‘ōthī (Me) to ‘ōthō (him, or it) out of a (mistaken) sense of reverence. See Ap. 33. Cp. 3. 9; and Ezek. 13. 19.

1. 1-5 (A¹, p. 1296). NATIONAL ELECTION. (Repeated Alternation.)

A¹ A¹ | 1, 2-. Words of Jehovah to Israel: of His love.
B¹ | -2-. Israel’s answer.
A² | -2, 3. Words of Jehovah to Israel: of His love.
B² | 4-. Edom’s answer.
A³ | -4, 5. Words of Jehovah to Israel: of His love.

1 burden. See note on Isa. 13. 1; and cp. Zech. 9. 1; 12. 1, &c. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. to. Not “concerning”. by=by the hand of. Malachi. Heb.=My messenger, relating to the five messengers in this book: see Ap. 10. (1) Malachi himself (1. 1); (2) the true Priest (2. 7); (3) John the Baptist (3. 1-); (4) the Messiah Himself (3. -1-3); (5) Elijah (4. 5). This last prophecy introduces the great fulfilment of Jehovah’s prophecy by Moses, the first prophet to Israel, in Deut. 18. 15-19. Cp. Acts 3. 18-26; 7. 37.

2 I have loved you. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 7. 8; 10. 15; 33. 3). saith=hath said. Quoted in Rom. 9. 13.

Esau Jacob’s. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for their posterities. Quoted in Rom. 9. 13.

saith the LORD=[is] Jehovah’s oracle.
3 dragons=jackals. Cp. Isa. 13. 22; 34. 13. Jer. 9. 11; 10. 22; 49. 33; 51. 37.

4 impoverished: or, beaten down.

saith=hath said.

the LORD of hosts. This expression occurs twenty-four times in this prophecy, and gives its character to the whole, as in Zechariah. border: or, territory.

wickedness=lawlessness. Heb. *rāshā’*. Ap. 44. x.

1. 6-4. 6 (A², p. 1296). NATIONAL REJECTION. (Extended Alternation.)

A² C | 1. 6-2. 16. Israel’s deeds reproved.
D | 2. 17. Israel’s words reproved.
E | 3. 1-6. Jehovah’s Messenger. Purging all.
C | 3. 7-12. Israel’s deeds reproved.
D | 3. 13-4. 4. Israel’s words reproved.
E | 4. 5, 6. Jehovah’s Messenger. Restoring all.

1. 6-2. 16 (C, above). ISRAEL’S DEEDS REPROVED. (Division.)

C F¹ | 1. 6-14. Priests and People. Ceremonial.
F² | 2. 1-16. Priests and People. Moral.

1. 6-14 (F¹, above). PRIESTS AND PEOPLE. CEREMONIAL. (Alternation.)

F¹ G | H | 6-10. Sinful offerings. Priests.
J | 11. Jehovah will yet be honoured by a pure offering.
G | H | 12-14-. Sinful offerings. People.
J | -14. Jehovah will yet be great among the peoples.

6 A son, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 20. 12), Ap. 92. Note the Fig. Anacœnōsis (Ap. 6). An appeal to opponents as having a common interest. Cp. Isa. 5. 4. Luke 11. 19. Acts 4. 19. 1 Cor. 4. 21; 10. 15; 11. 13, 14. Gal. 4. 21. master. The Heb. accents place the chief pause here, where the statement ends on which the appeal is based. if then I, &c. These two appeals

374 'The °table of °the LORD*⁷ is polluted; and the fruit thereof, even his meat, is contemptible.'

13 Ye said also, °Behold, what a weariness is it! °and ye have °snuffed at °it, °saith °the LORD of hosts; °and ye brought that which was torn, and the lame, and the sick; thus ye brought an¹⁰ offering: °should I accept this of your hand? °saith °the LORD.

14 But cursed be the deceiver, which °hath in his flock a male, and voweth, and sacrificeth unto¹² the LORD* a corrupt thing:

J for I am a great King, °saith °the LORD of hosts, and My name is dreadful among the¹¹ heathen.

F² K¹ L N
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2 And now, O ye °priests, °this commandment is for you.

2 °If ye will not hear, and if ye will not lay it to heart, to give glory unto °My name, °saith °the LORD of hosts,

O I will even °send a curse upon you, and I will °curse your blessings: yea, I have cursed them already, because ye do not lay it to heart.

3 °Behold, I will °corrupt your seed, and spread °dung upon your faces, even the °dung of your solemn °feasts; and one shall take you away with °it.

4 And ye shall know that I have sent this commandment unto you, that My covenant might °be with Levi, °saith °the LORD of hosts.

M 5 °My covenant was with him of life and peace; and °I gave them to him for the fear wherewith he feared Me, and °was afraid before My name.

6 The law of truth was °in his mouth, °and iniquity was not found in his lips: he walked with Me in peace and equity, and did turn many away °from iniquity.

7 For °the priest's lips should keep °knowledge, and °they should seek the law at his mouth: for he is the messenger of °the LORD of hosts.

L N 8 But ye are departed out of the way; ye have caused many to stumble at the law; ye have °corrupted the covenant of Levi, °saith °the LORD of hosts.

O 9 "Therefore have I also made you contemptible and base before all the °People, °according as ye have not kept My ways, but have °been partial °in the law."

K² P¹ 10 °Have we not all one Father? hath not one °GOD created us? why do we deal °treacherously °every man against his brother, by profaning the covenant of our fathers?

11 °Judah hath dealt¹⁰ treacherously, and an abomination is committed in Israel and in Jerusalem; for Judah hath profaned the °holiness of °the LORD °which He loved, and hath married the daughter of a °strange¹⁰ GOD.

table: i.e. the altar.

the LORD* = Jehovah (Ap. 4. II). Heb. *Adonai*. Ap. 4. VIII (2). But this is one of the 134 places which the *Sopherim* say they altered Jehovah to "Adonai".

13 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6).

snuffed = puffed. "Snuffed" is an archaism for "sniffed" — complained by snivelling: i.e. pooh-poohed. it = My altar. See note on v. 12.

should I accept, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 22. 20). Ap. 92.

14 hath. Heb. *yesh*. See note on Lam. 1. 12.

2. 1-16 (F², p. 1297). PRIESTS AND PEOPLE. MORAL. (Division.)

F² K¹ | 1-9. The Priests reproved.
K² | 10-16. The People reproved.

2. 1-9 (K¹, above). THE PRIESTS REPROVED (Introversion and Alternation.)

K¹ | L | N | 1, 2-. Commandment given.
O | -2-4. Punishment threatened.
M | 5-7. Covenant with Levi.
L | N | 8. Commandment disobeyed.
O | 9. Punishment administered.

1 priests. See the Structures, above.

this commandment. As to reformation.

2 If ye will not hear. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 26. 14. Deut. 28. 15). Ap. 92.

My name. See note on Ps. 20. 1.

the LORD of hosts. See note on 1. 4.

saith = hath said.

send a curse = send the curse. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 20). Ap. 92.

curse your blessings. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 28. 2).

3 Behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

corrupt = rebuke; as in 3. 11. Ps. 106. 9. Isa. 17. 13. Heb. *gā'ar*. Occurs fourteen times. Always rendered "rebuke" except here, and Jer. 29. 27 ("reproved").

dung = refuse; always sacrificial. Occ. seven times. feasts. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the sacrifices offered at the feasts.

it: i.e. the refuse.

4 be = continue.

5 My covenant was with him. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 25. 10-13. Deut. 33. 8, 9, 10). Ap. 92.

I gave them, &c.: I gave this "life" and "peace" to him [Levi] as an awe-inspiring, reverend characteristic; because he stood in awe of Me. There seems to be a distinct ref. to Phineas (see the refs. above). But there seems to be a distinct ref. to Levi also (Ex. 32. 26-29), in the first place, at any rate. Heb. *mōrā'* = that which makes awe felt.

was afraid before = abased himself.

6 in his mouth: i.e. for teaching.

and iniquity. Heb. *āval*. Ap. 44. iv.

from iniquity. Heb. *āvah*. Ap. 44. vi.

7 the priest's lips, &c. This was the first duty of the priests, and was more important than their ceremonial duties. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 10. 11. Deut. 17. 11; 33. 10). Ap. 92.

knowledge: i.e. esp. of the law.

they: i.e. the People; according to Deut. 17. 9-11.

8 corrupted = made void.

9 People = peoples: i.e. the tribes.

according as = because, or, in so far as.

been partial = had respect of persons. Cp. Jas. 2. 4.

in = in [administering] the law.

2. 10-16 (K², above). THE PEOPLE REPROVED. (Repeated Alternation.)

K² P¹ | 10, 11. Judah's treachery.
Q¹ | 12. Jehovah's warning.
P² | 13-15-. Judah's treachery.
Q² | -15. Jehovah's warning.
P³ | 16-. Judah's treachery.
Q³ | -16. Jehovah's warning.

10 Have we not all . . . created us? = [Ye say] Have we not, &c., as in v. 14. Fig. *Paræmia*. Ap. 6. See John 8. 33, 39, 41, &c. GOD. Heb. El. Ap. 4. IV.

treacherously: or, faithlessly. Used of faithlessness to the marriage bond. every man. Heb. *'ish*. Ap. 14. II.

11 Judah, &c. See Jer. 3. 7, 8, 20; 5. 11, &c. holiness = Holy Place, or Sanctuary. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

which: i.e. the Sanctuary. strange = foreign: i.e. a woman temple-worshipper of a foreign god.

Q¹ (p. 1298) 374 12 ¹¹ The LORD will cut off the °man that doeth this, °the master and the °scholar, out of the °tabernacles of Jacob, and him that °offereth an °offering unto ² the LORD of hosts.

P² 13 And this have ye done again, covering the altar of ¹¹ the LORD with °tears, with °weeping, and with °crying out, insomuch that He receiveth not the ¹² offering any more, or receiveth it with good will at your hand.

14 Yet ye say, °“Wherefore?” Because ¹¹ the LORD hath been witness between thee and the wife of thy youth, against whom thou hast dealt ¹⁰ treacherously: yet is she thy °companion, and the wife of thy covenant.

15 And did not He °make one? °Yet had He the residue of the °spirit. °And wherefore °one? That he might seek a godly seed.

Q² Therefore °take heed to °your °spirit, and let none deal ¹⁰ treacherously against the wife of his youth.

P³ 16 °For ¹¹ the LORD, the °God of Israel, °saith °that He hateth °putting away: “for one covereth violence °with his garment,” saith ² the LORD of hosts:

Q³ therefore take heed to your ¹⁵ spirit, that ye deal not ¹⁰ treacherously.”

D (p. 1297) 17 Ye have wearied ¹¹ the LORD with your words. Yet ye °say, “Wherein have we wearied Him?” When ye say, °“Every one that doeth °evil is good in the sight of ² the LORD, and he delighteth in them;” or, “Where is the ¹⁶ God of judgment?”

E R (p. 1299) 3 °“Behold, I will send °My messenger, and he shall °prepare the way before Me: and °the Lord, Whom ye seek, shall °suddenly come to His temple, even the messenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in: °behold, He shall come, °saith °the LORD of hosts.

2 But °who may °abide the day of His coming? and who shall stand when He appeareth?

S for he is like a refiner's fire, and like fullers' °sope:

3 And He shall sit as a refiner and purifier of silver: and °He shall purify the sons of Levi, and purge them as gold and silver, that they may °offer unto °the LORD an °offering in righteousness.

4 °Then shall the °offering of Judah and Jerusalem be °pleasant unto ³ the LORD, as in the °days of old, and as in °former years.

R 5 And I will come near to you to judgment; and °I will be a swift witness against °the sorcerers, °and against the °adulterers, °and against °false swearers, °and against those that °oppress the hireling in his wages, the widow, °and °the fatherless, °and that turn

12 man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II.

the master and the scholar = waker and answerer. Referring to the Temple watchers (Ps. 134. 1). tabernacles = tents.

offereth = bringeth near. Heb. *nāgash*, as in 1. 7, 8, 11; 3. 3. Ap. 43. I. ii.

offering = a meal-offering. Heb. *minchāh*. Ap. 43. II. iii.

13 tears . . . weeping . . . crying out: i.e. of the wronged wives and children.

14 Wherefore? Supply the *Ellipsis*: “Wherefore [doth He not accept it]?”

companion = consort, or mate.

15 Modern critics pronounce this as being “a difficult and certainly corrupt passage”; but it is only elliptical. make one? = make [of twain] one flesh? Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 2. 24). Ap. 92.

Yet had He, &c. And therefore could have made more than one wife for Adam. spirit. Heb. *rūach*. Ap. 9.

And wherefore one? = And what [did] that one [Abraham] who [was] seeking a seed of (or from) God? Heb. *zera'* (as in Gen. 21. 12; see note there). The logical *Ellipsis* must be further supplied: “Was Abraham faithless to Sarah and did he ill-treat her when he took an additional wife? How much more ought ye to be faithful to your wives?”

one. Refers to Abraham. See Isa. 51. 2. Ezek. 33. 24. Supply the verb “do”, as in Ecc. 2. 12, and as in Judg. 18. 8, from v. 18. take heed = be watchful over.

your = your own.

16 For, &c. = For [as] hating putting away, hath Jehovah, Israel's God, spoken; and [as hating him that] hath carried violence concealed in his clothing, hath Jehovah Sabaoth spoken, therefore, &c.

God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I. saith = hath said. that He hateth, &c. = I hate.

putting away = divorce. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 24. 1). with his garment. Cp. Pss. 73. 6; 109. 18, 29. Prov. 28. 13. Isa. 30. 1.

17 say = have said. Every one, &c. Some codices read “All who do wrong are”, &c. evil = violence. Heb. *rā'a'*. Ap. 44. viii.

3. 1-6 (E, p. 1297). JEHOVAH'S MESSENGER. PURGING ALL. (Alternation.)

E R | 1, 2-. His coming.

S | -2-4. The Reason. “For”.

R | 5. His coming.

S | 6. The Reason. “For”.

1 Behold, I will send, &c. = Behold Me sending, &c. Quoted in Matt. 11. 10. Mark 1. 2. Luke 1. 76; 7. 27. Not to that then present generation, but to the “generation” of our Lord's day. See note on Matt. 11. 18. This is the answer to the question “Where?” in 2. 17.

My messenger. John the Baptist (Matt. 3. 3; 11. 10. Mark 1. 2, 3. Luke 1. 76; 3. 4; 7. 26, 27. John 1. 23). Cp. Matt. 22. 2, 3. Isa. 40. 3-5.

prepare. By removing obstacles from the way. Cp. Isa. 40. 3; 62. 10.

the Lord. Heb. *hā'Adōn*. Ap. 4. VIII (1). This refers to Messiah. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 23. 20; 33. 14, 16). Ap. 92. suddenly = unexpectedly.

behold Fig. *Asterismos* (Ap. 6), for emphasis. said = hath said.

the LORD of hosts. See note on 1. 4.

2 who may abide . . . ? Cp. Joel 2. 11. Fig. *Erotēsis*. Ap. 6. abide = endure. sope = lye; as in Job 9. 30: i.e. water mixed with the ashes of certain plants containing alkali. Cp. Mark 9. 3. Occurs only here, and Jer. 2. 22. 3 He shall purify. Judgment begins at the house of God. See 1 Pet. 4. 17. offer = bring near.

Heb. *nāgash*, as in 1. 7, 8, 11. Ap. 43. I. ii. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. offering = a gift-offering. Heb. *minchah*. Ap. 43. II. iii. Not the same word as in v. 8. 4 Then. When Jehovah shall have sent His messenger (Messiah), and He is accepted. offering. The 1611 edition of the A.V. reads “offerings”. Same word as in v. 3. pleasant = acceptable. days of old = age-past times. former = ancient. and Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton*. Ap. 6. 5 I will be, &c. Cp. Mic. 1. 2. the sorcerers. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 22. 18. Deut. 18. 10). Ap. 92. adulterers. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 20. 14. Lev. 20. 10). Ap. 92. false swearers =

them that swear to a falsehood. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 6. 3-5; 19. 12). Ap. 92. oppress, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 22. 21. Deut. 24. 14). Ap. 92. the fatherless, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 22. 22 Deut. 14. 29; 16. 11, 14; 24. 17). Ap. 92.

374 aside the stranger *from his right*, ° and ° fear not Me, ° saith ° the LORD of hosts.

S 6 ° For ¶ am ° the LORD, ° I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed.

CTV 7 Even from the days of your fathers ye are gone away from Mine ° ordinances, and have not kept *them*.

W Return unto Me, and I will return unto you," saith ° the LORD of hosts.

U But ye said, 'Wherein shall we return ?

TV 8 Will a ° man ° rob ° God? Yet ye ° have robbed Me. But ye say, 'Wherein ° have we robbed Thee?' In ° tithes and ° offerings.

9 Ye ° are cursed with a curse: for ye have ° robbed Me, *even* ° this whole nation.

W 10 Bring ye ° all the ° tithes into the storehouse, that there may be ° meat in Mine house, and prove Me now herewith, ° saith ° the LORD of hosts, if I will not ° open you the windows of heaven, and ° pour you out a blessing, that *there shall not be room enough to receive it*.

11 And I will rebuke ° the devourer ° for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, ° saith ° the LORD of hosts.

12 And all nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be ° a delightful land, ° saith ° the LORD of hosts.

DX 13 Your words have been ° stout against Me, ° saith ° the LORD. Yet ye say, 'What have we spoken so *much* against Thee?'

14 Ye have said, 'It is vain to serve ° God: and what profit is *it* that we have kept His ° ordinance, and that we have ° walked ° mournfully before ° the LORD of hosts?'

15 ° And now ° we call the proud happy; yea, ° they that work ° wickedness ° are set up; ° yea, *they that* ° tempt ° God are even delivered.'

Y 16 ° Then they that ° feared ° the LORD ° spake often ° one to another: ° and ° the LORD ° hearkened, ° and heard *it*, ° and a book of ° remembrance was written before Him for them that feared ° the LORD, and that ° thought upon His name.

17 And they shall be Mine, ° saith ° the LORD of hosts, in that day when ° ¶ make up

and. See note above.

fear=revere.

6 For, &c. Render, according to the Structure,

a | For ¶ [am] Jehovah;

b | I have not changed;

a | And ye [are] Jacob's sons;

b | Ye have not failed.

I change not. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 23. 19). Ap. 92. Not in Himself, nor in His purpose, to change His dealings on the condition stated.

3. 7-12 (C, p. 1297). ISRAEL'S DEEDS REPROVED. (*Introversion and Alternation*.)

CTV | 7-. Sin. Backsliding.

W | 7-. Command. "Return unto Me." Conditional Promise.

U | 7. Israel's reply. "Wherein?"

T | V | 8, 9. Sin. Defrauding.

W | 10-12. Command. "Prove Me." Conditional Promise.

7 ordinances=statutes. Heb. *hok*. Referring to particular ritual observances. Not the same word as in v. 14.

8 man. Heb. *'ādām*. Ap. 14. I. rob=defraud. A rare word. Occurs only here, vv. 8, 9; and Prov. 22. 23. God. Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.

have robbed=are defrauding. tithes. Ref. to Pent. (Lev. 27. 30-33. Num. 18. 21-32. Deut. 12. 17, &c.; 14. 22-29). Ap. 92.

offerings=heave offerings. Lit., in the tithe and the heave offering. Heb. *t'rūmāh*. Ap. 43. II. viii. Not the same word as in vv. 3, 4; 1. 10, 11, 13; 2. 12, 13.

9 are cursed with a curse. The primitive text read, "ye have cursed Me with a curse". The *Sopherim* say (Ap. 33) that they altered the letter נ (Mem=m) into ן (Nun=n), thus making it passive instead of active, and detaching it from the rest of the sentence. This was done to avoid a supposed irreverence.

this whole nation=the nation, the whole of it.

10 all=the whole; implying that a part had been withheld.

meat=prey: i.e. animals for sacrifice. Not put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for food; but put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), Ap. 6, for sacrificial animals.

open you the windows, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Gen. 7. 11; 8. 2). Ap. 92.

pour you out=empty you out.

11 the devourer=the eater: i.e. the locust. Cp. Joel 1. 4. Amos 4. 9.

for your sakes=for you (the Dative of Reference).

12 a delightful land. Cp. Isa. 62. 4. Dan. 8. 9.

3. 13-4. 4 (D, p. 1297). ISRAEL'S WORDS REPROVED. (*Alternation*.)

D | X | 3. 13-15. The Proud. Incrimination.

Y | 3. 16-18. The Reverers of Jehovah. Remembrance and Blessing.

X | 4. 1. The Proud. Destruction.

Y | 4. 2-4. The Reverers of Jehovah. Blessing and Remembrance.

13 stout=hard, or bold.

14 ordinance=charge. Heb. *mizvāh*. Not the same word as in v. 7. Referring to general religious duties. walked mournfully before=gone off mournfully from the presence of Jehovah of hosts.

now. Cp. 1. 9; 2. 1. . Emphatic. they that work wickedness=the workers of lawlessness.

wickedness=lawlessness. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x. are set up=prosper, or are successful. Lit. are built up. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6, for being prospered. Cp. Job 22. 23. Jer. 12. 16. yea=yea, [they, proud ones]. Marking a climax. tempt=have tempted. Same as "prove" in v. 10; but here in a bad sense, as though to challenge or put to the proof.

16 Then: i.e. when Malachi had spoken thus unto them, and at a time of such apostasy, showing us what is possible and practicable in these like days and "perilous times" which are closing this present Dispensation. feared=revered. spake. As in v. 13. one to another. Each one with his friend.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton*. Ap. 6. hearkened, and heard. As He heard the *groaning* of Israel (Ex. 2. 23, 24); Moses, *without words* (Ex. 14. 15); and Nehemiah (Neh. 2. 4); Hannah, *without words* (1 Sam. 1. 13); Jeremiah, his *breathing* (Lam. 3. 55, 56); Jonah, when *dying* (Jonah 2. 2); the disciples, *their thoughts* (Luke 24. 15, 38).

and a book of remembrance was written. Some codices, with Syr., read "a record was written in a book of remembrance". remembrance. Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 28. 29. Num. 10. 10, the same word). Ap. 92. thought. Precious comfort for those now who cannot speak. We can walk with God (like Enoch, in the darkest days), and think of Him with these God-reverers now, in these similar days.

17 ¶ make up, &c.=I am preparing.

374 °My jewels; and I will spare them, °as a
°man spareth his own son that serveth him.
18 Then shall ye return, and discern between
°the righteous and °the wicked, between him
that serveth °God and him that serveth Him
not.

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4 For, °behold, the day cometh, that shall
burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea,
and °all that do °wickedly, shall be stubble:
and the day that cometh shall burn them up,
°saith °the LORD of hosts, that it shall °leave
them neither root nor branch.

Y 2 But unto you that °fear My name shall the
°Sun °of righteousness arise with healing in
His °wings; and °ye shall go forth, and °grow
up °as calves of the stall.

3 And ye shall tread down °the wicked; for
they shall be ashes under the soles of your
feet °in the day that °I shall do *this*, °saith
°the LORD of hosts.

4 Remember ye °the law of °Moses My
servant, °which I commanded unto him in
Horeb for all Israel, *with* the °statutes and
judgments.

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(p. 1297)

5 °Behold, I will send you °Elijah the pro-
phet before the coming of the great and dread-
ful °day of °the LORD:

6 And he shall turn the heart of the fathers
to the °children, and the heart of the °children
to their fathers, lest I come and smite the
earth with a curse."

My jewels=A peculiar treasure. Heb. *gullāh*=
acquired property; hence the word "peculiar"=one's
own, and "peculate", to appropriate as one's own;
the root being the Latin *pecus*, cattle, of which pro-
perty originally consisted, and this from Sanskrit
paçu, that which is fastened up, the root being
PAK. The Heb. *gullāh* occurs only eight times (Ex.
19. 5. Deut. 7. 6; 14. 2; 26. 18. 1 Chron. 29. 3. Ps.
135. 4. Ecc. 2. 8. Mal. 3. 17). Ref. to Pent. (Ex. 19. 5.
Deut. 7. 6; 14. 2; 26. 18). Ap. 92.

as=according as.

man. Heb. *ish*. Ap. 14. II.

18 the righteous=a righteous one.

the wicked=a lawless one. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

4. 1 behold. Fig. *Asterismos*. Ap. 6.

all that do. Heb.=every one who doeth. But
some eighty codices, with four early printed editions,
Targum, Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "all who
work".

wickedly=lawlessness. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

saith=hath said.

the LORD of hosts. See note on 1. 4.

leave. A *Homonym*. See notes on Gen. 39. 6. Ex.
23. 6.

2 fear=revere. See the Structure "Y" and "Y",
p. 1300.

Sun. Here the word "Sun" is fem., as in Gen. 15. 17.
Jer. 15. 9. Nah. 3. 17, &c.; and is connected with "right-
eousness" (which is also fem.), which Messiah, the
righteous One, alone can bring.

of. In this case "of" would be the Genitive of
Apposition. See Ap. 17. 4.

wings=beams, or rays.

ye. The 1611 edition of the A.V. omits this "ye".

grow up=leap for joy, or frisk.

as=like.

3 the wicked=lawless ones. Heb. *rāshā'*. Ap. 44. x.

in the day. See Ap. 18.

I shall do this=that I am preparing; as in 3. 17.

Ap. 92. Moses My servant. Ref. to Pent. (Num. 12. 7; see note there). Ap. 92. which I com-

manded, &c. Ref. to Pent. (Deut. 1. 6; 4. 10). Ap. 92. statutes and judgments. Ref. to Pent. (Deut.

4. 1. See note there). Ap. 92. 5 Elijah the prophet. Called thus, only here, and in 2 Chron. 21. 12.

Elsewhere, always "Elijah the Tishbite", to indicate his own person; but here "Elijah the prophet" because
had Israel received Messiah, John the Baptist would have been reckoned as Elijah (see notes on Matt.
17. 9-13. Mark 9. 11-13): and, at His last supper, the wine, representing His blood, would have been (as it
will yet be) reckoned as "the blood of the (New) Covenant", as foretold in Jer. 31. 31-34. Heb. 8. 8-13; 10.
15-17; 12. 24). day of the LORD. See note on Isa. 2. 12, 17; 13. 6, &c. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah.

Ap. 4. II. 6 children=sons.

